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Nonprofit summit

The 2025 Siouxland Nonprofit Summit will be held Thursday from 7:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m. at the South Sioux City Marriott Riverfront.

The summit was started by a group of non-profit CEO's dedicated to fostering the education and advancement of non-profits within the Siouxland community.

Chamber Coffee Friday

Friday's Chamber Coffee will be hosted by the Siouxland Growth Organization. The meeting will be held at the Fire Department's Memorial Hall building at 215 West 16th St.

Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m., with the program beginning at 10 a.m.

Sister Act at SSC

The South Sioux City High School drama department is bringing the hit musical Sister Act to the stage on March 13-15, at 7 p.m. at the SSC Middle School Auditorium.

Based on the beloved 1992 film, this feel-good production features original music by Tony and eight-time Oscar winner Alan Menken (Newsies, Beauty and the Beast, Little Shop of Horrors).

Tickets are available at the door for adults at \$10 and students at \$5.

County Board will meet

The Dakota County Board of Commissioners will meet on Monday, March 17 at 3 p.m. in the Dakota County Courthouse.

An agenda is available at dakotacounty.ne.gov.

St. Paul spaghetti feed

St. Paul Methodist Church will have its annual spaghetti feed on Saturday, March 22 from 4:30-7 p.m. at the church, located at 2003 A Street.

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Board says yes to \$127M bond vote

A \$127 million bond issue will be decided this spring by taxpayers in the South Sioux City Community Schools district.

The district Board of Education voted unanimously late Tuesday afternoon to accept a Cardinal Vision proposal that the school superintendent said is a "pivotal moment" in the community's history.

The proposal, one of four considered by community members at the end of a six-month effort to educate the community on aging buildings and overcrowding issues in the school district, comes at what Dr. Rony Ortega calls a key period in the community's history.

"There is always opposition to a tax increase, but this is our best time to change the trajectory of our community," Dr. Ortega told the Star. "It has been a half-year leading up to this. The board has been involved with this from the beginning and were well-informed. They did their due diligence and we were

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— Dr. Rony Ortega
SSC Schools superintendent

residents an extra \$40 a month, based on a \$200,000 home, over the next 25 years.

Lance Swanson, the school's foundation director, told the Dakota County Star that the district's tax asking on this project comes at a time where the district is not currently paying off any previous bond issue.

"We have been bond-free and the board has lowered the district's levy each of the last two years," he said. "We have been transparent with the community on this, and the problems aren't going to go away and would cost more down the road."

If approved by taxpayers later this spring, the \$127 million bond issue would include the following:

- building a new 5/6 Intermediate center,
- building a new K-4 building that would replace the district's two oldest buildings at Covington and Lewis & Clark Elementary,
- building a new Pre-K building that would replace EN Swett Elementary,

- develop a Career Pathways program,
- address capacity issues at the district's other elementary schools,
- make security and accessibility improvements at all building,
- update learning and classrooms district-wide,
- address middle school infrastructure issues,
- address commons and gym capacity at Dakota City Elementary.

The Cardinal Vision program's purpose, from the beginning, was aimed at addressing the aging buildings within the district. The average age of the district's eight buildings is well over the national average of 49 years, with Covington (101) and Dakota City Elementary (77) well past that age. Lewis & Clark and E.N. Swett Elementary are both 64 years of age, and the high school is 56 years old. Only the middle school (49), district of-

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THREE CHEERS FOR LADY KNIGHTS



(PHOTO BY MICHAEL CARNES)

The Homer student section were cheering in full force Thursday as the Lady Knights battled Oakland-Craig in the first round of the Class C-2 Girls State Basketball Championships in Lincoln. Story on Page 1B

SSCPD to offer lateral entry to future applicants

By MICHAEL CARNES
Star Publisher

Experienced members of law enforcement who join the South Sioux City Police Department will be able to parlay some of their experience into an employment opportunity.

At Monday's meeting the City Council approved a request by Chief Ed Mahon to offer lateral entry to Nebraska-certified law enforcement officers who are hired to the city's police department, which would allow incoming officers to start at a level where they won't lose benefits accrued during previous employment.

If a certified officer comes in with five years of experience with another department, that office could come in at a Master Patrolman pay level that would allow for him to receive the same level of vacation time as someone with a similar amount of experience within the department.

"They could be hired and come in as a Nebraska-certified law enforcement officer and wouldn't

have to start at the bottom," Mahon explained. The local Civil Service Commission would be able to take previous testing of that applicant into account, which would save that individual from having to re-take tests that are required by those who are new to the profession.

Mahon said that allowing for lateral entry would open the door for more qualified applicants to any openings within the South Sioux City Police Department. Mahon said the department currently has two openings that it is looking to fill.

The Council approved the request on a 6-0 vote, with Councilmen Dan Bousquet and Randy Meyer absent.

The Council also heard from economic development director Oscar Gomez on the city recently being granted Inland Port Authority certification by the State of Nebraska.

Gomez showed an area around South Sioux that will be part of the designation, including land to the

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47th Joint Meeting showcases teamwork

By MICHAEL CARNES
Star Publisher

Monday's 47th edition of the Joint Meeting of Dakota County showcased a lot of positive movement throughout the county.

More than 50 school, city and county representatives enjoyed a nearly two-hour meeting, hosted by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, that was full of positives at all levels with many references to the spirit of cooperation between the various tax-supported entities within the county.

Many of those who spoke on behalf of their respective entities pointed to the cooperative nature that the Joint Meeting has been based on as the reason why so many positive things are happening within the county.

"They come to a lot of our calls and help out, and that's kind of the reason behind this meeting," South Sioux City Mayor Rod Koch said, referring to the relationship between the fire departments of South Sioux City and neighboring Dakota City. "When one benefits, we all benefit."

New Homer Community Schools superintendent Joey Lefdal said he was impressed by the camaraderie shown between the various entities.

"Getting people to work together really matters," he said. "I've had a number of conversations with Rony (SSC Schools superintendent Dr. Rony Ortega) on what we can share together, and that's great to see."

Northeast Community College president Dr. Leah Barrett, whose first Joint Meeting came shortly after hiring in the winter of 2020 — and shortly before the Covid pandemic started — said it was great to see the level of cooperation between people in Dakota County.

"The collaboration that exists in this community is real, and the number of examples that we have here are amazing," she said.

One of the highlights from Monday's annual meeting was the presentation of the Volunteer of the Year award, which was presented to Pat Moore, who has served on the Dakota City Fire



(PHOTO BY MICHAEL CARNES)

A crowd of about 50 local, school and county representatives gathered for the 47th annual Joint Meeting Monday night at the Knights of Columbus Hall in South Sioux City.

Department for 45 years.

Moore has long history of involvement in the Dakota City department and as a past president of the Nebraska Volunteer Fireman's Association. He is a current member of the Nebraska Firefighter's Museum board, and last year was one of the fire department's volunteers who answered on 355 of 410 calls.

Here is a breakdown of some of the highlights from those who presented during Monday's meeting:

Dakota County

County Board of Commissioners chair Martin Hohenstein compared the county leadership to

that of a college football team, calling County Clerk and board secretary Cherie Conley the "quarterback" for her ability to keep the county board organized.

Hohenstein said he and fell board member Brian VanBerkum, as the holdovers from the most recent election, were the returning starters with newcomers Jeff Reed and Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos as the incoming freshmen and recent addition Rick Bousquet as an acquisition through the transfer portal. He was elected after serving the past four years on the City Council of South Sioux City.

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BELIEVER & ACHIEVER



(PHOTO BY LANCE SWANSON)

South Sioux City senior Melusi Kalubi Ngeleka was recognize as an NSAA Believer & Achiever during an awards ceremony at the Nebraska Girls State Basketball Tournament on Saturday at Lincoln's Pinnacle Bank Arena. This prestigious program celebrates Nebraska's future leaders, recognizing high school seniors who exemplify excellence in academics, leadership, and community involvement. Ngeleka's outstanding achievements have earned a place among the 45 statewide honorees, showcasing the very best of what Nebraska students have to offer. Eight of the 45 honorees will receive \$500 scholarships at a banquet in April 2025.

JOINT MEETING: City, county, school officials gather for 47th annual meeting

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Hohenstein went over some of the recent events that happened within the county, including the addition of a long-overdue handicap access on the north side of the county courthouse, paving of Likuwanta Avenue, and the purchase of equipment for the sheriff's department to assist with drug-related issues.

He also mentioned that the county's process for determining its budget is likely to see some changes, pending decisions in the process by the Nebraska Legislature.

"The way our budget is done is being discussed in the Legislature," he said. "It looks like ours will be changed, so we'll see how that comes along and hopefully it's good for everybody."

Dakota City

City Councilman Tyler Lane spoke in place of Mayor Jerry Yacevich, who was one of several Dakota City representatives at the meeting who had to leave to answer a fire call. The city has completed construction of a \$1.1 million drinking water well, highlighting some of that city's accomplishments from the past 12 months. Also noted was bringing fiber-optic cable to town and the wastewater treatment plant.

The city survived last summer's flooding with the help of a lot of volunteers who filled sandbags from one of the only sand filling stations in the area along the flood route. More than 50 tons of sand was used to fill thousands of sandbags that were delivered to residents along the river.

Some of the goals for the coming year for the city include a plan for North 14th Street in front of the Tyson plant, completing Pine Street along the railroad and continuing to build relationships to attract more industry to the area.

South Sioux City

Mayor Rod Koch highlighted the city's fire department, which added three more paramedics to its roster this past year.

The city is one of five in the state that have received Port Authority designations that will be a great asset to the city and county in coming years.

Koch said the city is working with the South Sioux City Community Schools in its effort to get a \$127 million bond issue passed to help the school with its infrastructure needs.

"Schools are so important to a community," he said. "They help you have a quality workforce and draw business to the community, and we'll work with the schools on land acquisition."

Several recent business expansion projects were noted among last year's accomplishments, and plans for developing more housing subdivisions are on the city's wish list for 2025.

Village of Jackson

Mayor Stephanie Hirsch said the city made several infrastructure improvements in the last year, including a second well to provide backup to better serve the residents of the north central Dakota County village. The city also focused on park improvements, including a walking trail, converting tennis courts to pickleball courts, and rebuilding the community's ball field.

Safety is the main focus for the coming year in Jackson, Hirsch said, along with the purchase of land to provide for a one-way drive at the city's post office.

Village of Emerson

Mayor Mark Graf said the southwestern village finished up a huge water project that included a new water treatment plant, replacing one of the city's wells, painting the water tower and replacing valves in the streets. That project is ongoing and expected to finish in the next few months.

Upcoming plans include the renovation of the village's swimming pool, replacing the baby pool with a splash pad, as well as a downtown revitalization project and a solar power project to help with high electricity loads in the summer months.

SSC Schools

Superintendent Dr. Rony Ortega discussed the Cardinal Vision effort, noting that 73 percent of survey respondents said they were familiar with the project, "which is fantastic."

Ortega also mentioned the voting on the Cardinal Vision plan that was set for the school's Board of Education meeting the following evening.

Homer Schools

New superintendent Joey Lefdal said the school recently had a successful Rule 10 audit and is looking forward to future plans for the district.

"The first year you want to sit back and see what's working and not working, and then the second year you start focusing," he said, noting his past experience as superintendent at schools including Newcastle and Chase County.

Lefdal said the school will be focusing on kindness, drawing a page from South Sioux City's "Be Kind" initiative. He said he and the school board will be doing some strategic



(PHOTO BY MICHAEL CARNES)

Dakota County Board of Commissioners chair Martin Hoheinstein presents the Volunteer of the Year award to Pat Moore, a 45-year member of the Dakota City Fire Department, during Monday's Joint Meeting.

planning to see how they can best optimize teaching in the district.

Wayne State College

College president Dr. Marysz Rames said the school is working on several programs to address teaching shortages in the area, and is also working with the University of Nebraska Medical Center to open up opportunities for students to get involved in rural nursing efforts.

Behavioral health has also become an issue, and the college is also expanding its counseling program.

Northeast Comm. College

College president Dr. Leah Barrett touted the college's recent opening of its commercial driving and welding facilities west of the College Center in South Sioux City and noted the college's connections with South Sioux City and providing a college navigator to help families with their kids' college pursuits.

SIMPCO

Executive director Michelle Bostinelos noted several Dakota County-related efforts The Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council has been involved with, including assisting the village of Emerson with a CDBG grant to help with its downtown revitalization program, and grant research for the village of Hubbard for its community center.

Brian Pearson, representing the Siouxland Regional Transit System, said that they had seen a 40 percent increase in use of the SRTS busing program that provides transportation to people in Dakota County who need to make trips to Sioux City. More than 4,000 trips were made last year, and efforts are being made to

increase the number of drivers and vehicles that will be available.

YMCA

Associate executive director Lannay Larson said the Norm Waitt Sr. YMCA in South Sioux City is close to opening up its Early Learning Youth Development Center. Ground was turned on the \$5 million project last May and a ribbon cutting is set for April 25. She said the project is still about \$890,000 short of its fundraising goal and officials are working to raise those dollars.

The YMCA is opening up camp registrations in Dakota Valley and Sergeant Bluff, with a fall camp to be added at Elk Point-Jefferson. The YMCA is also bringing an NFL Flag Football league to the Siouxland region that will be open to kids in grades K-4, with a summer league for kids in grades 5-8 also planned.

Heartland Counseling

CEO Jennifer Jackson said the county contributes \$43,000 to Heartland Counseling Services and gets a \$4.5 million return in its investment each year.

HCS works with several entities in the county, including the Dakota County Sheriff's Office and the South Sioux City and Emerson-Hubbard school districts. They plan on beginning work in the Ponca district, including the Jackson Elementary School, beginning next school year.

Heartland currently has 80 staff members and will be adding another 45 in the next few years. They cover a 24-county region in northeast and north central Nebraska and will be working on a new crisis stabilization and detox clinic that will be built in South Sioux City.

BOND ISSUE: Special election on \$127 million plan to be held May 13

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office (46) and Cardinal and Harney elementaries (31) are under the national average.

"When we launched Cardinal Vision, we aimed to address our aging and crowded facilities. Those were the root issues we shared with the community," Ortega said. "We are just excited that the community agreed that those were the issues to

be resolved.

The bond issue not only addresses the building concerns, but addresses security and accessibility issues across the district. Each of the district's buildings will see some sort of improvement if the bond issue is approved by voters this spring.

Dr. Ortega said that the district will be looking at a mail-in ballot on Tuesday, May 13. The school filed the election request early Wednesday

morning with Dakota County Clerk Cherie Conley and must wait eight weeks from the filing date to hold the special election.

"We felt that with the nine precincts in the district, it would be a more efficient opportunity to give everybody a chance to exercise their right to vote," he said. "There has been a ton of discussion about it and 73 percent of the voters have said they are familiar with the Cardinal

Vision plan."

Dr. Ortega encouraged district residents to contact the school and arrange a tour of the facilities to get a first-hand look at what the bond issue will cover before making their decision.

"This is one of those pivotal moments in a community's history, and I would encourage people to ask questions and tour our schools and get the facts from the district," he said.

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south of I-129 that will include a proposed casino and horse race track, as well as space to the south and west of Roth Industrial Park that could house future industrial development.

Gomez said the city is working with Olsson and Associates on the

project, which may include expansion of the road east of Emperical and possible extension of Pine Street all the way to Highway 77.

Gomez said that once the plan is completed, it will be presented to the City Council for discussion and future approval.

In other action, the Council:

— honored city library staffer Dan Niemann on 25 years of service to the city. Library staff also updated the city on the upcoming Summer Reading Program and some future fundraising efforts.

— approved the final payment of \$35,420 for sports lighting at the Riverview Sports Complex.

— approved a \$1,680 payment to CMBA Architects for library renovation plans.

— approved a \$26,922 purchase of

a pickup for the parks and rec department.

— approved an agreement on the 39th Street Quiet Zone project.

— updated civil service merit systems rules.

— approved a memorandum of understanding between the police department and Heartland Counseling Services.

The City Council's next meeting is Monday, March 24 at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

Northeast Nebraska Senior Center Menu

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Friday, March 14 — Grilled cheese, tomato soup, cottage cheese, pears, broccoli
Monday, March 17 — Salad Day: tuna salad, 5-bean salad, veggie pasta salad, tomato juice, crackers
Tuesday, March 18 — Hamburger casserole, peas, lettuce salad, pears
Wednesday, March 19 — Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic break, lettuce salad, mandarin oranges

Hunter education course coming

The Knights of Columbus of South Sioux City will host a Hunter and Bowhunter Education Course beginning Monday, March 17.

The course will be held on five dates — March 17, 19, 20, 24 and 25 (27th if needed) from 6-9 p.m. and is sponsored by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

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Public hearing on hiring local workers

On Feb. 25, a public hearing was held on my bill, LB 502, by the Legislature's Agriculture Committee. LB 502 is a bill to put penalties into the Legislature's newly adopted state laws regarding the hiring of local workers first for doing detasseling and roguing work. State law currently requires seed corn producers to report to the Director of Agriculture prior to the planting season how many acres of seed corn they intend to plant, and at the end of the growing season, seed corn producers must report how many acres they actually planted as well as how many local workers and H2A migrant workers they hired for the purposes of detasseling and roguing.

Federal law already requires seed corn producers to seek out local workers first before hiring H2A migrant workers for doing farm labor contract work. Because the federal government has not been enforcing the federal laws, the Nebraska State Legislature took action last year and passed legislation requiring seed corn producers to report who they were hiring to detassel and rogue their seed corn crops. However, the original penalties written into the bill were removed with an amendment when the bill was debated on the floor of the Legislature. My bill seeks to reinstate the penalty by making it a Class IV misdemeanor for violating the state law, which amounts to a fine up to \$500.

Passing a law without a way to enforce it is meaningless. Such a law amounts to nothing more than virtue signalling or as I like to say it, it is "a shame on you law." As the law currently stands, seed corn producers

may violate the new state law without experiencing any consequences whatsoever for doing so, and that's just not right. Without facing some kind of a penalty, why should a seed corn producer comply with the law? Putting a penalty into the law provides incentive for complying with the law.

Nebraska needs my bill precisely because of what has been happening in the detasseling and roguing industry. Seed corn producers prefer hiring H2A migrant workers because they can work them longer hours, work them with fewer breaks, work them in harsh conditions, and get more bang for their buck. However, this practice has already resulted in one death in our state. In July 2018, 52-year-old, Cruz Urias Beltran, an H2A migrant worker engaged in detasseling work, was found dead in a cornfield in Hall County with an empty water bottle stuffed into his jeans pocket. The autopsy report concluded that Beltran's cause of death was heatstroke. State laws do a much better job of protecting local workers from such harsh working conditions, especially teenagers.

Farm labor contract companies who hire our local teenagers are quickly falling by the wayside. More

and more, the contracts are going to the companies that hire the H2A migrant workers. For example, each of these Nebraska farm labor contract companies, who used to hire local teenagers, have all gone out of business: Bart's Detasseling, Buresh Detasseling, J's Detasseling LLC, Jurens Detasseling Inc., Premier Detasseling LLC, P.S. Detasseling, Sanny Agri Labor Detasseing, and Shamrock Detasseling. Moreover, states where local teenagers no longer have the opportunity to engage in detasseling and roguing work include: Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, and Michigan. Nebraska is the last state that I know of where teenagers can still do detasseling and roguing work.

Detasselling and roguing are important rites of passage for many Nebraska teenagers. Detasselling and roguing promote workforce development among our younger citizens. Detasseling and roguing teach important workforce values such as hard work, punctuality, and attention to detail. In addition, detasseling and roguing provide opportunities for teens to learn the principles of teamwork and leadership. For these reasons, and more, I believe we need to protect these jobs for our Nebraska teenagers.

Legislative Report

State Sen. Glen Meyer
District 17



No leadership = no future for Democrats

Today's Democratic Party reminds me of a school with a teacher's strike. No class.

What a display of boorish, immature behavior members of the smoldering remains of the DNC put forth during last week's speech by President Trump. It was the kind of behavior more befitting of a rowdy bunch of middle school dimwits who have just been told they will have a substitute teacher in their homeroom for the rest of the school year.

I've seen better displays of decorum the last 15 minutes before last call at the local tavern than what the representatives of that sorry excuse of a political party showed last Tuesday evening. If I were one of their voters, I'd be asking myself exactly what kind of fresh hell I was seeing, and am I sure that is the candidate I want "representing" me in the decision-making halls of Congress?

I mean, where do we begin? From shouting during the speech to sitting on their hands while everyday Americans were honored by the current "leader of the free world," the behavior of those on the Loony Left side of the aisle was such an embarrassment that even longtime liberal strategist James Carville was disgusted.

"I think the country is in the greatest peril it's been in since I've been born. That's 80 years, 80 years ago, and I think that the foolishness of, I don't know, a cane, or auction paddles, I don't think that meets the moment," he said after the clown show.

This once-powerful political party has been on this collision course for quite some time now. Eight years ago, Democrats and their friends in Hollywood and the mainstream media laughed and guffawed when Trump first ran for the office. NOBODY — including this writer — gave Orange Julius a snowball's chance in Hell of winning the GOP primary, never mind the White House.

And then, when he DID pull it off, they spent the next four years ginning up any and every false document and baseless accusation they could think of — all of which have since been

Don't Get Me Started

By Michael J. Carnes
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proven as complete lies that should be worthy of prison time for those who were behind their creations.

They spent the four years they were in power in Washington telling one lie after another about the physical and mental acuity of Joe Biden. It was clear to anybody with a brain (which, evidently, excluded the entire Democratic party leadership and those in the media who covered it up) that Biden was not running the country and the idea that Kamala Harris had ANY leadership qualities worthy of the job was the most unintentionally-funny thing the party was trying to sell us heading into last fall's election.

And this party has gone out of its way to try and intimidate anyone and everyone who doesn't fall in step with their agenda. They liken Trump voters to morons, as was the case when Michigan's Democratic Senate seatholder Elissa Slotkin spoke on "The View" earlier this week, and anyone who dares speak ill of Sleepy Joe, Cackling Kamala or any of their stars in Washington are met with disdain, if not attempts to cancel them from society.

And now that their party was overwhelmingly beat down in last November's election, losing the White House and both houses of Congress in the process, all that's left is to dress up, paint silly words on the back of oversized ping-pong paddle and yell insults and expletives into any microphone they happen to walk in front of.

Genius.

This is the kind of behavior you expect to see during recess on a grade school playground. I've seen better

behaved kindergartners than some of the disrespectful dingbats that sat on the Democrat side of the aisle during last week's address.

"Yeah, but what about when Marjorie Taylor Green called Biden a liar in the middle of his speech," they will whine. "Remember when Joe Wilson shouted 'You lie!' in the middle of one of Obama's speeches? What about THEM???"

Equally reprehensible — but at the same time, did the entire GOP representation at those speeches bring paddles with smarmy sayings attached or dress up in T-shirts with slogans or walk out in the middle of those speeches? Did they do it long enough to get the House speaker to have them removed from the chamber? Why DIDN'T Nancy Pelosi have them removed when she had the chance? Did she lack the proverbial cajones to make the move the way Mike Johnson did when he ejected loony Texas Rep. Al Green after he started flapping his gums?

The Democratic Party is a ship with no rudder right now. It has no pull, no direction and nothing in the way of legitimate ideas to better America. Its chances of regaining either house, never mind winning back the White House, are about as good as winning the lottery without buying a ticket. Until they decide to stop acting like the whiny little crybaby brats they are and decide to do something meaningful to win voters back, they will continue getting the beatings at the ballot box that they truly deserve.

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Restoring strength and prosperity

Americans elected President Trump to secure the border, unleash American energy, and restore American strength. This week, the President addressed a joint meeting of Congress. He laid out a vision for restoring the American dream. The days of open borders, overregulation, and appeasement have ended. President Trump is delivering strong leadership to get our country back on track. I will do all I can to help President Trump deliver prosperity and keep Americans safe.

President Trump is fighting to secure the border. Our Border Patrol agents need more tools to stop drugs, crime, and illegal border crossings. The President made clear he will stand strong. His policies are already working. Last month saw the lowest number of illegal border crossings in recorded history. I also support dozens of Senate solutions to codify his policies in federal law.

President Trump laid out a vision for unleashing American energy. Our country is blessed with incredible natural resources. By cutting red tape and streamlining processes, we can unleash those resources. We can make America energy dominant. We can lower energy prices and deliver prosperity for families across the country. Those are my priorities as a member of the Environment and Public Works Committee.

The President also highlighted the work DOGE is doing to attack wasteful, fraudulent, and abusive federal spending. We did this when I was

Washington Report

US. Sen. Pete Ricketts
(R) Nebraska



Governor. We improved the level of services to Nebraskans while saving taxpayer dollars. It's refreshing to have a President who wants to do the same at the federal level. We need to bring both business sense and common sense to cut red tape and streamline the federal bureaucracy.

I'm a member of the Senate DOGE Caucus. Last week, I introduced the Improper Payments Transparency Act. The Government Accountability Office estimates that the federal government has made at least \$2.7 trillion in improper payments since 2003. My bipartisan bill will improve transparency and bring more accountability for this waste. I'll keep working to save taxpayer dollars and make government work better.

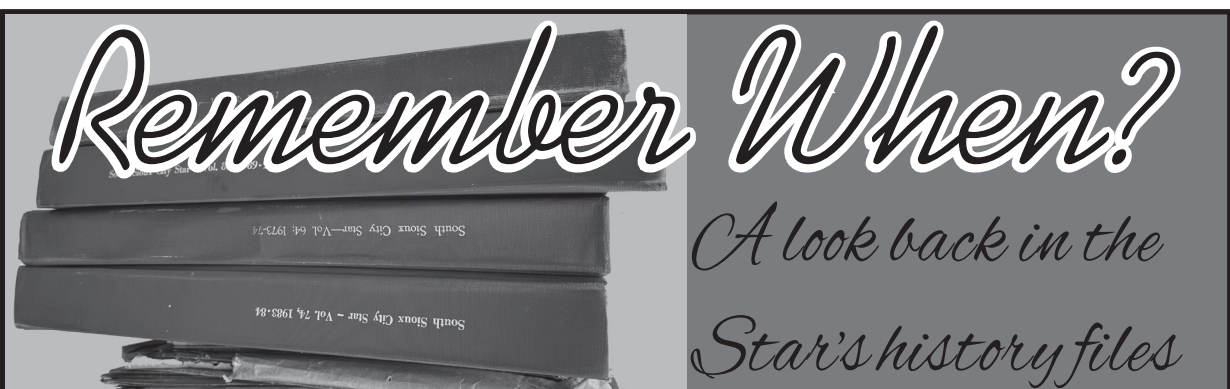
President Trump also spoke about restoring American strength on the world stage. Biden's appeasement-first foreign policy made Americans less safe. The shameful pullout from Afghanistan led to new wars in the Middle East and Europe. Now, President Trump's strong leadership is bringing the world closer to peace. Our enemies will no longer doubt

our resolve. I'm working to support those priorities on the Foreign Relations Committee. We must revitalize our military and keep Americans safe.

Lastly, we heard President Trump talk about extending his historic tax cuts. The Trump tax cuts brought prosperity to American families. I will work with the President and the administration to codify the Trump tax cuts so that all Americans can get ahead once again. We can restore the American dream.

The days of open borders, overregulation, appeasement are over, and not a moment too soon. President Trump's address to Congress was about restoring strength. That means restoring a strong border, a strong military, and a strong energy policy. I will continue doing all I can to support President Trump as he works toward those goals.

My team and I are here to serve you. Contact us anytime by phone at 202-224-4224. You can also view my website at www.ricketts.senate.gov/ contact.



20 YEARS AGO

MARCH 10, 2005

A Perfect 10

South Sioux City High School won its 10th girls basketball state championship Saturday night, a record in Nebraska. Players hoisting the hardware include Amber Estochen, Brooke Flynn, Brittini likes and Sara Gotch. The Lady Cardinals defeated Beatrice 57-45, in the Class B final at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. It's South Sioux City's sixth consecutive state championship since 2000.

30 YEARS AGO

MARCH 9, 1995

S.D. woman killed in Highway 35 crash

A woman was killed on Highway 35 when her 1995 Chevrolet Blazer burst into flames after being struck by a semi Thursday, March 2. According to Nebraska State Trooper Bill Fitzgerald, Rochelle Waters, 35, of Jefferson, S.D. had been west bound on Highway 35, 2 1/2 miles west of Dakota City when she turned onto the county road I Avenue. Then she backed up onto the shoulder crossed the highway into the path of a semi driven by Gorge Coens, 50, of Adrian, Minn. This is the third fa-

tality on this highway in the last six months, said Fitzgerald.

40 YEARS AGO

MARCH 14, 1985

Post Office honored

Bill Evans, superintendent of postal operations at the South Sioux City Post Office, holds a certificate of merit certifying that the local branch post office has attained a high level of efficiency and effectiveness in customer service operations by maintaining uniform procedures and processes Annie O. Adams is the postmaster in South Sioux City.

50 YEARS AGO

MARCH 13, 1975

Skinny-dipping leads to arrest of pair

Two area men are free on bond following an altercation at the municipal pool which later developed into a high-speed police chase down Dakota Avenue. Police Chief Gene Claxton reports that two subjects — Timothy Schwieger, 23, South Sioux and Louis Laudanskas, 24, Sioux City — were seen skinny-dipping in the deep end of the indoor pool by Pool Manager Dennis Moore. When they refused to leave, the two then began a

fight with Moore, and the police were summoned. Laudanskas was arrested at the indoor pool by Police Lt. John Sanders, but Schwieger ran to his car, Police Sergeant Larry Williams gave chase. The chase ended at the police station.

65 YEARS AGO

MARCH 16, 1960

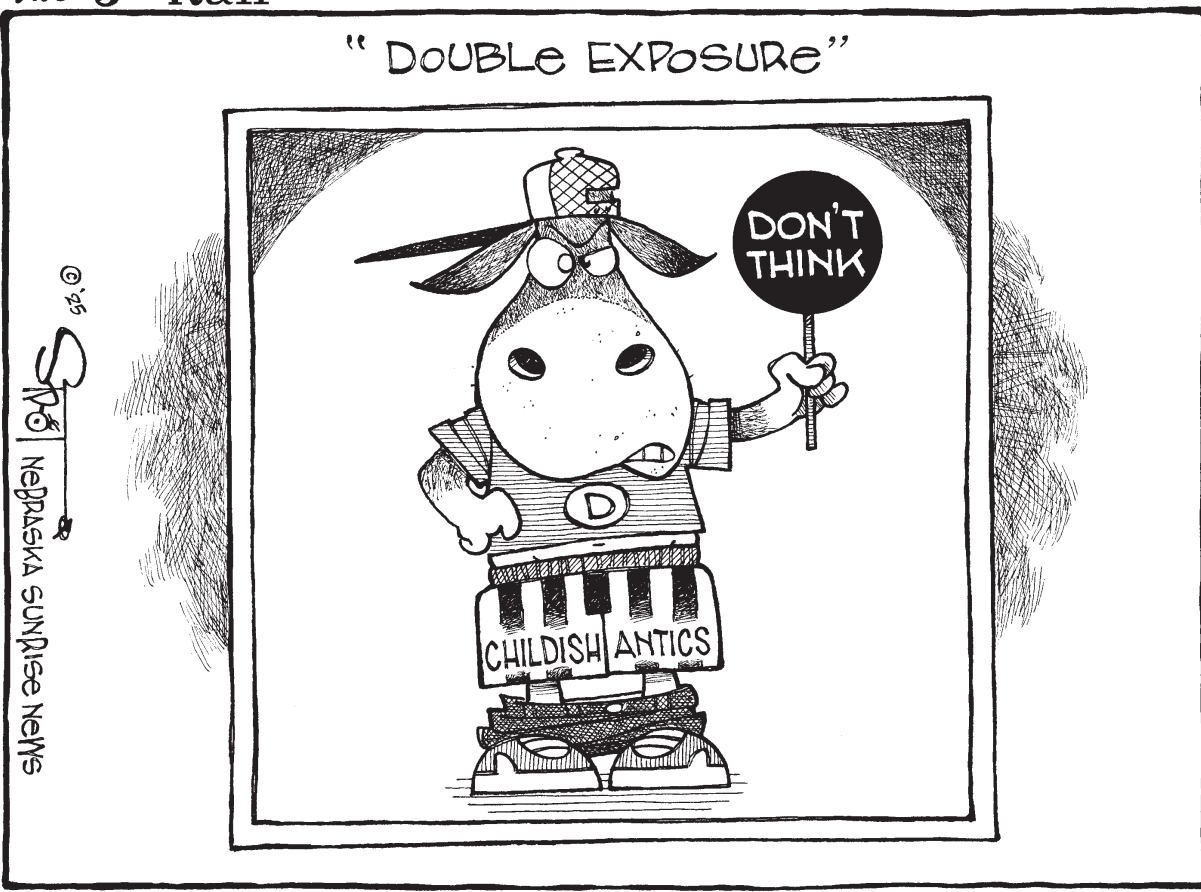
Authorize new Post Office building here

Congressman Larry Brock of Nebraska told the Star by telephone Tuesday that the post office department had authorized a new post office building for South Sioux City. Congressman Brock said he was informed by Assistant Postmaster Gen. John Broganbau that the post office would be located on the northeast corner of 23rd Street and Second Avenue, on property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Church of Homer. The option price on the site, which contains 11,616 square feet, is \$8,500. The new post office building will contain 2,435 square feet plus landing platform.

Snow closes area schools

A six-inch snowfall in the area caused most Northeast Nebraska schools to close Wednesday, including South Sioux City.

The 3rd Rail



Homer News

By Stacie Johnson



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Homer kids like the ice

The winter sports season just wrapped with great success for wrestlers and ball players in our community. But there are a handful of student athletes who choose the ice over mats and courts. We're talking about hockey!

Last year this space was dedicated to now-senior hockey player Spencer Elsea. This year we are taking a look at the younger generation of hockey lovers, and Homer boasts three boys in fourth, second, and first grade who call the ice home.

Dawson Martin, a fourth grader at Homer Community School, has been playing hockey for the Sioux City Junior Musketeers since he was five. "I went to a hockey game in Sioux City and I said to my mom, 'I want to play,'" Dawson said, and the rest is history.

The best part, the left winger said, was winning the championship a couple years ago. The hardest part? When coach encourages the team to "practice like we play." Dawson's team is made up of mostly kids from Sioux City and one boy from Ponca.

Joining Dawson on the hockey trail from Homer Elementary are second grader Scout Barclay and first grader Kinnick Tapper.

Kinnick says he loves hockey because he likes to skate and score goals, and he likes tournaments because then he can play multiple positions. Half the time, Kinnick plays goalie and half the time he "skates out," which makes it tricky travel with two full sets of equipment, his mom Ashley admits.

"We have a tote that just stays packed that goes with us to the hotel," Ashley explained. "It always includes Febreeze because hockey equipment stinks!"

Ashley has been a Sioux City Musketeers fan for years, so it's no wonder her son became interested in being a player himself.

"Kinnick has gone to hockey games since he was in the womb," Ashley shared, though he waited until the ripe old age of four to lace up, learning to skate using a skate trainer, a little like a walker on the ice, at the Learn to Skate program, with the help of Sioux City Musketeers.

The enthusiastic young man, who marks Alex Tracy -former Musketeer - as his favorite player, has made a lot of friends on the ice, practicing one to two times a week in season and playing games every weekend.

"I wish every weekend was tournament weekend," Kinnick expressed. Besides the excitement of the sport

itself, Kinnick has made a lot of friends. He'll talk your ear off if you ask him about his sport.

Mom Ashley knows the benefits for her son. "Hockey has definitely helped Kinnick with focus!" she said. "He has also made some great friendships with kids from all over."

The regular hockey recently ended, but that's not it for Kinnick. He starts his skills camp soon, and the end of March will start practices for his summer team (West Iowa Sabres). The ice never melts for hockey players around the country.

In search of food trucks

The 150th Anniversary Committee is also seeking food trucks to be a part of the grand celebration on Friday, June 27. Check with your favorite foodies and contact folks at homercelebration@gmail.com.

Fish on Friday

News from Homer Volunteer Fire Department:

"Congratulations to the Lady Knights on a fantastic basketball season! We couldn't be happier you blew up our fish fry plans. That being said, our first fish fry of Lent is this Friday!"

Bring your family and friends to the Homer Fire Hall from 5-7p.m., Friday, March 14. Adults eat for \$15, children for \$8, and youngsters age five and under eat free.

On the menu: pollock, catfish, chicken strips, fries, cole slaw and beans.

In fact, you'll be able to enjoy fish fries at the fire hall three weeks in a row with March 21 and March 28 also on the schedule.

Elementary dance Saturday

The weather in our parts has been nothing but a roller coaster lately, and one casualty of blizzard-like conditions was the Daddy-Daughter/Mother-Son Dance previously scheduled for Valentine's Day weekend.

This Saturday, elementary kids and their parents can make up for lost time from 4-6:30 p.m. at the school. Break out your dance shoes and have lots of fun.

Ballplayers needed

Deadline for softball and baseball registration has been extended to this Friday. Organizers from the Homer Community Club are looking for a couple more players for the girls' 8 and under (coach pitch) team as well

as 12 and under boys AND girls.

Please share with your friends who may have missed sign ups.

Contact Cori at 402-404-9722 or Sam 712-251-1316 with questions or to register.

Stews and Brews nears

Saturday, March 22 looks to be a festive day in Homer as the 150th Anniversary Celebration Committee presents Stews and Brews. With a lip sync battle, a soup competition and taste testing, and beer, what more could a villager want?

Last I heard, organizers were still in need of a few soup entries, so dip into your recipe boxes and find that winning bowl of yum. If cooking isn't your thing, but you'd like to help, donations are welcome. These can come in the form of event volunteers, money, supplies, and silent auction items. Contact homercelebration@gmail.com with questions.

April book club

A new book selection has been made in advance of the next Good Roots Book Club meeting scheduled for Monday, April 7 at 6 p.m.

Get your hands on a copy of Freida McFadden's story called The Boyfriend, a "dark story about obsession and the things we'll do for love." There's no need to sign up for the club, just read the book, show up on April 7 and enjoy good conversation and delicious drinks.

Kindergarten round-up

Kindergarten aged children and their parents are invited to meet the teacher and register for kindergarten in Homer on Friday, March 28.

To schedule your time, call or email Katie or Brittini at 402-698-2377 ext 111 or katiescott@homerknights.org or brittniolson@homerknights.org.

Preschool enrollment open

Homer Elementary School is taking names for 2025-2026 four-year-old preschool classes.

Children must be four years old by July 31 and fully potty trained to be eligible.

Preschool children at Homer enjoy play-based learning, outdoor play, and developmentally-appropriate curriculum in a Monday through Thursday (full day) week.

Please email office@homerknights.org or call Lynn and Hollie in the front office at 402-698-2377 ext 1 or ext 2.

to earn up to 10 books.

If the public is interested in helping students earn more books they may contribute to the cause. For more information please contact Mrs. Dawn Oswald at the elementary school.

Speech showcase March 18

Emerson-Hubbard and Allen speech students will have a Speech Showcase at the Allen school on Tuesday, March 18 at 7 p.m.

Coffee Hour coming

The Emerson coffee hour will be Wednesday, March 19th at the Iron Horse Casino at 10 a.m.

Jackson News

By Laura Sullivan

Sacred Heart all-class reunion

Sacred Heart School alumni are hosting an all-class reunion on Aug. 16. The reunion will be held in the old gym next to Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Emerson. This reunion is for anyone who attended school at Sacred Heart. Everyone is welcome, not just those who graduated from Sacred Heart. If you would like to see your former classmates RSVP to John Green at jwgreen48@gmail.com. There will be a catered meal so the organizers would like an estimate of those attending. The reunion is hosted by the Class of '66.

Rockin' Breakfast fundraiser

Join us for a rockin' breakfast featuring Joan O'Neill's cinnamon rolls at Providence Hall on April 13 at 10:45 a.m. Father Joyce and other local musicians will provide entertainment and delicious homemade cinnamon rolls will be available. This is a freewill donation to raise funds for the Widows' Retreat scheduled at Casa de Paz in Newcastle. There will also be themed gift baskets to be raffled. A retreat for widows is being organized for Northeast Nebraska on Friday, April 25 (evening) to Saturday, April 26. If you are interested in participating in or supporting this event, please contact Trudy Jepsen (712) 490-0950. The retreat will be hosted by Father Jim Kramper of Casa De Paz. Come on April 13 for good entertainment and socializing.

Jackson T-Ball sign-up

Time for T-ball! If you have a child going into kindergarten and up and want to play in Jackson, contact Laurel DeRoin at 712-212-1686. Let's play ball!

Dakota County HS

Mark your calendar for the Dakota County Historical Society meeting on Thursday, March 20 at 7 p.m. to cast your vote for board members. All members are encouraged to vote. Members must be present to vote.

Harty-McNally American Legion & Auxiliary News

The next meeting of Legion and Auxiliary will be on Thursday, March 13 at 7 p.m. The Legion will celebrate its 86th birthday. Post 175 was founded in 1939 and has stood as a pillar of support for veterans and our community. Our Auxiliary has judged the Americanism Essays written by 3rd through 6th-grade students at Ponca School. First-place winners have been sent to state for further judging. Poppy posters will be judged at our April meeting. District 3 Convention will be held on Saturday, March 15 at the VFW in Hartington. Registration will be at 8 a.m. There will be a \$5.00 registration fee. A light breakfast will be served and meetings begin at 8:30

a.m. Auxiliary will join the Legion at 11:30 a.m., for the Post Everlasting and Memorial Services. There will be no noon lunch. All Legion and Auxiliary members from District 3 are welcome to attend.

Willis 4-H Feeders

The Willis 4-H Feeders are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 23 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. The breakfast will be held at the Harty-McNally Legion Hall in Jackson. This is a freewill donation. There will be a back sale and raffle baskets.

St. Patrick's

Religious education is on Wednesday nights from 7-8 p.m. St. Patrick's Parish has an education endowment fund to help parishioners send their children to Catholic Schools. Contact Laura Sullivan 402-632-4080 for

more information.

Jackson Elementary School

Mondays – One hour late start for teacher in service
March 13-14 – No School – Spring Break

Pre-School Enrollment – April 3, 6-7 p.m. at Jackson Public School
Jackson Elementary School lunch menu for the week March 17-21:

Monday – Turkey, ham and cheese hoagie, carrots and ranch dip, pickle, fruit

Tuesday – Corn dog, baked beans, pickle, fruit

Wednesday – Goulash, green beans, bread and butter, cheese stick, fruit

Thursday – Chicken taco, corn, lettuce, jello, fruit

Friday – Pancakes, hashbrowns, yogurt, fruit

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Emerson News

By Lulene Sebade

Fire Department banquet

The Emerson Fire Department will have their annual banquet the last Saturday in March. They have sent raffle tickets to area residents for a color TV with a remote and \$150 as prizes. Residents are asked to return your signed tickets with your donation. The drawing will be held at the Fireman's banquet.

Your donation will help keep the equipment updated and allow the Fire department to purchase equipment for the fire and rescue needs.

Elementary registration

Emerson-Hubbard Elementary will have the district registration and round-up on Friday, March 28

Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA
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Cody Allen Barnett Cain
Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of February, 2025, a petition was filed in the District Court of Dakota County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is for the change of the petitioner's name from, to Cody Allen Cain.
A hearing will be had on said petition before the Honorable Bryan C. Meismer, in courtroom no. 1, 1601 Broadway St. Dakota City, NE on the 15th day of April, 2025 at 1:00p.m., or as soon thereafter as will be convenient for the court and that unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, the petitioner's name will be changed from that of Cody Allen Barnett Cain to Cody Allen Cain.
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Thursday, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2025. - ZNEZ

at 2:30 p.m. This includes incoming preschool students and new kindergarten students who have not attended Emerson-Hubbard schools previously.

Wax Museum March 21

Emerson-Hubbard fifth graders will present a Living Wax Museum in the school cafeteria on Friday, March 21 at 2 p.m. The public is invited to learn about Historical figures.

Book Blast begins

Book Blast began this week at the E-H elementary school. Each student will be given a new age-appropriate book and will have the opportunity

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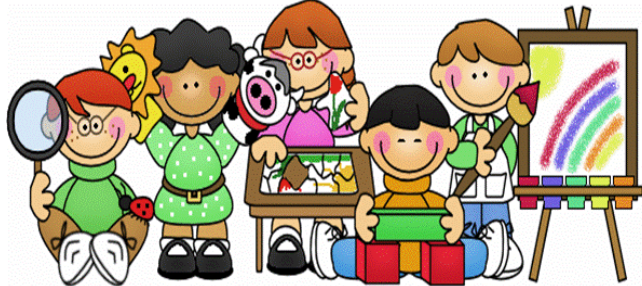


Bring your treasured preschooler to our Open House to register for next year and visit their new classroom! They will go on a scavenger hunt to discover their new school and the things they will be doing each day.

Thursday, April 3rd
6:00 pm at
Jackson Elementary

Preschool is for students who have turned 4 by July 31, 2025 and are potty trained. Also eligible for their first year of Preschool are students who have turned 5 after January 1, 2025. Shuttle bus transportation from the Ponca School is available.

I can't wait to share all the details with you!
Mrs. Woltman, teacher



Please call the school at 632-4276 to have your child placed on a list to ensure a spot. However, students will not be officially enrolled until we receive the completed registration forms and \$25.00 registration fee.

It is necessary to complete all of the enrollment forms and submit the registration fee in order to be on the official roster. Please bring a copy of your child's certified birth certificate and an updated immunization record.

Three-point barrage ends Homer's state run

By MICHAEL CARNES
Star Publisher

LINCOLN — The Homer girls basketball team got off to a fast start before their engine died.

The Lady Knights hit three of their first four 3-point shots in the first four minutes of Thursday's first-round battle with Oakland-Craig in the Class C-2 bracket at the Nebraska Girls State Basketball Championships.

Unfortunately, the hot start suffered a major freeze-up as the Homer girls went 3-for-30 from long range the rest of the way, allowing the opposing Lady Knights from Oakland-Craig to pull away with a 68-43 win to end Homer's state title hopes at the Devaney Sports Center.

Things were looking good early on for the sixth-seeded Homer girls, who were making their first state tournament appearance since 2014.

Two straight treys by senior Ali Albrecht put the Knights out to the early 9-8 lead with 4:59 to go in the opening stanza.

After that, the shots just wouldn't go in.

"It was our worst shooting of threes this year. We just couldn't get anything to fall," a disappointed coach Merlyn Tremayne said after the game. "When you get behind, then you have to shoot them and it's just tough."

Meanwhile, Oakland-Craig junior Sonya Guzinski was finding the range to her liking. She made a class record-tying seven triples and scored a game-high 25 points to help the orange-clad Lady Knights advance, eventually winning the state title with wins over Crofton (49-45) and Elkhorn Valley (51-46).

Despite the cold shooting from the perimeter, Homer was able to hang with the Lady Knights throughout the first quarter. Oakland-Craig got threes from Bailey Pelan and Adilen Rennerfeldt late to make it 20-11 after one quarter.

"It felt like we were right there with them early on, and then they hit a couple of threes late and we were down by nine, and if we could have hit some of our shots early it's a different game," Tremayne said.

"It wasn't like we were forcing up shots," he added. "We had some good looks and they were shots the girls have been making all year, but they just wouldn't go down."

Oakland-Craig began to pull away early int he second quarter, using a 13-1 run to build a 33-12 advantage before a three-point play by Natali Loofe ended a 9-0 run and Rylie Harris scored late to make it 33-17 at the break.

Homer scored the first two points of the second half on an Albrecht layup, but Oakland-Craig followed that with a 15-0 run of their own, keyed by back-to-back threes from Guzinski to make it a 48-19 game with 3:24 to go in the third. Homer would never get closer than 19 the rest of the way.

"We tried to come out and put more pressure on them and take some chances to try and create some opportunities," Tremayne said. "We got a few turnovers in there, but we were a little too far behind at that point."

Seniors Albrecht (14) and Harris (12) led the way for the Homer girls. Loofe added five points, Lilly Harris had four, Makenzee Waldee scored three, Tori Walker and Janessa Overgaard both had two points and Addison Ziska finished with one.

For the game, Homer finished 15-of-56 from the field (26.8 percent) and 6-of-33 (18.2) from beyond the arc, compared to 25-of-53 (47.2) and 10-of-23 (43.5) for Oakland-Craig.

Overgaard led Homer in rebounds with 10 and Rylie Harris had seven. Lilly Harris had three assists, Overgaard had two blocks and Tori Walker and Rylie Harris both had three steals.

The loss ended a fantastic 24-3 season for the Homer girls and Tremayne had nothing but good things to say about the three graduating seniors — Walker, Albrecht and Rylie Harris — as well as the team's effort this season.

"It was such a great season and really a coach's dream," Tremayne said. "The three seniors are not only good basketball players, but really good leaders. The younger girls in our youth program just adore them and they have been great role models to our younger players."

Oakland-Craig 68, Homer 43									
Homer	11	6	14	12	—	43			
Oak.-Cr.	20	13	23	12	—	68			
HOMER — Walker 2, Albrecht 14, Overgaard 2, L. Harris 4, R. Harris 12, Loofe 5, Waldee 3, Ziska 1.									
OAK-CRAIG — H. Ray 12, B. Ray 6, Rennerfeldt 17, Guzinski 25, Pelan 3, Thomsen 2, Magnusson 2, Ahrens 1.									



Homer senior Tori Walker beats an Oakland-Craig defender as she makes a move to the basket during Homer's 68-43 loss to Oakland-Craig in the first round of the Class C-2 Girls Basketball Championships in Lincoln.



Rylie Harris hit an early 3-point shot to get the Homer girls going in their first-round matchup against Oakland-Craig.



Macy VanSchoiack tries to box out for a rebound during the Lady Knights' loss to Oakland-Craig, who went on to win the Class C-2 state title.



Senior Ali Albrecht led the way for Homer with 14 points in their opening-round loss to Oakland-Craig.



Lilly Harris tries to get a shot off after she is fouled during the second half of Homer's matchup with Oakland-Craig.



Natali Loofe scores and gets fouled during Thursday's state tournament battle against Oakland-Craig.



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OBITUARIES

Sr. Katherine E. Heffernan, BVM, 101

Sr. Katherine E. Heffernan, BVM, 101, died Friday, Jan. 31, 2025, in Dubuque, Iowa. Born in Omaha on April 14, 1923, to John and Julie (Anheuser) Heffernan and raised in Hubbard, she graduated from Hubbard High School in 1941 with seven classmates and immediately pursued university studies by enrolling at St. Mary’s College in Omaha where the school awarded her a certificate in 1942. From there she enrolled at St. Louis University and graduated in 1946 with a major in sociology and a minor in economics.

In the 1950’s she worked for the Catholic Relief Services as the Director of Welfare for the United States Escapee Program and was stationed in Rome. In 1955, she had a private audience with Pope Pius XII during which a photographer took a picture of the two of them standing together. She always cherished that picture. After completing her work in Rome, she returned to U.S. to work as a case worker for Catholic Charities in St. Louis.

Her desire to reach out to the less fortunate and the faith foundation that she learned in Hubbard motivated her to enter the Sisters of the Good Shepherd on Sept. 8, 1958, and professed her first vows on April 5, 1961. During her 13 years as a Good Shepherd sister, she served in San Francisco, Tulsa and Chicago as a teacher and house mother to troubled girls whom the court sent to the sisters. As she reflected on her house mother experience, she said that was an opportunity to develop a greater insight and interest in people, especially, women. In 1973 she transferred her membership to the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (BVM) where she continued her outreach work.

In Chicago, Sister Katherine ministered as the director of social services at Fox River and London Memorial Hospitals and as director of clinical services at Barclay Hospital. She served as the district social worker for the Chicago Board of Education and clinical social worker and care manager of special education.

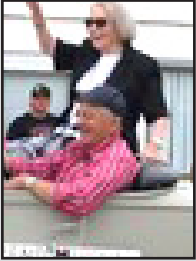
In retirement, she continued her active life. She served on the board for American Women for International Understanding and while in that role she

provided hospitality for grantees from Mongolia and India. She was a member of the Renaissance Society, which works to provide opportunities for underserved children. Her membership in Chicago Council for Global Affairs reflected her keen interest in international politics. In 2003 she was a delegate to Saudi Arabia. When they arrived at the airport, the hosts gave them a veil that they expected them to wear in public. That experience led to a greater understanding and acceptance of others in their particular cultures. She was also a member of the American Architectural Society, which helped her to better enjoy the Chicago architecture. Her volunteer work at her local parish and at a Catholic home for the mentally challenged strengthened her faith.

Throughout her long and varied career, she always remembered and cherished her roots in Hubbard. She periodically visited Hubbard where she strengthened old contacts and made new ones. She had a keen interest in Dakota County politics and was a faithful reader of the Dakota County Star. In commemoration of her 75th high school graduation, she was the grand marshal of the 2015 Hubbard Hoot Owl parade and the featured speaker at the banquet. The picture printed here was taken during the parade.

The Heffernan Family have a long presence in Hubbard and Dakota County. Her paternal grandfather, John Heffernan, came to Hubbard from Kilkenny, Ireland. He and others would go to Sioux City to find work and together with his colleagues built the first Catholic Church in Sioux City. His son, John Jr. and Sister Katherine’s father, owned grain elevators, including the one in Hubbard. John Heffernan Park in Hubbard is named after him and the Heffernan Family donated the Gaelic Cross at St. Mary’s Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Julie (the late William J.) Heffernan McGoogan. She is survived by her nieces Ellen (Robert) McGoogan Polk and Molly (Kevin) McGoogan Murphy, nephew, Matthew McGoogan (the late Mary), seven great nephews, one great niece and the Sisters of Charity, BVM, with whom she shared life for 52 years.



Heffernan

John (Jack) McCarthy, 89

John (Jack) McCarthy was born on Dec. 16, 1936, at the family farm in Randolph, to Daniel J. and Helen R. (Lamb) McCarthy. Jack was the sixth of 10 children. At the age of four, his family moved to a farm near Jackson, where he spent his childhood playing basketball, baseball, and football. He was an active member of the Dairy Island 4-H Club, showing dairy cattle at the Dakota County Fair and the Nebraska State Fair. Jack graduated from Jackson High School in 1955 and went on to attend Wayne State College.

Jack returned to Jackson to farm and, in 1959, joined the United States Air Force Reserves. He went on to serve in the National Guard, stationed in Sioux City, Iowa, with the 185th Tactical Squadron. He received his honorable discharge in 1965. Inspired by his love of attending cattle and farm sales, Jack graduated from the Reisch American School of Auctioneering in Mason City in 1960.

On Jan. 12, 1963, he married Madonna Hoelsing at St. Frances Church in Randolph, after meeting her at a dance at the West Randolph Ballroom. Together, they farmed east of Randolph, raising a herd of Holstein dairy cattle and growing corn, soybeans, and alfalfa. Jack and Madonna were blessed with five children: Corene, Monica, Patti, Jim, and Jackie. Jack instilled in his children the values of hard work, faith, and the rewards of farm life. He was their 4-H leader and mentor, always leading by example. A devout member of St. Frances Church, Jack served as a Minister of the Eucharist, sacristan, and rosary leader.

Jack and Madonna shared a love for travel, visiting destinations such as Hawaii, Alaska, Canada, Ireland, Italy, Australia, and New Zealand, along with many states across the U.S. Jack had a deep appreciation for working with livestock and loved attending dairy and cattle sales at the Norfolk Livestock Market and the Laurel Sale Barn.

In 2011, Jack and Madonna moved to State Center, Iowa, to be near their daughters. Jack embraced his love of the outdoors, restoring antique tractors, planting trees, and tending to his flowers. He cherished time with his family and grandchildren. While in State Center, he was an active member of St. Joseph’s

Catholic Church, where he led the rosary, served as a Minister of the Eucharist, and delivered Meals on Wheels. He was a proud member of the Rhodes American Legion Post 456 and the Mid-Iowa Antique Tractor Association of Marshall County.

Jack is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Madonna; son Jim (Amy) McCarthy of Port Allen, La.; daughters Corene (James) Baum of Rio Rancho, N.M., Monica (Alan) Edler, Patti (Eric) Edler, and Jackie Mora, all of State Center. He was a beloved grandfather to 14 grandchildren: Rachel, Lucas, Adele, Sophia, and Rhiannon Baum; Blake and Robin Edler; Jacob (Moriah) Edler; Carolyn (Stetson) Badje; Emmett Edler; Shawn McCarthy; and Joaquin, Fabian, and Max Mora. He was also blessed with two great-grandchildren, Taylee Mae Edler and Briggs Badje.

He is survived by his twin sisters, Alice Reeg and Ellen Livingston of Sioux City, Iowa; sister-in-law Marie Hoelsing of Lincoln; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. Jack was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel and Helen McCarthy; his parents-in-law, Robert and Mary Hoelsing; his granddaughter, Graciela Mora; his siblings Daniel (Marilyn) McCarthy, Thomas (Margaret) McCarthy, Ruth (Pat) Rooney, Marg (Vernon) Loutsch, Mary Rose (Sam) Morgan, Carol McCarthy, and Judy McCarthy; brothers-in-law Jerry Reeg, Charles Livingston, John T. Hoelsing, and Roger Walz; nephew Jack Rooney; and nieces Malinda McCarthy and Joan McCarthy.

Funeral services with military honors will begin with a visitation on Monday, March 10, from 4-6 p.m., followed by a Rosary at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in State Center, Iowa. A Funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11, at St. Joseph’s Church, with a funeral luncheon to follow. A Mass of Remembrance will be held at a later date at St. Patrick Church in Jack’s hometown of Jackson. The burial will take place at a later date. Mitchell Family Funeral Home has been entrusted to care for Jack and his family. Memorials may be directed to the family for a later designation. For more information or to send a condolence, please visit www.mitchellfh.com or call 641-844-1234.

Lovingly written by his family.



McCarthy

Getting ready for gardening season

With a wide variance across the state, we should all be at least a little bit grateful for some of the moisture that rolled through this last week. I’m not saying it has to make sense to anyone why we went from 60s, to 50s and rainy, to a mid-20s blizzard, but it’s something, right?

That being said, soil temperatures are still in the low- to mid-30s, but in a few short weeks you should be ready to get your early spring crops sown. This includes our greens, from traditional lettuce and spinach to a little more adventurous tatsoi, chard or arugula; carrots; beets; radishes; peas. These can be sown when soil temperatures are between 45 and 50 °F. Visit cropwatch.unl.edu/soil-temperature to keep up on statewide soil temperatures.

Finding space to sow each week will ensure a continuous harvest over a long period as the temperatures warm up. Greens and radishes are ready in as little as 25-40 days, so that can add up quickly if you think about getting started at the end of March or early April. You could be harvesting a new crop from the first weekend of May to the second weekend of June! Once mid-May hits, you could have peas, carrots and radishes to slice into those salads.

This is also an opportunity to experiment with intensive gardening. Whether you map out your garden each year or not, consider sowing these spring crops where you will be planting your warm season plants like tomatoes, peppers, zucchini, eggplant, tomatillo, etc. Most of our early crops are not heavy feeders, so will not deplete the soils they’re growing in before you get your heavy feeders into the ground. When it’s

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time to plant the midseason crops, put them either between the rows, or thin out your spring veggies and plant within the row, harvesting food to make room for more food! An added bonus of this strategy is decreasing competition from weeds – if you have an established cool season crop, they do a pretty good job of shading out and out competing some of those early warm season weeds. Plus, any trimmings from your harvest can be spread around as a mulch that gradually breaks down to feed the soil. I believe they call this situation a win-win-win. You can learn more about these types of gardening strategies at the GROBigRed YouTube channel

The Landscape

When it comes to the landscape, continue using slightly cooler temperatures to evaluate shrubs and trees and what you would like to prune out before the growing season gets underway and pests and disease begin to run rampant. Cut out older stems at the base in your shrubs to invigorate fresh, new growth and limit risk of infestation on older wood. Look at the branching of your trees to see if

there are any that are either growing inward, crossing or rubbing against other branches. These will only cause wounds and potentially fatal issues in the future. Vertical shoots called water sprouts are weak and should be removed. Spring-flowering shrubs that bloom on older growth can be pruned or thinned after flowering is done. Never take more than 1/3 of the overall plant to ensure enough energy to regrow in a strong and healthy manner. Dead or diseased growth should be removed immediately throughout the season to limit larger problems down the road.

Lastly, and more on this next time, wait until late April or even early May to fully clean up your landscape. Plant litter, old plant stems and accessible soil are critical nesting resources for our native pollinators and beneficial bugs. By removing plant material in the fall or before larvae/adults have emerged, we are depleting our landscapes of important pollination work as well as free pest control in the way of predatory insects and other bugs.

More questions? Reach out to me directly at ipeterson4@unl.edu, call 402-727-2775, or visit hles.unl.edu.

Kenneth Dale Irey, 77

Kenneth Dale Irey, 77, of Laurel, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 3, 2025, at Arbor Care Center in Hartington. The visitation will be on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, from 12-1 p.m. at Munderloh-Smith Funeral Home in Wakefield. The funeral service will be on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, starting at 1 p.m. at Munderloh-Smith Funeral Home in Wakefield. The burial will be in the Lyons City Cemetery in Lyons. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Arrangements are under the direction of Munderloh-Smith Funeral Home.



Irey

Kenneth was born on May 24, 1947, in Walthill, to Kenneth and Gertrude (Schrader) Irey. He graduated from Walthill High School in 1965 and attended Western Iowa Community College. Kenneth met his first wife and together the couple had three children, before they were divorced. He started his career working for Sioux Tools until the company went on strike. Shortly after, Kenneth became the owner and operator of J.D. Irey Trucking and ran a small fleet of trucks. On July 17, 1975, Kenneth married Juanita Pallas in Sioux City. In 1987, the family moved to Massachusetts where Kenneth started working for Jamesbury Company

as a software and machinist programmer. When the company sold to a Finland based company Kenneth traveled to Finland many times to help train them as the project manager. In 2003, they moved to Laurel, where Kenneth started Eastern Nebraska Computer.

Kenneth was a quick-witted guy with a dry sense of humor. He enjoyed tinkering around on projects and loved a good challenging project. In his spare time, he traveled to many car shows and car races. In the winter Kenneth liked traveling with his camper to Texas. Everywhere Kenneth traveled, it was a guarantee that he had his two dogs with him.

Kenneth is survived by his daughters, Robin (Robert) Jasa of Laurel, Nannette (Rod) Stettinichs of Sioux City, Iowa; sons, Alan (Sherry) Pallas of Laurel, William (Sue) Irey of Lenoir City, Tenn., Robert (Kelsey) Irey of Des Moines, Iowa; 14 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandson; and his two dogs, Cricket and Rosie.

Kenneth is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Juanita; sister, Roberta (Norman) Prue; infant sister, one great-great granddaughter.

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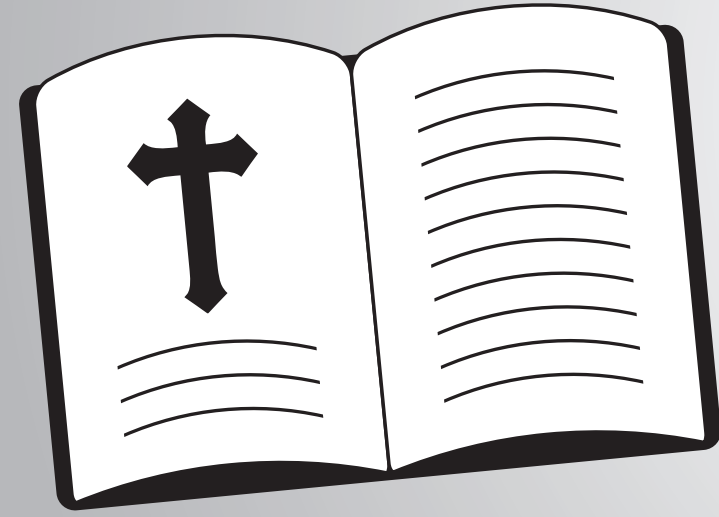
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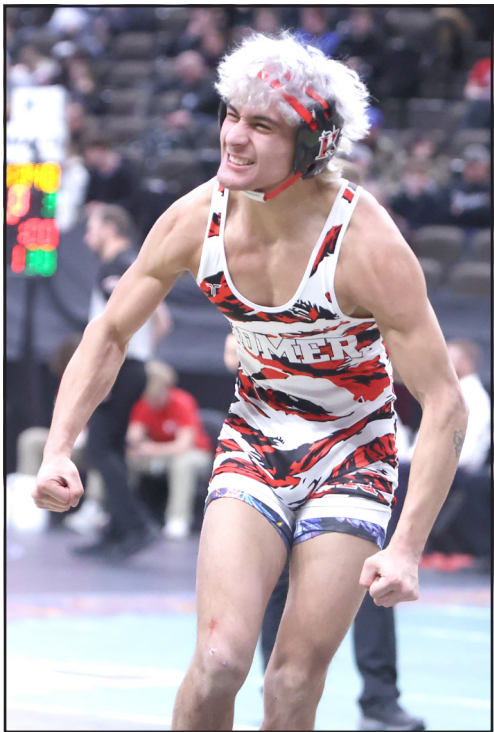
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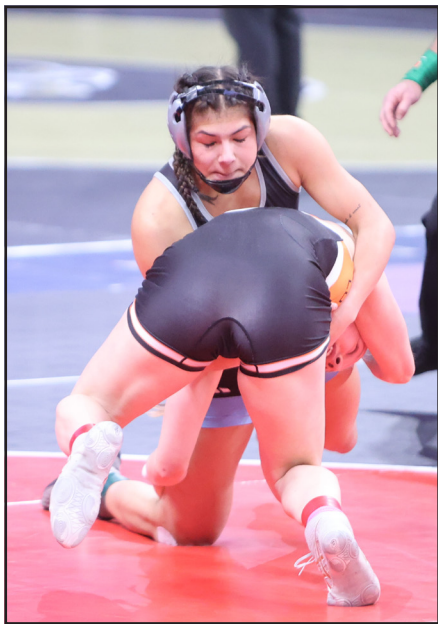
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Congratulations, Austin Pelster

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SOUTH SIOUX CITY
PLANNING COMMISSION
CONDITIONAL USE
PERMIT REQUEST
Residential Use in a
Commercial Zoning District
615 West 15th Street

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of South Sioux City will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 4:00 o'clock p.m. in the South Sioux City Council Chambers, 1615 1st Avenue. This meeting will be open to the public in the matter of a conditional use permit request to allow residential use in a commercial zoning district. The subject property is located at 615 W 15th Street, legally described as Lots 25 and 26 Block 5 Martins Addition.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Timberline Lift Station Rehabilitation
South Sioux City, NE
City of South Sioux City (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Timberline Lift Station Rehabilitation
South Sioux City, NE - 2025
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at South Sioux City, City Hall located at 1615 First Avenue, South Sioux City, NE 68776, until Thursday, April 3rd at 1:30 p.m. local time. At that time, the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.
The Project includes the following Work:

The project consists of rehabilitation of existing lift station including demolition, new wet well, valve vault, pumps, grinder, and force main connection.

A complete set of plans, specifications, contract documents and proposal form **MUST** be obtained from www.questcdn.com for a **fee of \$22** (nonrefundable). Once logged into the site, insert **eBidDoc project number 9551467** South Sioux City, NE, Timberline Lift Station Rehabilitation, South Sioux City, NE - 2025.

To submit a bid, all bidders must be registered on Sam.Gov.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

Olsson
1707 Dakota Avenue
South Sioux City, NE 68776

Questions regarding Bids shall be directed to

Scott Musselman,
Associate Technician,
at smusselman@olsson.com.

A pre-bid conference will not be held for this project.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders. The check(s) or bond(s) shall be made payable to Owner as security that the bidder(s) to whom the award(s) are made will enter into contract to build the improvements bid upon and furnish the required bonds and insurance.

The Owner reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to the Owner, and to reject any or all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of sixty days after the bids are open.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: City of
South Sioux City
By: Lance Hedquist,
Title: City Administrator
Date: Published in Dakota County Star Thursday, March 13, 20, and 27, 2025
Published in Pender Times, March 13, 20, and 27, 2025

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given by the **Omadi Drainage District Board of Directors** that an election to fill the position of one director, whose term will expire, will be held on **Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Dakota County Courthouse from 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.** Paul A. Tighe, the director whose term is expiring, is running for re-election to the Board. The candidate receiving the highest number of voting units shall be elected to a five-year term. The procedure for filing to be a candidate is that any person or officer or representative of any corporation owning or controlling any land assessed for benefits by Omadi Drainage District, who is capable of holding public office, may be a director. Any person desiring to be a candidate for said Board of Directors shall file the required papers with the Dakota County Clerk on or before March 31, 2025. Notice is given pursuant to and in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statute 31-409.02 R.R.S. 1943 (2014), as amended.

William B. Rohde
President
Board of Directors
Omadi Drainage District

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Bid Solicitation

Lime Sludge Removal and Cleanup

Sealed bids for Lime Sludge Removal and Cleanup. Bids should be sealed and marked "Water Plant Project Bid #25-1" must be received by the City Clerk at 1511 Broadway Street P.O. Box 482, Dakota City, NE 68731, no later than 4:00 p.m. on the 13th day of March 2025 and thereafter will be read aloud.

Bids will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.

Copies of the bidding documents are on file with the City of Dakota City, NE, 1511 Broadway Street, for examination by bidders.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF CUSTODY PROCEEDINGS
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA
Erika Julisa Munguia Alvarado Petitioner,
Case No. CI 25-34
vs.
Luis Joel Artiaga Respondent,

NOTICE OF CUSTODY PROCEEDING
TO: Luis Joel Artiaga, whose whereabouts are unknown, upon whom personal service of summons cannot be had and is the Respondent in said proceedings: You are notified that on March 7th, 2025, the Petitioner, Erika Julisa Munguia Alvarado filed a Complaint against you in the District Court of Dakota County, Nebraska, at case no. CI 25-34, the object of which is to obtain and determine custody of the minor children: Luis Fernando and Dulce Mariana.

You are required to answer said Complaint on or before April 26th, 2025, or said Complaint against you will be taken as true.

ERIKA JULISA MUNGUIA ALVARADO, PETITIONER

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED
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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, March 17, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.** at the Dakota County Courthouse, 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 Office.
Cherie Conley, County Clerk
Publish in the Dakota County Star Thursday, March 13, 2025-ZNEZ

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the City/County Law Enforcement Center (LEC) Board of South Sioux City/Dakota County will be held on 03/18/2025 at 5:00 P.M. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the L.E.C. at 701 W 29th St, South Sioux City, NE with entry through the north door, east side.
A current agenda is available for inspection at the City/County L.E.C.
Chief Edward Mahon,
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Legal Notice

CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Name of the limited liability company: **Shaizcar Rental LLC**
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Name of initial agent for service of process: Nuria M. Tobar
Street, mailing address and post office (if any) of the initial agent for service of process: 2311 Dakota Avenue, South Sioux City, NE 68776
Effective date if other than the date: filed 02/18/25
Nuria M. Tobar
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SECTION 00 10 00 — INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the construction of “**2023 Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion Project – Bid Package 3 for the City of South Sioux City, SRF Project No. D318077,” JEO Project No. 191093.01, QuestCDN No. 8833539, will be received by the Clerk at 1615 1st Ave, South Sioux City, NE 68776, until 2:00 PM on the 24th day of April 2025,** and thereafter will be read aloud.

The work is generally described as follows: Construction of a new suction lift station including building structure, self-priming pumps, odor control, influent grinder, electrical, controls, interior piping, and fittings. Satellite lift station improvements including wet well rehab, 16” pigging station, crane pedestal work, HVAC and electrical improvements, and pipe painting and modifications. Pipeline installation to include approximately 15,500 LF of 16” PVC Forcemain, 2,300 LF of 24” PVC Forcemain, 5,700 LF of 10” HDPE biogas transmission main, and 3,600 LF of 2” Fiber Optic Conduit. Installation methods to include both trenchless and open cut methods. Other ancillary gravity sewer, storm sewer, and lift station site improvements are also included.

Opinion of Probable Cost \$10,500,000

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on March 26, 2025 at 2:00 PM at City Hall, 1615 1st Ave, South Sioux City, NE 68776. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. A Site visit is scheduled following the pre-bid conference. Maps to the Site will be available at the pre-bid conference.

Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.

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

Copies of the contract documents are on file with the City of South Sioux City for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO’s website at jeo.com for \$30. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$150 per set. Please contact Lyndsey Kasl at lkasl@jeo.com or 402.474.8745 to coordinate your request and send your check to: 2000 Q St, Ste 500, Lincoln, NE 68503. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

The project is financed in whole or in part by the State Revolving Fund (SRF) and Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) programs.

Contractors and subcontractors on USEPA federally assisted construction projects are required to pay their laborers and mechanics wages not less than those established by the U.S. Department of Labor. A current wage decision containing the appropriate building and/or heavy type rates is included in the specifications for bidding purposes.

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Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President’s Executive Order No. 11246. Requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the specifications.

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

CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY
Rod Koch, Mayor

ATTEST: Nanci Walsh, Clerk

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Dakota County
Board of Equalization
Monday, March 3, 2025
2:45 p.m. Regular Meeting
County Board
Meeting 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

Vice Chair Van Berkum called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present: Van Berkum, Reed, Hohenstein, Rodriguez. Absent: Bousquet. Also present was Christy Abts, County Treasurer, Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley, County Clerk as Board Secretary. The Open Meetings Act location was noted for all citizens present.

Van Berkum “-” Reed to excuse Board Member Bousquet from the meeting. RCVUMC.

Hohenstein “-” Rodriguez to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2025 meeting. RCVUMC.

Rodriguez “-” Reed to approve Siouxland Mental Health Center’s request for a waiver of application by December 31st. RCVUMC.

Chair Van Berkum opened the Public Hearings for Applicants requesting Tax Exemption on Real and Personal Property by Qualifying Organizations at 2:49 p.m.

Chair Van Berkum called for any comments for Siouxland Mental Health Center. There was no one present. County Assessor Christy Abts, recommendation is to approve for the personal property only.

Chair Van Berkum called for any comments for Haven House Family Services Center. Debbie Goettsch, Director, was present and presented an overview of the services offered through their center. County Assessor, Christy Abts, recommendation is to approve.

Chair Van Berkum called for any comments for Nebraska Indian Com-

munity College. Mike Oltrogge, President, presented an overview of the expansion taking place and the educational opportunities being offered. County Assessor, Christy Abts, recommendation is to approve.

Chair Van Berkum called for any comments for Arbor-Fin Investment, LLC/Regency Square Propco LLC. There was none. County Assessor, Christy Abts, advised this is a new form for nursing homes and approves the application for 64.6%.

Chair Van Berkum called for any comments for Siouxland Tennis Association, Inc. County Assessor, Christy Abts, commented that County/City government do not qualify for this exemption. You cannot create your own category. Recommendation is to deny.

Chair Van Berkum closed the public hearings at 2:56 p.m.

Hohenstein “-” Reed to approve the 451 applications for tax exemption on Real and Personal Property for Siouxland Mental Health Center, Haven House Family Services Center, Nebraska Indian Community College, and 451NF for Arbor-Fin Investment, LLC / Regency Square Propco LLC.(64.6%). RCVUMC.

Hohenstein “-” Van Berkum to deny the 451 application for tax exemption on Real and Personal Property for Siouxland Tennis Association, Inc. as the City Government does not qualify for this exemption and they cannot create their own category. RCVUMC.

Reed “-” Rodriguez to approve the Referee Agreements with Innovative Appraisal Service, Inc. for Residential and Commercial properties and Helvig Agricultural Service Company for Ag properties. RCVUMC.

Van Berkum “-” Reed to adjourn the meeting. Chair Van Berkum adjourned the March 3, 2025 Board of Equalization meeting at 2:59 p.m.

County Board of Equalization
Brian Van Berkum, Chair
Cherie Conley, County Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

City of South Sioux City
South Sioux City, Nebraska
Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion

General Notice

City of South Sioux City (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the South Sioux City Hall located at 1615 1st Avenue, South Sioux City, NE 68776 , until April 24th at 2:00 PM local time. At that time the Bids received will be “publicly” opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

Expansion of the current wastewater treatment facility to accommodate domestic wastewater flows. Improvements include the addition of a new headworks building with fine screening and grit removal; addition of additional aerobic granular sludge influent pumps; addition of another train of four aerobic granular sludge tanks, blower building, pipe gallery; addition of a thickening and tertiary filter building; addition of additional ultraviolet disinfection modules; addition of biogas hydrogen sulfide scrubber system (pre-purchased); addition of a dewatering belt filter press and associated site/civil/mechanical/electrical/instrumentation/plumbing improvements.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be obtained at the following designated website:

<https://www.questcdn.com/eBidDoc/Project#9456482>

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a Bidding Documents holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a third-party plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with Addenda, lists of registered Bidding Documents holders, reports on the Site, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, Addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including Addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

Due to many changes in the federal laws specific to Municipal Government and Federal and State funding, it will now be required that beginning January 1, 2016, all entities who elect to submit sealed bids, proposals or quotes to the City must provide proof that they are not only registered with the Federal website www.sam.gov, but that they are also active in their system and eligible to participate in Municipally funded projects. It is strongly recommended all entities provide their UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) number to the City in their submissions as well and demonstrate compliance with the e-verification. Such proof must be provided and will be verified prior to any award of contract. Finally, all entities who submit must not appear on the debarred list under www.sam.gov in order to be eligible and considered. Debarment automatically results in ineligibility to participate in the selection process

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on March 26th at 2:00 PM at South Sioux City Hall 1651 1st Avenue, South Sioux City, NE 68776. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

DAVIS-BACON ACT WAGE DETERMINATIONS

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NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

“Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President’s Executive Order No. 11246. Requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the specifications.”

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

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AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS

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For more information on AIS, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement>.

Instructions to Bidders

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: South Sioux City
By: Nanci Walsh
Title: City Clerk
Date: March 13, 2025

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Legal Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY
SUBDIVISION REQUEST
Blom Addition

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of South Sioux City, will hold a public hearing on **Monday, March 24, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** in the South Sioux City Council Chambers located at 1615 1st Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska. This meeting will be open to the public in the matter of Blom Addition, a new residential two lot subdivision located south of 1463 Lake Avenue, and legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SW1/4 NW1/4 OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 88 NORTH, RANGE 47 WEST, IN DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NE CORNER OF SW1/4 NW1/4 IN SAID SECTION 7; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON AN ASSUMED BEARING OF S03°52'26"E (WITH ALL SUBSEQUENT BEARINGS REFERENCED THEREFROM) FOR A DISTANCE OF 700.60 FEET TO THE SE CORNER OF TRACT 3 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING S03°52'26"W ALONG SAID LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 433.98 FEET; THENCE S86°06'36"W FOR A DISTANCE OF 301.06 FEET; THENCE N03°53'20"W FOR A DISTANCE OF 433.98 FEET TO THE SW CORNER OF TRACT 3; THENCE N86°06'36"E ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF TRACT 3 FOR A DISTANCE OF 301.17 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE SW1/4NW1/4 AND THE POINT

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Legal Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
SOUTH SIOUX CITY
PLANNING COMMISSION
REZONING REQUEST
R2b Residential to
MU Mixed Use
1100 Arbor Drive

Notice is hereby given that the **Planning Commission of the City of South Sioux City will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.** in the South Sioux City Council Chambers, located at 1615 1st Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska. This meeting will be open to the public in the matter of rezoning 20 acres more or less, located at 1100 Arbor Drive, from R2b residential to MU Mixed Use, legally described as follows.

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SE1/4 NW1/4) AND PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2 OF SECTION TWENTY-TWO (22), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-NINE (29) NORTH, RANGE NINE (9) EAST OF THE 6TH P.M., CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SE1/4 NW1/4) OF SECTION 22, AND ASSUMING THE WEST LINE OF SAID SE1/4 NW1/4 TO HAVE A BEARING OF N 01°52'32"W; THENCE N 01°48'41"W, A DISTANCE OF 32.93 FEET TO A 3/4" REBAR W/PSC, SAID POINT BEING ON THE NORTH R.O.W. LINE OF 17TH STREET, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 01°52'38"W, AND ON SAID WEST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 867.28 FEET TO A 5/8" REBAR, SAID POINT BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 17, ARBOR ACRES 4TH FILING AND ALSO BEING ON THE SOUTHERLY R.O.W. LINE OF ARBOR DRIVE; THENCE N59°09'41"E, AND ON SAID SOUTHERLY R.O.W. LINE OF ARBOR DRIVE, A DISTANCE OF 72.04 FEET TO A 5/8" REBAR, SAID POINT BEING A POINT OF CURVATURE; THENCE AROUND A CURVE IN A CLOCKWISE DIRECTION, AND ON SAID SOUTHERLY R.O.W. LINE OF ARBOR DRIVE, HAVING A DELTA ANGLE OF 33°56'20", HAVING A RADIUS OF 760.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N75°53'41"E, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 443.63 FEET TO A 3/4" REBAR W/PSC #623; THENCE S87°23'48"E AND ON SAID SOUTH R.O.W. LINE OF ARBOR DRIVE, A DISTANCE OF 186.70 FEET TO A 3/4" REBAR W/ PSC #623, SAID POINT BEING A POINT OF CURVATURE; THEN AROUND A CURVE IN A COUNTER CLOCKWISE DIRECTION, AND ON SAID SOUTHERLY R.O.W. LINE OF ARBOR DRIVE, HAVING A DELTA ANGLE OF 19°44'05", HAVING A RADIUS OF 640.00 FEET, AND A CHORD BEARING N82°53'01"E, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 219.35 FEET TO A 3/4" REBAR W/PSC #623; THENCE S01°52'30"E, A DISTANCE OF 1003.93 FEET TO A 3/4" REBAR W/ PSC #623, SAID POINT BEING ON THE NORTH R.O.W. LINE OF 17TH STREET; THENCE S88°15'33"W, AND ON SAID NORTH R.O.W. LINE OF 17TH STREET, A DISTANCE OF 901.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT CONTAINS A CALCULATED AREA OF 20.14 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION
OF
HWY. 20 SALES, LLC

Notice is hereby given that a Nebraska limited liability company has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, as follows:

1. The name of the limited liability company is HWY. 20 SALES, LLC (the "Company").

2. The street and mailing address of the initial designated office of the Company is 615 Old Hwy. 20 W, South Sioux City, NE 68776.

3. The street and mailing address of the Company's registered office in Nebraska is 1419 Dakota Ave., P.O. Box 215, South Sioux City, Nebraska 68776, and the name of the Company's registered agent at that office is John C. Ehrich.

4. The company was organized and commenced on February 25, 2025, the company shall be Manager managed, and its duration is perpetual.

HWY. 20 SALES, LLC
By: /s/ Chance Bracht, Organizer
John C. Ehrich (Bar # 24140)
Buchheit & Ehrich Law, PLC
1419 Dakota Ave.
P.O. Box 215
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Phone: (402) 412-2080
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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF 2ND
PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT 22-PP-004

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 9, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Village of Emerson at the Village Offices, 511 N. Main Street, the Board Chair and the Village Board of the Village of Emerson will hold a public hearing concerning the activities of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and to give citizens the opportunity to be heard regarding the Planning (PP) grant, 22-PP-004.

The Village of Emerson was awarded CDBG Planning (PP) funds of \$33,000, of which \$30,000 was awarded for the Emerson Downtown Revitalization Plan in Emerson, Nebraska. \$3,000 was awarded for grant administration. The Village of Emerson provided the required match of \$3,000. Project activities included the development of the Village of Emerson’s Downtown Revitalization Plan.

To date, \$35,000 has been used for the Downtown Revitalization Plan. \$28,800 has been used for Planning, \$3,000 has been used for General Administration, with the Village of Emerson providing \$3,200 in match. No persons, businesses, or farms were displaced as a result of CDBG activities.

All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing at which time you will have an opportunity to be heard regarding the grant at 511 N. Main St., Emerson, Nebraska. Written and oral testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing scheduled for 6:30 p.m., April 9, 2025, 511 N. Main St., Emerson, Nebraska. Written comments addressed to Beth Bonderson, Village Clerk, at 511 N. Main St., Emerson, Nebraska, 68733, will be accepted if received on or before April 9, 2025.

Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact Beth Bonderson, Village Clerk, at 511 N. Main St., no later than Tuesday, April 8, 2025. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided that a four-day notice is received by the Village of Emerson.

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Public Notice

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Village of Pender
Pender, Nebraska
Village of Pender (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements
Pender, NE - 2025
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Village Hall located at 614 Main Street, Pender, NE, 68047 until Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.
The Project includes the following Work:
Select demolition, influent channel and grinder equipment, associated site concrete and/or structures, grating, stairs, associated piping, valves, and controls; miscellaneous mechanical/electrical equipment, and site modifications. Construction of two final clarifiers and installation of final clarification equipment. Influent pump station replacement of pumps and piping, installation of open channel equipment and structural modifications.
This project involves STATE REVOLVING FUND PROGRAM/FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENT SECTION
1. DAVIS-BACON ACT WAGE DETERMINATIONS
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For more information on AIS, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement>.
6. BUILD AMERICA, BUY AMERICA
"On November 15, 2021, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) (also known as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)) was passed. Section 70901 of Public Law 117-58, et seq., as amended, and Section 70914(a) of the IIJA require that Federal funding for infrastructure, including Wastewater Treatment and Public Water System projects, complies with the Build America Buy America (BABA) Act. Absent a waiver, all iron, steel manufactured products, and construction materials permanently incorporated into an infrastructure project receiving BIL funding or are an SRF Equivalency project as match for Federal funding, are subject to the BABA require-

ments and must be produced in the United States.
This project is subject to the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) requirements under Title IX of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Pub. L. 117-58, §§ 70901-70953.
The following waivers apply to this Contract: BABAA De Minimis, Small Grants, and Minor Components
Bidder shall be registered on Sam.gov in order to submit a bid.
A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on site, in Pender, Nebraska. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.
Engineer's Estimate: \$2.8 million dollars
A complete set of plans, specifications, contract documents and proposal form MUST be obtained from either: 1) www.questcdn.com for a fee of \$22 (nonrefundable). Once logged into the site, insert eBidDoc project number 9519495 Pender, NE, Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Pender, NE - 2025; OR 2) Olsson at 1707 Dakota Avenue, South Sioux City, NE, for viewable only.
The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:
Olsson
1707 Dakota Avenue
South Sioux City, Nebraska 68776
Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders. The check(s) or bond(s) shall be made payable to Owner as security that the bidder(s) to whom the award(s) are made will enter into contract to build the improvements bid upon and furnish the required bonds and insurance.
The Owner reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to the Owner, and to reject any or all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of sixty days after the bids are open.
For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.
This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: Village of Pender, Nebraska
By: Glen Gralheer
Title: Administrator
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Thursday, February 27, and March 6 and 13, 2025. - ZNEZ

Dakota County Board

Dakota County Board of Commissioners
Monday, March 3, 2025
3:00 p.m.
Regular Business Meeting
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. Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the Board of Equalization meeting. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Rodriguez, Van Berkum, Reed. Absent: Bousquet. 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.
Van Berkum "-" Reed to excuse Commissioner Bousquet from the meeting. RCVUMC.
Van Berkum "-" Reed to approve the consent agenda items: (a) approval of the previous meeting minutes – February 18, 2025; (b) approval of payroll claims for February 16 to March 1, 2025; (c) approval of payroll accounts payable claims; (d) approval of accounts payable claimsnone. RCVUMC.
Payroll: General Fund Employer: Gross Salaries-\$194,513.89; Net Pay-\$140,301.67; Total Retirement-\$14,047.86; Total FICA-\$14,406.16; Health Plan-\$44,800.00; Dental Plan-\$1,620.00; Life Insurance-\$214.85;**RoadFundEmployer:** Gross Salaries-\$16,682.08; Net Pay-\$12,503.95; Retirement-\$1,126.03; Total FICA-\$1,270.15; Health Plan-\$4,480.00; Dental Plan-\$160.00; Life Insurance-\$19.51; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,622.40; Net Pay-\$1,222.38; Retirement-\$109.51; Total FICA-\$120.29; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,756.80; Net Pay-\$1,362.24; Retirement-\$118.58; Total FICA-\$131.59; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,836.00; Net Pay-\$1,521.99; Retirement-\$123.93; Total FICA-\$137.65; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55.
Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund: Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$248.73; Dental Account, premium-\$2,145.00; FSA Dep Care - \$208.33; FSA Medical - \$1,073.08; Health Plan, premium-\$48,350.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union

dues-\$850.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$13,825.93; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.01; Legalshield, premium-\$128.61; Life Insurance, premium-\$214.85; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$690.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$6,956.81; Point C COE, renewal premium - \$80.50; Principal Life, premiums-\$2,712.74; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$23,778.16; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$28,812.32; VSP, premium-\$534.20
Road Fund: Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$38.23; Dental Account, premium-\$160.00; Health Plan, premium-\$4,480.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,289.14; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$38.89; Life Insurance, premium-\$19.51; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$585.71; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$165.00; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$1,876.74; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2,540.30; VSP, premium-\$33.80; **Insurance Fund 1275:** Mid-American Benefits -medical claims \$49,408.31; Point C FSA WD, flex spending-\$1,912.24; VSP-Cobra-\$19.17; **Health Fund 2502:** DC FSA—medical claims-\$50.00; Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$101.52; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$55.20; Principal Life, premiums -\$23.90; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$182.52; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$240.58; **Health Fund 2504:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$98.68; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$48.57; Principal Life, premium-\$25.88; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$197.64; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$263.18;

VSP, premium-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$57.08; Principal Life, premium-\$23.87; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$206.55; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$275.30; VSP, premium-\$15.66.
Reed "-" Van Berkum to award the bid to Mainelli Wagner for \$5,250.00 to inspect the 5 fracture critical bridges in Dakota County for 2025. RCVUMC.
Hohenstein "-" Van Berkum to approve the gravel pricing agreements received from Backus Sand and Gravel-McLean, NE; Floyd River Materials-Sioux City, IA; 2 from Knife River-Sioux City, IA; Matteo Sand & Gravel-Norfolk, NE, and L.G. Everist-Iowa locations for March 1, 2025 through February 28, 2026. RCVUMC.
Reed "-" Van Berkum to not approve moving forward with the YMCA Membership Agreement as the benefits to the employee and County has changed. RCVUMC.
Van Berkum "-" Reed to move forward with repairing the Road Department backhoe for approximately \$14,724. RCVUMC.
Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, presented the Bi-weekly Road Report for February 16, 2025 to March 1, 2025.
Mail and/or Emergency Business: Reminder the 47th Annual Joint City/County/School meeting is Monday, March 10th at 5:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, So Sioux City.
Van Berkum moved to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of March 3, 2025, at 3:36 p.m.
Dakota County Board of Commissioners
Martin Hohenstein Chair
Cherie Conley,
County Clerk/Secretary

Legal Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY
SUBDIVISION REQUEST
Harvest Meadows
Second Addition
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of South Sioux City, will hold a public hearing on **Monday, March 24, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** in the South Sioux City Council Chambers located at 1615 1st Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska. This meeting will be open to the public in the matter of Blom Addition, a new residential two lot subdivision located south of 1463 Lake Avenue, and legally described as follows:
PART OF LOT 1, HANS ADDITION, AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY KIM L. McLAURY DATED NOVEMBER 10TH, 2023, LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 88 NORTH, RANGE47 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID HANS ADDITION, THENCE S89°46'10"E (ASSUMED BEARING) ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID HANS ADDITION, A DISTANCE OF 357.97 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF HARVEST MEADOWS FIRST ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, LOCATED IN PART OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7; THENCE S01°31'31"E ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID HARVEST MEADOWS FIRST ADDITION, A DISTANCE OF 913.12 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID HARVEST MEADOWS FIRST ADDITION; THENCE S56°12'51"W ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID HANS ADDITION, A DISTANCE OF 423.12 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID HANS ADDITION; THENCE N01°31'31" ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID HANS ADDITION, A DISTANCE OF 1149.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 8.47 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Publish in the Dakota County Star
Thursday, March 13, 2025. - ZNEZ

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that **Logan's Tax Service LLC**, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 1901 Cornhusker Dr, STE 145, South Sioux City, NE 68776. The initial agent for service of process of the Company is Brayden M Logan, 1901 Cornhusker Dr, STE 145, South Sioux City, NE 68776. The certificate of Organization was filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State on 2/25/2025.
Publish in the Dakota County Star
Thursday, March 13, 20, 27, 2025.- ZNEZ

Legal Notice

Notice of Meeting
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **Civil Service Commission of the City of South Sioux City, Nebraska, will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2025.** The meeting will be held in the Council Conference Room at City Hall located at 1615 First Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska, which meeting is 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.
Publish in the Dakota County Star
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