



Builders group to tour Albion shops

The “Community Builders” group will be traveling to Albion for a tour this month – stopping at a number of local businesses, organizations and the arena at the fairgrounds.

Guests are welcome to attend all or part of the tour, which will begin at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 24.

RSVPs are requested at 402-562-1293 or email Carley at carleyfoltz@ccneb.edu.

The tour will begin at the Boone County Agriculture and Education Center Niewohner Arena with a tour by Chuck Rolf, manager.

At noon the group will have lunch at The J Sports Bar and Grill, welcomed by City Administrator Andy Devine and hear some community updates.

From 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the group will tour the Dotted Daisy, Boutique 29eleven, Boone Beginnings and Hwy 14 Brewery.

The Community Builders program is sponsored by Cornhusker and Loup Power Districts and Central Community College.



Jim and Elaine Wolf (with shovels) at the groundbreaking of the Boone County Fitness Center.



Youth of all ages come to the Center for swimming lessons.

Swim lessons for generations of students

Before moving to Albion, Lonnelle Rasmussen, a certified Water Safety Instructor, taught swimming lessons at three other facilities.

She began teaching adult swimming lessons at BCFC in January 1986. Through November of 1986, 63 adults participated in this enjoyable adventure. Over 200 additional adults have taken lessons throughout the years.

In December 1986, Rasmussen began children's classes after school, two evenings a week. When summer rolled around, swimmers were meeting three times a week for hour long lessons for 2 - 2 1/2 weeks (6-8 meetings per set). Stretching over a 38-year time span, she has taught over 7000 class openings, beginning with parent/tot and extending to Levels 1 - 8.

Children and adults are not only from the Albion area, but also from surrounding communities. Other instructors, at various times, have also taught these valuable skills, so even more children have benefited from this fitness center program.

Rasmussen believes in the importance of correctly learning a variety of swim strokes and skills to be prepared in the event of an unexpected water encounter.

One example she has related to many parent/tot groups is that of a 3

1/2 year old who briefly participated in group lessons. Months later, her mother told of her daughter falling from a dock into a lake.

She told her mother, “I just remembered from lessons to ‘kick up, kick up,’” thus, enabling her to save herself. She knew what to do, didn’t panic (so important for survival) and was safely rescued.

Another story told many times to the various levels is of her brother, whose car went over a bridge, at night, settling upside down in 13’ of moving flood water. If he hadn’t known how to swim, it is almost certain he wouldn’t have lived.

Taking the adult lessons into account, Rasmussen is on her third generation of students. She says she will probably not teach much longer, though she has been making this statement, now, for 17 years!

She urges her many capable past students to consider the worthwhile task of becoming a swimming instructor. Come experience the thrill, fulfillment and joy of guiding a student from beginning bubble-blowing to being a skilled, confident swimmer.

Rasmussen knows from her experience as a seasoned instructor that the lives that are touched, maybe even saved, are far-reaching ripples in the water.

The Boone County Fitness Center was a dream come true for Jim and Elaine Wolf.

They built the Center and donated it to the Community they loved. Now, as the Center prepares to celebrate its 40th year of operation, it seemed a good time to reflect on how it came to be, some of the changes over the years, and get a few thoughts from some of its members.

Please refer to the accompanying ad elsewhere in this edition for details about the Celebration activities.

Jim Wolf was an early believer in the benefits of exercise. He jogged and played tennis. Jim especially loved to swim. One day he said to his wife, Elaine, “I think we should put an indoor pool in the backyard”. She was not going to have a concrete pond behind her house. So, she cleverly thought of a way to convince her husband to put it somewhere else.

“That’s a wonderful idea Jim, why don’t we put next to the School so everyone can enjoy it.” He loved the idea, and a plan began to take shape.

The Wolfs offered to pay for construction of a building if enough memberships could be sold to cover the annual operating expenses. People got behind the idea and 342 Charter Members signed up. The initial idea of a private pool morphed into a community center that included racquetball courts, sauna, jacuzzi, and locker rooms. The weight room was almost an afterthought as it was only a small space in the basement. Cardio consisted of 2-3 pieces of exercise equipment in a corner of the lobby. Construction was completed in October 1984.

The Wolf’s business model for the Center was that membership dues

should cover staff salaries, utilities and other operating expenses. Then the Wolfs established an investment fund to pay for capital expenditures such as new equipment and building upkeep. This strategy has been a great success.

In just the last 10 years the Center has spent over \$500,000 for major maintenance, repairs, interior remodeling, and new equipment. Dues, as intended, covered operations. That has enabled the Investment Fund to pay the other expenses without having to do special membership assessments.

It is a point of great pride that in 40 years, the Center has never gone to the public to raise funds to keep the doors open.

Fitness Center usage exceeded the couple’s initial expectations, so they decided to expand it by adding a weight room, dance room, cardio room, and gym. The lobby and locker rooms were enlarged. Construction was completed in 2002, just in time for Jim to see it before he passed. He was beaming as he toured the beautiful new addition.

The Center has tried to keep up with changing trends. New weight and cardio equipment have been purchased as technology and trends change. Racquetball was initially all the rage. But it has been replaced by greater interest in weight training, yoga, and more. There is a new play area for toddlers where their parents can also exercise.

Usage of the pool has steadily increased, and the credit must go to Lonell Rasmussen, the Fitness Center’s beloved swimming instructor. Please read the accompanying article about Rasmussen, as she shares her

love of swimming and its importance to local youth. There is no doubt that she is one of the Center’s greatest assets.

Melinda Johnson joined the Center as assistant manager in 2013 and became the manager in 2018. Members appreciate her efforts to keep the Center clean and her welcoming smile. Behind the scenes she manages the budget, coordinates repairs & maintenance, and puts together an excellent staff. Simply said, she is the best.

Twenty of the original Charter members are members yet today.

Larry Bird was the Vice President of the first Fitness Center Board. Bird remembers as County Attorney it took some determined convincing to get the Center project approved. He especially appreciated that the pool has enabled his wife, Linda, to exercise after her hip surgery.

Kay Flanagan keeps track of her swim laps, 126,000 and counting!

Past Board President Dennis Tyson says the Fitness Center was one

of the reasons he chose to live in Albion. This is a sentiment expressed by many as people of all ages have moved to the area in the last 25 years.

Dr. Joel Travis shared these thoughts. “I am so grateful for the Boone County Fitness Center. We are all so incredibly blessed to have a health and fitness facility that offers a multitude of options for exercise and wellbeing. Personally, I try to utilize the pool at least twice weekly. Studies have shown that regular exercise portrays better health and longevity outcomes. The Fitness Center is such a blessing to me, my family, and the community at large. Congratulations to the Fitness Center for its 40th anniversary.”

It would be difficult to think about life here without the Boone County Fitness Center. There is no doubt that Jim & Elaine Wolf’s vision for the Center has been fulfilled and exceeded. They would be very proud of the Community support the Fitness Center enjoys after all these years.



Elaine and Jim Wolf with their rendering of what would be the Boone County Fitness Center.



BCFF awards 23 projects grant funding; looks to 2025

Last Wednesday, the Boone County Foundation Fund (BCFF), an affiliated fund of the Nebraska Community Foundation (NCF), awarded \$57,900 in grant funding to 23 local charitable projects.

During the event, hosted at Highway 14 Brewing Company, fund advisory committee members shared information about who the BCFF is, how the organization is funded, and how its unrestricted endowment continues to provide the funds needed to make a meaningful impact on the county.

The 2025 BCFF annual grant marks a unique opportunity for local charitable organizations.

In addition to the \$20,000 in BCFF grant funds, \$37,900 in grant funding was provided by the Harold Rudman Family Foundation.

Both funding sources were created to support the mission and goals of local charitable organizations, however those funds from the Rudman Foundation are specifically designated to projects that support senior and veteran populations.

Recipients of the 2025 BCFF Annual Grant Program include:

Girls on the Run - Programming
Akron Community Center - Window and Door Upgrades
Albion Area Arts Council - Summer Concert Series
Albion Chamber of Commerce - Holiday Promotion and Light Parade
Albion Economic Development Corporation - Picnic Tables, The Venue
Albion Public Library - Replace Public Computers
Boone Beginnings ECFDC - Cur-

riculum
Boone Central Teammates - Book Vending Machine
Boone County Development Agency - Promotional Campaign
Boone County Health Center Foundation - Senior Life Solutions Programming
Petersburg Volunteer Fire Department - Wildland Fire Equipment
Primrose Volunteer Fire Department - Grass Rig Needs
St. Edward Public Library - Many Backgrounds, One Community

Recipients of the 2025 Rudman Foundation Grants include:

Albion Area Arts Council - Summer Concert Series
Beaver Valley Senior Center - Food Programming
Boone County Fitness Center - Pool Safety
Boone County Historical Society - Senior/ADA Drop Off Area
Cedar Rapids Senior Center - Automatic Door
Good Samaritan Society-Albion - Bus
Good Samaritan Society - Remodel
Mel’s Landing - Campground Up-

grades
Petersburg Community Foundation - Safety Upgrades
Petersburg Public Library - New Technology
Since inception in 2005, the BCFF has granted \$592,042 to support Boone County projects such as these. The organization is committed to inspiring investment in quality of life across Boone County. Its advisory committee is composed of representatives from each community.
Learn more about the BCFF at: bcfoundationfund.org

Babbling Brook

By Brook Curtiss

It's really part of the job, I can't avoid talking about folks. It's sort of like church, where every discussion starts with 'not to be a gossip, buuuuuuuut....'

As I've been able to spend more and more time writing and learning about this community, I have to say, I'm continually impressed.

It's not as if I have some sort of weight or insight that means anything about that, but I have some space, and one of my favorite things to do is make sure people appreciate the things around them.

I'm all about "context" and I like to make sure that though you think that grass over there might be greener, by the time you spend, pack, move and resetttle, there is usually just some other thing or place that catches our ever-devouring eyes.

I had a great time this week learning about the Boone County Fitness Center, something that caught my eye while we were first touring, but I just haven't had a chance to go visit.

Thanks to their 40th anniversary coming up, I had a great time learning about the history of the place, the amazing donation from the Wolf family and the legacy that their gift left behind for the community - hopefully



something you all enjoy, but also really appreciate.

It's easy for us to always want someone else to contribute "their share" to whatever thing we're doing together.

We always expect everyone that has a dream and a pocketbook to contribute the vast portion of their work to benefit us all, when the most important thing they give is hope.

Funds can come from a host of places, but when an individual or couple, or couple of individuals, get together and decide that this thing we've got here is worth doing something with - fun stuff always happens.

The foundations of what we enjoy today are made by the work, sacrifices and dreams of those that came before us.

Imagine wanting a swimming pool and wanting to do it right.

Hundreds if not thousands of folks are benefitted by that one dream, and the dedication to give up of themselves to do it.

Those are the stories that make Albion great, keep 'em coming.

I love learning about our communities, and especially the people and dreams behind them!

Don't ever lose sight of the great things you've got and remember if you want something bad enough - everything is possible!

"Scuttlebutt"

"Dan's Dirty Dozen" legislature list

By: Senator Dan McKeon
Nebraska District 41

Dan's Dirty Dozen

1. Conduct on the Floor – Something that has astounded me in my brief time in Lincoln is the way that some of our Senators behave on the floor. As a statesman, I believe we can and should debate and disagree vigorously on the floor. The topics we deal with are serious and impact the lives of Nebraskans and can create strong emotions. However, that does not mean that we should resort to hysterics and personal attacks.

Currently, we have three Senators who regularly utilize these sorts of tactics to have an outsized influence on our Legislature. We could stop it, however some of us on the Republican side need to develop the will to do so.

2. Brand Bill – The Brand Bill (LB 646) would exempt feedlots from branding and inspection fees by the Nebraska Brand Committee. Instead of regular fees, the Brand Bill seeks impose one-time \$1,000 fee for feedlots to get exempt status. This is a topic that has been debated often by our Legislature over the years, and it's important. Beef production is a big deal in our state, so we need to get this right. Fortunately, we now have a model in Kansas for what works.

3. Winner Take All – Nebraska is one of two states in the Union that split electoral college votes along district lines. Democrats will tell you this a wonderful thing and that it allows Nebraska voters to have more of a voice. It is nothing of the sort. Splitting electoral college votes is a gift to Democrats. Every four years, tens of millions of dollars flow in from California, New York, and other Democratic strongholds straight into the pockets of their activists and media allies in Omaha. Rather than amplifying Nebraska's voice, splitting electoral college votes just gives coastal elites a voice in our elections.

Winner Take All also provides an important safeguard to elections. When we split electoral votes at the district level, it potentially allows a few crooked election commissioners to have an outsized impact. On the other hand, if presidential election results are calculated on a statewide basis it becomes much more difficult for impropriety to change the result.

4. Prayer and the Pledge – Each day on the floor of the Legislature opens the same: a prayer to bless the proceedings and a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. This is a solemn time, and it serves as a reminder of who we serve each day that we are here.

However, many of my Democrat colleagues do not join us during this time.

Instead, they choose to scheme and plan in the coat room about how they will act out that day. This is shameful. Nebraska's school students start each day with the Pledge

5. A Lack of Leadership – Leadership takes spine. Leadership requires recognizing that you cannot please everyone all the time. Leadership involves doing the hard thing, rather than taking the easy route. Unfortunately, it has become clear to me that there is a shortage of real leadership here in Lincoln.

6. Common Sense is not Common – I think this is self-explanatory.

7. Social Media/Mainstream Media – Don't believe everything you rea. Look at what you see on social media and in the mainstream media with a critical eye. What we do in the Legislature is recorded and you can find it on the Legislature's website. If something seems off to you, I encourage you to take a look at the recording.

8. Fly Over Dirty \$\$\$ - As I discussed earlier with Winner Take All, there is a flow of money from outside the state into the pockets of left-wing activists and organizations. This is effectively a money-laundering scheme, providing employment for a legion of left-wing activists who do activism in their day job and activism by night.

Something we need to consider is how we allow non-profit organizations to operate in Nebraska. Many of these organizations portray themselves as centrist when they are little more than an operative wing of the Democrat Party. Perhaps most concerning is that some of these organizations are active within our public schools. These groups provide materials to teachers and administrators, who then relay it to our children.

9. Hardened Hearts – My job in the Legislature is to help solve some of the problems that impact Nebraskans, and I am honored to have this duty.

However, laws can only do so much. If we want lasting change in our society the only path is through faith in God. Faith in God makes us new and changes us at our core in a way that no law, regulation, or campaign speech can even approach.

10. Banning Cellphones in School – One of the good things about being old is that the distractions in school were far more limited. I cannot imagine going to school in a time when every student has a device that acts as a TV, radio, phone, calculator, game console, and much more, all-in-one. Yet, that is the reality our children face today.

If you've seen the statistics, you know that learning outcomes right now are dreadful. The US Report Card recently found that only 26% of American eighth-graders are proficient in reading and 20% are proficient in math. There are many reasons for these awful outcomes, and it will require hard work to fix

Events to Remember

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
BCHC: Urology-Dr. Stegman; Audiology-Dr. Foss; Aesthetic-Dr. Pudwell
Area Economic Development Corp. Board meeting, 7:30 a.m.
Jr. Stem proram Day, Library, 3:30 p.m.
Mission Possible Store open, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous-Open, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

FRIDAY, APRIL, 18:
BCHC: Wound Clinic-Dr. Kohl/Candice; Heartland Radiology
Barrel Races, Niewohner Arena, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL, 19:
Barrel Races, Niewohner Arena, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Mission Possible Store open, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20:
EASTER
Easter Service at Primrose Presbyterian Church, 9:30 a.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 21:
BCHC: General Surgery-Dr. Schneider; Allergy-Dr. Kinberg; ECHO ONLY-Heartland Radiology

Boone County Commissioners meeting, Boone County Courthouse, 9 a.m.
Boone County Ag. Society Meeting, 7 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Congregational Church
Soldier's Prayer Shield, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bank

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:
BCHC: Orthopedic-Dr. Ochs/Kendra; Endocrinology-Dr. Al Zaghal
Boone County Health Center Board meeting, 7:15 p.m. joint conference, 7:30 p.m. reg. meeting, conference room.
Albion Library-LEGO Day, 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
BCHC: Orthopedic-Dr. Ochs/Kendra; Podiatry-Dr Borer;

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:
Mission Possible Store open, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous-Open, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

FRIDAY, APRIL, 25:
BCHC: Wound Clinic-Dr. Kohl/Candice; Heartland Radiology; Dermatology-Dr. Clarey Heartland Radiology

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NNA files against USPS postage rate

From the National Newspaper Association

The USPS announced it is filing for a large postage rate increase to be implemented on July 13, 2025. Rates for Periodicals are proposed to increase on average by 9.3%.

This action comes after the removal of Postmaster General Louis DeJoy and before the Board of Governors has named his successor.

NNA along with the entire mailing industry has called for the USPS Board of Governors to pause implementation of the 'Delivering for America' Plan, especially with regard to the large rate increase that has been under development. Over the last month, thousands of messages to the Chair of the Board of Governors and leaders of the House and Senate oversight committees calling for a pause have been sent.

"This action is extremely disturbing," NNA Chair Martha Diaz-Aszkenazy, publisher of the San Fernando (California) Valley Sun, said.

"Punitive rate increases have been counter-productive, only serving to destroy mail volume. Huge losses have continued to mount. The USPS should not make major decisions without new leadership confirmed."

"The 'Delivering for America' plan has clearly failed," she said. "It should be set aside, and the USPS should engage with customers to chart a new positive course."

The decision comes with five vacancies on the USPS Board of Governors following the resignation of Robert Duncan.





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Syndicated Newspaper Column
by Shannon Nordstrom and Russ Evans

Dear Motor Medics,

I have a 2007 Buick Lesabre and under the back of the vehicle there are what appear to be shock absorbers and they have air lines attached to them. They both are leaking what I assume is oil and I hear a noise that lasts for about four minutes each time I start the car. This noise used to last only about 10 seconds if it happened at all. I have several questions. Does this mean the shocks are bad? Is the noise I hear the air compressor that fills the shocks? Can I let it go for a while because it seems to still ride well? How expensive is it to repair this problem?

Thank you, Lamont in Okoboji Iowa

Dear Lamont,

You have load leveling shock absorbers in back which means they not only control the firmness of the ride, but they level out the vehicle when extra weight is added to it. When a shock leaks or the vehicle has an excessive bounce, it is an indication of the need for replacement. Oil is used in the dampening of the shock and when it leaks out the shock can no longer control the bounce compromising your safety. If you leave the shocks the way they are the compressor which you hear running will eventually burn out and be very expensive to fix. These shocks are usually available at most auto parts stores for a reasonable price and take about one hour to replace them.

The Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,

Our 16-year-old twins have just started to drive and we're a little worried. We took your advice about finding a used car and having it inspected before we purchased it and were able to negotiate repairs for some safety issues on one of them before we took possession, so we are ok with the cars. What we are worried about is that in addition to the car we supplied our children with new cell phones. We have lectured on the dangers of texting and driving more than once but with the large number of messages sent daily from their phones the temptation is too great. We have seen them texting as they drive away and pull in, so we know it is happening. We don't want to take away the phones because we feel much safer when we can contact them, but we cannot allow them to use the phones while driving. Do you have any suggestions?

Thank you, Gene in Henderson Texas

Dear Gene,

There is a device available that will disable the phone when their vehicles are in motion. It will shut off all functions like text, email, and calls but allow 911 to be dialed in an emergency. The device is simple to install at home and if disabled it will send you an email alerting you of the disconnection even if it is reconnected. The device is called Cell Control, internet search for it.

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Shred event to help Food Pantry

Jill Anding of Thrivent, a Fortune 500 diversified financial services organization, is partnering with the Boone County Area Food Pantry to host a shred event.

During this event, Thrivent will offer free paper shredding to the community, and assemble and donate Birthday Party Bags to the food pantry.

People are invited to join the event on Wednesday, April 30, from 4-6 p.m., at 1112 W State Street to help the Boone County Area Food Pantry with a goal of assembling 50 Birthday Party Bags. Drive-thru onsite shredding by Paper Tiger will be available in the Thrivent parking lot.

Three banker's boxes are allowed per vehicle – no tissue, newspaper, cardboard, or plastic is allowed. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are acceptable.

"We're looking forward to partnering with the Boone County Area Food Pantry and reaching the community in a meaningful way," said Jill Anding, a financial advisor at Thrivent. "We're committed to helping our clients use their money to lead lives of service and faith, and this is one example of how our team is passionate about driving lasting impact in our local community. We're excited to meet volunteers and community members during the Spring Shred event."

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Please No Gifts

Carolyn R. Fischer, 83

Memorial services for Carolyn Rose Fischer, 83, of Albion were held at St. Michael's Catholic Church on April 3, 2025.

Inurnment was held at St. Michael's Cemetery in Albion.

Carolyn Rose Fischer, daughter of Leonard Carl Fritz and Bessie E. (Socha) Fischer, was born January 7, 1942, in Cedar Rapids, and she died Friday, March 28, 2025, at her home in Albion.

She lived in Cedar Rapids for one year and then moved with her parents to the Stone house in Akron. Then they moved to a farm southwest of Albion.

She attended Roselma country school, kindergarten through eighth-grade in District #21.

Fischer and her parents moved from the farm into Albion in 1975. She graduated from Albion High School with the Class of 1960.

Fischer was an employee of the ACSC office, Albion News, secretary of the County Superintendent's office at the courthouse, Albion Public Library and with the Beckwith Insurance Agency for numerous years.



She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church altar society, and secretary of St. Michael's Catholic Church Parish Council. She served on the Family Life committee and was chairman at St. Michael's. She was a charter member and vice-president of the Business Women's Association, and Co-Chairman of the Boone County Volunteer Parade Committee.

With all of her volunteering, Fischer was recognized as "Business Woman of the Week."

Fischer was totally committed to her parents. After her dad, Leonard, passed in 1989, she cared for her mother, Bessie, until her passing in 1994. She continued to be active in her church, and enjoyed her hobbies of knitting, needlepoint, cooking, and being outside with her dogs.

Her family remembered her with: "She will be missed by close friends, whom she considered her adopt4d family, as well as many friends and neighbors."

She was preceded in death by a sister, Margaret Ann, who died in infancy; her father, Leonard Fischer; her mother, Bessie (Socha) Fischer; aunts and uncles and by seven first cousins, three first cousins on the Fischer side, and four first cousins on the Socha side.

Carolyn Rose Fischer is survived by her first cousins: Tom Neihardt of North Platte; LeRoy Fischer of Falcon, Colo.; Bonnie Carraher of Spalding; and Larry Socha of Omaha; and by many cousins and relatives who will cherish the memories of her, and her kindness.

Roy A. Smith, 60

Services for Roy A. Smith, 60, of Center Point, Indiana, were held at the Clay County Fair Grounds on Sunday, April 13.

Roy A. Smith was born on October 7, 1964, in Terre Haute, Indiana, to Jack and Etta Kaye (Gregory) Smith, and he died on April 5, 2025, after being involved in a single-vehicle accident while he was responding to a 911 call in Posey Township.

He graduated from Terre Haute South High School and attended Rose-Hulman and Indiana State University. His college career was fraught with plenty of stories that would be best told in an alternative setting.

Smith then worked at Sony DADC for several years before briefly working at Phoenix Closures, where he developed many long-lasting relationships that he held very close.

After he retired from Phoenix Closures, he started his true lifelong career of being devoted to serving others in his community. While his community expanded much further than Center Point, he served as a member of the Center Point Town Board for more than 20 years, as well as the town's Water Department, Cemetery Association, and Town Marshal.

He joined the Centerpoint Volunteer Fire Department in 1991 as a firefighter, later became the treasurer and assistant chief then earned his EMT certification in 2015. Beyond his official titles, Smith quickly became the go-to for many townspeople for help with anything from medical assistance to electrical work. He was passionate about caring for others and truly believed his service was his purpose in life.

He was a dedicated first responder as an official member of Jackson Township and Posey Volunteer Fire Departments. Even if he was not officially a member of all departments in Clay County, he would respond to calls for help anywhere at any time to help his beloved Star crews. Smith extended his passion for others when he joined the Clay County Coroner's office in 2017, where he continued to serve as deputy coroner.

Beyond his community, he loved his wife and family more than anything. Smith married Annette, who he frequently called his better half, in 1990 and then welcomed their "ogres" Zephaniah (1994) and Cooper (1995). He loved his boys passionately and raised them to selflessly care for others despite his common saying "Nette raised good boys despite my bad influence." His third son, Bram, came into his life in 2005, proving "blood makes you related, but loyalty makes you family."

His family remembered him with "Roy was a humble servant frequently directing the spotlight on others. Although he would have appreciated the previously mentioned accolades, he would likely have told us, "Love one another. Give graciously. Lift up and support anyone that you are able. Love abundantly. Live fully. Give generously. Be kind. Be safe. Be humble.".... Or as he would have simply summarized... "Roy's Dead... Move On!"

He was preceded in death by his father.

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Obituaries

Donald E. Kaiser, 85

A Mass of Christian Burial for Donald E. Kaiser, 85 of Spalding, were held Thursday, April 10, 2025, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Spalding.

Rev. Lawrence Vadakkan officiated. Burial followed in the parish cemetery with military honors by American Legion Post 299 of Spalding.

Donald Eugene Kaiser, son of Otto A. and Monica G. (Weber) Kaiser was born February 23, 1940 in Spalding, and he died Sunday, April 6, 2025, at the Community Memorial Health Center in Burwell.

He attended Spalding Academy and graduated with the class of 1957.

Following high school, Kaiser joined the United States Navy and served his country honorably from 1957 to 1961. After being discharged from the Navy, he went to Parks School of Business in Denver, Colo.

He then moved to Omaha, where he worked as a State Elevator Inspector. He returned to Spalding in the 1970s and began farming.

On November 26, 1977, he was united in marriage to Georgia M. Noonan at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Spalding. They lived and farmed 10 miles north of Spalding, where they raised their daughter, Ashley.

In 2001, they moved to town. Kaiser was a farmer and enjoyed working the land until his retirement in 2006. He also worked for Stock Realty and Auction and Big Iron as a Real Estate Broker and Auctioneer from 1997 until the time of death.

He was a longtime member of St. Michael's Catholic Church. He was also heavily involved in his community. He was the Vice-President of Ericson Lake Corporation for numerous years, served on the boards of Farm Credit and ASCS, and was a member of the Knights of Columbus and Spalding Men's Club.

In his spare time Kaiser loved golfing, playing cards, tinkering at the farm, and especially spending time with his grandson, Austin.

He was preceded in death by his parents Otto and Monica; parents-in-law: George and Mary Noonan; brothers-in-law: Ed McManaman and Errol Schmeits.

Donald E. Kaiser is survived by his wife of 47 years: Georgia Kaiser of Spalding; daughter: Ashley Kaiser (Josh Leslie) of Spalding; grandson: Austin Bialas of Spalding; two sisters: Collette McManaman and Marilyn (John) Goodrich, both of Spalding; two sisters-in-law: Eleanor Schmeits of Fort Worth, Texas; Phyllis (Virgil) Crooker of Dunning; brother-in-law: Ken (Kathleen) Noonan of Lincoln; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great niece and great-great-nephew.

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Ronald L. Stone, 79

Memorial services for Ronald L. Stone, 79, of Lindsay, were held Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at Looking Glass Methodist Church, rural Newman Grove.

Pastor Terry Buol officiated, and inurnment followed at Looking Glass Cemetery, rural Newman Grove.

Ronald Loyd Stone, son of Loyd and Marvel (Nelson) Stone, was born August 10, 1945, in Genoa, NE. He was baptized and confirmed at Looking Glass Church, rural Newman Grove, and passed away Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at his home in Lindsay.

Stone attended District #40 until the 8th grade, he then went to Newman Grove High School and graduated with the class of 1963.

On July 12, 1965, he enlisted in the US National Guard and served until his discharge on July 11, 1971.

On November 27, 1976, he married Linda Marie Haddock at St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Columbus.

The couple made their home on the family farm south of Lindsay until April of 1997 when they moved into Lindsay. Stone was a hard-working man. He farmed until 1991 when he sold the farm and began driving truck.

He was a member of Looking Glass Church as well as the President of the Walker Township. He enjoyed eagles and Peterbilt semi-trucks. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family and attending his grandchildren's activities.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife: Linda Stone in October 2020.

Ron is survived by three daughters: Shelly (Travis) Petersen of Lindsay; Dawn (Matthew) Labenz of St. Edward; Angela (Brian) Ficke of Pleasant Dale; three grandsons: Darren Petersen; Anthony and Liam Petersen; two granddaughters: Rosella Labenz; Laura Ficke; one sister: Sue (Vern) Podliska of Columbus; three brothers-in-law: Mike (Linda) Haddock of Mahaska, KS; Scott (Holly) Haddock of Sargent; Greg (Donna) Haddock of LaVista; along with numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

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Obituaries

Albert E. Miller, 86

A Mass of Christian Burial for Albert Eugene Miller, 86, of South Bend, Indiana was celebrated on Monday, April 14, 2025 in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Burial followed in Cedar Grove Cemetery. passed away on April 5, 2025 at Holy Cross Village, Notre Dame, Ind.

Albert E. Miller was born on the night of June 22, 1938, in a farmhouse in Albion, to Elizabeth Rose (Liss) Miller and Albert John Miller, and he died on April 5, 2025 at Holy Cross Village in Notre Dame, Ind.



In his youth Miller was an outstanding pitcher for the Albion High School baseball team. He also played football and played in the high school band.

After graduating in 1956, he received an appointment to the new Air Force Academy being built in Colorado Springs, Colo. However, a heart condition prevented him from passing the physical.

Instead, he borrowed \$10,000 from a local banker friend and enrolled at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colo.

In 1960 he graduated from the School of Mines at the top of his class in Metallurgical Engineering, receiving the Harold Otis Bosworth award for meritorious achievement, becoming the first person in his extended family to receive a bachelor's degree.

Miller went on to receive his PhD in Chemistry from Iowa State University, in 1964. He spent two additional years at Ames Lab, which was under the Atomic Energy Commission. He left Ames for the University of Alberta, where he was a professor for one year.

Miller was alerted by a friend about an open faculty position at the University of Notre Dame. He was subsequently hired as an Assistant Professor in 1967, beginning a 41-year career at Notre Dame.

His research at this time concentrated on magnetism and magnetostriiction in rare earth compounds that are the basis for the high energy permanent magnets that are now widely used in electric motors and disk drives.

Miller always had a wide range of technical interests. He was very capable in electronics, having learned like many of his era by building Heath-Kit projects. This made it natural for him to be interested in, and subsequently to build, the predecessor of the modern PC, the Altair 8800, which came to fame when it was featured on the January 1975 cover of Popular Electronics. This early interest in computers played a significant role in his research and teaching over the next 15 years.

Miller recognized the possibilities for computers in education, both in school and in industry settings. He was a pioneer in using computers in materials science education. He helped to outfit a laboratory with Apple II computers, and developed programs to allow undergraduate students to learn about phase diagrams, programming in BASIC.

He taught Engineering Concepts, a computer class taken by all freshman engineers, for most of the 1980s, always taking great satisfaction in his interactions with students. Through a series of research grants, many from IBM Corporation, he built up a computer facility that was remarkable at the time for the development of interactive video disks for training in industry and secondary schools.

Before most of us knew such things were possible, Miller was recording video disks and implementing the use of bar codes for data entry. This also spawned collaborations with colleagues in the Psychology Department, resulting in AI being among the few engineers to have publications in psychology journals.

He had decades of extensive industrial interactions. He had research collaborations with Union Carbide, Cabot Corporation and Whirlpool among many others. Interactions with CTS Corporation in Elkhart led to the first grant from the State of Indiana aimed at promoting industry-university research to stimulate job growth.

In this same time period Miller, being a man of many interests, was pursuing beekeeping and gardening, and even found time to analyze artifacts from Ghana as part of Culture Analysis studies with Anthropology faculty.

In 2008, after 41 years of supporting his students ambitions and helping them succeed, he finally retired from Notre Dame, and continued many years of adventure travel with his dear wife, Rebecca. They visited China, Belize, Peru, the Galapagos Islands, and Costa Rica.

Those who knew him will remember his jovial spirit, sense of humor, and his kind, gentle soul.

Albert E. Miller is survived by his wife of 37 years, Gail Rebecca (Marr) Miller.

Memorial Contributions should be directed to diabetes.org

Laureen M. Stelley, 86

A Celebration of Life for Laureen Margaret Stelley, 86, was held on Saturday, March 29, 2025,at the River Park Chapel at Macken Funeral Home.

Born on August 27, 1938, in Primrose, Laureen M. Stelley was the third of five children born to Leona and Joseph Kraus, and she passed away peacefully on March 7, 2025, at Seasons Hospice House, surrounded by the love of her devoted family.

Her family remembered her with: "Her peaceful departure marked the end of a remarkable life filled with love, devotion, and countless memories that will live on forever."

She graduated from Albion High School in 1955. She married her life-long partner, Bob Stelley, on December 10, 1955, beginning a 64-year journey of love, partnership, and shared accomplishments.

Together, they moved to Minnesota and founded Stelley's Pure Ice in 1968, followed by Westgate Service Center in 1976. She also worked for many years in food service at Methodist Hospital.

A member of St. Francis Catholic Church, Stelley had been involved in the church's rosary group and lived her faith daily. A lifelong Nebraska Husker fan, she remained loyal to her team, always excited to watch them play.

Her greatest joy, however, was her family. She and Bob had nine children: Jean (Scott) Larson, Judy Behnken, Jacquie (Ed) Fricker, Jill (Bill) Virden,

Jeff (Connie) Stelley, Jim (Linda) Stelley, Janet (Gary) Gunderson, and Jon (Deanna) Stelley. Their son, James Robert, passed away in October 2023, as did their son, Jerry Robert, shortly after his birth in 1964.

Stelley was the ultimate fan and cheerleader at all of her children's events throughout her life, and she continued her unlimited support for all of her grandchildren in everything they did with the same commitment and enthusiasm. She was always the strong, stable and steady presence among her large, active family. Everyone could count on her dry wit and ready smile in all situations.

In addition to the love for her family, she also enjoyed her garden that attracted many bird varieties. She especially loved cardinals, and her family will forever think of her when they see a cardinal. Some of the other hobbies Laureen enjoyed throughout her life included bowling, traveling, and crocheting. She took pride in the accomplishment of crocheting an afghan and Christmas stocking for each of her children, creating another treasured heirloom for the family to enjoy.

Most of all, throughout her life, Stelley treasured the social interaction of family and friends, whether it was in the backyard of the family home, on the Mississippi River at their place in Wabasha, attending a child's sporting event, out to dinner, or on the phone having conversations with distant family members. Her presence was felt everywhere she went, and her ability to make everyone feel special and loved was unmatched.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband, Robert Stelley; her sons, James Robert and Jerry Robert; her son-in-law, Jeffrey Behnken; and her sisters, Betty and Monica.

Laureen M. Stelley is survived by 23 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild, each of whom adored her deeply; her brother, Dan Kraus, and her sister, Mary Lou Labenz.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials in honor of Laureen Stelley to Seasons Hospice, 1696 Greenview Drive SW Rochester, MN 55902 or online at seasonshospice.org

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LLNRD opens entry period for photo contest

The Lower Loup Natural Resources District (LLNRD) is now accepting entries for its 2025 Photo Contest.

The intent of the contest is to inspire photographers of every level to visit LLNRD recreation areas and to explore the scenic district.

Photographers should submit high-resolution files to abartels@llnrd.org by midnight May 15, 2025.

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Picked AG Youth Conference

Aiden Klein, son of Amy and Martin Klein of Petersburg, and Landyn Veik, son of Heather and Adam Veik of Elgin, were recently selected through an essay contest to attend the Mike Hilgers Nebraska Attorney General Youth Conference Day.

The event was held on Tuesday, April 8th at the Nebraska State Capitol. Both students were selected based on their application and essay written about leadership in Nebraska.

The Attorney General Youth Conference is a day-long conference where selected high school juniors and seniors from across the state have an opportunity to participate in discussion and debate about current Nebraska issues.

Topics included the US Constitution, rights and responsibilities to critical issues facing our students and their communities. Students were engaged in a bill debate, attended a session with their State Senator for discussion on issues that affect their region, and attended a session with the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Students also attended a lunch held at the Governor's Mansion.

Klein and Veik are students at Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High in Elgin and are instructed by Mrs. Christine Grundmayer.

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Winners will be announced in June 2025.

Questions should be directed to Alan Bartels at (308) 728-3221 or abartels@llnrd.org. Follow the Lower Loup NRD's Facebook page for updates.



- On April 28, 1953, inventor Howard Ross received a patent for his "double coat," which contained an outer layer extendable to cover two people. It was designed to protect sports fans in athletic stadiums during rain.

- On April 29, 1945, Adolf Hitler, concerned that the cyanide capsules given to him and wife Eva Braun might be ineffective, tested one on his German shepherd, Blondi. The dog died and Braun took her dose the next day, while Hitler reportedly shot himself. The German public remained unaware of the couple's relationship until after their deaths.

- On April 30, 1919, Emperor Akihito of Japan stepped down from the throne at the age of 85, becoming the first Japanese monarch to abdicate in more than two centuries, after having announced his desire to do so because of poor health a few years earlier.

- On May 1, 1955, golfer Babe Didrikson Zaharias won the Peach Blossom LPGA Tournament in Spartanburg, S.C., the 41st and final LPGA title of her career, even as she was battling the colon cancer that would end her life the following year.

- On May 2, 1963, more than a thousand Black schoolchildren marched through Birmingham, Alabama, in a protest against segregation that became known as the Children's Crusade and Children's March. Nearly 800 of them were arrested, including a 6-year-old girl, primarily for parading without a permit.

- On May 3, 1986, Willie Shoemaker, at age 54, beat 18:1 odds to become the oldest jockey to win the Kentucky Derby. After retiring in 1990, he returned to the track as a trainer for another seven years. Shoemaker also authored three best-selling murder mysteries featuring jockey-turned-sleuth Coley Killebrew.

- On May 4, 2002, an Executive Airline Services twin-engine plane crashed and exploded in a densely populated section of the Nigerian town of Kano, after shearing off the roofs of dozens of homes and two mosques, killing 149 people and destroying almost three full blocks of buildings. An investigation ruled the cause of the crash to be pilot error.

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Albion’s Cub, Pack and Girl Scout troops had members participate, including an open class.

Scouts hold Pinewood Derby

The Albion Cub Scout Pack held its annual Pinewood Derby competition this past weekend, with scouts of all ages participating in three groups with winners moving to the grand finals.

Big winners this year were, as reported from the Grand Finals results:

1, Claire Banzhaf, Girl Scouts, #22 Dry Banana Hippie, 2.51s, 191.51 average MPH

2, Annabelle Banzhaf, Girl Scouts, #21 Camping, 2.5309s, 189.93 avg. MPH

3, Max Landauer, Pack, #12 Forest King, 2.5573s, 187.96 avg. MPH

4, Ty Kimbrough, Pack, #15 Purple Dragon, 2.5808s, 186.25 avg. MPH

5, Jada Fritschle, Pack, \$5 Moana,

2.6540s, 181.12 avg. MPH

6, Skylar Landauer, Girl Scouts, #14 Glimmer Glam, 2.6753s, 179.67 avg. MPH

Race results by group were:

Girl Scouts:

1, Claire Banzhaf, 2.4941s, #22 Dry Banana Hippie

2, Annabelle Banzhaf, 2.5299s, #21 Camping

3, Sklyer Landauer, 2.6723s, #14 Glimmer Glam

4, Coraline Camarillo, 2.8421s, #24 Cyber Truck

5, Gabriella Olson, 2.8809s, #23 Gabby 07

6, Aimee Bailey, 3.0710s, #19 King Dinoco

Pack

1, Max Landauer, 2.5480s, #12 Forest King

2, Ty Kimbrough, 2.5804, #15 Purple Dragon

3, Jada Frischle, 2.6426s, #5 Moana

4, Anthony Landauer, 2.6531s, #11 Golden 100

5, Joe Landauer, 3.0390s, #13 Black Menace

Open Class

1, Grant Kuta, 2.5290s, #7 Fire Racer

2, Harper Kimbrough, 2.5333s, #20 Super Sonic

3, Grant Kuta, 2.5354s, #10 Penguin Car

4, Grant Kuta, 2.5452s, #9 First

Order

5, Grant Kuta, 2.5535s, #8 Lightning McQueen

6, Grant Kuta, 2.5559s, #6 Yellow Lightning

7, Jean Meyers, 2.5637, #17 Silver 1

8, Colton Ford, 2.5691s, #1 Train

9, Jean Meyers, 2.5716s, #18 Silver 2

10, Wyatt Kettelson, 2.5917s, #4 Grain Truck

11, Wyatt Kettelson, 2.6162s, #3 Flatbed

12, Shayne Kimbrough, 2.6594s, #16 Golden Hedgehog

13, Julia Fritschle, 2.7021s, #2 Flag



Cody Andreasen - Individual Champion in Employment Skills and Poultry Evaluation

FFA claims titles, Andreasen two-time state Champ

Boone Central FFA members traveled to Lincoln from April 2 - 4 to participate in the Nebraska State FFA Convention.

While there, they competed in Leadership Development Events (LDEs), Career Development Events (CDEs), Agriscience Fair, and Proficiency finals along with attending sessions, workshops, and keynote speakers.

At the end of the week, Cody Andreasen found himself as a two time State Champion. Andreasen claimed the top spot in the Employment Skills competition, qualifying him to compete at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis in October.

He then found his way to the top of the podium in the Poultry Evaluation CDE. He and his teammates - Brogan Benes, Bethany Preister, and Jace Rasmussen - were able to clinch the State Runner Up title in the Poultry Evaluation contest, narrowly missing out on a national competition qualification.

An additional highlight of the week was when two seniors were awarded their State FFA Degrees, the highest degree and honor a state can bestow on its members.

The State FFA Degree is a culmination of a member’s FFA involvement and Supervised Agricultural Experience. The Boone Central FFA members earning their State FFA Degrees included: Melany Preister and Cole Lyon.

The chapter is fortunate to have the support of numerous individuals and groups, and they have helped our members achieve these awards.

Thank you to the following individuals for sharing your time and talents with our members: Brant and Dakota Peters, Hilary Maricle, Pepper Rasmussen, Cody Rasmussen, and William Karmann. We also appreciate the support of the Albion FFA Alumni.

Results

Career Development Events: Career Development Events are contests that cover technical knowledge and skill areas related to agriculture, food, and natural resources. Only the top 50% of teams and individuals in these contests receive a ribbon.

State Runner Up

Poultry Evaluation (24 teams; 96 individuals)

Team: State Runner Up, Purple

Cody Andreasen - State Champion, Purple

Bethany Preister - 16th, Blue

Brogan Benes - 18th, Blue

Jace Rasmussen - 21st, Blue

Other Results

Ag Biotechnology (24 teams; 96 individuals)

Team: no ribbon

Participating: Brogan Benes, Riley Nelson, Melany Preister, Ciara Baker

Ag Sales (36 teams; 144 individuals)

Team: White (16th)

Bethany Preister - 18th, Blue

Ashlynn Naber - Red

Lucas Frey - White

Agriscience (132 teams; 522 individuals)

Team: Blue (21st)

Lucas Frey - Purple

Carley Beckwith - Blue

Dorothy Smith - Red

Maddie Kuta - Red

Farm and Agribusiness Management (60 teams; 240 individuals)

Team: no ribbon

Participating: Dayton Choat, Austin Dodds, Riley Nelson, Cole Lyon

Food Science and Technology (36 teams; 144 individuals)

Team: no ribbon

Myah Rankin - Red

Also participating: Kali Simons, Katelyn Krohn, Brooklyn Krohn

Junior Livestock Judging (60 teams; 240 individuals)

Team: no ribbon

Kollin Rasmussen: Blue

Also participating: Lucas Frey, Joslyn Schrad, Ashlynn Naber

Livestock Management (49 teams; no individual portion)

Overall Team: Red (14th)

Team Sheep Portion: 5th place

Meats Evaluation (60 teams; 240 individuals)

Team: no ribbon

Dorothy Smith - White

Also participating: Dalton Rolf, Cody Andreasen, Jacob Weeder

Leadership Development Events: Leadership Development Events help prepare students for careers in agriculture by developing speaking, communication, and critical thinking skills.

Employment Skills

Cody Andreasen - State Champion, Gold

Parliamentary Procedure: State Finalist, 7th Place Gold

Team members: Melany Preister, Kate Maricle, Bethany Preister, Clarisa Grass, Daron Dozler, Owen Laska

Conduct of Chapter Meetings: Silver

Team members: Lucas Frey, Ava Tisthammer, Ella Gompert, Dorothy Smith, Maddie Kuta, Anna Weeder, Rylie Rankin, Carley Beckwith (alternate)

Extemporaneous Speaking

Kate Maricle - Gold

Employment Skills

Ciara Baker - Bronze

Creed Speaking

Lucas Frey - Silver

Cooperative Speaking

Taryn Stephens - Bronze

Natural Resources Speaking

Bethany Preister - Silver

Senior Public Speaking

Melany Preister - Silver

Agriscience Fair: Agriscience Fair allows students to investigate agricultural issues and problems through the scientific research model and structure.

Social Systems, Division 5

Katelyn Krohn: 2nd Place Gold

Animal Systems, Division 4

Ashlynn Naber & Brooklyn Krohn: 3rd Place Gold

Plant Systems, Division 5

Melany Preister: 3rd Place Gold

Proficiency Awards: Proficiency awards honor students with exceptional Supervised Agricultural

Experiences.

Hospitality, Restaurant and Tourism Management

Katelyn Krohn - State Finalist, 2nd Place

State Degree Recipients

Melany Preister, Cole Lyon

Choir Participant

Kate Maricle

Middle School Quiz Bowl: Quiz bowl allows middle school students to explore agriculture and FFA through a quiz bowl competition.

Participants: Harper Olnes, Lincoln Rolf, Bentley Stuhr, Carson Anderson, Brielle Benes, Lane Krohn, Luke Erickson, Luke Smith, Julianne Malander, Clara Brengelman

The team of Luke Erickson, Luke Smith, Bentley Stuhr, Harper Olnes, and Brielle Benes came home with 4th place honors.



State Degree Recipients - Melany Preister and Cole Lyon

St. Michael's School Menu

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
Easter Break
FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
Easter Break
MONDAY, APRIL 21:
Easter Break
TUESDAY, APRIL 22:
Taco Burger
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
Breakfast Sandwich
THURSDAY, APRIL 24:
Corn Dog
FRIDAY, APRIL 25:
Breaded Beef Stick
Subject to Change

St. Michael's School Events

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
Easter Break
FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
Easter Break
MONDAY, APRIL 21:
No School/Easter Break
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
Mass lead by Sixth Grades and Kindergarten, 8:10 a.m.; Musical Vibes Practice, 5:15 a.m.
THURSDAY, APRIL 24:
Fourth Grade Field Trip to Ash Falls.
SATURDAY, APRIL 26:
BC TR MS Conference, 9 a.m.
SUNDAY, APRIL 27:
First Communion, 2 p.m.

Upcoming Cardinal Events



THURSDAY APRIL 17:
No School, Teacher In-service
FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
No School
SUNDAY, APRIL 20:
Easter
MONDAY, APRIL 21:
No School
Conditioning, 6:30 a.m.; NHS Tapping Ceremony at Lower Niobrara NRG, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY, APRIL 22:
Dance Tryouts, 6:15 a.m.; MS TR at St. Paul High School, 2 p.m.; FFA Officer interviews, 4 p.m.; TR FR & Soph Invitational vs Ord, 4 p.m.; Pre-Contest Concert, 7 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
Cheer tryouts, 7:15 a.m.; PLC/Late State, 9:10 a.m
THURSDAY APRIL 24:
Dance Tryouts, 6:15 a.m.; Conditioning, 6:30 p.m.; Golf, BV Invitational vs Scotus at Quail Run, Columbus, 9 a.m.; TR Invitational at Northwest High School, 2 p.m.; Prom set-up, 3:30 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 25:
FCCLA Kickball Fundraiser
Cheer tryouts, 6:15 a.m.; District Music Contest at Norfolk, 7:30 a.m.; MS Speech at Norfolk Jr. High, 8 a.m.; Prom set-up, 8 a.m.; Spirit Squad tryouts, (Review 3:30 – 4 p.m., tryouts follow.
SATURDAY, APRIL 26:
TR MS Conference, 10 a.m.

Upcoming Cardinal Menu



THURSDAY APRIL 17: No Breakfast or Lunch
FRIDAY, APRIL 18: No Breakfast or Lunch
MONDAY, APRIL 21: No Breakfast or Lunch
TUESDAY, APRIL 22: Breakfast: Skillet Scrambler & Biscuit half & honey, mini donuts or grape crescents, yo-gurt parfait or waffle snaps, fruit &/or juice; Lunch: Grab’N’Go Choices Available, Chicken fajita on tortilla, shredded lettuce, tomato, salsa, roasted pepper, onion, guacamole, sour cream, cheddar cheese, frosty fruit cup, monster cookie, milk or water.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll or Caramel roll, bagel & cream cheese or waffle snaps, yo-gurt parfait, cereal and string cheese or yogurt, fruit &/or juice; Lunch: Grab’N’Go Choices Available, Ham and cheese zombie or mega 9-12, edamame, broccoli salad, sliced pears, milk or water.
THURSDAY APRIL 24: : Breakfast: Pancake sausage stacker with syrup, mini donuts or waffle snaps, grape crescents or yogurt parfait, fruit &/or juice; Lunch: Grab’N’Go yogurt parfait , Spaghetti with meat sauce, bread-stick and marinara cup, spring salad mix, fresh grapes, milk or water.
FRIDAY, APRIL 25: Breakfast: Egg & cheese biscuit, bagel & cream cheese or waffle snaps, yogurt parfait, fruit &/or juice; Lunch: Grab’N’Go Choices Available, Sweet N sour chicken over rice pilaf, California blend, vegeta-bles, baby carrots, baked apple slices, milk or water.
Menu subject to change.

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- Every unborn baby grows a mustache in the womb, which then spreads to cover the entire body. The baby then consumes this fine hair, called lanugo and excretes it after birth with its first bowel movement, which is a substance called meconium.
- In 2013, “Star Wars” was dubbed in Navajo, making it the first major motion picture to be dubbed in a Native American language.
- Your brain sees the world upside down. When the rods and cones of your retina send an image to the brain — say, you’re looking at a tree — the image that gets transmitted to the brain is upside down. The brain automatically rotates the image in its visual cortex.
- Researchers at Oregon State University patented a strain of seaweed that’s not only rich in protein, but tastes remarkably like bacon when cooked.
- The term “pipe dream” is a reference to the crazy dreams people have while smoking opium.



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Steven Ruzek, Vice President & Assistant Manager of Cornerstone Bank-Albion, presented a \$825 check to the Boone Central Cardinals boys and girls varsity basketball players. The \$825 donation was for Cornerstone’s “\$3 for 3” contribution. Cornerstone Bank donates \$3 to Boone Central Schools for every three point basket made throughout the season. This past year, the girls made 106 three pointers and the boys made 169 three pointers for a total of 275.



New inductees are (l-r): Micah Cuevas, Dylan Luetkenhaus, Piper Jarecki, Allyx Forre, Isabella Santarosa and Madysen Wiese.

Newman Grove NHS inducts new members

The Newman Grove National Honor Society (NHS) welcomed seven new members during its induction ceremony held on Monday, March 24th.

This year marks the 98th anniversary of the school’s NHS charter, which was issued on April 26, 1927, making it one of the oldest in the state of Nebraska.

Brooke Forre, NHS president, warmly welcomed family and guests to the event.

The traditional candlelight service featured readings dedicated to the four NHS pillars—scholarship, leadership, service, and character—presented by Aleeya Morris, Brooke Forre, Emily Schlecht, and Kailey Patzel.

The new members inducted into the NHS were Jayden Benson, Mi-

cah Cuevas, Allyx Forre, Piper Jarecki, Dylan Luetkenhaus, Isabella Santarosa, and Mady Wiese. They join current members Brooke Forre, Owen Kaufman, Summer McKinzie, Aleeya Morris, Kailey Patzel, Emily Schlecht, Serenity Strong, Keira Voelker, and Aubree Whitaker.

Community member Dennis McCloud served as the evening’s guest speaker, offering words of inspiration and encouragement to the inductees. Following the ceremony, attendees were invited to enjoy cake and punch.

With nearly a century of tradition, the Newman Grove National Honor Society continues to uphold the values of scholarship, leadership, service, and character within the school and community.



The 2024 Cardinal Spirit Squad includes, front row (l to r): Jayla Iburg, Addyson Winter, Avery Krohn, Myah Lipker, Hannah Krohn, Natalie Nelson; second row: Taryn Stephens, Leynn Luna, Braylee Young, Payton Becker, Gabriella Landauer, Mishayla Slaymaker, Ciara Baker; third row: Maddie Kuta, Ella Reinhart, Madison Reilly, Johnna Spence, Cali Stokes, Ella Fogleman, Ashlyn Beierman, Vanessa Dorie; and back row: Ashley Pedro, Audrey Meyer, Violet Zabka.

Spirit squad celebrates successful competition year

Submitted Article

As the Boone Central spirit squad moves into tryouts for the 2025-2026 school year, the coaching team of Amy Thompson and Brittany Childress took a minute to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year.

The Boone Central dance and cheer teams recently showcased their talent and determination at the Nebraska State Cheer & Dance Championships in Grand Island, delivering powerful performances that left a lasting impression.

The “Rubies” dance team competed in two highly competitive categories: High Kick and Jazz. Their High Kick routine brought a burst of energy to the stage with a disco-themed kickline performance featuring over 65 high kicks — a testament to their precision, strength, and stamina.

Their Jazz routine, titled Angel Down, took on a more contemporary style, captivating the audience with emotional expression and fluid movement, demonstrating the team’s versatility and artistry. The team is proud to bring home 4th place in the High Kick Category.

On the cheer side, the Boone Central cheer team entered the competition in both the Game Day and Traditional categories.

Their Game Day performance combined all the high-energy elements fans love — cheers, band chants, and their fight song — designed to replicate the atmosphere of a game day crowd. In the Traditional category, the team stepped up to show off their technical skills in stunting and tumbling, emphasizing the difficulty and athleticism involved in cheerleading.

Both the dance and cheer teams

have worked tirelessly throughout the season, pushing themselves to new heights. Their growth in skill level, teamwork, and confidence was evident in every move and motion. These young athletes displayed grit, resilience, and a deep dedication to their program.

Often overlooked in conversations about high-intensity athletics, cheer and dance demand discipline, strength, and hours of relentless practice. Boone Central’s teams proved just how intense and competitive these activities can be. From choreography to execution, their performances were nothing short of inspiring.

“Congratulations to the Boone Central dance and cheer teams for representing their school with pride and passion on the state floor!” said the coaches.

Track teams battle with Blue Devils

By: Darren Wright
AN/BCT staff

The Boone Central track teams made a return trip to Wayne last week for the Wayne Blue Devil Invite on April 8th.

The meet included athletes from Columbus Scotus, Pierce, Wakefield, Columbus Lakeview, David City, Tekamah-Herman, and the host school Wayne.

As with a lot of early season meets, the weather conditions were not ideal causing some disruption including the cancellation of the pole vault events. The meet featured some tough teams from both B and C schools making for a tight competition. “Overall, I was very happy with our team performance,” remarked Coach Susan Roberts. “We saw several season best marks and more importantly we saw our kids compete well all the way to the end of the race or the last jump.” “I was very happy with our team performance and feel confident our kids are on the right track to keep improving marks.”

The Cardinals host again on April 15th and will travel to Grand Island Northwest on April 24th.

The following are the medalists for Boone Central: PB= Personal Best; SB = Season Best

100m Dash (Boys): Lenyn Ickler (Jr) – 3rd (PB), Connor Christo (Sr) – 4th (PB), Brock Slizoski (Sr) – 6th

100m Dash (Girls): Ciara Baker (Jr) – 3rd (SB), Reagan Hooker (Fr) – 4th (PB)

110m Hurdles (Boys): Jude Spann (Sr) – 4th, Austin Dodds (Jr) – 6th

100m Hurdles (Girls): Addy Hedlund (So) – 4th (PB), Avery Krohn (Sr) – 5th (SB)

200m (Boys): Brogan Benes (Jr) – 1st (PB), Brock Slizoski (Sr) – 4th, Thomas Roberts (Sr) – 5th (PB)

200m (Girls): Ciara Baker (Jr) – 3rd (SB), Reagan Hooker (Fr) – 6th (PB)

300m Hurdles (Boys): Jude Spann (Sr) – 5th, Austin Dodds (Jr) – 6th (PB)

300m Hurdles (Girls): Addy Hedlund (So) – 1st

400m (Boys): Jaden Hagemann (Sr) – 1st (PB), Thomas Roberts (Sr) – 3rd (SB), Kaden Miller (Fr) – 6th

400m (Girls): Leia Barnes (Fr) – 3rd (PB)

800m (Boys): Jaden Hagemann (Sr) – 2nd (SB)

800m (Girls): KayLee Miller (Sr) – 2nd (SB), Anna Weeder (Fr) – 5th (PB)

1600m (Boys): Logan Spence (Sr) – 3rd

1600m (Girls): Autumn Gasper (Fr) – 2nd (PB), Leah Erickson (Fr) – 5th, Johnna Spence (So) – 6th (SB)

3200m (Boys): Logan Spence (Sr) – 2nd (SB)

3200m (Girls): Autumn Gasper (Fr) – 2nd (PB)

High Jump (Boys): Connor Christo (Sr) – 3rd, Kaden Miller (Fr) – 6th (PB)

High Jump (Girls): Avery Krohn (Sr) – T-4th

Triple Jump (Boys): Talan Stokes (Sr) – 2nd (PB), Jude Spann (Sr) – 6th (SB)

Triple Jump (Girls): Madison Gompert (Sr) – 4th (SB), Leia Barnes (Fr) – 5th

Shot Put (Boys): Cole Lyon (Sr) – 6th (PB)

Shot Put (Girls): Lily Thieman – 6th

4x100m Relay (Boys): 1st (Brock Slizoski, Brogan Benes, Walker Robertson, Talan Stokes)

4x100m Relay (Girls): 3rd (KayLynn Paulson, Ciara Baker, Reagan Hooker, Addy Hedlund)

4x400m Relay (Boys): 1st (Thomas Roberts, Connor Christo, Brogan Benes, Jaden Hagemann)

4x400m Relay (Girls): 6th (Leia Barnes, Brynn Petersen, KayLee Miller, Anna Weeder)

4x800m Relay (Girls): 3rd (Leah Erickson, Ava Tisthammer, Johnna Spence, Alexis Pedro)

DMR 1600m Relay (Boys): 1st (Tommy Miller, Tyson Webster, Kaden Miller, Dalton Olnes)

DMR 1600m Relay (Girls): 1st (Anna Weeder, Tresdyn Stephens, Kasey Krohn, Ava Tisthammer)



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Parker Fitchner, 4x100 relay

Track teams compete at Fullerton

By: Tim Rossow
NG/SE Track Coach

The Newman Grove/St. Edward Panthers Track and Field teams participated in the Fullerton Invitational on Tuesday, April 8th.

Junior Micah Cuevas was the lone scorer for the boy's team. Cuevas had a standout performance with three gold medals on the day. His 800-meter time of 2:05.53 is a personal best to go along with his season-best 4:48.79 in the 1600.

Finally, Micah won the 3200-meter run to cap an outstanding day. The

boys team finished in 7th place with 30 points.

On the girl's side, three Lady Panthers earned medals.

Kailey Patzel led the way with a personal best toss of 100' in the discus. Her performance was good for a third-place medal.

Piper Jarecki and Payton Fehringer both finished with fifth-place medals in the shot put and high jump, respectively. Fehringer's jump of 4'8" matched her personal best. The Lady Panthers finished in 10th place with 10 points.

Several Panther athletes recorded

season or personal bests on the day:

Bentley Roan-100 and 200
Micah Cuevas-800 and 1600
Parker Fitchner-200 and Shot Put
Billy Fyfe-400
Zaiden Huesman-400
Noah Ketelsen-3200
Kailey Patzel-100 and Discus
Payton Fehringer-100
Piper Jarecki-Discus
Brylee Patzel-Shot Put
Fancy Forkner-Shot Put

Next up for the Panthers is the Burwell Invitational on Thursday, April 17th beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Fertilizing Pastures in northeast Nebraska

By: Ben Beckman
UNL Extension

If you are looking for improved pasture yields this upcoming growing season, taking a look at your fertility plan may be beneficial. Soil type, topography, and plant species along with your operational goals all play a role in determining what approach will work best for you.

Unless you've done one recently, conducting soil test to determine pH and nutrient levels—especially phosphorus (P), potassium (K), and nitrogen (N) should be our first task. Soil pH should be maintained near 6.0 to 7.0 with legume heavy pastures being closer to 7.0. Acidic soils may need lime to improve nutrient availability. Sampling every 3 to 5 years is recommended for established pastures.

Nitrogen is typically the most limiting nutrient in cool season pastures. Cool-season grasses like smooth bromegrass and orchardgrass respond well to split N applications: once in early spring (April) and again in late summer/ early fall (August) if moisture is available and fall growth is desired. For hayed pastures, apply 50 to 80 pounds of actual N per acre in spring. For rotational grazing systems, 30 to 50 pounds per acre per application is often sufficient. Avoid applying nitrogen during dry spells, as uptake is moisture-dependent

and becomes the limiting factor for growth. Warm season species are more nitrogen efficient, so lower rates can be applied one time during their early summer growth if desired. Often however, these species are more moisture than nitrogen limited.

Phosphorus promotes strong root development and early season growth, while potassium improves plant hardiness and disease resistance. In northeast Nebraska's silty clay and loess soils, phosphorus and potassium availability can vary widely. Apply P and K based on soil test recommendations, usually once per year in late fall or early spring until corrected. These nutrients don't leach readily, so timing is less critical than with nitrogen and once sufficient levels have been reached, status can be monitored by testing every 3-4 years. Micronutrients like Sulfur and Boron may also need to be applied on a case by case basis.

Incorporating legumes such as red clover, white clover, or alfalfa can provide significant nitrogen through biological fixation. Pastures with at least 30% legume content may not require additional N fertilizer and can actually lessen legume stand life. Manure from nearby livestock operations is another excellent nutrient source but should be tested for nutrient content before applying.

Fertilizer application should occur when soils are moist but not satu-

rated, and when plants are actively growing. For cool season pasture spring applications, mid- to late April is ideal. In fall, aim for late August to early September. For warm season pastures, shoot for late May to early June. Avoid fertilizing frozen ground or during drought conditions.

With thoughtful planning and regular soil testing, northeast Nebraska pastures can be fertilized effectively to improve productivity, support livestock nutrition, and protect the environment.

St. Edward Christian

Activities at the St. Edward Christian Community Church for April include:

Church services are held on Sundays at 9 a.m. No Saturday worship services.

Communion Stewards: Connie and Ali Werts
THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
Boone County Food Pantry, 2-4 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
GOOD FRIDAY
Bread of Life Drawing, Werts' GW, 3 p.m.

Good Friday Cross Walk, 6:30 p.m., begins at Werts' Grocery and proceeds to church for 7 p.m. Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 20: EASTER
Worship, 9 a.m., Easter; Greeter, Doris Wurdeman and Janice Rosane.
THURSDAY, APRIL 24:
Boone County Food Pantry, 2-4 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27:
Worship, 9 a.m.; Greeters; Lindsay & Chris Tenski

MONDAY, APRIL 28:
Cloverlodge Care Center

From the Advance files...

80 Years Ago
April 12, 1945

Mrs. Alice Buck took over the management of the Emergency hospital the first of April, succeeding Mrs. Eddie Shotkoski who had been in charge for about five years. Mrs. Buck had been associated with Mrs. Shotkoski at the hospital for several months previous. She and her two children moved into rooms at the hospital so that she will have direct supervision over her business. Mrs. Buck is a registered nurse and a capable businesswoman. Her husband is a private first class in the U. S. Marines and is overseas.

60 Years Ago
April 15, 1965

On April 5th Burr East Resident's Hall elected officers for the school year. Among the new officers from St. Edward, are Jan Kaufmann, president, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kaufmann; Shirley Whidden, Scholarship Chairman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Whidden; and Sally Roberts, Courtesy Chairman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roberts. The girls are students at the University of Nebraska majoring in Home Economics Education.

40 Years Ago
April 11, 1985

St. Edward graduates of the Fire-fighter II school held in St. Edward for the past 10 weeks are Jim Thomazin, Richard Good, Rick Werts, Ray Becker, Randy Thompson, Harold Thompson, Gary Thompson, Bob Hoffmeister, Jerry Carter, Bob Johnson, Leo Mahoney, Garry Riggs and Mark Ehlers. A total of approximately 360 hours of instruction was completed. The graduates received a certificate of completion.

20 Years Ago
April 14, 2005

The Junior-Senior Prom was held April 9th as St. Edward students rocked around the clock all night. The junior class ended their short program with the crowning of the 2005 prom royalty. The king was Josh Fitchner, and the queen was Tracy Sherwood. The royalty was chosen by a vote of the student body.

Beaver Valley Senior Center

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:

Oven chicken, mashed potatoes, broccoli, pineapple and oranges, roll, margarine, milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:

Tuna and noodles, broccoli and cheese, peaches biscuit, margarine, milk.

MONDAY, APRIL 21:

Beef noodle casserole (with hamburger), green beans, apricots, biscuits, margarine, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:

Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, apricots, dinner roll, margarine, milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:

Goulash, noodles, tomatoes, garlic bread, peaches, margarine, milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:

Oven chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, oranges, dinner roll, margarine, milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25:

Taco salad, (taco meat, salsa, sour cream, onion, tomato, lettuce) chips, wheat bread, margarine, milk.

St. Edward School Menu

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:

Easter Break

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:

Easter Break

MONDAY, APRIL 21:

Easter Break

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:

Taco Burger

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:

Breakfast Sandwich

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:

Corn Dog

FRIDAY, APRIL 25:

Breaded Beef Stick

Subject to Change

St. Edward School Events

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:

Easter Break

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:

Easter Break

MONDAY, APRIL 21:

No School/Easter Break

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:

Mass lead by Sixth Grades and Kindergarten, 8:10 a.m.; Musical Vibes Practice, 5:15 a.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:

Fourth Grade Field Trip to Ash Falls.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26:

BC TR MS Conference, 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27:

First Communion, 2 p.m.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:

St. Edward Public School Early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.

Grace's coffee will be at Cloverlodge, 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mission Possible Store open, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous-Open, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:

GOOD FRIDAY!

Bread of Life Drawing for a loaf of bread at Werts' GW, 3 p.m., sponsored by St. Edward Christian Community Church.

Storytime, Library, 11 a.m.

NO ESL Class

SUNDAY, APRIL 20:

HAPPY EASTER

MONDAY, APRIL 21:

St. Edward Development Co.

meeting, Library, 7 p.m.

Book Club, Library, 7:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

Soldier's Prayer Shield, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bank

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:

St. Edward Housing Authority, Library, noon

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:

Mission Possible Store open, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous-Open, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

FRIDAY, APRIL 25:

Bread of Life Drawing for a loaf of bread at Werts' GW, 3 p.m., sponsored by St. Edward Christian Community Church.

MONDAY, APRIL 28:

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Congregational Church

Soldier's Prayer Shield, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bank

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30:

Adult Art Class, Library, 1 p.m.

Library Board Trustee meeting, Library, 5 p.m.

Community Club, Library, 7 p.m.

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80 Years Ago
April 25, 1945
S-Sargeant Algunan Hendrickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Hendrickson, is spending a forty-day leave in Newman Grove at the home of his parents. He will report to Fort Leavenworth May 17th. He has served overseas one year and has received the Purple Heart for injuries received while in action. He was also awarded the Bronze Star Medal while overseas. He was with the Third Army when they made some very successful moves and served in both France and Germany.

60 Years Ago
April 14, 1965
The 37th annual Nebraska Future Farmers of American Convention was held in Lincoln last week. Chapter Farmers from Newman Grove receiving the honor of a State Farmer Degree, were, Darrell Buhl, Danny Patzel and Dale Buhl. Darrell and Dale are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arne Buhl, and Danny is the son of

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Patzel.
40 Years Ago
April 10, 1985
Students of the week in the Newman Grove Elementary School are Chris Wallin, Julie Ransen, Matthew Schmitt, Amy Schroeter, Jennifer Buhl, John Rother, Kevin Smith, and Doug Guthard.

20 Years Ago
April 13, 2005
Newman Grove FFA students that attended State Convention in Lincoln March 29-April 1 were Josh Johnson, Kevin Nelson, Jordan Afrank, Ashley Nelson, Alex Jacobsen, Alex Labenz, Brett Nelson, Kyle Afrank, Brenda Nelson, Laura Johnson, Brittany Pieke, Abbie Finkral, Ann O'Brien, Chad King, Cody Nelsen, Sarah O'Brien, Sheila O'Brien, Ashley King, Ed O'Brien, Casey Rasmussen, Josh Kaufman. Melissa Gasper and Jessica Boschen. Their instructor is Tom Krause.

Shell Creek & Zion Events

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
Maundy Thursday Service at Trinity, 7 P.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
GOOD FRIDAY
Faith Prayer Walk, 10 a.m.; Good Friday Service at MNLH, 2 p.m.; Good Fri-day Service, Shell Creek, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL, 20:
EASTER
Sunday School at Shell Creek, 8:45 a.m.; Easter Worship Service, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:
Cluster, 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
Bible study at Beth's, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL, 27:
Sunday School at Zion, 8:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29:
Cluster, 10 a.m.; Bible study at Beth's, 2 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30:
Remembrance Service at MNLH, 2 p.m.

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“Faith Walk” to be held April 18

From social media

The Newman Grove Ministerial Association has planned a “Good Friday Faith Walk” for this Friday, April 18.

“On Good Friday, many Christians participate in a “faith walk” commemorating Jesus’s journey to the Cross, and reflecting on his suffering and death.”

The post indicates that the group will walk from Mid-Nebraska Lutheran Home to Shell Creek Lutheran Church, making stops along the way for reflection.

The walk will begin at the Mid-Nebraska Lutheran Home at 10 a.m., and all are welcome to participate.

Newman Grove School Menu

All lunches served with fruit and salad bar.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17: Breakfast: Banana bread or pop tart, fresh fruit and juice; Lunch: Ham and turkey Sub, baby carrots, fruit cup, Easter dessert.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18: No Breakfast or Lunch

MONDAY, APRIL 21: No Breakfast or Lunch

TUESDAY, APRIL 22: Breakfast: Strudel or Cereal, fresh fruit and juice. Lunch: Pulled Pork Sandwich, baked beans, fruit, brownie.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23: Breakfast: Breakfast bite or cereal, fresh fruit and juice. Lunch: Tater Tot casse-role, fruit, vegetable, dinner roll.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24: Breakfast: Breakfast sandwich or cereal, fresh fruit and juice. Lunch: Pop-corn chicken bowl mashed potatoes, corn/fruit, dinner roll.

City awarded CCCFF funding

the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED) announced \$5.54 million of awards to 21 grant recipients under the Civic and Community Center Financing Fund (CCCFF).

Ten communities are receiving awards for construction projects, and 11 are receiving funds for planning.

“Our state’s quality of life stands out nationally,” said DED Director K.C. Belitz. “Nebraska is known for safe, welcoming communities that have first-rate amenities like parks, pools, and libraries. The Department enjoys working alongside municipalities to develop community assets that benefit local families and help to attract new residents. Congratulations to this year’s CCCFF winners!”

CCCFF grants support the development of civic, community, and

recreation centers. Buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places that are intended for conversion, rehabilitation, or reuse are also eligible under the program.

CCCFF is funded through a turn-back of 30% of state sales tax generated by arenas and nearby retailers.

This year’s award recipients are listed below. Descriptions of the awarded projects are available by clicking here. For more information on the CCCFF program, visit opportunity.nebraska.gov/ccff. For questions, contact Susan Nickerson at susan.nickerson@nebraska.gov or 308-850-0595.

2025 Civic and Community Center Financing Fund – Planning Recipients

City of Newman Grove: \$15,000
Village of Bartlett: \$15,000

City of Ashland: \$15,000
City of Battle Creek: \$15,000
Village of Eustis: \$10,000
City of Holdrege: \$15,000
City of Humboldt: \$15,000
City of Minden: \$7,500
Village of Oxford: \$15,000
Village of Salem: \$15,000
City of Tecumseh: \$15,000
2025 Civic and Community Center Financing Fund – Capital Construction Recipients

City of Auburn: \$562,000
City of Curtis: \$562,000
City of David City: \$281,500
City of Gretna: \$562,000
Village of Kenesaw: \$562,000
City of McCook: \$481,993
Village of Nemaha: \$37,000
City of Papillion: \$1,125,000
Village of Shelton: \$562,000
City of Sidney: \$562,000



New construction growing...

New homes and foundations are appearing in Newman Grove's newest building addition to the community.



Newman Grove Activities

THURSDAY, APRIL 17:
Sixth Field Trip to Omaha; First Grade Field Trip to Columbus; TR at Burwell Invitational, 10 a.m.; JH TR at Humphrey Invitational.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18:
No School-Spring/Easter Break
SATURDAY, APRIL 19:
Easter Egg Hunt at Nursing Home, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20:
EASTER

MONDAY, APRIL 21:
No School/Easter Break; PTO meeting, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22:
HS HAL meeting at lunch; FFA Officer interviews, 5 p.m.; 25/26 Kindergarten parent meeting, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23:
JH TR, Fullerton, 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24:
TR Palmer Invitational at Fullerton, 9:30 a.m.; Fourth Grade Field Trip; State Science Fair, Lincoln

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Help Wanted

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Qualified individuals need to have a valid driver's license, be able to operate heavy equipment, do heavy lifting up to 75 pounds, and be at least 18 years of age. The position is for will pay \$20.00 per hour, with no benefits.

Interested individuals may pick up an application at City Hall. The job is open until it is filled.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the Boone County Health Center, Board of Trustees, will be held Tuesday, April 22, 2025. Regular session (open to the public) meets at 7:30 p.m.

The agenda is available at the office of the administrator. Meetings are held in the hospital conference room.

Caleb Poore
President/CEO
AN32-A16 ZNEZ

NOTICE

Tillman Infrastructure, LLC is proposing to construct a 245-foot overall height self-supporting lattice telecommunications structure located near 225th Avenue, Albion, Boone County, Nebraska (41° 40' 34.2" N, 98° 03' 04.9" W). Tillman Infrastructure, LLC invites comments from any interested party on the impact the tower may have on any districts, sites, buildings, structures or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Comments may be sent to Environmental Corporation of America, ATTN: Annamarie Howell, 1375 Union Hill Industrial Court, Suite A, Alpharetta, GA 30004 or via email to publicnotice@eca-usa.com. Ms. Howell can be reached at (770) 667-2040 x 108 during normal business hours. Comments must be received within 30 days of the date of this notice. 25-000552 MCM

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF SHELL CREEK PROPERTIES, L.L.C.

Notice is hereby given that Shell Creek Properties, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company (the "Company"), has organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its designated office at 1124 240th Avenue, Petersburg, Nebraska 68652. The Company's registered agent for service of process in the State of Nebraska is Jill Preister, 1124 240th Avenue, Petersburg, Nebraska 68652.

YOSTEN LAW, L.L.C.
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NOTICE

City of Albion, Nebraska
On the 8th day of April, 2024, the Mayor and City Council of Albion, Nebraska, adopted an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE 340(25) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBION, NEBRASKA, AMENDING SECTION 2-605 TO REDUCE THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT FOR WEEDS, GRASS OR WORTHLESS VEGETATION.

Said Ordinance was published in pamphlet form and copies thereof are available at the office of the City Clerk.

Andrew Devine
City Clerk
AN32-A16 ZNEZ

NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
ESTATE OF ELAINE J. GEILEN-KIRCHEN, deceased
Estate No. PR23-38

Notice is hereby given that a final account and report of administration and a petition for complete settlement have been filed and are set for hearing in the County Court of Boone County, Nebraska, located at Albion, Nebraska, on June 5, 2025, at or after 10:45 a.m.

Lisa Langan
Clerk of the County Court (SEAL)
Jeffrey C. Jarecki #24411
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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, April 21, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. for a public meeting. Agenda is current and available in the Clerk's Office.

Sarah Robinson
Boone County Clerk
AN32-A16
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NOTICE

The Lower Loup Natural Resources District will meet in regular session on April 24, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the District's Headquarters office, 2620 Airport Drive, Ord, Nebraska. A continuous agenda is on file at the District office. Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and service necessary for participation in the meeting by contacting the Lower Loup NRD, 2620 Airport Drive, Ord, Nebraska 68862. Telephone: 308-728-3221.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: Middle Cullen Rentals, LLC
DESIGNATED OFFICE: 816 W Cedar, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

Middle Cullen Rentals, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on April 8, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

Jeffrey C. Jarecki, #24411
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STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS
NEX-11144, NEX-11141, NEX-11145 & NEX-11142

Nance County
Loup River Basin
On April 3, 2025, Robert Malander filed in the Department of Natural Resources (Department) applications NEX-11144, NEX-11141, NEX-11145 and NEX-11142 for non-expedited changes under respective appropriations A-8905, A10123, A-13939 and A-17369BR.

Water appropriation A-8905, with a priority date of October 15, 1956, is a permit to divert 0.14 cubic feet per second of water from the Cedar River at a point of diversion in Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. Nance County to irrigate 9.5 acres.

Water appropriation A-10123, with a priority date of November 15, 1962, is a permit to divert 1.77 cubic feet per second of water from the Cedar River at a point of diversion in Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. Nance County to irrigate 124.0 acres.

Water appropriation A-13939, with a priority date of January 14, 1976, is a permit to divert 0.84 cubic feet per second of water from the Cedar River at a point of diversion in Section 36, Township 18 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. Nance County to irrigate 58.8 acres,

Water appropriation A-17369BR, with a priority date of May 12, 1994, is a permit to divert 1.59 cubic feet per second of water from the Cedar River at points of diversion in Section 26, Township 18 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. Boone County and Sections 35 and 36 Township 18 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. Nance County to irrigate 111.0 acres

The applications for non-expedited changes request that 3.4 acre from A8905, 11.4 acres from A-10123, 58.8 acres from A-13939 and 4.4 acres from A-17369BR be stacked and spread to cover 78.0 acres located in Section 36, Township 18 North, Range 07 West of the 6th P.M. in Nance County.

The abovementioned 78.0 acres under A-8905, A-10123, A-13939 and A-17369BR would receive water from the Cedar River at a pump site located in Section 36 of said legal description.

Procedures to respond to this notice may be obtained by contacting the Surface Water Permits section of the Department at (402) 471-2363 or through the Department's website at https://dnr.nebraska.gov/surface-water/public-notice-surface-water-applications. Additional project information may be obtained by contacting the Department at the phone number indicated above.

Objections must be received by the Department at 245 Fallbrook Boulevard, Suite 201, Lincoln, NE 68521 by 5:00 p.m. on May 15, 2025. Date of Notice April 16, 2025.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: BEL Cabinets, LLC
DESIGNATED OFFICE: 1020 S 2nd Street, Albion, NE 68620
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

BEL Cabinets, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on March 13, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

Jeffrey C. Jarecki, #24411
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NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Estate of Mary Margaret Adams-Jackson, Deceased
Estate No. PR 25-15

Notice is hereby given that on April 3, 2025, 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 Amy L. Malander whose address is 2608 Hill View Drive, Albion, NE 68620, and Deborah J. Dickey, whose address is 50841 810th Road, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627, were informally appointed by the Registrar as Co-Personal Representatives of the estate.

Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before June 9, 2025, or be forever barred.

Lisa Langan
(SEAL)
Clerk of the County Court
Address of the County Court:
222 South 4th Street
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AN31-A09, A16, A23
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: Bloom Plumbing and Drain Cleaning LLC

DESIGNATED OFFICE: 332 Walnut St, Primrose, NE 68655
REGISTERED AGENT: Katherine E. Sharp, 525 W State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

Bloom Plumbing and Drain Cleaning LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on February 5, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF SANDHILLS SKY RENTAL PROPERTIES, L.L.C.

Notice is hereby given that Sandhills Sky Rental Properties, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company (the "Company"), has organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its designated office at 311 North 4th Street, Petersburg, Nebraska 68652. The Company's registered agent for service of process in the State of Nebraska is Mitchell D. Koch, 311 North 4th Street, Petersburg, Nebraska 68652.

YOSTEN LAW, LLC
Brandi J. Yosten Buda, #25083, Organizer
2583 State Hwy. 14, Ste. 3
P. O. Box 342
Albion, NE 68620
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: Valley Creek Farms, LLC
DESIGNATED OFFICE: 3383 Highway 39, St. Edward, NE 68660
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

Valley Creek Farms, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on March 25, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

Jeffrey C. Jarecki, #24411
Jarecki Sharp & Petersen P.C., L.L.O.

525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106
Albion, NE 68620
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF RENTTIB, LLC

Notice is hereby given that RENTTIB, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, was organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska on March 25, 2025. The street and mailing address for the company's initial designated office is 2631 300th Street, Albion, NE 68620. The company's initial agent for service of process is Steven R. Bittner, whose street and mailing address is 2631 300th Street, Albion, NE 68620.

Eric W. Knutson, Attorney
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: Triple G Express, LLC

DESIGNATED OFFICE: 3701 190th Avenue, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

Triple G Express, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on March 25, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: Beaver View Builders, LLC

DESIGNATED OFFICE: 3383 Highway 39, St. Edward, NE 68660
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

Beaver View Builders, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on March 25, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

OF: OAT Grassland, LLC

DESIGNATED OFFICE: 1057 220th Street, Albion, NE 68620
REGISTERED AGENT: Jeffrey C. Jarecki, 525 W. State Street, P.O. Box 106, Albion, NE 68620

OAT Grassland, LLC shall engage in any lawful business for which a company may be formed under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. Perpetual existence commenced on March 26, 2025, when the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Manager of the Company as set forth in the Operating Agreement.

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From the courthouse...

Traffic Infractions

Harold Moore, Fairfield, Texas; speeding, \$75.00 + court costs
Craig Allemang, Clearwater; speeding, \$150.00

Real Estate References

Warranty Deed: LCR Land & Cattle, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company to Keith V. Reichmuth: E ½ of SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 20 North, Range 7 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska; W ½, SW ¼, Township 20 North, range 7 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska

Quitclaim Deed: Richard Fangman and Kimberly Fangman, husband and wife, to William Fangman and Virginia Fangman, husband and wife: the West 70 feet and the East 66 ¼ feet of Lots 8 and 9, Block 2, and the West ½ of the vacated alley 12.5" x 115" (9056.25SF), Village of Raeville, Boone County, Nebraska

Quitclaim Deed: Julie Ann Rising, an unmarried individual, to Andrew Scott Galusha and Keri Virginia Galusha, a married couple: St. Edward FR NW ¼ 2-18-5, 2.16 acres unplatted, 67' x 103.5' 206 S. 4th Street, St. Edward, NE 68660 and additional in Exhibit A

Warranty Deed: Tim O'Brien and Amy M. O'Brien, husband and wife, to James E. O'Brien and Jessica L. O'Brien, husband and wife: S ½ NE ¼ of Section 27, Township 21 North, Range 8 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska

Warranty Deed: Johnson Bracket J. Ranch, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company to AHST 439 LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company: a tract of land in the W ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 20 North, Range 6 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska as described

Warranty Deed: Jim Leth a/k/a Jimmy Leth a/k/a Jimmy D. Leth and Ida L. Leth a/k/a Ida Leth, husband and wife to Thomas R. Kassian and Katherine M. Kassian, husband and wife: Lots 3, 9, 14, 15 and 16, Berry's Addition to the City of St. Edward, Boone County, Nebraska

Trustee's Deed: Lawrence B. Zegers and Debra A. Zegers-Petsche, successor co-trustees under the Lois K. Zegers Living Trust dated May 4, 2004 to Tyson M. Lodge, a single person, and Katilin M. Bachman, a single person: Lot 2 and the South 100 feet of Lot 1, described as follows...

King Crossword

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15 Hindu royal
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- 53 Male deer
54 Meadow
55 Inventor's inspiration
56 Sharpen
57 Family
58 "Brian's Song" star
- 7 "That was close!"
8 Biondi in "It's a Wonderful Life"
9 Resident of Monrovia
10 War god
11 Wife of Zeus
19 French article
21 "Adorbs!"
24 Sit-up targets
25 Haw preceder
26 Resident of Oran
28 D.C. baseballer
29 Resident of Vienna
- 30 Summer sign
31 Mentalist's gift
36 Household
37 Yale grad
38 Spiritualist
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51 Island garland

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Answers

King Crossword

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From the Pulpit

By: Pastor Peter Sample
Calvary Bible Church - Neligh

“Rain and Worry”

Job 5:10 (NIV) “He provides rain for the earth; he sends water on the countryside.”

During the Sunday morning service, we have open prayer request time. We hear updates about those who are sick, traveling, or concerned about school projects. During planting, we pray for safety in the fields. During harvest, we pray for safety in the fields. Invariably, scattered throughout the weeks, we voice concern about rain.

The farmers need rain for their crops. The ranchers need rain for their hay. Mid-summer hits and everyone who is not a farmer realizes the need for rain when everything turns brown.

We who need rain can have two responses to our angst. First, we could sit in our chair and stare at the clouds out the window, biting our nails with anxiety. This response is our natural one. Even in the face of something outside our control, we naturally worry. We worry about weather. We worry about crop yields. We worry about calving season. We worry about finances. We worry about our children as they start driving. We worry about what people will think about the dish we bring to a potluck meal. We worry about everything and have control over nothing.

From a fellow human worrier: worry accomplishes nothing.

Our alternative response is to turn to the one who has control. The Bible says that God has control over the weather. In His great plan, he withholds rain and he sends rain. And, in His amazing mercy, He listens to the needs of those who are His. He listened to the prophet Elijah in the Old Testament and withheld rain for three years and six months, so that Israel would turn from false gods. Then, when Elijah prayed again, God sent a heavy rain.

From a fellow human worrier: trust accomplishes everything.

What would happen if we stopped worrying and starting trusting the God who is in control and who listens to our needs? Instead of biting our nails and pulling out our hair, we pray. When our neighbor expresses his fear of the future, we pray. When our child is concerned about the outcome of a paper, we pray.

Now, I know that prayer does not remove our need to act. We are to be wise and do our due diligence. But, prayer removes our need to worry, so we can breathe and sleep in peace.

Your Guide to Area Churches



AKRON COMMUNITY CHURCH
13 mi. W of Albion on Hwy. 91,
4 mi. N, 1/4 mi. E.
Pastor Kurt Kinney
402-741-0851
Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.

ALBION EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
1 mile west of Bomgaars
Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.

BELGRADE UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Lynde Linde
Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m.
at Cedar Rapids
alloumc@frontiernet.net

CEDAR RAPIDS UNITED METHODIST
311 W. South St. Cedar Rapids
Rev. Lynde Linde
Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m.
alloumc@frontiernet.net

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.

CLOVERLODGE CARE CENTER
St. Edward
St. Edward Christian Community Church
has Bible Study every Monday.

FAITH LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD
St. Edward
Rev. Brian Ketelsen
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 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.
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
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.
alloumc@frontiernet.net

IMMANUEL-ZION LUTHERAN
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Pastor Elizabeth Goehring
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Worship, 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion on the first and third
Sundays of each month
http://immanuelzion.blogspot.com
Immanuel Zion Church services are videoed for Facebook Live all regular Sunday Services at 9:30 a.m.

LINDSAY HOLY FAMILY
Lindsay
Rev. Stan Schmidt
Saturday: Mass, 7 p.m.
Sunday: Mass, 8 a.m.

LOOKING GLASS METHODIST CHURCH
Six miles south and one mile east of Newman Grove
Pastor Terry Buol
Worship: 11 a.m.
tbuol@greatplainsumc.org

LORETTO UNITED METHODIST
Loretto
Rev. Lynde Linde
Sunday Worship - 8:30 a.m.

NEWMAN GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
109 N. 4th St., Newman Grove
Pastor Terry Buol
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
tbuol@greatplainsumc.org

ST. ANTHONY’S CATHOLIC
528 W. Main Street, Cedar Rapids
Rev. Matthew Gutowski
Mass: Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

ST. BONAVENTURE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Raeville
Rev. Frank Baumert
Rev. John Norman, Pastor
Sundays: Mass at 8 a.m.,
1st/3rd/5th weekend

ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC
805 Washington St., St. Edward
Rev. Matt Gutowski
Mass: Sunday, 8 a.m.

ST. EDWARD CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH
St. Edward
Rev. Michael “Mick” Goc
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1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

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Sunday, April 20, 2025
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Rev. John Norman, Pastor
Rev. Frank Baumert
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2nd/4th weekend, 8 a.m.

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Cedar Rapids
Rev. Brian Ketelsen
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Sunday Worship, 8:30 a.m.

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Rev. Matthew Gutowski
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Sunday, 10 a.m.

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www.savinggracebc.com

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Newman Grove
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beckybeckmann13@gmail.com
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.

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Deacon Claire Meyer
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Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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After School Programs,
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Silver Creek-Tuesdays.

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The Cardinal FBLA teammates with their awards.

FBLA qualifies many for Nationals

The Boone Central FBLA Chapter traveled to Kearney for the 2025 State Leadership Conference, qualifying a number of chapter members for the National Conference.

The students heard from engaging speakers, attended educational break-out sessions, and competed against other students from across the state in various competitions.

The Cardinal FBLA Chapter has qualified at least seven students for

the National Conference in Anaheim this summer.

Results:
Public Service Announcement
Sydney Spangler: 8th
Sports and Entertainment Management: Avery Krohn and Madison Gompert 6th
International Business Eloise Martinez 6th
Human Resources Management

Avery Krohn 3rd
Entrepreneurship Edwin Naranjo and Grant Kuta 3rd
Financial Math: Hannah Krohn 8th
Hospitality and Event Management: Edwin Naranjo, Grant Kuta, Eloise Martinez 3rd
Intro to Business Procedures: Jacob Smith 7th
Intro to Event Planning: Brittany Sup, Clarisa Grass and Kately Curry

Champions
Parliamentary Procedure: Edwin Naranjo, Elissa Reynoldson, Clarisa Grass, Sydney Spangler, Eloise Martinez 4th
Job Interview: Madison Gompert 7th

Honorable Mentions
Logan Spence Accounting
Elisa Reynoldson Organizational Leadership, Business Communications
Jacob Smith Introduction to Business Communications, Introduction to Marketing Concepts
Brooklyn Krohn Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure



Parliamentary Procedure Level 2 : Right to Left Front Row: Alexis Pedro, Eloise Martinez, Makenna Devine; Right to Left Back Row: Brynna Hagemann, Lily Thieman, Breklyn Landauer, Shaelynn Stokes

FCCLA State champs, on to Nationals

Fourteen FCCLA Parliamentary Procedure teams earned top honors at the Nebraska FCCLA State STAR Competitions held April 6-8 in Lincoln.

Each team placed first in their respective events, officially earning the title of State Champions.

These outstanding students will now advance to represent

Nebraska at the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida this July.

Their success highlights not only their dedication to mastering parliamentary law, but also their teamwork, leadership, and commitment to excellence.



Parliamentary Procedure Level 3: Right to Left Front Row: Payton Becker, Miranda McGill, Maddie Reilly; Right to Left Back Row: Elissa Reynoldson, Melany Preister, Myah Rankin, Bethany Preister

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