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Trunk or Treat success

Anette Vazquez Alarcón, Antonio Alarcón and Abish Vazquez Alarcón collect candy on Oct. 31 at Crete High School. The indoor trunk or treat event is put on by the Crete Police Department to offer a safe environment for children to enjoy the holiday.

Plans on Nebraska's horizon to fund and sustain rural grocery stores

BY HANNA CHRISTENSEN
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As rural grocery stores across the state struggle to keep their doors open, a new study by the Center for Rural Affairs examined the role independent grocery stores play in essential food access.

At the end of the 2024 regular legislative session, Sen. Teresa Ibach of Sumner introduced Legislative Resolution 374, which called

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"We have a number of customers that, they're not even able to come to the store, but they're able to call in and give us a grocery list, and we'll pull the material and we'll actually deliver it to their homes.

There's so much more to that than just providing groceries. It's often time for these folks to have social interaction and actually have someone to talk to on an in-person basis."

Mitchell Schlegelmilch, president of the board for Greg's Market in Exeter



Area Veterans Day services schedule

Crete Middle School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. in the auditorium

Crete High School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 8:15 a.m. in the auditorium

Dorchester Public School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. in the gym

Exeter-Milligan High School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. in the gym

Friend Public School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. in the old gym

Tri County Public School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 8:15 a.m. rolls and coffee will be served. The program begins at 9 a.m. in the auditorium.

Wilber-Clatonia High School
Monday, Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m. in the gym

Look for the Saline County Salute to Veterans section in the Nov. 13 edition

Nebraska resident vets may get a free Veterans Day hunt permit

Nebraska residents who are honorably discharged veterans may receive a one-day permit, Habitat Stamp and Nebraska Migratory Waterfowl Stamp for free to

hunt on Veterans Day.

The Veterans Day permit is based on LB867, which was passed by the 108th Legislature and approved by the governor in April.

ALEJANDRA FERNANDEZ/CN

Traditional celebration

Sacred Heart Catholic Church welcomed guests to its annual Fall Dinner and Festival on Nov. 3, including, from left, Joann Kempton, Robert Hraban, and Barbara Hraban. Guests could enjoy a meal or participate in a silent auction, raffle and cozy country store while supporting the church. Sacred Heart has hosted the festival since at least the 1920s-30s.



LOSS Team helps people in Saline County dealing with mental health concerns

BY ALEJANDRA FERNANDEZ
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Experiencing loss of a loved one due to suicide is a difficult experience for anyone to undergo, and LOSS Teams are set up across the nation to provide Local Outreach to Suicide Loss Survivors.

A LOSS Team is now available for Saline County. The LOSS Team model was originally created by Dr. Frank Campbell at the Baton Rouge Crisis and Trauma Center in 1999. Campbell wanted to highlight a concept now well known to LOSS Team members that declares that postvention is prevention and helps to reduce the risks followed and promote the healing process moving forward.

Since 2009, LOSS Teams have been organized across Nebraska, bringing immediate support to those affected.

There are now 12

teams in Nebraska, with Saline County's being one of the newest ones, having been around for a year or so, fully activating in July. Jill Kuzelka is Public Health Solutions' program coordinator and the chair for the Saline County LOSS Team.

A LOSS Team is made up of a clinician and two other members. Members of a LOSS Team tend to be suicide loss survivors, having gone through the grieving and healing processes themselves. Members undergo a mental health first aid training to prepare them to help others go through the healing processes, as well.

Saline County's assigned clinician is Marysol Cazares, who is a bilingual mental health clinician from Crete. Cazares has her own mental health practice in Crete called Cazares Counseling. She provides mental health counseling for the community in both

English and Spanish.

"Working with Jill has been fantastic and she is a great organizer. You can tell she has a passion for the community of Crete and the survivors of suicide loss," said Cazares about her experience working for the program thus far.

Kuzelka also works with other programs in place to help community members with mental health issues. It is estimated that only one in four suicide loss survivors seek help after a suicide, and survivors needing support often don't seek services for up to four to five years, whereas those that have connected with a LOSS Team connect with services on an average of 39-48 days.

The teams work with law enforcement, hospitals, libraries, funeral homes, churches and schools. A LOSS Team will call out only with the agreement of the survivor

family, activated by local law enforcement, community leaders or even by the initiative of the family themselves.

The LOSS Team will visit the family in their homes, make calls or visit with the family wherever they feel most comfortable.

"Do not think that you have to do it alone," Kuzelka said.

Kuzelka provides other resources for mental health awareness through QPR, a facilitated one-hour training that points out the warning signs of suicide in people. She also offers a CCLC program dedicated to helping third graders work on their everyday mental health through journaling.

The Nebraska LOSS Team and website at <https://nebraskaloss.org> also offers a variety of different resources available to suicide loss survivors.



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OBITUARY

Richard "Dick" L. Whittington
Feb. 28, 1941 – Sept. 28, 2024

Richard "Dick" Lee Whittington, 83, of Crete passed away Sept. 28, 2024, at his home.

A Celebration of Life will be Friday, Nov. 8, from noon to 4 p.m. at Veterans and Friends in Crete. A presentation of military honors will be at 1 p.m. A luncheon will be provided. Private inurnment will be at a later date. Memorial contributions are suggested to the family for determination at a later date. Visit Kuncf Funeral Home at www.kuncflh.com for the full obituary.



TRAFFIC

Information taken from records filed with the Saline County court.

Hanh Vo, 46, Lincoln, violate no passing zone, \$25 fine.
 Alan S. Baracaldo Quintero, 24, Crete, fail to yield right-of-way to an emergency vehicle, \$100 fine, and no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Alfredo Vazquez Juarez, 28, Crete, no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Cesar Castillo, 65, Crete, overtake/pass stopped school bus, \$500 fine.
 Meghan A. Chada, 33, Fairbury, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Maria Canil Pablo, 27, Crete, driving left of center, \$25 fine, and no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Deisy M. Gregorio, 32, Crete, no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.

Dugleisy Baro Elias, 43, Lincoln, disobey traffic control device, \$25 fine.
 Spencer G. Weers, 19, Diller, speeding 6-10 mph county/state, \$25 fine.
 Samantha L. Husband, 27, Western, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Tammy S. McCormack, 65, Dorchester, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, \$25 fine.
 Margaret R. Jiskra, 21, Swanton, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Desse D. Duba, 21, Cordova, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Larry Marin Madrigal, 39, Crete, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, \$25 fine.
 Hans F. Kelpel, 50, Pella, Iowa, speeding 6-10 mph county/state, \$25 fine.
 Cyril H. Kovar, 93, Crete, no opera-

tor's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Thang D. Tran, 61, Crete, no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Kyler D. Pfingsten, 29, Fairbury, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Denis Alvarenga Chirinos, 30, Union City, Georgia, no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Lonny L. Radford, 48, Dorchester, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Joseph L. Snodgrass, 39, Crete, speeding 11-15 mph county/state, \$75 fine.
 Gabriel Manjarrez, 16, Crete, fail to yield right-of-way entering roadway, \$25 fine.
 Ruth L. Hutson, 54, Westmoreland, Kansas, speeding 1-5 mph county/state, \$10 fine.

COUNTY COURT

Information taken from records filed with the Saline County court.

Eduardo Amaya, 28, Lincoln, DUI-alcohol first offense, \$500 fine, seven days jail, revoked license six months and ignition interlock device ordered.
 Dawn M. Burt, 37, Wilber, reckless driving first offense, \$500 fine.
 Alberto D. Perez Perez, 26, Crete, DUI .08 breath first offense, \$500 fine, one year probation, revoked license 60 days, three days jail and ignition interlock device ordered, and fail to yield right-of-way after stopping/parking, \$25 fine and one year probation.
 Sandra A. Morales Ruan, 34, Crete, driving under suspension before reinstated, \$150 fine and revoked

license one year.
 Yusleidy Jimenez Perez De Pra, 39, Crete, driving under suspension when license revoked on points, \$100 fine; unlawful/fictitious display of plate/renew tab, \$50 fine; and no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, \$25 fine.
 Angely J. Adame Ortiz, 20, Crete, speeding 6-10 mph county/state, \$25 fine.
 Vinicio Vail Morales, 22, Wilber, driving under suspension before reinstated, \$100 fine and revoked license one year.
 Nicole Massa, 19, Western, no proof of insurance, \$100 fine, and no operator's license/waiverable, \$75 fine.
 Lexy L. Ginger, 30, Lincoln, plates not clear and visible, \$25 fine.

Dorchester Foundation committee to host Windsor loin feed

The Dorchester Area Foundation committee continues to improve the community. Earlier this year, the group hosted a steak feed, added a new twist to the summer barbecue and hosted its fourth fajita feed. Through these fundraising events, improvements have been made to the city park, cemetery directory, welcome signs and historical marker, along with helping the school with technology improvements. The group also hosted a summer intern. To continue with these efforts, the committee

will host a Windsor loin feed Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Dorchester Legion from 4:30 – 8:30 p.m. with cole slaw, scalloped potatoes, pork and beans and a drink. There also is the hamburger dinner, or basket with chips. The legion bar will be open for additional beverage choices. The legion and community building will be open for dining, or to-go orders can be called in advance to (402) 641-7050 or (402) 641-4322. All free-will offering proceeds go to benefit the Dorchester community.

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Extension workshop planned in Wilber

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Center for Agricultural Profitability and Nebraska Extension will present a workshop in Wilber for farm and ranch landowners, landlords and tenants who want to learn more about current trends in farm or ranch real estate, and best practices for managing or leasing land. "Big Questions and Innovative Solutions in Land Management" will be held from 1 – 4 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 12, at the office of Nebraska Extension in Saline County.

The workshop will cover topics related to Nebraska's land industry for farms and ranches. Those include evaluating current trends in land values and cash rents, lease provisions and legal considerations, proper communication strategies and considerations for successful land transitions. Participants will also be able to find answers to common farmland leasing and land ownership questions.

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Saline County 4-H members achieve success at state fair

The Nebraska State Fair is an opportunity for Nebraska's 4-H members to showcase their projects and serves as the culmination of their hard work throughout the current year.

The State Fair is a prime opportunity for 4-H members to cultivate skills they have learned in 4-H projects, put their life skills and good character to work, discover new areas of interest, and meet new people. Static exhibits and the fashion show contest participants are selected by the county fair judges to go to the Nebraska State fair for competition.

Saline County was represented at the 2024 Nebraska State fair with a total of 179 static, rabbit, poultry, livestock, and contest entries.

Representing Saline County in the Fashion Show Contest on Aug. 24 were Addison Vossler, Friend; Laura Stitt, Seward; and Amber Kotas, Western. Youth ages 8-18 showcased garments they made, decorated, or purchased through 4-H projects during one of the three shows hosted within the Raising Nebraska exhibit in the Nebraska Building at the State Fairgrounds.

Amber Kotas of Western received a purple ribbon in the State Fair 4-H Fashion Show showcasing her consumer skills with a purchased garment. Amber is a member of the Buttercup 4-H Club.

Laura Stitt of Seward, an Independent 4-H member, received a purple in the State Fair 4-H Fashion Show. Laura modeled a white denim jacket she embellished in a Husker theme for the Beyond the Needle project.

Addison Vossler, Friend, also received a purple ribbon in the State Fair 4-H Fashion Show. Addison modeled a dress she constructed for the STEAM Clothing 2 project. Addison is a member of the Livewires 4-H Club.

Those receiving Special Recognition for their static exhibits were Camden Kent, Crete, Alivia Ulrich, Crete, and Isabella Woerner, Wilber.

In the Photography exhibits, Korbin Kunc, Wilber, had his photography exhibit selected for the UNL Animal Science Building Display on East Campus for the upcoming year.

Saline County 4-H members earned the following honors during the 4-H animal shows:

Laura Stitt, Seward, earned the Champion Division 2 Market Goat honors in addition to also receiving the Overall Champion Market Doe award securing her a spot in the Final Drive event where she was named the 2024 Nebraska State Fair Reserve Champion Market Goat.

Baylor Behrens, Friend, found success in the Market Goats as she took home the Reserve Champion Division 3 Market Goat award. Baylor also had the honor of participating in the Final Drive.

Lily Naber, Seward, earned the Best Opposite award for her Cinnamon Breed rabbit.

Brayden Kent, Crete, received the Best of Breed in the Dutch Breed and Pierce Pospisil, Hallam, received the Best Opposite in the Dutch Breed.

Trevin Steuk, Friend, participated in the 2024 Nebraska 4-H Farrowed and Owned Swine Cohort. The Nebraska 4-H Farrowed & Owned Swine Cohort is an opportunity for youth interested in learning more about the swine industry. Trevin received the Reserve Champion Farrowed and Owned Market Hog award.

Kaleb Hackbart, Seward, took home the Reserve Champion Spot award.

Several Saline County 4-H members applied for and participated in the Nebraska 4-H Livestock Achievement Award. The Nebraska 4-H Livestock

Achievement Program is designed to promote all educational aspects of 4-H livestock projects, including selection, production, leadership, and exhibition, by recognizing youth striving to improve their livestock project knowledge and leadership.

Members of Excellence are recognized within each 4-H livestock project area, including: beef, sheep, meat goat, swine, dairy cattle, dairy goat, rabbit, and poultry.

Saline County 4-H Members received the following Livestock Achievement Awards in the following areas:

Rabbit - Marshal and Pierce Pospisil, Hallam.

Beef - Kathryn Naber, Jaden Naber, Seward, Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Sheep - Lena Gropp, Martell.

Swine - Lean Gropp, Martell.

Maddie Werner, Saline County 4-H Assistant, served as one of the Superintendents for the 2024 Nebraska 4-H Beef Shows.

Clothing

STEAM Clothing - Level 2 Romper or Jumper

Purple: Addison Vossler, Friend.

STEAM Clothing - Beyond the Needle

Fashion Accessory

Purple: Addison Vossler, Friend.

Shopping in Style

Best Buy for Your Buck - Ages 14-18

Blue: Amber Kotas, Western.

Design Decisions

Problem Solved, Energy Savers, or Career Exploration

Blue: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Accessory - 3D

Blue: Haley Norman, Wilber.

Accessory - Original Made from Wood

Blue: Beau Bartels, Daykin; Tinley Vote, Denton.

Accessory - Outdoor Living

Blue: Titus Hemje, Crete.

Accessory - Recycled/Upcycled Item for the Home

Purple: PheeBee Pomajzl, Crete.

Blue: Lena Gropp, Martell.

Accessory - Textile - 3D

Blue: Brynlee Lorenz, Dorchester.

Citizenship

Play Script

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

This is Who I Am Poem

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Conservation & Wildlife

Mammal Display

Purple: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Wildlife Arts

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete. Blue: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Entomology

Display - First-Year Project

White: Jaxson Sand, Crete.

Insect Habitats

Blue: Alex Hesser, Sam Hesser, Crete; Marshal Pospisil, Pierce Pospisil, Hallam.

Insect Poster/Display Exhibit

Purple: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Heritage

Level 1 and Level 2

Book Review About Local, Nebraska, or Regional History

Blue: Alivia Ulrich, Crete; Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Exhibit Depicting the Importance of a Community or Nebraska Historic Landmark

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Family Genealogy/History Notebook

Red: Emma Walker, Wilber.

Family Traditions Book

Blue: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Framed Family Groupings (or individuals) of Pictures Showing Family History

Purple: Camden Kent, Crete. Blue: Isabella Woerner, Wilber.

Heritage Poster or Flat Exhibit

Blue: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

4-H Member Scrapbook

Blue: Monica Zoubek, Western; Emma Walker, Wilber.

Other Exhibits - Depicting Heritage or Member's Family or Community

Purple: Isabella Woerner, Wilber.

Other Historical Exhibit

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete; Monica Zoubek, Western. Red: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Special Events Scrapbook

Blue: Alivia Ulrich, Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Story or Illustration About a Historical Event

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Video/DVD or Slide/Tape Documentary of a Family or Community Event

Blue: Titus Hemje, Crete.

Fashion Show

Purple: Addison Vossler, Friend; Laura Stitt, Seward; Amber Kotas, Western.

Food & Nutrition

Cooking 201

Coffee Cake

Purple: Laura Stitt, Seward.

Healthy Baked Product

Purple: Landon Shaw, Friend.

Non-Traditional Baked Product

Blue: Hudson Keller, Crete.

Cooking 301

Dinner Rolls

Purple: Phillip Zoubek, Western.

Specialty Rolls

Purple: Kelsey Zoubek, Western.

White Bread

Purple: Amber Kotas, Western.

Whole Wheat or Mixed Grain Bread

Blue: Amber Kotas, Western.

Cooking 401

Candy

Purple: Amber Kotas, Western.

Double Crust Fruit Pie

Purple: Camden Kent, Crete.

Foam Cake

Purple: Titus Hemje, Crete.

Food Preservation

Unit 3

Boiling Canning - 1 Jar Fruit Exhibit



Kaleb Hackbart, Seward, took home the Reserve Champion Spot award.



Jaden and Kathryn Naber, Seward, both received a Livestock Achievement Award in the Beef project.



In the Rabbit project, Marshal and Pierce Pospisil, Hallam, each received a Livestock Achievement Award.

Blue: Tinley Vote, Denton.

1 Jar Jelled Exhibit

Purple: Brielle Meade, Wilber.

1 Jar Tomato Exhibit

Purple: Brielle Meade, Wilber.

1 Jar Vegetable or Meat Exhibit

Blue: Brielle Meade, Wilber.

General Foods

Cooking Basics Recipe File

Red: Tinley Vote, Denton.

Family Food Tradition

Blue: Brynlee Lorenz, Dorchester.

Horticulture

Desert Garden

Blue: Sadie Brandt, Friend.

Educational Flower Garden Poster

Blue: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Flower Garden History Interview

Blue: Kinsey Regnier, Raymond.

Fairy or Miniature Garden

Purple: Isaac Steuk, Friend.

Marigolds

Purple: Kinsey Regnier, Raymond.

Petunia

Blue: Kinsey Regnier, Raymond.

Sedum

Blue: Kendall Kasl, Quinn Kasl, Dorchester.

Any Other Herb

Purple: Quinn Kasl, Dorchester. Blue: Kendall Kasl, Dorchester.

Apple

Purple: Trevin Steuk, Friend.

Pickling Cucumbers

Purple: Colton McMillan, Crete. Red: Isaac Steuk, Friend.

Human Development

Babysitting Clinic

Purple: Camden Kent, Crete. Blue: Phillip Zoubek, Western; Emmalyn Birkett, Wilber.

Family Involvement Entry

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Ellia Ulrich, Crete. Blue: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Growing in Communities

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Preston Ulrich, Crete. Blue: Ellia Ulrich, Crete.

Growing With Others Scrapbook or Poster

Purple: Ellia Ulrich, Preston Ulrich, Crete.

My Financial Future

Money Personality Profile

Blue: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

You Be the Teacher

Purple: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Outdoor Adventures

Other Camping Items

Purple: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Photography

Unit 2

Abstract Photography Display or Print

Blue: Titus Hemje, Crete; Lena Gropp, Martell.

Candid Photography Display or Print

Blue: Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Creative Composition Display or Print

Blue: Lena Gropp, Martell; Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Creative Techniques & Lighting Display or Print

Purple: Lena Gropp, Martell; Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Expression Through Color Display or Print

Purple: Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Level 2 Portfolio

Blue: Lena Gropp, Martell.

Quilt Quest

Exploring Quilts

Blue: Alivia Ulrich, Crete.

Inter-Generational Quilt

Purple: Katherine Krihovlavek, Wilber.

Level 2 - Quilted Exhibit - Small

Red: Brielle Meade, Wilber.

Premiere Quilt - Sewing Machine Quilted

Blue: Isaac Steuk, Friend.

Safety

First Aid Kit

Blue: Brayden Kent, Crete.

Wildlife Habitat

Feeders & Waterers

Blue: Alex Hesser, Crete; Sadie Brandt, Friend; Franklin Koll, Brielle Meade, Haley Norman, Wilber.

Houses

Blue: Brayden Meade, Wilber.

Vet Science

Small Animal/Pet Poster, Notebook or Display

Purple: Marshal Pospisil, Hallam.

Visual Arts

Original Acrylic Painting

Red: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Original Mixed Media

Blue: Laura Stitt, Seward.

Original Painting on Purchased Ceramic Surface

Blue: Laura Stitt, Seward.

Original Single Media Not Listed

Purple: Laura Stitt, Seward.

Original Watercolor Painting

Red: Tinley Vote, Denton.

Original Art inspired by Artist's Choice

Blue: Ava Bergmeyer, Dorchester.

Red: Brielle Meade, Wilber.

Original Art Inspired by Landscapes

Red: Preston Ulrich, Crete.

Beef

Showmanship Junior

Blue: Jaden Naber, Seward; Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Intermediate

Purple: Lily Naber, Seward.

Breeding Heifers

Foundation Simmental Yearling Heifers Calved March/April 2023

Blue: Lily Naber, Seward.

Maine Anjou Yearling Heifers Calved March/April 2023

Blue: Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

All Other Breeds Yearling Heifers Calved March/April 2023

Blue: Korbin Kunc, Wilber.

Feeder Calves

Feeder Steers

Blue: Jaden Naber, Seward.

Meat Goats

The unseen struggle of single parents in custody battles

BY AMY HAUSMAN
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For single parents, juggling work and parenthood is an ongoing challenge, but when a custody battle enters the mix, it can feel like an uphill battle.

In a blizzard. Wearing flip flops. Carrying everything your kid owns like a pack mule.

Oh, and a snowplow just drenched you in slush right before you weigh in for your diet. Yeah, that pretty accurately describes it.

The dual pressures of maintaining a steady job while proving one's capability as a parent are enormous. Often, these parents are striving to balance demanding work schedules with court



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dates, lawyer meetings and most importantly, quality time with their children.

But what happens when that steady job that you love – and is part of your identity – is used against you and does not cover the cost of legal fees on top of normal cost of living?

The strain becomes overwhelming.

Emotional stress is another factor that often goes unseen. Custody battles force parents to prove they're "better" equipped than their co-parent, putting added strain on their mental health. Parents feel pressured to shield their children from the tension, yet it's nearly impossible to completely protect young ones from the conflict.

Parents like me try just about anything to make it work for their children, even when that means sacrificing things they love.

In a last ditch effort to keep the peace, I am moving to Lincoln to be 10 minutes away from my co-parent but will commute to The Crete News office (and... I just threw up in my mouth a little bit typing that).

This by no means is me saying I do not like living in the small towns our newspapers cover. It definitely does not mean the stories coming out of them do not become embedded in the hearts of the reporters writing them.

It just means I love Charlotte more – the girl holds my heart (if you've met her, you know). In 10 years, she will graduate and with a custody arrangement, it really means I basically have five years. Plus if you are over the age of 35, you now know that five years feels like a couple days at best.

For single working parents, every day is about survival—for their family, their job and their own well-being. Keep the peace.

Issuing a fall fertilizer challenge

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It's such a blessing to receive some moisture! With November here, sharing this week on nitrogen applications.

While the Nov. 1 date that allows for fall fertilizer application to fields has arrived, we also recommend waiting to apply fall nitrogen till soil temperatures are below 50F. At that temperature, soil microbes are less active and less likely to convert ammonium to nitrate. Soil temperatures can be viewed at: <https://cropwatch.unl.edu/soiltemperature>.

As I write this, the daily average 4" soil temperature is currently 55F with the weekly average at 53F.

Nearly a year ago, I shared my Nitrogen Challenge with you. I'm grateful for all the producers who gave that a try. Some who wanted to try it had applied too large a base rate before I had released the article, so sharing a reminder now.

My challenge: The challenge is to everyone with irrigated ground who applies fall anhydrous or spring pre-plant fertilizer:

Leave 1 piece of ground with a base rate of 70-100 lb N/ac.

Apply the rest of the N in season as needed using a tool like Sentinel Fertigation that senses plant needs.

Asking each grower to consider this for 1 field. Are you willing to join me in this?

I genuinely believe this is the primary way to change the nitrogen story both now and for future generations. Why? We can't impact the legacy nitrate from previous generations that is impacting groundwater nitrate levels now, but we can impact the nitrate that remains in the soil after current nitrogen practices now.

Nitrogen rate is the most consistent thing I keep seeing in nutrient recommendations and on-farm research studies that we can adjust. I've shared On-Farm Research results from farmers' fields in this part of the state on heavier textured soils showing there's no one solution with nitrification inhibitors, nitrogen application timing, bio-

logical products.

The most consistent thing I see is an opportunity around reducing nitrogen rates. I'm not saying there's one solution. My challenge is around what I feel holds the most promise right now for irrigated ag in this area.

We can't precisely know an amount of nitrogen to recommend for application to land using pre-plant soil tests and/or any nitrogen equation. They're good tools. But, we don't know how much irrigation will be applied in season nor how much mineralization will occur due to weather conditions. 2022-2023 were high mineralization years and 2024 was a low one.

Soil agronomy needs biology in addition to chemistry and physics. That's why I've been so supportive of the in-season sensing technologies where the plant tells us what it needs based on what is occurring in the soil. Project Sense as a UNL/NRD/Corn Board/USDA research effort using ground rig applications.

I think it never took off because I'm unsure any co-op or company took the idea on as a business. Would still be applicable.

The UNL pivot-based sensing research resulted in the graduate student forming the company Sentinel Fertigation. If there's other companies doing this, please consider them too. There's so much in ag we have to react to. Applying N in-season is also reactive.

However, we can also be proactive in showing that farmers and agronomists locally want to keep looking for solutions to the nitrate problem by trying newer tools/technologies to see any impacts.

Please contact me if you are willing to join me in this challenge.

Reflecting on my first time voting in person

BY HANNA CHRISTENSEN
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I showed up at the polls to vote early for the first time a couple of Fridays ago, ready to check some boxes and be on my way.

However, when I got there, I found a line out the door, hours of waiting and a reminder of why voting is a right that should be cherished.

I voted by mail during the last election because I was in college, so this was my first time voting in person. As an Omaha resident, I went to the Douglas County Election Commission.

When I walked up to the polling location, the line was wrapped around the side, took up four lanes and rivaled any line at a Disney World. I figured that it was going to take longer than I imagined, but I had already driven all the way there and decided to do it now.



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I got in line at around 2:15 p.m., and luckily it was a nice day. Some people in line were talking with others around them, and I didn't hear anyone arguing about politics. It was wonderful seeing so many different people in line together and getting along despite the tense environment often associated with the 2024 election.

I eventually began talking to some of the ladies near me, and we

spoke about our jobs and places we have lived. As we got closer to the front of the line, we realized we had already spent almost three hours waiting.

One of the poll workers mentioned that the line had looked like this about every day that week. I doubt that standing in line for so many hours was how anyone there had planned to spend their day, but everyone seemed glad that so many people were doing their civic duty.

I did not see anyone leave the line. As I waited, I even heard a couple of people tell those around them that this was their first time going to the polls.

Although it was dark outside by the time I got to cast my vote at around 6:20, I left feeling part of something bigger.

I was proud of myself and everyone there for being dedicated to playing their role in the democratic process.

Big hero had small-town ties

BY GENE STEINMEYER
For the Crete News

Last week, I openly admitted to being a nerd as a youth.

Bobby Roker was my best friend, and he was a nerd. We had one thing in common besides our love of baseball cards, which made us nerds. That common element was both our fathers saw heavy combat in World War II.

My dad, Billy, entered the service shortly after Pearl Harbor. After training in the United States, Billy was sent to Australia for jungle warfare training. Soon, he was fighting his way to the Philippines. Near the conclusion of the Battle of Luzon, my father was sent home with malaria and a severe ear infection.

He saw some terrible combat against the Japanese, but he never talked about it. My dad passed away over 20 years ago.

Bob Roker's father is the one I want to talk about. His name was Myron. His job with the gas company did not explain the complexity of Myron Roker.



Stein's Blog
Gene Steinmeyer

Myron entered the service about the same time as my dad. After his training, he was sent to Europe, specifically France. He fought with the 324th Infantry Regiment. It was led by Lt. Col. George W. Irvine. The 324th fought in France and Germany. Myron was present throughout their march into Nazi Germany.

For 144 consecutive days of combat, Myron ignored injuries to stand with his fellow infantrymen as they drove the Nazis out of France. Myron had a short leave, then fought for another 60 days as they entered Germany.

Several years ago, a German city that was

liberated from the Nazis by the 324th honored Myron and another veteran. There was even a parade in his and one other veteran's honor.

That barely describes Myron. On his return to America, he became interested in a new piece of technology called a television. He attended Milford Technical College to learn more about television.

He eventually moved his family to Clatonia. He repaired televisions out of Gerdes Hardware for a while, then opened a show room for the sale of new televisions. It was then that Myron took the next step. He got an idea from a man in Falls City.

Even with an antenna, people in Clatonia could only pick up Channel 10 out of Lincoln with any clarity. Myron had purchased three small pastures in the city limits of Clatonia. He raised a few head of cattle, but in one of the pastures, he started to build a television tower, similar to the one he saw in Falls City. The first tower came down during bad weather. His second attempt was successful.

What Myron had created was one of the first television cable systems. He sold the reception of his tower to the people of Clatonia. For a small amount, his customers could forget climbing their roofs to install antennas. They could get the reception from a giant tower and Myron would run the cable to their homes.

Sadly, a company installing a new sewer system to Clatonia cut all the cables. Myron tried to sue, but they went out of business before Myron could collect any repair money from the sewer company.

Myron went to work at the gas company. He raised his family in Clatonia. Later in life he moved to Glenwood, Iowa. Until recently, Myron lived on his own. A couple of weeks ago, Myron passed away at the age of 101. They buried him Monday back in the small town he had called home for so many years.

He was a small-town resident, but a giant hero.

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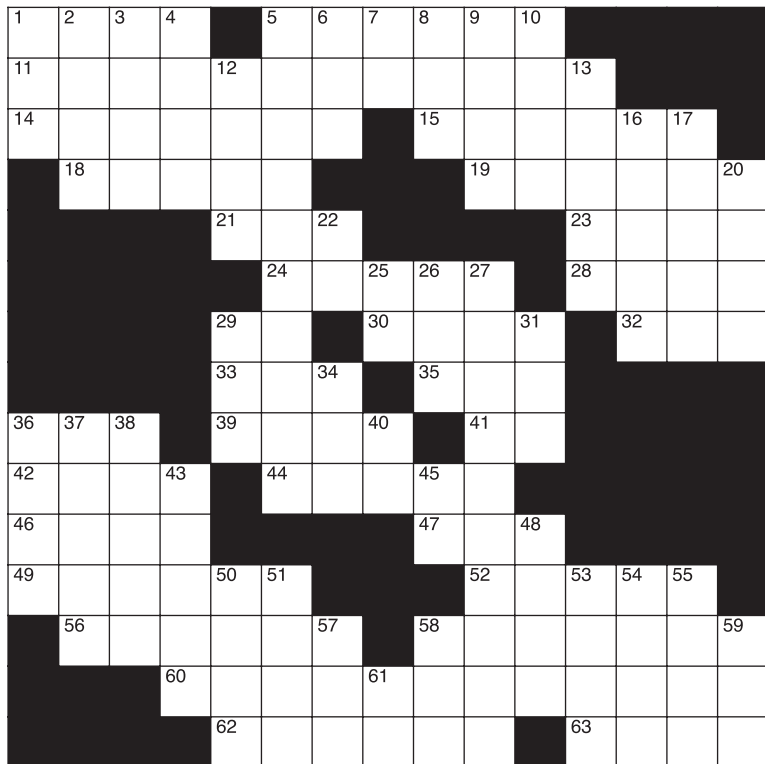
PUZZLES & PLAY



TRAIN BOTH SIDES OF YOUR BRAIN!

Answers found on page 6.

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Absence of effort
- 5. Preserve a dead body
- 11. Gratitude
- 14. The act of coming together again
- 15. Simpler
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Large, fish-eating bird
- 21. Indicates near
- 23. Former CIA agent and critic
- 24. Icelandic poems
- 28. Pop
- 29. "Hammer" is one
- 30. Senses of self-importance
- 32. Thyrotrophic hormone
- 33. Not around
- 35. Electronic data processing
- 36. Licenses and passports are two types
- 39. Snakelike fish
- 41. Air Force
- 42. Popular computers
- 44. Of a withered nature
- 46. Wings
- 47. Used in combination
- 49. Laid back
- 52. Jeweled headdress
- 56. In slow tempo
- 58. ___ Falls
- 60. Assertions made again
- 62. Periods of history
- 63. Hyphen

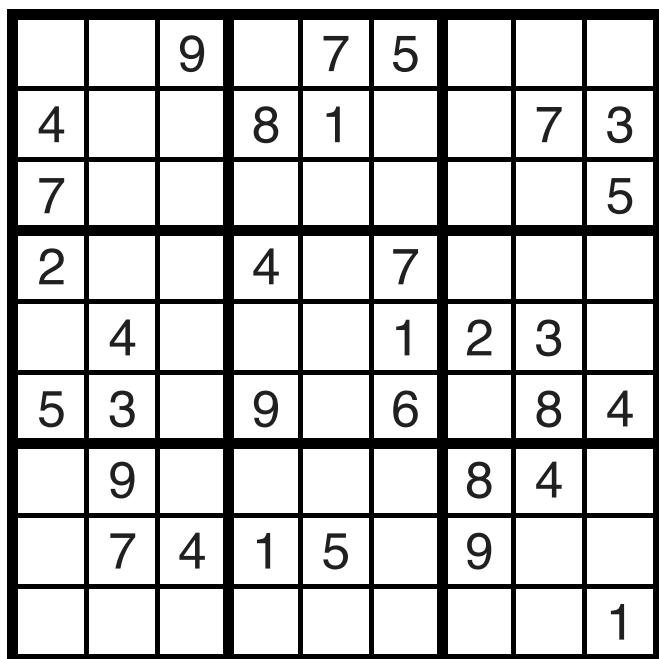
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body part
- 2. Mimics
- 3. Expel large quantities rapidly
- 4. Sea eagle
- 5. A type of subdivision
- 6. Variety of Chinese
- 7. Mr. T's name on "The A-Team"
- 8. Consumed
- 9. Chinese dynasty
- 10. NFL great Randy
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Palm trees with creeping roots
- 16. Fungal disease
- 17. Impressionable persons
- 20. Affirmative! (slang)
- 22. Instinctive part of the mind
- 25. "The First State"
- 26. A way to develop
- 27. Fraternities
- 29. Woman (French)
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. Beer
- 36. Spiritual leader
- 37. Indigo bush
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Junior's father
- 43. Ray-finned fishes
- 45. Morning
- 48. Line passing side to side through the center (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. A small bundle of straw or hay
- 53. Got older
- 54. Crater on Mars
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Relating to the ears
- 58. "To the ___ degree"
- 59. Residue of a burned product
- 61. It cools a home

SUDOKU

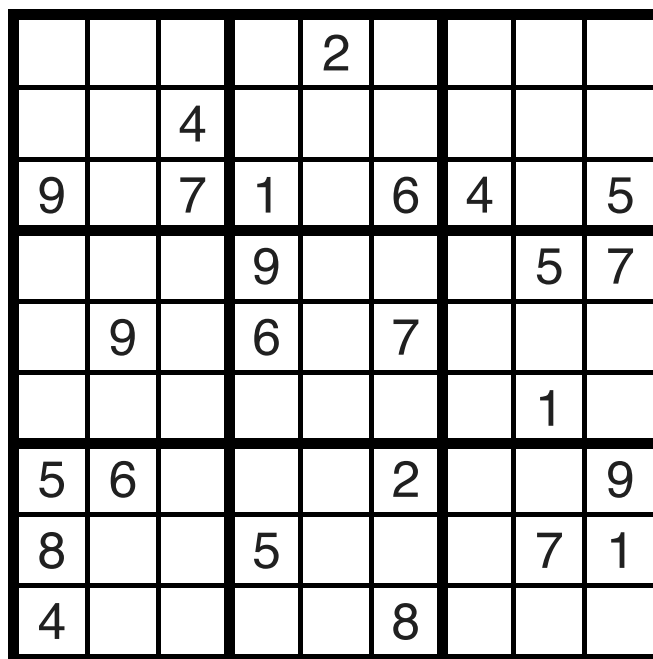
HOW TO PLAY: Each 9x9 square must be filled in with numbers 1-9. No numbers may be repeated within each row or column. Each 3x3 square must also contain numbers 1-9 with no repeats within the 3x3 square. **TIPS:** 1) Rule out squares individual numbers can exist within. 2) Keep track of what numbers could possibly go in each square, also paying attention to the entire row, column, and 3x3 group. 3) If all other squares except for one in each row, column, or 3x3 group cannot contain a certain number, then it *must* exist in the remaining square that could contain it, no matter the other possibilities.

Beginner



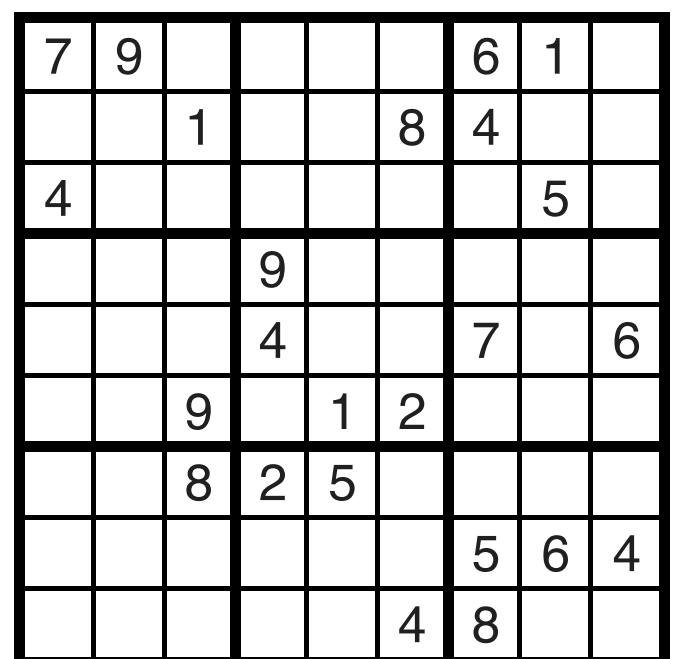
Level: Beginner

Intermediate



Level: Intermediate

Advanced



Level: Advanced

COLORING CORNER!

YOUNG OR OLD, GO CRAZY WITH COLORS!



Planting shrubs for fall color

BY NICOLE STONER
ISA Certified Arborist

As I drive around lately, I see a lot of trees and shrubs with great fall color this year.

I look around and find new plants I should plant to improve the season-long interest in my landscape. I covered trees for fall color a few weeks ago, so today I am going to focus on shrubs. Everyone knows about Burning bushes which are commonly used for brilliant red in the fall, but I want to look at some less utilized shrubs for fall color to add diversity in your landscape.

Sumac

Sumac is a plant that many view as a weed because it grows along roadsides and in ditches, but it is one of my favorites for fall color. There are two commonly found species, staghorn sumac and smooth sumac.

These are very similar plants, both with long, compound leaves on a multi-stemmed shrub that colonizes. Smooth sumac is as described in the name, smooth along the branches and flowers. Staghorn sumac is hairy over most of the plant, including the stems, branches, and even the fruits. Both turn a very brilliant red color in the fall and can make an impact in any landscape.

In early fall, the leaves turn from

green to yellow before hitting the bright red. It is a good choice for a fall interest plant.

There is a very interesting cultivar called cutleaf sumac, often found as 'Tiger Eyes', which has more dissected leaflets than the straight species of Staghorn and turns more of a yellow-orange color in the fall rather than the red of the parent plant. It is a fun one to try.

Viburnums

There are a lot of different species of Viburnum that have good fall color, including arrowwood, nannyberry, blackhaw and American cranberrybush viburnums. These range in fall color from yellow to orange to red to purple. Any viburnum is a great addition to any landscape, they are very hardy, provide great flower blossoms in spring that are very sweetly scented if they are the earlier to bloom types, and provide good fall color.

Oakleaf Hydrangea

Oakleaf hydrangea is not only beautiful during the spring and summer, but it also provides us with brilliant red color in the fall. This is one of the hardier hydrangeas in Nebraska and it has a unique leaf shape and white flowers in the spring and into the summer months. It has exfoliating bark to provide winter interest once the leaves have all fallen.

Ninebark

Ninebark has year-round interest. This plant flowers in spring which turn to pink seeds through the summer. The leaves are dark green during the season and turn yellow to orange in the fall. Ninebark gives us winter interest too, with the exfoliating bark that peels off in layers which is what gave it the name ninebark.

It is a great choice for the landscape for season-long interest, but also a great pollinator plant, visited by many bees and moths. There are cultivars of ninebark that have chartreuse leaves and some that have deep burgundy leaves. All will give you great options for your landscape.

Dogwoods

There are a lot of great dogwoods found in Nebraska that give us deep green color throughout the spring and summer. Pagoda dogwood is one that provides us with red to purple fall color. Pagoda dogwood is a structured small tree or large shrub with branches that grow in unique horizontal patterns that look like shelves.

It blooms with clusters of white flowers in the spring and provides berries for the birds.

If you have any further questions, contact Nicole Stoner at (402) 223-1384.

Saline County tourism grant applications now available

Applications for 2025 grant funding from Saline County lodging taxes are now available for Saline County organizations involved in tourism.

Two separate grant applications are offered and are due back in the Saline County clerk's office in Wilber by Monday, Dec. 2. One grant application offers money to promote 2025 events, and the other grant application is for funds to be used to improve and enhance tourism sites.

Applications are available at the county clerk's office in the Saline County courthouse, The Crete News office or online on the Saline County website. Completed applications must be submitted to the committee c/o Saline County clerk, P.O. Box 865, 215 S. Court St., Wilber, NE 68465 by 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2. Current forms must be used.

Recipients will be notified of their awards by the end of the year, but money will not be distributed until final funding specifications are submitted to the committee. Promotion grants have a 90-day turnaround time after the event is completed, but site improvement awards are valid until the end of the grant cycle's calendar year, Dec. 31, 2025. Projects cannot be started until the official 2025 award letter is received.

Strict rules apply to the distribution of funds. Successful applicants must present paid receipts and invoices for all approved promotional expenses and site improvements before receiving reimbursement. Promotional grants require that these documents be presented to the committee within 90 days after completion of the event to ensure that funding has not expired.

In addition, any printed or media promotional materials must clearly state that the particular advertisements/posters are paid for in part by the Saline County Visitors Advisory Committee. Improvement grant recipients must also submit this documentation along with photos of the completed project prior to

the year-end deadline. Tourism promotion funds are awarded for the purpose of attracting out-of-county visitors to Saline County events via marketing using newspaper and radio advertisements, flyers and signage. Applicants must submit a budget for proposed events, a promotion plan and provide other details regarding their projects on the completed application.

Grants are awarded according to the need and scope of each event, and the potential number of visitors each event may attract to the county. The purpose of the funding is to assist in non-local advertising to attract people from outside of the area to events in the county. The awards should not be used exclusively for local advertising.

Tourism improvement funds are awarded to qualifying groups to support permanent projects that will enhance their Saline County tourism sites. Projects eligible for this fund include long-lasting signage, infrastructure repair, painting, exhibit mounts, etc.

Awards for 2025 will be limited to \$1,500, however grants are often much smaller due to the large number of applicants, and the limited number of lodging venues in Saline County that generate tax dollars. Organizations considering submitting multiple applications should know that typically only one per project can be honored depending on funds available. Please prioritize on the forms.

The Saline County Visitors Advisory Committee is comprised of a group of representatives from area communities, who is charged by the Saline County Commissioners with reviewing applications and making recommendations to the commissioners. Appointed by the commissioners, the committee operates according to the Nebraska Visitors Development Act.

For more information about the two funds, and the Saline County grant process, call Sheryl Kastanek at (402) 821-2668, or Eric Stehlik at (402) 946-2099.



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Symbolic flags

Flags represent a message at Sacred Heart Church in Crete.

Grocery

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for the study. The study found that these independent, local stores are a lifeline for rural communities.

Rural grocery stores have been closing at an alarming rate over the past three decades, the CFRA said. Between 2016 and 2021, the number of independent rural grocery stores in Nebraska fell by 30%, and closures have since continued. Low profit margins, aging buildings, wholesale order requirements and shrinking populations all contribute to grocery store closures.

When these stores close, people lose access to healthy, fresh foods and are encouraged to purchase more heavily processed foods, according to Carlie Jonas, policy associate for the Center for Rural Affairs. It can be especially difficult for people without access to reliable transportation or with fixed incomes.

Food insecurity is a growing issue in the state, and 12.9% of Nebraskan families faced some degree of food insecurity in 2023, the CFRA said.

The CFRA and Ibach presented the study's findings at an interim hearing on Nov. 1 and will now focus on drafting legislation to introduce next session.

They plan to create a grant loan program for small grocery stores located in low-income and low-access areas and look

into finding long-term solutions for these stores.

Jonas said states like Alabama, Minnesota, North Dakota and Oklahoma have invested in programs to help small grocery stores compete with big box stores, and she hopes Nebraska does the same.

Jonas said CFRA is looking for an innovative, sustainable model that helps address the needs of wholesale order requirements, which has been one of the biggest challenges for local grocery stores. Ibach said they also plan to look at renewable energy or low-cost energy approaches for rural facilities.

Mitchell Schlegelmilch is the president of the board for Greg's Market in Exeter. Schlegelmilch said Greg's Market could use grant funds to update the building, equipment, coolers, refrigerators, baking pans, meat slicers and more.

"It would provide a very much-needed safety net for us, and it would take away a lot of the anxiety that goes along with keeping these stores open," he said.

Schlegelmilch said it is difficult to compete with big box stores, as they have much more purchasing power and technology. Greg's Market recently added point-of-sale technology and scanning systems, and he said financial backing would make local stores feel immensely more comfortable making positive

changes like this.

"We're all experiencing the same issues and concerns," he said. "We all have aging facilities, sales are always a challenge just trying to compete with the big box stores and we all have a list of to-do items, and really, what prevents us from getting those done is financials."

Schlegelmilch said local grocery stores, like Greg's Market, are a vital factor for people in choosing where they live. Additionally, they often work with local schools for concessions and teachers for projects. Local stores are also vital for the aging population that no longer have the ability or resources to travel out of town to purchase groceries.

"We have a number of customers that, they're not even able to come to the store, but they're able to call in and give us a grocery list, and we'll pull the material and we'll actually deliver it to their homes," Schlegelmilch said. "There's so much more to that than just providing groceries. It's often time for these folks to have social interaction and actually have someone to talk to on an in-person basis."

Ibach said helping local grocery stores will help keep rural communities strong. The bill will be introduced next January during the first 10 days of the legislative session, and Jonas said she hopes it will pass and pave the way for supporting rural

grocery stores and preserving vital food access.

"When I was at the grocer's summit a couple weeks ago, I, more than anything, just got approached with, 'Please continue to help us. Please continue the legislation process,'" Ibach said.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Puzzles & Coloring found on page 5.

8	2	6	7	9	4	3	5	1
3	7	4	1	5	8	9	6	2
1	9	5	2	6	3	8	4	7
5	3	1	9	2	6	7	8	4
9	4	7	5	8	1	2	3	6
2	6	8	4	3	7	5	1	9
7	8	3	6	4	2	1	9	5
4	5	2	8	1	9	6	7	3
6	1	9	3	7	5	4	2	8

Beginner Sudoku

4	7	1	3	9	8	5	6	2
8	2	9	5	6	4	3	7	1
5	6	3	7	1	2	8	4	9
7	5	6	2	4	3	9	1	8
1	9	8	6	5	7	2	3	4
3	4	2	9	8	1	6	5	7
9	8	7	1	3	6	4	2	5
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6	1	5	4	2	9	7	8	3

Intermediate Sudoku

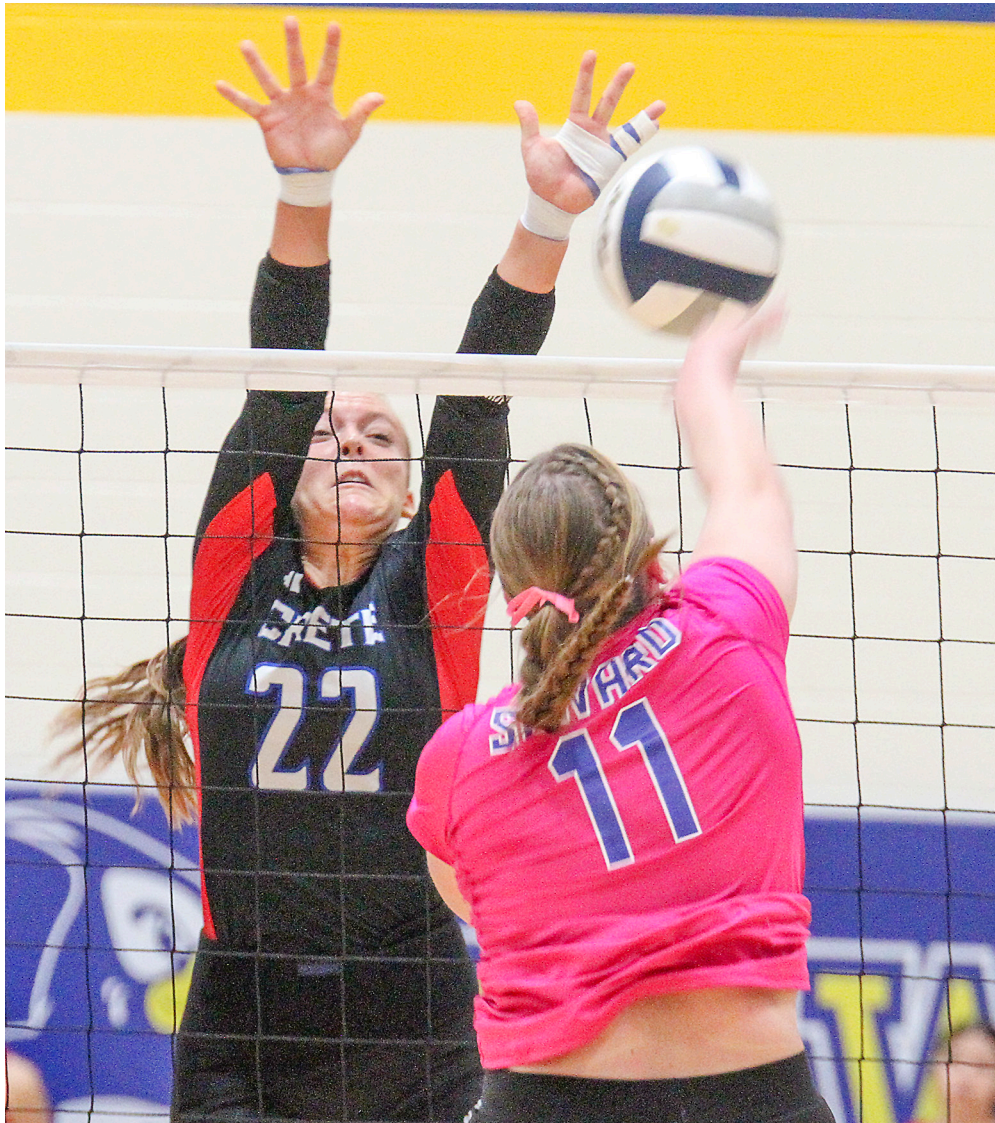
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Y	R	E	P	O	S			
R	E	U	N	I	O	N		
A	P	R	E	C	I	A	T	I
E	A	S	E					

Cross Word

9	1	5	3	6	4	8	2	7
2	3	7	8	9	1	5	6	4
6	4	8	2	5	7	9	3	1
8	6	9	7	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	8	5	7	9	6
5	7	4	9	3	6	1	8	2
4	8	6	1	7	9	2	5	3
3	5	1	6	2	8	4	7	9
7	9	2	5	4	3	6	1	8

Advanced Sudoku

Shots from the area



STEPHANIE CROSTON/CN

Sierra Crist of Crete reaches to block an attack by Addy Heaston of Seward Oct. 29.



LEESA K. BARTU/CN

Macey Gronemeyer of Tri County sets to a teammate against EMF Nov. 2 during the district volleyball final.



LEESA K. BARTU/CN

Kaydence Haase of EMF serves against Tri County Nov. 2 in district volleyball action in Friend.



LEESA K. BARTU/CN

EMF's Jacob Klooz hunts down Stanton ball carrier Barrett Wilke during their game Nov. 1.

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SIDELINE SUMMARY

This week in sports...

CRETE

Volleyball

The Crete volleyball team saw its season come to an end on Oct. 29 at subdistricts after losing 3-1 (22-25, 25-18, 25-13, 25-16) to first seeded Seward.

EXETER-MILLIGAN-FRIEND

Football

The EMF football team saw its season end Nov. 1 with a 48-8 loss at Stanton. Mikey Bartu led the team with 121 rushing yards and 7.5 tackles.

Volleyball

The EMF volleyball team punched its ticket to state Nov. 2 with a 25-18, 25-12, 17-25, 25-10 win over Tri County. Kaydence Haase led the team with 24 kills, and Lily Jeffries delivered 37 assists. In subdistrict play, the Bobcats beat Heartland 25-15, 25-15, 25-17 Oct. 28 and High Plains 25-13, 17-25, 25-16, 19-25, 15-8 Oct. 29. Haase finished with 50 kills between the two matches. Taylin Schluter picked up 23 digs against High Plains.

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Volleyball

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After going 1-1 in its subdistrict, the Tri County volleyball team fell to Exeter-Milligan-Friend in the district final Nov. 2. TC opened the week with a 28-26, 25-16, 18-25, 25-14 win over Lourdes Oct. 28. Sayber Hoesche and Olive Clark had 15 kills each in the match. Diller-Odell got the win 25-21, 25-17, 24-26, 25-17 Oct. 29. Clark notched 20 kills, and Hoesche added 16. EMF topped the Trojans 25-18, 25-12, 17-25, 25-10 Nov. 2. Match stats were not available at press time.

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Trinity Williamson of Crete tries to work around a block by Seward's Karsyn Fields Oct. 29.

Cards end season at subdistricts

BY KEATON BURGESS
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The Crete volleyball team saw its season come to an end on Oct. 29 at sub-districts after losing 3-1 (22-25, 25-18, 25-13, 25-16) to first seeded Seward.

"This season was a journey filled with highs, lows and a wealth of growth," Coach Makayla Tepe said. "Every team faces its own set of challenges, but this year, our squad truly experienced what it means to overcome adversity. We faced tough moments on and off the court, but our athletes responded with resilience, determination and unity that brought us closer as a team and strengthened our resolve."

Sierra Crist was busy on the night with 15 kills, one ace, 13 digs and two assists. Trinity McMillan had five blocks and Ariana Heusinkvelt had 31 assists.

Tepe said one of the highlights from the season was the growth of the players.

"Each practice, game and challenge became an opportunity for us to learn, and our players embraced that whole-

heartedly," she said. "Their commitment to each other and to our goals showed, even when the scoreboard didn't always reflect the hard work they were putting in day in and day out.

Crete will graduate three seniors: Crist, McMillan and Erika Ruiz.

"We are especially proud of our seniors, whose leadership and dedication provided a solid foundation for the team during this challenging season," Tepe said. "They brought maturity, skill and a light-heartedness that balanced the rigors of competition and brought joy to our team environment. Their contributions have left a lasting legacy on this program, and their impact will be felt for years to come."

Tepe said the coaching staff looks forward to continuing to develop over the offseason and looks forward to next season.

"As we close the book on this season, we do so with gratitude for all we've learned and the growth we've achieved together," she said. "We thank our fans, families and community for the unwavering support and can't wait to see where the future takes us."

Tigers drop two on week

Doane volleyball traveled to Seward to take on No. 2 Concordia. The Bulldogs picked up a 3-0 win (25-20, 25-15, 25-17).

Kayden Schumacher led the team with nine kills while Natalie Wood added eight kills and Taylor Sluka finished with seven. Doane had 30 kills for the match, hitting .042 as a team. Camdyn Carpenter dished out 23 assists in the match while Grace Zeier added five. The Tigers had three ace serves in the match, two from Mariah Sliva and one by Chloe Rose.

Defensively, the Tigers had 5.0 team blocks. Hilary Hupp was in on all five blocks, including one solo. She teamed with Sluka for three blocks and Carpenter for one block. Leading the way in digs for Doane was Carpenter with 11 followed by Mackenzie Painter with nine.

Doane then traveled to Omaha as they took on Saint Mary. The Tigers put forth a valiant effort but came up just shy in a five-set decision that went to the Flames. Game scores were 19-25, 25-23, 25-12, 31-33, and 15-11.

Doane extended the match to a fifth set by fighting off six match points for CSM. Kate Roseland picked up three kills to keep the match



KEATON BURGESS/CN

Mackenzie Painter of Doane keeps her eye on the ball during a serve against Concordia on Oct. 30.

going while Taylor Sluka had one kill to extend the match and a kill to set up set point for the Tigers.

Natalie Wood led the Tigers with 17 kills with Kayden Schumacher adding 14 kills. Roseland added nine and Sluka finished with eight. Camdyn Carpenter dished out 47 assists in the match. Mariah Sliva posted a career-high five ace serves.

Defensively, Carpen-

ter led the Tigers with 14 digs. Mackenzie Painter and Grace Zeier added nine digs apiece. Doane posted 13.0 team blocks. Hilary Hupp had eight total blocks, including one solo. Sluka was in on four total blocks, with one solo block.

The Tigers will close out their season on Tuesday, Nov. 5, with Senior Day against Mount Marty. First serve is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Doane plans green out for Halstyn

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The Doane women's basketball team will green out for its matchup against Dakota Wesleyan on Saturday, Nov. 16 to promote liver awareness after Coach Ryan Baumgartner's daughter, Halstyn, was diagnosed with Biliary Atresia.

Biliary Atresia is a very rare liver disease in the United States that only impacts about 1 in 15,000 babies in the US or only 300 babies yearly. There are three types of atresia, and the one that Halstyn has is the most rare.

Halstyn is Ryan and his wife Deidre's third child alongside Laikyn, 4, and Boone, 20 months.

Baumgartner said Halstyn was born on June 1st and seemed like a healthy baby, but his wife started to notice that Halstyn's skin color and eyes started to look different.

"Each check up she asked and finally got them to do another blood test," he said. "They tested her bilirubin levels at her one month check up and noticed they were really high and we were immediately sent to Children's in Omaha that night."

After that moment, Baumgartner said that was the start of their three month long journey.

"After three major operations in less than a two month time frame, she was finally cleared to leave for home at the end of September," he said. "Halstyn has been home and gaining weight each week since we have been home and has had some good blood work that has come back. She still has an incredibly tough



COURTESY PHOTO

Halstyn Baumgartner has been fighting Biliary Atresia, a very rare liver disease in the United States that only impacts about 1 in 15,000 babies in the US or only 300 babies yearly. The Doane men's and women's basketball team will be doing a green out on Nov. 16 to help raise awareness about the disease.

road ahead of her as she is going to be constantly fighting against the odds."

The green out idea was thought up by upper-classmen on the women's basketball team.

"They wanted to bring awareness to this disease that was directly impacting someone pretty close to them," Baumgartner said. "They chose green for liver awareness. They knew that we were very private people so they sent me a message one day after another surgery of Halstyn's to ask if they

could FaceTime me."

Baumgartner said they asked if had permission to share Halstyn's story to help raise some funds for her and raise awareness of Biliary Atresia.

"My wife and I were immediately in tears and could not say much, but thanked them for thinking about us and wanting to do so much," he said. "Our seniors talked to the local sports shop to make shirts for the game in November to support Halstyn and they continued to do more and more

from there with the help of all of our wonderful parents in our basketball program."

T-shirts will be for sale at the game and there will also be a basket of items that people can bid on in a raffle with some of the proceeds going to Halstyn.

The surgeon that did Halstyn's procedures said he had never seen a case like hers according to Baumgartner.

"That is what makes the disease so difficult, because there is no same

or perfect remedy to the disease," he said. "The procedure to fix the biliary ducts is called the Kasai Procedure. They need to fix the flow of bile so they take a piece of the intestine and manufacture a new duct to replace the blockage or lack of duct to allow bile flow from the liver through the intestines."

Baumgartner said the surgeons had to do the procedure three times essentially to make it work.

"The success rate for this procedure is about one in three working for the baby the remainder of life," he said. "One-third the procedure works for an unknown time and then a transplant is needed and the other one-third fails after three months and they go into transplant. This will absolutely affect her long-term as we do not know when things will change and she is fighting some serious odds. It is a constant battle everyday for Halstyn, but she has done it with the biggest smile on her face, in the hardest five months of her life."

Baumgartner said the green out makes him feel emotional, even though he's not usually an emotional person.

"The immense support and rally behind my daughter and family from the women's basketball family and Doane community has been incredibly touching. To have a group of people who are willing to spend so much time, energy and resources to help make a tough situation a little less difficult has been very moving for me and my wife," he said. "The hardest times in life bring out the best in people.

There is so much negative in today's world, so to see all the good that we have here in our basketball program and community has been something we will be forever grateful for. Having the support system here at Doane with our women's basketball players, their parents, the Doane administration/other coaches and our immediate family has been nothing short of spectacular."

Ryan and Deidre would like to thank all that have helped or reached out.

"The texts, the calls, the thousands of prayers and prayer chains that have been started for our daughter have been life changing," Baumgartner said. "We have received so many gift cards, gas cards, notes and just words of encouragement that we cannot name them all."

Baumgartner also said the Doane women's basketball parents who started the GoFundMe for Halstyn and raised awareness has been life changing for them.

"So many of our current players who have donated their own money towards this cause is something that we will never forget. The kids that did not get to see us much over the summer were constantly reaching out to check on Halstyn and our two other kids," he said. "The type of kids and parents that we have in this program are second to none. They are the true definition of a team and family. We will never be able to pay back what you have done for our family. We cannot wait to share with Halstyn someday what each and every one of you have done for her."

Longhorns win first round, drop second at subdistricts

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Against Nebraska Lutheran, Bailey Theis had 20 kills and Baylor Behrens had 13 kills and 20 digs. Gabby Theis had 16 digs and Bailey Theis had 10. Atley Zoubek had 27 assists.

Against Meridian, Behrens led the Longhorns with 28 kills, Bailey Theis had 29 digs followed by Gabby Theis with 28 digs, and Zoubek had 33 assists.

Dorchester finished the season 18-12.



STEPHANIE CROSTON/CN

Atley Zoubek of Dorchester puts up a set against Nebraska Lutheran Oct. 28 during subdistrict action.

Tigers go 2-0 to open season

The Doane men's basketball team opened the 2024-25 season in Crete. The Tigers hosted Bethany with the Swedes coming in with a 1-0 record. Both teams got off to a slow start before Doane started to heat up and pull away for a 90-69 victory.

Bethany held a 4-2 lead with nearly five minutes gone in the first half of action. A layup by Brady Timm started an 8-0 run for the Tigers. At the midway mark of the half, Doane led 14-9 until Jack Wilson hit a 3-point basket to start another 8-0 run. The Tigers would finish the final five minutes of the first half with a 15-7 run, led by 10 points from Casen Chaney. Doane led 41-21 at the break.

The second half started with the Swedes going on a 10-6 run as Chaney scored all the Tiger points in the first four minutes. Bethany was able to pull within 11 points, 53-42, with 12 minutes to play. Doane kept their lead in double figures by going on a 9-0 run to push their lead back to 20 points. The Swedes were able to cut the deficit back down to 13 points with three minutes to go only to see Doane finish the game on a 15-7 run.

Chaney led the Tigers with 23 points on 8-of-13 shooting. He hit four 3-point baskets in the game and pulled down a team-high nine rebounds. Wilson added 20 points on 8-of-11 shooting, including 3-for-3 from behind the arc. Timm posted 12 points on 6-of-12 shooting and recorded team-highs with six assists and four steals. Mikah Gardner finished with 12 points on 4-of-6 shooting.

As a team the Tigers shot 50-percent from the floor, 34-of-68. They hit 33-percent from behind the arc, 8-of-24, and 82-percent at the free throw line, 14-

of-17. Bethany shot 40-percent from the floor, 23-of-57, and 27-percent behind the arc, 7-of-26. They were 16-of-23 at the free throw line, 70-percent.

Emmanuel Akpan led the Swedes with 18 points and eight rebounds while JR Cison added 15 points.

Doane then hosted Manhattan Christian on Thursday evening in Crete in the second game of the season. The Tigers scored 10 seconds into the game and led throughout as they posted an 83-56 win over the Thunder. Doane improved to 2-0 on the year while Manhattan Christian dropped their season opener.

Caleb Hrabik scored the first points of the game for Doane, taking a pass in the lane from Jack Wilson. Casen Chaney added a fast-break layup and a 3-point basket to put the Tigers up 7-0 before the Thunder were able to get on the scoreboard.

Doane pushed their lead to 14 points with 7:23 to play in the opening half only to have MCC go on an 8-0 run to pull within six points, 25-19. The Tigers responded with back-to-back 3-point baskets from Brady Timm and a fast-break layup from Chaney to go back in front by 14. Doane led 41-31 at the break.

At the midway mark of the second half, Doane was in the midst of a 13-0 run that would double their lead to 26 points, 73-47. The Tigers received 3-point baskets from Glavine McDonald, Chaney, and Zach Schmeckle during the run. Doane's largest lead of the game was 29 points, 83-54, following a basket by Shelton Crawford.

The Tigers will be back at home on Wednesday, Nov. 6, when they host York at 7 p.m. following the women's contest at 5 p.m. against Peru State.

Men's wrestling opens season

Men's Wrestling opened the 2024-25 season on Saturday morning in Wichita, Kan., at the Falcon Open. By the end of the evening with more than 11 hours of wrestling taking place on the mats, Doane wrestlers had combined for 74 wins and two bracket titles in the two divisions (Elite and Amateur).

In the Elite Division, Tyson Beaupterthuy won the 184 bracket with four wins on the day. After a first round bye, he defeated Matthew Rodriguez (NCAA D2 Fort Hays St.) by fall in 3:45. He followed up with a win over Lucas Hageman (Grand View) by tech fall, 21-5. In the semifinals, he defeated Hunter Mullin (unattached), a former NCAA D2 wrestler at Western Colorado, by decision, 8-5. In the finals, Beaupterthuy topped Seth Sarasua (NCAA D2 Central Oklahoma) by major decision, 13-2.

Kasten Grape took Third Place for the Tigers at 197. He started action with a pair of pins, defeating Gustavo Renteria (Friends) in 1:36 and Elijah Davis (Grand View)

in 0:42. In the semifinals, Grape was edged out by a 13-9 decision. He bounced back with a win over NAIA No. 21 John Bray (Wayland Baptist) by fall in 1:45. In the final match, Grape defeated NCAA D2 No. 8 Tereus Henry (Fort Hays St.) by decision, 9-4.

In other Elite Division brackets, Matthew Terreance won three matches on the day at 133. He posted a fall victory in 1:23 over Ryan McNeel (Avila) and a major decision win of 14-1 over Johnny Burnette (Northwestern). In the consolation bracket, he defeated NAIA No. 8 Dalton Witt (Missouri Baptist) by a 5-0 decision.

Ben Miller won four matches at 157 for the Tigers. He started the day with back to back pins, topping Chase Koehler (NCAA D2 Fort Hays St.) in 2:12 and Colin Sharp (Graceland) in 1:38. In the consolation bracket, he defeated Grant Gober (NCAA D2 Central Oklahoma) by a 12-3 major decision and Hunter Dietrich (NCAA D2 Newman) by fall in 0:47.

In the 165 bracket, three different Tigers

picked up a win apiece. Cooper Spaulding defeated Stephen Dickerson (Graceland) by fall in 6:24. Kody Hahn topped Jackson Jones (Saint Mary, KS) by fall in 5:56. Edward Rameriz defeated Hunter Harris (NCAA D2 Fort Hays St.) by a 4-3 decision.

In the 174 bracket, Benjamin Dobler defeated Bryce Dauphin (NCAA D2 Central Oklahoma) by a 3-2 decision. Kolton Kammerer won three matches in the 184 bracket. He topped Joseph Tegua (Graceland) by a 5-3 decision, Trenton Blomquist (Embry-Riddle) by medical forfeit, and Jairo Caceres (NCAA D3 St. Thomas, MN) by a 1-0 decision.

In the 285 bracket, Angelo Franco collected a win against Isaiah Causey (Friends) by tech fall, 19-3.

Next up for the Tigers will be the first home dual of the season as Midland comes to Crete to begin GPAC action. The first match on Friday, November 8, is scheduled shortly after 7:00 PM in the Hadix Center.

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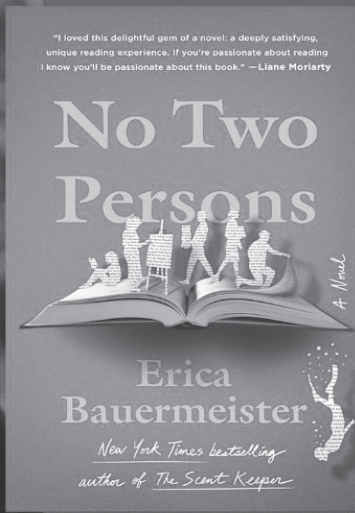
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Lady Tigers open wrestling season

Women's wrestling opened the season in Wichita, Kansas, at the Friends Open. The Tigers posted 36 individual wins with three Top 4 placements. All weight classes starting this year were increased slightly, for example the smallest weight class went from 101 to 103. One of the benefits for the change is adjusting the classifications and bringing five of the weight classes closer to that of the five Olympic weight classes.

Karina Vang posted a Second Place finish by going 3-1. After receiving a bye to start the 103 bracket, she defeated Trinity Motter (Friends) by tech fall, 14-4. In the quarterfinals, Vang defeated Eyvori Jacquez (Saint Mary, KS) by decision 11-4. In the semifinals, she defeated Piper Montoya (unattached) by fall in 2:20. Vang lost in the finals, 4-0, to Audare Cruz (unattached).

Kimberly Navarette went 3-2 at 103. She opened with two straight 10-0 tech fall wins, defeating Alexis Heredia (Jarvis Christian), Kyra Gonzalez (Midland), and Vanessa Tellez (Friends). She dropped her semifinal match to Cruz by tech fall, 10-0, and lost in the consolation bracket to NJCAA No. 1 Calli Connally (Carl Albert) by fall in 1:09.

In the 110 bracket, Jaden Breeden went 4-2. She opened with a pair of pins, defeating Audrina Houston (Avila) in 1:37 and Alexis Navarette (Wayland Baptist) in 0:54. In the quarterfinals, she lost to NJCAA No. 5 Addison Polk (Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa) by fall in 2:54. Breeden followed with a victory

over NJCAA No. 6 Amaya Rubalcado (Carl Albert) by fall in 1:44. She then defeated Nahim Arenas (Wayland Baptist) by tech fall, 14-4. In her final match, she lost to NAIA No. 15 Aynsley Fink (Ottawa) by fall in 3:18.

Emily Cano picked up two wins at 117. She received a forfeit win to open bracket competition before defeating Skylar Gragg (Jarvis Christian) by tech fall, 12-2, in the quarterfinals. She dropped her semifinal match to NAIA No. 18 Kendall Martin (Ottawa) by fall in 2:26 and lost in the consolation bracket to Laila Mirza (Carl Albert) by tech fall, 12-2.

Taylor Weber added one win at 117. She defeated Sadie Aldestein (Oklahoma State) by tech fall, 10-0. In the quarterfinals, she lost to Shae Salinas (Ottawa) by a 7-7 decision as Salinas scored the final points, giving her the tie-break. In the consolation bracket, Weber lost to Mirza by fall in 1:58.

In the 124 bracket, Julia Breeden went 3-2. She defeated NJCAA No. 3 Chanelle Alburg (Carl Albert) by decision, 13-6. Breeden followed with a pin over Alanna Holly (Wayland Baptist) in 1:39 and Dru Turner (unattached) in 3:35. She lost in the semifinals to Peyton Hand (Ottawa) by fall in 1:03 and to Emma Truex (Ottawa) in the consolation bracket in 3:00.

Ashlee Palimo'o went 4-2 at 131 for the Tigers. She opened with a pin over Andrea Uribe (Avila) in 21 seconds, fourth-fastest in program history. She then defeated Citalli Islas (Jarvis

Christian) by tech fall, 10-0. In the quarterfinals, Palimo'o lost to NJCAA No. 7 Samara Markwardt (Carl Albert) by fall in 4:02. She bounced back with a tech fall win, 14-4, over Myah Brown (Wayland Baptist) and a forfeit win over Aaliah Guebara (unattached). In her final match, she lost to NAIA No. 14 Bryce White (Oklahoma City) by decision, 3-3, with White holding the tie-break.

Mckenna Kisela and Brooke Cox were involved in six combined matches all decided by fall in the 131 division. Kisela defeated Kennedy Harris (Friends) in 3:36 while Cox defeated Chloe Taylor (Avila) in 2:58.

At 138, Bridgette Sotomayor won three matches. After dropping her opening match by tech fall, 13-2, she defeated Lainey Farley (Ottawa) by fall in 1:27. Sotomayor added a 10-0 tech fall win over Alondra Valles (Carl Albert) and a pin of Jaelyn Riedinger (Avila) in 1:18. In her final match, she lost to NAIA No. 3 Gianna Moreno (Friends) by decision, 12-5.

Payton Weese went 4-2 at 145 and placed fourth in the bracket. She dropped her first match to NAIA No. 18 Allison King by tech fall, 14-4. Weese bounced back with four straight wins. She defeated Sara Souresjhani (Avila) by fall in 2:10 and Alexis Means (WTC) by forfeit. Her next win was over Taya Hunt (Carl Albert) by fall in 2:56. Weese tied Palimo'o for the fastest pin of the day, topping Avery Shinkle (Wayland Baptist) in 21 seconds. In the Third Place

match, she lost to Kaydence Bonewell (Ottawa) by decision, 7-6.

Lauren Garcia won two matches at 160. She defeated Joy Ortiz (York) by decision, 3-2, and Shayana St Cyr (Friends) by tech fall, 10-0. She dropped her semifinal match, 10-0, and took a forfeit in the consolation bracket.

Aspen Barber won one match in the 160 bracket. After dropping a narrow decision, 6-5, to Corin Lowe (Oklahoma City), Barber defeated Mackenzie Botka (Oklahoma State) by forfeit. Barber then dropped out of the bracket with a medical forfeit.

In the 180 bracket, Yazmin Belk took Fourth Place with a 3-2 record. She opened with a win over No. 15 Payton Sholander (Wayland Baptist) by fall in 2:52 and then topped Siara Arrington (Ottawa) by fall in 5:44. Belk dropped her semifinal match to Kaylee Davis (Ottawa) by fall in 3:56. She bounced back with a 12-7 decision victory over Ciera Hutton-Spieker (Ottawa) before losing the final match to Audrey Lockhart (Wayland Baptist) in 34 seconds.

Hailey Romero picked up a win in the 180 bracket, pinning Madison Welch (Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa) in 51 seconds. She dropped her other two matches by fall.

Next up for the Tigers will be the Waldorf Open on Nov. 9 in Forest City, Iowa.

Women's soccer ends season at GPAC

Women's soccer wrapped up the regular season on Wednesday night with a home win over Mount Marty. After a scoreless first half, the Tigers scored twice in the second half to post a 2-0 victory. It was the team's third straight shutout and fourth in the last five games.

Doane dominated play throughout the game with the ball in the Lancers defensive end for the majority of the

game. The Tigers held a 19-3 shot advantage with shots on goal at 6-2.

McKenna Rathbun picked up the first goal of the game in the 49' with a cut left against the Lancer defense only to fire a shot in at the right post. The goal was her 10th of the season, making her the first since 2015 to post double-digits in goals scored for the Tigers.

In the 74', Grace Dowding

picked up a clearance by Mount Marty and dribbled through the defense nearly 30 yards before firing a shot from 27 yards away. Her shot snuck under the crossbar for her first collegiate goal.

For the game, Virginia Johnson picked up two saves. The game was her fifth shutout of the season, tied for sixth-most in program history for a single season.

Women's Soccer returned to the GPAC Tournament for the second time in the last three years when they traveled to Sioux Center, Iowa, on Saturday afternoon. The Tigers came away on the short end of a 3-0 decision to Dordt.

The Tigers were on the unlucky side of the bounce of the ball with three shots that glanced off the frame of the goal (one deflected from a save) on

Saturday while one of Dordt's first half shots deflected in. Doane finished with a 7-5 shots on-goal advantage in the game. Virginia Johnson had two saves in the game.

Doane finishes the season with a 7-8-4 overall record. Their win-percentage of .474 matches the mark the team had in 2022, best since the 2012 season.



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E. 14th St. & Juniper Ave. • (402) 560-0024
Deacon Christine Grosh
3rd Sunday of the Month
Worship with Holy Communion..... 4 p.m.

CLATONIA

CLATONIA HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

550 Washington St.
Worship..... Sat., 7:00 p.m.

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (WELS)

11412 W. Highway 41 • (402) 989-4775
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Pastor Steven Kahrs
Worship..... 8:30 a.m.

DENTON

DENTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Conestoga Parish UMC
9335 W. Third St. • (402) 219-4213
Pastor Ed Millican
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

7105 Cass Ave. • (402) 797-2105
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Father Craig Doty
Vigil Mass..... Sat., 5 p.m.
Mass..... 8 a.m., 10 a.m. & 12 p.m.

DORCHESTER

BETEL WORSHIP CENTER CENTRO DE ADORACIÓN BETEL

707 Washington Ave. • (402) 418-1934
Pastor Marco T. Flores
Bilingual Service/Servicio Bilingüe
Worship..... Sunday 11 a.m.
Adoración..... Domingo 11 a.m.
Prayer/Bible Study..... Tuesday 7 p.m.
Oración/Estudio del la Biblia..... Martes 7 p.m.
Worship..... Thursday 7 p.m.
Adoración..... Jueves 7 p.m.

DORCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

612 Lincoln Ave. • (402) 946-3091
Rev. Cameron Miller
Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:15 a.m.
Bible Study..... Wed., 5:30 p.m.

HALLAM

HALLAM CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

205 N. Harrison St. • 402-787-2440
Pastor Peggy McClain
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study (Every 1st and 3rd Sun.)..... 9:30 a.m.
Choir (Every 2nd and 4th Sun.)..... 9:30 a.m.
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

HALLAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

500 Main St. • (402) 486-3677
Pastor Pam Savery
Worship..... 9:45 a.m.

MARTELL

MARTELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2700 W. Martell Road • (402) 486-3677
Pastor Pam Savery
Worship..... 11 a.m.

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24005 S. 12th Street • (402) 798-7318
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

PLEASANT DALE

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)

101 Maple St. • (402) 795-3885
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Pastor Timothy Gall
Worship..... 9 a.m.
Sunday School/Bible Study..... 10:30 a.m.

PLEASANT DALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Conestoga Parish UMC
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Pastor Ed Millican
Worship..... 9 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:15 a.m.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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Pastor Jacob Krueger
Worship..... 9 a.m.
Sunday School/Bible Class..... 10:15 a.m.

SPRAGUE

SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Pastor Keith Morris
Worship..... 9 a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

BIDS

SECTION 00 10 00 INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the construction of "Walnut Creek Sewer Repair for the City of Crete," JEO Project No. 241729.00, QuestCDN No. 9353985, will be received by the City Administrator at 243 East 13th Street, Crete, NE 68333, until 2:00 PM on the 26th day of November 2024, and thereafter will be read aloud. The work is generally described as follows: Replacement of an existing 45' long 8" aerial sewer crossing in-kind.

Opinion of Probable Cost \$210,000 Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project. Copies of the contract documents are on file with the City of Crete for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$30. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$75 per set. Please contact Sarah Davis at sdavis@jeo.com or 402.443.7496 to coordinate your request and send your check to: 1937 North Chestnut Street, Wahoo, NE 68066. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

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

The project is funded in whole or in part by State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

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

CITY OF CRETE
Dave Bauer, Mayor
ATTEST: Tom Ourada, City Administrator
CR — November 06, 13, 20, 2024
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GENERAL NOTICES

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER 34-2019- 00265931

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): STRUTT HINES, an individual; JOSEPH COAN, individual; ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF'S TITLE, OR ANY CLOUD ON PLAINTIFF'S TITLE TO THE PROPERTY; AND DOES 1 TO 10 INCLUSIVE YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Delaware limited liability company
ATTN: DOE 2 – TESTATE AND INTESTATE SUCCESSORS OF JOSEPH COAN, DOE 3 – CHRISTY LYNN COAN, DOE 4 – MICHAEL SOUDERS
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puedo perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podría quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Sacramento County Superior Court, Gordon D. Schaber Courthouse, 720 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Melissa Vermillion, Barrett Daffin Frappier, Treder & Weiss, 3990 E Concourse St., Ste. 350, Ontario, CA 91764, Phone: (626) 371-7000, Fax: (972) 661-7709 Date (Fecha): September 30, 2019 Clerk by (Secretario) M. Witaker, Deputy (SEAL) Property description: LOT 160, AS SHOWN ON THE "PLAT OF MISSION RANCHO UNIT NO. 2", RECORDED IN BOOK 36 OF MAPS, MAP NO. 23, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. Property generally described as: 5816 Rosario Boulevard, North Highlands, CA 95660. CR — October 23, 30, November 06, 13, 2024
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NOTICE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING

ARANGO LAW LLC, 4546 S. 86th Street, Suite A, Lincoln, Nebraska 68526, (402) 853-6360, Notice of a Legal Proceeding in the District Court of Saline County, Nebraska TO: Jose Ulices Romero Flores, whose whereabouts are unknown and upon whom personal service of summons cannot be had, and who is the father of the minor child, Marvin J. Romero Gomez, in said proceeding: You are hereby notified that on or about October 16, 2024, Hal W. Oberlender Attorney at law with Arango Law LLC, filed a Petition for Paternity, Custody, and Support over the minor child against you in the District Court of Salina county, Nebraska, indexed under CI-24-193, the object of which is to establish You as the biological father of Marvin J. Romero and award sole legal and physical custody of the child to Iris Roxana Gomez Sanchez. You are required to answer said Petition on or before December 13th, 2024, or said complaint will be deemed as true. CR — October 30, November 06, 13, 2024
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NOTICE OF COMPLAINT FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA Case No. CI 24-175 ALEJANDRO REYES GRIMALDO Plaintiff, vs. LETICIA E. REYES TORRES, Defendant

TO: LETICIA E. REYES TORRES whose whereabouts are unknown, upon whom personal service of summons cannot be had, and is the Defendant in said proceedings. You are notified that on or about September 25, 2024, Plaintiff, Alejandro Reyes Grimaldo, filed a complaint against you in the District Court of Saline County, Nebraska, at Case No. CI 24-175, the object of which is to dissolve your marriage with the Plaintiff and to divide your assets and debts with the Plaintiff, and for other equitable relief. You are required to answer said Complaint on or before December 16, 2024 or said Complaint against you will be taken as true. ALEJANDRO REYES GRIMALDO, Plaintiff David V. Chipman, # 23151 Attorney for Plaintiff Monzón, Guerra & Chipman 1133 H Street Lincoln, NE 68508 Tel.: (402) 477-8188 Fax: (402) 477-8202 dchipman@monzonlaw.com CR — October 30, November 06, 13, 2024
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NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT Notice is hereby given that a Partial Termination of Notice of Commencement was recorded with the Saline County Register of Deeds on October 15, 2024, at Instrument No. 2024-01449 partially terminating the Notice of Commencement recorded with the Saline County Register of Deeds on December 12, 2023, at Instrument No. 2023-01837 against the real property legally described as follows: Lots 5 & 6, Block 2, Burlington Estates, City of Crete, Saline County, Nebraska. The Partial Termination of Notice of Commencement was filed by the contracting owner, Cardinal Ventures, LLC, whose address is 2215 Lothrop Lake Circle, Crete, NE 68333. The contracting owner is the fee simple owner of the above-described property. The Notice of Commencement is terminated as of November 18, 2024. All lien claims for which a notice of lien is not recorded by the termination date may be defeated by a transfer of the real estate. CR — October 23, 30, November 06, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING The Saline County Board of Equalization will meet on November 12, 2024 at 9:15 a.m. in the County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Court House, Wilber NE. Agenda items for said meetings are kept current and can be reviewed in the County Clerk's office during regular office hours. Agenda item requests must be in the County Clerk's office 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting. The Board of Equalization will hold a Public Hearing to consider motor vehicle exemption requests at 9:25 a.m. A list of organizations seeking an exemption is available in the office of the Saline County Treasurer. Diann Nettifee Saline County Clerk CR/FS/WR — November 06, 2024
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LLC

Nebraska Certificate of Organization of The Brunettes LLC Article I The name of the Limited Liability Company is The Brunettes LLC Article II Designated office of the entity is: 1007 Grove Avenue Crete, NE 68333-2349 Mailing address is: 1007 Grove Avenue Crete, NE 68333-2349 Article III The name and office address of the Registered Agent for service of process is: Registered Agents Inc 200 S. 21st St. STE 400A Lincoln, NE 68510 Article IV The LLC shall be Member-Managed of the limited liability company is vested in one or more members whose names and addresses are as follows: Yadira Duarte Member 1007 Grove Avenue Crete, NE 68333-2349 Ana Iris Ballona Montano Member 1003 Sumner Avenue Dorchester, NE 68343-2341 IN WITNESS THEREOF, the undersigned has executed the Certificate of Organization. October 7, 2024 /s/ Ana Iris Ballona Montano Ana Iris Ballona Montano ,Organizer CR — October 30, November 06, 13, 2024
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HEARINGS

NOTICE A total of 145 cases will be heard by the Board in November 2024. The following case(s) sentenced in Saline County will be seen by the Board of Parole. November 21, 2024 – 8:30 a.m. Community Correctional Center - Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska

Holoubek, John 81526 Vsl Depict Sexl Explicit Cond ROSALYN COTTON, CHAIR NEBRASKA BOARD OF PAROLE CR — November 06, 2024
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MEETINGS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING Notice is hereby given that Public Health Solutions District Board of Health serving Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Saline and Thayer counties, will meet on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. at Public Health Solutions District Health Department, 830 E. 1st Street, Suite 300, Crete, NE 68333. A copy of the agenda is on file at the office of Public Health Solutions District Health Department located at 830 E. 1st Street, Suite 300, Crete, Nebraska or available by calling 844-830-0813. CR — November 06, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2024 CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Library Advisory Board of the City of Crete will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 12:00pm at the Library, 1515 Forest Ave., Crete, Nebraska. The agenda for the meeting is kept current and available for public inspection at the Library. Said meeting is open to the public. The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To report discrimination, contact the City Clerk's office. Nancy Tellez City Clerk CR — November 06, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Saline County School District No. 76-0044, a.k.a. Dorchester Public School will hold the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 11 at 7:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter at the Dorchester Public School Library. The agenda for such meeting is being kept continuously current and is available for inspection at the office of the Superintendent, Dorchester Public School. CR — November 06, 2024
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NOTICE The Saline County Planning Commission will meet on November 19th, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting will be in the assembly room of the Saline County Courthouse in Wilber, Nebraska. A current copy of the agenda is available for review at the County Courthouse in Wilber. Lyle Weber Zoning Administrator CR/FS/WR — November 06, 13, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2024 CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Crete Volunteer Fire Department of the City of Crete will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall, Crete, Nebraska. The meeting will be open to the public. An agenda for this meeting, kept continuously current, is available for inspection at the Fire Hall. The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To

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VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024, 6:30 P.M. Notice is hereby given that the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room (607 Franklin Ave., Entrance #2). The meeting is open to the public. An agenda for said meeting is available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk. Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda shall not be enlarged later than twenty-four hours before scheduled commencement of the meeting. Jennifer M. Kasl Village Clerk – Treasurer CR — November 06, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2024 CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Airport Advisory Board of the City of Crete, Nebraska, will meet on Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 8:15 a.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers, 243 East 13th Street, Crete, Nebraska. The agenda for the meeting is kept current and available for public inspection at the City Clerk's office. Said meeting is open to the public. The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To report discrimination, contact the City Clerk's office. Nancy Tellez City Clerk CR — November 06, 2024
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING The next regular meeting of the Saline County Board of Commissioners will be held on November 12, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse, Wilber, NE. Agenda items for said meetings are kept current and can be reviewed in the County Clerk's office during regular office hours. Agenda item requests must be in the County Clerk's office 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting. Diann Nettifee Saline County Clerk CR/FS/WR — November 06, 2024
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ESTATES

Hanson, Hroch & Kuntz, Attorneys NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF JIMMY DEAN RADCLIFF, DECEASED. Estate Number PR24-50 Notice is hereby given that Kailee Radcliff, whose address is 1325 NE Highway 58, Dannebrog, NE 68831 has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. Creditors of this estate must present their claims on or before the 23rd day of January 2025 or be forever barred. /s/ Joshua K. McDougall Clerk of the County Court CR — October 23, 30, November 06, 2024
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND INFORMAL PROBATE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LARRY J. CHRASTIL, Deceased Estate Number 24-57 Notice is hereby given that on October 17, 2024, in the County Court of Saline County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate

of the Estate of said Decedent and that Shirley A. LaMountain of 3535 Piney Creek Drive, Apt. 339, Elkhorn, Nebraska 68022, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before December 23, 2024 or forever be barred. /s/ Joshua K. McDougall Registrar

Prepared and Submitted by: Justin Hochstein (Bar# 25404) Hochstein Strategic Legal Planning, LLC 440 Regency Parkway Drive, Suite 147 PO Box 24842 Omaha, NE 68124 Tel: 402-990-3176 Fax: 402-397-8760 Attorney for Personal Representative CR — October 23, 30, November 06, 2024
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KALKWARF & SMITH LAW OFFICES, LLC NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF MERLIN A. KUSS, DECEASED PR24-38

Notice is hereby given that the Personal Representative has filed a waiver of final accounting and report of their administration, a formal closing petition for complete settlement, for formal probate of will of said deceased, for determination of heirship, and for determination of inheritance tax, which have been set for hearing in the Saline County Court, Wilber, Nebraska, on the 26th day of November, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Shaylene M. Smith NSBA #20419 1240 Ivy Avenue, PO Box 272 Crete, NE 68333 (402) 826-5136 kalkwarfsniithlaw@hotmail.com CR — November 06, 13, 20, 2024
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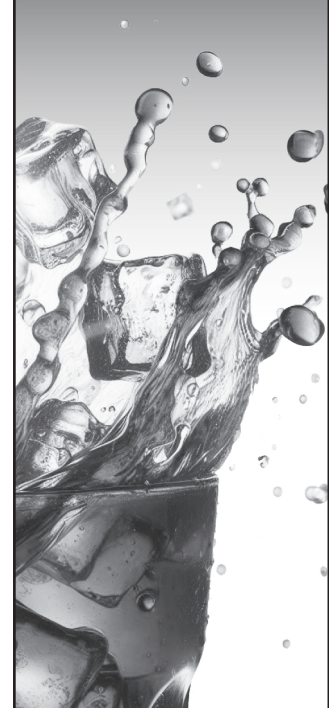


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Diann Nettifee Saline County Clerk

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Seward County Land Auction - 2 Tracts of Land - Reserved Bid Land Auction

Sellers: Jones Bank Trustee of Carl J Geis Family Trust & Adeline L Geis Revocable Trust

Tract 1

Location: 1 mile north of Goehner, NE on the corner of Adams Road and State Hwy 80G
Legal: 8-10-2 SE 1/4 & E 1/2 SW 1/4, Seward County, NE Parcel Number: 800207513
2023 Taxes: \$16,285.50 Minimum Bid: \$3,340,000

Tract 2

Location: 4 miles west of Goehner, NE on the corner of Holdrege Road and Co Road 420
Legal: 14-10-1 SW 1/4 Seward County, NE Parcel Number: 800009053
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Bidding Process: You may submit bids on either or both of these farms beginning October 28, 2024 and ending November 8, 2024 at 11:00 am. This is a reserve auction. Please submit the bid form to: Jones Bank Trust Department, 203 S 6th St, PO Box 469, Seward NE 68434. Those submitting the highest written bids will be notified and invited to participate in an in person bidding to be held on November 12, 2024 at 10:00 am at Jones Bank. **Approval of Bids:** Final sale is subject to the Seller's approval or rejection.

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