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# Fire displaces Seward residents

by Emily Hemphill emily@sewardindependent.com

A fire in a Seward apartment building July 28 drew responses from six area departments and displaced several residents.

Seward Fire Assistant Chief Dan Brumm said the department was dispatched to the scene at 428 N. Third Street at 2:38 p.m., where it found smoke and flames in the rear of the building.

One person was still in the building at the time of the fire, but firefighters didn't know it until the man climbed out a window.

The man was transported to a Lincoln hospital, and a dog also was rescued.

No other injuries were reported.

Fire and rescue personnel from Seward, Milford, Goehner, Staplehurst, Tamora and Garland responded.

Brumm said the large response was the result of several factors that day.

Not knowing whether the building's five apartment units were occupied led to the potential need for additional manpower.

Weather also was a concern, with a temperature well into the eighties.

"With the high temperatures, knowing our guys could only go in a number of times before they'd be exhausted, and with it being that time of day, we didn't have our full response with people working outside of town," Brumm said.

Much of the fire damage occurred in the rear of the building in one apartment unit, the attic and the exterior of the building, but the other units sustained enough smoke and water damage to make



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Much of the fire damage was to the rear apartment unit, though smoke and water damaged the other four units as well.

them unlivable for now.

Brumm said the cause of the fire wasn't certain.

Firefighters were able to keep the fire from spreading to adjacent properties.

"It was a hot day, and we were concerned that we might lose it," Brumm said. "It took a lot of teamwork to get it out."

The building served as a hospital in its early days.

According to local resident Russ Souchek, his grandfather, Dr. Bert Morrow, and two brothers Drs. Milton and Joseph Morrow, owned and operated the hospital in the early 20th century, starting around 1913 and continuing until 1950 when Seward Memorial Hospital opened.



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Firefighters work to vent the roof of an apartment building at 428 N. Third Street in Seward after the building caught fire July 28.

### Third-generation firefighter joins MVFD Explore program



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Kaytlin Keilig, 18, of Milford stands at the ready for a fire call as a member of the Milford Volunteer Fire Department's Explore program for youth ages 14-21.

See the full story on page 7.

# Utica honors Stuhr family at Heritage Days

by Emily Hemphill

About 100 people turned out to honor the Stuhr family of Utica during Utica Heritage Days July 30.

"If you knew LaVern and Linda, you know they loved this community," said Preston Stuhr, the couple's grandson.

The family was selected by the Utica Commercial Club as this year's Heritage Family, a tradition that has continued for many years

Though LaVern, better known as "Churney," and Linda both passed away – LaVern in 2021 and Linda in 2016 – the couple's dedication to the community can still be seen.

"They will be remembered as people who participated in this town," Preston read from a message a friend sent about the family as he spoke about his grandparents and their lifelong ties to

LaVern grew up on a farm out-

side of Utica. A friend in kindergarten nick-



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LaVern and Linda Stuhr were honored as the 2022 Heritage Family during Utica Heritage Days.

named him "Churney" because "he was always churning up trouble," Preston said.

LaVern was heavily involved (continued on 2)

# Clerk debunks early voting myths

by Emily Hemphill emily@sewardindependent.com

This is the first in a four-part series on voter education information from the Seward County Clerk.

Forty-four years ago, when Sherry Schweitzer began working in the Seward County Clerk's office, elections were fairly run-of-the-mill.

She worked her way up to a 10-year stint as deputy clerk and has spent the last 25 years as the Seward County Clerk and Election Commissioner – an elected position – though she has assisted with elections all 44 years.

She's used to fielding a few questions every now and then around election season, but the amount of misinformation surrounding voting has surged recently, she said.

"Since the election of 2020, there have been many rumors, misconceptions and untruths about elections," Schweitzer said. "Never before have I felt that I needed to defend the voting process in Seward County."

Some of the biggest misconceptions center on ballot harvesting and fraud when it comes to early voting, Schweitzer said.

Early voting ballots, known as absentee ballots, are those that are cast before Election Day.

Voters can mark their ballots at the clerk's office, mail them in or leave them in a drop box outside the courthouse.

"Early voting is safe and secure," Schweitzer said. "Most people don't realize the measures our office takes to protect your vote and make sure everyone can feel comfortable that your vote is confidential."

Schweitzer shared seven myths about early voting that she said have been circulating in recent years.

Early voting myths
1. Voting Early is full
of fraud because people
can stuff the ballot box
outside the courthouse.
Not true, Schweitzer

id.

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Above: A log cabin originally belonging to Louis Leibrock, one of the first homesteaders in Seward County, is set to be restored and relocated.

Right: From left, John and Janice Heath donated the land south of town where the cabin will rest, and Diane and Clark Krieser donated the cabin itself.



# Preserving the story of Seward County, one cabin at a time

by Emily Hemphill emily@sewardindependent.com

Several years ago, Clark and Diane Krieser of Seward contacted fellow resident Pat Coldiron about a log cabin they wanted to donate to the community.

Coldiron, head of the Chamber of Commerce at that time, checked it out and realized it was indeed a great part of history.

"We weren't sure how to approach this project," Coldiron said.

Just a couple of years ago, Diane and Pat ran into each other at the Seward County Fair and revisited the idea.

"We thought, 'Let's take another look and see if we can move forward," Coldiron said.

After conducting research for her recent book about Seward County, Coldiron said her interest in Seward's history has not waned but only grown stronger - leading her to information about the cabin.

In 1866, Louis Leibrock became one of the first settlers in Precinct H in Seward County. He built a house of logs that measured 17 feet by 19 feet and got his Homestead Certificate in 1873.

"This is the cabin we so much want to restore, preserve and share," Coldiron said.

A volunteer committee has been formed, including Duff Campbell, Steve and Sharon Hambek, Ed and Carol Zak, Gary Rolf and Coldiron.

This group has formed a non-profit, The Seward Historical Blue River District, to assist with the development of the cabin project.

'The immediate concern was where we are going to put it," Coldiron said.

The committee searched for a potential location, and John and Janice Health answered the call.

"He and his family stepped up and supported this vision by donating the five acres to put the log cabin in a location that will be accessible and visible to residents and visitors alike," Coldiron said.

The cabin will be relocated south of Seward along Highway 15, to the east on Izaak Walton road, though it will take some time and resources to get it there.

The nonprofit is raising money to cover costs that will include several thousand dollars for moving the cabin, laying a concrete foundation, restoring the cabin's roof, re-chinking the logs and making other necessary repairs.

"We welcome all assistance, either monetary or hands-on work, with this project," Coldiron said.

The committee has brainstormed ideas of what the cabin and five acres could be used for.

So far, they're considering educational opportunities, a historical marker, a memorial garden, a pollinator garden, a turtle pond, a picnic area and a community vegetable

"We hope to prepare and maintain it and the surrounding ground for many visitors and educational opportunities," Coldiron said. "There are so many more possibilities to develop, and our goal is to work on it, partnering with many families and organizations."

Those wishing to contribute to the project can contact any committee member or visit Coldiron at her booth inside the Ag Pavilion Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Seward County Fair.

"Our goal is to establish this district with the next 100 years in mind," she said.

# Stuhr family

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in FFA and began work at the local farmers cooperative at age 18, graduating from Utica High School in 1965. He served in the Air National Guard from 1965 to 1971.

Linda (Simonsen) was born in York and graduated from UHS in 1966.

The two married in 1968 and built a house in Utica in 1974.

They have two children. Mitch Stuhr and Angie Miller, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

LaVern worked at the Utica Co-op Grain and Lumber Company for 42 years, retiring in 2008.

Linda worked at York State Bank, First Bank of Utica and most recently served as secretary to the principal at Centennial Junior/Senior High School.

Family and friends spoke at the Heritage

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Preston Stuhr speaks about his grandparents, the late LaVern and Linda Stuhr of Utica, during Utica Heritage Days on July 30.

Days recognition, sharing memories of the couple – everything from the time LaVern fixed a hole in the family car's gas tank with nothing but bubble gum, to the time Linda survived a

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bank robbery.

"It was me, Linda and Betty Daake who were

working when the bank was robbed," family friend Jody Wiemer said. "A man came in and jumped up onto the counter and told us to get down on the floor.'

The man directed Daake to get the money, which he took, then jumped down.

"He put a paper sack on the counter and reached in like he was turning a knob," Wiemer said. "He said, 'This is a motion bomb. You move, you die.<sup>;</sup> Then he ran out."

Well, the man's leaving created motion, which didn't set off the "bomb," so the women thought it was safe to move.

"Linda reached up, her hand shaking, and grabbed the phone on her desk and called

911," Wiemer said. "She was the hero with her shaking phone that got us out of there."

The paper bag contained nothing but two cans of oil, and they never recovered the money.

"But it was a moment of bonding for Linda and I," Wiemer said.

LaVern helped maintain the Utica Cemetery over the years and became involved at the Utica Community Senior Center.

He was a member of the fire department and served as an usher, elder and trustee at church.

He helped bring

about the veterans memorial along Utica's main street and also raised a lot of money for the community.

"He was always selling raffle tickets to everybody he knew." family friend Jamie Kovac said. "Everybody knew him from towns around."

Linda, he said, was always in the know about people around town and what they were up to at any given time, and she was always one to speak her mind.

"She was straightforward and honest." Kovac said. "I liked that about her."

"They will be remembered as people who participated in this town."

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# Good times had at Utica Heritage Days



Katelyn Johnson, left, and Bryson Jirovsky with his dog Letty bought themselves "emergency donuts" from the Hurts Donuts truck.



A horseshoe competition was held at Utica Heritage Days.



From left, Elianah Waid, 2, Laikyn Templin, 8, and Sawyer Johnson, 7, of Omaha scoop up candy along the Utica Heritage Days parade route July 30.



Hurts Donuts brought its emergency donut vehicle to raise money for renovations to the Utica pool.



Tillie Peeks, 4, of Utica looks straight ahead as the crowd cheers her to a full pull July 30 at the Utica Heritage Days kiddie tractor pull. Pat O'Brien of Bradshaw, in his signature overalls, walks alongside. O'Brien operates "Little Tuggers," the company that supplies the tractors for the sanctioned pull. The top three girls and top three boys in each age division 4-12 will advance to the Nebraska State Fair pull later this summer, with a chance to compete in the national pull in Mitchell, South Dakota.



Young volunteers with the Utica Volunteer Fire Department toss candy to paradegoers July 30 for the Heritage Days celebration.

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Businesses and individuals may form partnerships to purchase an animal. It is also a great way for businesses and individuals in Seward county to connect with and support outstanding youth from the county.

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# Trip to France was a great experience | Exercise, eating

by Stephanie Croston

I took the biggest trip of my life (so far) in July.

I've never gone anywhere outside the United States, with the exception of the Canadian side of Niagara Falls, which doesn't really count. So I went on the Nebraska National Guard Foundation trip to France.



Stephanie Croston

The tour through Normandy follows the Nebraska National Guard 135th Division through its World War II battles - Omaha Beach on D Day, the liberation of St. Lo, Bastogne, Sugar Loaf Hill. We visited the American Cemeteries in the region as well, stopping at Normandy, Brittany, Lorraine and Luxembourg to visit the graves of the 134th Infantry 35th Division soldiers buried there.

We saw thousands of white crosses aligned in rows. Not all of them had names assigned, which reminds you of the thousands of families who never knew what happened to their sons, fathers, husbands.

I think one of the more somber moments was our stop at La Cambe, a German cemetery in France. I think we forget that others died, too. They believed in their cause just as heartily as the American soldiers believed in theirs. They left behind children, wives and parents, just like the Allies did.

Our tour guide, Birgitta, was a wealth of knowledge which added to the trip. Jerry Meyer provided the military insights which helped us understand what we were looking at and why it was important.

The trip wasn't all serious, however. We stopped at Claude Monet's home in Giverny and got to see the gardens represented in his painting "Water Lilies" and other works. It was a warm day (most of them were), but seeing the beautiful gardens helped add a tranquil note.

The light show in Nancy was a fun, colorful way to end the day. The city does the show in the Place Stanislas every night throughout the summer, and each show draws hundreds of spectators. Lights throw designs on the buildings on three sides of the square to a musical accompaniment.

We met a couple mayors while we were there. The mayor of Nancy hosted a little reception for us, and the mayor of Agincourt joined us for lunch and then offered his home for anyone who wanted to come stay. We also met representatives of the St. Lo Rotary club for lunch one afternoon.

We visited an amusement park, though not for amusement. The park is located on the site of a fort from the late 1800s that was used during World War II. Its owners let us explore one morning before they opened for business. That was a pretty cool spot - the location allowed its occupiers to see the entire valley. Both German and Allied soldiers held it at different times. I wanted to get to the top of the hill where the zip lines take off, but all the gates were

locked. Oh well – another time. We saw cathedrals in almost



STEPHANIE CROSTON/SCI

No, this is not a fake photo. A scale model of our Statue of Liberty stands on Swan Island in the Seine. Remember, the same guy did both Lady Liberty and the Eiffel Tower.

every town in which we stopped. I though. liked looking at the lovely stained glass windows and hearing how the buildings survived bombardments. They were usually targets because they were the tallest buildings in their towns, but most came through relatively unscathed. I hate to think that our artillery was that bad a shot, but maybe they just didn't want to destroy churches.

The town of Sainte-Marie-Eglise has a paratrooper hanging from its cathedral spire. Well, it's a replica, but it reminds visitors of the story. John Steele jumped into France and got caught on the church. He was knocked out and came to when the bells rang. He played dead so the Germans wouldn't shoot him and waited for the Allies to take over the town.

Some of the churches were more elaborately decorated than others. The cathedral at Amiens includes carvings depicting the life of John the Baptist and housed a skull that legend says is his, as well. One window in one of the churches. Sainte-Marie-Eglise I think, featured paratroopers. Another in St. Lo featured a tractor - definitely a more recent design.

One of the first questions I've been asked when someone learns I've recently returned from France (that sounds so pretentious!) is how was the food.

They served us a lot of duck. We didn't see many ducks as we drove through the countryside they must have already been in the kitchens. I supposed it's an acquired taste. A couple of the dishes were good, but a couple I chose not to finish. I did try them,

As expected, the breads were very good, and we had fresh fruit most mornings at breakfast. The menu was not short on cheese, either, although I didn't care for most of them. Some of us joked one night that we just wanted a plastic-wrapped square of cheese.

We finished the trip with a dinner cruise on the Seine River in Paris. We got to see the Eiffel Tower lit up, which is beautiful. We made the turn at the Statue of Liberty, and you could take both the Statue and the Tower in the same photo. It was very cool.

I stayed for the extra days in Paris, and I'm glad I did. The bus tour took us to Sacre Coeur, the church at the highest point of Paris, and then to the highlights of the city. We drove past the Louvre, Napoleon's tomb, the Eiffel Tower. Notre Dame and more.

Overall, it was an awesome trip. To see the places that figured so prominently in one of the biggest events in history was amazing. Now that I've seen the terrain and the country, I'll be better able to picture what happened when I read about it.

Would I go again? In a heartbeat.

# healthy are essential habits

by Keaton Burgess reporter@sewardindependent.com

About a year ago, after I finished my junior

year of college and stopped running competitive cross country and track, I realized some-

thing; exercise and staying

healthy can be difficult. I ended up not running cross country or track my senior year due to being burnt out both physically and mentally.

Keaton

**Burgess** 

I knew going into the summer that I didn't want anything to do with running, so I tried alternative ways to get exercise like lifting weights and biking.

After getting tired of lifting and my bike breaking down, exercise didn't seem fun to me anymore. So, other than going for walks a few times a week, I didn't do much.

I used to be the guy who ran all the time, and now, I didn't run at all. From August of 2021 to about December of 2021, I would only run about once or twice a month, and after a while, it definitely showed.

Starting in January, I decided to really dive into getting healthy again, and that included running again.

Although the first few runs didn't feel good, after a while, things started to get better. Even though I wasn't running very fast, I felt good about where I was. I was starting to eat healthier and was feeling better about

my body. Although summer has been the best few months when it comes to healthy eating, I'm still running and feeling good about it.

So, whoever might be reading this, if you take one thing away, just know that exercising and healthy eating can be tough, and that's OK.

Know that things like this are going to be tough and they're going to take time. Know that becoming healthier isn't a sprint, it's a marathon (no, you don't have to run an actual marathon).

Take one step each day, small or big, and you will eventually hit the goals that you've been wanting to achieve.

#### Letter to the editor

#### Thank you for the honor

Dear Seward Fourth of July Celebration Committee and the Community of Seward:

Thank you very much for honoring me by naming me to receive the 2022 "Nebraskan's Friend Award" and for the opportunity to be the Grand Marshall in your grand Fourth of July Celebration parade.

It was an honor which I really appreciate, especially as a Seward County native and having the privilege of representing the county's residents for

30 years as its state senator and congressman.

As usual, the crowds this year were large and very gracious and friendly. It is such a pleasure to be part of your annual July Fourth celebration. On many occasions, I commended Seward for its tradition of involving its young people in the planning and implementation of the celebration – it is the process of building new generations of leadership.

Doug Bereuter, California, NE representative to House of Representatives 1979-2004



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# "Somehow they got him going again."

Firefighters revive dog that was trapped in kennel during fire

by Stephanie Croston scroston@sewardindependent.com

Morgan Weyant hadn't lived in her apartment at 428 North Third in Seward for a week before it was severely damaged by fire July 28.

"I was there six days," she said Aug. 1. "I had just gotten everything unpacked."

She was at work at Greene Place, where she is the life enrichment coordinator, when she got a call that her home was on fire.

"My first thought was my dog," she said.

Winston, a blue-nosed pit who is Weyant's emotional support animal, was in his kennel. When Weyant arrived, she saw flames and knew her dog was not out.

"It took about an hour to get him out," she said.

When the firefighters brought him to her, he wasn't breathing.

'Somehow they got him going again," Weyant said. "He's doing much better. My heart was broken. I feel so bad for him."

Since her apartment is unliveable, Weyant is staying with family out of town and taking some time to recover. She was able to go back into her apartment July 30 and get some clothes and a memory bear made from her great-grandfather's shirt.



Morgan Weyant is shown with her emotional support animal, Winston. The dog was rescued by firefighters from a house fire on July 28.

The rest, she said, is probably not salvageable.

She plans to come back to work at Greene Place. Before she started there, she was in home healthcare for four years.

"The job is very rewarding," she said.

# Rotary earns top club honor

The Seward Rotary Club was recently honored as the Top Club in Rotary International's District 5650 for its contributions per capita to the Rotary International Foundation's Annual

The Rotary Foundation supports the work internationally of Rotary International-with an emphasis on the recent Ukraine crisis and the ongoing battle to eliminate Polio with the Rotary Polio Plus Campaign.

Representing the Rotary Club at the District Conference in Council Bluffs were Rotarians Jon and Bonnie Kruse of Seward. The Kruses serve as the Seward Rotary Club's Foundation Co-Chairs for Rotary International.

The Seward Rotary Club raised more than \$15,000 for the Ukraine humanitarian efforts, as well as a pickup load of medical supplies. They also gave an average of \$378 per capita/ member to the Rotary International Fund to support the Rotary World

Presenting the award to Jon and Bonnie Kruse at the Conference were Bill Harvey, Rotary District 5650 Endowment and Major Gifts Chairman, and Mick McKinley, Rotary District 5650 Foundation Chair.

# Chris Lane to headline fair concert August 5

by Keaton Burgess reporter@sewardindependent.com

The Seward County Fair will host three nights of music including a concert on Friday night, Aug. 5, featuring Chris Lane, Tyler Rich and South of Center.

The concert on Friday will begin at 6 p.m. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale for \$35 at outhousetickets.

com/Event/Event19416. Tyler Rich is a country artist originally from Yuba City, California. Rich was first noticed by big-name Lynch and Jon Pardi where he was able to go on tour with them before he even received a record deal. Rich now has dropped his debut album, "Two Thousand Miles," and has had his song, "The Difference," go gold.

South of Center is

an Omaha-based band that plays originals and covers that span over a variety of decades and will be opening for Chirs Lane. They've been together now for six years.

Chris Lane is a country artist from Kernersville, North Carolina, and has many hits including platinum "Big, Big Plans," threetime platinum "I Don't Know About You," and platinum "Fix." Lane has also collaborated with many big-name artists including Los Angeles artist/producer, Gryllin in "Hold You Tonight" and Tori Kelly in his two-time platinum single, "Take Back Home Girl.'

In his early days, Lane's passion was baseball, but quickly changed when he went to a Keith Urban con-

"I went to a lot of country concerts including Keith Urban," he said. "Something about watching them made me want to pick up and learn how to play a guitar. Once I learned how to play guitar, I learned how to sing while playing."

Lane said he's thankful for those artists getting him inspired to play music.

When it comes to playing at county fairs, Lane said that he's always had a good time.

"I get booked all over the state of Nebraska ior iairs," ne said. "I've always had a lot of fun playing at fairs and once they asked me to play at the Seward County Fair, I jumped right on the opportunity.

Lane also said he's excited to share the state with Tyler Rich

and South of Center. He said he's known and gotten close with Rich over the years.

"I love Tyler. We actually first met when I was opening for Dustin Lynch and he got to open for him too," Lane said. "He then got to be a small part in my Fill Your Boots Tour. I'm so glad we get to share the stage together."

With the upcoming show, Lane mentioned he has a few favorite songs that he likes to

play.
"'I Don't Know About You' is a significant song for me," ne said. "It's the song that really took my career to the next level. 'Fix' is also the song that I always

#### Music set for fair

Thursday, Aug. 4

Lonnie Pietz Polka Band: 5-10 p.m. at the Beer

Kevin and Heidi Cheng: 7 p.m. at Harvest Hall

Friday, Aug. 5

Scott Wolverton: 5-7 p.m. and after the arena concert in the Beer Garden

Saturday, Aug. 6

Seward County Ukaladies: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at

Accordion Jamboree: 4-6 p.m. at Ag Pavilion Boondox: 6 p.m. at the Beer Garden

play first. It's a familiar song that can get people up and going.'

He also said the song, "Big, Big Plans" is special to him because it was inspired by his

Overall, Lane is excited to play at the Seward County Fair.

"I'm pumped and I can't wait," he said.

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Demo Derby

8 - 10:30PM Taps, Taste & Tunes 8:30 - IIPM Bingo

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

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From left, Rotarians Bonnie Kruse, Co Chair of the Seward Rotary Foundation Committee, Andy Hartmann, honoree, Jon Kruse, Co Chair of the Seward Rotary Foundation Committee, and Rotary President Dr. Matt Dominy give Hartmann his second Paul Harris Award.

# Rotary honor given

The Seward Rotary Club presented a second Paul Harris Award to Andy Hartmann for his longtime support of the Seward Rotary Club and the Rotary International Foundation.

The award was presented at the July 6 Seward Rotary Club meeting. He was presented with a Paul Harris pin complete with a diamond chip to signify his level with the award.

"Both Andy and his wife, Dee, have worked very hard for the name of Rotary this year, and we are thrilled to present this Paul Harris Award to Andy in appreciation for his Service Above Self," said Jon Kruse, Seward Rotary Club

Hartmann lives the motto of service and this award is just a token of thanks for "a job well done!"

# City recycling topic of Rotary program

Greg Butcher, Seward city administrator, told the Seward Rotary Club about the city's recycling program July 13.

In 1970, the GFWC Seward Junior Women's Club, GFWC Seward Woman's Club and the Seward County Izaak Walton League sought out a local recycling program for the Greater Seward area.

Finally, in 1973, under the guidance of Bert Hafer with the Izaak Walton League, the Seward County Izaak Walton League built the current Seward Recyling Center and coordinated the efforts of the recycling for Seward for 20 years.

In 1993, because of change in the state recycling guidelines, the City of Seward volunteered to take over the existing Seward Recycling Center and the coordination of the program. This was based on the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act (LB1257), requiring every community to create a plan and develop a recycling program and establish goals.

At that time, the City of Seward took over the duties of the recycling program and building, which the Izaak Walton League donated to the City of Seward.

There was one parttime employee at that time, with a budget of \$15,000 and was open to all residents of Seward.

Today, almost 30 years later, the budget has only increased to \$22,816 and still has only one part-time employee. All of this success is due to the strong level of volunteerism.

Local groups that currently serve include Faith Lutheran Church in Seward, St. John Lutheran Church in Seward. The St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church Knights of Columbus, Concordia University, The Seward Rotary Club, The Seward Kiwanis Club and Friedan's United Church of Christ in Seward.

Currently the Seward Recycling Center collects and recycle newsprint, magazine gloss paper, cardboard, plastic #1 through #7, steel, batteries, computer paper, aluminum and used oil. The center does not collect glass.

The hours are Monday through Friday open from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays with volunteers from 9 to 11 a.m. and is closed on Sundays. The facility is open to all residents of Seward County.

In 2021, the Seward Recycling Center collected 103 bales of paper, or more than 40 tons, 54 tons of plastic and 650 gals of used oil. The revenue in 1994 was \$2,024. The highest year of revenue was in 1995 with \$13,366. A real low was in 2019 with a revenue of \$396 when the market dropped out on the recycling products.

The current revenue of the Center in 2021

was \$7,728. These funds do not include shipping or handling and hauling expenses.

Bob Miers currently supervises the Seward Recycling Program, through the street department. There is not a current employee filling the part-time job at the center.

The City of Seward currently works with the Seward/Saline County Solid Waste Management landfill located near Milford at the Milford landfill.

Butcher said that the real issues with recycling include 1.) The closing of the Chinese World Market Recycling Program, 2.) a reduced labor shortage and 3.) single streaming recycling, which is not the most efficient effort.

Butcher said that, in 1993, experts predicted that by 2020, Seward would be recycling at the level of 50% and in reality today, the City of Seward is at a 7% level in recycling (which is about the level that most areas are at for recycling).

# Families honored for land ownership

Three families will be recognized for longtime land ownership in Seward County during the fair.

The Downing/ Heidtbrink family will receive the Heritage Farm Award for owning the same land for 150 years. The Curtis and Schweitzer/Steckly will be honored with the Pioneer Farm Family Award for 100 years of ownership.

#### Downing/Heidtbrink

The Downing/Heidtbrink Family Farm was established in 1868 two miles east and two north of Bee. David Havden Downing purchased 160 acres, which the family still farms. It's used for pasture and Conservation Reserve Program.

The land passed to Downing's son Willard Ross Downing in 1954. Willard Gene Downing, his son, acquired the land in 1970, and his niece, Deborah and Larry Heidtbrink, took ownership in 2003.

#### **Curtis**

The Curtis family established its farm in 1921 when Dewey and Earl Curtis bought 160 acres 1.5 miles south of Seward.

Dewey became sole owner in 1945. Of the 160 acres, 152 are still farmed. Vernon and Sue Curtis, son and daughter-in-law, and Virginia Kuck, daughter, are co-owners. The farm raises corn, soybeans, prairie hay and cattle.

#### Schweitzer/Steckly

The Schweitzer/ Steckly Family Farm was established in February 1921 by Daniel Schweitzer. It passed to Lizzie Miller and Floyd Steckly, daughter and son-in-law, in May 1950. In April 1992, grandson Ken Steckly took ownership, and Maynard Steckly, also a grandson, took over in May 2004.

The farm is located three miles east, one south and a half east of Beaver Crossing. It was originally 160 acres, with 135 still in the family's ownership today. They farm 130 acres and raise corn, beans, milo, wheat, cattle, horses and chickens.

#### Dolezal named Friend of the Fair

The 2022 Friend of the Fair is awarded to Nancy Dolezal.

For more than 25 years. Dolezal has been the behind-the-scenes keeper of the books for all Open Class operations. She records all the entries, keeps track of their placings and issues the premiums to all the exhibitors at the end of the fair.

She does an impeccable job, the fair board said, and we greatly appreciate her efforts to make Open Class operations work smoothly.

Dolezal and her husband live on a farm northwest of Bee. They have two sons and six grandchildren, also living in the Bee commu-

She is actively involved in Bee projects and is especially proud of the work she and Roger do for the Bee States Ballroom and the restoration of that historical landmark.



**Nancy Dolezal** 







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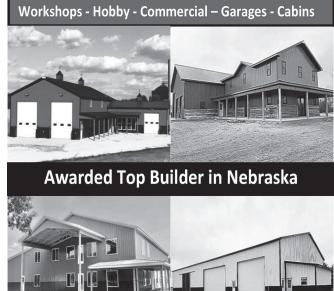
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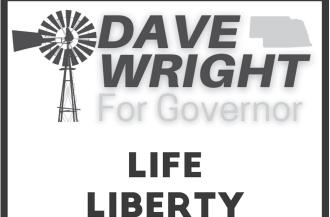
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#### AUG. 3

#### **MOVIE, FLOATS AT MILFORD SENIOR**

**CENTER:** Milford Friends of the Senior Center will sponsor a movie, "Secondhand Lions," and root beer floats at the Milford Senior Center on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 1 p.m. to celebrate the center's 20th anniversary. The center operates on a not-for-profit basis and is a 501(C)3 charitable organization. The purpose is to receive and disperse funds from charitable gifts intended for the support of the Milford Senior Center.

#### AUG. 4

#### MHCS BABY OLYMPICS SCHEDULED AT

FAIR: The 23rd Annual Memorial Health Care Systems Baby Olympics will be at the Seward County Fair Ag Pavilion Aug. 4. Registration is at 5 p.m. and the Olympics begin at 6 p.m. The event is designed for crawling babies up to age 3. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded. It is a free event. Contact Lori Jerina at (402) 643-2971 or email Lori.lerina@ mhcs.us for more information.

#### **GRIEF/SHARE SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET:**

A Grief/Share Support Group meets the first and third Thursdays of April through September at the Seward Civic Center. The group can be joined at any time. There is a \$20 cost for a workbook. The group is sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church Stephen Ministry. For more information, contact Mary Ann Steinbeck at (402) 643-2677 or Deaconess Jeri at (402) 643-2983.

#### AUG. 5

**4-H FOUNDATION TO HOST HAMBURG-**

**ER FRY:** The Seward County 4-H Foundation's annual Hamburger Fry Fundraiser will be Friday, Aug. 5, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. east of the 4-H Center on the Seward County Fairgrounds. A fee will be charged.

#### **SEWARD ARTS CONNECTIONS GROUP**

**MEETS:** The Seward Arts Council and The Seward County Visitors Bureau host Seward Art Connections every first Friday of the month. Follow Seward Arts Council on Facebook for updated locations and times.

#### AUG. 9

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETS:** Tabitha hosts a grief support group the second Tuesday of every month from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Seward. To register, call Tabitha at (402) 362-7739.

#### **AUG. 11**

#### **COUNTY REPUBLICANS HOLD MONTHLY MEETINGS:** The Seward County

Nebraska Republicans invite any registered Republicans to attend monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Meeting locations may vary. Each month, meeting information and location will be posted on the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ SewardNEGOP.

#### **HAPPENINGS**

#### INVITATION TO MEET AT THE GATHERING

**TABLE:** Make plans to meet at The Gathering Table (Milford Mennonite Fellowship Hall at 920 F St). The table is set on the second Thursday of each month for this complementary meal. Come anytime between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

#### **AUG. 18**

FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE TO MEET: The Seward Fourth of July Celebration

Committee meeting for a continued recap and review of the 2022 celebration will be Thursday, Aug. 18, at 7 p.m. at the Seward Civic Center at 616 Bradford St. The meeting is open to the public. The celebration committee is also beginning to plan for the 2023 celebration and welcomes themes to center the celebration around for 2023. Direct concerns and comments to Clark Kolterman at clark.kolterman@ sewardschools.org or call (402) 641-8522.

#### **ONGOING**

**COVID-19 TESTING:** COVID-19 testing is available through the Seward Family Medical Center north parking lot by appointment. Call (402) 643-4800 to schedule a drive-through test.

**COVID-19 VACCINATIONS:** COVID-19 vaccinations are available through the Seward Family Medical Center to those age 6 months and older. Appointments are required. Call the Seward Family Medical Center at (402) 643-4800 to schedule an appointment.

#### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, AL-ANON MEET-

**INGS:** Alcoholics Anonymous groups will meet at the following times: Mondays at noon at the Civic Center in Seward; Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; Thursdays at the Bellwood Mennonite Church in Milford; Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; Saturdays at the Catholic Church in Beaver Crossing; and Sundays at 9 a.m. at the Civic Center and 7 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Seward. Al-Anon meetings are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Bellwood Mennonite Church in Milford and at 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the Civic Center in Seward.

**COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP:** Come for coffee and fellowship Monday through Friday from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Milford Senior Center. Coffee, tea. pastries and other treats are served.

#### **LUNCH SERVED AT MILFORD SENIOR**

**CENTER:** Lunch is served Monday through Friday at noon at the Milford Senior Center. Reservations must be made one day in advance by calling or leaving a message at (402) 761-3367. Meals for seniors ages 60 and older have a suggested contribution of \$5.50 for regularly scheduled meals. Meals for guests under age 60 are \$7.75. All are welcome.

YOGA CLASSES: Three different yoga classes are offered weekly at the Milford Senior Center, led by Kelly Haney. Offerings include: Adapted Yoga on Mondays at 9 a.m.; Assisted Yoga on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.; and Next Level Yoga on Thursdays at 9

**TOPS MEETS WEEKLY: TOPS (Take Off** Pounds Sensibly) meets weekly on Thursdays at the Seward Civic Center. TOPS is a weight management support group. Weigh-in begins at

11:15 a.m. and the meetings are

meeting is free.

from noon to 12:30 p.m. The initial

#### **SUNDAYS**

**MUNICIPAL BAND PERFORMS:** The Seward Municipal Band will be in concert at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at the Seward Bandshell. Instrumentalists who have completed the eighth grade or have three years of experience of playing in a band ensemble may join at any time during the season. Rehearsals will continue through the summer every Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information, contact Pat Herrold at (402) 643-6202.

#### **WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS** FARMER'S MARKET OPEN: Seward's

farmers market will be open on the courthouse lawn from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, Vendor spaces must be reserved in advance. For a reservation or more information, contact Carol Albrecht at (402) 641-

# Third-generation firefighter joins MVFD Explore program

by Emily Hemphill emily@sewardindependent.com

Kaytlin Keilig is the third generation of her family to be a part of a fire department.

"I got into it because of my dad. He's been a volunteer as long as I can remember, and my grandfather was a paid firefighter in Hastings," Keilig said.

The 18-year-old from Milford is one of three students who are part of the Milford Volunteer Fire Department's Explore program.

'They get to do just about everything the rest of us do with a few exceptions," Tim Stewart, a 10-year member of MVFD said.

Stewart started the Explore program after he went through a similar program in north Idaho, where he grew

"That's how I got my start at 14. I decided Milford needed one, too," he said.

Stewart also spent time on a department in Texas before moving to Milford.

He went through extensive training in connection with the Scouts USA program in order to be certified to begin the Explore proram.

In its inaugural year, the Explore program had seven participants.

Some of them graduated and moved elsewhere, and some of them decided fire and rescue work wasn't for them, Stewart said.

The youth members have a few restrictions for insurance reasons, Stewart said.

They aren't allowed to go into burning buildings in a real fire situation.

They can't drive the trucks or operate the aerial components on the ladder truck.

They must be age 21 and official members of the MVFD roster before those restrictions are

lifted.

Otherwise, they're just like the rest of the department.

"We get to train right along with the rest of them," Keilig said. "We need to be supervised so we don't screw anything up," Keilig said.

The Explore program is open to youth ages 14 to 21, with the hope that they'll join the department as a full-fledged member at 21.

"We give them a full set of bunker gear," Stewart said, and the Explore members receive pages for calls on their phones.

As of July 14, Keilig was still awaiting her first official fire or rescue call after completing all necessary training.

"They're here twice a month with us, doing the same training we have," Stewart said.

"Our first meeting, we ended up extricating a car. We did a house

burn in June last year in Seward for training." Keilig said.

Students can earn scholarships for participating in the program, but Keilig said for her, it's more about the experiences she's gained.

"It gives me life skills, especially on the medical side. We have to be CPR certified to even go on the call," she said. "It's given me self-confidence and the chance to know I can actually do something, even if I'm not affiliated with a department." Keilig said she isn't

sure of her post-high school plans yet, but she hopes to pursue a career in fire investigation, smoke jumping or as an EMT/paramedic.

"Any of this training can go along with any part of life," Keilig said.

"You need to know how to put out a fire or make a tourniquet if you don't have one around.'

The Explore program is open to anyone age 14-21 who lives in Milford.

"If they have an interest in anything from firefighting to being a nurse," Stewart said, give him a call at (402) 840-2009.

#### **SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SEWARD** WILL OPEN Wednesday, August 17, 2022



#### Student Orientation/Open House • Monday, August 15, 2022

**Elementary School** 

5:00-5:30 p.m. ONLY Kindergarteners and families new to Seward Elementary 5:30-6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome!

Middle School

6:00-6:30 p.m. 5th graders and families new to Seward Middle School 6:30-7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome!

**Senior High** 

7:00-8:30 p.m. 9th grade and New Student Orientation at the Seward High School Auditorium. Parents/guardians, please plan to attend the orientation with your son or daughter.

#### First Day of School

The first day of school will be held on Wednesday, August 17, with an early dismissal: Elementary 1:15 p.m., Middle School and High School approximately 1:30 p.m. (Breakfast and lunch will be served.) The first full day of classes will take place on Thursday, August 18.



**Regular School Hours Senior High** - School will begin at 8:15 a.m. - Dismiss at 3:37 p.m. Middle School - School will begin at 8:05 a.m. - Dismiss at 3:23 p.m.

#### Elementary School - School will begin at 8:15 a.m. - Dismiss at: 3:10 p.m. (Kindergarten), 3:12 p.m. (1st & 2nd), 3:17 p.m. (3rd & 4th)



Busing All bus students will be notified by their bus drivers of their departure time. If you have not been notified by Friday, August 12, 2022, please call Marty Telecky at 402-643-6069 or 402-643-2941.

#### **Hot Lunch Program**

All Elementary, Middle School and High School hot lunches will be served beginning Wednesday, August 17. Breakfast will start on Wednesday, August 17. The cost of breakfast and lunches:

**Daily** K-4: \$3.00 • 5-12: \$3.15 • Breakfast: \$2.10 • Milk: \$0.35

#### **Pre-Registration Information**

Kindergarten: Children must have reached the age of five years on or before July 31 to be eligible to enter school. Birth certificates and immunization records are required for registration for all new students. Students enrolling in Kindergarten or transferring from out of state must have a visual evaluation. Students will not be allowed to begin school without these records.

K-12 students who did not attend Seward Schools last year should register in the principal's office starting August 1, 2022. Each Kindergarten student, 7th grade student, and students moving into Seward School District from out of state must have a physical before the start of school. All students are required to have two doses of varicella vaccine (chickenpox or documentation that they have had chickenpox) before the start of school.



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Grades 9-12 High School

532 Northern Heights 402-643-2988



Starting on August 1, all school offices will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to answer any questions.

#### **Athletic Practices**

High School football, softball, volleyball, cross country and girls golf practice will begin on Monday, August 8. All Middle School equipment check outs will take place after school starts.

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# Commissioners approve federal aid agreement for new Beaver Crossing bridge

by Keaton Burgess reporter@sewardindependent.com

The Seward County Commissioners approved a federal aid agreement to replace a bridge south of Beaver Crossing on 406 Road on July 26.

Highway Superintendent Terry Wicht said the project is in the early stages.

"The agreement was approved and signed

by the city, but now the state still has to sign it," he said.

The bridge was picked by the state because of the shape it's

"The bridge has been closed because it can't pass inspections," Wicht said. "Bridges are picked by the state for federal aid and they happened to pick this

The next step in the project will be to pick a manager. Wicht said an engineer has already been chosen. Mark Mainelli from Mainelli Wagner Engineering will be the engineer for the project.

The cost of the project is unknown at this time. Wicht said figuring cost is part of the engineering process.

### Temporary DHHS offices open

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services has secured a temporary location for the local DHHS office in Seward.

Beginning Aug. 8, DHHS staff will be available to serve the public at The Forge, at 612 Seward St. Staff will be available during regular business hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a temporary location while staff works

to make repairs to the permanent location at 1313 285th St., which received significant damage in the June 14 storm.

For immediate assistance, call 855-632-7633 for Medicaid or 800-383-4278 for Economic Assistance, or visit another local office. Other office locations are available at ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov.

#### Don't forget to support your local businesses!

#### Skills USA students attend conference



The Seward High School SkillsUSA chapter attended the National Leadership and Skills Conference June 20-24 in Atlanta, Georgia. Students from all 50 states and five territories competed in 107 career and leadership competitions. Students had to win their state event in order to represent Nebraska. Pictured are, from left: (first row) Bailey Broadwell, 18th in 3-D Animation; Rachel Runyan, 19th in First/Aid CPR; Kaylie Nelson, 16th in Health Knowledge Bowl; Vicki Wang, 16th in HKB; and Charley, Haylen and Hilary Holliday, observers; (second row), Jadyn Nelson, 18th in 3-D Animation; Jack Wall, 16th in HKB; Kohltyn Lindau, 16th in Automated Manufacturing Tech; Nic Classen, 16th in AMT; and Sam Matthias, 37th in TV/Video Production; and (third row) Kurt Holliday, adviser; Evett Howe, 16th in AMT; Andrew Marshall, 37th in TV/Video; and Audrey Wang, 16th in HKB.

## Runyan honored at SkillsUSA **Workforce Development Event**

A career and technical student from Seward won one of the nation's highest awards at the 2022 SkillsUSA Championships held in Atlanta June 22-23.

More than 5,200 students competed at the national showcase of career and technical education. The SkillsUSA Championships is the largest skill competition in the world and covers 1.79 million square feet, equivalent to 31 football fields or 41 acres.

Rachel Runyan, a student at Seward High School, was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in First Aid-CPR.

Students were invited to the event to demonstrate their technical skills, workplace skills and personal skills in 108 hands-on occupational and leadership competitions including robotics, automotive technology, drafting, criminal justice, aviation

maintenance and public speaking.

Industry leaders from 650 businesses, corporations, trade associations and unions planned and evaluated the contestants against their standards for entry-level workers. Industry support of the SkillsUSA Championships is valued at over \$36 million in donated time, equipment, cash and

More than 1,100 industry judges and technical committee members participated this year.

The Skill Point Certificate represents demonstrated workplace readiness in the student's occupational specialty. Students can add the certificate to an employment portfolio.

Skill Point Certificates were awarded to all national contestants who met a threshold contest score for their event as an indicator of proficiency.

#### **Beef Council** to conduct **District 8** election

The Nebraska Beef Council will host a Board of Director election this November in District 8 spanning 16 counties in southeast Nebraska.

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www.cbcseward.com Sunday School (all ages)......10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship ......11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship......5:00 p.m. Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study......7:00 p.m.

#### **Church of Christ**

1422 Kolterman Ave. • Seward • 402-643-5802 www.sewardchurchofchrist.com Wednesday Bible Study (Small groups) ........ 6:30 p.m.

#### Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1245 N. 2nd St. • Seward • 402-643-6116

www.faithseward.org Pastor Miles Ruch Jr. Service available on Facebook. Sunday Worship ......9:15 a.m. Sunday School ......10:15 a.m.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

746 Pinewood Ave. • Seward • 402-643-4131 www.graceseward.org Pastor Mark A. Haefner

Sunday Bible Class ......8:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Fellowship ......9:45 a.m

#### Hillcrest Evangelical Free Church

2433 Progressive Road • Seward • 402-643-2316 Senior Pastor Curt Coddington Administrative Pastor Brant Taylor Worship Pastor Kyle Soflin Youth Pastor Zach Mulvihill Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes......9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship ......8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Children and Teen Activities...... 6:30 p.m

#### **Lighthouse Pentecostal Church** 201 S. 11th St. • Seward • 402-937-8377

Pastor Timothy Daywitt Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Worship......7:00 p.m.

Living Word Lutheran Church (LCMC) 1300 W. Hillcrest Drive • Seward • 402-643-6445 www.livingwordseward.org

Pastor Scott Krohn Sunday Worship ......9:00 a.m. Traditional; Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays Words on Wednesday (WOW)......4:00 p.m.

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Mon., Tue., Thurs., Fri. Mass......8:00 a.m.

#### CORDOVA -

St. John's Lutheran Church (LCMS)

200 Paris St. • Cordova • 402-576-3211 Pastor Brian Tuma

Sunday Worship. ......9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study ......10:30 a.m.

#### GARLAND-

Zion Lutheran Church (LCMS)

370 4th St. • Garland • 402-588-2229 Zionlcms@revddobb.com Pastor David Dobbertien

Sunday Worship ......9:00 a.m.

**GOEHNER** 

**Great Plains Community Church** 

1155 May St. • Goehner • 402-730-2594 Pastor Galen Skinner

Wednesday Night, Adult Bible Studies, 

#### **Holy Cross Lutheran Church (LCMS)**

1042 May St. • Goehner • 816-308-7859 Pastor James Dahlke

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143 S 6th St. • Seward • 402-470-7322 www.mercycity.church • hello@mercycity.church Sundays at Neutral Grounds ......10:00 a.m

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Rev. Dr. Mary Kay Totty, Lead Pastor Rev. JoEllen Axthelm, Associate Pastor Sunday Traditional Worship (in person & online)......9:15 a.m.

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Rev. Pam Williams Sunday Worship (in person & online).....10:30 a.m. Clergy Office Hours ......Wed. by appt.

St. John Lutheran Church (LCMS)

919 N. Columbia Ave. • Seward • 402-643-2983 www.stjohnseward.org

Pastor Nathan Scheck • Pastor Scott Bruick Pastor David Rempfer • Deaconess Jeri Morrison Saturday Worship ...... 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship. ......8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday Education Hour ......10:00 a.m.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

152 Pinewood Ave. • Seward • 402-643-3421 www.stvincentseward.org / See our FB page Msgr. Robert Tucker

Saturday Evening Mass...... 5:30 p.m. Confessions 30 minutes before each Mass

#### The Rock (LCMS)

237 S. 3rd St. • Seward • 402-643-6624 therockseward.org • info@therockseward.org Pastor Michael Meyer

Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m.

#### - MILFORD -

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** 2668 Hwy 6 (1 mile west of Milford) • 402-761-3146

www.goodshepherd-milford.org Pastor Steve Stork Sunday School—PreK-4th Grade

(during school year)......9:00 a.m. Sunday Adult Bible Study.....9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. Monday Worship......6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.....Thurs. 8:30 a.m. Confirmation Class (during school year)......Wed. 6:30 p.m.

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**Our Redeemer Lutheran Church** (LCMS)

3.5 miles west of Staplehurst • 402-535-2625 Pastor Shawn Kitzing Worship (church in the country)......9:00 a.m.

Sunday School (school in Staplehurst)......10:30 a.m. Bible Class (school in Staplehurst) ......10:30 a.m.

#### -UTICA-

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

110 3rd St. • Utica • 402-532-2545 Msgr. Mark Huber

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

St. Paul Lutheran Church (LCMS)

1100 'D' St. • Utica • 402-534-2200 Pastor Jon Dunbar Pastor of Visitation: Pastor Terry Groth Sunday Worship ......9:00 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible Study ......10:30 a.m.

To find out how to list your church, call 402-643-3676

# Malcolm seniors win first two at state

by Heath Kramer Seward County Independent

Seven innings. 21 outs. The length of a regulation American Legion baseball game.

For Malcolm, things were looking pretty bleak 18 outs into its July 30 Class C Seniors' State Tournament opener at Wisner.

With a three-run lead, all Battle Creek needed was to get Malcolm out three more times, and it would advance in the winner's bracket. A leadoff pop out ended up being the only out recorded in the bottom of the seventh as Malcolm rallied for four runs to

earn a 5-4 walk off win. Gavan Dunse got the rally started with a single to right before Logan McGreer walked. After Colt Reiling was hit-bypitch to load the bases, Maddox Meyer hit a tworun single up the middle

to make it a 4-3 game.

With Connor Zegar at the plate, a wild pitch brought Reiling home to tie the game while Meyer moved to third. Battle Creek opted to intentionally walk Zegar and Hayden Frank to load the bases and set up force out and double play opportunities.

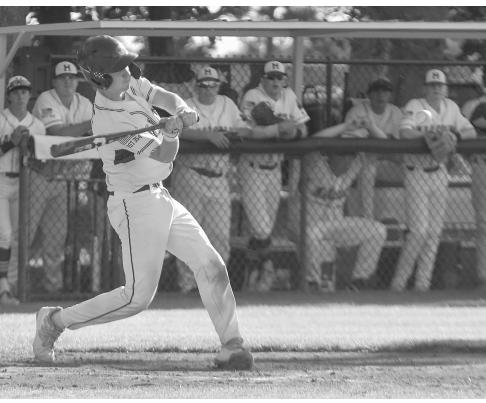
"It's just situational baseball," Malcolm head coach Brandon Rieschick said. "Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't. Fortunately for us, it didn't work out for them."

Mason Wisnieski and his .477 batting average came to the plate with a chance to end the game. After seeing one pitch from Trent Uhlir, the soon-to-be sophomore drove one deep into the right-center field gap to bring Meyer home for the win.

'My mentality was just to put the ball in



Malcolm shortstop Connor Zegar flips the ball to second baseman Maddox Meyer for the out at second July 30 against **Battle Creek.** 



STEPHANIE CROSTON/SCI

Gavan Dunse keeps his eyes on the ball as he swings against Battle Creek July 30.



play and get a hit," Wisnieski said. "The at-bat before, I hit the ball pretty hard right at somebody, so I tried to do it again but find a gap this time."

His only hit of the game came when it was needed the most.

"I didn't say anything to the team before the bottom of the seventh. That was up to our captains." Rieschick said. "There was no sense of panic, just a little bit more urgency. They know they're never out of a game."

The Saturday win set up a Sunday night meeting with the defending state champions, Dannebrog-Cairo-Boelus. DCB has been a juggernaut this season, entering the game on a 14-game win streak, with a 29-1 record. Malcolm had won 2 straight.

The game had all the makings of a title bout as Meyer went toe-totoe with DCB's Bosten Caspersen in a pitchers' duel that saw Malcolm prevail, 2-1. Meyer went the distance and struck out 12 while allowing four hits. He helped his own cause by going 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles.

Malcolm got on the board first when Mever and Zegar hit back-toback doubles in the top of the fifth. DCB answered in the bottom of the six when a leadoff single from Nolan Hurt, an error and a Justice Peterson single turned into a run.

Reiling scored the winning run in the

being walked to open the inning. Another double from Meyer and a ground ball from Zegar were enough to bring Reiling around.

Malcolm (23-2) was set to play Syracuse (22-17) in the winner's bracket final Aug. 1. The tournament is scheduled to wrap up on Wednesday night.

"These games are proof that it's never over until the final out," Rieschick said. "That's what makes baseball the best. You can't run the four corners or take a knee. You have to get all 21 outs."

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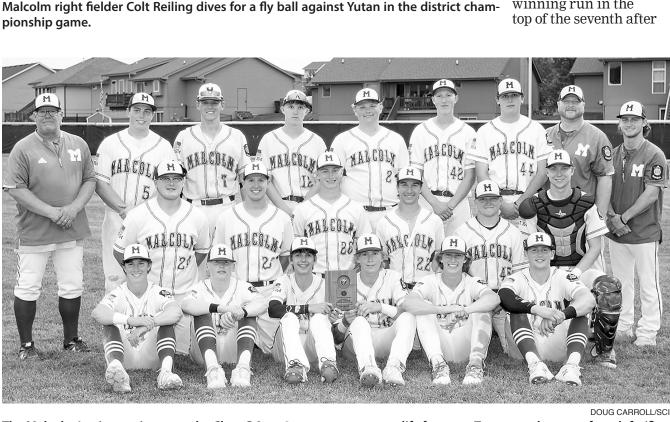
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CR: Sykes	0	2	0	0
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	Sykes	1	1	0	1			
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	Dunse	1	0	0	0			
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	McGreer	2	1	1	1			
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The Malcolm Legion seniors won the Class C Area 3 tournament to qualify for state. Team members are, from left: (first row) Cole Tiedeman, Carson Frank, Cody Sykes, Jacob Clarke, Maddox Meyer and Hayden Frank; (second row) Brett Rhone, Luke Beckman, Brayden Boehle, Logan McGreer, Colt Reiling and Gavan Dunse; and (third row) Coach Brandon Rieschick, Mason Wisnieski, Connor Zegar, Elliot Robotham, Griffin Schroeder, Owen Savicky, Luke Schmidt and Coaches Jason Ensrud and Beau Sackett.



Jacob Clarke and Connor Zegar celebrate Malcolm's firstround win over Battle Creek July 30.

#### Wurdeman part of 2022 Nebraska Football Hall of Fame Class

Another Hall of Fame has come calling. On July 11, former Concordia All-American tight end Ross Wurdeman was announced as one of eight 2022 Nebraska Football Hall of Fame inductees.

Previously, Wurdeman was honored as a Concordia Athletic Hall of Famer in 2015 and then an NAIA Hall of Fame selection in 2019.

Wurdeman was one of the stars of the 2001 Bulldog Football team that won a GPAC championship and reached the quarterfinals of the NAIA playoffs.

"The 2022 inductees were chosen by the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame, which is sponsored by the Nebraska Chapter of the National Football Foundation and the College Football Hall of Fame. The 2022 Hall of Fame class will be officially inducted at a Sept. 9 banquet in Lincoln and recognized the following day at the Huskers' home game against Georgia Southern," according to Huskers.com.

championship and reached By the time his collegiate the quarterfinals of the NAIA career came to an end, Wur-

deman '01 had been tabbed a two-time NAIA first team All-American, a two-time first team All-GPAC selection, the honorary captain of the Omaha World-Herald's 2001 All-Nebraska team and an NAIA 2000s All-Decade team member by Victory Sports Network.

As a Bulldog, he caught 168 passes for 2,458 yards and 24 touchdowns. The reception total remains a program record. His first love, though, was baseball. Wurdeman also hit 22 home runs while at

Concordia.

Wurdeman was coached in football by Courtney Meyer.

"If he got close to the ball, he pulled it down," Meyer said. "He intimidated defenders, especially corners. When we'd get down near the end zone we would split him out. When we needed a touchdown he'd just go up and get it. He couldn't be defended in those situations. That's what I remember most about him as a player."

A native of Columbus, Wurdeman is the sixth former Concordia football player/ coach to be inducted into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame. He joins Herbert Meyer, Gene Oetting, Gary Seevers, John Suhr and Erick von Fange.

The Nebraska Football Hall of Fame Class of 2022 also includes former Cornhuskers in Ron McDole, Lee Kunz, Ric Lindquist, Bruce Pickens, Toniu Fonoti and Prince Amukamara, and former University of Nebraska at Kearney coach Darrell Morris.

# Concordia Athletics resumes Hall of Fame inductions, announces 2022 class

Concordia University has selected its Hall of Fame Class of 2022. The latest group of inductees includes six individuals and one team. The Concordia Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony is set to make its return in 2022 after being canceled in 2020 and 2021 as a consequence of COVID-19. The class of 2022 will officially join elite company at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Friday, Sept. 16, in conjunction with homecoming weekend on campus.

The Concordia University Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 1994 to pay tribute and give recognition to former athletes, coaches, teams and others who have made exceptional contributions to the athletic programs at Concordia, and who exemplify the Christian principles to which Concordia adheres. For more information about the Hall of Fame, and for information on how to nominate someone, click HERE. The Concordia Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is responsible for voting on new inductees each

Concordia University Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2022 Elizabeth King '16 – Track & Field

- Two-time NAIA National Champion and two-time NAIA National Runner Up.
- Six-time NAIA All-Ameri-
- Six-time GPAC Champion.
- Six-time NAIA National Qualifier.Eight-time All-GPAC award
- winner.Graduated with school andGPAC meet records in the javeling
- GPAC meet records in the javelin and with the GPAC meet record in the hammer.
- 2016 NAIA Women's Outdoor Midwest Region and National Field Athlete of the Year, as selected by the USTFCCCA.
- Named 2015-16 Concordia Senior Female Athlete of the Year. Bernie Ochoa '03 – Soccer
- $\bullet\,$  2000 GPAC Co-Player of the Year.
- Three-time All-GPAC (first team in 2000, second team in 2001 and first team in 2022).

- 2000 NAIA All-Region IV team selection.
- Totaled 31 goals and 10 assists over three seasons as a Bulldog (after transferring from San Francisco State University).
- Led Concordia to a combined 26 wins over three seasons (12-7 record in 2000).

Grant Schmidt '83 – Coach / Athletic Director

- Winningest basketball coach in Concordia history with a 445-276 overall record in 23 seasons (1989-2012) as head coach of the men's basketball program.
- Led the Bulldogs to nine national tournaments, eight total conference championships (including regular season and postseason) and two district titles.
- First coach to ever lead the men's basketball program to the national tournament (1991).
- Coached 2004-05 squad to the NAIA Division II national championship game and a school record 32 wins.
- Served as Concordia Director of Athletics for 15 years while also coaching basketball.
- Named the 2003 Athletic Administrator of the Year in the GPAC and for NAIA Region III. Bob Schulze '64 – Track & Field, Football, Cross Country,
- Swimming & Diving
   Earned the following TriState Conference meet medals:
  gold in 220-yard dash in 1963, silver in 100-yard dash in 1963 and
- bronze in 880-yard relay in 1962.
   Set a then school record
  with a 100-yard dash time of 10.0
  seconds in a dual versus Dana
  College; broke his own school
  record with a time of 9.8 in a dual
  with Nebraska Wesleyan.
- Competed at the Nebraska Track & Field Federation Meet and ran a 6.25 in the 60-yard dash (second place).
- Contributed to then school record 440-yard, 880-yard and sprint medley relays.
- Started at halfback for the 1962 Tri-State Conference championship football team.
- Member of school's first-ever cross country and swimming & diving teams.
  - Andrew Walquist '06 Cross

Country/Track & Field

- 11-time NAIA All-American (three times in cross country and eight times in track & field).
- Eight-time GPAC Champion combining titles in cross country and track.
- 2003 and 2004 GPAC Cross Country Runner of the Year.
- Won cross country championships in 2003 and 2004 at the conference meet and in 2004 at the NAIA Region IV meet.
- Earned GPAC Outstanding Athlete of the Year awards for the 2005 and 2006 indoor track & field seasons.
- Winner of the NAIA A.O. Duer Award presented to a student-athlete who excels in scholarship, character and citizenship.
- Clarence Woods '06 Football
   Two-time first team All-Nebraska Intercollegiate Athletic
  Conference (1987 and 1988).
- 1988 Team MVP and Team Most Outstanding Offensive Player of the Year.
- Named team's Top Offensive Rookie in 1984.
- Career totals of 125 receptions, 2,011 receiving yards (third most in program history) and 16 touchdowns (13 receiving, two rushing, one kick return).
- In 1988, caught 58 passes for 951 yards and seven touchdowns. 2001 Football Team
- Remains the Concordia football program record holder for most wins in a single season with 10.
- As part of the 10-2 campaign, the Bulldogs shared the GPAC regular season title, advanced to the national quarterfinals and finished the season ranked No. 7 in the NAIA postseason coaches' poll.
- Only football team in school history to qualify for the NAIA playoffs.
- Four players named First Team All-GPAC: kicker Jess Boyd, linebacker Erik DeHaven, safety Sean Stewart and tight end Ross Wurdeman.
- Coaching staff featured Head Coach Courtney Meyer, Offensive Coordinator Bill McAllister and Defensive Coordinator Tim Preuss.

# Bulldogs honored for scholarship

For their work in the classroom and on the golf course, Drew D'Ercole and Ivan Yabut were named 2021-22 Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholars July 21 by the Golf Coaches Association of America.

A native of Papillion, D'Ercole studies Recreation and Sport Studies and Business Administration. This past season, D'Ercole competed in all nine events (19 rounds) and posted an average round of 75.8. He placed in the top 10 of three tournaments: third at the Mount Marty Fall Invite, seventh at the Blue River Classic and ninth at the Doane Spring Invite. D'Ercole carded a season low of 71 in three separate rounds and shot scores of 74 or lower seven times. His career scoring average as a Bulldog stands at 77.2.

A native of Omaha, Yabut studies Psychology. During the 2021-22 season, Yabut competed in all nine events (19 rounds) and notched a scoring average of 74.9. He finished in a tie for fifth at the GPAC Championships for the highest ever GPAC placement in Concordia Men's Golf history. Yabut's three-round conference score rested at 71-74-74-219. He placed in the top 10 of four tournaments: second at the Hastings Spring Invite, third at the Mount Marty Invite, fifth at the Siouxland Invite and fifth at the GPAC Championships. His career low of seven-under-par 65 in round one of the Siouxland Invite represented a program record for a single round. Yabut carries a career scoring average of 77.3.

#### CU's Bindl named All-American

A two-time Academic All-District award winner, Concordia University tennis student-athlete Joe Bindl has garnered a more prestigious honor. As announced by College Sports Information Directors of America June 14, Bindl has been named to the organization's 2022 Academic All-America® Men's At-Large Second Team for the NAIA. The "At-Large" category includes student-athletes from tennis and a variety of other intercollegiate sports. There were 20 NAIA student-athletes recognized as either first or second team Academic All-Americans.

Bindl graduated with his degree in Accounting while sporting a nearly spotless cumulative grade-point average of 3.99. As part of his tennis career, Bindl helped the Bulldogs reach the GPAC championship match in 2021 (first time ever) and then the conference semifinals in 2022. Over four seasons as a Bulldog, Bindl compiled career records of 24-17 in singles and 26-20 in doubles.

### CU athletes earn All-America honors

It's another sign of what a powerhouse the Concordia University Track & Field program continues to be. Pole vault national champion Josie Puelz earned one of the highest honors given out by College **Sports Information** Directors of the Year. As announced June 21, Puelz has been named winner of the 2021-22 Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year award in the NAIA. She was joined with 2021-22 Academic All-America® women's track & field/cross country first team selection by teammates Rachel Battershell and Erin Mapson.

Puelz is the third Concordia track athlete to ever be named as the NAIA's Academic All-American of the Year. She has made her mark as the top female pole vaulter in program history. At the 2022 outdoor national meet, Puelz claimed her fourth NAIA pole vault national title in a row. She's one of only two female athletes in school history to have won at least four individual national titles. The Lincoln Lutheran alum also sports a perfect 4.0 GPA while studying elementary education.

Puelz owns the GPAC

conference meet records for both the indoor and outdoor pole vault and holds school records in the indoor (13-4.5) and outdoor (13-7.25) pole vault. Also a four-time GPAC champion, Puelz was named the 2021 State College Female Athlete of the Year in the state of Nebraska by the Lincoln Journal Star. She earned 2021 and 2022 CoSIDA Academic All-District and Academic All-America First Team accolades.

Battershell, a senior academically and a junior athletically in 2021-22, has been named both Academic All-District and First Team Academic All-America three times in her career. The native of Wheatland, Wyo.,

claimed her 10th career All-America award this past outdoor season and is a two-time 400 meter national champion. In addition, Battershell has won eight career individual GPAC titles (five in individual events), owns six school records and was named the 2021 NAIA Midwest Region Women's Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year.

Athlete of the Year.
Battershell's program
records are in the indoor
400 meters (54.77), indoor
60 hurdles (8.81), indoor
4x400m relay (3:47.39),
outdoor 100 hurdles
(14.25), outdoor 4x100m
relay (47.66) and outdoor
4x400m relay (3:47.26).
Battershell has majored
in exercise science,
chemistry and biology
while maintaining a
near spotless cumulative
grade-point average of

Mapson, a Lincoln native and Lincoln East High School alum, sports a perfect 4.0 GPA as an exercise science major. She's a five-time NAIA All-American in the pole vault and has made six career appearances at NAIA national meets. Mapson was honored as a 2021 CoSIDA Academic All-District and Academic All-America Second Team selection. She was a 2019 GPAC pole vault champion with a personal best of 12-7.5 in the pole vault. Mapson has contributed to six team GPAC titles during her collegiate career.

As an All-American of the Year choices, Puelz is automatically placed on the ballot for consideration for the 2021-22 overall Academic All-America Team Member of the Year across all 12 CoSIDA All-America sport programs within the NAIA.

The 2021-22 Academic All-America® Women's Track & Field/Cross Country Teams, selected by CoSIDA, recognize the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances in athletic competition and in the classroom.

# Adams picks up honorable mention

One of the top leadoff men and second baseman in the nation, Jay Adams pulled in All-America accolades, as announced by the NAIA June 7. Adams was recognized as a 2022 Honorable Mention All-American following a season that saw him lead the Concordia University Baseball team to a GPAC tournament championship and within a game of an NAIA World Series berth. Adams joined former teammates Jake Fosgett (2021) and Nick Little (2018) as recent Honorable Mention All-America award winners.

A two-time First Team All-GPAC honoree, Adams led all GPAC players with a school record 86 hits in 2022. The Waverly, Neb., native also broke the program's single season record for runs scored with 67. In addition, Adams batted .371 with 14 doubles, 18 home runs, 65 RBIs, a .440 on-base percentage, .664 slugging percentage and 15 stolen bases in 58 games this past season. At second base, Adams successfully fielded 228 of 235 (.970) chances. In memorable postseason performances, Adams delivered walk-off RBI singles to beat Northwestern and Jamestown (GPAC title game) and produced a 6-for-6, three-homer effort in a blowout of Briar Cliff. Adams set the table for a potent lineup that reset program single season records for home runs (113) and runs scored (516).

Adams has appeared in 132 collegiate games as a Bulldog and has batted .367 (187-for-510) with 34 doubles, 23 home runs, 121 RBIs, 60 walks and 26 stolen bases.

# **Voting myths**

#### (continued from 1)

"We have a secure system of issuing ballots and verifying when they are received back in my office. Each one is handled separately to make sure each ballot is counted," Schweitzer said. "Some people think fake ballots can be stuffed into the ballot box, but each ballot being returned must be in an envelope that has the oath and different components on it. A piece of paper just cannot be slipped into the ballot box.

2. Most early voting ballots are not counted and are just tossed away. Ballots are not tossed away.

"By law, we are required to keep them for 22 months after the election," Schweitzer said.

3. Someone can apply for ballots for many people, vote and return them and they are counted.

A person can apply for a ballot for themselves and two other people.

'This is for the parent who is obtaining one for their college-age child or a child getting a ballot for an aging parent or neighbor," Schweitzer said.

"In each of these instances, the voter themselves must complete the information on the return envelope and sign it.

"We check signatures," Schweitzer said.

4. Early Voting Ballots are counted a different way than Election Day ballots.

Each ballot cast is counted the same way.

"There is no difference if it is cast early or on Election Day," Schweitzer said.

5. The ballot is looked at when the envelope is opened so voters' choices are not confidential.

Anyone who has been in the clerk's office on Election Night knows time is of the essence when counting ballots, which means even if one wanted to, there isn't time to look at a voter's choices.

"We have hundreds and sometimes thousands of envelopes to open, so we operate in an efficient manner," Schweitzer said. "While election time is

a busy time for our office, we conduct ourselves with integrity," Schweitzer

Ballots are opened efficiently and discreetly by placing the envelope with the signature-side down on purpose, so workers do not know who the ballot belongs to.

Since the ballots themselves have no signature, they are quickly separated from the signed envelopes.

"We slide the ballot out and place it on a separate stack from the envelope so that the two items are never together again," Schweitzer said. "Our office realizes the importance of confidentiality.'

6. Early ballots don't get counted unless the race is close.

All early voting ballots are counted as long as the signature and address on the return envelope are correct. It doesn't matter if the race is close.

"How would we know if a race is close if we don't count all the ballots?" Schweitzer said.

7. There is ballot harvesting going on and those ballots should not be

counted.

Ballot harvesting, or ballot collecting, is when one person returns ballots for several people at a time.

'We have places such as assisted living facilities where residents want to vote but can't make it to the polling place," Schweitzer said. "While ballots are issued to many of the residents of these facilities, an employee or family member may return ballots for several people at one time."

The process for verifying and counting the ballots doesn't change, though.

"Like with each early voting ballot, we check the signature and make sure the *voter* did actually submit the ballot," Schweitzer said.

With the Nov. 8 General Election coming up, Seward County voters will have a multitude of offices to fill by casting their ballots - either early or at the polls.

For more information or questions about the election process, contact the county clerk's office at (402) 643-

# PUBLIC NOTICES

#### **NAME CHANGE**

**LEGAL NOTICE** IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF

SEWARD COUNTY, NEBRASKA Case Number CI22-95 IN RE NAME CHANGE OF Madalyn Grace Lobmeyer

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of July, 2022, a petition was filed in the District Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is for the change of the petitioner's name from Madalyn Grace Lobmeyer to Jonathan Matthew Lobmeyer. A hearing will be had on said

petition before the Honorable James C Stecker, in courtroom No. 1, 261 S. 8th St. Seward, Nebraska on the 1st day of September, 2022 at 9:00 a.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 Madalyn Grace Lobmeyer to Jonathan Matthew Lobmeyer.

Madalyn Grace Lobmeyer 1668 Eastridge Ave Seward, Nebraska 68434 402-641-1034 SCI — July 27, August 03, 10, 17, 2022 **ZNEZ** 

**LEGAL NOTICE** IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SEWARD COUNTY, **NEBRASKA** 

Case Number Cl22-94 IN RE NAME CHANGE OF Kyla

Renae Brummett. Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of July 2022 a petition was filed in the District Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is for the change of the petitioner's name from Kyla Renae Brummett. to Kyla Renae Kilzer

A hearing will be had on said petition before the Honorable James C. Stecker, in Courtroom No. 1. Seward County Justice Center, 261 S. 8th St., Seward, Nebraska, on the 1st day of September 2022 at 9:00 a.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 Kyla Renae Brummett. to Kyla

Renae Kilzer. Kyla Renae Brummett. Petitioner 102 Walnut Street Pleasandale, NE 68423 SCI — August 03, 10, 17, 24, 2022 **ZNEZ** 

#### **ESTATES**

**NOTICE** IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SEWARD COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ESTATE OF ELSIE M. STEINAUER, DECEASED Estate No. PR 22-66 Notice is hereby given that on July 13, 2022, in the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Martha Feit, 19310 Franklin Circle, Elkhorn, NE 68022, and Marie Schmit, 106 3rd Street, Steinauer, NE 68441, were informally appointed by the Registrar as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with

this Court on or before the 20 day

of September 2022 or be forever

/s/ Sheila R. Beins Clerk of the County Court P.O. Box 37 Seward, NE 68434

Emily A. Sisco, #26396 Donahue & Faesser, P.C., L.L.O. 637 G Street Pawnee City, NE 68420 Tel: (402) 852-2577 easisco@windstream.net Attorney for

Co-Personal Representatives SCI - July 20, 27, August 03, 2022 **ZNEZ** 

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SEWARD COUNTY. **NEBRASKA** 

ESTATE OF ALICE M. KOPIASZ, DECEASED

Estate No. PR 22-67 Notice is hereby given that on July 18, 2022, in the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Marilyn Morris Leetch, whose address is 2414 19th Ave, Central City, NE 68826 and Cindy Joosten, whose address is P.O. Box 12, Beaver Crossing, NE 68313, were informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representatives of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before September 27, 2022 or be

forever barred. /s/Sheila R. Beins Clerk of the County Court

PREPARED BY: Robert I. Blevens #10344 Blevens and Damman Law Office P.O. Box 98, Seward, NE 68434 402-643-3639

Attorney for Estate - July 27, August 03, 10, 2022

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE **ESTATE OF** 

JOHN W CATTLE JR

Deceased.

PR22-72 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 25, 2022, in the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the Will of the Decedent and that Catherine L. Cattle, whose address is Attn: Don R. Janssen, Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather, L.L.P., 1900 U.S. Bank Building, 233 South 13th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508-2095, was appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of this estate.

Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before October 3, 2022 or be forever barred.

/s/ Sheila R. Beins Clerk of the County Court P.O. Box 37 Seward, Nebraska 68434

Don R. Janssen - #18584 Counsel for Personal Representative CLINE WILLIAMS WRIGHT JOHNSON & OLDFATHER,

1900 U.S. Bank Building 233 South 13th Street Lincoln, Nebraska 68508-2095 Telephone: (402) 474-6900 djanssen@clinewilliams.com SCI — August 03, 10, 17, 2022

> NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SEWARD COUNTY, **NEBRASKA** ESTATE OF DON F. LARSEN. Deceased

Estate No. PR22-68 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 25, 2022, in the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska, the Court entered an Order that Joette Hartshorn, whose address is 1781 210th Rd. Seward, NE 68434, and Paul T. Roseberry, whose address is 6920 Windsor Blvd., Cheyenne, WY 82009, were informally appointed by the Court as Co -Personal Representatives of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before October 3, 2022 or be

/s/ Sheila R. Beins Clerk of the **Seward County Court** Seward County Justice Center 261 S. 8th St. Seward, NE 68434

forever barred.

Gregory C. Damman #19030 Blevens & Damman Law Office PO Box 98 Seward, NE 68434 402-643-3639 SCI — August 03, 10, 17, 2022

Mattson Ricketts Law Firm 134 S. 13th Street, Suite 1200 Lincoln, Nebraska 68508 NOTICE

OF INFORMAL PROBATE AND INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

County Court of Seward County, Nebraska Estate No. PR22-65 of GEORGIENNE W. WARNER,

**DECEASED** 

Notice is hereby given that on July 15, 2022, in the Seward County Court, Seward Nebraska, the registrar issued a written statement of informal probate of the Last Will and Testament of Georgienne W. Warner, deceased, and appointed John W. Warner as personal representative of the estate. The address of the personal representative is 1598 Oak Grove Road, Valparaiso, Nebraska 68065. Creditors must file their claims with this court on or before the 27th day of September, 2022, or be forever barred.

Dated: July 15, 2022 /s/Sheila R. Beins

Clerk of the County Court SCL — July 27, August 03, 10, 2022 **ZNEZ** 

#### **ORGANIZATION**

Hoffschneider Law, P.C., LLO 1120 K Street, Suite 200 Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION** Notice is hereby given of the organization of D & D Flatwork, LLC. The street and mailing address of the initial designated office is 1903 Sunrise Road, Milford, NE 68405. The name and mailing address of the registered agent for service of process for the company is Kelly R. Hoffschneider. Hoffschneider Law. P.C., LLO. 1120 K Street, Suite 200, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508. SCI — August 03, 10, 17, 2022

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF **SEWARD COUNTY ENTERTAINMENT, LLC** 

Notice is hereby given that Seward County Entertainment, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. The address of its designated office is 1668 Eastridge Ave., Seward, NE 68434. The name and address of the initial registered agent is Jonathan Lobmever, 1668 Eastridge Ave., Seward, NE 68434 Seward County Entertainment, LLC, commenced business on July 1, 2022, and the general nature of its business is to engage in any lawful business not prohibited by the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act.

Gregory C. Damman, #19030 BLEVENS & DAMMAN 129 N. 5th St. P.O. Box 98 Seward, NE 68434 (402) 643-3639 Attorney for Seward County Entertainment, LLC SCI - July 13, 20, 27, August

03, 2022

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION Notice is given that INSPIRED HOPE, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its initial designated office at 111 N 3rd St, Seward, NE 68434. The initial agent for the service of process of the company is Trudy Super, MA, PLMHC, 111 N 3rd St, Seward, NE 68434

Inspired Hope, LLC July 27, August 03, 10, 2022

#### NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF

Mid-Plains Towing, LLC Notice is hereby given that Mid-Plains Towing, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 839 N. 6th St, Seward NE 68434. The initial agent for service of process of the Company is Mid-Plains Towing, LLC, 839 N. 6th St, Seward, NE 68434.

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#### NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION **GEORGIA & JUNE, LLC.**

Notice is hereby given that Georgia & June, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 759 140th Rd, Pleasant Dale, NE 68423. The initial agent for service of process of the Company is Registered Agents Inc., 200 S. 21st St. Ste. 400A, Lincoln, NE 68510.

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#### MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BEAVER CROSSING **PROCEEDINGS** July 13, 2022

The following is condensed form of the minutes for the July13, 2022 meeting. A complete copy is on file at Village Hall, 800 Dimery St, Beaver Crossing, NE.

The Board of Trustees met in open public session at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall. Board members present: G. Zieg, J. Leif, L. Breitkreutz, M. Banks and JP Black. Motions were properly made, seconded and carried for the following: Minutes for Regular meeting on June 8, Treasurer report, Claims, Building Permit 22-9, Building Permit 22-10, B. Stutzman, street repair bid for south Main St., A. Kohout to purchase power washer for \$750.00 or less, and LARM 2022/2023 Insurance renewal. Meeting adjourned 9:07p.m.

P. Pankoke Clerk/Treasurer July Claims: A. Kohout \$45.00 general; A. Philyaw \$125.00 general; American Legion Pos #178 \$147.00 general; Aqua Chem \$2,582.33 pool, water; Beaver Hardware \$355.51 general, park, pool, & street; Card Service Center \$1,941.82 general, park, street; Dawson Electric \$886.63 park; Eakes Office Solutions \$85.45 general; Farmers Union Cooperative \$474.00 park; G. Grantski \$100.00 general; John Deere Financial \$172.89 park; Keller's IT Solutions \$400.00 general; Kopchos \$112.00 general, park; NE Dept. of Revenue \$253.12 general; NE Public Health Environmental Lab \$25.00 water; NPPD \$13,045.45 general, park, pool, street; One Call Concepts, Inc. \$11.46 general; Pankoke Repair \$152.65 street; P. Pankoke \$404.12 general, pool; Seward Co. Independent \$61.72 general; US Treasury \$1,601.70 general; Windstream \$288.45 general; Young's Welding \$173.82 general; BC Fire Dept. \$4,037.37 fire; Council member wages \$4,560.00; Wages, \$12,408.39 general, pool, street, & water. SCI — August 03, 2022 **ZNEZ** 

#### **PROPERTY SALES**

SouthLaw, P.C 13160 Foster Suite 100 Overland Park, KS 66213-2848 (913) 663-7600 **FÌLE NO. 234647** NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Justin Dale Schwisow, dated May 20, 2019, and recorded on May 21, 2019, Document No. 201900983 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds. Seward County, Nebraska, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on August 23, 2022, at 1:30 PM, at the North Doors of the Seward County, Courthouse, Seward, Nebraska, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for

Lot 9, Block 10, Original Town of Milford, Seward County, Nebraska, commonly known as 520 4th St,

cash:

Milford, NE 68405 subject to all prior easements. restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs. Liliana E. Shannon, Successor

Trustee

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Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose (No. 234647). For more information, visit www.Southlaw.com SCI — July 13, 20, 27, August 03,

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Saturday, August 13 • 10 a.m. 925 Plum St. + Lincoln, NE

George Styskal is closing his welding shop & will do portable welding only. Quality Tools, Lq Anvil w/hardies on cart, Millermatic 200 Wire Feed Arc Welder, Misc Steel Tubing Sq & Round, (2) Floor Drill Presses, 1/2 Ton & 4 Ton Arbor Press, Hi-Lift Jack 24" & 36" Rigid Pipe Wrenches, 42" Rigid Bolt Cutters, (2) Wissota Dual Wheel Grinders on cart, Champion Forge with Blower & Coal, (5) Two Wheel Hand Trucks (new), Many Vise Grips, Welding Vise Grips, Welding Table, (2) HD Bench Vises on Stands, 26" Buzz Saw Blade Carbide Tips (new), Kennedy Tool Box, Machinist Tools, Tool Boxes, Pipe Threader 1/4" to 1-1/2", Mil 9" Grinder, Stihl Farm Boss Chain Saw, Gas Powered Dirt Auger, 2000 PSI Gas Power Washer, Rigid Portable Air Comp, Gas Leaf Blower, (3) Shop Vacs, (2) 3 Ton Floor Jacks, Powr-Kraft Table Saw, 50' Cord Reel, Expansion Plugs, Hardware, 0-rings 1/2" & 3/8" Elec Drills, Elec Tongue Jack, Snap-on air drill, Craftsman Wrench Set, Gear Pullers, Posi-lock gear & bearing puller, 1/2" impact Wrench, Machinist Vise, Tire Wrenches, Pipe Wrenches, Tap & Die Sets, SK 1/2 Socket Set, 1/2" Deep Impact Socket Set, 3/4" Drive Socket Set Steel, Stamped 3/8" Letters, Yale & Budget 1-1/2 Ton Overhead Trolley & I Beam Trolley, Pabst Neon, Camel Lighted Sign, Standard Oil Company Pail, (2) 8' Alum Tables'

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#### GENERAL NOTICES

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SEWARD COUNTY, **NEBRASKA** IN THE MATTER OF THE **CONSERVATORSHIP OF** SABRINA HANSEN AN ALLEGED INCAPACITATED AND PROTECTED PERSON.

**NOTICE OF PETITION** FOR APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT CONSERVATOR

PR 22 - 55

TO SABRINA HANSEN: Notice is hereby given that on June 3, 2022, a Petition for Appointment of Temporary Conservator and Permanent Conservator or other protective order over Sabrina Hansen has been filed by Sam Baue in the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska. On June 8, 2022, the County Court of Seward County, Nebraska entered an Order Appointing Temporary Conservator which appoints Kelly Hansen as Temporary Conservator. Petition for Appointment of Permanent Conservator has been set for hearing on August 16, 2022, at 9:00 am. in Seward County Court,

Seward, Nebraska. You are further notified that you have the right to: request the appointment of an attorney; to present evidence on your behalf; the right to compel attendance of witnesses; the right to cross

examine witnesses, including the court-appointed physician, if any; appeal any final order; and to request a hearing closed to the public; and the right to request that the power of any guardian/ conservator, if appointed be limited by the Court.

/s/Sam Baue, #27294 McHenry Haszard, Roth, Hupp Burkholder, Blomenberg & Camplin, PC. P.O. Box 82426 Lincoln, NE 68501 402-476-2200 sam@ mchenrylaw.com

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#### TRADE NAMES

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE NAME Trade Name: MIDWEST MINI

MOOS Name of Applicant: TREY J.

Address: 4540 HOLDREGE RD. BEAVER CROSSING, NE 68313 Applicant is: Individual Date of first use of name in Nebraska: July 15th, 2022

General nature of business: Cattle. /s Trey J. Dickey Signature of Applicant SCI — August 03, 2022

#### **BIDS**

SEWARD COUNTY ROADS DEPARTMENT 320 S. 14TH STREET SEWARD, NE 68434 (402) 643-3170

FAX (402) 643-3 NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that sealed

bids will be received at the office of the County Clerk, Courthouse, Seward, Nebraska, for one (1) Utility Box. Sealed bids will be received by the Seward County Clerk until 9:30 A.M., Tuesday, August 9th, 2022. Said sealed bids to be addressed to "Seward County Clerk, 529 Seward Street, Seward, Nebraska, 68434" and plainly marked "UTILITY BOX." Specifications and quantities are available at the office of the Seward County Highway Superintendent, 320 S. 14th St. Seward, Nebraska, 68434. A bid bond or cashier check of 5% of the total bid shall be furnished with the sealed bid

The Seward County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any technicalities. Seward County is a tax-exempt government entity and is not charged any sales tax. SCI/MT — July 27, August 03, 2022

#### **MEETINGS**

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** 

The board of education of the School District of Seward will meet in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. for a board study session to be followed by the 7:00 p.m. regular business meeting. The meeting will be held at the Administrative Offices located at 410 South St., Seward, Nebraska. An agenda for the meeting which shall be kept continually current is readily available for public inspection at the Superintendent's Office during normal business hours.

To view the agenda go to http:// SewardPublicSchools.org/ and find the eMeeting link. SCI — August 03, 2022

#### LIQUOR LICENSES

**PUBLIC NOTICE** NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF **RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE** 

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 53-135.01 that a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from November 1, 2022, for the following retail liquor licensee: Outlaw Steakhouse & Saloon

Lots 3-4, Block 10 153 4th Street Garland, Nebraska 68360 Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the Village of Garland on or before August 10, 2022, in the office of the Village of Garland Clerk and that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of the license should be allowed. Salene Ulrich Garland Village Clerk

Upon conclusion of any hearing required by this section, the local governing body may request a licensee to submit an application as provided in section 53-135. SCI — August 03, 2022

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF **RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 53-135.01 that a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from November 1, 2022, for the following retail liquor licensee:

Corner Bar & Grill Lot 1, Block 10 173 4th Street Garland, Nebraska 68360

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the Village of Garland on or before August 10, 2022, in the office of the Village of Garland Clerk and that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of the license should be allowed. Selene Ulrich Garland Village Clerk

Upon conclusion of any hearing required by this section, the local governing body may request a licensee to submit an application as provided in section 53435. SCI — August 03, 2022

#### **HEARINGS**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is given that the Seward County Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 15th, 2022, 7:30 p.m., at the Seward County Civic Center 616 Bradford Street, Seward, Nebraska, regarding the following: Discussion/Action Public Hearing - Conditional Use Permit to construct and operate a Fertilizer Distribution Center. PID: 800033248 on a parcel of ground located in the Southwest ¼ of, Section 24, Township 11 North, Range 1 East, Seward County, Nebraska.

Information on the proposed action is available in the Seward County Zoning Office. The public's comments and concerns are welcome at the time of the public hearing. Seward County Zoning Administrator

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# 4 RECORDS

#### **Obituaries**

Vicki S. Gleisberg Sept. 5, 1952 – July 29, 2022

Vicki Sue Gleisberg of Seward was born Sept. 5, 1952, to Charles "Chuck" and Bess (Hartman)

Waterman in Norfolk. She attended Creighton High School, graduating in 1970. She worked for Protective Fire and Casualty. On July 14, 1984, Vicki was united in marriage to David Gleisberg in

Seward. She was a die-hard Husker fan. She enjoyed going on road trips, going to rodeos, being in nature and spending time at her parents' farm. She liked to watch

ghost and veterinarian shows. She was the best grandma ever and loved spending time with her family. She was a bonus mom to many of her children's friends.

Vicki passed away July 29, 2022, in Seward at the age of 69 years, 10 months and 24 days.

She is survived by her mother, Bess Waterman of Creighton; husband, David Gleisberg of Seward; children, Lara Eslick of Lincoln, Jason Mahler (Hanna Fitzgerald) of Staplehurst, Sherry (Joshua) Unruh of Blair, John (Darcy) Gleisberg of El Paso, Texas, Jennifer Gleisberg (Tracy Gilman) of Seward, and Michael Gleisberg (Melissa King) of Omaha; grandchildren, Brianna Eslick, Hayden Eslick, Mitchell Eslick, Brandon Eslick, Lexi Bernt, Jaden Mahler, Dylan Bernt, Floyd Gleisberg, L.J. Unruh, Otto Gleisberg and Hunter Mahler; great-grandchild, Brycen Bernt; siblings, Dale Waterman of O'Neill, Mary Kavan of Valparaiso and Bill Waterman of Bradford, Pennsylvania; and beloved pets, Ben, Gemma and Stevie.

Vicki was preceded in death by her father, Charles Waterman, and brother, Lee Waterman.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, at St. John Lutheran Church in Seward with interment at the Seward Cemetery. Casketbearers will be Josh Unruh, Jeff Harding, Travis Rathjen, Shad Rathjen, Justin Schroeder and Landon Winfrey. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.volzkefuneralhome.com.

> John S. "Steve" Gribble Oct. 30, 1944 – July 23, 2022

John Steven "Steve" Gribble made his transition, as family communicated their love for

him, on July 23, 2022. Though his body experienced medical issues over the last several years, Steve's mind remained creative and clever. His heart, genuine and generous, and always a story on the tip of his tongue.

Steve was born Oct. 30, 1944, in Lincoln to Gayle Gribble and Eileen Gottmann. From a young age, Steve loved playing everything from cards to sports to

pranks. While play came quite naturally to him his entire life, school was a different story.

He flunked the second grade and would have flunked college if it weren't for earning A's in football and baseball. Steve shocked a lot of people when, in 1969, he graduated from Stetson Law School and went on to practice law in Florida for 50 years. A great accomplishment, you could say Steve's rocky start in school worked out.

From butchering meat in his family's grocery store in Oakland to running a charter fishing business in the Florida Keys to pouring beer for guests at Gribbles' Cozy Cove Resort, Steve loved and took great pride in every job he ever had.

His favorite "job" was being a father. What he loved most and took the greatest pride in was his family, immediate and extended, as well as his many friendships. What made Steve happiest was being with his wife, Lynn; kids, Michel Le and Kyle; and grandkids, Jayden and Joy. Close friends, of which he would say he was blessed to have more than most people, were also sources of great happiness.

And while you may have heard him communicate his gratitude for family and friends more than once, you likely didn't hear the same story more than once ... because Steve had so many stories. A legendary storyteller, whose stories "are all true." From experiences on the water to in the woods, from sports fields to the field of law, Steve had too many stories to need to make them up.

He felt like the luckiest guy that ever lived. Steve will be honored at Zabka-Perdue Funeral Home in Seward on Friday, Aug. 5, at 2 p.m. A visitation with Steve's family is scheduled immediately prior to the funeral service from noon to 2 p.m. The family invites guests to wear "the only color" (as Steve put it), red.

A Celebration of Life is planned for Sunday, Oct. 2, at Gribbles' Cozy Cove Resort in Dent, Minnesota. Details are yet to be determined. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions ares suggested toward a flagpole at Cozy Cove and the Perham Jacket Fishing Team. Mail contributions to Lynn Gribble at 38811 Cozy Cove Road, Dent, MN 56528 or submit via PayPal to michel.gribble@gmail. com or Venmo @MichelLeGribble. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.zabkafuneralhome.com.

Charles J. Kaczor Dec. 6, 1960 – July 24, 2022

Charles J. Kaczor was born Dec. 6, 1960, to Martin Paul and Elsie Josephine (Czapla) Kaczor

and passed away July 24, 2022, at his home in Seward at the age of 61 years, 7 months, and 18 days.

Charles was born and raised in Osceola, where he attended school. He enjoyed fishing, listening to country music and he especially loved Elvis. His favorite song was Love Me Tender. He enjoyed watching television and movies. His favorites included Gunsmoke, Three's Company and Home Alone.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Mary Ann Kaczor.

Charles is survived by his brother, Michael Kaczor, Columbus; sister, Ellen Kaczor, Lincoln; nieces, great-nieces and special friend and caregiver, Baker Jafari.

Visitation is from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, at Zabka-Perdue Funeral Home in Seward. A graveside service and inurnment is at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, at St. Mary's Cemetery at Osceola. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.zabkafuneralhome.com.

Berdine M. Linke April 14, 1930 – July 23, 2022

Berdine M. Linke, 92, of Lincoln passed away July 23, 2022. She was born April 14, 1930, in

Seward County to Ferdinand and Minnie (Schulz) Schultz.

Berdine was a bookkeeper at Colin Electric for 63 years. She was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church and Eagles Women's Auxiliary.

Survivors include her daughter, Sandra (Mike) Dougherty, Lincoln; son, Jay (Paula) Linke, Lincoln; grandchildren, Alicia (Jeremy) Jen-

nings, Adam (Maggie) Dougherty, Adriane (T. J. Trant) Dougherty, Jacob (Jessica) Linke and Cole (Annika Kuchar) Linke; great-grandchildren, Cora Jennings, Dominic Jennings and Jack Trant. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Clifford; brother, Elmer Schultz; and sister, Nora Krueger.

A Celebration of Life service was July 28 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Lincoln.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society or Redeemer Lutheran Church. Condolences for the family may be left online at roperandsons.com.



#### Real estate

Information taken from records filed with the Seward County clerk. July 15 – 20

Philip Friedrich and Micah Friedrich to Pass Go Real Estate, LLC, part of Lots 4-6, Block 39, Cloyd's Addition to Seward; Lot 1, Peters First Addition to Seward; part of Lots 1-3, Block 94, Harris Moffitt and Roberts Addition to Seward; Lot 12 and part of Lot 11, Block 3, W.W. Cox's Addition to Seward; E1/2 of Lot 13 and all of Lot 14, Block I, College View Addition to Seward; Lot 10, Block 18 in Seward; part of Lots 1-3, Block H, College View Addition to Seward; Lot 9, Block 5, Mary R. Spear's Addition to Seward; Lot 12, Block K, College View Addition to Seward; Lot 8 and the N1/2 Lot 9, Block 3, Mary R. Spear's Addition to Seward; and part of Lot 5, Block 1, Hromas Subdivision to

Seward. DS exempt David L. Fitzpatrick and Sharon S. Fitzpatrick, to Samantha Fitzpatrick, Lot 1 and part of Lot 2 and all of Lots 7-8, Cloyd's Addition to Seward. DS exempt

Kathleen Y. Brady to John W. Brady, N 35 acres of the W1/2 SW1/4 5-10-4. DS exempt

Alvin J. Herrold and Patricia A. Herrold to Alex Volnek and Ashley Volnek, part of the E1/2 SE1/4 3-11-3. DS \$337.50

Norris Public Power District to Alex Volnek and Ashley Volnek, part of the SE1/4 SE14 3-11-3. DS \$2.25

Jon M. Thomas and Kayla K. Thomas to Cyle Erks and Cheyanne Erks, Lot 10, Block 2, Heartland Park **Estates Second Addition** to Seward. DS \$540

Jeremy Shiers and Jesica Shiers to Dana Mencl and Lucas Mencl, a tract of land in the E1/2 SE1/4 2-10-4. DS \$1,244.25

Darin Fehlhafer and Brenda Fehlhafer to Skylar A. Sinica, part of Lots 11-12, Block 45, Cloyd's Addition to

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Garry Mueller and Debra Mueller, Gina Sanchez and Anthony Sanchez, Ginelle Duer and Paul E. Duer, Gregory Mueller and Michelle Mueller, Elaine M. Mueller, Allen Fehlhafer, Brian Fehlhafer and Cynthia A. Fehlhafer, Justin Fehlhafer and Caroline Fehlhafer and Doris J. Fehlhafer to Skylar A. Sinica, part of Lots 11-12, Block 45, Cloyd's Addition to Seward. DS \$303.75

Arnold J. Houdek to Karlie Schreiner to Karlie Schreiner and Roger Schreiner and Rosanna Schreiner, Lot 7 and the N1/2 Lot 8, Block 81, Harris Moffit and Roberts' Addition to Seward. DS \$279

Mitchell Schroeder and Katelyn Schroeder to Robert L. Dupsky and Corrine F. Dupsky, Lot 12, Block 2, Heartland Park Estates Second Addition PUD to Seward. DS \$686.25

Sunburst Memorials





## Obituary

Marguerite D. Schweitzer Oct. 12, 1937 -July 31, 2022

Marguerite D. Schweitzer was born Oct. 12, 1937, and passed away July 31, 2022. A full obituary can be found and condolences left for the family online at www.volzkefuneralhome.com.





#### Obituaries

Wayne E. Roth Nov. 9, 1933 – July 29, 2022

Wayne Edward Roth was born Nov. 9, 1933, on a farm near Milford to William and Emma Roth, the

sixth of seven children. Wavne passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Friday July 29, 2022, at age 88.

In his youth, Wayne accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized at East Fairview Mennonite Church, where he was a faithful member. On Oct. 20, 1961, he was united in marriage to

Aloha Roth. To this



union were born five children, Doug, Steve, Brad, an infant daughter and Jeff.

Wayne provided for his family by farming,

milking cows and doing custom baling. He spent many years helping his brother, Les, move houses. He found joy in lending a hand to anyone that had a need. Wayne was a quiet man who possessed a lot of wisdom. He had a big heart and quick wit that would always produce a smile. A lot of time was spent around the table with family and friends playing Rook, Dominos or the card game Baseball.

In his retirement, Wayne spent time in his workshop creating barns, cupboards, fences, trucks and many other items. These gifts that are cherished memories were given to children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many other friends. He loved driving out to the farm to check and make sure things were running smoothly, helping out wherever he could. Countless hours were spent at the kitchen table solving Sudoku and word search puzzles.

Wayne is survived by his children and spouses, Doug, Milford, Steve and Annete, York, Brad and Roxie, and Jeff and Jamie, Milford; 11 grandchildren, Jennifer (Robert) Jeppesen, Emily (Cayden) Riley, Julie (Daniel) Coffey, Makayla (Aaron) Zach, Trevor Roth, Tori Roth (fiancé Clay Nickels), Parker Roth, Keylie Roth, Taylon Roth, Carter Roth, Eeagan Roth, and honorary granddaughter Tiffany Bernasek (fiancé John White); 13 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Lauralee (Nyle) Kaufmann, Iowa City, Iowa; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Lori (Earl) McCullough, Milford; many nieces, nephews and many other relatives and friends.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents: wife, Aloha, on July 17, 2022; infant daughter in 1971; parents-in-law, Jake and Esther Roth; brothers and sisters-in-law, Rollin and Doris Roth, George and Jean Roth, Harold and Bonnie Jean Roth and Leslie Roth; sisters and brothers-in-law, Leona and Daniel Miller, and Irva and Daniel Ropp; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Richard and Eleanor Roth; sister-in-law, Fredetta Roth; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Arvilla and Wilton Schweitzer, and Donna and Willis Roth.

A funeral service was Aug. 2 at East Fairview Mennonite Church. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.lauberfh.com.

Frances J. Hegener July 17, 1927 – July 22, 2022

Frances Jane (Wait) Hegener passed away July 22, 2022, just five days after her 95th birthday and

four days after her 74th wedding anniversary. She was married July 18, 1948, in Seward to Wilmer Hegener.

Frances was born July 17, 1927, in Seward. Her boys recall her as a wonderful mom who did a lot of volunteer work in the communities she lived. She was an excellent seamstress and cook. Both Wilmer and Frances were avid square dancers and later

round dancers for more than 48 years, belonging to various dance clubs in Lincoln, Cando, North Dakota, Lake Charles, Louisiana and finally Kerrville, Texas.

Frances is survived by her husband of 74 years. Wilmer Hegener; sons, Stan (Pam) Hegener and Gary (Linda) Hegener; grandchildren, Tricia Carr, Spence Hegener, Emily Crotchett and Anne Good; great-grandchildren, Peyton Carr, Caleb Carr, Grace Hegener, Grant Hegener, Jack Crotchett, Charlie Crotchett, Wil Crotchett, Kate Crotchett, Rowan Good and Miles Good.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Weldon Wait and Agnes (Fueston) Wait, and sisters, Viloa Rockenbach and Evelyn Winfield.

Burial was at Lincoln Memorial Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Larry G. Lipman March 15, 1963 – July 26, 2022

Larry Glen Lipman was born March 15, 1963, in Omaha, and was adopted as an infant by George

and Evelyn Lipman. He passed away at his home July 26, 2022, at the age of 59 years, 4 months, and 11 days.

Larry grew up in the Garland area on the family farm and was a graduate of Seward High School with the Class of 1981. He continued to live and work on the family farm until he moved to Seward in 1990. Over



the next several years, he worked various jobs around the area while taking care of his mother. Larry enjoyed socializing with his friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include several aunts and uncles, numerous cousins and a host of friends.

A graveside service and inurnment will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8, at the Seward Cemetery. Condolences may be left for the family at www. zabkafuneralhome.com

#### Jazmin I. Lopez

April 12, 2003 – July 31, 2022 Jazmin Irene Lopez was born April 12, 2003, and passed away July 31, 2022. A complete obituary can be found and condolences left for the family online at /www.zabkafuneralhome.com.

#### Real estate

Information taken from records filed with the Seward County clerk.

July 21 – 28

Philip H. Treas, Jr., and Joanna O. Treas to Mitchell Schroeder and Katelyn Schroeder, Lot 1, Gibson Addition, a subdivision in the W1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4 3-10-3. DS \$1,113.75

Megan A. Heiser to Joseph C. Otte and Kaylee J. Kapple, Lots 1-2, Block 2, Bee. DS \$483.75

Aaron J. Shropshire and Jaimee D. Shropshire to Kurt S. Mauro and Jacquelie M. Mauro, Lot 3, Jirovsky and Feigion Second Subdivision, Seward. DS \$562.50

David W. Pankoke and Gale A. Pankoke to Benjamin J. Pankoke and Leah H. Pankoke, part of the SW1/4 30-10-2. DS \$1,359

Maradeo Group, LLC, to Rance R. Schweitzer, E1/2 NE1/4 24-10-3.

County court

DS exempt

Patrick J. Cronin to Scott M. Hofpar and Kari L. Hofpar, west 100 feet of Lot 4, except the east 55 feet of the south 59 feet, Block 21, Meyer and Jacobs' Addition to Staplehurst. DS \$13.50

Kevin Smith and Wendy Hamilton to Jacob J. Bauer and Hannah C. Bauer, Lot G, Block 1, Kroeger's Subdivision DS \$645.75

Earl E. Slauter and Kathleen Perry and Raedean S. Orwosky and Jeff Orwosky and Mary M. Gillespie to Jamie R. Knisley, Lots 1-6, Block 5 in Goehner. DS \$112.50

Homemade Holdings, LLC to Michael Schouren and Shelley Schouren, NE1/4 NW1/4 21-11-3. DS \$393.75

Larry Barth and Barbara Barth, Debra J. Hemphill and Rick Hemphill, Bradley G. Barth and Karen Barth and Carol J.

Conway and Bryan Conway to the Village of Utica, NW1/4 NW1/429-11-1. DS \$18

Doris L. Hartman to Robert Toovey and Dena Toovey, a tract of land in the SE1/4 SE1/4 5-11-4. DS \$56.25

Braxton N. Nelson and Anna M. Nelson to Nelson Contracting Properties, LLC, Lot 20 and part of Lot 19, Block E, Davison and Culver's Addition to Milford. DS \$387

Marieta M. Roth to Leonard L. Roth, Lonnie L. Roth and Joseph J. Roth, E1/2 NE1/4 21-9-3. DS

Bruce K. Scheiber and Kendra A. Scheiber to Antonio Hall and Carol E. Hall, Lot 2, Ridge Run, an addition to Seward. DS \$1,125

#### Sheriff's dept.

Information provided by the Seward County Sheriff's Dept. for activi*ties July 17 – 23.* 

911 misdial 3 Abandoned vehicle 1 Abuse/neglect 1 Accidents w/injuries

3

Arrest 1 Arrest DUI 1 Disturbance 4 Domestic assault 2 Extra patrol 1 Field contact 1 Funeral escort 1 Miscellaneous 23 Motorist assist 11 Mutual aid 1

Non-injury accidents

Pivot spraying on road 2

Property lost or found 2

Reckless driving 13 Repossession 1 Security alarm 3 Suspicious vehicle/ person 2

Theft 1 Traffic control 2Traffic stops 172 Trespass 1 Village patrols 98 Warrant 3

Welfare check 3

Information taken from records filed with the Seward County court.

July 18 – 22 Wade J. Malzac, 45, Seward, two counts of commit child abuse negligently/no injury, 90 days jail and two years probation; two counts of contribute to the delinquency of a child, 90 days jail and two years

Emily C. Guzzardo, 28, Denver, Colorado, possess K2/synthetic one ounce or less, \$300 fine

probation.

Nicholas M. Guzzardo, 33, Denver, Colorado, possess K2/synthetic one ounce or less, \$300 fine; possess or use drug paraphernalia, \$100 fine.

Jamiah Newton, 21, Lincoln, attempt of a class 2 misdemeanor, \$250 fine; fail to display proper number of plates, \$25 fine.

Jann M. Lynch, 31, Lincoln, no valid registration-car/pickup/ stepvan, \$25 fine; no proof of insurance, \$100 fine.

Eric M. Dreger, 38, Seward, drive during revocation/impound-first offense, \$250 fine.





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**EXHIBITION EVENTS** 

Day 1 of 4-H Horse Show - Horse check-in

Accepting Open Class Entries – Ag Pavilion

4-H Rabbit Show, followed by open class

4-H & FFA Sheep Show - Livestock Center

4-H & FFA Poultry Show, followed by open

4-H & FFA Dairy Cattle Show – Livestock Center

4-H & FFA Dairy Goat Show – Livestock Center

4-H Beef Production Show - Livestock Center

4-H & FFA Beef Show - Livestock Center

Exhibit Buildings Open (close at 9pm)

"Giddy Up" Pony Races - Ag Pavilion

Mutton Bustin' - Rodeo Arena

class - Small Animal Barn

(After dairy cattle show)

Kids Day - Ag Pavilion

4:30-7pm 4-H Foundation Hamburger Feed

4-H & FFA Hog Show

Kids Fishing Contest - The Pond

4-H Cat Show – Harvest Hall

Ace Hardware Kids Event – Ag Pavilion

4-H Small Animal Show – Harvest Hall

Clover Kids Pet Show - Ag Pavilion

Wiener Dog Race - Reunion Center

Awards Presentation - Ag Pavilion

(Registration begins at noon)

Kids Pedal Tractor Pull – Harvest Hall

Overall Showmanship Contest - Livestock Arena

4-H Livestock Subsidy Auction – Livestock Center

- 4-H Center Lawn

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

**Buildings Open** 

9am-11pm Exhibitors Brunch - 4-H Center

**Buildings Open** 

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7** 

Kids Story Hour – Ag Pavilion

Meyer Automotive Team Roping – Roping Arena

4-H & FFA Meat Goat Show – Livestock Center

Baby Olympics - Ag Pavilion (registration at 5pm)

Public Fashion Show - Harvest Hall

SATURDAY, JULY 30

**MONDAY, AUGUST 1** 

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

east side of arena

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

- Small Animal Barn

Day 2 of 4-H Horse Show

4-H Dog Show – Reunion Center

7pm

8am

6-8pm

10am

11am

3pm

5pm

6pm

6pm

7:30pm

9:30am

1pm

2pm

2-5pm

4:30pm

9:30am

11am

2pm

3pm

11am

11am

12pm

1pm

1pm

1:30pm

1-4pm

4pm

#### **ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE**

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For more information, contact Doug Brand at 402-641-6404 (fair dates) FAIR PHONE (Aug. 4-7): Ag Pavilion 402-643-6005

#### **MONDAY & TUESDAY, AUGUST 1 & 2**

4-H Horse Show – Grandstand

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

Meyer Automotive Team Roping Contest - Grandstand

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

Fair Opens 5 pm 5-8pm Awards, Wine and Cheese - Harvest Hall

Music by Kevin & Heidi Cheng Baby Olympics - Ag Pavilion 6pm Mutton Bustin' – Rodeo Arena 6pm **Awards Presentations** 7pm "Giddy Up" Pony Races - Ag Pavilion 7:30pm 7:30pm Beer Garden Opens; Live Music by

Lonnie Pietz Polka Band Mercy City Church Worship Singers - Ag Pavilion 8pm

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

11am-4pm Lincoln Wool Hand Weavers Demo – Ag Pavilion

11am-9pm Buildings Open

Kids Story Hour – Ag Pavilion 1pm 2-4pm Kids Tractor Rides - Ag Pavilion

2-5pm Kids Day - Face Painting, Balloons, etc. - Ag Pavilion 4:30pm 4-H Foundation Hamburger Feed – 4-H Center Live Music by Scott Wolverton - Beer Garden 5pm 6:30pm Horseshoe Pitching Contest

Call 402-643-5719 for entry details 7-11pm Concert Event - Grandstand

Featuring Chris Lane, Tyler Rich & South of Center

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

Kids Fishing Contest - The Pond 11am-12:30pm Seward County Ukaladies – Ag Pavilion

11am-9pm Buildings Open 1-4pm Ace Hardware Kids Event, "Build a Bird House"

 Harvest Hall Cornhole Contest registration & practice 2pm

Contest begins at 5pm - Reunion Center 2-11pm Axe Kickers - Outside of Beer Garden 4-6pm Accordion Jamboree – Ag Pavilion

Shelly's School of Dance Exhibition - Harvest Hall 5pm Demo Derby - Grandstand Arena 6pm Dennis Bowers Harmonica Show - Ag Pavilion 7pm

String Beans - Harvest Hall 7pm

Beer Garden Opens - Music by Boondox 9pm

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**

Exhibitors Brunch – 4-H Center 9-11am Clover Kids Pet Show - Ag Pavilion 11am

**Buildings Open** 11am-3pm Exhibitors Auction - Livestock Center 12pm

Wiener Dog Olympics - Reunion Center 1pm Kids Pedal Tractor Pull - Harvest Hall 1pm (Registration begins at noon) 2pm Livestock Released to Roam Countryside 3pm All Exhibits Released; Buildings Closed

String Beans - Harvest Hall

Live Music by Duff and the Descendants - Beer Garden 3-6pm Figure 8 Race - Grandstand Arena 6pm

#### KIDS ACTIVITIES

7pm

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

FFA Petting Zoo 5-9pm Baby Olympics Reg. at 5pm – Ag Pavilion

7:30pm Pony Races

Reg. at 6:30 pm – Ag Pavilion

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

11am-9pm FFA Petting Zoo Storytime – Ag Pavilion 1pm Face Painting, Balloons 2pm

– Ag Pavilion 2-4pm Tractor Rides

**Kids Pedal Tractor Pull** 

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

Team Roping

Wednesday, Aug. 3

Contest

10:00 a.m.

Rodeo Arena

Kids Fishing Contest - Independence Landing 11am-9pm FFA Petting Zoo Build A Birdhouse 1pm – Harvest Hall

Meyer Automotive

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7** 12-4pm

FFA Petting Zoo Pedal Tractor Pull - Harvest Hall, Reg. at 12pm

#### BEER GARDEN EVENTS THURSDAY, AUG. 4 · 6 P.M. **Lonnie Pietz Polka Band**

FRIDAY, AUG. 5 · 6 P.M. **Scott Wolverton** SATURDAY, AUG. 6 · 6 P.M. **Boondox** 

SUNDAY, AUG. 7 · 3-6 P.M. **Duff and the Descendants** 



#### 1 p.m. • Harvest Hall SUNDAY, AUG. 8

Sunday, Aug. 7



### Wine & Cheese Event **Kevin & Heidi Cheng**

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