

News Briefs

Arts Council tells plans for November, December events

Albion Area Arts Council has announced its events coming up in November and December.

On Sunday, Nov. 20, the council will sponsor a "Paint Night" at Barn Wood and Brushstrokes in Albion from 5 to 7 p.m., with musical entertainment provided by the Bel Canto Duo. There is an admission fee for non-members. Ceramics and painting supplies will be sold separately on site.

The arts council will provide special entertainment during the Holiday Light Parade in Albion on Thursday, Dec. 1. Violinist Julia Nore will perform in the window at Timeless Floral before the light parade begins at 6 p.m.

On Sunday, Dec 4, the Albion Arts Council Gala will be held at the Albion Country Club featuring big band music by the Bobby Layne Orchestra. There will be cocktails at 5 p.m., dinner at 7, and the show starting at 7 p.m. Admission is by ticket only, and RSVP is required by Nov. 28.

Watch for future advertising and go to www.albionartscouncil.com for more information.

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Drozd edges Knott for Loup Public Power Board seat

In a close general election race for the Subdivision 2 seat on the Loup Public Power District Board, Alan Drozd of Genoa was the apparent winner over Ross Knott of Petersburg.

Both candidates are incumbents and were running against each other due to redistricting of the board seats that combined their district. Only 86 votes separated the two.

Drozd received 1,178 votes, including 650 in Boone County and 528 in Nance County.

Knott received 1,092 votes, including 767 in Boone County and 325 in Nance County.

Sip 'N Shop and Turkey Trot are upcoming events

Albion Chamber of Commerce businesses will be hosting two events during November.

Some businesses will be holding a Sip 'N Shop this Thursday, Nov. 17, with extended hours into the evening.

The annual Thanksgiving Turkey Trot fun run will be held next Thursday, Nov. 24, with registration starting at 8 a.m. and the run beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Weather

Reported by
Steve Wright, Albion
Readings at 7:30 a.m. daily

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Nov. 9	66	47	T
Nov. 10	65	32	.13
Nov. 11	38	13	0
Nov. 12	30	13	0
Nov. 13	29	9	0
Nov. 14	38	9	0
Nov. 15	34	13	T
Total for Week			.13

Veterans Day speaker: 'Become your own hero'

Recounting her experience in the military, Boone Central alumnus Alexa (Nelson) Lee had a special message for the young people in her audience:

"Become your own hero, and live a life that makes YOU proud," she said. "Once you do that, you can become anything you want, but most importantly, you become unstoppable!"

She said her passion for military service began at the funeral for her cousin, Marcus Hart, who served with the U.S. Army 10th Mountain Division.

"I was captivated by the sight of the soldiers folding the flag at my cousin's funeral," she said. "I couldn't help but feel destined to participate in such honors."

She later assisted with many military funerals, and often wondered about what military experiences each individual had.

"Did his eyes see the bloodshed of war and watch as his brother fell? Did his heart cry out as he held him while he took his final breath? How many years did he miss out on important events back home, or eat moldy MREs in the desert while others enjoyed a steak dinner in the safety of their home? Did he fly a plane, or jump out of them with 20 other men by his side?"

"Maybe this veteran did not experience any of that. Maybe he was in the background, making sure that



Alexa Lee

the ones who WERE jumping out of those planes had all the gear necessary to ensure their safety. This veteran could have spent his entire contract doing paperwork behind the scenes, or doing maintenance on the equipment that was used in battle by those on the frontline. No matter what this service member's job was, I have no doubt that it was important," said Alexa.

Alexa said the military allowed her to see sights around the globe and opened new opportunities for her. However, some people tried to discourage her from pursuing military service or her current service as a community firefighter and EMT.

"I would have missed out on

countless opportunities if I let the opinions of others weigh me down," she said.

Taking part in the Veterans Day ceremony were the high school band and chorus, individual veterans and students, Pastor Carolann Hopcke and Vicar Abigail Vetic.

Dylan Baumgartner presented information on his experience at Boys State last summer, saying it increased his knowledge of the political system and also helped him make lifelong friends across the state. He served as a Supreme Court Justice at Boys State.

Kay Flanagan introduced the first, second and third place winners in the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen contests.

Dylan Baumgartner read his local first place winning Voice of Democracy speech, "Why the Veteran is Important."

Others in the top three of the local VOD contest were Graham Kahlant, second, and Harrison Kuta, third.

Winners of the Patriot's Pen Contest for middle school students (sixth through eighth grades) were Cali Stokes and Bethany Preister, tied for first place; Sienna Borer, second, and Ashlynn Naber, third. Theme for the Patriot's Pen competition was: "My Pledge to Our Veterans."

First place essays are published on page 4 this week.



FLAG PRESENTATION -- Bill Wieser, right, accepts an American Flag from, l.-r., Katie Score and Albion American Legion Commander Leon Magsamen at the Albion downtown mini-park last Friday. The flag will be flown in Wieser's honor until Memorial Day 2023.

Bill Wieser receives Living Veteran Award

Life-long Albion resident Bill Wieser was named the recipient of Albion's Living Veteran award during the Veterans Day program last Friday, Nov. 11, at the Boone Central Gym.

The award was presented by Katie Score, last year's Living Auxiliary Member, who cited Wieser's ongoing community service. He was active in both the American Legion Post 162 and the Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 736. He serves in the Honor Guard and works at the Veterans Club Sunday breakfasts. He also volunteers at the Mission Possible Store, especially helping to load boxes for the Orphan Grain Train.

Born June 18, 1942, Wieser graduated from Albion High School in 1961 and has lived in Albion all his life except for his military tour of duty.

He is a U.S. Air Force veteran who began his service on July 12, 1963. He was an NMS weapons mechanic, and served as crew chief of ammunitions Loading Crew #8.

His duties included loading bombs and cleaning up incoming airplanes from Vietnam, disarming and repairing them. He was stationed in Udorn, Thailand with the 6232 Squadron from Feb 2, 1966 to Feb 2, 1967. He was honorably discharged on July 11, 1967 receiving the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, the Vietnam Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Air Force Good Conduct Medal, and the First Class Medal.

He has worked at the Hall Ranch, for Fitzgerald Oil, for Ferrellgas delivering fuel, and at Boone Central Schools as a custodian.

On Aug. 9, 1969, he married his wife Eileen at St. Michael's Church in Spalding. They were blessed with two children. Brad lives in Chadron with his family, and Renee lives in York with her family. They have six grandchildren.

Bill's hobbies include working with horses, woodworking, and gardening.

Commissioners approve Friese as new Veterans Service Officer

Boone County Veterans Service Officer Jacqueline Wells decided to retire earlier than originally planned on Monday, Nov. 14.

Tennille Friese, who has been a Veterans Service Office employee since August, was appointed by the county commissioners to take her place on that date.

Wells met briefly in closed session with the county board before the action was taken to amend her previously planned retirement date

of Dec. 31, 2022. She has served as Veterans Service Officer for the past 17 years, and expressed confidence in Friese's ability to handle the job.

Commissioners met for less than two hours Monday, and conducted mostly routine business.

Payment for Concrete Projects
A sixth payment of \$205,063 was made to A & R Construction for concrete overlay projects in the county. A change order for \$23,604

was included. Total contract price for the concrete work now totals \$3,966,678, and the balance to finish is \$269,027.

Transfer for Bond Payment
Commissioners approved a transfer of \$733,284 from the county road fund to the Highway Allocation Bond Repayment Fund for an upcoming payment due Dec. 15. This \$5 million bond issue was approved in 2019 and later refinanced at a lower interest rate.

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USMC BIRTHDAY -- Gale Carder, right, accepts the first piece of cake presented by Darrell Choat at the Marine Corps Birthday ceremony on Nov. 10 at the Albion Veterans Club.

Marine Corps birthday celebrated

Albion Veterans Club hosted a ceremony honoring the 247th birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps on Thursday evening, Nov. 10.

Darrell Choat conducted the ceremony, which included a brief history of the Marine Corps, a video and commendation messages. The Marine Corps was formed on Nov. 10, 1775 by the First Continental Congress.

Tradition

By tradition, the first slice of cake is given to the oldest Marine present, who in turn hands it off to the youngest Marine present, symbolizing the old and experienced Marines passing their knowledge to the new generation of Marines.

Gale Carder of Albion, who was born in 1929, served in the Korean War era. Receiving the piece of

cake next was the youngest Marine present, Jared Kemper of Genoa.

There were a total of eight former Marines present for the ceremony.

See group photo on page 2

Albion City Council approves first reading of annexation ordinances

Albion City Council took its first steps in expanding the city limits last Tuesday night, Nov. 8.

The council adopted first readings of the ordinances to annex five areas into the Albion city limits. Mayor Jim Jarecki opened the floor to public comment on the annexation proposal, but no comment was received.

These ordinances were all recommended for approval Monday night by the Albion Planning Commission. The council added an effective date of Feb. 1, 2023 to the ordinances.

A special council meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 a.m., and second readings of each annexation ordinance are scheduled at that time.

Third reading and final passage of each of these ordinances will likely take place at the December regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m.

Five Areas Included

The five annexation areas are:

- 1B: An irregular shaped tract on both sides of Highway 91 at the west edge of town. It includes tracts west of both Church Street and Martin Avenue, as well as 10 lots along the south side of Highway 91.
- 1C: Industrial tract at the north edge of town bordered by the Beaver Creek and Highway 14 on the north and east, and Old Mill Road on the south.
- 1D: An irregular shaped area south of Fairview Street and bordered by South Sixth Street on the west and the Boone Beginnings Addition on the south.
- 1F: An irregular shaped area on both sides of Highway 14 at the southeast edge of town. This area includes the new Town & Country Veterinary Clinic office location.
- 1G: A rectangular area known as Lot 1 of the Niewohners Southeast Addition, located just south of Boone Beginnings Addition and bordering Sixth Street on the west.

Utility Development

The city is required to have

utility development plans in place within one year after property is annexed, but the water and sewer extension plan has already been developed by JEO Consulting Group.

Andrew Wilson, engineer with JEO, summarized the development costs for areas 1-B through 1-F at current prices. Total sanitary sewer construction costs are estimated at \$1,956,600, and total water system construction costs are estimated at \$1,017,100.

Full development will likely take place over a period of years as property owners determine building plans. Financing of utility developments could come from a variety of methods, including assessment districts and special connection fee districts.

ATVs, UTVs and Golf Carts

The council reviewed a proposed ordinance that would permit all-terrain vehicles, utility-type vehicles and golf carts to be operated legally on the city streets.

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Albion Council considers allowing ATVs and golf carts on city streets

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Proposed regulations included an annual registration requirement with the city, operator's license requirement, liability insurance requirement, speed limits, hours of operation (sunup to sunset), lights and safety equipment for each vehicle type, and bicycle safety flags.

Council members expressed some concerns about speeding and under-age operators. They also discussed requirements for helmets and/or safety belts in the various types of vehicles.

This item was tabled for further consideration.

Speed Bumps Discussed

Another item for discussion only was installation of speed bumps for child safety at various locations. Last month, the council received a request for speed bumps along a portion of 10th Street.

The city also requested input

from the Boone Central Public School administration about the value of speed bumps in the vicinity of the school. No response had been received from the school by the meeting date.

This topic was also tabled for later consideration.

Street Portion Vacated

Dustin Frey was present to support his request for the city to vacate a five-foot portion of Second Street right-of-way on the west side of Albion Locker, LLC.

The business requested this portion be vacated so a 5 x 28-foot addition can be built on the building to store by-product barrels to be picked up.

The council approved a motion to vacate this strip of the Second Street right of way.

New Logo: Maggie Smith, Albion economic development and housing director, presented the



council with a new city logo design that will be available for use by the city government, AEDC and other entities in future marketing campaigns.

The logo depicts a monolithic "A" along with a red pin denoting the city's location in relation to the Beaver River.

The council approved the logo and uses.

In other business, the council approved a resolution of certification for the city street superintendent in 2022, and discussed agenda items for its upcoming meetings.



MARINES PRESENT for the USMC Birthday ceremony on Nov. 10 at the Albion Veterans Club were (front, l.-r.) youngest Marine Jared Kemper and oldest Marine Gale Carder; (back) Darrel Thorin of Bartlett, Roger Gabelman of Neligh, Paul Schumacher of St. Edward, Russell Beam of Petersburg, Gary Vanness of Cedar Rapids, and Darrell Choat of St. Edward.

County Museum to introduce Memorial Gazebo project

Boone County Historical Society is planning an open house for the Big Give on Tuesday, Nov. 29, from 1 to 6 p.m. at the museum. Refreshments will be served.

The Historical Society is introducing its Memorial Gazebo project at the open house. The museum has received memorial donations from both members and non-members.

The gazebo and a landscaped area surrounding it will be used to display the "in memory of" donations and other donations. The gazebo will be a focal point of the landscape, as well as a place for visitors to rest.

In addition, the museum is working with committee members who are finding items and information to represent their communities in 2022 for a new cornerstone.

The committee members are:

- Albion - Lonnie and Ruth Zrust;
- Akron - Beth and Mary Jane



- Noble;
- Boone - Barb Tisthammer;
 - Cedar Rapids - Shelley Towey;
 - Loretto - Cindy Mock and Twylla Crosby;
 - Petersburg - Ted and Ramona Thieman;
 - Primrose - Sue McIntyre;
 - Raeville - Chris Grundmayer;
 - St. Edward - Vicki Fritzs.

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Commissioners

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In other business Monday, the commissioners:

- met in closed sessions on employment matters and later approved the requests of two employees for health-related assistance through the employee catastrophic illness fund.
- decided to advertise for additional members to serve on the county's Grievance Board. The board is required to have 10 members and currently has only three.
- accepted the 2022 distress warrant report from County Treasurer Laurie Krohn, showing 12 warrants issued for nonpayment of 2021 personal property taxes, totaling \$1,906 with penalties added.
- appointed Dan Stankoski, county highway superintendent replacing Stacey Ziembra, as the county's entity administrator for federal government contracts through SAM.gov.

Events to Remember

Nov. 11-19---Wells Hallmark Christmas Open House.

Nov. 17---Albion Chamber Sip N' Shop, 6-8 p.m., at participating businesses

Nov. 17-19---Timeless Holiday Open House

Nov. 20---AAAC Paint and Sip Night, 5 p.m., Barn Wood and Brushstrokes business with music by Bel Canto Duo

Nov. 21---Boone County Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse

Nov. 21---Boone County Commissioner hearings on conditional use permits

Nov. 21---Boone County Ag Society meeting, 7 p.m., Ag and Education Building

Nov. 22---City of Albion Special Board meeting, 7:30 a.m., city hall, reading of annexation ordinances

Nov. 22---BCHC Board of Trustees meeting, 7:30 p.m., conference room

Nov. 24---Thanksgiving Day, most government offices and some businesses not open

Nov. 24---Albion Chamber Turkey Trot, 8:30 a.m., downtown mini park

Nov. 26---Small Business Saturday

Nov. 28-Dec. 4---Big Give fund-raising

Nov. 28---Boone County Board of Commissioners meeting, 10 a.m., hearing on proposed vacation of county road

Nov. 29---Boone Central Board of Education special meeting, art room, 5 p.m., review Superintendent applications

Nov. 30---Boone Beginnings 1st birthday, 4-6 p.m.

Dec. 1---Customer Appreciation Day, participating Albion businesses

Dec. 1---Albion Chamber Light Parade, 6 p.m., to-go soup feed, KC Hall, 5-8 p.m., customer appreciation, 9 a.m.-??

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Boone Central Board hires CKC director, plans for superintendent interviews

Boone Central School Board Monday night approved the hiring of Madison Rankin as Cardinal Kids Club director starting with the second semester this school year.

Superintendent Bill Kuester said there may be some changes in the after school program with one director, but other staff members will provide assistance in various areas. Madison is currently employed at Boone Beginnings.

Current program director Emily Schick and site director Jackie Gertsch will be leaving the program at the end of this semester.

Cardinal Kids Club currently serves about 45 students, kindergarten through fifth grade, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. each school day.

Superintendent Search

The school district's search for a new superintendent is underway, with applications due by next Monday, Nov. 21.

Board President Tim Stopak outlined the process that will be used.

Planning meetings were held in October, and surveys have been completed.

The board and NASB representative Shari Baker will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 5 p.m. to review applications, determine finalists and finalize the list of interview questions. Names of the candidates will remain confidential until the list of four to five finalists is set.

Interview sessions and tours of the school will be starting at 1:15 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 5 and 6. National Honor Society members will assist with the tours.

Interview groups will include the full board; the administration; school staff to include three teachers, one from the office staff, and one other non-certified staff member. There will also be a group of six community members involved in the interviews.

Audit Report Approved

The board reviewed the 2021-22 district audit via Zoom with a representative of AMGL, CPAs and Advisors. The audit report was positive, and indicated the district is maintaining adequate cash reserves. A concern was expressed about a negative balance in the Activity Account, but this is being traced back and resolved.

ESU 7 Update

Dr. Lorian Polk, Educational Service Unit No. 7 administrator, and Dick Stephens, ESU 7 board member, presented information on services the ESU provides to the district. These include instructional models, leadership training, staff development, Special Education, Local Access Network (LAN) partnership and more.

Polk reported that the ESU provided 67 different services and 1,717 hours of service during 2021-22, with 277 ESU staff members participating. The ESU also provided the district with support for 1,251 electronic devices.

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Albion blood drive nets 56 units on Nov. 7

Albion community hosted an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, Nov. 7, at the Casey building on the Boone County Fairgrounds.

A total of 56 units of blood were collected from 51 donors. These donations potentially saved 168 lives.

The donors met a crucial need at this time when the blood supply has remained extremely low.

Due to a Red Cross staffing issue, this blood drive had to allow fewer donors than anticipated. A number of donors rescheduled to the Boone Central blood drive on Nov. 15.

"We have such dedicated donors in our area, and we appreciate their patience as the Red Cross works through the staffing changes," said coordinators Diane Krings and Mary Urwin.

Milestone donors for this blood drive were:

- Two gallons: Eric Petsche;
- Three gallons: Dana Cox;
- Eight gallons: Traci Gragert;
- 11 gallons: Eileen Wieser;
- 12 gallons: Lynn Lehmann

Other area donors were Tim Kayton, Roger Ternus, Forrest Francis, Sharon Waters, Paul Weeder, Jennifer Schmitz, Michelle Gragert, Jill Anding, Mari Melcher, Marcia McFarland and Cynthia Hemmer.

Additional donors were Kristina Fox, Arlene Neidhardt, Carolanne Hopcke, Jay Rutten, Nancee Krohn, Susan Schmeits, Tye Nolan, Julie Rasmussen, Kory Naber, Linda Mueller and Marie Kahlandt.

Donors also included Mary Kay Ternus, Linda Bird, Susan Staub, Paul Rasmussen, Stephen VonBonn, Linda Watson, Glenn Watson, Kevin Kunzman, Diane Beierman and Michelle Merten.

More donors were Kathryn Flanagan, Carol Spiegel, Licia Kunzman, Daniel Towey, Bob Bruland, Patrick Kratochvil, Andrew Roan, Heather Kohtz, Christopher Getzfred, Kelly Bader, Alison Kuester, Hayley Brown, Tamara Seier and Grady Higgins.

Boone County Ag Society donated use of the building, and many volunteers helped to make the blood drive successful.

Zion Lutheran Church of Albion provided sack lunches for the donors. Ham was donated by Tyson for the sandwiches.

Volunteers for the day were Laurie Horn, Anastasia Travis, Cindy Hemmer and Diane Stopak.

The next community blood drive in Albion will be Jan. 23, 2023 at the fairgrounds.

Farm/ranch clinic set for November

Free one-on-one, confidential consultation for farmers and ranchers will be held Monday, Nov. 21 in Norfolk. Call 1-800-464-0258 for more information.

The consultations involve meetings with an experienced ag law attorney and ag financial counselor who specialize in financial and operational issues, estate and succession planning, farm loan programs, debtor/creditor law, water rights, beginning farmer programs, real estate and lease matters, fence law, property rights, and more.

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Obituaries

Eleanor E. Glesinger

Eleanor Eve (Killion) Glesinger passed away on Nov. 3, 2022, at West-field Quality Care in Aurora.
 Eleanor was born on Feb 27, 1930 in Akron to Ralph Gail and Lois Iver-na (Sherburne) Killion. She graduated from Spalding Public School and Normal Training in 1948. She began teaching at the Akron School shortly after, where she was courted by Bobby Joe Glesinger. Eleanor and Bobby Joe were married on June 10, 1950. Bobby Joe died three years ago after 69 years of marriage and Eleanor has missed him every single day since.
 Eleanor joined the Catholic Church to marry Bobby Joe and was a faithful member of the St. Michael’s Catholic Church. Many years during Lent, she attended daily Mass with sleepy little girls by her side. Eleanor loved to work and served as a dietary aide at Friendship Villa for over 35 years. She dressed in holiday aprons as she delivered juice and a smile to every resident. She enjoyed golfing, the Junk Jaunt, was a 4-H leader and a wonderful grandmother to 12 grandchildren.
 She is survived by her four daughters: Jane Heany (Tom) of Richmond, TX; Julie Klahn of Grand Island; Jill Foltz (Gerald) of Grand Island and Jeri Zoucha (Joe) of Albion; sister-in-law Jeanne Johnson of Bloomington, IL and brother-in-law Frank Glesinger of Greeley.
 She was preceded in death by an infant daughter Amy Louise and grandson Sam Foltz.
 Private graveside services are in Spalding. A Celebration of Life Mass with a reception following will be held on Dec. 1, 2022 at 2 p.m. at St. Leo’s Catholic Church, 2410 S. Blaine St., Grand Island.
 Memorials are suggested to the Sam Foltz Foundation, 4187 Michigan Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803. The Sam Foltz Foundation supports youth activities in Grand Island and Greeley County and lends a helping hand to those in need.

Paid obituary announcement

Robert “Bob” L. Jacobson

Robert “Bob” Lawrence Jacobson, 70, of Newman Grove, died on Fri-day, Nov. 11, 2022 at the Boone County Health Center, Albion.
 Robert, son of Lawrence R. and Joan (Klauschie) Jacobson, was born on Aug. 25, 1952 at Bishop Clarkson Memorial Hospital in Omaha. He was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church, Omaha. He at-tended school at Bryan High School and graduated with the class of 1971. He was on the honor roll and a member of the high school rifle team and ROTC all four years. Bob was also a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and a member of the Eastern NE Gun Club. Bob went on to attend University of Ne-braska in Omaha where he earned a bachelor of science in chemistry in 1977. Bob lived in Omaha where he worked for the Eppley Cancer Research Center, Sea Gate, and Ashgrove as an environmental en-gineer. In 2001, he moved to New-man Grove, and worked for Lindsay Manufacturing until he retired in 2018.
 On Dec. 29, 2007, Bob was unit-ed in marriage to Karen Potmesil-Etling at Fellowship Bible Church in Newman Grove. He gained an-other family with Karen’s children and grandchildren. They lived in Newman Grove. Bob loved follow-ing Missouri Homesteaders, the Sheep lady, and “Tiptoes” on You-Tube. He loved to cook and was always in search of new recipes. Bob loved big dogs, electronics, was a gun enthusiast, Snoopy collector, and in his healthier years, loved to go on quilt shop hops with Karen. He designed Christmas tree skirts and quilts on the computer. Bob loved everything Christmas, and was Santa’s helper for his nieces and nephews. Bob will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved him.
 Bob is survived by his wife Karen, children: Mark (Betty) Etling of Newman Grove, Suzanne (Kevin) Bader of Columbus and Kathryn (Bruce) Backhaus of Newman Grove, sister Joan (John) Tanner and brother Don (Jeannie) Jacobson of Omaha, nieces, great-nieces and nephews, grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-grandchild, many relatives and friends.
 He was preceded in death by his parents and grandson Matthew Lon-don.
 A Memorial Service will be Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022 at 11 a.m., at the Fellowship Bible Church in Newman Grove with Rev. Chris Phelps officiating.
 Levander Funeral Home of Newman Grove is in charge of arrange-ments. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.levanderfuneral-home.com.



Lori A. Price

Lori A. Price, 61, of Pierce, pas-sed away on Friday, Nov. 11, 2022 at Heritage of Bel Air in Norfolk.
 Lori, daughter of William and Shirley (Bence) Price, was born on June 3, 1961 in Broken Bow. She graduated from Albion High School in 1979 and went to Kearney State College to receive her bachelor’s degree in sociology social services. After high school, Lori worked at Head Start for four years until she got a job for Nebraska Health and Human Services in 1986. Lori worked there for 35 years until her reti-rement due to her health.
 Lori enjoyed her dogs and cats, being “The Favorite Aunt,” reading, and baking. Lori loved spending time with her family, especially her son Zach. He was her whole life. Lori was a member of United Church of Christ in Pierce.
 Survivors include her son Zachary Price of Pierce, siblings: Bill (Tara) Price of O’Neill, Bruce (Peggy) Price of Norfolk and Mi-chael Price of Norfolk, 15 nieces and nephews, 10 great-nieces and nephews, Zachary’s “adopted” grandparents Rick and Cheryl Hig-gins of Pierce, special friend Valerie Harris of Broken Bow, and an amaz-ing support group of co-workers, friends, and the community of Pier-ce who showed her an abundance of compassion.
 Lori was preceded in death by her parents William and Shirley and great-nephew Bentley Price.
 A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022 at 10:30 a.m., at the United Church of Christ in Pierce with Rev. Gordon Braun officiating. Honorary casket bearers will be her nephews Derek Price, Si-rus Price, Chad Price, Caleb Price, Jonathon Price and Alec Price. Bu-rial will take place at Prospect View Cemetery, rural Pierce.
 Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. Friday, at the United Church of Christ in Pierce.
 Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce is in charge of the arrange-ments. Condolences may be expres-sed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Paid obituary announcement

Death Notice

Darlene J. Bonge

Darlene June Bonge of Plainview passed away on Nov. 10, 2022. Ser-vices were held Tuesday, Nov. 15.
 Darlene, along with her husband Larry, was an avid supporter of the Albion and Boone Central Cardinal wrestling teams for decades. Larry preceded her in death in March of 2019.

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Elaine D. Hitchler-Biel

Elaine Dorothy (Rieck) Hitchler-Biel was born on Oct. 17, 1933, to Alfred and Irma (Neidhardt) Rieck near Primrose, in rural Boone County. She attended her first four years of grade school at the Red School House, District 52, in rural Boone County. Elaine’s father, Al-fred Rieck, also received his edu-cation at District 52. When Elaine was in the fourth grade, her folks purchased a farm in western Boone County and she attended the rest of her grade school years at District 63-87—a school joined between Boone and Greeley counties. She attended Spalding Public High School and graduated in 1951. She received her normal training to become a teacher and taught at several rural schools in Boone County. She taught at Dis-trict 53 from 1951 to 1954, District 7 from 1954 to 1955 and District 14 from 1955 to 1956. On May 22, 1956, Elaine was united in marriage to Donald F. Hitchler. They moved to Omaha after they were married, where Don worked at Wilson Pack-ing House in Omaha. Elaine worked for Mutual of Omaha Insurance for one year. Don and Elaine then moved to several different farms north of Waterloo. When Don start-ed working for J. C. Robinson Seed Co. in Waterloo, they moved in to Waterloo. Don and Elaine had four children: Kenneth, Daniel, Clifford and Shirley. When the children were all in school, Elaine worked part-time for eight years at the drug store and grocery store in Waterloo. When Dick’s Hillrise Market opened in Elkhorn, in January of 1980, Elaine started working full time. Don passed away from cancer at the age of 57 on June 9, 1984. Elaine mar-ried Irvin Biel on March 16, 1985. Irvin and Elaine made their home in Elkhorn. Irvin passed away on April 5, 2001. Elaine worked full time until 2005. She then worked at McKinney Grocery Store in Gretna and HyVee in Omaha part-time un-

til she finally decided to retire. In August of 2019, Elaine moved to Brookstone Meadows in Elkhorn. In September of 2021, she moved to the Saunders Medical Center in Wa-hoo. Elaine passed away on Nov. 6, 2022, at the age of 89.
 Elaine was active in PTA while her children were in school. She also taught Sunday school at Bethany Lutheran Church in Elkhorn. She belonged to Women’s Circle and la-dies aid. She joined Extension Club in 1960 and stayed active for many years. She was also a member of the Waterloo Woman’s Club from 1966 to 2004. Elaine took great pride in being involved in the Bethany Lu-theran Church Quilters Group. She was also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles of Elkhorn.
 Elaine was baptized at Zion Lu-theran Church on Nov. 26, 1933, in Albion. She was confirmed at Zion on May 25, 1947. Don and Elaine were also married at Zion Luth-eran on May 22, 1956. Elaine’s great grandparents – Yeager – helped start Zion Lutheran Church in Albion. Don and Elaine attended Pilgrim Lutheran in Omaha while they lived in Omaha. Elaine and Don joined Bethany Lutheran Church of Elk-horn in 1960 and she was a member there until her death. Elaine had a very strong faith. Her Confirmation Bible Verse was Revelations 3 Verse 11 – Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.
 Elaine enjoyed getting togeth-er with friends and loved playing cards. Elaine loved to travel and had beautiful memories of all her trips. She was so proud of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchil-dren.
 Elaine is survived by her chil-dren: Ken Hitcher of Waterloo, Dan (Deb) Hitchler of North Bend, Cliff (Tracy) Hitchler of Elkhorn and Shirley (Bill) Berger of Spald-ing; step children: Richard Biel,



Barbara Molck, Beverly Ayala and Rollin Biel; grandchildren: Donald (Trish) Hitchler of Omaha, Jessica Hitchler of North Bend, Tyler (Bre-anna) Hitchler of Omaha, Brittanie (Jeff) Faltys of Elkhorn, Melissa (Tyler) Kaps of Ord, Brianna (Ty-ler) Sherlock of Alliance, Danielle (Tim) Pieper of Elkhorn, Olivia (Erik) Christensen of Omaha, Eric (Eleanor) Berger of Spalding, Todd Berger of Spalding and Mardee Berger of Spalding; great grand-children: Toby Bush, Silas Hitchler, Marlys Hitchler, Braylie Faltys, El-lis Hitchler, Ben Christensen, Hol-lis Hitchler, Levi Sherlock, Kinsley Faltys and Knox Berger.
 Elaine was preceded in death by her husband Don, husband Irvin, her parents Alfred and Irma Rieck, her sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Gay Primrose, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Robert (Velma and Iva) Hitchler, Eve (Roy) Al-bright, Salome (Dale) Albright, Carl (Betty) Hitchler, and Valentine Peter Hitchler.
 Funeral services were Friday, Nov. 11, 2022 at Bethany Lutheran Church, Elkhorn. She was buried at Prospect Hill Cemetery of Elkhorn in Omaha.
 Reichmuth Funeral Home of Omaha/Elkhorn were in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be left at reichmuthfh@yahoo.com.
 Paid obituary announcement

Pair here to fix hail damaged cars, but they’re also tracking Ukraine war

Two auto body technicians from Eastern Europe have been in Albion since June repairing damage from the June hail storms in the Boone County area.
 At the same time, they are close-ly tracking developments in the Ukrainian war.
 One technician, Pavlo (Paul) is a citizen of the Ukraine who has lived in the United States since 2016. He grew up in the city of Dnipro and came to the U.S. at age 19 on a tourist visa after his third year of university studies. He liked the U.S. and decided to get specialized train-ing and extend his stay with a work visa.
 His friend and coworker, Vitalii Manaliu, was born in Moldova and is now a citizen of Romania. He had a soccer career in Romania before moving to the U.S. to work about four years ago.
 Both men are paintless dent re-pair technicians working for a na-tional company, Dent Master - Paul for about six years and Vitalii for two years.
 Dent Master is subcontracting with B & G Body Shop to repair hail damage. Paul and Vitalii have been commuting to Albion each week from their homes in Denver, CO, to repair vehicles.
 “We follow the hail storms,” Paul said. He has been based in Iowa, North Dakota and Denver so far in his career.
 Both said they appreciate the friendliness they have experienced in the Albion community.
 Paul preferred not to use his last name, because his mother and one of his siblings are still living in the Ukraine. His father passed away several years ago. Paul said he feels he can better support his family members in the Ukraine with the in-come he earns from working in the U.S.
 There is plenty of reason for con-cern, since many civilians have been killed or taken captive by the Rus-sian military since the war began.



HAIL REPAIR TECHNICIANS -- Vitalii, l., and Paul, r., citizens of Romania and Ukraine, respectively, have been doing paintless dent repair on vehicles in Albion since June of this year.

“I am talking nearly every day to my family,” said Paul. “I worry about them. The Russians have damaged about 40 percent of Ukraine’s energy infrastructure. It will be a hard winter. They are al-ready without power for four hours a day or more.”
 Russian missiles and drones are hitting power plants and transmis-sion systems. “Kiev is getting the worst of it,” he said.
 Still, Paul said he and other Ukrainians are optimistic that his

country will stay strong and win this war with the help of the U.S. and European allies.
 Romania, Vitalii’s home coun-try, is currently hosting more than 86,000 refugees from Ukraine. Ukraine has a total population of more than 43 million, and an esti-mated 7.6 million Ukrainian citi-zens have left the country since the Russian invasion.
 Paul said he is trying to get his family members out of the Ukraine until the war is over, but this is very long and complex process.

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My Side of the Fencepost

By Jim Dickerson

Where are all the workers?

Latest news would indicate that if you're waiting for an entry level job working at home for a "dot-com" company, you could be out of luck right now.

Mark Zuckerberg of Meta (Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp) announced last week his company is cutting 11,000 jobs. Elon Musk cut the workforce in half at Twitter because his company is losing \$4 million per day.

So far in November, there have been more than 21,000 layoffs in the tech industry.

It's a sign, say the analysts, that tech companies are trimming down their expenses in anticipation of a pending recession.

The layoffs are having an impact all over the world, not just in the U.S.

To be sure, our economy is changing, and there have been more opportunities in the technology industry than ever before in recent years.

But there is also plenty of opportunity for workers who want to do more traditional jobs.



We've seen it in rural Nebraska for some time now. I'm not referring only to so-called "unskilled jobs" here. More and more skilled jobs have also been going unfilled for some time.

I recently read an opinion piece by a spokesperson for the HVAC industry, who said that industry has been short of skilled workers for decades, and it doesn't seem to be getting better. The same is true in building construction, retail, mechanics and a number of other industries.

These are workers we need in rural Nebraska, but states and cities of all sizes seem to be having the same problem, so it's a very competitive market. The COVID pandemic exacerbated the worker shortage. Many people chose to retire or leave the workforce for other reasons. A "hole" developed in the workforce. Today the U.S. is about three million workers short of the pre-pandemic level, and we don't know how long that will last.

But it's why many of us are working longer hours trying to cover all the bases.

That's why many of us are working longer hours trying to cover the bases."

FSA County Committee elections are underway

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) began mailing ballots last week for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county and urban county committee elections to all eligible agricultural producers and private landowners across the country.

Elections are occurring in certain Local Administrative Areas (LAA) for these committee members who make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. Producers and landowners must return ballots to their local FSA county office or have their ballots be postmarked by Dec. 5, 2022, in order for those ballots to be counted.

"County committees provide an opportunity for producers to play a meaningful role in delivering farm programs, but in order for county committees to be effective,

they must truly represent all who are producing," said John Berge, state executive director for FSA in Nebraska.

Producers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program to be eligible to vote in the county committee election.

Each committee has from three to 11 elected members who serve three-year terms, and at least one seat representing an LAA is up for election each year. Ballots must in the mail or delivered in person by close of business Dec. 5, 2022, to be counted. Newly elected committee members will take office Jan. 1, 2023.

Producers can find out if their LAA is up for election and if they are eligible to vote by contacting their local FSA county office. Eligible voters who do not receive a ballot in the mail can request one from their local FSA county office

Letter to the Editor

Passing everything in sight

Jim,

It was the summer of 1964, and Dad sent me to Albion to pick up parts at the IH dealer.

I was not known for doing a lot of farming, so this sounded pretty doable.

I hit the open road, all seven miles of it, with confidence even though his 1955 Chevy with stock racks did not have great steering.

About halfway there, I came upon a car going about 10 mph less than me. With my hands tightly gripping the wheel at 2 and 10 (or maybe 3 and 9), I successfully

passed my first car ever!

I looked ahead, and saw a second car and repeated the process.

Darn, I thought, I'm getting good at this!

While passing the third car, I looked ahead and saw the hearse!

Back in 1964, everyone had a license directory book in their glove compartment. I did not have to look in the rearview mirror to see everyone grabbing for theirs to see who that idiot belonged to!

Jerry Nygren,
York, NE

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Answer on the Church Page

Local Voice of Democracy winner

Why the Veteran is Important

By Dylan Baumgartner
Boone Central Senior

The U.S. has this amazing gift that most people take for granted. It's a free country. This means that we are not controlled by the government contrary to the popular opinion that we aren't truly free.

The most cliché thing that people can say is that freedom never comes free. Are they correct? Yes, but those who are fighting usually are not forced to pay that price. It was and always has been their choice to give; their choice to protect and offer everything in service of those who can't defend themselves.

America's reason for being free is thanks to the military might. The military might is thanks to those within, protecting, dancing with fate.

G.K. Chesterton, an English philosopher and writer once said that "a true soldier fights not because he hates what is in front of him, but because he loves what is behind him." Their love drives them forward, as it should for all of us. Even when discharged, they stay a part of their community by working and setting up community events.

Veterans should be some of, if not the, most respected people to walk with us because they represent the freedoms that many countries still don't get. They represent the hope and the confirmation that humanity is redeemable.

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. This short phrase is what being a soldier means to me. The

code of honor if you will. That is the summation of everything that a warrior fights for, a soldier lives for, and a hero dies for. I find that the veterans that I speak to often deny being called heroes. It is rarely asked of the people to thank those who served, though they're the whole reason we are where we are. Every person, man or woman, who risked their life or gave their time to the protection of a civilian population deserves every ounce of gratitude they are given.

The Anglo-Saxons, a group of Gennanic speaking warriors, had a story about a man named Beowulf. He was the hero who kept the innocent protected, fought dragons and demons, and never stopped pushing forward no matter the obstacle. Beowulf had many great traits about him - super strength, intelligence, confidence and the ability to lead better than any warrior or king. The best trait about this man, though, was that he was the most courageous. He fought because he thought it was right, and died with that ideal close to his heart. To be a hero, you don't have to be a genius, super strong or even confident with your tasks. You just have to be courageous.

Courage is quoted as the ability to do something that is frightening. What is the most frightening thing in the world? The most frightening thing is the unknown. What is the one thing that people know nothing about because once it is experi-



VOICE OF DEMOCRACY top placers this year were, l.-r., first place Dylan Baumgartner, second place Graham Kahlandt and third place Harrison Kuta.

enced, they can't return? Death.

Death keeps most people in their homes hiding in fear of the unknown. Soldiers don't hide from their fears; They face them because that's what they were trained to do. But, behind every soldier's uniform is a human being; they have names, faces, families and lives that are put on hold. And though they are ready to fight and possibly die for their cause, those who love them aren't ready for them to go. George S. Patton once said that it is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God that such men lived.

So, my challenge to everyone out there is to go up to a veteran some day and not thank them for their service, but offer to help them. Offer to

help with their garden or the siding on their house. Doing this shows the respect and the true gratitude that they deserve.

It's not a hollow thank you that they hear every Tuesday night. It's a genuine example of Hammurabi's Code. Eye for an eye; service for a service. Because in the end; if you lose a limb, lose an eye, lose your life, you are still human. You are still loved. Veterans did their part, it's time we do ours and it all starts with small acts of kindness to show that they are important to us.

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." - John F. Kennedy.

Albion VFW Patriot's Pen co-winners

My Pledge

By Bethany Preister,
St. Michael's eighth grader

I pledge to respect those who are part of the Armed Forces. There are many ways to show respect, but how do you show respect to our veterans?

It's simple. Honor them, help the community, vote, volunteer your time, and respect the American Flag.

I pledge to honor our veterans. You can honor someone by showing them respect. Some veterans saw little to no support or respect when they returned home from war. Honor a veteran by shaking their hand, telling them that you appreciate them, or thank them for their service. Doing this puts a smile on their face as well as yours. This shows that you are grateful that they took the time to protect you.

I pledge to help the community. If veterans help and protect our country, the least we can do is protect our community. We can help the community by participating in Memorial Day services, Veterans Day programs, and collecting items for homeless veterans. A group of people can write thank you letters and deliver them to our veterans. If we

do something positive in our lives, that will show veterans that we appreciate the freedom they gave us.

I pledge to vote when I am old enough. Every vote matters, and everyone has the right to voice their opinion. We shouldn't complain or fight over who has been elected if we don't vote and put our opinion out there. Veterans fought for the right to vote. The least we can do is respect their dedication to giving us that right.

I pledge to volunteer my time. I can volunteer at a place that helps give free resources to veterans. I can volunteer at a food drive, food pantry, or nursing home.

I pledge to respect the American flag. When we fly our flag, we remember those veterans who have died serving our country, and honor those who currently serve and those who will serve in the days, months, and years to come.

I pledge to put myself out there and help our veterans. By doing these small deeds, we can show how we appreciate them. I pledge to respect our veterans everyday and anytime I see them.



PATRIOT'S PEN winners included (l.-r.) co-first place Bethany Preister, second place Sienna Borer and third place Ashlynn Naber. Co-winner Cali Stokes was unable to attend the Veterans Day program.

The Ultimate Sacrifice

By Cali Stokes,
St. Michael's eighth grader

It takes a lot of courage and love for an American to become a veteran. These incredible people volunteer themselves to protect our way of life. It is truly the ultimate sacrifice to willingly give your life to save a stranger. Because of this, my pledge to our veterans is to be the best version of an American that I can be.

Being a great American includes simple actions like standing up for the flag and voicing my love for our great country during the National Anthem. It is showing pride and respect for our country and those who serve whenever the opportunity comes.

Another way I can be a better American to show respect for our veterans is by serving others. From offering to help my elderly neighbors to serving at Mass and volunteering for community events, I can make a positive difference to the people near me. Service to the environment is another example of being a good American. I can look

for ways to reduce how much trash I create. I can help clean up parks or highways. Taking care of our planet shows that we want to protect the same land our veterans are or have fought for.

Thirdly, I believe that our freedom should never be taken for granted. We are blessed to live in this nation with all of our freedoms. Instead of just thinking about the Fourth or Memorial Day, what about every day? Veterans bravely fought for our sake, our everyday freedoms. With these freedoms comes great responsibility. These responsibilities should pass from generation to generation to continue inspiring and giving hope to people. As part of my pledge, I will work to not take my freedom for granted.

My pledge to veterans is to be the best American I can be. Because of veterans, I live the life I want to live with freedom. We all owe veterans and that is why we should all try our hardest to be good Americans. It is easy but effective, and it is the least we can do.

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Karen Benes
Mark and Aliscia Benes and family
Kevin and Laura Benes and family

I WANT TO thank everyone for all the acts of kindness, cards, flowers, and calls I've received since my hip replacement. To my daughter Kristin for traveling from Canada to be my nurse and to the rest of my children for the extra care and concern during this time. It was so appreciated and I feel very blessed.

Jane Siedlyk 10p

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Newman Grove Community

Special activities in store for Yuletide Fest on Dec. 2

A variety of special activities will be in store for Yuletide Fest at Newman Grove on Friday, Dec. 2, 2022.

Downtown businesses will be open from 4 to 7 p.m., as well as the Community Center and vendor

booths.

Caroling in the street is planned from 4 to 4:45 p.m., and the Mule Train will be running for children from 4:30 to 6:45.

Additional activities will include carriage rides from the Citizens

State Bank, a scavenger hunt starting at the city library, and extra large board games on Main Street.

Santa will be visiting with children at the Newman Grove Community Center from 5 to 7 p.m. that evening.

NG School Board considers pay for bus drivers, coaches

By Joan Chilson

Newman Grove School Board on Monday night discussed pay levels both bus drivers and coaches who drive participants to and from practices in Albion.

Superintendent Josh Warren said he has been researching bus driver wages, and those wages at surrounding schools range from \$40 up to \$70 per hour.

Newman Grove bus driver pay is currently below those levels.

The board discussed the wages and determined there will be an increase to be determined later. The

district is in need of driving help, so advertising for drivers will begin as soon as possible.

The board is considering an increase both for this year and when the new budget is considered for next year.

Coaches have requested an additional \$10 per day for driving students back from Albion after practice, in addition to their coaching wage. Many times, they have to wait for students practicing different sports than the one they coach.

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HONORED VETERANS who attended the Nov. 11 program at Newman Grove Public Schools.

Newman Grove honors veterans with Nov. 11 program at school

More than 30 area veterans were honored during the annual Veterans Day program at Newman Grove Public Schools last Friday, Nov. 11.

Guest speaker was Army Sargeant Aaron Wallin, who reminded the audience that Veterans Day was originally named Armistice Day, held each year on the eleventh month, eleventh day and eleventh hour to commemorate the exact time the fighting ended during World War I. It is observed as a tribute to the sacrifices of the armed forces and their families to defend freedom.

Aaron graduated from Newman Grove High School. He was at his cousin's home when a National Guard recruiter was there talking to his cousin about joining. Aaron wasn't sure what he wanted to do after graduation, so he ended up joining the Army.

He was sent to Fort Knox, KY, and then Fort Lee, VA for training. Then came 9/11. He was deployed three times. While in the Army, he

worked in logistics, transportation and engineering.

His last deployment in 2018 was the hardest, as by then he was married with children. It was harder for the family when he was deployed, as his wife was raising the children alone.

When he ended his active service, it was a shock to return to civilian life. He missed the camaraderie and being in the service.

The Army is a great place to start if you don't know what you want to do after graduation, Aaron stated.

"Even though the Army raises good men and women, you don't have to be in the service to serve. There are many ways to help in your community," he said.

There are 18 million former military service members alive today, which means that five percent of our population has worn the uniform. The fighting spirit is the backbone of our country, he said. All soldiers show bravery by wearing uniforms.

This day honors men and women in all branches of the service. He stated that it is hard for a veteran or someone currently in the service to take a compliment like "thank you for your service." It is an honor to serve, so it is hard for them to respond.

Aaron is currently serving in the



Sgt. Aaron Wallin

Army National Guard Reserves. His parents, Brian and Christie Wallin, and many of his family members reside in or near Newman Grove.

On behalf of American Legion Post 73, Raymond Flood presented 50-year pins during the program to Verne Buhl, Charles Borg and Dennis Fowlkes.

In other parts of the program, American Legion Post 73 advanced and retired the American Flag, fifth graders presented a musical selection, "On Veterans Day" directed by Abby Albracht, Carmen Montoya sang the National Anthem, and Principal Erin Forre gave the welcome and introduced the guest speaker.

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Annual soup & pie supper well attended

Chilly weather, tantalizing soups, mouth-watering pies, and a friendly rural church welcome were a winning combination for nearly 300 people who attended the Immanuel-Zion (IZ) Lutheran Soup Supper on Sunday, Nov. 6. In this 39th year for this popular event, all proceeds are going to Tilden Church of Christ, Farm Rescue, and ELCA World Hunger this year. Sharon Taake (pictured) of Tilden, president of the church's women's organization, organized the event together with Lynn Bygland of Albion. Immanuel Zion is located at 1726 310 Avenue, rural Albion.

Zion, Shell Creek Churches

Wednesday, Nov. 16: Bible Study at MNLH, 1:30 p.m., Bible Study at the Newman House, 2 p.m., Bible Study at Beth's, 3:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 17: Mid-Nebraska Lutheran Home Board meeting, 5:30 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 20: Community Thanksgiving Service at the school gym, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Service at MNLH, 2 p.m., Thanksgiving Eve Service at Shell Creek, 7 p.m.



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St. Edward veterans receive American Flags from elementary students during Friday program.



Many took part in the "one-mile walk for Veterans" with Jason Hanner on Friday afternoon.

Community goes 'all out' for Veterans Day

Veterans Day was a very active day in St. Edward, with a morning program saluting all veterans at the school gym, and an afternoon walk to increase awareness of the challenges facing veterans once they return home.

Guest speaker at the morning program was Blake Trombley of Albion, a veteran of both the U.S. Army and Marine Corps. He recounted some of his experience, the meaning of Veterans Day and challenges faced by veterans.

American Legion Post 226 advanced and retired the colors. Cleatus Arasmith gave the welcome, and Ron Benson gave the invocation.



Blake Trombley, guest speaker at the Friday morning program.

Performing patriotic music were the K-12 band, the high school choir and girls choir. K-6 students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The fifth grade class presented a special "thank you" to veterans. Individual students giving patriotic poetry readings were Isabelle Las-ka, fifth grade, and Annie Luebbe,

third grade.

In the afternoon, K-12 students and staff attended a program by Jason Hanner, a U.S. Navy veteran who represents the Walk for Veter-



Jason Hanner accepts the 'Penny Wars' gift on behalf of veterans.

ans organization.

Jason walks to bring awareness of what happens to veterans after they have served. The mission for Walk for Vets is "walking and raising awareness to the plight of Veterans," he said.

The issues veterans face include post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST), addiction, homelessness and others.

Walk for Vets is calling for action to stop the epidemic of suicides among former service members, Jason said. He asked the audience to follow them on social media at walkforvets.org and help them with a call to action.

The students at St. Edward held penny wars to donate to this cause, raising a total of \$1,140 in change.

They donated half of this amount to the local American Legion and half to Walk for Veterans.

The Legion then donated their half to Walk for Veterans, so the full amount was donated to this cause.

ST. EDWARD COMMUNITY

St. Edward hosts 'Extravaganza'

Many St. Edward businesses and organizations took part in the annual Holiday Extravaganza last Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 10-12. Friday evening was especially busy with holiday shopping at local businesses and vendors, a wine tasting, Jack Nordeen's wildlife photo exhibit and P.E.O. bake sale.

The 13th annual Santa Run (below) was held Saturday morning, with the Farm 4 A Cure benefit Saturday night.



Shoppers at St. Edward Floral Saturday morning.



Vendor displays at Alida's Picture Pages, left, and Christmas Collections at Beaver Valley Senior Center.



Jack Nordeen's wildlife and nature photography display at the St. Edward Library.



Santa Run winners told

The annual Santa Run 5K is a competitive race for some and a fun run/walk for others.

This year was the 13th annual Santa Run, with 18 participants. Temperatures were in the 20s at race time, 11 a.m.

The adult 5K female winner was Karen Sueper of Humphrey, and the first place male runner was Chris Delano of Lincoln.

The run is sponsored each year by the Whidden family.

Beaver Valley Senior Center Menus

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Enchilada casserole, mixed vegetables, peaches, dinner roll, margarine

THURSDAY, NOV. 17:
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FRIDAY, NOV. 18:
Sloppy Joe on a bun, oven potatoes, cottage cheese salad, baked beans, applesauce, margarine.

MONDAY, NOV. 21:
Roast beef, scalloped potatoes, zucchini, dinner roll, peaches, margarine.

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Nov. 21--St. Edward Development Co. meeting, 7 p.m.

Nov. 21--Al Anon, Catholic Church Rectory, 6 p.m.

Nov. 21---Soldiers Prayer Shield, Albion, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bank

Nov. 24---Thanksgiving Day (most government offices and some businesses not open)

Nov. 24---Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, 7 p.m., Albion Congregational Church

Nov. 28--Al Anon, Catholic Church Rectory, 6 p.m.

Nov. 28---Soldiers Prayer Shield, Albion, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bank

Nov. 30-St. Edward Library Board meeting, 7 p.m.

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Boone Central State Playoff Football

Unbeaten #1 Aurora ends Cardinal season

Third quarter stretch dooms Boone Central in Class C1 semifinal

A rematch, and an opportunity. The Boone Central Cardinals faced undefeated Class C1 #1 Aurora Friday night in a state playoff semifinal game that gave the Cardinals a chance to avenge an early-season loss to the Huskies and advance to the 2022 C1 championship final.

Like a prizefighter taking body blows and left hooks while flicking jabs and occasionally landing stinging crosses to the chin, Boone hung in and hung on throughout the first half. The Cardinals were right there, threatening Aurora's unblemished season at halftime, thanks to a final-second haymaker.

Then, it all went wrong, as evidenced by a 40-19 final tally in the Huskies' favor.

Dramatic Turn

During a roughly nine-minute stretch to open the third quarter, Boone could not climb off the ropes and took a pummeling that suddenly turned a 20-12 deficit into 40-12. Bang, bam, boom. The blows kept coming and the Cardinals were unable to counter.

Unlike the first meeting of the teams, in which Aurora led 34-6 in the first minute of the third period and substituted liberally throughout the second half, Boone had Aurora's full attention, and the Huskies looking over their shoulders, at Friday's intermission.

Even though the Cardinals missed several opportunities in the first 24 minutes, they finished the opening half with a bang as Alex Christo arced a perfect strike to Brant Benes for a 52-yard touchdown with just 10 seconds on the



Boone Central junior Caden Stokes makes a nifty over-the-shoulder catch during the Cardinals' Class C1 playoff semifinal loss to undefeated #1 Aurora Friday. (Photo, Richard Rhoden, Aurora News-Register)

clock.

That trimmed a 14-point deficit to 20-12 and appeared to give Boone Central momentum entering the second half.

Aurora, however, regrouped, as great teams will. The Huskies began the third quarter with a 70-yard touchdown march, highlighted by a 63-yard run by All-State standout Carlos Collazo. On Boone's ensuing possession, an ineligible-receiver penalty negated Christo's 30-yard pass to Kolton Rasmussen, eventually forcing the Cardinals to punt. Aurora blocked Austin Wiese's attempt and recovered in the end zone for another score. Just like that, the Huskies led 34-12.

The hits kept coming. Collazo intercepted a Christo pass attempt three minutes later, then iced the contest with a dazzling 33-yard touchdown run that put Aurora on top 40-12.

Bang, bam, boom. Just that fast. It was obvious Boone Central was an improved team since the week-two loss at Aurora. But with Collazo - who missed three previous games with injury - healthy, Aurora was still Aurora, and the Cards just didn't have enough to sustain an admirable challenge.

"Closing the gap"

"We talked all year about 'closing the gap' after the first game, and I think it was pretty apparent we did

that. We were within striking distance at halftime and no one has really gone the distance or threatened

them like we did," Cardinal Coach Mark Hudson commented. "There were a few opportunities in the first

half we missed - fourth-down pressure/incompletion and a fumble deep in their territory - but we would have had to play a 98 percent game, almost perfect, to win. You're going to miss some plays, that's the nature of the game.

"The third quarter, they got going right away and we couldn't muster an answer. The blocked punt was big. They call it a 'game of inches' for a reason, and the difference was a few inches here and there all adding up. We'll definitely need to gain some inches back in the weight room this offseason."

Relentless Huskie Pressure

Often, in matchups of two talented football teams, games seem to go in fits and starts until one team can gain and sustain momentum for a period of time, or creates a break or two in some way.

Friday, with Collazo - who rushed for over 2,000 yards as a junior and had more than 1,700 this season in just eight games - running behind an experienced, physical offensive line, Aurora just always seemed to be moving forward with nary a step back.

Boone Central surprised the Huskies on the game's initial play from scrimmage, putting guard Hank Hudson in the backfield and popping him free for a 22-yard gain. Christo connected with Jack Roberts for another first down, but on an eventual fourth-and-two play Chris-

to's pass under harrassment fell incomplete and ended the threat at the Aurora 31-yard line.

The host Huskies immediately went to work, churning 69 yards in 11 plays - including seven Collazo carries - to take a 7-0 lead on Drew Knust's 14-yard touchdown pass to Carson Staehr on fourth-and-six.

Aurora then forced a three-plays-and-punt and boosted the lead to 14-0 with a 78-yard nine-play march. Collazo ripped off runs of 15 and 10 yards, Knust connected with Koby Nachtigal for 29 yards, and the senior quarterback raced 21 yards for the touchdown.

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Cardinal Pride, season after great season

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Yes, the end to the 2022 campaign - a 40-19 state playoff semifinal loss to Class C1 #1 Aurora Friday - was a disappointment. But 2022 had so much to take pride in and to celebrate.

Finishing 9-3, the Cardinals lost only to the two undefeated teams who will meet in the C1 state championship final next week. Boone's nine victories included a 27-10 decision over 2021 C1 champion Lakeview (who ended the Cards' '21 season in the quarterfinal round) and a stunning 41-15 thrashing of #3 rated Ashland-Greenwood in the 2022 state quarterfinals.

Take the success a bit further. Over the past two seasons, Boone has compiled an 18-5 record with four of the five defeats to state finalists. There was also a thrilling 35-33 triumph over 2021 #1 Pierce a year ago. No additional state finals or championships for the accomplished Cardinal program, but outstanding results nonetheless.

Boone Central was deserving of the #3 ranking in the final 2021 C1 Top 10, and should hold that distinction again this season. Back-to-back #3 in the state. Not many teams would turn that down. Much to be proud of.

Consider also that the teams dealing Boone 2022 losses were not ordinary Class C1 squads.

Aurora dropped from Class B this past offseason after qualifying for consecutive state finals in the larger class. And the Huskies, in their quest for a third straight championship game appearance, returned 16 starters, including 2,000-yard rushing star Carlos Collazo!

Pierce, which lost to Lakeview in the '21 C1 title game, also had 16 starters back in 2022, including University of Nebraska scholarship recipient Ben Brahmer, son of long-time Bluejay coach Mark Brahmer.

It's rare that teams with such recent success begin a new season with so many returning starters. More typically, state champions and finalists are veteran squads that lose strong, and often large, senior classes.

Aurora is, as Boone Central Coach Mark Hudson noted, a truly "elite" C1 squad. The Huskies' first four 2022 opponents, and six of nine overall in the regular season, were ranked in Class B or C1 Top 10s.

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Cardinal



'High Flyer'

It may seem a bit odd to say there were many potential candidates for weekly 'High Flyer' mention following a 40-19 loss in Friday's playoff semifinal, but in truth there were, indeed, many candidates for 'High Flyer' recognition in the Cardinal season finale.

Boone Central players fought hard, often played well, and the score could certainly have been closer than the final tally.

After review, the *Albion News/Boone County Tribune* will conclude a tremendous Boone Central season with a trio of 'Cardinal High Flyers' for their performances Friday, including one name that hasn't been called previously.

That is defensive end Jaxon Lipker, who showed up time and again during Friday's action. Lipker was physical, and stout at the point of attack against the Huskies, finishing with four tackles and four assisted stops. Concluding a season that featured continual improvement in such a fashion sets the 6'5 junior up for a strong senior campaign.

Two of Lipker's fellow juniors also receive mention. Guard/linebacker Hank Hudson opened the game with a 22-yard run from a fullback position, but as usual shined on the defensive side of the ball (6 solo tackles, 4 assists). Speedy halfback Parker Borer flashed his weekly "lightning-bolt" ability against Aurora, returning two kickoffs for 89 yards, rushing 16 times for 66 yards, and catching a pass for another 20.

Congratulations to these three High Flyers, to all those receiving High Flyer recognition in 2022, and to the entire Boone Central team - including coaches - on another terrific football season.



Cardinal halfback Parker Borer (2) attempts to veer past a swarming Aurora defense during Class C1 state playoff action Friday at Aurora. (Photo, Richard Rhoden, Aurora News-Register)



Card senior Jack Roberts tries to shrug off a tackle attempt following a reception in Boone Central's semifinal playoff loss at Aurora. (Photo, Richard Rhoden, Aurora News-Register)

Cardinal Football

Boone Central has ten selected All-District

Boone Central was well-represented in 2022 C1-4 All-District selections announced recently.

Six Cardinals were selected to the C1-4 All-District 1st Teams in voting by coaches, and another four Cards were 2nd Team picks. District champion Pierce led C1-4 1st Team selections with seven.

Senior Alex Christo (QB), and juniors Parker Borer (RB) and Brant Benes (WR) are 1st Team offensive selections, while senior Jack Roberts (DE), and juniors Hank Hudson (LB) and James Fogleman (DB) are members of the 1st Team defensive unit. Earning 2nd Team mention are Ben Reilly, Nathaniel Werner, Caden Stokes and Trent Patzel.

Christo completed 101-of-188 passes for 1,532 yards, 19 touchdowns and five interceptions in 2022. He added 436 rushing yards,

scoring 10 TDs. Benes led Boone with 19 receptions for 341 yards and four touchdowns. He also returned nine kickoffs for 336 yards and one TD and intercepted a pass, returning it for a score. Borer was Boone's big-play threat with 1,177 rushing yards and 20 touchdowns, seven kick returns for 212 yards and a TD, and three interceptions, two returned for touchdowns.

Returning 2021 All-State DE Jack Roberts again led the Boone Central defense with 55 total tackles (41 solo), nine sacks and 24 tackles-for-loss. He also caught 17 passes for 310 yards and six TDs. Along with spearheading Boone's offensive line, Hudson registered 52.5 tackles (32 solo) from his LB position, six for losses. Fogleman had 41 tackles (35 solo) in '22 and intercepted one pass.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, shall hold a public hearing at the Boone County Courthouse on the 28th day of November, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of hearing testimony in favor of, or opposition to, and to answer questions in relation to the proposed closing or vacating of a county road; A portion of a 66-foot wide County Road right-of-way known as 320 Avenue, the centerline of said 66-foot road described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast (NE) corner of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Ten (10), said point of beginning also being the Northwest (NW) corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Eleven (11), Township Eighteen North (18N), Range Five West (5W) of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska, thence running South on the East line of said Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Ten (10), and ending at the Southeast (SE) corner of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of said Section Ten (10), said ending point also being the Southwest (SW) corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Eleven (11).

Board of Commissioners
Boone County, Nebraska
Larry Temmme, Chairman

Sarah Robinson
Boone County Clerk 10c ZNEZ

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
BOONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-0001 BOARD OF EDUCATION

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Board of Education of School District 06-0001, of Boone Central Schools, will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 5:00 p.m., in the Boone Central High School art room, 605 South Sixth Street, Albion, NE 68620. The purpose is to review Superintendent applications and select candidates for interviews on December 5 and December 6. William Kuester
Boone Central Interim School Superintendent
Publish November 16, 2022c ZNEZ

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETINGS
BOONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-0001 BOARD OF EDUCATION

Notice is hereby given that special meetings of the Board of Education of School District 06-0001, of Boone Central Schools, will be held on Monday, December 5 and Tuesday, December 6, 2022, both at 4:00 p.m., in the Boone Central High School art room, 605 South Sixth Street, Albion, NE 68620. Superintendent interviews for the 2023-24 school year will begin at 4 p.m. on Monday and conclude on Tuesday. William Kuester
Boone Central Interim School Superintendent
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Boone County Board of Commissioners will meet in the Boone County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room in Albion, Nebraska on Monday, November 21, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. for a public meeting. Agenda is current and available in the Clerk's Office. Sarah Robinson
Boone County Clerk
Publish November 16, 2022c ZNEZ

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that Diamond H Welding, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, is organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 3638 120th Avenue, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627, and with Paul L. Haschke as its initial registered agent for service of process at such address. The general nature of its business is to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. The Company commenced on October 31, 2022, and its duration is perpetual. Its affairs shall be conducted by its Manager(s) pursuant to an Operating Agreement duly adopted by the Company. Catrina K. Harris, #25764
Lutton Law Office, LLC

1442 Silver Street
Ashland, NE 68003 9-11c ZNEZ

ESTATE NOTICE

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS F. SMITH, Deceased
Case Number PR22-35
AMENDED NOTICE OF INFORMAL ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on the 25th day of October, 2022, in the County Court of Boone County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that James T. Smith, whose address is 312 W. Dayton Street, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before the 9th day of January, 2023, or be forever barred.

Lisa Langan (SEAL)
Clerk of the County Court
Boone County Courthouse
222 South Fourth Street
Albion, NE 68620
Jeffrey C. Jarecki, #24411
Jarecki, Sharp & Petersen, P.C., L.L.O.
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NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAROLD DEAN THOMPSON, Deceased
Case Number PR22-37
NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on November 3, 2022 in the Boone County Court, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the Will of the Deceased and that Debra Kaye Slaymaker was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of this Estate.

Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before January 9, 2023, or be forever barred.

Lisa Langan (SEAL)
Clerk-Magistrate
Darren S. Wright #23703
Bird & Wright, P.C.
Attorneys for Applicant
140 South Fourth Street
Albion, NE 68620
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SECTION 00 10 00 INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the construction of "220th Ave. Re-Deck, C000620520 for Boone County, Nebraska," JEO Project No. 200270.00, QuestCDN No. 8323171, will be received by the county clerk at 224 S 4th Street, Albion, NE 68620, until 10:00 AM on the 21st day of November 2022, and thereafter will be read aloud.

The work is generally described as follows: Bridge re-deck.
Opinion of Probable Cost \$250,000.00
Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.

All Proposals for said construction work must be made on blanks furnished by the Engineer and must be accompanied by Bid Security of not less than 5% of the amount bid. Bid Security to be made payable to the Treasurer of Boone County as liquidated damages in case the bid is accepted and the bidder neglects or refuses, to enter into contract and furnish bond in accordance herewith.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with Boone County for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$20.00. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$75.00 per set. Please send your check payable to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. at 404 S 25th Street, Ste. B, Norfolk, NE 68701. If you have any questions, contact us at 402.371.6416. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities and to make awards on bids which furnish the materials and construction that will, in their opinion serve the best interests of the Owner, and also reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
Larry Temme, Chairperson
ATTEST: Sarah Robinson, Clerk
PUBLISHED: November 2, 2022

November 9, 2022
November 16, 2022 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Case No. CI 22-60
LEGAL NOTICE
DONALD M. WELLS and JACQUELINE L. WELLS, husband and wife,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

AMERICAN ACRES, INC., and All Other Persons/Entities Unknown Claiming Any Right, Interest or Title in A Fraction of Section 8, Township 21 North, Range 8 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska, described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said NE¼; thence South along the East side of said NE¼, a distance of 209 feet; thence West a distance of 209 feet; thence North a distance of 209 feet, more or less to the North line of said NE¼; thence East along the North line of said NE ¼ to the place of beginning,

Defendants.

TO: All Other Persons/Entities Unknown Claiming Any Right, Interest or Title in A Fraction of Section 8, Township 21 North, Range 8 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska, described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said NE¼; thence South along the East side of said NE¼, a distance of 209 feet; thence West a distance of 209 feet; thence North a distance of 209 feet, more or less to the North line of said NE¼; thence East along the North line of said NE ¼ to the place

of beginning.

You are hereby notified that on October 24, 2022, Donald M. Wells and Jacqueline L. Wells filed a Complaint for the Foreclosure of the above-referenced real estate in the District Court of Boone County, Nebraska, against you, the object of which is to foreclose on the tax sale certificate for the delinquent taxes on the real estate described above. The Complaint asks the court to find that the taxes are a lien against the real estate, as provided by law, and that upon establishment of such lien, the real estate, which may remain unredeemed, be sold at public sale to satisfy the decree so entered, together with interest and costs, including attorney's fees, and that the defendants be forever barred of all claims upon, interest in, right or title to, lien upon or equity of redemption in the real estate upon confirmation of the sale.

To defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed in the District Court of Boone County, Nebraska on or before December 16, 2022.

DONALD M. WELLS and JACQUELINE L. WELLS, Plaintiffs,

By: /s/ Katherine E. Sharp
Katherine E. Sharp, #26626
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NOTICE OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11-01

Public notice is hereby given that the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Edward, Nebraska, at their meeting on November 6 ,2022 have passed and approved Ordinance No. 2022-11-01 the title which reads as follows AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD, NEBRASKA, REPEALING SECTIONS 3-408, 3-409 AND 3-410 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING SECTION 3-408 ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF UTILITY TYPE VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD.

Said Ordinance has been published in pamphlet form. Copies of the Ordinance as so published are available at the office of the City Clerk at 1302 Hwy 39 St. Edward, Nebraska. Angie Miller, City Clerk 10c ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11-02

Public notice is hereby given that the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Edward, Nebraska, at their meeting on November 6 ,2022 have passed and approved Ordinance No. 2022-11-02 the title which reads as follows AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD, NEBRASKA, ADOPTING SECTION

3-409 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF GOLF CAR VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD.

Said Ordinance has been published in pamphlet form. Copies of the Ordinance as so published are available at the office of the City Clerk at 1302 Hwy 39 St. Edward, Nebraska. Angie Miller, City Clerk 10c ZNEZ

NOTICE - City of Albion, Nebraska

On the 8th day of November, 2022, the Mayor and City Council of Albion, Nebraska, adopted an ordinance entitled: ORDINANCE NO. 322(22) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBION, NEBRASKA, VACATING THE EAST 5 FEET OF 2ND STREET LOCATED ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF LOT 4, BLOCK 16, ORIGINAL TOWN OF ALBION, BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA. Said Ordinance was published in pamphlet form and copies thereof are available at the office of the City Clerk. Andrew Devine
City Clerk
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Legal Notices
Published as Received

School Board discusses ESU benefits, difficulties in finding staff housing

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Dr. Polk computed a total savings of \$72,639 to the Boone Central District from ESU 7 services.

Dick Stephens noted that grant assistance was provided through the ESU to develop the school greenhouse, which has become an integral part of the science and ag education curriculums. Stephens and Carol Kusek, foundation president, commended science teacher Katie Wilson and ag education teacher Abby Hitchler for their work with this facility.

Staff Housing Hard to Find
Superintendent Kuester initiated a discussion of the difficulty in finding staff housing. He said he is hiring a new LAN administrator, but has been unable to find local housing for the family.

This is a common problem for school staff, and he would like any advice from the board or patrons.

Currently, the district has many staff members who commute to and from school from other area towns, and this could be an issue in staff retention, Kuester said.

Administrative Reports
Administrators provided reports to the board on a variety of topics.

Ethan Larson, director of continuous school improvement, reported on recent training, the current review of math curriculum and perceptual surveys. He said he will have great news to share next month

on student assessment and accountability.

Superintendent Kuester introduced Jordan Classen as the district's new assistant business manager. He also reported there is a current shortage of kitchen workers. The district's insurance carrier is handling a tort claim filing against the district, and an additional area bank is seeking consideration as a depository.

Other matters discussed were the fund raising campaign to purchase up to 25 interactive screens for classrooms, school crosswalk improvements for safety, additional second grade students coming into the district, and a recent visit by law enforcement drug dogs to check high school and middle school lockers. Jeff Schwartz, high school principal, said he would like this program to continue twice each year.

Bill Curry, middle school principal, reported on the recent Middle School Character Retreat, and thanked the Albion Education Association for funding the program.

Jon Perone, activities director, reported on recent achievements

in athletics and activities. He said winter sports have started, with good participation.

All board members and administrators recognized various staff members, students and organizations for making extra efforts in improving school programs and activities.

Other Business

In other action items Monday night, the board:

- approved the 6000 series of board policies dealing with curriculum, use of technology, school standards and other topics.
 - approved a resolution stating that adoption of policies in the current round of review will be delayed and adopted at a later date after all amendments are completed.
 - approved a positive board evaluation of Bill Kuester as interim superintendent.
 - approved payment of a \$13,000 bill to B & S Concrete for work on the new bus parking lot.
- The board's next regular meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

New estimates show lower crop yields across state

Based on Nov. 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2022 corn crop is forecast

at 1.56 billion bushels, down 16% from last year's production, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Area to be harvested for grain, at 9.30 million acres, is down 3% from a year ago. Yield is forecast at 168 bushels per acre, down 26 bushels from last year.

Sorghum production is forecast at 285 million bushels, down 17% from last year. Area for harvest, at 265,000 acres, is up 15% from 2021. Yield is forecast at 62 bushels per acre, down 24 bushels from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.85 million bushels, down 19% from last year. Area for harvest, at 5.70 million acres, is up 2% from 2021. Yield is forecast at 50 bushels per acre, down 13.0 bushels from last year.

Sugarbeet production is forecast at 0.975 million tons, down 30% from last year. Area for harvest, at 39,000 acres, is down 11% from 2021. Yield is forecast at 25.0 tons per acre, down 6.9 tons from last year.

Potato acres of 20,000 were planted in 2022, up 5%. Harvested acreage set at 19,900 acres, up 5%. Production is forecast at 9.55 million cwt, up 3% from last year.

PUBLIC NOTICES
"Your Right to Know"

Cornhusker Goodwill donates to area projects

Cornhusker Power Goodwill Toys for Tots in Albion received Fund trustees awarded \$2,950 to 11 organizations at the Nov. 7 meeting. Petersburg Public Library re-

ceived \$300 for computers. Lindsay Community Blood Drive received \$200 for food. Cornhusker Public Power District CEO/GM Clay Gibbs said, “These organizations are doing great things in the community, and we are very proud to be a part of it. Please consider rounding up your electric bill and join us in making a difference in your community.” Organizations may be eligible for funds once a year. Next application due date is Jan. 20, 2023. Applications are located at www.cornhusker-power.com. Call Cornhusker Power at 402-564-2821 for more information.



Veterans visit first grade

Boone Central's first graders invited veterans into their classrooms during the week of Veterans Day. Veterans Alexa Lee (above), Blake Trombley and Tana Dozler visited the classroom, with Dan Slaymaker scheduled for this week. The students study U.S. symbols and the characteristics of Veterans leading up to Veterans Day. First graders also wrote letters and drew pictures for the area veterans, inviting them to the Veterans Day program which was held last Friday.



Above, first grader Caleb Krohn tries on an Army helmet during the veterans' presentations. Photos courtesy of Stacy Gragert



CPPD Goodwill Fund Trustee Cindy Hemmer (left) presents \$300 to Traci Gragert for Boone County Toys for Tots.



CPPD Goodwill Fund Trustee Cindy Hemmer (left) presents \$300 to Jennifer Leifeld for Petersburg Library computers.



White Star expanding fuel service

Underground tank installation began last week at White Star Oil Co. on the cleared lot across the street (southwest) of the Convenience Store. A concrete pumper truck was in use when this photo was taken last week.

CL Werner Foundation awards \$20,000 toward ambulance garage

Boone County Health Center (BCHC) recently received \$20,000 in grant funding from the CL Werner Foundation toward the new county ambulance garage. BCHC is raising funds to build a 50 x 60 foot steel building to house the Boone County ambulance, and the project is well underway. A portion of the structure will be used as a maintenance garage for BCHC. Proper storage of the county ambulance is essential to the life of the ambulance. Reasons to maintain the county ambulance service have been listed as follows:

- Individuals would need to utilize an independent ambulance company's service without a county ambulance.
 - Having to rely on an outside ambulance company is not ideal because of the added time it will take to arrive, which poses a safety concern for those with life-threatening issues.
 - Costs to the patient could also increase as independent ambulance services are often considered out-of-network with some insurance plans.
- The CL Werner Foundation, based out of Omaha, partners with organizations striving to improve their communities and donates to well-managed and effective non-profit organizations. Clarence L “CL” started the



NEW AMBULANCE GARAGE is nearing completion southeast of Boone County health Center.

Foundation. CL was born on a farm near Petersburg, in 1937. His family didn't have much, but their legacy of giving was deeply rooted. Since its formation in 2008, the foundation has given millions of dollars in gifts and grants to local and national charities and global impact organizations. To date, the total raised for the ambulance garage project is \$213,000, and the goal is to raise \$300,000 by the end of the year. Donations can be made to the BCHC Foundation and sent to the foundation office.

Blessings in a Backpack now helps with food for school children across area

Blessings in a Backpack - Albion, will again be focusing its proceeds from the 2022 Boone County Big Give on weekend meals for children, with all contributions going to help with the cost of those meals.

Blessings in a Backpack - Albion is a volunteer-based organization that provides weekend supplemental food to students who might be facing food insecurity during the time they are away from school. The program began in 2017 under the coordination of two local volunteers, Sarah Moeller and Mollie Morrow, and has grown to a board made up of school representatives and community leaders.

The program began focusing solely on children in Kindergarten through fifth grades in Albion schools. However, because of the generous support of local donors and grants, as well as increased demand, Blessings in a Backpack - Albion has expanded to now include six facilities.

The organization now provides weekend food for students at Boone Central Schools, St. Michael's School, Newman Grove Public Schools, Elgin Public Schools,

and Elgin Pope John/St. Boniface Schools, as well as Boone Beginnings Early Childhood Education Center.

Across these facilities, Blessings in a Backpack - Albion is feeding nearly 160 kids every weekend during the school year.

Along with the expansion of the program, increasing the demand for food, the program has experienced an increase in food costs.

“Like the rest of the world, Blessings in a Backpack - Albion is having to pay significantly higher prices for the same food we've been supplying to our recipients for years, resulting in about a 25 percent increase to our overall operating budget,” said Sarah Moeller. “Additionally, supply chain interruptions have forced the program to obtain food from alternate sources and/or substitute products in place of our normal supply, which can be a bit tricky at times. However, the Blessings in a Backpack - Albion team is dedicated to doing whatever is necessary to ensure that the children in our program don't have to go without some of this vital nutrition on any weekends during the school year when we operate.”

The community has been very generous, ensuring the sustainability of the program over the last few years. Because it is a volunteer-run organization, almost 100 percent of contributions go toward the purchasing of food for the weekly meals.

“As always, we are overwhelmed by the amazing support this community has shown for the Blessings in a Backpack -- Albion program,” said Moeller. “From local businesses to the United Way to individual contributors through fundraising drives like the Big Give, it takes a significant financial contribution to sustain this program, and each dollar we receive helps make it happen.”

Contributions to the Blessings in a Backpack - Albion program can be made at any giving station during Big Give week or online via the Big Give website. Blessings in a Backpack - Albion will also be hosting a bake sale at the Knights of Columbus Hall on the evening of Dec. 1, during the Holiday Light Parade. All baked goods are provided by organizations within the recipient schools and facilities, and all of the proceeds directly benefit Blessings in a Backpack - Albion.

PUBLIC NOTICES

St. Edward City Council Minutes November 7, 2022 at 7:00 PM

The City of St. Edward city council convened in a regular and open session on November 7, 2022 at 7:00 pm at City Hall, 1302 Hwy 39, St. Edward, Nebraska. Mayor Hamling presided. Council Members: Schack, McIntosh, and Roan, Shanle was absent. Employees present were Miller, and Olson. The location of the Open Meeting Act was acknowledged.

- Items approved:
- Minutes from October 5, 2022 regular meeting, and treasurer's report.
 - ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD, NEBRASKA, REPEALING SECTIONS 3-408, 3-409 AND 3-410 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING SECTION 3-408 ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF UTILITY TYPE VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD.
 - ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD, NEBRASKA, ADOPTING SECTION 3-409 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF GOLF CAR VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ST. EDWARD.
 - \$50.00 per month for cell phone reimbursement for full time city employees and \$37.50 per month for police uniforms reimbursement for city police officer.
 - Purchase of back blade for new tractor for snow removal and grading.
 - CD 9-month Jump-Up to 2.65 interest rate
 - Removal of Harold Thompson from all city banking accounts, Marv Haas and Crystal Elznic from capital outlay saving account.
 - RESOLUTION 2022-11-01R A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST EDWARD, NEBRASKA OBLIGATING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS (CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS) FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
 - Approved employee and library reports.
 - Bill payments: AAA State of Play (SUP) \$7,158.00, Albion News-Boone County Tribune (PUB) \$4.61, Amazon (LSUP) \$213.06, American Funds (IRA) \$853.52, Applied Connective (OSUP) \$17.50, BCBS Nebraska (INS) \$2853.14, Bird & Wright (LF) \$1015.00, Black Hills Energy (UTIL) \$176.54, Bomgaars (SUP) \$63.18, Bud's Sanitary (GAR) \$4,524.00, C&S Convenience (FUEL) \$236.00, Calloway Rolloffs (GAR) \$1852.05, Card Services (SUP) \$1,493.79, Cedar Valley Lumber (SUP) \$95.13, Central Health District (LAB) \$60.00, Cornerstone Insurance (INS) \$10,860.00, Creative Products (LSUP) \$194.85, Creekside Redi Mix (REP) \$754.00, CVA (FUEL) \$515.52, DAS State Acctg-Central (SUBC) \$23.00, Dearborn Insurance (INS) \$106.64, Direct Pivot Parts (SUP) \$27.00, Eakes (OSUP) \$185.62, Edward Jones (IRA) \$190.80, Great Plains Communications (UTIL) \$512.39, Ingram Library Services (LSUP) \$178.12, IRS (PTAX) \$3,918.16, Loup Power (UTIL) \$2,806.47, Menards (SUP) \$226.53, Midwest Alarm Services (SUB) \$85.00, Monty Olson (RIB) \$435.55, Mutual of Omaha (INS) \$189.04, Nebraska Department of Revenue (STAX) \$25.90, Nebraska Department of Revenue (TAX) \$1953.57, Pelster Sand & Gravel (SUP) \$105.00, Protex Central (REP) \$424.50, Topkote (STR) \$147,292.86, US Cellular (UTIL) \$77.84, US Blue Book (REP) \$863.42, Vyve Broadband (UTIL) \$69.95, Wert's GW (SUP) (POST) \$107.14, Wages \$13,112.23
- TOTAL \$205,856.62.
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm. A complete copy of the minutes is available for viewing at City Hall.
- Angie Miller, City Clerk

CITY OF NEWMAN GROVE				
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES				
FY 2021-2022				
	Beginning Bank			Ending Bank
	Balance			Balance
	10/1/21	Revenue	Expense	9/30/22
General	\$ 469,330.32	\$ 1,507,168.57	\$ 948,795.25	\$ 1,027,703.64
Water/Sewer/Garbage	\$ 121,205.26	\$ 38,644.93	\$ 159,850.19	\$ -
ADM TIF	\$ 46,474.82	\$ 102,877.76	\$ -	\$ 149,352.58
BC Farmers Pride TIF	\$ 6,917.05	\$ 8,179.80	\$ 15,067.68	\$ 29.17
CDBG	\$ 49,407.18	\$ 26,162.24	\$ -	\$ 75,569.42
Miscellaneous (ARPA)	\$ 476,491.82	\$ 62,211.19	\$ 427,675.06	\$ 111,027.95
Lundeen CD	\$ 29,957.03	\$ 177.69	\$ -	\$ 30,134.72
Siver's CD	\$ 134,667.35	\$ 260.32	\$ -	\$ 134,927.67
Youngquist Trust	\$ 42,940.89	\$ 6,264.59	\$ 8,215.00	\$ 40,990.48
Youngquist CD's	\$ 620,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 620,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,997,391.72	\$ 1,751,947.09	\$ 1,559,603.18	\$ 2,189,735.63
Water Bond Owed	\$ 565,000.00		\$ 60,000.00	\$ 505,000.00
Sewer Bond Owed	\$ 715,000.00		\$ 40,000.00	\$ 675,000.00
Paving Bond Owed	\$ 73,177.68		\$ 17,485.59	\$ 55,692.09
Shari Auge'				
City Clerk/Treasurer				



Boone County 4-H members, leaders are recognized at Achievement Party

Dr. Travis receives Friend of 4-H Award

Boone County 4-H families enjoyed an ice cream social at the annual 4-H Achievement Party held Saturday, Nov. 5 at the Boone County Fairgrounds.

Steve Pritchard, Extension educator in Boone and Nance counties, said many local 4-H members, leaders and volunteers were recognized for their special efforts and years of participation in the 4-H program.

The ice cream social was sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America and the Boone County 4-H Council.

Dr. Joel Travis received the 2022 Boone County Friend of 4-H Award. He has contributed many hours of his time to the 4-H program in Boone County. He also served six years on the 4-H Council and three of those as president of the council, said Pritchard.

Other awards presented included:

- Beef Herdsmanship – Maricle family, Naber family;
- Sheep Herdsmanship – Donelson family;
- Swine Herdsmanship – Hooker family, Koch family;
- Goat Herdsmanship – Cody Ramsussen family;
- Horse Herdsmanship – Scott Bengelman family, Schlecht family;
- Poultry Herdsmanship – Maricle family, Bengelman family;
- Rabbit Herdsmanship – Weeder family.

Special Recognition

Receiving special recognition for State Fair contests were the 4-H Horse Bowl senior team of Aidan Choat, Hunter Olnes and Halie Nelsen; and the 4-H Horse Bowl intermediate team of Kailyn Choat, Kate Maricle, Eloise Martinez and Tinsley Neidhardt.

The following PASE Contest teams also received special recognition:

- Livestock Quiz Bowl senior team of Cassidy Maricle (captain), Jean Cumming, Aidan Choat and Cody Andreasen;
- Livestock Quiz Bowl intermediate team of Nicholas Groeteke (captain), Kahnen Pelster, Kate Maricle and Ryan Cumming;
- Livestock Skillathon senior team of Cody Maricle, Carson Maricle, John Laska and Addy Donelson;
- Livestock Skillathon intermediate team of Lacie Miller, Eloise Martinez and Hunter Olnes;
- Meats Judging team 1: Carson Maricle, Cody Maricle and Cassidy Maricle;
- Meats Judging team 2: Jean Cumming, Addy Donelson, Cody Andreasen and Aidan Choat;
- Meats Judging individuals: Nicholas Groeteke, Kate Maricle, Kahnen Pelster, John Laska, Ryan Cumming, Eloise Martinez, Hunter



FRIEND OF 4-H -- Dr. Joel Travis, right, accepts the 2022 Friend of 4-H Award from 4-H Council member Kurtis Rasmussen.

Boone Central one-act team begins season

Boone Central High School's one-act play team opened its competition schedule at the Humphrey St. Francis competition last Tuesday, Nov. 8. They competed in the Mid-State Conference Tournament Team on Nov. 15. Team members are (back, l.-r.) Riley Lordemann, Eli Dozler, Clay Sandman and Dylan Baumgartner; (middle row) Emma Lordemann, Cain Carnley, Mikalaya DuBray, Graham Kahlandt, Kenzie Olquin, Jaimie Zweiner, Madison Gompert, Brooke Bengelman, Marisa Malander, Kevin Haase, Aiden Nore and Jose Luna; (front) Myranda Nelson, Philip Carnley, Belle Brodersen, Dayna Sharp, Ashlyn Krohn and Isabella Meyer. In the Humphrey St. Francis contest, outstanding acting awards went to Ashlyn Krohn and Graham Kahlandt. Isabella Meyer was named overall outstanding actress for the day.

Boone Central has top three teams in district livestock judging contest

By Cassidy Maricle, FFA Reporter

Boone Central had the top three teams in District Livestock judging on Nov. 9 at the Merrick County Fairgrounds in Central City.

The Boone Central FFA teams won first places in the Junior High, Junior and Senior Divisions. Junior and senior teams both qualified for the State Livestock Judging Contest to be held this spring.

Livestock judging is a competi-

tion where members judge the following species: beef cattle, sheep, swine, and meat goats. Competitors also have to give reasons for their placings, answer questions about the animals they judged, and take a test of general livestock knowledge.

Junior High team consisted of Kate Maricle (2nd), William Roberts (3rd), Rylie Rankin (8th), Maddie Kuta (9th). Nicholas Groeteke, Vincent Malander, and Jacob Weeder also placed in the top 20.

In the Junior Division, the winning team was made up of Cody Andreasen (1st), Brogan Benes (4th), Jace Rasmussen (5th), and Ciara Baker (9th). Austin Dodds was also in the top 20.

Senior team included Cassidy Maricle (1st), Audra Groth (3rd), Kolton Rasmussen (11th), Addy Donelson (12th). Brant Benes and Ava Buhlmann also placed in the top 20.

Other Boone Central competitors included Tresdyn Stephens, Leah Erickson, Reed Reinhart, Daron Dozler, Molly Harris, Brooklynn Krohn, Owen Laska, Ashlynn Naber, Bethany Preister, Jacob Smith, Taryn Stephens, Cole Lyon, Kadin Scheffler, Colton Grass, and Robbie Miller.

(Editor's Note: This is only a portion of Cassidy's report. Complete report and photos will be published next week.)

USDA will be sending surveys

As the 2022 growing season comes to an end, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact producers nationwide to gather final year-end crop production numbers and the amount of grain and oilseeds stored on their farms. At the same time, NASS will

survey grain facility operators to determine year-end off-farm grain and oilseed stocks.

"These surveys are the largest and most important year-end surveys conducted by NASS," explained NASS's Northern Plains Director Nicholas Streff. "They are the basis for the official USDA estimates of production and harvested acres of all major agricultural commodities in the United States as well as grain and oilseed supplies. Data from the survey will benefit farmers and processors by providing timely and accurate information to help them make crucial year-end business decisions and begin planning for the next growing and marketing season."

Responses to the survey will be used in calculating county-level yields which have a direct impact on farmers around the state.

GSS Albion honors resident veterans

Good Samaritan Society - Albion honored its resident veterans on Veterans Day last Friday, Nov. 11.

Those honored were two U.S. Marine Corps veterans, Bob Ramsey and Gale Carder; two U.S. Army veterans, Bill Wondercheck and John Zuroske, and one National Guard veteran, Paul Hillmer.

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Olnes and Lacie Miller;

- Livestock Judging senior team of Jean Cumming, Carson Maricle, Cassidy Maricle, Cody Maricle, Addy Donelson, Cody Andreasen, Aidan Choat and John Laska;
- Livestock Judging intermediate team of Ryan Cumming, Hunter Olnes, Nicholas Groeteke, Kate Maricle, Eloise Martinez, Kahnen Pelster and Lacie Miller.
- State 4-H Horticulture Identification senior team A: Josiah Ketelsen and Rebekah Ketelsen;
- Senior Horticulture ID team B: Aidan Choat and Lydia Ketelsen;
- Horticulture ID Intermediate team: Jayden Benson, Noah Ketelsen and Isaiah Ketelsen.
- State 4-H Weed & Grass Identification contest: Aidan Choat
- State 4-H Dog Skillathon: Aidan Choat
- State 4-H Shotgun Championships: Lauren Diessner
- State 4-H Archery Triple Crown Award: Carter Anson
- State Fair Fashion Show: Kyra Kruse
- State Public Speaking contest: Kate Maricle and Eloise Martinez

Serving as Boone County 4-H Ambassadors during 2022 were Brooke Bengelman, Tristin Hooker and Cassidy Maricle.

Membership Pins

Clover Kids members receiving first year pins were: Anna Beckwith, Taryn King, Cora Moeller, and Oaklee Nolan.

Youth member receiving a first year pin was Courtney Preister.

Third year pins were awarded to Clover Kids members Laramie King, Kamryn Knott and Baylor Neidhardt; and youth members Marc Hamling, Preston Hooker, Reagan Hooker, Mackenzie Kohl

and Ali Werts.

Sixth year pins were awarded to Carley Beckwith, Clara Bengelman, Ella Gompert, Madison Gompert, Nicholas Groeteke, Kasey Krohn, Margot Martinez and Melany Preister.

Ninth year pin was awarded to Aidan Choat.

Receiving 10th year pins were Brooke Bengelman and Patrick Groeteke.

Cassidy Maricle received an 11th year pin.

Receiving 14th year pins were Carson Maricle and Cody Maricle.

Leaders recognized for years of service were: 5th year – Brittini Fleer, Sean Kohl, Amy Malander and Becky Preister. 10th year – Heather Bengelman, Mike Malander and Susan Staub. 20th year – Hilary Maricle, and 25th year – Arlene Neidhardt.

Volunteers retiring from the Boone County 4-H Council were Greg Christo, Nick Kayton and Cheryl Andreasen of Albion, and Jeri Wies of Petersburg.

Elected to the Boone County 4-H Council were Mitch Koch, Nick Krohn, Jaclyn Frey and Matt Schriver.

Other members of the Boone County 4-H Council are Kurtis Rasmussen, Janet Groeteke, Scott Bengelman, Joe Epperly, Brian Maricle, Brenda Pelster, Susan Staub and Wes Stokes. Youth elected for a one-year term were Brooke Bengelman and Emily Schlecht.

Jessica Kurpewit, Cornhusker Public Power District, presented photographs to 4-H members who received purple ribbons during the county fair. AKRS Equipment Solutions donated an award to each 4-H member.

the program that has a total of 33 students. Preschool classes have been participating in field trips to local businesses and are involved in many academic projects.

Principal Erin Forre reported that the recent external accreditation review went well.

Assistant Principal Tina Sauser reported on the Mission Monday program saluting staff members and students.

Superintendent Warren noted that the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association is working to educate leaders about the need for equalization aid in small districts. Jessica Matson has been hired as the district's head cook, and Ashlee Lueders is assistant cook.

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Boone County General Election official results from Nov. 8, 2022

Following are official Boone County results of the 2022 general election as posted by County Election Commissioner Sarah Rasmussen.

County Races

Boone Co. Assessor
Daniel J. Lucken (write-in).....28
Not Assigned (write-in).....83

Boone Co. Attorney
John V. Morgan (Dem).....1,237
Write-in54

Boone Co. Clerk
Sarah Robinson (Rep.).....2,265
Write-in8

Boone Co. Sheriff
Denny Johnson (Rep.).....2,336
Write-in15

Boone Co. Treasurer
Laurie Krohn (Rep.).....2,413
Write-in3

County Commissioner Dist. 1
Brian J. Yosten (Rep.).....620
Write-in21

County Commissioner Dist. 3
Larry Temme (Rep.).....799
Write-in23

State/Regional Races

Public Service Comm. Dist. 4
Eric Kamler.....1,969
Write-in13

State Board of Education Dist. 6
Sherry Jones.....1,271
Danielle Heizer.....543

NU Board of Regents Dist. 6
Paul R. Kenney917
Julie Hehnke.....812
Write-in10

District 3 Congress
Adrian Smith.....2,065
David J. Else.....253
Mark Elworth Jr.127

Governor/Lt. Gov.
Pillen - Kelly.....2,026
Blood - Davis.....393
Zimmerman-Blumenthal.....157

Secretary of State
Bob Evnen.....2,094
Write-in15

State Treasurer
John Murante.....1,992
Katrina Tomsen.....305

Attorney General
Mike Hilgers2,072
Larry Bolinger.....263

State Auditor
Mike Foley2,053
Gene Sladek.....157
L. Leroy Lopez.....157

Loup River PPD - Subdiv. 2
Ross A. Knott.....767
Alan D. Drozd.....650

Cornhusker PPD - Subdiv. 1
William J. Robinson.....146
Write-in1

Elkhorn Rural PPD - Subdiv. 3
Joe Thiele1
Write-in0

ESU 7 - District 1
Richard L. Stephens.....1,442
Write-in15

ESU 8 - District 3
Gary D. Arehart.....62
Write-in0

ESU 10 - District 1
Dale Naprstek.....202
Write-in0

Central CC District 3
Roger P. Davis.....1,228
Write-in7

Northeast CC District 1
Delbert J. Ames.....345
Write-in3

Lower Loup NRD, Subdist. 6
Jim Eschliman.....1,589

Lower Loup NRD, At-Large
Lori Olson63

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 2
Frank Pollard.....63

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 3
Andrew Tonies.....33

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 4
David W. Saalfeld30

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 6
Chris D. Yosten67

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 7
Mark Seier.....93

Lower Platte No. NRD Subdiv. 8
Joseph Birkel.....64

Lower Platte No. NRD Subdiv. 9
Ryan Engel.....37

Lower Platte No. NRD Subdiv. 10
Doug Shuster.....23

Lower Platte No. NRD Subdiv. 11
Jerry Johnson.....63

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 12
Duane E. Johnson.....63

Lower Platte No. NRD, Subdiv. 13
At Large

At Large
Bruce L. Williams.....33
Thomas A. McKnight.....29

Local Area Races

Boone Central School Board (Elect Three)
Kathleen Rolf.....1,259
Karrie Fogleman1,163
Ben Stuhr1,139
Jen Thieman1,072

Riverside School Board - Ward 1 (Elect Three)
Kallen Ryan.....281
Ryan P. Robinson.....251
Christina Yosten.....249

Riverside School Board - Ward 2 (Elect One)
Christopher D. Slevin.....5
Write-in0

Riverside School District
Nominate and elect board at-large rather than by wards
For.....210
Against.....102

St. Edward School Board (Elect Three)
Lindsey Christman269
Sherri Cruise243
Vanessa Cumming.....210
Bill Benson144

Elgin School Board (Elect Three)
Todd Heithoff.....38
Lisa Welding35
Ron Bode22

Newman Grove School Board (Elect Three)
D. Jean McCloud47
Kristi Anderson43
Write-in3

Albion Mayor (Elect One)
Jim Jarecki544
Ashley L. Babl239

Albion City Council (Elect Two)
Jon Porter645
Jason Tisthammer.....634

Albion Airport Authority (Elect Two)
Tony Levander690
Bob Sandman597

St. Edward Mayor (Elect One)
Brian M. Shanle177
Dean K. Hamling58

St. Edward City Council (Elect Two)
Melissa McIntosh.....181
Write-in totals
Angel Paez Rodriguez.....76
Eric Smith65
Not assigned.....10

Cedar Rapids Village Board (Elect Two)
Brady R. Yosten147
Ryan Heikes124
Corey J. Dobson.....49

Petersburg Village Board (Elect Three)
Tina Henn.....163
Corey Stokes.....161
Steve Werner.....160

Primrose Village Board (Elect Three)
Bob Thompson.....13
Victoria Dobson12
Jeanette A. Burda (write-in).....10

Amendment/Initiatives

Amendment 1
Allows Use of Airport Funds to Promote Passenger Service
Yes.....1,777
No.....429

Initiative 422
Photo ID Required to Vote
Yes.....1,930
No.....580

Initiative 433
Increase Minimum Wage
Yes.....1,238
No.....1,281

Boone County voters favored retention of all 10 judges appearing on the general election ballot.

A total of 2,682 ballots were cast in Boone County from among 3,640 registered voters. The voter turnout of 73.6 percent was down from both the 2016 general election (78.17 percent) and 2020 general election (88 percent).

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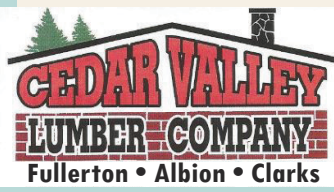
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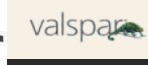
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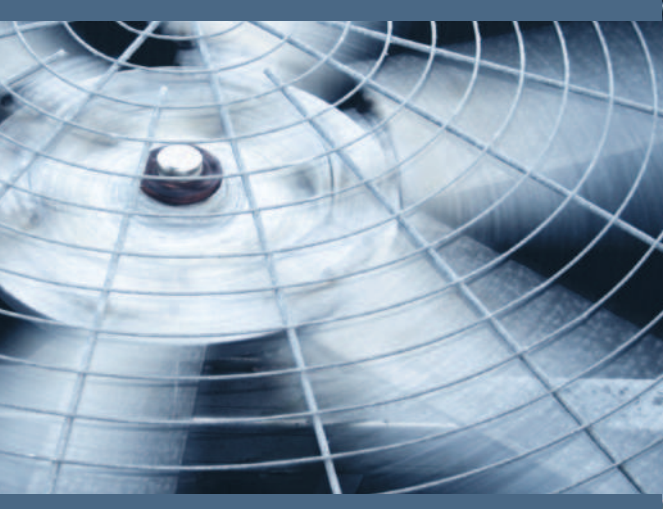
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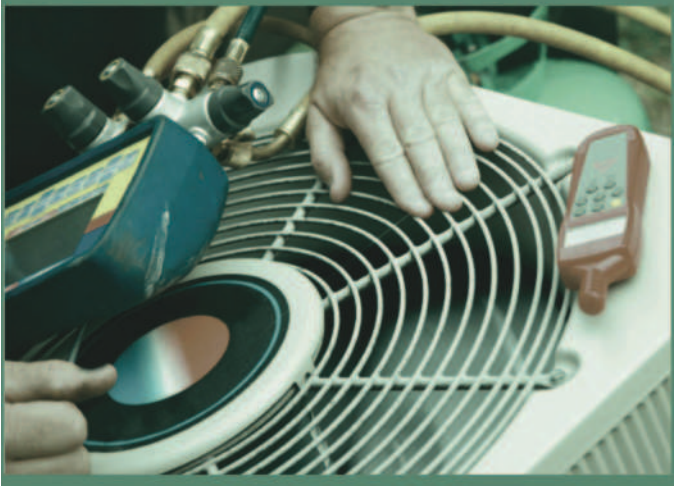
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Hope in God

I say to myself, “The LORD is my portion; therefore, I will wait for him.”
Lamentations 3:24
As the holiday season approached, package shipments were delayed due to an unprecedented influx of online orders. I can remember a time when my family preferred to simply go to the store and purchase items because we knew we had very little control over the speed of mail delivery. However, when we signed up for an account that included expedited shipping, this expectation changed. Now with a two-day guaranteed delivery, we’re accustomed to receiving things quickly, and we become frustrated by delays. With Covid in the rear-view mirror, I find myself returning to the department stores. I still enjoy the thrill of picking out gifts, holding them in my hands and bringing them home with me. I enjoy walking through the aisles searching for that special item. I find myself being more patient and relying on instinct for my purchases.
We live in a world accustomed to instant gratification, and waiting can be difficult. But in the spiritual realm, patience is still rewarded. When the book of Lamentations was written, the Israelites were mourning the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonian army, and they faced a series of challenges. However, in the midst of chaos, the writer boldly affirmed that because he was confident that God would meet his needs, he would wait on Him (Lamentations 3:24). God knows we’re inclined to become anxious when answers to our prayers are delayed. Scripture encourages us by reminding us to wait on God. We don’t have to be consumed or worried because “his compassions never fail” (v. 22). Instead, with God’s help we can “be still . . . and wait patiently for him” (Psalm 37:7). May we wait on God, trusting in His love and faithfulness even as we wrestle with longings and unanswered prayers.
How have you been waiting for God? How might you trust His timing? Heavenly Father, sometimes it can be difficult to wait on You. Please give me the strength to continue hoping in You. Amen

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Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.

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Bible Study: 10 a.m.
402-678-2266
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311 W. South St. Cedar Rapids
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Worship Service: 9:45 a.m.
Women’s Bible Study
Monday, 2 p.m.
stedwardmethodist@gmail.com

CHURCH OF CHRIST
3rd & Marengo, Albion
James Leadebrand, Minister
Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Evening Service: 7 p.m.
Wednesday evening Bible study: 7:00 p.m.

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St. Edward
Every Other Week Fridays Mass with
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9:30 a.m.

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Divine Services: 10:30 a.m.

FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH
1011 Hale Ave., Newman Grove
Pastor Chris Phelps
402-447-6322
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
AWANA every Wednesday until spring

FIRST BAPTIST
Rev. Keith Brich,
305 So. 4th, Albion 402-395-2734
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday evening services: 6 p.m.
www.albionfirstbaptist.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Primrose
Roy Schilousky, Lay Pastor
9:30 a.m., 1st, 2nd,
4th & 5th Sundays

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
605 W. Marengo, Albion
Rev. Lynde Linde
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Youth Group: Wed., 6:30 p.m.
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Pastor Terry Buol
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tbuol@greatplainsumc.org

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109 N. 4th St., Newman Grove
Pastor Terry Buol
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tbuol@greatplainsumc.org

ST. ANTHONY’S CATHOLIC
Rev. Mark Tomasiewicz
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Sunday, 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday, 7:25-7:45 a.m.
or by appointment

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Sundays: Mass at 8 a.m.

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Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.
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Thanksgiving



“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”
—1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18 NIV

That the Pilgrims who came to America considered it right and proper to honor God with a feast of thanksgiving, despite losing nearly half of their numbers to disease and lack of proper shelter during their first year speaks volumes about their character. That many present-day Americans see the holiday as little more than a chance to indulge the vices of sloth and gluttony perhaps says more about our character than we would wish. But we should not imagine that there was no grumbling among the Pilgrims. Surely some of them grumbled and complained about the conditions and rued the day they left European shores, and it is likely that some of them felt more like cursing God than thanking Him. But the better angels of their nature won the day, and in November of 1621 the Pilgrims celebrated a harvest with the natives, in what was the first Thanksgiving. We should take this as counsel to give thanks in all things, both in good times and in bad, in times of plenty and in times of scarcity, and to share our harvest with our families, friends and neighbors, no matter the size of the harvest or our relations with our families, friends and neighbors.
– Christopher Simon

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ST. MICHAEL’S CATHOLIC
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Rev. Mark Tomasiewicz
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Weekday Masses: Tuesday: 8:10 a.m.
Wednesday: 8:10 a.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. (9 a.m. on the first Friday with Adoration)
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371-1823 or 841-1063
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Worship 10 a.m.

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