

## In Brief

### Twenty-four turkeys given away Friday

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Winners have been drawn for the 2023 Turkey Giveaway.

Turkeys are given away each year by participating businesses in Elgin. The giveaway is sponsored by the Elgin Chamber/Community Club. Turkey winners were:

Antelope County Veterinary Clinic — Carol Bauer  
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Deb Warren — Ace Pelster

Precision Repair — Jim Childers  
Hometown Station — Dave Totten  
Total Image Salon & Spa — Randy Mitchell

Town & Country Veterinary Clinic — Ron Schrad  
Sandhill's Hide-A-Way — Jane Schuchardt

Turkeys can be picked up at Dean's Market.

## Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:

Proceedings — Antelope County Board of Commissioners

Proceedings — District #18 Board of Education

Proceedings — Village of Bartlett

Notice — Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District

The Elgin Review is the official legal newspaper for Antelope County, Antelope County Historical Society, Village of Bartlett, Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District, the State of Nebraska, the City of Elgin and Elgin School District #18.

## Weather

The high temperature last week was 66 degrees recorded on Monday and Tuesday, November 13 & 14.

The low during the same period was 21 degrees on Thursday, November 16.

Altogether, 0.57 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
November 13	66	30	.00
November 14	66	29	.00
November 15	65	35	.00
November 16	62	21	.00
November 17	50	29	.00
November 18	65	29	.00
November 19	43	40	.57
Total for last week			0.57
Total for November			0.57
Total precipitation 2023			28.73

## Wolfpack football team to have new look for '24 season

By Dennis Morgan

co-publisher

News from school board meetings often comes from action items, but last week's District #18 board made news from what was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Board member Todd Heithoff shared information from a recent meeting of the Wolfpack committee consisting of EPS and PJCC board members.

He said the committee has come to an agreement on what the new uniforms for the Wolfpack football team would look like for the 2024 season.

If both boards approve the purchase at their December meetings, the Wolfpack will sport a new look next season.

Heithoff said plans are to purchase 30 pairs of black pants with both white and black jerseys. Also, a small number of helmets will have to be replaced.

While helmets are replaced as needed before the start of a new season, pants/jerseys are on a schedule for replacement.

Money to purchase new jerseys and helmets will come from the Wolfpack fund.

On a related matter, Heithoff said discussions continue on the possible formation of a Wolfpack booster club.

Superintendent Mike Brockhaus updated the board on the issue of shot clocks for basketball season. He said there will be a vote taken by the Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) of Class C and D schools to decide whether or not to implement

shot clocks for the 2024-25 basketball season. He said it could cost in excess of \$13,000 to get the necessary clocks/controllers. He said originally it was thought that the shot clock implementation might be 3-4 years down the road, now it could be as early as next year.

Good news is that EPS would not need a new scoreboard, the shot clocks would be installed on top of the backboards.

As far as 'action items', the board did the following:

- Audit — The board approved the 2022/23 audit conducted by Dana F. Cole & Company.

- Purchase — On a unanimous vote (6-0), the board approved the purchase of a six-year math curriculum digital/print materials package. By approving the six-year purchase, Brockhaus said the school district will save \$7,000 annually.

- Agreement — A three-year HVAC service agreement was approved with Rasmussen at a cost of just under \$28,000.

- Summerland — Technological switches which would work with the school's server were purchased from Summerland School District at a cost of \$700 per switch for a total of \$2,800. "This will really push us forward with all our technology needs," the superintendent said.

- Trees — Brockhaus informed the board that a number of dead trees are being removed on the west side of Elgin Field.



Photo submitted

The junior livestock judging team of (l-r) Grady Drueke, Kayton Zwingman, Jayda Chessmore and Haley Parks have qualified for the state FFA convention.

## Elgin FFA livestock judging team qualifies for state

Several Elgin FFA members participated in the District 10 FFA Livestock Judging Event held earlier this month at Ord.

A Junior Team, consisting of Jayda Chessmore (seventh overall), Grady Drueke (14th overall), Kayton Zwingman (18th overall), and Haley Parks (19th overall) were the 3rd overall team and qualified for the state FFA

convention competition in March. There were 197 junior participants and 17 teams.

In the senior division, member Samantha Durre was the fourth overall individual and Jaidyn Schrad was 13th out of 119 competitors.

The girls, along with Callie Heithoff and Chloe Henn were the eighth overall team out of 17 teams.

## NVC says 'no' to Ainsworth joining conference

Addition? Not this year. On Monday morning, members of the Niobrara Valley Conference met Monday to consider adding a school to the conference.

Ainsworth Public School sought to be added to the conference.

According to Superintendent Mike Brockhaus, conference members Monday voted to not add Ainsworth at this time.

Ainsworth, whom the Wolfpack football team has played a home and home series the past two years, would have been the furthest west school in the conference, taking that distinction away from Stuart.

NVC member schools are Summerland, Neligh-Oakdale, St. Mary's, Elkhorn Valley, Santee, Chambers/Wheeler Central, Stuart, Atkinson West Holt, Niobrara-Verdigre, EPPJ, North Central and Boyd County.

## Neligh pharmacist to serve time in prison

Judge orders Charf to pay more than \$573,000 restitution

By Sandy Schroth

court reporter

Danelle Charf, 49, of Neligh, was sentenced Monday, Nov. 20, in federal court in Omaha, for making a false, fictitious, and fraudulent statement in connection with health care services.

Acting United States Attorney Susan Lehr made the announcement Monday afternoon in a press release.

Chief Judge Robert F. Rossiter sentenced Charf to two months' imprisonment. There is no parole in the federal system. After Charf's release from prison, she will begin a three-year term of supervised release. Charf was also ordered to pay \$573,337.53 in restitution to Medicare and Medicaid and was assessed a special assessment of \$100.

According to court documents, Charf was released on conditions of supervision and allowed to self-surrender to the Bureau of Prisons.

Charf previously owned Wanek Pharmacy in Neligh and Tilden Pharmacy in Tilden.

Agents began investigating in the fall of 2020 after receiving a tip. Several current and former employees were inter-

viewed by investigators. Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians who worked at the Wanek and/or Tilden pharmacies reported that Charf was responsible for adjusting orders from suppliers so that brands were commonly unavailable. The witnesses corroborated the complainant's report that the pharmacies were billing for name brand while dispensing generic medications. Employees also reported that Charf was submitting claims for prescriptions where the pharmacy anticipated that the prescription would not be filled by the customer and had not, in fact, been filled.

Investigators then chose some beneficiaries at random to interview and located beneficiaries who had been prescribed a name brand medication but were dispensed a generic. Investigators were able to photograph the medications with name brand prescription labels placed on generic medications.

An invoice review was done, comparing all of the claims submitted to Medicare and Medicaid by Wanek and Tilden pharmacies to how much of the same drugs were ordered by the pharmacies during the same time period. Even excluding claims to private insurance companies, the reconcilia-

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## PJCC One-Act Play team takes second at NVC East competition

Competing in the NVC East One Act Play competition held at Niobrara last week, the Pope John One-Act team placed second. Earning outstanding acting awards were Jack Barlow, Ashlynnne Charf, Tessa Barlow, Ellie Ruterbories, Aiden Klein and Reese Stuhr. The play was directed by teachers Kerri Drueke and Amy Klein.

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**This month**, Antelope Memorial Hospital was recognized as a winner of this year's Performance Leadership Award and Rural Provider Excellence in Quality Award. Pictured (l-r): Merry Sprout, AMH Director of Nursing, Diane Brugger, AMH CEO, and Savannah Henn, AMH Quality Assurance Director, are shown with the awards. The award winners are determined by the results of the Chartis Center for Rural Health's INDEX™ which measures performances of rural hospitals across the country.

## Antelope Memorial Hospital receives double awards for excellence

This month, Antelope Memorial Hospital received both a national and state award for excellence. The hospital was first recognized for the 2023 Performance Leadership Award for excellence in Quality and Patient Perspective as part of the National Rural Health Day celebration.

Compiled by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, the Performance Leadership Award honors top quartile performance (75<sup>th</sup> percentile or above) among rural hospitals across the United States in Quality, Outcome and Patient Perspective. Antelope Memorial Hospital was also recognized by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services as a 2023 Rural Provider Excellence in Quality Award recipient.

This award honors the Top 10 overall performance in quality among Nebraska's 63 Critical Access Hospitals.

It also utilizes the framework of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX to analyze measures of the Medicare Beneficiary Quality Improvement Project for each of the 63 Critical Access Hospitals in Nebraska.

The analysis percentile ranks performance for each facility across nearly two dozen metrics and those facilities with the 10 highest scores are recognized with the Rural Provider Excellence in Quality Award.

"We are thrilled to receive these prestigious awards," said Diane Brugger, CEO of Antelope Memorial Hospital. "The Performance Leadership Award and Rural Provider Excellence in Quality Award are both based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital performance INDEX™. It is the industry's most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural hospital performance. Chartis' INDEX data is trusted and relied upon by rural hospitals, health systems with rural footprints, hospital associations and state offices of rural health across the country to measure and monitor performance across several areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

"These awards truly reflect our commitment to providing a continuum of health care excellence for our patients, added Brugger. We are focused on staying up-to-date with the latest education and healthcare strategies while remaining dedicated to the patient's overall care and best interests. We consider it an honor and privilege to be a part of our patients' health care plan while being in service-to-others. It is truly rewarding."

Antelope Memorial Hospital offers quality medical care

## Charf

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tion showed that Wanek Pharmacy did not have adequate purchases to support claims for 1,032 of the 3,676 drugs reviewed, resulting in a loss of \$369,837.38. Tilden Pharmacy did not have adequate purchases to support their claims for 612 of 1,737 drugs reviewed, resulting in a loss of \$203,500.15.

The case was investigated by the HHS Office of Inspector General and Nebraska Attorney General Office.

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For more information on Phase II Annual Reports or Nitrogen Certification visit the UENRD website at <https://www.uenrd.org/> or contact the UENRD office at 402-336-3867. Phase II reports can be filled out on-line or filled out, printed and returned to the UENRD office. Both versions of the Phase II form are available on the UENRD website. In addition to the continuation of the Phase I and II requirements, Phase III includes a random soil sampling conducted by the UENRD. Those selected for soil sampling for Fall 2023 have already been selected and notified. Soil sampling is underway.

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## Local judge gives Omaha man given more time to pay fine

Austin Bertschinger, 30, of Omaha appeared in front of the Honorable Donna Taylor in the Antelope County courtroom in Neligh on Nov. 15, to explain why he hadn't paid a fine and costs ordered Aug. 2, for a December 2022 crime.

He said he had lost his job. A time-payment warrant had been issued Nov. 8, after he failed to appear in court on Nov. 1. He was arrested Nov. 14 in Lancaster County and transported to Neligh. He posted 10% of a \$1,500 bond. Taylor amended the bond to a \$150 cash bond and applied it to his unpaid balance. She gave him until Jan. 3 to pay the remaining \$300, in addition to a \$2 warrant service fee. She said no bill had been filed for transportation costs.

"You've had every break, making us really struggle to collect," she said. "You have until Jan. 3, if it's not paid, you need to be here (for a show-cause hearing), on your own."

Shane Sleister, 50, of Oakdale failed to appear to appear on an Oakdale public nuisance charge, alleged Feb. 1. Taylor ruled Antelope County Attor-

ney Joe Smith, who is acting as prosecutor for the Village of Oakdale, may request a warrant or ask for the case to be set for trial.

Kegan J. McAllister, 19, of Tilden, faced Taylor for further arraignment on a charge of third-degree domestic assault,

a Class 1 misdemeanor alleged July 6. He pleaded not guilty. Pretrial hearing is set Dec. 6.

Kristopher T. Dorie, 39, of Albion appeared for pretrial hearing on a count of third-degree assault, alleged Aug. 22. Carney requested a continuance. Taylor continued the hearing to Dec. 6.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Discipline isn't easy, but it's worth it

I know that discipline is necessary, but it's not always easy. It's hard to be consistent, to follow through, and it's hard to be the bad guy sometimes. In the end, I know that it's the best thing for my kids, but it would sure be easier if I could just let them do whatever they wanted.

In my opinion, babies are easy. Of course, there are sleepless nights and messy diapers,

but babies don't talk back, they don't tell you "No", and they don't bend the rules or lie. They require a lot of love and snuggles, which I'm happy to do. It's when they become toddlers that the discipline starts. They look at you with that impish grin and run and do something they know they're not supposed to. However, most of the time I didn't struggle with putting

them in timeout or dealing with the temper tantrums.

Kids and teenagers? That's been a whole different ballgame. Each kid is unique so finding what works is the hard part. For our boys, taking away favorite things or electronic time typically works best. Grounding our daughter from her friends is rather effective. Although, every day they grow and change, and I must also adapt my parenting strategy.

I know that kids depend upon stability. So, if one time they're in trouble for something and another time they're not, that creates confusion. They'll test the rules to see how far they can go. They want to understand the boundaries.

If the rules aren't clear or are ever-changing, that can make for a confused child and an onery one at that. Boundaries and consequences help them learn cause and effect. Without those things in place, kids are left to their own devices.

One of the hardest things is making sure my husband and I are on the same page. We're a team, so that means discipline needs to be consistent between the two of us and that's not always the case. I'm usually tougher and he's more lenient. Other times, our roles are reversed.

Overall, we have great kids,

but they aren't perfect. My teenager talks back or rolls his eyes. My daughter gets a little sassy from time to time and my middle loves to argue with me on anything and everything. However, they all know that when I threaten, I mean it. I will follow through and they will be punished. So usually, a stern look or a warning is now all they need to straighten up. It wasn't always that easy, but by being consistent and following through with their punishments, it helped them learn how far they can push mom.

Am I perfect? Absolutely not. I get tired and then a little loose on the follow through. I should never threaten something that I'm not willing to go through with, and most of the time I don't. But I'm human and sometimes I'd rather just sit in peace and quiet than deal with the fallout. I think the point is to keep trying. We need to admit when we fail and then do better the next time. We need to admit that we're imperfect and so are they, and that we're all going to make mistakes.

We all want what is best for our kids and sometimes it's hard to believe that discipline is a good thing. I'm going to work on staying consistent and following through, but also giving myself grace when I don't get it right every time. Discipline isn't easy. It is worth it.

Comments are welcome and can be sent to talesofatiredmamma@gmail.com.

Tales of a Tired Momma



Elgin Columnist Katherine Cobb

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**Thursday, November 23**  
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**Thursday & Friday, November 23-24**  
Thanksgiving Break No school. at Elgin Schools.

**Thursday, November 30**  
Veterans Recognition between Wolf-pack basketball games.\*

**December**  
**Friday, December 1**  
EPS Muffins w/Moms @ 7:30 a.m.

**Monday, December 4**  
Elgin City Council meeting ■ EPS High School Christmas Concert.

**Tuesday, December 5**  
Antelope County Board of Commissioners meeting @ Neligh.

**Thursday, December 7**  
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Looking Back

Sixty Years Ago

November 21, 1963

Nebraska's Cornhuskers, or corn-shucks as the World-Herald described them, squeaked by Oklahoma State last Saturday 20-16 in their bid for the Orange Bowl. Their only stumbling block now is Oklahoma. It appears now that Elgin will be well represented at this game.

Reports around here indicate that at least one, if not two, cougars are roaming the wilds of Cedar Creek. To date all attempts to hunt it down have failed. The cougar is a transplant of the higher mountain country to the west and will often be found where deer is plentiful. Several people in this area have seen the cougar during the past week - Antelope County Agent.

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Fifty Years Ago

November 22, 1973

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USS Sanctuary - Navy Lieutenant (Junior grade) Deanna R. Leifeld, daughter of Mrs. Jerome Leifeld of Petersburg, is serving aboard this hospital ship on a unique goodwill mission. While enroute from San Francisco to its new homeport in Mayport, Fla., the ship will stop for three weeks at both Buenaventura, Columbia and Port au Prince, Haiti. In each port, the ship's doctors, nurses and other medical personnel will work with local medical officials in the care and treatment of patients. A 1968 graduate of Pope John High School and a 1971 graduate of St. Francis School of Nursing, she joined the Navy in September, 1971.

Over 500 4-H members, leaders, parents, and guests attended the annual Antelope County 4-H Achievement held November 17 at the high school auditorium in Neligh. The program opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge, led by Scott Beckman, Rose Ann Marshall and Catherine Johnston. Group singing was led by Dr. John Orr, state 4-H office, Alice Carr, Verona Henn and Rich Johnson. Kathy Jillson and Marcia Wies showed slides and gave a presentation on their trip to the Citizenship Shortcourse held in Washington, D.C., this past summer. Numerous achievement awards were presented.

Thirty Years Ago

December 1, 1993

Third grade students at Elgin Public School recently collected over 200 pounds of canned goods in the Elgin area as a service project in their "Skills for Growing" guidance program. The food

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Serving others on Thanksgiving

As Americans, we're fortunate to live in the greatest country in the history of the world. Thanksgiving provides us an opportunity each year to come together with loved ones to reflect and remember how blessed we are. We express gratitude for the successes of the past year and remember those who, through grit and determination, paved the way for us. We also reflect on the principles and values that have guided us throughout our lives. We have so much for which to be grateful. As Nebraskans, we're blessed to live in a state that values family and faith, liberty and prosperity.

While we enjoy the blessings of liberty in abundance, let's also remember those who are less fortunate. Acts of kindness and charity, whether in the form of a warm meal for a neighbor in need or a donation to a local charity, reflect the true spirit of the season. As usual, Nebraska leads the way with kind, generous people, quick to lend a hand to those in need.

According to Americorps, more than 506,000 Nebraskans formally volunteered 39.2 million hours of service through an organization in 2021. This contributed to \$1.1 billion in economic value to our state. Many families have created new traditions, volunteering as a family at a local food pantry or organizing clothing drives at church.

In addition, 66.4% of Nebraskans informally helped others by exchanging favors with their neighbors, making Nebraska the 2nd best state in the nation for such assistance. Whether that volunteerism is delivering a hot meal for a new mom or salting the icy sidewalk of an elderly neighbor, these acts of service are particularly helpful for the many Nebraskans struggling with stress and sickness this holiday. Sadly, stubbornly high inflation will continue to impact the food on your Thanksgiving table. The cost of russet potatoes is 14% higher than last year. Canned cranberries increased 60%. Canned pumpkins are up 30%. Canned green beans, used to make green bean casserole – a staple dish of the Midwest – are up almost 9%. Sweet potatoes are up 4%. Thankfully, the avian flu (HPAI) that devastated turkey production last year and sent turkey prices soaring has improved. However, too many Nebraskans will still struggle.

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Let's take time for a different view of our holiday this week

So, how about we rethink Thanksgiving? Oh, I don't want to take away the tradition of turkey and football and listening to Uncle Harold's stories about the big war in which he never fought but he does remember what life was like back then. Those are family legend, just like Harold.

CAPITOL VIEW  
Nebraska Press Association



Statehouse Correspondent

J.L. Schmidt

I'm not going to disrespect the traditional gathering, or what we learned in school about the Native Americans and the Pilgrims getting together to eat and drink and talk about western expansion and what kind of corn grows best.

We don't want to stop laying a child's hand flat on brown construction paper and tracing it to create a long-necked turkey with four feathers. (Try to remember how to draw a cornucopia with the proper array of squash and root vegetables spilling out.)

Or, perhaps let's leave all that alone and just enjoy the day.

Go ahead and celebrate Thanksgiving if you like. But what about attitude? Can we change our mindset to "Giving Thanks?" Yep, same two words, different order. Thanks Giving should be all about Giving Thanks.

Yes, the world is a mess with wars and rumors of war. Homelessness continues, border struggles distract us. The seething dissension of political division and derision continues.

You can't trust the talking heads. Where are they getting their information?

Some days you just want to go back to bed.

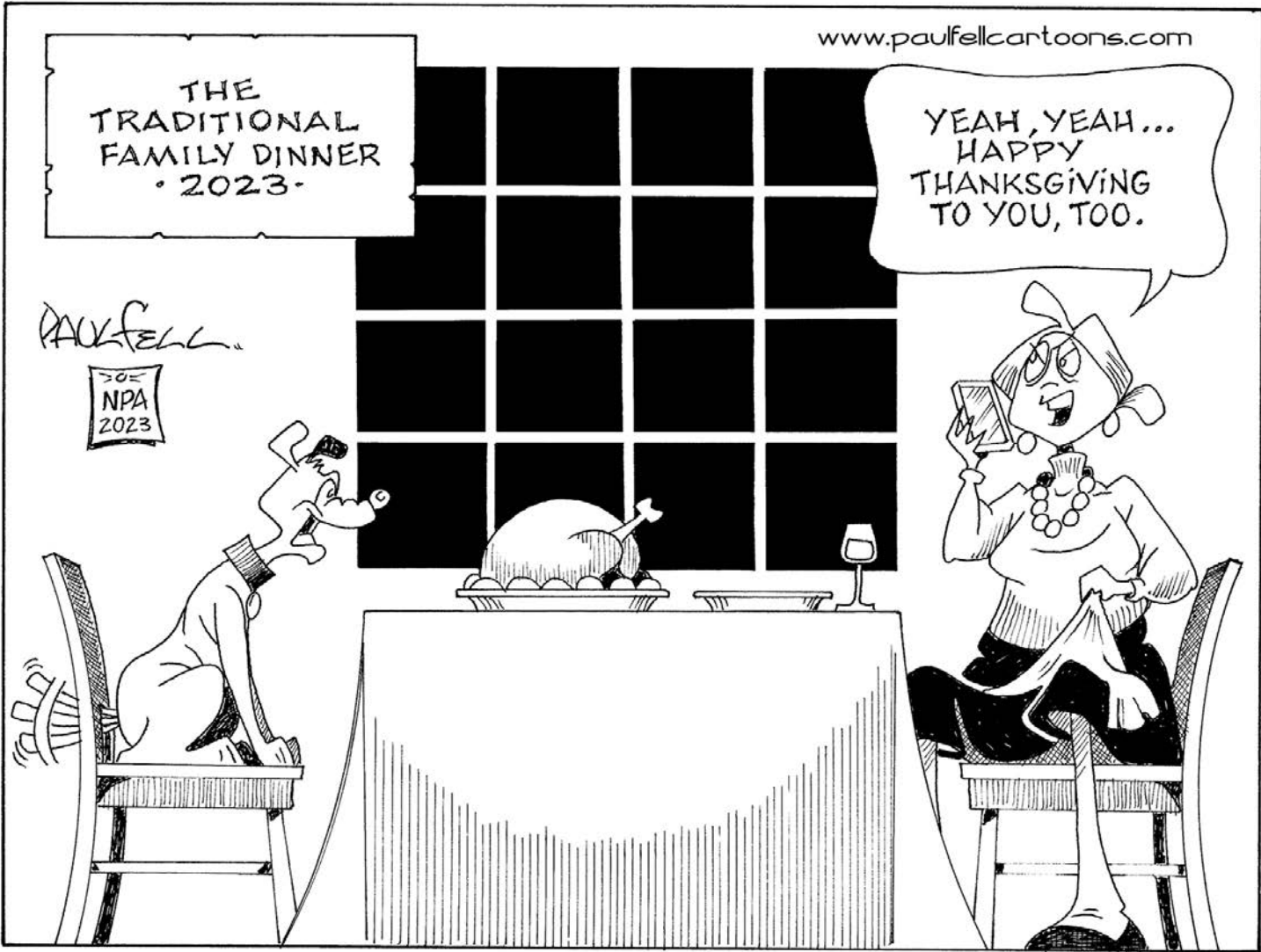
But stop and look around you at the things—but more importantly the people—who are around you.

You've been meaning to thank your neighbor for sweeping your walk that day it was too cold or too early or too dark.

Yes, I know. You were going to take him or her to coffee or get a gift card. Have you? Will you?

How about the dog walker who takes the time to pick up after their animal. Watch for them. Thank them. Give the dog a treat.

Maybe tackle a tough one: If you disagree with someone on an issue, offer to go to a forum with them to hear their story.



Then listen and invite them to come hear your side. Then discuss. If you can't find common ground, agree to respectfully disagree. The learning process will be beneficial.

Who knows? You just might make a new friend.

Don't forget to thank them. The following points about being thankful are worth pondering. They attributed to the Halcyon Movement:

Did you know that gratitude changes the neural structures in the brain to make us feel happier and more content?

Did you know that gratitude has been proven to reduce toxic aggression, frustration, and regret even after receiving negative feedback?

Did you know that the benefits associated with gratitude include better sleep, more exercise, reduced symptoms of physical pain, lower levels of inflammation, and lower blood pressure?

Did you know that the renowned

Roman philosopher Cicero called gratitude "not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others"? Give thanks. Be a change agent. Celebrate.

Working towards fiscal health

FROM THE HILL



Congressman  
Adrian Smith

This week I supported a one-year extension of current Farm Bill programs. While a conventional 5-year reauthorization of the Farm Bill is preferable, many of these critical programs lapsed September 30th. The current lapse shouldn't affect 2023 crops, but a one-year extension was necessary to prevent reverting back to pre-1930s farm policy as we begin 2024. I'm pleased Congress has acted to ensure American producers will have another year of certainty as they work to put food on our table and fuel in our cars – and now the Agriculture Committees in the House and Senate can finish their work on a new and improved Farm Bill without putting agriculture producers in an impossible position.

Crop insurance, in terms of funding, is a small portion

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ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

Making a stand for Nebraska's children

By Mike Hilgers

attorney general, State of Nebraska

As Attorney General, one of my most solemn obligations is to protect Nebraska's children from those who prey upon them. And as a dad with four school-aged children, I know firsthand the challenges of being a parent in today's age. Unfortunately, reckless and predatory companies exist that target children and would do them harm. We won't stand by and let that happen; our office is leading the fight to protect our communities and our children with two important lawsuits.

In the first lawsuit, Nebraska sued Meta, the company that owns Facebook and Instagram, for recklessly targeting children, addicting them to its platforms, and misleading parents. Parents around the state are trying to make the best decisions they can for their kids. And when it comes to social media, those decisions can be difficult, especially as the harms these platforms cause children are often insidious and not always obvious.

Parents are entitled to truthful and accurate information about the harms social media plat-

forms can cause their children and reasonably expect companies to not mislead them or lie about the risks of using their products.

It turns out that Meta's internal data and documents show serious harms caused by using its products. For example, Meta has long known that use of its social media platforms, particularly for young girls, is causally correlated with increased mental health issues, including depression, anxiety, suicidal ideation, and body dysmorphia issues.

Given the risk of harm, you would expect Meta to address its harmful effects or at least inform parents to help them in their effort to protect their kids. Did it do that? No. Instead of protecting kids, Meta targeted them, crafting their algorithms in a way to hook the "valuable and untapped" youth market.

And did Meta come clean and tell parents of the risks, at least giving them the opportunity to make informed decisions for their children's wellbeing? Again, the sad answer is "no." Meta misled and deceived parents, arguing that Instagram was positive for kids while suppressing data Meta had that showed otherwise. Millions of American

children and over a hundred thousand Nebraska kids have been exposed to and targeted by Meta, causing untold current and future mental harm.

Meta should be ashamed. Thankfully, our office has stronger tools than public shaming, and we joined over 40 other states in filing a suit against Meta to enforce our consumer protection laws and protect Nebraska children.

Sadly, Meta is not the only company in Nebraska targeting kids. Our office led a multi-month investigation into stores around the state selling THC-based products such as Delta-8. Our office tested over 100 products, and what we found is very troubling. Nearly 85% of those products had inaccurate labeling. These products contained mold, acids, heavy metals, and a whole host of unidentifiable and untested chemicals.

And these stores targeted kids. We found copycat products of popular snacks and candies that were designed to imitate and pass off as brands that kids know and love, such as Nerds® candies and Frito-Lay® chips. These infringing and counterfeit products look nearly identical to the safe-to-eat snacks and candies but instead contain high levels of THC.

These companies are reckless and endanger children in a way that should cause deep concern in our community. As little as 2.5mg of THC can send a child under the age of three to the hospital. Our testing found products that had hundreds of milligrams of THC. Delta-8 has been associated with deaths around the country, and our office has received reports around the state from children who have been hospitalized by eating these dangerous products.

This is outrageous, and our office is taking action. We filed an unprecedented series of lawsuits across the state to shut down this activity, and we issued a consumer alert informing Nebraskans—and parents in particular—of the dangers these products pose to them and their kids.

The vast majority of members of our community care for and want the best for our kids. Unfortunately, some companies do not share the same goal and would recklessly put children in harm's way just to make an extra buck.

In Nebraska, we are fighting back. The full weight of the Attorney General's Office will be leveled against companies that put our kids in harm's way.

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## Pillen names Meyer to fill District #41 seat

Last week, Governor Jim Pillen announced his appointment of Fred Meyer to serve as the representative for District 41 in the Nebraska Legislature. He will fill the seat and complete the term of Senator Tom Briese, who was appointed by Gov. Pillen as state treasurer. The seat for District 41 has been vacant since Oct. 31.

“Fred has strong community ties and possesses a public servant mentality,” said Gov. Pillen. “He has held positions on many ag and economic development groups. He served on the St. Paul Board of Education and also the State Board of Education where he was elected to two terms following his appointment. Fred will do an excellent job representing the constituents of District 41.”

Secretary of State Bob Evnen administered the oath of office to the newly appointed senator following his remarks. Senator Meyer thanked former Senator Briese, saying it was a privilege to complete the former senator's term, which will continue through 2024.

Senator Meyer will only serve the remainder of Senator Briese's term.

He does not intend to run for election to that seat in 2025.

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## Smith

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of the Farm Bill; however, its renewal is one of the most important provisions to Nebraska's producers. Because of the investment protections farmers opt into with their crop insurance premiums, we're able to avoid ad hoc disaster payments, ultimately saving taxpayer dollars while providing farmers an important safety net.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, in the Nutrition title of the Farm Bill accounts for 80 percent of its cost. As we continue to consider reforms to SNAP, I'm optimistic we can build on legislation we enacted earlier this year to minimize fraud and ensure these programs help Americans most in need.

Modernization and the opportunities available through the advancements of precision agriculture are also an important component of the Farm Bill. Spurring innovation while ensuring farm data is protected is critical to maintaining a level playing field for farmers and ranchers.

This week the House also passed legislation to prevent an omnibus spending bill while keeping the government open by continuing current spending levels for four of the twelve annual appropriations bills until Jan. 19, 2024. The remaining eight bills are funded at current levels through February 2, 2024, giving the House and Senate more time to responsibly cut spending and ensure significant spending decisions are not forced at the last minute with minimal accountability.

Washington must curb its spending addiction, and the federal government must continue working while Congress comes to an agreement on how best to fund our priorities. A shutdown exacerbates backlogs and wait lines at federal agencies and can cause gaps in services Americans rely on.

We can no longer dismiss the need to address our spending problem and continue down this dangerous fiscal path. In order to make meaningful change, we can't kid ourselves that this

can be easily fixed through minor adjustments to annual discretionary spending. What's known as mandatory spending is the biggest driver of our debt, and this cannot be remedied overnight.

As Moody's Investors Service has placed the United States credit rating on downgrade watch and the national debt of the U.S. now exceeds \$33.6 trillion, we need to aggressively look at the drivers of our debt. This is why I support legislation to create a bipartisan debt commission which would focus on the underlying fiscal problems and solutions to bring America back to fiscal health.

Despite the difficult task of changing how Washington does business, Congress has a responsibility to maintain key policy programs, prudently fund the government, and do what is best for the American people. Just as American households have to balance their budgets, Congress must also. I'm glad we're finally taking steps in that direction.

## Ricketts

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gle to afford these inflated costs. I encourage every Nebraskan who can join me in giving back however possible. This year, I will join Open Door Mission in Omaha and People's City Mission in Lincoln to serve hot meals to the homeless and hungry.

This Thanksgiving, let's take time to remember what makes our great state and nation so exceptional. Let's rededicate ourselves to serving our neighbor and those who are less fortunate than us. I am profoundly grateful to have the honor and privilege of serving the people of Nebraska in the United States Senate. Working together, we can ensure that this great legacy of service is passed down to those who will come after us.

## Community Center Menus

**Monday, November 27:** Baked chicken breast, stuffing, peas, apricots, milk.

**Tuesday, November 28:** Beef & noodle soup, cheese/crackers, carrots/celery, tropical fruit, milk.

**Wednesday, November 29:** Porcupine meatballs, hash browns, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, milk.

**Thursday, November 30:** Liver & onions OR ham, baked potato, peas/carrots, pineapple, milk.

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MELINA KIEFER

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God will destroy sheep that harm weaker sheep.

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Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Ephesians 1:15-23      Matthew 25:31-46      Psalm 100

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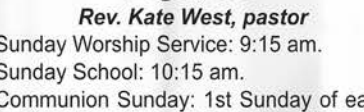
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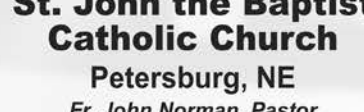
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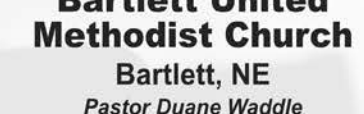
Sunday Worship Service: 9:15 am.  
Sunday School: 10:15 am.  
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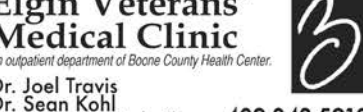
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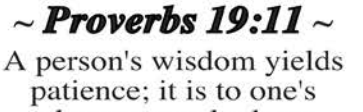
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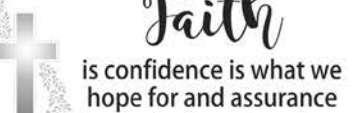
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## ALL BY MYSELF

by Robert Scott

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## Spinning Tales

Forget football, Thanksgiving is about our St. Boniface Bazaar

It's late November and I should really remember how these are the days of Thanksgiving and preparation for what December brings.

Since arriving here 17 years ago I've never ceased to be amazed at how this community comes together for the St. Boniface Thanksgiving Bazaar.

Observing its 99th year of feeding all who are hungry this Thursday, the event has made news every year.

Today, I look forward to the bazaar, taking my turn serving up meals alongside friends of mine. But, I must admit, the bazaar was something I had to grow into.

For those of you born and raised here, it's been one of the few constants in your lives. As a member of the parish, you knew that on the fourth Thursday in November you would spend part of your day, maybe all of your day, in the gymnasium performing one of many tasks.

For Lynell and I, Thanksgiving meant gathering with family if they were close by, or celebrating with good friends. When we lived in southwest Nebraska, the holiday was a one-day affair then it was back to work on Friday, such were the nature of our jobs (mine at the newspaper office, hers as a postal clerk). The day began with wine, then came the feast followed by rest in front of some football game on television, then in the late afternoon a trip to the tree farm to cut down a Christmas tree, followed by eating leftovers.

The routine here has changed quite a bit from those days years ago. Not better, not worse, just different.

The first year we attended the bazaar, we had no assigned

duties as we were new to Elgin. I remember seeing the lines of people and wondered to myself why aren't they spending time with their families. It didn't take long to find the answer.

The answer was that these people here were family. For many, this is their tradition on Thanksgiving.

Since that first year, we've come to feel like this is now our family, a fellowship family.

Older parish members with bazaar knowledge, sharing with younger members how things are done. I suspect the people who developed this event in the early years could walk in and taste the food and say it's just like when they made it years ago.

Every food item is handmade, well almost. Table full of pies, roasters full of turkey and sausage, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, etc. People (some, not all) get up before the crack of dawn to do their task, there's just so much to do and it all gets done.

Myself, I always look forward to the stuffing, the sausage and the corn. Oh, the turkey is fine, I just prefer the sausage more. And, I always pre-order sausage so I can enjoy some throughout the year.

We always used to look forward to meeting new people at the tables where we would eat our meal. I'd look around and see entire families seated together enjoying the feast.

From one generation to the next, it seems this is all they have ever known, a tradition passed down from decade to decade.

Things have changed mightily from those first years for us here in Elgin. Covid changed the bazaar, but thankfully

did not end it. Take-out meals replaced sit-down meals. This year people will have the option for take-out or to enjoy the meal in the gym. I'm curious to see how that plays out.

Next year will mark 100 years for the bazaar. It has become woven in the fabric of who and what we are as a community. We're glad to be part of the bazaar's past and present and, hopefully well into the future. Only time will tell how long our community will be known for this long-standing tradition of Thanksgiving.

### SPINNING TALES



Publisher

Dennis Morgan

## Starman, Mahnke win money in ER Football Contest

Phil Starman missed just two games to claim the top spot in the Elgin Review Football Contest this week.

He will receive the top prize of \$20 in Elgin Bucks.

Five contestants tied for the runner-up spot, each missing four games. They and their tiebreaker guesses were Duane Hoefer 525, Gale Mahnke 603, Fr. Ross Burkhalter 600 and Jack Stoltz 573. The combined total yards between Nebraska and Wisconsin came to 680. Mahnke will receive the \$10

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## UPPER ELKHORN NRD GROUNDWATER IRRIGATED ACRE TRANSFER PERIOD RUNS NOVEMBER 1, 2023–MARCH 1, 2024

The Upper Elkhorn NRD will be accepting requests for the transfer of groundwater irrigated acres from November 1, 2023 through March 1, 2024. There is a **\$50 application fee** for landowners who would like to make an appointment and review a possible transfer. The Transfer Agreement, transfer procedures and support information can be found on the UENRD website at [www.uenrd.org](http://www.uenrd.org). We are encouraging anyone interested in signing up for a Transfer to go through the information on the website first before making an appointment.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact the office at 402-336-3867.

**Upper Elkhorn**  
Natural Resources District

## Boone County Health Center

### OUT-PATIENT CLINIC SCHEDULE



**Dec.  
2023**

**723 West Fairview  
Albion, NE 68620  
[www.boonecohealth.org](http://www.boonecohealth.org)  
(402) 395-3180**

Allergy	Dr. Kinberg	Dec. 18 <sup>th</sup>
Aesthetics Services	S. Henry PA	Dec. 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Audiology	Dr. Foss	Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>
Behavioral Health (Telehealth)		Call for appt.
Bryan Heart Institute	Dr. Tessendorf/Dr. Pacini	Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>
Endocrinology	Dr. Brau/Dr. Al Zaghal	Dec. 11 <sup>th</sup>
General Surgery	Dr. Schneider/Dr. Luebbe	Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>
Heartland Radiology		Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 18 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>
Nephrology (Telehealth)	Dr. Weitzmann	Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>
Neurosurgery	Dr. Bixenmann	Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>
Norfolk Cardiology	Dr. Hartzell/Dr. Rome	Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup>
OB-GYN	Dr. Albin	Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>
Orthopedics	Dr. Rickert/Dr. Ochs	Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>
Otolaryngology	Dr. Jazwick/Amber Citta	Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>
Otolaryngology	Dr. Bliss	Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>
Physical Medicine & Rehab	Dr. Kaner	Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup>
Podiatry	Dr. Borer	Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>
Pulmonology	Dr. Stritt	Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup>
Urology	Dr. Hill/Dr. Davies	Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>
Wound	Dr. Kohl/Candance Schnoor	Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>



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**TRACTORS:** 2013 John Deere 6115 M FWA partial power shift w/left hand reverser, 550 actual hours., bought new, like new. 2016 B-2650 Kubota 3cyl. diesel, 3 pt. tractor FWA



with Kubota LA 534 loader with 52" snow bucket, 209.3 hours, bought new, like new.



**MACHINERY:** 24" Kinze 2100 bean planter, Kinze KM 3000 w/monitor, set up for no till,

16 rows, 18" spacing - radial bean units. John Deere 640 5-bar side delivery rake, front tire. Kelly Ryan 4'x7' feeder wagon.

**LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT:** 80 20' 6-bar continuous fence (seconds) new, 20 10" portable panels - new, 10 20' free-standing panels - new.

**MISC:** Good used pivot tires 24", Winco 20,000 W PTO generator on cart, acetylene torch.

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## CATCHING FIRE

# 2023-24 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

### WRESTLING

#### BOYS VARSITY

Dec. 2 @Howells-Dodge (Howells) 9:30  
Dec. 8 @ Sargent 11:00  
**Dec. 16 @ EPPJ (Pope John) 9:30**  
Jan. 5 @ Burwell 11:30  
Jan. 6 @ Summerland 10:00  
Jan. 12 @ SEM (Sumner) 12:00  
Jan. 13 @ Sandhills-Thedford (Dunning) 10:00  
Jan. 18 NVC Wrestling @ North Central (Springview) 5:00  
Jan. 20 @ Neligh-Oakdale (Neligh) 10:00  
Jan. 23 Tri @ Summerland 6:00  
Jan. 26 @ Central Valley (Greeley) 11:00  
Feb. 10 Districts @ Pleasanton TBA  
Feb. 15-17 State @ Omaha TBA

#### JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING

##### REMAINING SCHEDULE...

Nov. 27 @ Neligh-Oakdale (Neligh) 4:30  
Nov. 28 @ Battle Creek 3:30

### GIRLS VARSITY

Dec. 2 @ O'Neill 9:30  
Dec. 9 @ Wood River 10:00  
**Dec. 15 @ EPPJ (Pope John) 4:00**  
Dec. 18 @ Summerland 2:00  
Jan. 4 @ Norm Manstedt Inv. (Columbus) 8:00  
Jan. 12 @ Ord 11:00  
Jan. 15 @ Battle Creek 11:00  
Jan. 19 @ Neligh-Oakdale (Neligh) 4:30  
Jan. 23 Tri @ Summerland 6:00  
Jan. 27 @ Amherst 9:30  
Feb. 2 Subdistricts @ West Holt TBA  
Feb. 9-10 Districts @ York TBA  
Feb. 15-17 State @ Omaha TBA

Nov. 22-24 Thanksgiving Break • NO SCHOOL  
Nov. 23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!  
Nov. 27 District One Acts @ Newman Grove  
• PJ/SB Book Fair Week  
Dec. 1 Muffins for Moms (EPS) • SB  
Grandparents Day

### BASKETBALL

#### GIRLS & BOYS VARSITY

**Nov. 30 vs Riverside (EPS) 4:00**  
Dec. 1 @ Niobrara-Verdigre (Niobrara) 4:00  
Dec. 5 @ Neligh-Oakdale (Neligh) 4:00  
**Dec. 8 vs Plainview (PJ) 4:00**  
**Dec. 9 vs Wausa (EPS) 2:00**  
Dec. 12 @ Elkhorn Valley 4:00  
Dec. 16 @ Boyd County (Spencer) 1:30  
Dec. 18 @ Creighton 4:00  
Dec. 28-29 Holiday Tourney @ Madison 11:00 start  
Jan. 4 @ St. Mary's (G) 6:15  
**Jan. 6 vs Bloomfield (EPS) 2:00**  
**Jan. 9 vs Fullerton (PJ) 4:00**

Dec. 4 EPS HS Christmas Concert  
Dec. 6 State One Acts  
Dec. 7 EPS Elementary Christmas Concert  
Dec. 10 CCPJ Breakfast  
Dec. 13 Bloodmobile, 9 am • Santa in Elgin  
Christmas Parade

Jan. 12 @ Stuart 4:00  
**Jan. 13 vs Winside (PJ) 2:00**  
Jan. 19 @ West Holt 4:30  
Jan. 23 @ Central Valley 4:00  
**Jan. 25 vs Humphrey-Lindsay HF (EPS) 4:00**  
Jan. 27-Feb. 3 NVC Tourney @ TBA TBA  
**Feb. 6 vs CWC (PJ) 4:00**  
**Feb. 8 vs Summerland (EPS) 4:00**  
Feb. 12, 13, 15 Girls Subdistricts TBA  
Feb. 16 @ St. Mary's (B) 6:15  
Feb. 19, 20 & 22 Boys Subdistricts @ TBA TBA  
Feb. 23 Girls Districts @ TBA TBA  
Feb. 24 Boys Districts @ TBA TBA

Dec. 20 PJ/SB Christmas Concert  
Dec. 21 Elgin schools, 1 pm dismissals  
Dec. 22 - Jan. 3 Christmas Break for EPS students  
Dec. 22 - Jan. 4 Christmas Break for PJ/SB students

Feb. 29-March 2..Girls State @ Lincoln TBA  
March 7-9 Boys State @ Lincoln TBA

### GIRLS & BOYS JUNIOR HIGH

**Nov. 28 vs HHS-LHF (G) (EPS) 4:00**  
**Dec. 7 vs Neligh-Oakdale (G) (PJ) 4:00**  
Dec. 11 @ Niobrara-Verdigre (Niobrara) 4:00  
**Dec. 14 vs Elkhorn Valley (G) (EPS) 3:30**  
Jan. 4 @ St. Mary's (G) 4:00  
Jan. 11 @ Summerland 4:00  
Jan. 15 @ Elkhorn Valley (B) 4:00  
Jan. 16 @ Riverside 2:00  
**Jan. 18 vs Osmond (G) (PJ) 3:00**  
**Jan. 22 vs Plainview (B) (EPS) 4:00**  
Jan. 26 Tourney @ Elkhorn Valley (B) 4:00  
**Feb. 5 vs CWC (PJ) 3:30**  
**Feb. 13 vs. Neligh-Oakdale (B) (EPS) 4:00**  
Feb. 16 @ St. Mary's (B) 4:00

#### HOME GAMES IN BOLD

### GOOD LUCK TEAMS

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## Proceedings from the Tuesday, November 14, 2023 meeting District #18 Board of Education

### ELGIN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD Regular Meeting EPS Board Room

**November 14, 2023 6:30 p.m.**  
President Lisa Welding called the regular November Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Board members present were Eric Beckman, Luke Hinkle, Ron Bode, Steve Busted, Todd Heithoff and Lisa Welding. Also present was Superintendent Mike Brockhaus.  
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 complied with Meeting Notice Policy #204.07. Posting was done on the High School building window and post office bulletin board.  
Luke Hinkle motioned and Todd Heithoff 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.  
Appears, Maintenance, \$504.10; Beckman Lumber, Instru Expense, \$265.10; Black Hills Energy, Maintenance, \$1,354.08; Bomgaars, Maintenance, \$157.92; Central NE Rehab, SpEd Expense, \$1,191.13, SpEd Expense, \$2,158.86; CEV Multimedia, LLC, Instru Expense, \$1,500.00; City of Elgin, Maintenance, \$3,851.03; COR Therapeutic, Title IV Expense, \$3,150.00; Cordell's ATV Repair, Maintenance, \$33.75; Corner Service & Tire, Transportation, \$275.30; DakTech, ESSER III, \$10,099.00; Dana Cole & Co., Business Expense, \$2,240.00; Dean's Market, Maintenance, \$75.96, Instru Expense, \$35.74;

Eakes, Maintenance, \$645.45; ESU #7, Instru Expense, \$80.00, Title IIA Expense, \$20.00; ESU #8, SpEd Expense, \$44,908.20, Instru Expense, \$548.50, Instru Expense, \$500.00, Instru Expense, \$1,428.78; Elgin Hardware, Maintenance, \$473.12, Instru Expense, \$140.30; Elgin One Stop, Transportation, \$1,359.06; Elgin Review, Board Expense, \$69.39; Elite Office Products, Business Expense, \$621.70; Elkhorn RPPD, Maintenance, \$2,851.71; Environmental Services, Maintenance, \$297.04; Floor Maintenance & Supply, Maintenance, \$350.46; GP Communications, Business Expense, \$396.39; Growing Leaders, Instru Expense, \$638.90; Graham Tire, Transportation, \$2,342.59; HF Group, Business Expense, \$96.50; Hometown Station, Transportation, \$2,142.43; Insight Enterprises (8 to Great), Instru Expense, \$358.00; Iburg, Sherri, SpEd Expense, \$125.76; Island Supply, Instru Expense, \$109.12; Jonny Dodge, Transportation, \$2,046.68; JourneyEd, ESSER III, \$1,492.14; Kayton International, Maintenance, \$77.14; Koizan Enterprises, Maintenance, \$589.03; K&T Central Plains Plumbing, Maintenance, \$304.81 MARC, Maintenance, \$888.80; MSM, SpEd Expense, \$219.17, SpEd Expense, \$221.74; Murray, Dennis, Maintenance, \$90.53; Olson's Pest Technicians, Maintenance, \$161.40; One Source Background, Business Expense, \$78.50; Overland Rehab, SpEd Expense, \$1,259.65, SpEd Expense, \$609.64; Precision Repair, Transportation, \$79.60; Principal Life Insurance Co., Business Expense, \$89.69; Protex Central, Maintenance, \$750.00; Schneider, Jill, SpEd Expense, \$131.00; School Specialty, Instru Expense, \$295.19,

High Ability Learners, \$399.00; TMS, Business Expense, \$69.00; Turnitin, Instru Expense, \$1,680.00; US Bank, \$2,233.27; Veik, Meghan, SpEd Expense, \$55.02; Verizon Business, Business Expense, \$290.36; Verizon Wireless, Business Expense, \$240.97; Wage-Works, Instru Expense, \$155.00; Wells Fargo, \$43.70; Wemhoff, Ron, Business Expense, \$355.91; Winners' Circle, Business Expense, \$48.90; Y&Y Lawn Service, Maintenance, \$330.00  
Total Board Bills: \$102,681.21  
Payroll: \$257,681.67  
Total Board Bills/ Payroll: \$360,362.88  
President Welding recognized visitors and asked if the patrons had any comments.  
In committee reports, negotiations committee met with the teachers twice so far and the Wolf-pack co-op met this month. They discussed the uniform rotation. The football uniforms are up for replacement they will be ordered at the beginning of the year. The gym rotation was also discussed.  
Todd and Lisa met with Mr. Brockhaus to go over his yearly evaluation as per Policy #302.05. Negotiations committee will follow up with him and in December we will go over his contract.  
In the absence of Principal Wemhoff, Mr. Brockhaus gave a summary of the fall activities and upcoming winter activities.  
In the Supt. report, Mr. Brockhaus reported on an update on the Niobrara Valley Conference and possibly Ainsworth being added. Gave a reminder on the possibility of shot clocks for basketball. He also reviewed the board goals and

reminded everyone in December we will go over the Board members self-evaluation. Also discussed needing to remove 3 or 4 trees down around the football field.  
In action items, Todd Heithoff motioned and Ron Bode second to accept the 2022-23 audit by Dana F. Cole & Company.  
Vote 6-0, motion carried.  
Ron Bode motioned and Eric Beckman seconded to approve 6 year Math Curriculum Digital/Print Materials purchase from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company \$27,382.32. Vote 6-0, motion carried.  
Steve Busted motioned and Eric Beckman seconded to approve a 3 year HVAC service agreement with Rasmussen's. 1st year for \$9,010.00, 2nd year for \$9,281.00, and 3rd year for \$9,551.00. Vote 6-0, motion carried.  
Heithoff motioned and Hinkle seconded to approve purchase of four technological switches from Summerland School for \$2,800.00. Vote 6-0, motion carried.  
The next regular board meeting will be on Wed. December 13, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the EPS Board Room.  
Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bode and seconded by Busted. Vote taken was 6-0, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted.  
Ron Bode, Secretary  
Jessica Niewohner, Recorder  
-This is a draft copy and does not become official Elgin Public Board minutes until approved at the next regular or advertised meeting.  
PUBLISH: November 22, 2023  
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## Proceedings from the Tuesday, November 14, 2023 meeting Antelope County Board of Commissioners

**ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Neligh, Nebraska  
November 14th, 2023**  
Chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.  
Approved agenda. Approved minutes of the November 7th, 2023, BOC Meeting and November 7th, 2023 BOE Meeting.  
Correspondence was reviewed. Reports were reviewed: Sheriff's Fee Report and Treasurer's sweep account report.  
Review of Claims. Approved payroll.  
Approved vendor claims.  
General: AMERICAN LEGION POST 172 ex 256.63; AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP ins 19,718.63; ANTELOPE CO COURT ex 207.00; ANTELOPE CO TREAS ex 126.24; AMH ex 343.00; APEX THERAPY SVC ex 955.00; APPEARA ex 71.12; APPLIED CONN TECH ex 5,010.54; MIKAYLA ARMITAGE ex 104.50; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 134.13; BCBS ins 64,948.34; BOB BARKER CO ex 89.98; OLTJENBRUNS INC, DBA BODY WORKS ex 591.49; BOMGAARS ex 23.98; CARNEY LAW ex 7,607.00; CA-SEYS ex 75.39; CITY OF NELIGH ut 1,629.90; CITY OF NELIGH-RECY ut 1,000.00; CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS ut 155.81; CLERK OF THE DIST COURT ex 73.00; COLDTYPE PUBLISHING ex 1,166.66; JUDITH COLE ps 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE/ACCIDENT INS ins 100.88; THE CORNHUSKER HOTEL ex 330.75; CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES ex 428.00; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SVCS garn 409.86; CUBBYS ex 2,408.43; WENDY CUTTING ex 38.75; DAS STATE ACCTG ex 1,095.35; DE-TECTACHEM ex 492.50; DUSTYS ex 697.19; EGLEY, FULLNER, MON-

TAG, MORLAND & E ex 303.66; ELGIN ONE STOP ex 123.03; ELGIN REVIEW ex 335.37; ELITE OFFICE PRODS ex 409.99; FED W/H tax 12,092.77; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 6,285.90; GOVERNMENT FORMS/SUPPLIES ex 495.00; GREAT PLAINS COMMS ut 667.17; DARRELL HAMILTON ps 11.00; LYLE HART ex 250.00; HOLIDAY INN ex 114.95; INTL AS-SOC OF ASSESSING OFFICIALS ex 240.00; JONNY DODGE ex 4,097.54; KOINZAN ENTERPRISES ex 80.20; LAZY T TIRE/IMP ex 1,002.70; LIBERTY NATL ins 87.19; MADISON NATL LIFE ins 155.77; MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS ex 1,405.00; MAXIMUS CONSULTING SVCS ex 637.00; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS ex 122.00; DUANE MILLER ps 12.00; MIPS ex 3,048.13; MR S'S ex 327.25; N&B GAS CO ex 60.00; NACO ex 2,450.21; NATL INS SVC ins 64.50; NCEA-NEBR COOP EXTENSION ASSOC ex 225.00; NEBR STATE FIRE MARSHALL ELEVATOR ex 120.00; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 6,125.17; NEBR HEALTH/HUMAN SVCS ex 90.00; NEBR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAIN CENT ex 25.00; NEBR SHERIFFS ASSOC ex 200.00; NEBR WEED CONTROL ASSN ex 210.00; VSP-NACO VISION ins 574.37; NCPPD ut 53.35; PELLATZ BROS PAINT/REPAIR ex 145.00; PETTY CASH (CO SHERIFF) ex 507.52; PINNACLE BANK ex 374.16; PITNEY BOWES RESERVE-PREPAID POSTAG ex 5,000.00; PITZER DIGITAL ex 989.14; QUICK SERVE OIL ex 33.51; JANICE RIDDER ps 10.00; CAROLINE SIEMS ps 25.00; WEX BANK ex 516.17; SOC SEC 27,252.86; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 1,145.32; CHUCK THIEMANN ex 40.00; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ut 45.02; US CELL ut 634.55;

WASHINGTON NATL INS CO ins 285.92; LISA WELDING ex 11.71; WESTERN OIL II ex 80.84; ANTELOPE CO TREAS ex 300,000.00; PAYROLL 138,780.44;  
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Inheritance: ANTELOPE CO TREAS ex 400,000.00.  
Zoning Administrator-no report.  
Road Super Report. Tabled two (2) underground permits. Tabled three (3) underground permits. Approved three (3) underground permits and one (1) oversize permit.  
Approved NIRMA recommendal.  
Approved foreclosure procedures when County Tax Sales expire.  
Meeting Adjourned.  
Antelope County Board of Commissioners  
CHARLIE HENERY  
Chairman of County Board  
Attest: LISA PAYNE /s/  
Antelope County Clerk  
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## Proceedings - November 13, 2023 Village of Bartlett

**VILLAGE OF BARTLETT  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
13 NOVEMBER 2023**  
The Village of Bartlett board meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. on November 13, 2023. The meeting met at the Village Office, 425 Randolph St. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Plugge. The members present were Nichols, Plugge, and Einspahr. Also present: Emma Smith, village clerk. 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 Nichols, seconded by Einspahr to approve the October 12, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Nichols, and Einspahr. No: None. Absent: Williamson and Nordhues. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.  
**STREETS:** It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Einspahr to approve Resolution 13112023-B- the year end certification of Jay Meyer as the street superintendent for 2023. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Nichols, and Einspahr. No: None. Absent: Williamson and Nordhues. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.  
The board discussed the upcoming street project and communication with the engineers.  
**WATER:** Was discussed.  
**SEWER:** Was discussed.  
**KENO:** Was discussed. The village received the 3rd quarter keno proceeds.  
**USER FEES:** Were discussed.  
**NOVEMBER CLAIMS:** It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Einspahr to pay all claims. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Nichols, and Einspahr. No: None. Absent: Williamson and Nordhues. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.  
**OTHER BUSINESS:** It was moved by Einspahr, seconded by

Nichols to ask for an Audit Waiver. Roll call vote: Yes-Plugge, Nichols, and Einspahr. No: None. Absent: Williamson and Nordhues. Abstained: None. Motion Carried.  
**GENERAL:** Internal Revenue Service, Payroll Taxes, \$53.04; The Elgin Review Newspaper Publication, \$53.24; Postmaster, Roll of Stamps, \$66.00; Nordhues Family, October Mowing & Extra, \$600.00; Northeast Nebraska Telephone, Telephone & internet, \$129.51; L & L Sanitation, Garbage pick-up, \$1,627.75; Letti Nichols, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Mark Nordhues, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Kurt Einspahr, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Scott Plugge, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Dan Williamson, Board Member Expense, \$50.00; Emma Smith, Norton Anti Virus program for office computer, \$31.64; Emma Smith, Salary, \$320.15  
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES: \$3,131.33  
TOTAL KENO EXPENSES: \$0.00  
**SEWER:** Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$50.15  
TOTAL SEWER EXPENSES: \$50.15  
**STREETS:** Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$904.83; We-Mart, Skid-steer Fuel, \$63.74  
TOTAL STEET EXPENSES: \$968.57  
**WATER:** Mark Nordhues, Gas for Water Sample delivery, \$48.00; Loup Valley RPPD, Utilities, \$561.13; NE Rural Water Association, Membership Renewal, \$100.00; Mark Nordhues, Professional Fee, \$300.00  
TOTAL WATER EXPENSES: \$1,009.13  
GRAND TOTAL OF EXPENDITURES: \$50.15  
\$968.57  
\$1,009.13  
\$5,159.18  
There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.  
The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 11th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.  
Dated this 13th day of November 2023  
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## Arraignment hearings continued

The Honorable Donna Taylor, presiding from the Antelope County court bench in Neligh on Nov. 15, continued arraignment or further arraignment procedures for several defendants.  
Denis F. Kerkman, 90, of Tilden appeared for further arraignment on a charge of violating a protection order, a Class 1 misdemeanor alleged Oct. 13.  
Kerkman, who had been granted a continuance Nov. 1 so he could hire an attorney, appeared without one. He requested court-appointed counsel. After questioning him about his income, Taylor appointed Antelope County public defender Pat Carney and continued arraignment to Dec. 6. Bond is continued, in the amount of \$20,000, 10%, with an order for no contact, neither direct nor indirect, with victim.  
Cameron J. Schindler, 19, of Neligh appeared for arraignment on charges in two cases. Charges include a Class 3 misdemeanor, minor in possession of alcohol, alleged Oct. 7 and three alcohol-related charges alleged Oct. 15, Count I, driving under the influence, a Class W misdemeanor; Count II, MIP; and Count III, speeding, an infraction.  
If convicted, Schindler faces up to \$500 fines and/or up to 90 days in jail on each of the MIP charges; a \$500 fine, seven to 60

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## Norfolk man sentenced in Antelope County Court on assault charge last week

Richard C. Jelich Jr., 28, of Norfolk appeared in the Antelope County courtroom in Neligh on Nov. 15, alongside Antelope County public defender Pat Carney, for sentencing on a count of third-degree assault, a Class I misdemeanor committed June 14 at a Neligh residence. Carney told the Honorable Donna Taylor that Jelich has motivation to succeed at probation.  
"He has a decent handle on where he is and where he wants to go," the attorney said. Jelich apologized for his behavior, saying he accepted full responsibility. Taylor showed some

skepticism as she reviewed the presentence report prepared by the probation office with Jelich.  
"You are upset that no one else was charged, said you were worried about complying with probation and worried you might be sentenced to one year in jail," Taylor said. "You've been on probation (in the past), been through drug court...it's not going to be type of probation that says, 'go forth and sin no more.' If you are successful at probation, it should be the last time...with all the restrictions I am going to put on you."  
When the judge questioned him about where he resides, he

said he didn't have a residence.  
Taylor told him it would be difficult to supervise a probation subject who has no residence. She then sentenced him to a 12-month term of probation, including fees totaling \$390; a \$500 fine and two days in the Antelope County Jail, with credit for two days previously served. In addition to standard terms of probation, Taylor ordered Jelich to seek and secure housing in Norfolk or surrounding community, suggesting the Norfolk Rescue Mission; maintain gainful employment; continue counseling treatment; obtain a co-occurring evalua-

tion with an approved provider and complete all recommendations; attend one AA meeting per week; and have no contact with the assault victim without permission of the probation officer. He was taxed \$60 costs of prosecution.  
Jelich pleaded guilty Oct. 4, per terms of a plea agreement.  
Patrick S. Murphy, 63, of Norfolk also appeared alongside Carney, for sentencing on two counts, Count I, driving under the influence, and Count III, third-degree assault.  
Taylor placed Murphy on probation for nine months, along with a \$500 fine on each count

and 60 days revocation of his driver's license on Count I. He must pay \$310 in probation-related fees and \$50 costs. Probation terms include: Attend one AA meeting per week; participate in outpatient counseling as recommended in a substance abuse evaluation; and 90 days of continuous alcohol monitoring, 30 days immediately with the remaining 60 days at the direction of his probation officer.  
Murphy pleaded guilty to the two counts as part of a plea agreement Oct. 4 and Smith dismissed Count II, refusal to submit to chemical test, and agreed to recommend a fine

only on Count III.  
Michael R. Pulis, 46, of Atkinson appeared, alongside Carney, for a restitution hearing and sentencing on three counts, Count I, no proof of financial responsibility, a Class 2 misdemeanor; operate an unregistered vehicle, a Class 3 misdemeanor, and careless driving, an infraction, all committed Dec. 21, 2022, when he was involved in a collision west of Neligh. Smith requested continuance to finish work on restitution amount. He said there was disagreement on the value of a vehicle. Taylor continued sentencing to Dec. 6.



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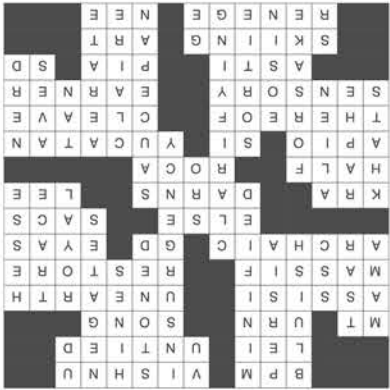
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- Hindu deity
- Polynesian garland of flowers
- Not chained to
- Metric ton
- Tall, rounded vase
- Musical composition
- St. Francis of \_\_\_\_
- Discover the location of
- Compact group of mountains
- Mend
- Not current
- Atomic #64
- Young hawk
- Or \_\_\_\_
- Pouches
- Southern Thailand isthmus
- Mends with yarn
- Downwinds
- One of two equal parts of a divisible whole
- Italian archaeological site
- Cold appetizer
- Yes
- Peninsula
- Of that
- A way to divide
- Relating to the physical senses
- One who makes money
- \_\_\_\_ Spumante (Italian wine)
- Inconvenience (abbr.)
- South Dakota
- Snow sport
- The products of human creativity
- Change mind
- Born of
- Killed with rocks
- Gregory \_\_\_, US dancer
- Nullifies
- Home to the Flyers
- Female parent
- Pre-1917 Russian emperor
- Outsourcing (abbr.)
- Regal
- Line
- Hermann \_\_\_, author of "Siddhartha"
- Clearing up
- No seats available
- Leaves of an Arabian shrub
- Groove in organ or tissue
- Not of this world
- Cooking device
- Forget
- Operational flight
- Actress Danes
- Poke holes in
- A way to discolor
- Shouts of welcome or farewell
- Pharrell's group
- Red fluorescent dye
- Jr.'s dad
- Electronics firm



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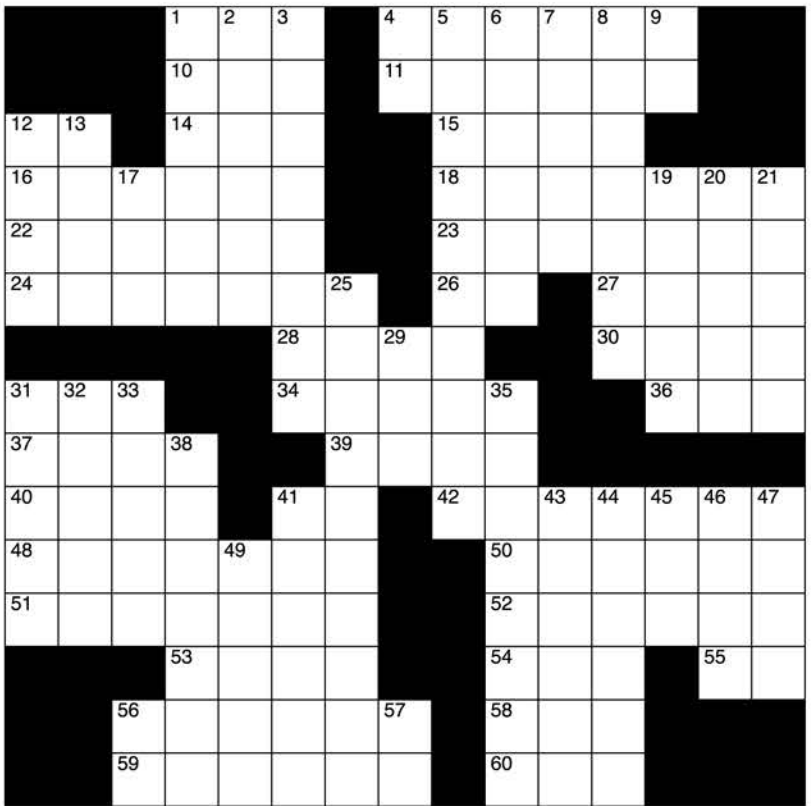
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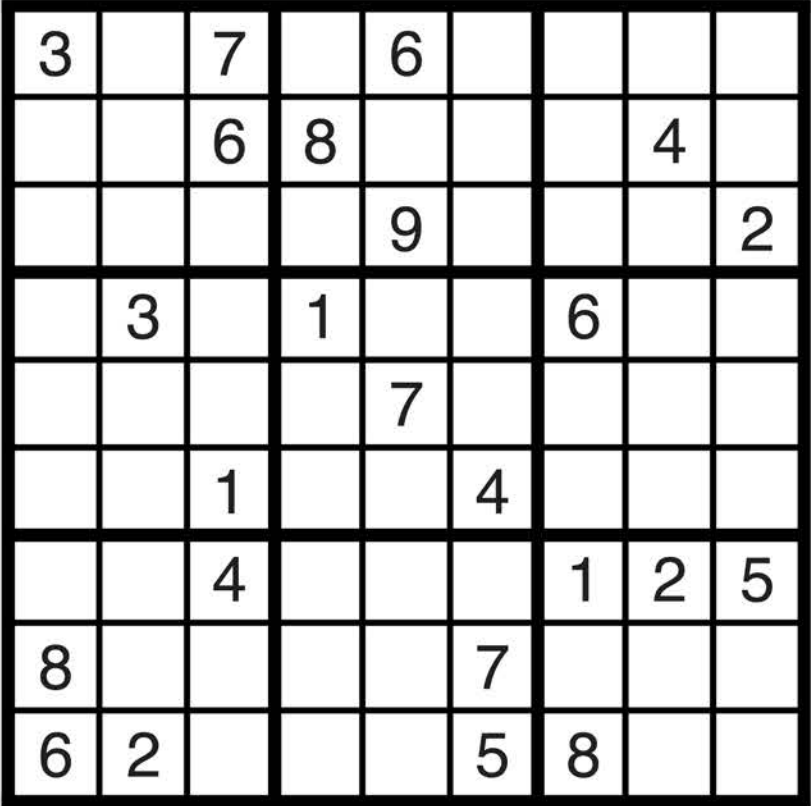
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Soil sampling pasture and hay ground

Any farmer worth their salt knows the importance of fertilizing a crop for optimal production. Soil sampling now, before the ground freezes can help with planning this winter and give time to develop a fertility plan if our soil tests show fertilizer is needed. Hay ground should be the first location to consider testing, as plant material is constantly harvested and moved to another location, slowly depleting of the major nutrients needed for plant growth.

One thing to keep in mind, if you've done soil sampling in the past, the only accurate comparison you can make is with soil samples taken at a similar time. Mineralization and leaching over the winter can change results when a spring test is compared with one taken in the fall, so if you've only sampled in the spring previously, it makes sense to hold off this fall and wait.

Two other factors to consider when choosing where to sample are weed control and available moisture during the growing season. Pastures that are weedy may benefit more by addressing grazing practices and controlling weeds rather than fertility. In these situations, additional nutrients are used by the weeds and can make matters worse.

When it comes to production, especially for native grass hay and pastures, moisture is the most limiting factor, not fertility. You can apply all the fertilizer in the world, but doing so in a drought won't help plants grow. Fertilizer applications on dry land areas, especially for nitrogen, should be based on expected moisture.

Once we have a location selected, we can begin sampling. Pull 10-20 cores at a consistent depth of 8 inches for every 40 acres sampled. These samples can be taken in a representative area for the field, or arranged by soil type and topography. Mix samples together and take about a pint's worth out to send off for analysis.

In Nebraska, the main long

term fertility focus should look at phosphorus and potassium. In areas of the state with sandy, low organic soils, sulfur should also be included. Finally, keep an eye on soil pH. Differences in soil pH play a big role in nutrient availability. Nitrogen is one element that a test now may not provide beneficial results for. Nitrogen is nearly always used or lost in the year it is applied, so a soil test this fall doesn't help much with planning next spring. In alfalfa fields, nitrogen isn't a concern at all as alfalfa plants can fix their own atmospheric nitrogen. In these fields, digging up a plant or two and checking nodulation can provide some insight to the health of this process. Other nutrients can remain for a few years between applications, so a 2 or 3 year testing rotation is often enough to make decision on.

Before deciding on a fertility plan, the economic value of a treatment should also be considered. Often fertilizing will increase plant productivity and quality, but only up to a point. Dry land fields in areas with limited rain fall may be more limited by moisture than fertility, so will only see a small boost where a fully irrigated field could see noticeable benefits. As such, the actual increase in productivity should be compared with the cost. In some circumstances where fertilizer prices are high, improving grazing practices or finding another pasture to rent may be a better and more economical choice to increase forage available in pastures. Strategic fertilization in hay ground in these cases may be the route to take, only applying much needed nutrients in the areas they are lacking and skipping a broadcast application.

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was donated to the Norfolk food pantry to help needy families in the area. The students were assisted by their teacher, Mrs. Ivan Kloepper, and school counselor Barb Bode.

Elgin's senior quarterback Chad Schmitt and junior running back and receiver Chris Sullivan were named to the Class D football All-State teams Sunday. The selections were announced by the Omaha World-Herald and Lincoln Journal-Star newspapers. Receiving All-State honorable mention from both newspapers was senior Justin Wilkinson at linebacker and guard.

St. Boniface School students prepared and delivered gift boxes again this year to senior citizens and shut-ins in the area. Boxes were delivered on

the day before Thanksgiving. During November, all students share in the project by bringing non-perishable food items to school each week to be used in the gift boxes.

**Twenty Years Ago**  
**November 19, 2003**

Four area fire departments responded to control a large field fire southwest of Clearwater Saturday morning, Nov. 15. The fire started in Conservation Reserve grassland, owned by Bolling Farms. Clearwater Volunteer Fire Department was called to the scene at about 11 a.m., and called for mutual aid from Elgin at about 11:15 a.m. Ewing and Neligh Volunteer Fire departments were also called later for mutual aid. Bolling Farms used tractors

and discs to help keep the fire from spreading. Spray airplanes were also on the scene later. The fire was stopped after burning 40 to 50 acres. The blaze was apparently caused by the heat from a pickup exhaust.

Two members were elected to the Elgin Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors during the Chamber noon meeting Monday, Nov. 17, at the Elgin Senior Citizens & Community Center. Jessie Reestman and Peggy Payne were elected to three-year terms on the board. They replace Duane Ellermeier and Ken Peters, who will be stepping down at the end of 2003. The Chamber expressed appreciation to Marjorie Leibel, who has served as the Chamber secretary-treasurer for many years.

By Betty Kallhoff

## Court

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days in jail and revocation of his driver's license on the DUI charge and a fine on the speeding charge.

Schindler requested court-appointed counsel and Taylor appointed Carney to represent him in both cases.

Further arraignment is set Dec. 6, with \$1,500 personal recognizance bond continued.

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Julius Tauber, 22, of Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, was

granted continuance, until Dec. 6, for an arraignment hearing on two Class 3 misdemeanor counts of intimidation by phone call, alleged more than one year ago, in September 2022. Tauber is represented by Douglas Stratton of Norfolk.

Kipp V. Polston, 45, of Neligh was granted continuance of his arraignment hearing, to Dec. 6, on a charge of violating a Neligh nuisance ordinance at 502 N Street.

Polston called the courthouse

Wednesday morning, claiming a medical emergency.

Written motions for continuance of arraignment, filed Nov. 14 by Neligh attorney Martin Klein, on behalf of two clients, were granted. Austin L. McCullough, 31, and Jolene L. Miller, 32, both of Hudson, Wisconsin, are now set for arraignment and trial Dec. 6, on infraction counts of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, alleged Dec. 12.

From JoAnn's Kitchen

# Crockpot Dressing & Corn Casserole

Delicious sides for that perfect Thanksgiving-type meal.

Good day,  
Happy Thanksgiving! Truly hope you are able to spend the day with family and friends.  
One thing is for sure, all the food is the best. Thanksgiving dinner is that one meal we look forward to each and every year.  
I am sharing two recipes we have every year in our house.  
The kids request it every year. For this corn casserole I use my corn from the freezer. They say it is the best.  
The dressing is my favorite! if that's all we had to eat that would be fine by me. My mom or Ted's mom make the best dressing. My kids like raisins in to. There's one guy who doesn't so Mom makes two pans, one with and one without. Who spoils their kids? I like this dressing recipe because it leaves room in the

oven for other dishes because it cooks in the crockpot. Works well in my 9x13 crockpot. Give it a try!

Blessing to you all!  
Ted and Jo Ann

### CORN CASSEROLE

1 can whole kernel corn  
2 can cream-style corn  
1 cup uncooked macaroni  
1 cup cheddar, American or Velveeta cheese. (use only 1 kind)  
1/2 melted butter  
1/2 cup chopped onion.  
Pepper and salt to taste.

Mix all the ingredients. Pour into a greased baking dish.  
Bake 1 hour at 350°, cover for the first 30 minutes. Stir it in 30 minutes and uncover it. Delicious!

### CROCKPOT DRESSING

2 sticks butter  
1 cup diced onion  
1/4 cup parsley  
4 cups chicken broth  
1 cup diced celery  
2 eggs  
12-13 cups seasoned croutons

Melt butter in pan and saute celery and onion. Pour over croutons and add eggs, parsley and chicken broth.  
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My kids would want to add raisins to this recipe! (You can if you like)

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EPS students join all-state choir

Shania Buschow and Sofia Schmitz performed in the Children's All-State Choir in Lincoln with 300 other students from around the state. The choir was directed by Sophia Papoulis and performed on the Lied Center stage.

BCHC's Tiny Treasure daycares recognized for quality child care

Boone County Health Center Tiny Treasures Daycares have been recognized by Nebraska Step Up to Quality for its commitment to quality child care and education. Step Up to Quality programs go beyond state licensing requirements to better serve the needs of young children and their families and to prepare them for success in kindergarten and beyond.

With 90 percent of brain development occurring before age 5, early child care and education is crucial to a child's future success. Early learning builds the foundation for skills needed in school, work and life. Studies show that children who receive quality early child care and education are more likely to show improved reading and math skills and earn higher wages.

"It is crucial that providers

and educators across the state have a mutual understanding of what quality looks like in the child care environment and that they feel supported on their path to quality," said Lauri Cimino, director of Step Up to Quality.

"The Nebraska Step Up to Quality program, has been very rewarding. Tiny Treasures Daycare's staff have learned so much about quality standards. While we were already doing many of these things necessary for Step Up to Quality, the program has given us important recognition for doing these things. It validates what we are doing and has encouraged us to take it to the next level. The children are the benefactors of our hard work, so it is well worth it," said Angie Herman, Tiny Treasures Daycares.

Veterans to be recognized on November 30 between games

The Elgin VFW Auxiliary have announced plans for a special recognition of veterans to take place next week.

On Thursday, November 30, between the girls and boys varsity basketball games at EPS, the VFW Auxiliary will ask attendees to donate personal care items for the Veterans' Home in Norfolk. These items could include shampoo and conditioner, lotions, hair gel, hair spray, deodorant for men and women, body wash for men and women, perfume and cologne, toothpaste and toothbrushes, denture tablets and cream, and boxes of tissues. A table will be set up in the entry hallway for people to drop off their donations.

All veterans will receive free admission to the basketball games that night.

Organizer Julie Dwyer said veterans will be recognized in between games. A color guard will proceed into the gym (everyone will stand at this time) and stand in the middle of the gym floor for the night's performance of The National Anthem.

For more information about the event, contact Dwyer.

Contest

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runner-up prize. Results of the games were: Oregon over Arizona State Michigan State over Indiana SMU over Memphis Washington State over Colo-

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