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STAR CALENDAR

Correction

In the Dec.12 edition of the Dakota County Star, it was incorrectly reported that the South Sioux City boys basketball team lost to North Platte, 59-57 in overtime at the Norfolk Classic.

The Cardinals won the game in overtime 59-57, outscoring North Platte 5-3 in the extra period to earn the win. The Star apologizes for the error.

Cardinal Christmas Baskets volunteers needed

Cardinal Christmas Baskets are looking for volunteers to pack and deliver boxes throughout the community

Boxes will be packed Friday at 7 p.m. at the South Sioux City Fire Department memorial Hall at 201 West 16th Street. Baskets will be delivered Saturday morning beginning at 7:30

More than 280 boxes will be delivered to those in need throughout the community, so any and all help is appreciated.

Star offices closed

The Dakota County Star's offices will be closed Tuesday at 12 p.m. for the Christmas holiday. The office will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 25, and will reopen at the regular time on Thursday, Dec. 26. That week's edition of the Dakota County Star will be delivered

All editorial deadlines remain the same for next week's edition, as well as the Jan. 2, 2025 edition the following week.

Chamber Coffee Friday

This week's Chamber Coffee will be held at Wilmes Hardware, located at 815 West 29th Street.

Coffee begins at 9:30 a.m., with the program starting at 10 a.m.

County Board to meet

The final meeting of the year for the Dakota County Board of Commissioners will be held Monday, Dec. 23 at 3 p.m. at the Dakota County Courthouse. An agenda is available at dakotacounty.ne.gov.

City Council meeting

The City Council of South Sioux City will meet Monday, Dec. 23 at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

An updated agenda is available at southsiouxcity.org.



Data Courtesy National Weather Service FOR WEEK OF DEC. 19-25, 2024

THURSDAY



Mix of clouds and sun.

13

21



Mix of clouds and sun.





26 14 Partly cloudy skies.





Partly cloudy.



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Merry Christmas!



CARDINAL CHRISTMAS BASKETS DONATIONS

\$10,000

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South Sioux City Area Chamber Executive Board Chair Mike LaCroix introduces Lori Warner as the new president of the area Chamber of Commerce. Warner is a familiar face to the business community, having already served as the group's president from 2012-2016 before becoming a part-owner of Pizza Ranch in Sioux City.

larner returns to Chamber job

Star Publisher

A familiar face has retuned to lead the South Sioux City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Lori Warner was recently named the new president of the local Chamber of Commerce group, replacing Aron Wehr, who stepped down earlier this year to return to his hometown of Omaha for a position with the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

For Warner, it's a return to something she has always enjoyed promoting and supporting businesses in South Sioux City.

'I just love the fact that when I get to meet so many people and

this," she said in an interview after Friday's weekly Chamber Coffee at South Sioux City High School. 'It's always been my drive to help people, and what better way to do

that than through the Chamber of Commerce. We offer so many aspects of working with businesses to help them to grow, whether they are looking to find employees or for growth potential. It's something I've always enjoyed."

Warner was in this position from 2012-2016 before becoming an owner and operating partner in the Pizza Ranch restaurant in Sioux City, a position she held for eight years before returning to the local

"I decided I needed to not work as much," she said with a laugh, trading 14-hour days on her feet serving pizza for the chance to help out the South Sioux City business community. "It's nice to come back and it's nice to be needed

Warner announced during Friday's meeting that the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet will return in 2025 after a six-year

"It's a good time to recognize our businesses at an event like that and letting us promote them and

SEE CHAMBER, 2A

Public Works follows P&Z recommendation

A recommendation by the city's Planning and Zoning Commission to turn down a rezoning request was confirmed by the Public Works Committee during Monday evening's meeting at City Hall. A request to rezone land in the 500

block of Old Sawmill road from an ag designation to a commercial one was presented to the committee, which followed the Planning and Zoning recommendation with a 2-1 negative vote that will be forwarded to the City Council for Monday's meeting.

A proposed transportation terminal that would be built on the rezoned property raised concerns by area residents, who feel that the public health and safety of residents in the area would be put at risk.

Chris Krueger, one of several area residents who attended Monday's meeting said that the proposal had already been rejected two years ago and he encouraged the Public Works Committee to give it a second thumbs down.

ago and it didn't have a plan, which while new committee member Mawas why it was kicked out," Krueger hamud Osman cast a dissenting vote said. "Last year, we met with Lance Committee chair Jason Bowman was (Hedquist), Oscar (Gomez) and the absent from Monday's meeting. property owner and said we would like to see a plan and have further length the possibility of posting No discussion, and since then nothing has been communicated with the

ago. We can work together, but we need open, transparent communica-

Planning and Zoning member Robert Rapp said a full house attended the commission's meeting last week, and after 45 minutes of debate and conversation, he felt it was the right decision. 'I would agree with Chris that you

follow the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission," he told the Public Works board. Also speaking out against the pro-

posed zoning change was Bob Giese. who felt that the limited entries into the area and the fact that school buses also use the route made the proposed zoning change a bad idea.

"Old Sawmill Road has school buses running on it and kids walk on that road," he said. "They'll say they won't use that road, but if they're coming from Dakota City and know they can turn on Old Sawmill Road they will. This definitely could be a mess in more ways than one."

Public Works committee members Ben Schultz and Monty Peters voted to go with the Planning and Zon-"This was brought up two years ing Commission's recommendation, The committee also discussed at

SEE **PUBLIC WORKS**, 2A

Hooper man enters no contest plea in 2023 homicide here

no contest to a number of crimes, including

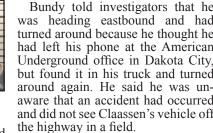
homicide, related to a crash last year that killed a Dakota City teenager.

Chad Bundy entered his plea in Dakota County District Court on Tuesday to several misdemeanors, including vehicu-

lar homicide, false reporting and load violation. District Judge Bryan Meismer found him guilty of the charges.

The charges come as the result of an accident on April 27, 2023 on Highway 35 that killed 17-year-old driving and struck the windshield false reporting charges.

A 50-year-old Hooper man pled of Claassen's Jeep, hitting her in the contest to a number of crimes, chest. Her vehicle left the road and



Bundy will be sentenced in Dakota County District Court on Feb. 11. 2025. His plea agreement contains no sentencing agreement other than he shall not request a deferred judge-Kassandra Claassen of Dakota City. ment. He faces up to a year in prison A pipe fell from a truck Bundy was on both the vehicular homicide and



SERVING UP "EXCELLENT" PANCAKES





(PHOTOS BY LANCE SWANSON)

Cardinal Elementary recently ws honored with an Excellent rating by AQuESTT, and the school board and administrators celebrated the occasion with a pancake feed last week. (top) School Board members Dr. Matt Aitken and Robert Rapphelped the Cabinet serve pancakes. (above) Director of Facilities & Business Operations, Erin Heineman, director of facilities and business operations, served pancakes to Cardinal Elementary staff.

PUBLIC WORKS: Zoning change request turned down

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Chamber," she said.

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Parking signs along 31st Street south of Cardinal Elementary.

Schultz, who is principal of Dakota City Elementary, had concerns about access on the street to and from

the school. "It's one of those streets that is so small and nobody's getting through,

especially an emergency vehicle," he

Representatives from JEO Consulting Group said that a study that

Also getting a restart is the Cham-

ber's Legislative Committee, which

will allow the community to meet

with the Nebraska Legislature and

discuss legislation that will affect the

was done in 2017 recommended not to designate a "no parking" area there, but also noted that the City Council at that time was not in favor of a four-way stop or installing traffic lights there, due to the expense.

Mayor Rod Koch suggested that the committee sit down with South Sioux City Schools Superintendent the Ogden 3rd Addition. Dr. Rony Ortega and discuss the issue further, bringing that information back to the Public Works for further consideration.

make sure our businesses understand

what new legislation is coming and

She said she has plans to meet with

Chamber members individually and

reintroduce herself to the business

"Membership growth is an ongo-ing thing, so I'll be reaching out to some of our members and letting

In other action Monday:

 a request by the YMCA to designate a road running between the YMCA and the city's swimming pool as a one-way westbound road going from the pool to the YMCA. The road is currently closed with ongoing construction at the YMCA.

— approved the final platting of

- discussed the building of an 18-foot road running from East 17th Street to Oban Construction. Committtee member Monty Peters' request for further study was granted.

Marketing assistance available for specialty crop producers

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency's (FSA) \$2 billion Marketing Assistance for Specialty Crops (MASC) program, aimed at helping specialty crop producers expand markets and manage higher costs, is now accepting applications through Jan. 8,

Funded by the Commodity Credit Corporation, MASC was announced in November alongside the \$140 million Commodity Storage Assitance Program for facilities impacted by 2024 natural disasters.

Eligible established specialty crop producers can apply for MASC benefits by completing the FSA-1140, Marketing Assistance for Specialty Crops (MASC) Program Application, and submitting the form to any FSA county office by Jan. 8, 2025. When applying, eligible specialty crop producers must certify their specialty crop sales for calendar year 2023 or 2024.

Further explanation of what is considered by FSA for specialty crop sales as well as an online MASC decision tool and applicable program forms, are available on the MASC program webpage.

SSC Library earns NLC Gold accreditation

The South Sioux City Public Library is proud to announce it has been awarded Gold Accreditation status by the Nebraska Library Commission for the 2025-2029

This prestigious recognition represents the highest standard of excellence in library services and operations. The Nebraska Library Commission is responsible for the statewide promotion, development and coordination of

The Gold Accreditation highlights the library's commitment to exceptional community engagement, innovative programming, and outstanding resource management. Achieving this designation involves meeting rigorous criteria in areas such as library governance, technology, collection development, and community

Cicely Douglas, Library Director, expressed her excitement about the achievement.

"This recognition is a testament to the dedication of our staff, the vision of our leadership, and the incredible support from our community," she said. "We are honored to serve as a hub of learning, creativity, and connection for South Sioux City and beyond.'

With Gold Accreditation, the library reaffirms its mission to provide equitable access to information, inspire lifelong learning, and enhance the quality of life for all residents. The accreditation ensures continued access to state-level funding opportunities and resources that will help the library expand its services even further.

SSC OPTIMISTS SUTDENT OF THE MONTH

(COURTESY PHOTO)

Alita Sek is the South Sioux City **Optimist Student of the Month for** November. She is the daughter of Sophea Seng and Kea Sek. She was nominated by the Ms. Susan Farley and Ms. Angie Loock from the Family & Consumer Science Department.

Alita is currently a junior at South Sioux City High School and is involved in FBLA, ACL and the prom committee. Ms. Farley and Ms. Loock shared Alita as taken multiple FCS classes and is very enjoyable to have in class. She always does her work and has been seen trying to help other students understand projects and materials. Alita will ask for any work that she might miss if she is going to be gone. She is an all-around model student.

In her free time, Alita enjoys traveling and exploring new places and spending times with family and friends. Her future goals include obtaining her real estate license when she turns 18. She will further her education after high school by going to college to receive a degree in business.



SSCFD repsonds to apartment fire

Two adults were displaced after an apartment fire last Thursday in the area of 39th Street and Dakota Ave.

According to SSC Fire Chief Doug Koopman, the report was received around 10:24 a.m. and firemen responded to an apartment that

The fire was put out quickly by firefighters and damage was limited mostly to the apartment where the fire started, as the apartment above was vacant and in the process of being renovated.

According to the report, the occupant in the apartment had been cooking and thought the oven was off and fell asleep. Her husband came home to find the apartment on fire, quickly made entry and got his wife out of the burning apartment.

The apartment was heavily damaged by the smoke and fire. Estimated loss of the apartment and the contents is estimated at approximately \$45,000. No injuries were reported.

Thank You

To everyone who worked and everyone who contributed to the Dakota City Methodist Church "Raise The Roof" Fund.

The South Sioux City Senior Center 1501 West 29th St.

Is looking for someone to keep the front sidewalk clear of snow this winter.

Please call or stop by between 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday Or call (402) 494-1500.

"It's my least favorite thing to do, them know I'm back and hopefully out it's the most important thing to we can get them involved," she said.

community.

CHAMBER: Warner returns as prez

thanking them for being part of the how it's going to impact them," she

Northeast Nebraska Senior Center Menu 1501 W. 29th St.

Luncheon meals served Mondays through Fridays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Coffee and socializing will be served Mondays from 9-11 a.m. Please call the day before to reserve a lunch — (402) 494-1500

Thursday, Dec. 19 — Turkey and dressing, green beans, gravy, sweet potatoes, cranberry salad

Friday, Dec. 20 — Chili, Cheese slice, three-bean salad, apricots, crackers, broccoli, carrot sticks

Monday, Dec. 23 — Ham and bean soup, carrots and onion, cottage cheese, pickled beets, apricots, corn bread

Tuesday, Dec. 24 — Tuna and noodles, peas, pickle beets, mandarin

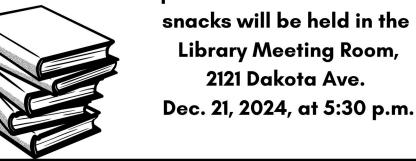
Wednesday, Dec. 25 — Closed, Christmas

Tammi Husk is Retiring

Tammi has been with the South Sioux City Public Library since 1998.

Please join family, friends, coworkers, and community members to thank her for her time.

> A reception to celebrate with cake and snacks will be held in the Library Meeting Room, 2121 Dakota Ave.





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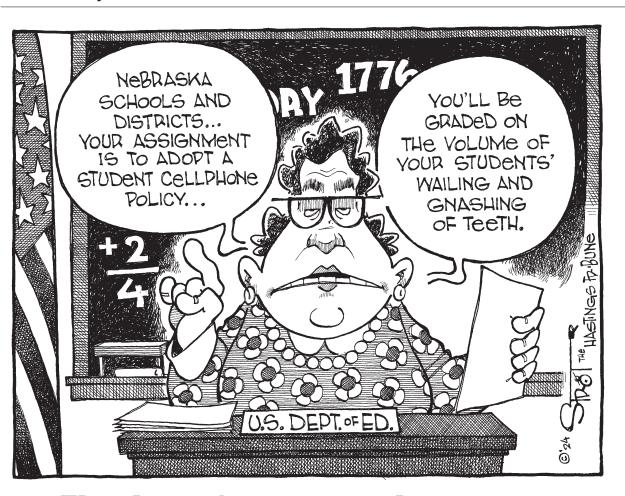
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Thank you for opportunity to serve

As I finish up my term as your Nebraska State Senator, I want to say thank you and what an honor it has been to represent Dakota, Thurston, Wayne, and a portion of Dixon counties. I am humbled and grateful to have had the opportunity to represent you for the past eight years at the Nebraska Legislature. I so appreciate those of you who have supported me and made this an awesome experience and having the opportunity to make Nebraska a better place to call

As I write this final newsletter as your Nebraska State Senator, I would like to reflect on my time spent serving in the Nebraska Legislature. I became Chair of the Business and Labor Committee as a freshman and became the first freshman woman in the history of the body to be elected by my colleagues to chair a standing committee. I was a member of the Agriculture Committee (2 years); Natural Resources (4 years); Transportation and Telecommunications Committee (4 years); Committee on Committee (4 years) and was chair of this committee during the 108th Legislative Session; Revenue (4 years); Vice Chair of Education (2 years); and on the special committee of State-Tribal Relations for 8 years and was chair for 2 years. I introduced 68 bills and had 22 passed or amended into package bills. Many bills I brought back year after year until they finally passed.

I am honored to be known as the pro-life senator in Nebraska. Eight short years ago, a group of lobbyists walked into my office and asked me if I would be willing to carry a pro-life bill. I immediately said yes as there was no question in my mind that it was something I should do. Since that time, I have introduced seven pro-life bills and supported several others. Not every bill made it through the process, but those bills that made it through the process have had a tough fight. They were worth the hard work it took to get it through the committee hearings and floor debates to get it to the Governor's desk and signed into law. I am also very thankful for my pro-life colleagues who stood with me as we fought to protect life together. I will always be pro-life from conception to natural death and I will continue to fight for families, women and children. Protecting life and future generations to come is important to continuing to build a prosperous and strong Ne-

Legislative Update

Sen. Joni Albrecht District 17



legislation to benefit the agriculture industry, bolster economic development in District 17, worked to bring broadband to rural areas, and improve roads and bridges throughout snowy weather! the district. By being on the Education Committee, we worked to help teachers and students at all levels of education from K-12 and into community or state colleges or the university. By being on the Revenue Committee, we worked to address property taxes, bring awareness to the public about where property taxes were spent, fought to eliminate the Inheritance Tax, provide school choice, and tax incentives for businesses and the farming industry. In 20 years of public service, this has been by far the most rewarding and fulfilling elected position. It has been worth every minute.

Reminder from NDOT

The Nebraska Department of Roads' crews are prepared for winter's onslaught of snow and ice and motorists current information about they will be out in full force when the weather conditions, road conditions, going gets rough. However, there are things that motorists can do to make winter travel safer on the roadways:

When traveling outside of a business or residential district, it is unlawful to follow a highway maintenance vehicle (snowplow, truck, or grader) more closely than 100 feet when it is plowing snow, spreading salt or sand, or displaying a flashing amber or blue light. If conditions permit, however, drivers may pass a maintenance vehicle.

 Snowplows cause soft snow to swirl. It can be difficult to see the plow and for the plow operator to see you. Turn on your headlights and windshield wipers for additional vis-

 Plowing snow on a multi-lane (more than one snowplow at a time). Give them plenty of room. Do NOT pass on the right side and always stay where the operator can see you.

- Beware of icy spots, especially on bridges and in sheltered areas. I have also worked hard to pass Drive at reduced speeds and allow

distance to react to traffic. Slow down gradually when approaching curves and stops.

— Turn off cruise control in wet or

 Keep headlights on, particularly during inclement weather. Make sure your headlights, taillights, and windows are clean so you can see and be

Motorists may use studded snow tires in Nebraska from November 1 to April 1. School buses, emergency vehicles, and mail carrier vehicles may use them anytime during the year.

- Check often for current weather reports through local media sources before you travel. Keep the radio on. Weather conditions change rapidly and so do the road conditions.

— For 24-hour-a-day, year-round Nebraska traveler information, motorists can dial 511 on their cell phone or landline. If outside Nebraska, dial 800-906-9069. 511 provides and travel advisories. The 511 system and various other weather links are available at www.transportation. nebraska.gov or www.511nebraska.

- Make sure everyone in the motor vehicle wears a seat belt and children are in a car safety seat.

As we have had some snowy and icy conditions recently, I wanted to make sure you were aware of these Winter Safety Reminders from the NDOT. If you would like more safety tips and winter preparation tips, visit shorturl.at/HVY7S. Stay safe and warm during the upcoming winter

Jacki will be retiring at the end of the year. Glenda will continue serving in the Legislature as a legislative roadway is often done in tandem aide for Senator-elect Tony Sorrentino. I plan to enjoy spending more time with my family, especially the grandchildren, and wait on the Lord's eading for the next chapter in my life. Jacki, Glenda and I would like to extend warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I've got a great idea

First, I don't have a billion bucks on me. Second, I ain't no "yes man." Third, raised on the farm, on top of the latest for checks on fertilizer application, no-till farming, regenerative agriculture, slot me somewhere in the Cabinet. While I maybe shy on national and international affairs, I can't, lookin' at the low-talent grifters you've tagged, do any worse.

Take Tulsi Gabbard. Please. Tapped as next director of national intelligence. Really? Showing "unwarranted sympathy to the Kremlin" and "complained about hostility toward Putin?" She sold out years ago.

Meanwhile, I'll push hard on enforcement of the EPA's fee on methane emissions. What a great first step. If oil barons say no go? Well, they've had their hand out for half a century. Meanwhile, what the "2025 Policy Roadmap . . . would eliminate . . . powerful levers for protecting the public health."

Which means your "Drill baby drill" has to be full stop. Donald, APXC (American Exploration & Production Council) needs to back off. According to Heated, a climate willer Noem. Before being tapped for

obliterate tools for tackling the climate crisis.'

Also, for the EPA and the USDA, no bootlickers need apply. You need to face rigorous scrutiny. Student lunches must be kept at quality standards.

Meanwhile, with a startling food crisis, we must insure that the USDA helps families put food on the table: from Civil Eats, we learn that your USDA began unraveling the food nutrition standards, "cutting hundreds of billions of dollars from SNAP." The Free Kids Act, championed by Michelle Obama, was hit. You also tightened purse strings "for low income families facing food insecurity." Also, "the program has been cited for rewarding contracts to vendors with no agricultural or distribution experience.'

Really, no surprise. Still, if we're going to educate

them, we need to feed them.

Now, having been around education for a spell, hard to believe wrestling mama Linda McMahon gets the nod: grapple learning into kids? Tag team me as Ed. Secretary!

newsletter, these policies "would the Department of Homeland Security, Kristi sent Donald a four-foot replica of Mt. Rushmore. His face is next to Washington, Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Lincoln. Gee, for a dude with 30,573 false or misleading claims, that's a stretcher.

> Finally, justice-bashing, Fox News hosts mouthed Donnie's lies about the 2020 election, about Jan. 6 being a "peaceful protest." Biden? Said he was the force behind the prosecutions. Yep, your clowns showed up. They verbally attacked members of the presiding judge's family . . . mocking a free and fair trial.

Just like Election 2020. You lost, you incited mob rule: let's riot, let's hang Mike Pence. Winning 2024, everyone quiet as church mice. A peaceful transfer of power awaits. Marcellus had it right, "Something is rotten in Denmark" rotten in Denmark.

Ok Don, I'm ready . . . EPA, USDA, or Education. Give me a shout. Plus, I've got a great idea work on your truth slice.

See, we're safer if you just cheat on the green . . . it really doesn't mat-

> Ron Hartnett Dakota City

Thursday, December 19, 2024



Norfolk native Aaron Kallhoff (left) is the head women's basketball coach at Sacramento State University. His son, Caylix (left) is autistic and he is hoping to use his platform as a Div. I basketball coach to bring more awareness to autism. My granddaughter, Emmie (above) was diagnosed at an early age and is a special little girl in the eyes of her Papa Mike.

Coach connecting through son's autism

Sometimes in life, you make connections in place you'd never think would happen.

I've had the pleasure of covering thousands of high school kids in athletics over my 40-plus years in this business, and years after their high school days are over and they become adults, the only time I see them is during an accidental meeting in a mall, at a game or during a walk down Main Street.

Aaron Kallhoff was a standout athlete at Norfolk Catholic back in the late 1990's and I was able to cover him and watch him compete in football and basketball.

I moved on after he graduated and he went on to college at Bemidji State in Minnesota, but years later we reconnected through social media and I've been able to see him move up in the world of women's college basketball as a coach. He has coached in junior colleges and was an assistant for several Div. I schools until last year, when he was named head coach at Sacramento State University in California.

Our connections go beyond sports, however — we both have family members who are autistic.

His son, Caylix, is a high-functioning 12-year-old boy who loves sports and music. During some of his dad's earlier coaching stops, it wasn't unusual to see him hang out with the home team's pep band where he would play his drums and, on occasion, direct the band.

Aaron's family has a history of special needs — his sister, Andrea, suffered from Phelan-McDermid and as he started having children of his own, he wondered if that family history might come into play.

He and his wife, Josie, have a 17-year-old daughter, Camden, who will probably be playing college volleyball a year or two from now. Their youngest daughter, Capri, is the baby of the trio and a spitting image of her mother. Both are completely healthy and are in the upper percentiles of their ages in everything.

In between, though, is Caylix, a blonde-haired, bespectacled young man with a big smile and an internal energy tank that never seems to

Caylix was born while Aaron was an assistant at Trinity Valley Community College in Texas, and they suspected their son might have special needs, a suspicion that was confirmed by the time Aaron had moved much a slave to routine and rarely be a part of.

Don't Get Me Started

By Michael J. Carnes **Star Publisher**

to an assistant position at LSU.

"When he was about four years old and I was (an assistant) at TCU, they thought he was just hyperactive and had developmental coordination syndrome," he told me on a recent trip home to celebrate the life of his mother, Bev, who passed away recently. "When we got to LSU, they had a donor there start up an autism school and we got him in there to see a specialist, and within about three minutes they said 'Yeah, he's autis-

It wasn't a surprise to the Kallhoffs, but more a relief that their suspicions were confirmed and they were able to begin working to get him the speech and occupational therapy resources that he would need.

In the years that followed, Aaron has begun an effort called "Caylix's Cause" to help bring awareness of autism to the community and support parents and families with autistic kids. When Kallhoff isn't busy coaching and recruiting, he accepts any and all invitations to speak about autism and helping those with special needs, two things that are very close to his heart.

Getting the chance to speak with Syndrome (a chromosome deficien- him recently was a fantastic options answered and share some of the concerns I have for my granddaughter, Emmie, who is coming up on her 10th birthday and has been diagnosed as autistic since she was two years old. Most diagnoses don't come until a child is 4-5 years of age, but she was exhibiting all the autistic traits by the time she was a year old and my daughter and son-in-law, Kylie and Dan Negrete, have been on top of this from the beginning.

Having an autistic child in the family is, by no means, an easy gig. Aaron said that he is fortunate because Josie is a stay-at-home mom and can be there for their son a lot more than working parents like my daughter and son-in-law.

I worry about them, because of the level at which Emmie is. She is very

breaks from that, which makes it next to impossible for her parents to have anything that would resemble a social life. Dan occasionally goes on camping trips with his brother, while my daughter makes occasional family visits. Last month, I took her to the Trans-Siberian Orchestra concert in Council Bluffs and, at least for that evening, she smiled and relaxed for the first time in a long time.

We're fortunate because of what I do and I've been pretty successful in my career, so my wife is accessible anytime he needs something, and with our daughters as well," he

Talking to his wife via telephone. Josie said there are challenges that come with an autistic child that families can juggle successfully.

"Our world is a little different because of the delays and we have to think about things like meals and bedtime routines a little differently for him than we have had to for our daughters," she said. "There are days where I struggle and I know Aaron will step in, and we're lucky to have two daughters who have a special connection with their brother and step in as well."

Raising awareness about autism something Kallhoff hopes t complish as he builds the Caylix's Cause idea, which he hopes will include an annual week of basketball games along the line of the Coaches Vs. Cancer effort that has been part of college basketball for some time.

"My hope is that we can make this something like a Caylix's Cause for Autism Awareness event where there are a week's worth of games and kids with autism in those communities are recognized and we can promote awareness of autism," Kallhoff said.

Making those connections with people who share this experience are important, and I look forward to see how this young man who I met as a high school athlete carries forward this effort as a major college basketball coach. With my granddaughter in mind, it's an effort I will want to

Denvioer Ulnen? CA look back in the Star's history files

10 YEARS AGO

DEC. 18, 2014

SSC native references life experiences in books

For author Cody Delperdang, some of the situations referenced in his 2013's "Life as Rotten Egg"and newly-released sequel "life as a Double Dare" were generated from his 'memory bank.' The 1992 South Sioux City graduate began his literary career more than 12 years ago while anonymously contributing to other pieces as a ghost writer. Delperdang is currently working on a young adult book focusing on a social commentary of being happy with who you are. The book is still in its early stages with no publication date.

20 YEARS AGO

DEC. 16, 2004

Recent Redmond sentencings 'puzzling' to county attorney

Sixth District Judge Maurice Redmond, 63, is being investigated by the Nebraska Commission on Judicial Qualifications for allegedly violating the Nebraska Commission on Judicial Qualification for allegedly violating the Nebraska Code of Judicial Conduct and for being inattentive to his judiciary responsibilities, including court tardiness and office inaccessibility. Several examples of possible improprieties were identified in the nine-page complaint filed on Nov. 29. Redmond will have his own hearing on March 29 when Nebraska Eighth District Judge Paul

D. Merritt presides over the state's formal complaint against Redmond The hearing will take place in the courtroom used in County Court rather than Redmond's own District

30 YEARS AGO

DEC. 22, 1994

Area projects get grant money

Two Dakota County environmental projects will receive a total of \$282,700 the result of grants from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. The renovation of Crystal Lake has been earmarked for \$225,000 while South Sioux City Community Schools milk carton composting project will receive \$57,700. According to Chris

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FUTURE LEADERS CHAT WITH CURRENT LEADER



Dr. Rony Ortega, superintendent of South Sioux City Community Schools, leads an interactive session with Leadership Dakota County participants at South Sioux City High School last week.

Consumer experiences with electric vehicles on rise

By MIKE MOEN

Nebraska News Connection

A leading consumer publication says electric vehicles are gaining ground on gas-powered cars when it comes to feelings about reliability.

However, an EV enthusiast and Nebraska electrical engineering professor and said there's an information gap, while also highlighting improved technology.

The new reliability survey from Consumer Reports found that EV owners reported 42 percent more problems than gas-only cars.

That compares to nearly 80 percent a major improvement.

professor Don Cox said the batter- Consumer Reports puts together its they used to be, potentially easing concerns about them performing in

over the last 10, 15 years," said Cox. "A huge amount. They are continuing to improve."

However, he said EV batteries will always need a little time to warm up when it's cold, impacting their range

Even though that perfection might never be achieved, Cox and other refrom the previous survey, indicating more efficient than gas models, over-

ies in most EVs are much better than evaluations, and added there isn't enough widely circulated ratings for buyers to lean on.

Dissecting issues such as reliabil-"Batteries have improved a lot ity often coincides with measuring sales of electric vehicles. Cox was one of the first EV owners in Nebraska, which still lags other states for these purchases.

But with the help of federal investments, he said more chargers are being added, including near interstates to accommodate longer trips.

And the median range has insearchers say EVs are proving to be creased from 80 miles in 2010 to roughly 250 miles today.

"I think that as people understand Retired University of Nebraska He said he disagrees with how more about electric cars," said Cox,

"that they're going to be more useful almost everywhere.'

Nationally, researchers say issues still have to be sorted out in building up a strong harging network.

That includes drivers encountering broken charging equipment and the need for these sites to be main-

Transgender allies ready to navigate nuanced landscape

By MIKE MOEN

Nebraska News Connection

The Nebraska Legislature kicks off its new session in a few weeks and issues related to gender identity are likely to be part of the mix.

LGBTQ+ advocates said they are in familiar territory, trying to establish a voice in the debate. Last year, a Nebraska bill to ban transgender students from playing school sports consistent with their gender identity narrowly failed. Republican Gov. Jim Pillen said he will try again this

Grant Friedman, legal fellow for the ACLU of Nebraska, said anyone opposed should try to set aside time with lawmakers to explain their concerns. From his perspective, Friedman argued policymakers should know other matters need attention.

"Getting folks to realize they're there to make Nebraska a better place for everyone and focus on the issues that need to be dealt with," Friedman urged. "Not kind of these 'fringe' issues that are being blown out of proportion across the coun-

try."
With Nebraska's budget on shaky ground and the need to address affordable housing gaps, he said advocates can pinpoint a number of topics they want lawmakers to look at instead. Polls show most Americans oppose transgender restrictions but Republicans' recent campaign messages have found some captive audiences. Backers of the bills said their mission is to protect students and families.

The ACLU is part of a coalition including OutNebraska, serving as a guide for LGBTQ+ individuals navigating a divisive political environment. Friedman emphasized local government is an avenue to push for protections if state and federal lawmakers are not showing a collective interest in advancing the rights of the LGBTQ+ population.

"The three areas in which you tend to see your city protections are going to be workplace, housing and public accommodations," Friedman outlined.

Friedman added they have found some allies among faith leaders willing to push for unity as marginalized communities fall under the political spotlight. Groups like the Trevor Project said bills deemed hostile toward LGBTQ+ populations can have a damaging effect on the mental health of community members.

Hedquist graduates magna cum laude

Minnesota State University, Mankato awarded 2,016 degrees to 1,696 students at the end of the fall 2024 semester, with approximately 700 students participating in commencement ceremonies Saturday,

Among those graduating were Ashley Hedquist of South Sioux City, who earned a Bachelor's degree in political science and was designated as Magna Cum Laude.

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HAY BALES GET A HOLIDAY FACELIFT



(PHOTO COURTESY ALIVIA DEROIN)

Little Adventures Daycare took a field trip to Shawn and Laurel DeRoin's house near Jackson to see their annual Christmas bale creation. Every year, Shawn and Laurel come up with a different way to decorate their bales to celebrate the holidays. This year, Little Adventures Daycare owner Alivia DeRoin took some of the littles out so see Mr. and Mrs. Santa. Pictured with Alivia holding Edie is Tatum, Liam and Charlee.

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Voss, who was featured in a story about Crystal Lake last fall, renovation plans call for the removal of approximately 200,000 cubic yards of sediment from lake in order to spur the natural springs that feed it. The lake will be deepened from its current 5 feet to about 12 feet, Voss said. A dredge has been acquired and work will begin following the spring thaw.

40 YEARS AGO

DEC. 20, 1984

Two arrested after credit card spree

Suspicion on the part of a Marina Inn desk clerk led to the arrest of two Sioux City teenagers Monday night after a spending spree stretched from South Sioux City to the Southern Hills Mall. South Sioux Police were called by the Marina Inn desk clerk, who said they had checked with a

credit card company and someone afternoon on a charge of burglary was using stolen credit cards. Shortly after, two female Sioux City residents were arrested at the Marina Inn and charged with theft of services. card was taken from a Burger King ing into the residence at 305 E. 24th on Hamilton Boulevard in Sioux City. The credit card was issued to The purse was apparently picked up by two Sioux City women who dis-Marina Inn and began their spending

50 YEARS AGO

DEC. 19, 1974

18-year-old charged with house burglary

An 18-year-old South Sioux Citian, Peters, was arraigned in Dakota County Court at Dakota City Eve Game.

torney Frank J. Kneifl. Peters asked According to South Sioux Police, a for a court-appointed attorney. Peters purse containing a Mastercard credit is charged specifically with break-St. on Dec. 9. Two guns taken in the break-in were recovered. Peters ad-Shirley Kennedy of rural Hinton. mitted a part in 10 area break-ins and larcenies but was charged specifically with just one. The youth picked up carded the purse and kept the credit at his home by South Sioux City Pocard. The two then checked into the lice Sunday has been in trouble with the law before. According to Police Chief Gene Claxton.

Peters appeared before Judge Cecil

W. Orton who entered a plea of "not

guilty" for him on motion by Co. At-

Wins Sugar Bowl tickets

Thirteen -year-old Tim Davenport of South Sioux City was the winner of the KCAU-TV Sugar Bowl Ticket Contest and is seen receiving four tickets to the game from KCAU-TV Sports Director Gene Sherman. Tim a big Red Fan, plans to cheer the Nebraska Cornhuskers on to victory against Florida in the New Year's

Public housing legal case touches on quality of life for vulnerable renters **Nebraska News Connection** The public housing agency serv-

ing Nebraska's largest city faces legal action amid claims of poor living conditions for a tenant with disabilities. The plaintiffs said it is an example of housing barriers limiting one's quality of life.

Legal Aid of Nebraska has filed a request for a temporary injunction against the Omaha Housing Authority, claiming it is falling short in accommodating Latonia Freeman, who has asthma as well as a disability. The two sides have been locked in a dispute over the situation.

Caitlin Cedfeldt, supervising attorney for Legal Aid of Nebraska, said Freeman has had to endure living in an apartment with unsafe, mold-ridden conditions.

"Her housing is detrimental to her health," Cedfeldt asserted. "But the alternative, which is potentially being homeless, is also not healthy."

The Housing Authority, which was recently met with a class-action lawsuit in a separate case concerning applies.

request for comment. Last session, Nebraska lawmakers did pass some reforms for marginalized renters but another bill failed.

Cedfeldt suggested there should be broader efforts to help vulnerable tenants know and make use of their rights. She pointed out the current rental market added to the dilemma tenants with limited resources face in the event of discrimination or similar situations with their existing land-

"Because of the limited supply of affordable housing in Omaha and across the country, it's hard to find an alternative that's safe," Cedfeldt explained.

Beyond reforms dealing with tenants' rights, advocates said such examples bring renewed focus on the need for affordable housing development accessible to a range of populations. The bill adopted in Nebraska provides a "right to counsel" but only for public-housing tenants in cities with at least 400,000 people. In Nebraska, only the city of Omaha





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FROM THE **BLEACHERS**



Michael Carnes

Muskies warming up at break

A team wants to be in a good posiion going into a holiday break.

The Sioux City Musketeers couldn't be in a much better one after Saturday's 6-4 comeback win over the Omaha Lancers Saturday at the Tyson Events Center.

After spotting their southern rivals a 3-0 lead early in the second period, the Musketeers figured that was enough as they stormed back to go into the holidays on a threegame winning streak that injected them into the middle of a tight team race in the USHL's Western Conference standings, tied for fourth with Waterloo with 30 points and just five points behind defending champion Fargo, who leads the conference at

Saturday's win capped a threegame, three-win weekend for a team that really needed some good mojo heading into the holidays.

"We had that hot start and didn't play well enough for a stretch and lost a lot of one-goal games," coach Jason Kersner said after the win. "Winning three in a row before the break is really good for the guys."

The win was especially helpful considering the Musketeers didn't play with a full lineup due to inju-

"That's the big thing," Kersner said. "We've been extremely shorthanded and were two short of a full lineup tonight, so it's good that we're going into this break and can get some rest and get some guys healed up.

Back in October, Sioux City was looking like a team that was going to run roughshod over the rest of the United States Hockey League. Wins over Dubuque, Youngstown and Sioiux Falls were followed by a big win on the road against defending champion Fargo. Ă 7-2 blowout at home over the USA national team put the Muskies at 5-0, but a 5-4 oss the following night to the USA team started a month-long reversal of their early fortunes.

After starting November with wins over Fargo and Lincoln, the Musketeers stumbled through the rest of the month, going 1-9 with three overtime losses. Of the nine defeats, seven were by a single goal.

"We just couldn't find a way to get over the top," Kersner said. "Being able to go into the holiday break and win three in a row is really good for

Early on, it looked like the Musketeers were headed down the wrong road as the last-place Lancers rang the bell three times, even thought Sioux City outshot Omaha 14-6 in

"I thought we were generating good scoring chances but we just couldn't convert," Kersner said. "Spotting them three is not an ideal situation, and it was good for our guys to stay patient and get after it and we scored enough goals to win."

Kersner said Omaha made the most of some quality opportunities to stage the early advantage, but by the time Sioux City had rallied to tie the game in the second, the momentum shift was evident, even after Omaha momentarily retook the lead

late in the second period. "You want to stay aggressive with your play, but be patient with your mindset because it can be frustrating, and our guys handled that well and it was just a matter of time before we scored again," Kersner said.

And again. And again.

Three goals in a five-minute span in the third period turned the game around. Liam Hupka tied the game at the 13:13 mark with his second of the game, Luke Garry followed with the go-ahead goal two minutes later, and Landen Gunderson added an insurance goal three minutes after that to give Sioux City the win.

The Muskies will have about a two-week break before a home-andhome set with Sioux Falls two days after Christmas, followed by a New Year's Eve match with Fargo, who the Muskies have handled in three

meetings so far this year. If they come out of the break the same way they went in, it should be an interesting next couple of months for the boys in green and gold.

Palmer is having quite a year in 2024

First SSC gridder named to OWH All-Nebraska team since 1984

By MICHAEL CARNES Star Publisher

"It's good to be the king." — Mel Brooks as Napoleon in "History of the World, Part 1"

Tony Palmer's crown -- whether it's a football helmet or wrestling headgear -- has been a hard one to knock off this year.

The South Sioux City senior standout had quite a run of success in 2024, capped off last weekend when he was named to the second team of the All-Nebraska Football Team in the Omaha World-Herald.

You have to go all the way back to 1984 to find the last Cardinal on the Omaha World-Herald's best-of-the-best in the state. Lineman Steve Adams was named to the newspaper's list that year, according to World-Herald prep writer Stu Pospisil. The last Cardinal gridder to make an All-Nebraska team was Nate Rogers, who was a second-team Super State selection

by the Lincoln Journal Star in 2012. "Wow, that's crazy," Palmer said when told of the news earlier this week. "It's definitely a big deal. It's an honor to be part of something special and to make that kind of impact and legacy is very meaningful to me."

Palmer has had quite a year, and not just on

Earlier this year, Palmer won one of the more exciting and intense championship matches in recent memory at the Nebraska State Wrestling Championships in Omaha, getting an early third-period escape and surviving a wild backand-forth battle to defeat defending champion Mason Villwok of Elkhorn 1-0 to claim the Class B 215-pound title, the first for a South Sioux City wrestler since Derek Geddings won back-to-back titles in 2011-2012.

ing able to get that done was really big and now I want to keep improving and get that second 215-pound title at last week's Council Bluffs ready has most of the school's individual career

one," he said.
Palmer followed that up with an All-American effort in the elite Fargo Nationals wrestling tournament last summer, finishing eighth in freestyle competition. He suffered a knee injury in the quarterfinals and toughed it out long enough to secure an All-American spot before taking a medical forfeit.

Turns out — that was a very smart decision. Palmer was the straw that stirred the drink on South Sioux City's 5-4 football season this year, a year that saw him tie a state record for touchdowns in a game and end with him being the top running back in yards and touchdowns

Early in the season, Palmer exploded for a Class A record-tying seven touchdowns in a 49-26 win at Sioiux City North, rushing 28 times for 390 yards. he finished the year with

numbers he did this year was even more impressive, according to coach Jackson Dicker-

"What separates this year was that he was on the other teams' radar every week and a lot of defenses were trying to identify him and make it a point to stop him," he said. "He was more under the radar last year, and this year he was still super-productive and put some big numbers, which speaks to the ability he has.

Palmer credited his teammates for the num-

"Working as a team and trusting my teammates and playing competitively every week, he said. "We all wanted to put points on the board and there was just a a great family feel-

And there's no resting on his laurels as he transitioned from the gridiron to the mats this

"It was a surreal feeling, something I've He's already the top-ranked wrestler at worked toward the last couple of years and be- 215 pounds in Class B and added a very nice medal to his collection when he claimed the

"It was so close to (football) season and I didn't want to sit out my senior year in football," Palmer said of the decision for the medi-

in Class A.

1,394 yards and 20 touchdowns, both tops in Coming off a year where he ran for 1,488 yards and 19 scores as a junior, putting up the

bers he was able to achieve this season.

ing that entwined this team as one.

South Sioux City senior Tony Palmer has had quite the run of success in 2024. After winning a state wrestling title in February and earning All-American status at the Fargo Nationals this past summer, Palmer was the top rusher in Class A football and earned second-team All-Nebraska honors in the Omaha World-Herald, the first for an SSC athlete in 40 years. He is pictured here winning the 215-pound championship at last weekend's Council Bluffs Classic, a first for a SSC grappler

The 40-plus team tournament featured many of the top wrestlers in the Midwest, and Palmer steamrolled the 32-man bracket to give South Sioux its first champion in the prestigious tournament. He had three pins and three technical falls before finishing with a 7-2 decision in the

"I think that's the only tournament I haven't won in high school, so it was good to get that," Palmer said.

The wins put him at 18-0 on the season and he's got his sights set on adding more entires in the school's wrestling record book. He is two oins away from 100 career pins and has already had four technical falls this year, one-third of the way to the school mark of 12.

Coach Jacob Renken said that Palmer al-

records in the sport, including pins in a season (37), career pins (97 and counting) wins in a season (49) and career wins (currently at 142).

"He still hasn't given up a takedown all season," Renken added. "He is just relentless and is always attacking on his feet. He keeps shooting until he scores, and he scores a lot.

Once his pursuit for a second state wrestling title is finished, the next focus will be on what college he will take his talents to. South Dakota (football) and North Dakota State (wrestling) top the list, but he said he's still trying to decide and hopes to announce his decision before the state wrestling tournament in February.

If the future is anything like the year he has had in 2024 — the opposition is going to be in for a lot of trouble.

Right now, it's good to be Tony Palmer.

Cardinal hoopsters win two in a row

The South Sioux City boys basketball team are above .500 for the first time in two seasons after picking up a pair of wins last week to move to 3-1 on the young season.

In Thursday action, the Cardinals went across the river and took care of business against Sioux City West, handing the Wolverines a 75-72 de-The Cards had three players crack

the 20-point level in the win, led by Prestin Blackhawk's game-high 23 points. Paul Turner followed with 22 and Ahmed Mohamed scored 20. Jaden Painter added seven points and Nabiil Yussuf scored three.

Mohamed and Painter both grabbed 14 rebounds and Turner had nine boards, five steals and four assists. Blackhawk also made four dishes. On Saturday, four Cardinals scored

in double digits as SSC improved to 3-1 with a 74-58 home win over Win-Painter had the hot hand, going

8-for-10 from the floor to finish with 16 points. Blackhawk led all scorers with 19, Jamison Housman added 14 and Mohamed put in 12.

Also scoring were Turner with six, Cadin Painter with four and John Tram with three.

Jaden Painter led the rebounding effort with 10 while Mohamed grabbed eight. Blackhawk had six assists and Mohamed made three steals.

The Cardinals close the pre-Christmas schedule with games Thursday at home against Sioiux City North and a Saturday tilt at Columbus. They'll play in the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout in Wayne Dec. 27-30.



(PHOTO BY LANCE SWANSON)

Jaden Painter hit 8-of-10 from the field, including this layup, in SSC's 74-58 win over Winnebago on Saturday.

Lady Knights roll to home wins, now 4-0

The Homer girls basketball team remained undefeated at 4-0 on the year after a pair of home triumphs.

On Thursday, Homer limited visiting Laurel-Concord-Coleridge to three points in the second quarter, and that was just enough as the Lady Knights came away with a 60-57

Three Lady Knights were in double figures, with senior Ali Albrecht and junior Lilly Harris sharing top honors with 17 points each. Senior Tori Walker added 10 points, while Janessa Overgaard had six and Natali Loofe and Jovee Valentin each

Albrecht finished with eight boards, five assists and three steals. Overgaard and Valentin both had three steals and Overgaard added

On Thursday, Homer lit Winside up early, building a 40-9 halftime lead on their way to an easy 64-28

Homer led 20-9 after one period and doubled their score while holding the visitors scoreless in the second period to turn the game into a

Harris was on fire Thursday, going 12-of-14 from the floor to finish with a game-high 26 points. Albrecht added 10 and Walker put in nine in the win, while Makenzee Waldee

Valentin and Ainsley Spurrell both scored four points, and Loffe and Macy Vanschoiack both tossed in

Overgaard led the rebounding ef-

(PHOTO BY MIKE RASMUSSEN Homer senior Abi Albrecht drives the lane for two points in the Lady Knights

fort with eight, Walker and Albrecht both had three assists and Albrecht

win over Winside on Friday.

made four steals. Homer played at Wynot Tuesday

and will play at Lawton-Bronson Friday at the Tyson Events Center before hosting Lutheran High Northeast on Saturday to close the pre-holiday docket.

Muskies Minute

Dakota Counthy Star's weekly update of Sioux City Musketeers hockey

uskies on a roll heading into holiday break

The Sioux City Musketeers are rolling into the holiday break riding a three-game winning streak following a three-game weekend sweep over the Lincoln Stars and Omaha Lancers. The six-point weekend has catapulted the Musketeers into fourth place in the USHL Western Conference standings.

On Thursday, the Musketeers toppled the second-place team in the Western Conference in Lincoln with a 5-2 victory over the Stars.

After falling behind 2-1 in the second period it was Trey Jefferis

the Musketeers a 3-2 lead. Landen Gunderson and Justin Stupka provided a pair of third period goals to put the game away.

The two games against the Lancers followed the same comeback story each night.

held a 2-0 lead late into the second the Tyson Events Center. period until Trey Jefferis beat the buzzer with a goal at the 19:59 mark of the period to get Sioux City on

utes of play. But A trio of Musketeer the board. The Musketeers offense got a goals scored by Tate Pritchard, Liam who took over for the Musketeers jump start after the Jefferis goal, Hupka and Jackson Crowder tied Dog Night presented by Hy-Vee.

scoring a pair of goals, one of the short handed variety and handed period, including a second goal second before Omaha scored their from Jefferis who had a four goal, five point weekend. The third-period barrage led the Musketeers to a Sioux City finished off the sweep

with another come-from-behind victory over Omaha on Saturday In Omaha on Friday the Lancers night in front of the home crowd at A three-goal first period put the Lancers in a familiar position of

leading 3-0 after the first 20 min-

fourth of the game to take a lead into the third.

Resilience was the theme of the weekend as Hupka scored his second of the game and Luke Garry finished off the comeback with his third goal of the season as Sioux City sent the home faithful into the

holiday break happy with a 6-4 win. The Musketeers next game comes on Friday, Dec. 27 at 7:05 p.m. against the Sioux Falls Stampede at the Tyson Events Center for \$1 Hot in Friday night action at the Tyson



Musketeers goaltender Bjorn Bronas made 19 saves to help Sioux City defeat the Omaha Lancers 5-3 **Events Center.**



(PHOTO BY MICHAEL CARNES)

Bernard Juarez tries to drive through two LCC defenders during Friday night action in Laurel.

Wolfpack boys go 1-2 in recent action

The Tri County Northeast boys got their first win of the pack. Juarez added 14 points and Lamp put in 11 eason last week as part of a 1-2 effort.

On Monday, the Wolfpack dropped a 57-32 decision at Tekamah-Herman. The Eagles fell into a 13-point hole after one period and were not able to come back.

Thatcher Lamp and Bernard Juarez both had seven points for the Wolfpack, while Landyn Servine added six points. Also scoring were Devin Reinert with three, Blake Kneifl, Atlee Anderson, Jackson Belt and Ruany Figueroa all had two and Ben Jorgensen scored one.

Juarez and Lamp shared rebounding honors with five, Jorgensen had three assists and Juarez made three steals. The Wolfpack got their first win of the season Thurs-

day in a 51-35 home win over Siouxland Christian. The game was close until the fourth quarter, where TCNE outscored the visitors 20-8 to pull away with the

Jorgensen had a game-high 20 points for the 1-4 Wolf- day before the holiday break.

Lamp made it a double-double with 10 rebounds

while Jorgensen and Anderson both had eight and Juarez grabbed seven. Jorgensen led in assists with six and

The Wolfpack played LCC tough for two periods, but the Bears pulled away late for a 56-42 win. LCC got out to a quick 10-0 lead before TCNE

matched that output. LCC led by seven after one period, but TCNE rallied to cut the deficit to two at 27-25 before LCC made its second-half run to take the win.

Servine led the way with 14 points, Lamp added 11 and Jorgensen scored seven. Jorgensen and Lamp both had six rebounds while

Kneifl grabbed five. Jorgensen and Jaxon Hall each had three assists.

TCNE hosts Winside on Thursday and Ponca on Fri-

BOOSTER CLUB DONATES TO CONCESSION STAND



The South Sioux City Athletic Booster Club recently donated \$5,000 to the school's Concession Stand Project at the Cardinal Athletic Complex. This donation, on top of their donation of \$5,000 last spring, brings their total donation to \$10,000 to the new concession stand. This on top of all the other support the booster club provides for our coaches and athletes. The concession building is under construction by students. The underground plumbing work and interior concrete have been completed. Gerkin Windows are on site and ready to be installed. Other materials ordered to enclose openings and frame interior walls are also en route, and the project is on pace to be done by the spring sports season with soccer and track. Pictured giving the check to Lance Swanson (far right), director of communication and community engagement are (from left) Booster Club treasurer Tammy Wendt, membership chair Saralynn Noteboom, vice president Nate Phipps and food chair Bill Garvey Jr.

Homer grapplers handle Trojans

Homer's wrestlers traveled to Wakefield last Tuesday and both schools ended the night with wins.

In the boys dual, Homer won five of the seven contested matches to post a 57-16 win.

Match winners included Josue Munoz (138), Lane Fischer (144), Maximus Wiggs (150), Austin Pelster (157), Ethan Roberts (175) and Colton Victor (285).

Wakefield's girls took three of the four matches on the docket in the girls dual, finishing off with a 54-6 win over the Lady Knights.

Lilyanna Dziurawiec was the only Lady Knight to get her hand raised, earning a second-period pin at 115

Homer's girls go to the Elgin/Pope John Invitational on Friday, while the boys head south for the Wisner-Pilger Invite on Saturday.

Boys Result Homer 57, Wakefield 16

113: Both open. 120: Wakefield open. 126: Wakefield open.132: 3:15. 135: Homer open.

Wakefield open. 138: Josue Munoz, Homer, pinned Pedro Gonzalez, 1:51. 144: Lane Fischer, Wakefield, maj. dec. Issac Barclay, 17-8. 150: Maximus Wiggs, Homer, pinned Vinsel Molina :56. 157: Austin Pelster, Homer, dec. Domingo Centino, 6-1. 165 Ruben Vega, Wakefield, pinned Bodie Nelsen, 2:49. 175: Ethar Roberts, Homer, pinned Ezequiel Ramirez, 2:54. 190: Wakefield open. 215: Wakefield open.285: Colton Victor, Homer, pinned Arnulfo Barboza, 1:19. 106: Homer open.

Girls Result

Wakefield 54, Homer 6

140: Homer open. 145: Both open. 155: Both open. 170: Tiffany Chase, Wakefield, pinned Alexis Jessen, 3:30. 190: Homer open 235: Homer open. 100: Both open. 105: Homer open. 110: Both open. 115: Lilyanna Dziurawiec, Homer, pinned Erica Chicaj Pol 2:27. 120: Homer open. 125: Maria Perez, Wakefield, pinned Alivya Prenger, 1:07. 130: Angie Miranda, Wakefield, pinned Lila Bolles

Palmer wins CB Classic title

South Sioux City senior Tony Palmer dominated the 32-man bracket over the weekend at 215 pounds, going 3-0 in pool play on Friday and rolling through Saturday's 16-man Gold bracket to claim the title at the Council Bluffs Wrestling Classic at the Mid-America Center.

Palmer recorded two pins and a technical fall in Friday's round-robin portion of the touranment, capping the day with a 30-second fall over Lowell Knott of Treynot (Iowa). He opened bracket action Saturday with a 31-second pinning of Alec Newell of Kearney, then had backto-back technical falls before finishing the day with a 7-2 win over Glenwood's Mason Koehler to improve to 18-0 on the season

South Sioux had three wrestlers competing in the Council Bluffs Classic. Adrien Curiel went 1-4 at 190 pounds while Darrius Helms was 2-5 in the 285-pound weight class. As a team, SSC was 34th in the 41-team field with 81.5 points. Nebraska's top two-ranked teams, Lincoln East (418.5) and Grand Island (370) led the way in the two-day tournament.

Last Tuesday, the Cardinals split a triangular at Boyden-Hull, defeating Sioux City North 54-17 and losing to

ris (132), Erick Moreno (144), Tristan Lounsbury (150), Curiel, Palmer and Helms. Helms set a new school record with a three-second pin over Leslie Sliter at 285 pounds. Against Boyden-Hull, a forfeit at 106 pounds proved

to be the deciding points after Helms posted a 9-4 deci-

the host team, $40-\overline{3}6$. Winners for SSC in the first dual included Riggin Fer-

Match winners included Angel Meraz (126), Ferris, William Messerlie (138), Erick Moreno (144), Cooper Ferris (175) and Helms.

Dual Results

South Sioux City 54, Sioux City North 17

106: Both open. 113: SCN open. 120: Joesay Avon, SCN, tech. fall Cristian Navarro, 21-5. 126: SCN open. 132: Riggin Ferris, SSC pinned Blaine Griese, 1:20. 138: Chris Klein, SCN, dec. William Messerlie, 6-4. 144: Erick Moreno, SSC, pinned Narcisse Ngolu 1:33. 150: Tristan Lounsbury, SSC, pinned Matt Vogel, 2:34. 157: SCN open. 165: Kamari Ellington, SCN, pinned Bodey Bligh, 3:40 175: Pierce Pinney, SCN, dec. Cooper Ferris, 17-11. 190: Adriar Curiel, SSC, pinned Kayden Mapes, 2:37. 215: Tony Palmer, SSC pinned Noah Reed, :42. 285: Darrius Helms, SSC, pinned Leslie Sliter, :03

Boyden-Hull/Rock Valley 40, SSC 36

113: Kasen Hoksbergen, B-H/RV, pinned Bryan Bartolo-Lopez 1:00. 120: Cole Bomgaars, B-H/RV, pinned Cristian Navarro, 1:18 126: Angel Meraz, SSC, pinned Samuel Quevedo, 3:50. 132: Riggir Ferris, SSC, pinned Camron Miller, 2:53. 138: William Messerlie SSC, tech. fall Luis King, 16-0. 144: Erick Moreno, SSC, pinned Carlos Caldera, 4:39. 150: Tyce Van Beek, B-H/RV, pinned Tristar Lounsbury, 3:23. 157: Taylor Sohl, B-H/RV, pinned Bodey Bligh :47. 165: Karson Hoogendoorn, B-H/RV, pinne Dominick Delgado :48. 175: Cooper Ferris, SSC, maj. dec. Abraham Palma, 14-4. 190 Brock Mulder, B-H/RV, tech. fall Adrien Curiel, 16-0. 215: B-H/RV open. 285: Darris Helms, SSC, dec. Cozyn Rozeboom, 9-4. 106

TCNE girls get second win of season The TCNE girls couldn't keep

Three Lady Wolfpack players scored in double digits to help the pace with a hot-shooting LCC Tri County Northeast girls to an team that hit 10 3-point shots to easy 58-21 home win over Siouxland Christian.

TCNE shot 36 percent from the field to improve to 2-3 on the sea-

Briley Anderson led the way with a season-high 21 points, followed by Joslyn Mackling with 11 and Mica Tornez with 10. Emily Mitchell adde six points.

Anderson had a double-double with 14 rebounds. Myleah Mackling had three assists and Joslyn Macklling grabbed three steals.

during Friday's loss at LCC.

pull away with a 68-44 win. Joslyn Mackling led the way for

the Lady Wolfpack with 13 point, followed by Anderson with nine, Tornez with seven and Myleah Mackling with five.

Tornez had eight rebounds and Anderson grabbed seven. Anderson, Joslyn Mackling and Myleah Mackling each had two steals.

The Lady Wolfpack host Winside on Thursday and Ponca on Friday before the holiday break.

(PHOTO BY MICHAEL CARNES)

Briley Anderson puts in two points for the Tri County Northeast girls



Lady Cards rebound with home win



(PHOTO BY LANCE SWANSON) Yoseline Aldrich drives the paint for the Lady Cardinals in Saturday's 48-44 win over Winnebago.

road, the SSC Lady Cardinals rebounded for a home win to cap a 1-1 weekend.

On Thursday, the Lady Cards started slow and couldn't come back in a 51-37 loss at Sioux City West.

SSC trailed 23-12 at intermission and were able to get the offense flowing better in the second half, but were not able to overtake the Lady Wolverines.

SSC had a balanced offensive effort, led by Autumn Porter, Bailee eight points apiece. Naomi Andrich and Keyana Weaver both had five and Bryleigh Robinette scored three.

six boards to lead the defense, while Naomi Alrich made four steals.

On Saturday, SSC held on for a 48-44 win over Winnebago in a closelycontested matchup at the SSC Mini-

Weaver paced the winners with 17 points and Paizley Aldrich added 10. Durant scored nine, Porter had six, and Robinette and Naomi Aldrich had three apiece.

SSC (1-3) hosts Sioux City North Durant and Paizley Aldrich with on Thursday and is at Columbus on Saturday. They will play in the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout in Wayne Dec. 27-30.

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the next couple weeks.

The library will be open until 12 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 24. The library will reopen on Thursday, Dec. 26 at 9 a.m. The next week, the library will be open until 12 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 31. The library will reopen on Thursday, Jan. 2 at 9 Happy Holidays from the staff of the South Sioux City Public Library.

The television will be full of sports, holiday specials and reruns this week. If that doesn't sound good to you, try some of the popular selections from Hoopla.

"Death in Paradise (Seasons 1-7)" is a BBC production. DI Richard Poole is sent to the paradise island of Saint-Marie in the Caribbean to solve

an impossible murder. He hates sun, sea and sand, but no matter once he's solved the murder he'll be heading back to wonderful, cold, drizzly London. He does so, only to discover his boss back home has conspired to keep him there. He's



trapped on an island he hates and people just keep getting

murdered. This series is rated PG. "Just Cause" stars Sean Connery and Laurence Fishburne. Connery stars as a retired Harvard law professor who strives to prove the innocence of a young black man sentenced to death in Florida in this hard-edged, complex legal thriller. A brutal murder is committed in the Florida Everglades. Eight years later, a principled Harvard law professor tries to save the convicted man on death row who swears he's innocent of that crime. For the small-town detective who investigated the killing, however, there's no question he caught the right man — and no last-

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prary will have a special schedule for and a man's life is on the line. But Christmas movies, gentle romances, nothing is what it seems. Someone is the lethal mastermind of a deadly game and all roads lead back to the 1-16)" is an Acorn TV series. With site of that long-ago murder where, this time, there are two intended victims. This movie is rated R.

"Tales of the Walking Dead (Season One)," will feature standalone stories within The Walking Dead universe that feature both new and established characters. This is rated

"A Discovery of Witches (Season One)." Brilliant historian Diana Bishop (Teresa Palmer, Warm Bodies) is a witch denying her heritage. But when she unexpectedly comes across an ancient, bewitched manuscript, she is thrown into a dangerous mystery and into the path of enigmatic geneticist and vampire Matthew Clairmont (Matthew Goode, Downton Abbey). This romantic thriller is adapted from Deborah Harkness's bestselling trilogy of novels.

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"Surviving Jeffrey Epstein (Season One)." Following the impact of Lifetime's Surviving R. Kelly documentaries, the network continues to raise the voices of survivors with Surviving Jeffrey Epstein. This documentary is rated TV-14.

minute intervention is going to keep "Hallmark Binge Pass" gives Have a g that cold-blooded killer out of the viewers unlimited viewing of the good movie.

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and gentle historical romances.

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"The Wild Kratts" from PBS Kids will entertain your children. The reallife Chris and Martin introduce each Wild Kratts episode with a live action segment that imagines what it would be like to experience a neverbefore-seen wildlife moment, and asks, "What if . . ?" The Kratt brothers transition into animation and the adventure begins, bringing early-elementary school children into the secret lives of extraordinary creatures, many of which have never been animated before — including proboscis monkeys, draco lizards and caracals!

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Carter Korth goes up for a shot in

the paint for Homer during their win over Winside.

Knights 2-2 after home split

The Homer boys basketball team kept their record even at 2-2 after two home games last week.

On Tuesday, the Knights couldn't keep up with visiting LCC as the Bears posted a 60-39 win.

A 21-6 second-quarter run by the Bears gave them a 17-point halftime cushion as they went on to best the Homer boys.

Aayden Harris led the way with 14 points, followed by Steve Harris with eight, Jessup Snowball with six, Ben Roost with five, Reed Modlin with four and Junius Snowball

Harris hit the boards hard with a game-high 13, folllowed by Roost with six and Leidy Hunter with five. Junius Snowball had two assists.

Homer turned a close game into a blowout on Friday, outscoring Winside 40-14 in the second half to claim a 74-43 win.

Two Knights were in double figures as Axton Caskey's 21 points and Junius Snowball's 10 led the balanced effort. Jessup Snowball tossed in nine points, Modlin and Roost both had eight and Hunter

Hunter had 10 rebounds in the win while Caskey and Modlin each had six. Jessup Snowball dished out six assists and also had five steals.

Homer was at Wynot on Tuesday and will challenge Lawton-Bronson Friday at the Tyson Events Center. Their pre-holiday finale is at home Saturday against Lutheran High

Ponca boys earn two wins

Ponca's boys basketball team improved to 3-1 on the season with a

On Tuesday, the Indians traveled to Ponca and rolled to a 63-33 win over the Cardinals. A 21-7 third quarter run turned a 12-point halftime lead into a solid cushion that helped them roll to the win

Austin Dendinger and Zain Stark led a trio of Ponca boys in double figures with 14 points apiece, while Tucker McGill added 13. Randolph's Logan Lieneman led all scorers with

On Thursday, the Indians got their first win in Mid State Conference play with a 45-35 victory at home against Pierce.

Ponca used a 13-3 second quarter run to take a 10-point lead at the half and go on to the win.

Austin Dendinger had a gamehigh 17 points and McGill added 15,

with Zain Stark tossing in eight. Ponca was to host LCC on Tuesay

and will be at Tri County Northeast on Friday to close out the pre-holiday schedule.

Dakota City News

Dakota City Public Library

Book Club will continue to read "Inland" by Tea Obreht during the month of December. The group will discuss the book in January. Their next selection will be "When I Found You" by Catherine Ryan Hyde. The group meets on the first Monday of each month and have the whole month to read the selected book. Extra books are available to read along with the group. New members are always welcome. Story Hour will be Thursday, Dec. 19 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The children

will hear a Christmas story, decorate cookies, and make Christmas ornaments. All area school-age children are invited to participate in the monthly Looking for a Christmas movie or book to enjoy during the month? Stop

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Ponca girls split contests

won one and lost one in action last

Last Tuesday, the Lady Indians ran away with an easy 59-10 win at Randolph, limiting the hosts to a single point in the second half.

Jaelen Templeman led a balanced effort with 14 points, followed by Elsie Keller with 11.

Ava Brown and Emma Uthof each had eight, Ava Voss and Emerson intermission, but Pierce went on a the pre-holiday schedule.

Pfister scored three, Avery McAfee the road win. and Carlee Beckner both had two and Ava Brennan scored a free throw as double figures with 10 points. Pfis-11 of the 12 Ponca players found the scoring column.

Thursday was a tough night at two home as the Lady Indians were stifled by a solid Pierce defense in a 36-

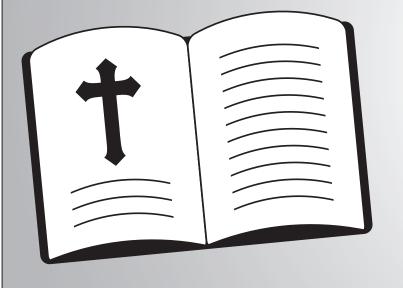
The two teams were tied 12-12 at

The Ponca girls basketball team Ehlers scored five apiece, Laken 15-4 run in the third quarter to earn

Keller was the lone Lady Indian in ter added eight, Brown scored four, Beckner had three and Ehlers scored

The 2-2 Lady Indians hosted LCC on Tuesday and will host Vermillion on Thursday before playing at Tri County Northeast on Friday to close

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Organizer Name: **Gerardo Cruz Tolentino** Publish Thursday, December 5, 12 and 19, 2024. - ZNEZ

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

WALKERS ISLAND HOMES, INC.

Walkers Island Homes, Inc. (the "Corporation") has filed Articles of Dissolution effective December 12, 2024, and the terms and conditions of such dissolution are as follows:

1. As soon as practicable, the Corporation shall, by and through its President, Peggy Akins, collect its assets, dispose of such of its properties as are not to be distributed in kind to its shareholders, pay, satisfy or discharge all its debts, liabilities, and obligations, or make adequate provision for payment, satisfaction or discharge thereof, and do all other acts required to liquidate its business and affairs.

2. The Corporation's assets and liabilities are as follows:

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b) The Corporation has no remaining liabilities. WALKERS ISLAND HOMES, INC.

By: Peggy Akins, President Publish in the Dakota County Star Thursday, December 19 and 26, and January 2, 2025. - ZNEZ

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2. Claims must be addressed and mailed postage prepaid to Walkers Island Homes, Inc., Attn: Peggy Akins, President, 2700 G Street, South Sioux City, NE 68776.

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solved is BONANZA TRUCKING, LLC, hereinafter referred to as "Com-

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4-Claims must be mailed to 1419 Dakota Ave., P.O. Box 215, South Sioux City, NE 68776.

5-A claim against BONANZA TRUCKING, LLC, will be barred unless an action to enforce the claim is commenced within five (5) years after the publication date of the third required notice. BY: John C. Ehrich

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Bart Gotch, PR P.O. Box 981 **South Sioux City, NE 68776**

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Martin Hohenstein, Chair Publish in the Dakota County Star Thursday, December 19, 2024.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of South Sioux City will be held on Monday, January 13th and 27th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., in the CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAM-BERS, 1615 - 1ST AVENUE. All meetings will be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk at the City Hall.

/s/ Nanci Walsh, City Clerk Publish in the Dakota County Star Thursday, December 19, 2024.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING Notice is hereby given that the Dakota County Board of Commissioners will hold their regular scheduled meeting on Monday, December 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Dakota County Court-house, 1601 Broadway Street, Dakota City, and which said meeting is open to the public. The agenda for this meeting will be kept continually current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Of-

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CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY

IT RELATES TO FEES FOR RE-

MOVAL OF TRASH CONTAINERS;

REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES

OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN

CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PRO-

VIDING A TIME WHEN THIS ORDI-

NANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE

2024-20 on its second reading and

moved that the statutory rule requir-

ing reading on three different days

be suspended. Motion seconded by

Gunsolley motioned for final pas-

Mahamud Osman rejoined the

The City Attorney read the follow-

AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH

sage on Ordinance 2024-20 which

motioned was seconded by Meyer.

meeting at 5:24 p.m. and will be

ORDINANCE NO: 2024-19

SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, AMEND-

ING CHAPTER 110 ARTICLE 6 OF

THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RE-

LATING TO ALL-TERRAIN VEHI-

CLES: PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE

DATE; AND REPLACING ALL CON-

FLICTING ORDINANCES PREVI-

dinance 2024-19 on its third reading

with putting a flag on the vehicle and

changing the speed to 25 miles or

under. Motion seconded by Meyer.

right of way platting and naming of

East 17th Street dedication

Solar Farm Dedication

C – Cottonwood Lance

• D – Dogwood Lane

• E – Evergreen Lane

• H - Hackberry Circle

• K – Kentucky Coffee Pass

· Veterans Drive Dedication

· Riverview Drive North Dedica-

Baylor Benston from JEO gave

Schultz motioned to the City Main-

tenance agreement with the Nebras-

ka Department of Transportation for

Bowman motioned to apr

Tree Shear attachment to bobcat -

\$8,300.00 for Parks and Recreation.

Motion seconded by Peters. Motion

seconded by Bousquet. Voting Yes:

update on the FiberComm / ImOn

loan in the amount of \$9,000 for land

acquisition. Motion seconded by Pe-

There was no closed session

Mike O'Brien – 4 things

progress. - Information only.

ters. Voting Yes: 8; No: 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

what will be going in there • Hardees – are they done?

watching the meetings

not called to order

tor on 29th Street

I.T. Director Matt Andrews gave

Kriens motioned to approve LB840

There was no quorum for CDA -

· What is going on with the eleva-

· Painting of the old Goodwill,

TV – either silent or red tint when

Mike Carnes - Congratulations

to Randy and Mahamud for becom-

ing new members and to Ben and

8; No: 0

information on the Well # 10 relining

is complete and NDEE has given ap-

• I - Ironwood Loop

• J – Juniper Lane

Voting Yes: 8: No: 0

Peters motioned to approve street

Schultz motioned to approve Or-

Bousquet. Voting Yes: 7; No: 0

Voting Yes: 7; No: 0

ing Ordinance

OUSLY IN EFFECT

Voting Yes: 8; No: 0

streets. These include:

Campground

• A - Aspen Blvd

• B - Birch Loop

• F – Fir Loop

· G - Genko Pass

counted from here on out.

Bowman introduced Ordinance

A meeting of the City Council of the City of South Sioux City, Nebraska,

was held at the South Sioux City Council Chambers, 1615 1st Avenue in said City on the 9th day of December 2024, at 5:00 P.M. Present: Mayor Rod Koch and

Council Members Jason Bowman. Jasper Kriens, James Gunsolley, Dan Bousquet, Ben Schultz, Monty Peters, Randy Meyer and Mahamud Osman.

Absent: None.

Media in attendance: Dakota County Star. Notice of the proceeding was given in advance thereof by advertising in the Dakota County Star and Mundo Latino attached to these minutes. Notice of the proceedings was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice to the Media, Mayor and Council of this proceeding and was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Koch, stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall in the rear of the Council Chambers and is available for review by citizens in attendance. A sign-in sheet is available at the entrance to Council Chambers. We ask for your assistance by signing in as this is a Federal Grant requirement. It is strictly voluntary to complete the sign-in sheet.

Congratulations to the following people for taking Oaths:

Oath of Office for Council: Jason Bowman, Ben Schultz, Manamud Osman and Randy Meyer

Swearing of Firefighters: Gabe Tolvanen, Jake Johnson,

Jason Ortiz and Xavier Robles Kriens motioned to approve the following items on the consent agen-

 da. Motion seconded by Schultz. MINUTES: Council - November 25th, 2024; Public Works - Decem-

ber 2nd, 2024; Finance – December CLAIMS: December 9th, 2024

Rooming House License.

Campground software -Skyware tion approximately \$500.00 a month SPP Market Assistance Agreement – ending in 2028.

HAAS Alert System - The cost per unit is \$599/year and is activated as soon as the lights are turned on. This would be about \$2400 / year to have this system on our vehicles.

Trash Water Pump - Stan Houston Equipment - Wacker Neuson highway corridors. Motion seconded #PT6Y 6" diesel trash pump: Self- by Gunsolley. Motion seconded by priming; tow behind/trailer mounted; Bousquet. Voting Yes: 8; No: 0 Sell for \$15,000, plus freight.

INVOICES:

 \$2,775.00, Well No. 10 Relining. • Star Tree Service (Forestry Gant) \$145,000.00. Removal of trees Olsson

• \$13,100.00, Timberline Lift Station Replacement

 \$287.80, Lead Service Inventory • \$2,298.25, Empirical Traffic

• \$1,050.00, CEMPEL ITC Eco-

nomic Feasibility Study

• \$41, 882.68, Wastewater Treat-

ment Facility Expansion

• \$35,641.28 - Operations Advi-

sorv Service

Voting Yes: 8; No: 0 Engineers from JEO Consulting Group and Olsson were present

to give updates and to answer any question on various projects in the

city. No Action taken. Mahamud Osman stepped away from the meeting at 5:16 p.m., he will

ORDINANCE 2024-20

OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, DAKOTA

COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AMENDING

SECTION 90-40 OF THE SOUTH

SIOUX CITY MUNICIPAL CODE AS

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY

Jason for continuing on the Council. not be counted in the vote. Bousquet motioned approval to And would like and updated picture pay third and final payment of \$50,000 of each Council. LB840 grant to Sioux City Tarp, Inc. Being no further business at 6:22 for planned expansion in South Sioux p.m. Peters motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Bousquet. Vot-City toward meeting their required

ing Yes: 8; No: 0 final 5-FTEs, thus, bringing 20-FTE positions as part of their Economic These minutes are subject to city Development Assistance Plan. Mocouncil approval. tion seconded by Gunsolley. Voting A copy of the minutes in their en-Yes: 7; No: 0 tirety is available at City Hall, 1615 The City Attorney read the follow-

Nanci Walsh CITY Clerk

Star Thursday, December 19, 2024.

DAKOTA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Dakota County Board of Commissioners Monday, December 9, 2024 - 3:00 p.m. **County Board Meeting Room,** First Floor

Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Legal Abbreviations for this ad: the title Commissioner has been omitted before each Commissioner's name, '-" = moved, seconded by; Roll Call Vote Unanimous Motion Carried = **RCVUMC**

Chair Hohenstein called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said at the prior BOE meeting. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Love, Van Berkum, Launsby. Absent: Giese. Also present was Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley, County Clerk, acting as Board Secretary. The location of the Open Meetings Act was noted.

Hohenstein "-" Launsby to excuse Commissioner Giese from the meeting. RCVUMC.

Chair Hohenstein called for Public Comment on any item not on the

Love "-" Hohenstein to approve the consent agenda items: (a) approval of the previous meeting minutes -November 25, 2024; (b) approval of payroll claims for November 24 to December 7, 2024, not approving pay increases in Treasurer's office: (c) approval of payroll accounts payable claims; (d) approval of accounts payable claims (if any). RCVUMC.

General Fund: Gross Payroll: Salaries-\$202,992.68; Pay-\$143,702.59; Retirement-\$14,787.79; Total FICA-\$15,027.60; Health Plan-\$45,920.00; Dental Plan-\$1,640.00; Life Insurance-\$215.49; Road Fund Employer: Gross Salaries-\$19,299.94; Net Pay-\$14,119.74; Retirement-\$1,302.71; Total FICA-\$1,431.67; Health Plan-\$5,040.00; Dental Plan-\$180.00; Life Insurance-\$22.06; Health Planning Grant Employer 2502: Gross Salaries-\$1,622.40; Net Pay-\$1,254.28; Retirement-\$109.51; Total FICA-\$124.11; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Health Program Grant Employer 2504: Gross Salaries-\$1,795.13; Net Pay-\$1,392.59; Retirement-\$118.58; Total FICA-\$134.53; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507: Gross Salaries-\$1,728.00; Net Pay-\$1,429.28; Retirement-\$116.64; Total FICA-\$129.38; Dental Plan-\$20.00;

Life Insurance-\$2.55. Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund: Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance pre-Dental Account, mium-\$248.73; premium-\$2,207.00; FSA Dep Care - \$208.33; FSA Medical - \$925.87; Health Plan, premium-\$49,920.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union dues-\$850.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$15,377.81; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.04; Legalshield, premium-\$128.64; Insurance, premium-\$215.49; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$1,950.00; Nebraska Child garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$7,698.62; Point C COE- admin fees - \$75.00; Principal Life - premiums - \$2,565.50; Ameritas Retirecontributions-\$25,061.58; Security, FICA & MEDI-\$30,055.20; VSP, premium-\$548.66. Road Fund: Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$73.33;

Dental Account, premium-\$243.00; Health Plan, premium-\$5,490.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,322.07; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$58.36; Life Insurance, premium-\$22.06; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$659.80; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$192.50; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$2,171.23; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2,863.34; VSP, premium-\$54.47; Insurance Fund 1275: Mid-American Benefits, admin fees - \$31,133.02; Mid-American Benefits, medical claims-\$26,836.12; Point C FSA – withdrawals - \$4,382.16; VSP- COBRA pymt - \$38.34: Health Fund 2502: Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$109.62; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$61.38; Principal Life, premium - \$23.90; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$182.52; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$248.22; Health Fund 2504: Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$100.78; Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$51.51; Principal Life, premium - \$25.88; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$197.64; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$269.06; VSP, premium-\$15.66; Juvenile Services Fund 2507: Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55: Neb Dept of Revenue. state taxes-\$54.92; Principal Life, premium-\$23.87; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$194.40; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$258.76;

Love "-" Van Berkum to approve Board Chair to sign Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, Kristin Robinette's FY2026 Juvenile Diversion Grant for the period of 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026 in

VSP, premium-\$15.66.

the Inheritance Tax Fund \$25,000 in support of the proposed Heartland Counseling new Crisis Stabilization

Love "-" Hohenstein to award the bid to Titan Machinery Inc. for a 2025 Case 921G 255 HP for \$244,477.00

Launsby "-" Love to award the bid to Murphy Tractor for the 2025 John Deer 772 GP 275 HP motor grader \$414,095.00 and add the Premium Circle for \$14,000.00 = \$428,095.00

Love "-" Van Berkum to approve Resolution 24C-031 Lease Purchase agreement for the purchase of one (1) 2024 Chevy Tahoe and two (2)

prove Resolution 24C-030 Agreement with Nebraska DOT Project NH-35-4(127) to improve Highway 35 from Hubbard to Dakota City and the closure of N-35 and G Avenue intersection requiring local traffic to be detoured. N-35 through traffic will not

Love "-" Hohenstein to approve Highway Superintendent, Jolene Gubbels, sending out letters to landowners who have obstructions in the County right-of-way as needed. RC-

presented the Road Report for November 24. 2024 to December 7.

Love "-" Hohenstein to approve paying for the tree to Lane's Wholesale Nursery for \$305.00 and dirt

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the amount of \$83,185.00. RCVUMC.

Hohenstein "-" Love to pledge from

through a lease purchase. RCVUMC.

through a lease purchase. RCVMC.

2024 Chevy Silverado's. RCVUMC. Hohenstein "-" Launsby to ap-

be detoured. RCVUMC.

VUMC. Lance Jacobsen, Road Foreman,

Supply for \$17,350.20 using ARPA

Mr. Olson) for \$2,900.00. RCVUMC. Hohenstein "-" Love to approve purchasing a semi load of metal culverts from American Underground funds. RCVUMC.

work done by Lux Bros (reimbursing

Hohenstein "-" Love to approve purchasing 20 plastic culverts for the M Avenue project from American Underground Supply for \$7,040.00 using ARPA funds. RCVUMC.

Hohenstein "-" Love to approve purchasing 1 ½ " crushed concrete from Knife River for \$72,600.00 and gravel from Backhaus Gravel for \$7,987.50 for road projects using ARPA funds. RCVUMC.

Love "-" Launsby to approve repairs to the door on the building at the Road Dept - Dakota City yard building to Lyles Garage Door Services for \$5,182.75 using ARPA funds. RCVUMC. Hohenstein "-" Launsby to ap-

prove the bid from Suter to repair the HVAC in the jail for \$5,433.00 using ARPA funds. RCVUMC. Hohenstein "-" Van Berkum to ap-

prove the bid from Plumbing Pros for \$4,747.07 to relocate the water shut off valves to make more accessible and for safety reason in the Jail using ARPA funds. RCVUMC.

Love "-" Launsby to approve the bid from Micah Herman for \$4,340.20 to install and build platform in jail to provide safe access to upper level electrical and other maintenance items using ARPA funds. RCVUMC.

Van Berkum "-" Love to approve the bids from Thornton Flooring to replace the flooring in the Health Department areas for a total of \$10,595.92 using ARPA funds. RC-**VUMC** Love "-" Van Berkum to approve

the purchase of the body cameras for

the Sheriff's Department from Brite for \$66,282.00 using ARPA funds. RCVUMC. Commissioner Committee Re-

Mail/Emergency business: None. Van Berkum moved to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of December 9, 2024 at 4:33 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

ports: None.

Martin Hohenstein, Chair Cherie Conley, County **Clerk/Board Secretary**

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Dakota County Board of Equalization Monday, December 9, 2024 2:45 p.m. Regular Meeting **County Board Meet**ing Room, First Floor **Dakota County Courthouse,** Dakota City, Nebraska Legal Abbreviations for this ad: the

title Board Member has been omitted before each Board Member's name, -" = moved, seconded by; Roll Call Vote Unanimous Motion Carried = **RCVUMC**

Chair Love called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Love, Van Berkum, Launsby, Hohenstein. Absent: Giese. Also present was Stephanie Gatzemeyer, Treasurer, Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley, County Clerk as Board Secretary. The Open Meetings Act location was noted for all citizens in attendance.

Hohenstein "-" Launsby, to excuse Board Member Giese from the meeting. RCVUMC.

Van Berkum "-" Launsby to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2024 meeting. RCVUMC.

Van Berkum "-" Launsby, to accept the recommendation of the Dakota County Treasurer and approve the tax exemption for The Salvation Army application for Exemption from Motor Vehicle Taxes by Qualifying Nonprofit Organization for 2007 Dodge Ram VIN# 3D7KS28D07G844508. RC-

There were no tax list corrections. There was no mail, emergency business or public comment.

Van Berkum moved to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Love adjourned the December 9, 2024, Board of Equalization meeting at 2:49 p.m.

County Board of Equalization Scott Love, Chair Cherie Conley Secretary/County Clerk Publish in the Dakota County

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Dakota County Board of Commissioners **EMERGENCY MEETING** Wednesday, December 11, 2024 - 9:00 a.m. **County Board Meet-**

Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska Legal Abbreviations for this ad: the title Commissioner has been omitted before each Commissioner's name "-" = moved, seconded by; Roll Call Vote Unanimous Motion Carried =

ing Room, First Floor

Chair Hohenstein called the Emergency meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Van Berkum, Giese, Launsby. Absent: Love. Also pre-sent was Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley County Clerk, acting as Board Secretary. The location of the Open Meetings Act was noted.

Hohenstein "-" Giese to excuse Commissioner Love from the emergency meeting. RCVUMC.

Hohenstein stated for the record the reason for the Emergency Meeting was due to a Road De-partment employee harassment complaint.

Hohenstein "-" Van Berkum to go into closed session to discuss the Road Department employee harassment complaint at 9:02 a.m. RC-

Hohenstein "-" Launsby to come out of closed session from discussing the Road Department em-ployee harassment complaint at 9:44 a.m.

Hohenstein "-" Van Berkum to enter into an agreement with Crary Huff Law firm to investigate the Road Department employee harassment complaint and allow Chair to sign Engagement letter. RCVUMC.

Berkum Commissioner Van moved to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Emergency Board of Commissioners meeting of December 11, 2024 at 9:45 a.m. **Dakota County Board**

of Commissioners

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Martin Hohenstein, Chair Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Board Secretary Publish in the Dakota County

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Notice of Trustee's Sale

will be sold at public auction to the

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County Courthouse, 1601 Broadway,

15 FEET OF LOT 3, BLOCK 236,

CITY OF DAKOTA CITY, DAKOTA

estate taxes, (2) special assess-

ments, (3) easements, covenants,

LOTS 1 AND 2 AND THE EAST

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8th, 15th and 21st, 2025 Finance Committee - 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8th and

22nd, 2025 Public Works Committee- 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 6th and 20th, 2025

Design Committee - 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 2nd and 16th, Planning and Zoning - 4:00 p.m.

on Wednesday, January 8th and 22nd, 2025 Parks Board- 5:00 p.m. on Mon-

day, January 6th, 2025 Rental Board - 5:00 p.m. on

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Legal Notice NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF

PRAIRIE UNLIMITED, INC.

Notice is hereby given that Prairie Unlimited, Inc., a Nebraska corporation, filed Articles of Dissolution effective December 10, 2024.

1-The name of the corporation dissolved is Prairie Unlimited, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Corpora-

2-The date dissolution of the Corporation was authorized was December 9, 2024

3-The proposal to dissolve the Corporation and file Articles of Dissolution was duly ap-proved by the shareholders in the manner required by the Nebraska Model Business Corporation Act and by the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation.

4-James E. Dinges, sole Shareholder and a Director of the Corporation, will wind up and liquidate its 5-The Corporation has no assets

and no liabilities at time of dissolu-

Prairie Unlimited, Inc. /s/ James E. Dinges Shareholder/Director By: Lindsey Buchheit (Bar #23761) **Buchheit Law, PLC** 633 1st Street, PO Box 533 Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054 Phone: 712-823-1024 lindsey@buchheitlaw.net

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Notice

City of South Sioux City

On the 9th day of December 2024, The Mayor and Council of the City of South Sioux City, Nebraska, adopted an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO: 2024-19

AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, AMEND-ING CHAPTER 110 ARTICLE 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RE-LATING TO ALL-TERRAIN VEHI-CLES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REPLACING ALL CON-FLICTING ORDINANCES PREVI-**OUSLY IN EFFECT**

ORDINANCE 2024-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AMENDING SECTION 90-40 OF THE SOUTH SIOUX CITY MUNICIPAL CODE AS IT RELATES TO FEES FOR RE-MOVAL OF TRASH CONTAINERS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PRO-VIDING A TIME WHEN THIS ORDI-NANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. Said ordinance was published

Chamber of Commerce and South Sioux City Hall and copies thereof are available at the office of the City Nanci Walsh, CITY CLERK

by title and posted in pamphlet form

at three public places; South Sioux

City Public Library, South Sioux City

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Thursday – January 2nd, 2025

HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL Wednesday, December 11, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Education of Homer Community School was convened in open and public session on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 7:30 PM in the Library at Homer Community School, Homer, Nebraska. The following board members were present or absent:

Byron Hall: Absent, Ryan Harris: Present, Tyler Kirkholm: Present, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Present, Aaron Reis: Present, Paul Tighe: Present.

Administration present: Superintendent Dr. Joseph Lefdal, Principal Abbie Uhl, Principal Tom Coviello, and Board Secretary Amy Brand Visitors present: Several

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I.Opening the Meeting I.A.Call Meeting to Order and Notification of Open Meeting Law I.A.i.Posted in the room

I.A.ii.Publication of Meeting was provided according to 84-1411

I.B.District Mission Statement: II.Board Member Roll Call Motion

was made by Ryan Harris and seconded by Aaron Reis to excuse absent board member Hall. On roll call vote the Board voted as follows: The motion carried Byron Hall: Absent, Ryan Harris:

Yea, Tyler Kirkholm: Yea, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Yea, Aaron Reis: Yea, Paul Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

III.Excuse Absent Board Members

IV.Approval of the Agenda and changes to the Agenda V.Consent Agenda Motion was

made by Dr. Kristina Nelsen and seconded by Aaron Reis to approve all items presented on the Consent Agenda. On roll call vote the Board voted as follows: The motion carried Byron Hall: Absent, Ryan Harris:

Yea, Tyler Kirkholm: Yea, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Yea, Aaron Reis: Yea, Paul

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.A.Approval of Minutes from the November regular meeting

V.B.Approve claims and accounts Dr. Lefdal discussed fund balances, board bills, and receipts for the month.

VI.Public Comment No public

comment

VII.Information Items: Reports

VII.A.Administrator reports Mrs. Uhl discussed winter testing, Cardinal Baskets, Christmas concerts, and the Big Knight, Little Knight program. Creating a power standards template was also discussed. Mr. Coviello discussed the start of winter activities, an update on MTSS Fridays, and that

SouthLaw, P.C.

13160 Foster. Suite 100

Half (E1/2) of Lot Eighteen (18),

North Shore Park, a Subdivision of

Government Lot Six (6), Section Thir-

ty-two (32), Township Twenty-nine

(29) North, Range Nine (9) East of

the Sixth Principal Meridian, Dakota

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING our One Act team was awarded the No action was taken. Motion was Best Tech Crew at district competi-

> VII.B.Superintendent report Superintendent Lefdal reported Jeff Horner was working on getting in touch with past students needing to graduate. He discussed the Targeted Improvement Plan as well as looking at how Junior High Winter sports are scheduled. A brief discussion on Cognia, which is our school improvement and accreditation model. Lunch Program RFP, which will be due January 15th. He also discussed different options for the school lunch

VIII.Discussion Items

VIII.A.Congratulate and thank Aaron Reis for his years of service on the Homer Board of Education Aaron Reis was congratulated and thanked on behalf of the Homer Community for his service and dedication to Homer Community School. He has served on the board for 12 years.

VIII.B.ESSR Audit Dr. Lefdal reported on our recent ESSR audit and shared the exit letter for the completed Esser audit.

VIII.C.1st reading of policy 3132 Dr. Lefdal shared information on the updates to Policy 3132. This will be approved at the January meeting.

VIII.D.Annual Reports The Annual Report was discussed. This is an overview of all of our district data on the Nebraska Education Profile website. Reports will be posted on the district website.

VIII.E.Superintendent tion Discussion item was tabled and moved to the January meeting.

VIII.F.2025-26 School Calendar Dr. Lefdal presented a preliminary 25-26 calendar. This will be discussed at a later date.

VIII.G.AQuESTT Update Dr. Lefdal discussed AQuESTT, which Holiday Inn - Kearney......239.90 is an accountability program. He informed the board how this classification works and how we will move for- Hometown Leasing...........1,610.70 ward. A letter will be going out to the community explaining this process.

IX.Action Items

IX.A.Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the 2023-24 Financial Audit. Dr. Lefdal gave a brief overview of the audit process and the findings. Segregation of duties and financial statement preparation and review were discussed. Motion was made by Tyler Kirkholm and seconded by Aaron Reis to approve the 2023-24 Financial Audit. On roll call vote the Board voted as follows: The motion carried

Byron Hall: Absent, Ryan Harris: Yea, Tyler Kirkholm: Yea, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Yea, Aaron Reis: Yea, Paul

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1 X.Next Meeting The next board meeting will be Monday, January 13, 2025 at 7:00pm.

XI. Executive session to strategize for collective bargaining

The board entered executive session at 8:29 p.m. Motion was made by Dr. Kristina Nelsen and seconded by Aaron Reis to enter into closed University Of South Dakota .. 175.00 session for the protection of the pub- Village Of Homer508.83 lic interest to strategize for collective bargaining. On roll call vote the Board

voted as follows: The motion carried Byron Hall: Absent, Rvan Harris: Yea, Tyler Kirkholm: Yea, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Yea, Aaron Reis: Yea, Paul Tighe: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1 XII.Adjournment The Board reconvened regular session at 8:54 p.m.

made by Aaron Reis and seconded by Ryan Harris to adjourn the meeting at 8:55p.m. On roll call vote the Board voted as follows: The motion

Byron Hall: Absent, Ryan Harris: Yea, Tyler Kirkholm: Yea, Dr. Kristina Nelsen: Yea, Aaron Reis: Yea, Paul Tighe: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1 Dated this Wednesday, December 11, 2024.

ATTEST: Dakota County School District #31R Dr. Kristina Nelsena/k/a **Homer Community School** Secretary By: Paul Tighe, President

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Total48,126.96 Publish in the Dakota County Star Thursday, December 19, 2024.

Legal Notice

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Overland Park, KS 66213-2660 North Shore Park, a Subdivision of 913-663-7600 Government Lot Six, Section Thirtytwo (32), Township Twenty-nine (29) **FILE NO. 248490** North, Range Nine East of the Sixth **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** Principal Meridian, Dakota County, For default in the payment of debt Nebraska, which is more particularly secured by a deed of trust executed described as follows: Commencing by Kurt S Bahney and Janna Lynn at the Northeast corner of Lot 17 of North Shore Park, a Subdivision of Mertz, dated September 13, 2004, and recorded on September 20, Government Lot 6, Section 32, Town-2004, Document No. 04-002710 in ship 29 North, Range 9 East of the the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Sixth Principal Meridian, Dakota Dakota County, Nebraska, the un-County, Nebraska, thence 21 degrees 37 minutes 05 seconds West dersigned Successor Trustee will on January 31, 2025, at 10:00 AM, at for a distance of 147.25 feet to the Main Lobby of the Dakota County, point of beginning; thence South 21 degrees 37 minutes 05 seconds West Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska, sell at public vendue to the highest for a distance of 144.77 feet; thence bidder for cash: North 66 degrees 39 minutes 45 sec-Lot Seventeen (17) and the East onds West for a distance of 75.03

County, Nebraska and Lot Seventeen as 480 N Shore Dr, South Sioux City,

subject to all prior easements, restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs.

NE, 68776

Liliana E. Shannon **Successor Trustee**

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minutes 05 seconds East for a distance of 142.52 feet; thence South 68 Publish in the Dakota County Star degrees 22 minutes 54 seconds East Thursday, December 12, 19 and 26, 2024 and January 2 and 9, 2025. for a distance of 75.00 feet to the point of beginning., commonly known

Homer News

Cheerleaders busy on the

court

Bv Stacie Johnson

LAURITSEN **INSURANCE** 402-698-2584 • Homer, Nebraska

Cheer coach Cassie Spurrell is overjoyed to announce that the Homer Cheer Team won first place at the Norfolk Cheer and Dance Competition on Sunday. More cheer news:

A Jan. 18 Cheer Camp for children in grades preschool through sixth grade are invited to attend, but registration is fast approaching, due Friday.

The camp runs from 1-4 p.m. on Jan. 18 with several fee options. Forms are available at the school of-

After completion of the camp, little cheerleaders will join the high school cheer squad at the first half of the home basketball games on Jan. 24.

Last home game of 2024 and soup supper

The Homer Knights and Lady Knights hit the hardwood on Kevin Snyder Court this Saturday in the last game of December against Lutheran High Northeast.

First up on the court are the boys' and girls' junior varsity squads at 1 p.m. The girls' varsity takes over at the end of those games, followed by the boys

As luck would have it, this is also a soup-supper game, so make plans to enjoy a bowl of chili or chicken noodle soup with cinnamon rolls. Food would like to give a big "Thank You" is served starting at 1 p.m. and goes until the pots are empty.

The Nebraska School Activities Association imposes a five-day competition moratorium for Nebraska high schools, which begins Sunday, Dec. 22 for Homer. The Knights will be back in action in the new year on Jan. 3 in the holiday tourney at Teka-

Headwind to play Saturday

Headwind aficionados can hear their favorite band play this Saturday, Dec. 21 at a birthday party/holiday dance at the Hubbard Community "Our biggest fan is Cliff Sherlock,

and he wanted Headwind to play for his birthday," said front man Bill McPherran. Word has it is that practice has

been going good with bandmates relearning some old, old fan favorites and getting the (not so young) vocal cords back in shape.

Social hour starts at 8 p.m. with the band kicking in at 9 p.m.

The gig is a free-will offering (no cover charge), but McPherran assures no pressure. He just wants everyone "to come and dance and drink and be the biggest part of this party,' he said. "Rock on."

Homer Volunteer: thanks

to Tom Gabel and the Bonanza Bar crew and John Woodard and the Homer Pronto crew for all their hard work to make the Santa Pizza Delivery night an "awesome event."

While they are at it, Homer Volunteer also doled out love from Saturday's light parade.

"Thanks to all who came out (Saturday night); we love seeing our community come together, and we think this tradition is a keeper!" said organizers.

Fire chief Dale Barclay gave accolades to all of those who put a float in the parade and to everyone who came to the fire hall afterwards for more festive fun. "An extra special thanks to the

Homer Community Club, our annual partners in this craziness, for all they do to make this happen. And to the members of the Homer Community School choir who braved the elements and played the sounds of the season with bells!" Parade watchers and kid crafters

commented on the fun event and nice tradition.

Christmas break

Homer School will be closed

Moratorium from Sunday, Dec. 22

for Christmas break from Dec. 23 through Jan. 5. Classes resume at the regular time on Monday, Jan. 6, 2025.

The Homer Fire Department to Thursday, Dec. 26.

Jackson News

By Laura Sullivan

Homer School Program

Because Jackson kids go to four different schools, I want to include all the schools events. Please pass your school events on to me. Thank

Dec. 19 - Knight Pride Celebra-

Dec. 23-Jan. 3 – Winter break

St. Patrick's CCD

Dec. 18 is the last day of CCD before the Christmas Break. Christmas Mass at St. Patrick's is

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve at 4 p.m.

Nebraska Extension

Calling all teen leaders! Nebraska 4-H is seeking facilitators for this year's Ag Innovators Experience, Protect the Plate. Application dead-line for Local Teen Facilitators has been extended to Jan. 15, 2025. More information and applications are available at 4h.unl.edu/ag-innovators-experience.

Jackson Elementary School

Dec. 23-Jan. 3 – Christmas Break Return to School - Monday, Jan.

Cards of recovery

Donnie Hogh is recovering in Regency Square and has agreed to share his contact information. Cards can be sent to Donnie c/o Regency Square, Room 404, 3501 Dakota Avenue, South Sioux City, Neb., 68776.

Indoor pickleball is back

Pickleball is back in Jackson Elementary School from 6 -8 p.m. Pickleball is open to the public. Beginners, experts and everyone in

The Legion and Auxiliary recently celebrated with a Christmas Party. Pictured are Brenda McKinney, Auxiliary member Julie Rasmussen and Legion member Don McKinney and Auxiliary member Donna Hassler at the Christmas Party. Bingo was played, gifts exchanged, plenty of snacks and socializing. Fun time had by all. between are welcome to come play.

ment is available. Pickleball will run every Monday until further notice.

Book Club

December book is "The Ghost at the Table" by Suzanne Berne. The December meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 17 at Diane Sullivan's. The big book for this year is "Don Quixote" by Miguel de Cervantes and will be discussed at the January meeting.

Hours of Operation

Bank of Dixon County - Monday through Thursday, drive-through 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Lobby is open 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.

Lunch Box - Tuesday through Saturday

(PHOTO BY LAURA SULLIVAN)

Company - Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. United States Postal Services

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Pump and Pantry - Daily 4:30 a.m.-10

Bridal Sweet - by appointment

Jackson Public Library open Mondays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. St. Patrick's — Sunday 9:15a.m. services

No appointment necessary. Call 632-2011 for appointments.

Palermo Italian Cuisine and Bar -Monday closed, Tuesday through Thursday

Emerson News

By Lulene Sebade

Belt open house Saturday

The family of Rachel Belt is hosting an open house in honor of her 90th birthday on Saturday, Dec. 21 from 1-4 p.m., at Sacred Heart gym in Emerson.

Spelling Bee winners

Winners of the Emerson-Hubbard Elementary school spelling bee

Grade 5 — 1st, Inga Speiser;

2nd, Joey Messerschmidt; 3rd, Finn the Winter Concert, MAP growth,

Grade 4 — 1st, Ben Albrecht; 2nd, Elizabeth Hooker and Sawyer Krause; 3rd, Miles Beacom.

Grade 3 — 1st, Jack Fichter; 2nd, Taryn Albrecht, Yissel Ramos and Max Schram; 3rd, Cooper Victor and Carmen Sansouci.

Grade 2 — 1st, Marshall Krause; 2nd, Blake Mueller; 3rd, Sebastian Herrera.

Grade 1 — 1st, Evelyn Albrecht; 2nd, Ayvan Delgado and Avery Mathis; 3rd, James Bruggeman.

School Board meeting

The Emerson-Hubbard School Board met on Dec. 10. Members in attendance were Scott Albrecht, Tricia Belt, Joani Franzluebbers and Bill Shanks. Absent were Kip Ahlers and Luke Morgan.

It was moved and approved Policy 3132 on Internal Controls. It was also moved to approve the Option Enrollment for Dillon Fackler to Ponca. The motion failed. Board member Scott Albrecht voted yes. The following board members voted no: Tricia Belt, Joani Franzluebbers

and Bill Shanks. Elementary Principal Dustin Nielsen reported elementary enroll-

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Monday through Friday 12-4p.m., Saturday

Morrow's House Moving - 402-632-4555 - for estimates and appointments.

MC Salon - Men's day every Thursday.

4-9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 4-10 p.m.

Spelling Bee and Student Council.

MS/HS Principal Chris Blohm reported middle school enrollment is 40 and high school is 69. He discussed sports activities, Quiz Bowl, One Act, and the state Principal Conference. He also discussed celebrations for Mick Duncan, Barb Stewart, Dawn Oswald, Sandy Ahlers and

Willa Saltzman. Superintendent Dale Martin reported on Financial Literacy Report. Budget update and Transportation update as well as the NASB Confer-

Blessing boxes need filled

Please help fill the box! There are non-food item boxes at the First Nebraska Bank and the Emerson Village office. These are blessing boxes and the needs are body wash, lotion, shampoo/conditioner, lip balm, deodorant, Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels or gift cards for the food pantry use.

Christmas program Sunday

St. Luke/St Paul's Lutheran Church Sunday school Christmas program will be held during the 9 a.m. worship on Sunday, Dec. 22 at ment is 101. He also reported on St. Luke Lutheran Church.

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