

Chasing Goodness to Find Strength

TAEH SOE, CORRESPONDENT

This year, 46 swimmers on the Cozad swim team were once again coached by Anne Burkholder and her friend Karen Labrayere.

Before moving to Cozad, Burkholder coached kids aged eight and under between her junior and senior years in high school and continued through her senior year and into her freshman year of college. Coach Anne and Coach Karen have coached alongside each other with the Cozad swim team for over 18 years now. "I had a swimming coach growing up who was really instrumental in my life," stated Burkholder.

Coach Anderson was Burkholder's swimming coach from junior high all the way up to high school. He inspired her to do hard things well. Through Anderson's impact, Burkholder was able to develop a desire for coaching that has blessed her life and others. "It's the medals that God puts on our hearts that are more important than the medals that hang around our necks," explained Burkholder.

Personally, knowing Anne for over four years now and being coached by her, she truly is one of the most encouraging coaches. Burkholder is a follower of Jesus, and the way she lives and coaches the kids reflects her undeniable faith in the Lord. Coach Anne teaches her swimmers to put all of their focus on God, not necessarily on the medals and record boards. Her athletes have developed a mindset of growth rather than focusing solely on accomplishments. Adding this new perspective has helped her swimmers perform for an audience of One.

Burkholder is a strong believer in teamwork. Throughout the season, she enjoyed seeing her swimmers work together as a team and have fun while doing it. Burkholder has beautifully cultivated a kind and godly environment that has greatly enriched her swimmers' lives, and her values have made their way into their hearts to not only be athletes but also hardworking and loving people.



The Cozad swimming coaching staff from left are Anne Burkholder and Karen Labrayere. (Courtesy Photo)

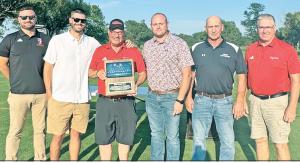


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Finding My Peace in the Imperfections

Let me be clear, I tackle most hard things in life with a check list, a quick vent sesh and a few colorful words. Life will always be heavy, but it doesn't have to be cinderblock heavy all the time.

I used to stay up late, running through every possible scenario that could happen. When I say every scenario, I mean every ridiculous, outlandish, completely unreasonable one. Then I would wake my husband up and go over it with him while he acted like he was listening. I knew it was absurd, but guess what? I still did it. I always thought I had to be prepared for every situation, because heaven forbid something caught me by surprise.

Everything had to be just so in my house. If someone was coming over? Time to shove everything into random drawers and give the illusion that I had my life together. I felt like my baseboards would be judged by everyone.

Then in 2023, my world got a little off kilter. I almost lost my pops. And before he was back to his grumpy old man, suspenders-wearing self, my son got sick. I didn't run through any of these scenarios at 2 a.m., they weren't even on my radar. So, I didn't have time to overthink the situation. I had no plan. I had to just act. No overthinking. No preparation. And you know what? That was the best thing that could've happened to me. I'm a better person because of those unplanned life events. It turns out, being caught off guard isn't the worst thing in the world.

These days, I'm happily medicated for severe anxiety, amongst other things, and I see a therapist more than I see most of my friends. Honestly, therapy is



Liz Romero

the best thing ever. I get to unload all my weird, crazy thoughts and, get this, she's legally bound to not tell a soul. It's. The. Best. It was a little hard at first, making appointments for myself, but it's become my favorite form of self-care. "I wanna talk about me, wanna talk about I, wanna talk about number one, oh my, me my. What I think, what I like, what I know, what I want, what I see." Toby Keith's song always plays on repeat before my sessions. (You're welcome for getting that stuck in your head.) And I do it all via Zoom, in my comfy clothes!

I've realized, with help of course, the only thing I can control is... myself. Easier said than done, I know. But once I focused on that, let me tell you, life became so fun. I set boundaries for myself now. If someone treats me badly, I don't have to hang around. It's that simple. I can't control other people, but I sure can control how I respond.

The last few years have taught me some invaluable lessons. For instance, when my son struggles with his memory and tries to explain what's missing, but our lines are not crossing, that's a 'me problem'. He is literally doing everything he can, so I need to try harder. It's helped me see the effort other people put into things.

I've stopped letting the way others treat me affect my peace of mind. I no longer stay up late rethinking how to handle every little thing... well, mostly. Unfortunately, I'm still not perfect. But if I'm doing everything I can to have peace, at least I'm trying.

And my peace is thriving. Working on myself has never been more rewarding. I still don't love surprises, and yes, unannounced visitors are still a no-go, mostly because I'm probably in my comfy clothes and my dogs will bark. But hey, if you decide to show up at my house unannounced, that is a 'you problem'.

I'm not a complete monster, because laundry will always be folded and hung from the warm dryer. Wrinkles are a hard no for me. But dog toys? Everywhere. And my counters will probably be a delightful display of randomness. But you know what? It's okay for things to be a little messy. It's okay to not be perfect.

Sure, these are things people have told me a million times before, but it wasn't until I went through my own struggles that it clicked, that I actually put in 100% of the work.

So, this week is about embracing imperfections and letting go. Next week? Who knows! It might be about how I'm saving my husband's laundry money to buy a 1930s Remington 12 typewriter. Stick around, and we'll find out together. Just stick around, I want you here.

 A mostly peaceful (but still slightly chaotic) friend, Liz

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City Council Considers Johansen's New Playground Proposal

MEL NUTT, CORRESPONDENT

Lindsey Johanson appeared at the July 21 Cozad City Council meeting to request starting the process of building a new playground in Cozad with the backing of the Cozad Community Leaders.

Johanson is president of the organization and had been in attendance at the July 7 meeting to make requests on behalf of the Cozad Community Leaders for street closures for Music Mondays and Hay Days. Her interest was piqued when she heard Edward Dunn from the West Central Nebraska Development District (WCNDD) note that WCNDD was available to assist with grants for trails, playgrounds, and other community projects.

Johanson's parents, in her hometown of Scottsbluff, assisted with the building of a playground at the Trails of Fun/Riverside Park at the Riverside Zoo. "This could be a contract build, a community build, or a combination of both. In Scottsbluff, the Kiwanis Club donated \$10,000 to get the park started," Johanson stated.

"I feel that some of our parks are old and outdated, and most of the equipment doesn't fit my 'littles'. I am

willing to update or add to a present playground or explore options for a new playground. I am also willing to fill out grant paperwork. The company that built the park in Scottsbluff was Leathers & Associates, and they need square footage, the budget, and the physical address before they begin working on an estimate. I'm open to options, but one thing that I would insist on is the rubber grounding, such as we had at Ethan's Park," Johanson said. Johanson was given permission to move forward with her exploration and planned to meet with the Cozad Park Board at their Friday, July 25 meeting.

Council members approved the meeting minutes of the July 7 regular meeting and the July 14 retreat meeting, as were all claims, excluding none. They also approved the Health Insurance Renewal with the Jones Group for city employees.

Allison Johnson and Susan Kloepping were in attendance on behalf of the Cozad Municipal Airport. The Cozad Airport Authority had approved Resolution No. 2025-1 in the amount of \$150,000 in property tax funds

to operate and maintain the Cozad Municipal Airport. Council members unanimously approved Resolution #2025-10, the levy allocation (tax request), in the amount of \$150,000 for fiscal year 2025-2026.

City Clerk Brandi Kloepping noted that numerous backflow survey postcards had already been returned to the City Office.

Wilson Public Library Director Laurie Yocom reported that water had leaked into the library in a new location on Sunday.

Mayor Marcus Kloepping reported that Dave Warta, Sanitation Truck Driver for the City, had retired after 33 years of service to the community. "A lot of people have told me that they will miss seeing him wave at the kids," Kloepping said.

The next Cozad City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 4, at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at the City Office Building. Residents are encouraged to attend. Time is reserved for public comments at the end of each meeting.

Music Mondays Begin August 4

MEL NUTT, CORRESPONDENT

The popular Music Mondays in Cozad will begin on Aug. 4 and continue through Aug. 25.

The events are held at the Green Space, and no admission is charged.

Jen McKeone and the CDC Board of Directors started the Music Mondays tradition in June 2018. The events were an instant hit, featuring different musical entertainers, food trucks, and local food and drink vendors. In 2021, the Cozad Community Leaders took over the event, and it is now held in August.

Various organizations donate \$600 for the musical entertainers, and the Wilson Library Foundation sponsors Bobby Devine, who DJs from 5 - 6 p.m., prior to the night's musical artists performing from 6 - 8 p.m.

On Monday, Aug. 4, TeZZ Group will be sponsored by the Cozad Community Health System. Food will be available from El Sazon Taquizas and the FFA Alumni, who will be serving hamburgers and sides. For dessert, Little Disciples Preschool will be selling root beer floats and Dippin' Dots ice cream. Big E's is the drink vendor for the evening.

Rockin' Woody (Tom Strohmyer), sponsored by Jack's Welding, will be performing on Monday, Aug. 11. Strohmyer, a Cozad native, enjoys returning to his hometown annually for Music Mondays.

Food vendors will include Bob's Fun Foods, and the

CHS cheerleaders will be selling walking tacos. For dessert, the Cozad Fine Arts Boosters will be offering brownies and root beer floats. Meridian Tap House will be the beverage vendor for the evening.

On Monday, Aug. 18, Formerly Three will be the featured entertainment, sponsored by the CDC. Food vendors will include Hangries and Cub Scout #187. Desserts will be provided by Learning Adventures, and beverages will be sold by the Cozad Elks Club.

The final Music Monday on Aug. 25 will feature Kiley & Co., sponsored by the Cozad Rotary. DJ Bobby D will be out of town, so 2025 CHS graduate Brock Malcom will share his vocal and instrumental talents from 5 - 6 p.m.

Food vendors will include Papa Willie's 3 Pit BBQ, and the Charitable Fund of Cozad will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and water. Assorted cookie bars will be available from the Cozad Association of Churches for a donation to the Cozad Emergency Action Fund, with beverages provided by Studio 6 Bistro.

The Cozad Community Health System will be giving away free water at each Music Monday.

In addition to the phenomenal entertainment, fabulous food and beverages, and support for local organizations, Music Mondays are free, and the fun and fellowship are priceless!

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Rev Up for the Second Annual Blacktop Classic Car Show

PRESS RELEASE

Get ready for the Second Annual Blacktop Classic Car Show this Saturday, Aug. 2! Classic cars will line Meridian Ave between 7th and 8th Street, starting at 10 a.m.

This year's event is brought to you by Meridian Tap House, Big E's Bar, and the Cozad Chamber of Commerce.

Enjoy live tunes from DJ Bobby D while you sip a drink from Big E's or Meridian Tap House. Take your time strolling through rows of stunning classic cars, trucks, motorcycles, and rat rods, perfect for car enthusiasts and casual spectators alike.

Trophies, generously donated by an anonymous donor, will be awarded in the following categories:

- · Best Car
- · Best Truck
- · Best Motorcycle
- · Best Rat Rod

All participants will receive door prizes, goody bags, and dash plaques. Don't miss out on this exciting event, come for the cars, stay for the fun!



Just Be KIND This Saturday

COZAD LOCAL

This weekend, head to Jack's Welding 320 E 5th St, Cozad, for the Just Be Kind event, a special occasion dedicated to the memory of the Koch family.

The day promises an incredible lineup with live performances from Sweetwater, The Schlitz Band, and Janelle Irwin, ensuring an unforgettable atmosphere for all attendees.

Food lovers won't want to miss the all-you-can-eat BBQ competition, featuring at least five grilling competitors.

Thanks to Tyson Foods for donating the brisket and Jack's Welding for providing the pork ribs. A monetary prize will be awarded for the best brisket/rib combo, but each competitor is welcome to showcase their signature specialty or side dish as well.

A few highlights to look forward to:

- · Cozad FFA will be serving burgers from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (free-will donation)
 - · Elks Club Beer Garden opens at 2 p.m.
- Speakers will be set up outside with music playing until the bands begin.
- · A dunk tank, yard games like Corn Hole, Polish Horseshoes, and Kan Jam, plus other fun activities will keep everyone entertained before the BBQ and music start.

"Jeremy and Bailey were more than just our friends, they were compassionate, selfless individuals who left a lasting impression on everyone they met. They were fierce advocates for mental health awareness and never hesitated to support those struggling," shared Jack Muegerl.

"In honor of their legacy, we are hosting this community event to raise awareness about mental health and to inspire change in a system that desperately needs reform. This event is not only a tribute to Jermey, Bailey, Hudson, and Asher, but a call to action, to help their families continue the work Jermey and Bailey started."

"The world can feel heavy and cruel, but kindness costs nothing. Just Be Kind and let's spread it generously.

As Bailey famously said, "Keep them talking. Mental illness does not win. Hope does."

Guests will also have the opportunity to participate in a silent auction, featuring generously donated items like:

- · A Custom Wood Carved Flag by Jack's Welding
- \cdot A 52 qt. Rtic Cooler on wheels, donated by Bill Daharsh
- Two Krate Tactical Knives (carbon fiber and sandstorm), donated by Brian Jewett of Flatwater Tools
 - · A Handmade End Table by Karen Rigsby
 - · Zero Gravity Chairs and Four Ramps, donated by Ginger Young
 - · A Timber and Hide Tent, donated by Brandon Doxon
 - · Cheesecakes donated by Bizzy Bee
 - · A 12x12 Vevor Camping Gazebo Screen Tent, donated by DC Climate Control
 - · Plus many more exciting items!

Muegerl shared that all proceeds will be donated to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) - Nebraska, a cause chosen by the Koch/Kugler families. NAMI offers critical support for those affected by mental health conditions. In times of crisis, help is just a call or text away:

- · Call or Text: 988
- · Call: 1-800-950-6264
- Text "NAMI" to 62640

NAMI provides education and support on a range of mental health conditions, including schizophrenia, PTSD, bipolar disorder, borderline personality disorder, ADHD, OCD, depression, anxiety, eating disorders, suicide, addiction, and more.

This event is made possible through the generous support of Jack's Welding, Dawson Pest Control, Werner Sprinklers, ZieSTRONG, Tysons Inc., Dollar Fresh, Cozad LOCAL, and Cozad Community Health Systems, with more supporters joining in.

Join Jack's Welding for a day filled with music, food, community, and most importantly, kindness.





Support Needed to Keep Cozad Community Center Thriving

TAMIE THURN

The Cozad Grand Generation Center has long been a vital hub for the local residents, offering a wide range of services and activities for people of all ages. But as many of our longtime members are transitioning to retirement homes or sadly passing on, the Center is facing challenges in maintaining the same level of activity and support it once did. With rising food costs, increasing wages, and the misconception that the Center is funded by the City of Cozad, it's become increasingly difficult to keep everything running smoothly without more community involvement.

One of the most crucial ways that Cozad residents can help is by simply showing up for lunch at the Center. The daily meals, as well as the other valuable services provided, depend on the community's support.

The Center offers so much more than many people realize, including congregate meals, to-go meals, and home-delivered meals. We also have medical equipment like walkers, wheelchairs, commodes, and shower chairs available for use at no charge.

The Center is also in partnership with Central Plains Home Health, which offers Foot Clinics and free blood pressure clinics on the third Tuesday of each month, hosted by Angels Care. Additionally, on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m., the Center provides free groceries to those in need, thanks to a partnership with Food Bank for the Heartland and Walmart.

For those who enjoy socializing, the Center regularly hosts a variety of events like card games, bridge, pinochle, and pitch, as well as Mexican Train dominos.

We also have a Friendly Coffee group that meets regularly and welcome the Cozad Rotary Club every Tuesday at noon.

One of the essential services offered is the bus service, available Monday through Friday. It allows residents to get around easily and attend the Center's many events and programs. To further support the Center's programs, there are several fundraising events throughout the year, including Hay Days Bingo, the Holiday Food & Gift Festival, the Souper Bowl, and the Monthly Evening Dine-In or Drive-Thru meals. The latter serves as one of our primary fundraisers.

We encourage everyone to take the time to visit the Center, whether it's for a meal or to participate in one of the many fundraisers. For the past five years, we've been providing produce boxes and other food at our Drive-Thru fundraiser meals, which occur on the second Thursday of each month. These events have been an incredible way for the community to come together, and we appreciate everyone who has supported us in the past. Your continued support is more important than ever.

Important Dates and Upcoming Events:

- Commodity Pickup: Tuesday, Aug, 5, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. by Community Action Partnership. For questions regarding the commodity supplement food program, please contact 308-865-5683 in Kearney.
- Foot Clinics: Tuesday, Aug. 5, 12th, and 19th. To schedule an appointment, call Central Plains Home Health at 784-4630.
 - Free Tai Chi Classes: Every Thursday at 1 p.m.

Dine-In Drive-Thru Fundraiser Burger Night: Thursday, Aug. 14, in honor of Dawson County's Finest, Law Enforcement, Fire & Rescue, and EMTs. This special evening includes a burger meal, complete with baked beans, potato salad, macaroni salad, watermelon, and dessert. The night will also feature the distribution of free goodie bags of groceries, in partnership with Food Bank for the Heartland and local volunteers.

• Free Blood Pressure Clinic: Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 11:30 a.m., sponsored by Angels Care.

· Community Resources Talk: Thursday, Aug. 21 at 9:30 a.m. with Dranoel Fleharty of Central Plains Home Health. Don't miss this informational chat with coffee and cinnamon rolls, where Dranoel will share helpful resources for our community.

We're also gearing up for the Hay Days Parade and need donations of popcorn, small marshmallows, butter sticks, and sandwich bags to help make around 800 popcorn balls to give away during the parade. If you'd like to help out or join us in making the popcorn balls, we'll be getting together the Wednesday prior.

The Cozad Community Center is a lifeline for many, and we hope you'll continue to support us so that we can keep offering these important services to the people who need them most. Whether it's by attending a fundraiser, joining us for lunch, or simply spreading the word about what we do, your involvement truly makes a difference.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events!

Lexington Grand Generation Center July 31st - August 6th

<u>July 31st</u> - Mushroom Steak in gravy, Baby Bakers, OJ with Beet Juice, Sliced Apples

<u>Aug. 1st</u> - Taco Bar, Meat Sauce, Beans, Roasted Corn, Fresh Fruit, Dessert, Tortilla

<u>Aug. 4th</u> - Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Boiled Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Apricots

<u>Aug. 5th</u> - Polish Dog on Bun, Fries, Sauerkraut, Fresh Fruit

<u>Aug. 6th</u> - Turkey Dressing Casserole, Candi Yams, Broccoli, Mandarin Oranges

Daily menus are subject to change. Lunch Prices 60+-\$5.00 Suggested Contribution Under 60- \$7.00

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Fri. Aug. 1: BLT Sandwich, Au Gratin Potatoes, Hard Boiled Eggs, Corn Salad, Apricots, Brownies

Mon. Aug 4: Tator Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Cherry Bites

Tues. Aug 5: Chicken Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Peaches, Cucumber Salad, Ice Cream

Wed. Aug 6: Fish or Cooks Choice, Baked Potato, Broccoli, Tropical Fruit, Ice Cream

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Whether children walk, ride their bicycle or take the bus to school, it is extremely important that they take proper safety precautions.

Here are some tips to discuss with your child to make sure your child safely travels to school:

Walking to school

- Review your family's walking safety rules and practice walking to school with vour child.
- Walk on the sidewalk, if one is available; when on a street with no sidewalk,

walk facing the traffic.

- Before you cross the street, stop and look left, right and left again to see if cars are coming.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing and always cross streets at crosswalks or intersections.
- Stay alert and avoid distracted walking.

Riding a bicycle to school

• Teach your child the rules of the road and practice riding the bike route to school with your child.

- Ride on the right side of the road, with traffic, and in single file.
- Come to a complete stop before crossing the street; walk bikes across the street.
- Stay alert and avoid distracted riding.
- Make sure your child always wears a properly fitted helmet and bright clothing.

Riding the bus to school

- Teach your children school bus safety rules and practice with them.
- Go to the bus stop with your child to teach them the proper way to get on and off the bus.
- Teach your children to stand six feet (or 3 giant steps) away from the curb.
- If your child must cross the street in front of the bus, teach him or her to walk on the side of the road until they are 10 feet ahead of the bus; your child and the bus driver should always be able to see each other.

Driving your child to school

 Stav alert and avoid distracted driving.

- Obey school zone speed limits and follow your school's drop-off procedure.
- Make eve contact with children who are crossing the street.

School Safety

Many school-related injuries are completely preventable. Follow these steps to ensure your child's safety at school:

- Preventing backpack-related injuries by choosing a backpack for your child carefully.
- It should have ergonomically designed features to enhance safety and
- Ask your child to use both straps when wearing their backpack to evenly distribute the weight on their shoulders.
- Don't overstuff a backpack; it should weigh no more than 5 to 10 percent of your child's body weight.
- Rolling backpacks should be used cautiously since they can create a trip hazard in crowded school hallways.
- Preventing playground-related injuries: To reduce strangulation hazards on playgrounds, have your child leave necklaces and jackets with drawstrings at home.

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Scout Now to Prevent Another Soybean Aphid Outbreak

UNL CROPWATCH

Nebraska experienced its first widespread soybean aphid outbreak in a decade in 2024. This outbreak, particularly prominent in northeast Nebraska, took many by surprise and was driven by a combination of favorable conditions and the migration of aphids from the upper Midwest. While the last major outbreak occurred in 2014, the resurgence this year has prompted a renewed focus on monitoring and managing these pests effectively.

Soybean aphids typically fluctuate in population year to year, and 2024 saw conditions that led to a sudden surge in aphid numbers. Although Nebraska lacks significant overwintering habitats for aphids, the insects are capable of migrating from areas with more abundant overwintering environments, such as Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. This year's ideal conditions for aphid growth, coupled with the movement of aphids from these regions, contributed to the outbreak.

The timing and intensity of the outbreak have raised concerns for the upcoming year, with farmers and agronomists unsure whether 2025 will see a repeat. However, one thing is certain, consistent and active scouting of fields during July and August is essential for making informed management decisions.

The key to managing soybean aphids is early and frequent scouting. Farmers should monitor their fields at least once or twice a week, beginning in late June and early July. The recommended economic threshold for late vegetative through R5 stage soybeans is 250 aphids per plant, with 80% of plants infested and aphid populations on the rise. If these

conditions are met, treatment is typically needed within five to seven days to prevent economic damage to the crop.

To check for aphids, farmers can use the conventional method of scouting. This involves randomly selecting 20 to 30 plants across the field and checking for aphid populations, especially near the top of the plants or areas close to wooded areas, where aphids are often first detected. It's important to note that populations below the threshold do not typically cause yield loss, so premature treatments can be wasteful.

Alternatively, the speed scouting method simplifies the process by focusing on the number of infested plants. With this method, plants are considered infested if they contain 40 or more aphids. Using tools such as the Nebraska Extension Soybean Aphid Speed Scouting Spreadsheet can streamline the scouting process and make decisions faster, especially for larger fields.

While scouting provides valuable data, timing of insecticide applications is critical. Treating too early can lead to aphid resurgence, as insecticides also eliminate natural aphid predators. Once the aphid population is controlled, these predators, such as lady beetles and green lacewings, can help keep populations in check. Early treatment also risks leaving new plant growth unprotected, especially if the aphid population has not yet peaked.

Moreover, tank-mixing insecticides with herbicides is not recommended due to differences in application methods. Herbicides typically require low pressure

and large droplet sizes, which are ineffective for controlling aphids. In contrast, insecticides work best with high water pressure for optimal coverage.

Natural predators play a crucial role in aphid management. Farmers should aim to preserve beneficial insects by minimizing unnecessary pesticide applications. By delaying treatment until necessary and keeping natural predators intact, farmers can reduce the chances of future aphid invasions.

The threshold of 250 aphids per plant is backed by over a decade of peer-reviewed research. Using lower thresholds, which have been promoted on some platforms, risks unnecessary insecticide use, potential resistance, and reduced control of aphid populations.

As farmers look ahead to 2025, the need for active, informed scouting remains essential. By utilizing the right scouting techniques and waiting until thresholds are met, producers can effectively manage soybean aphid populations and protect their crops from economic damage.

For more detailed information on managing soybean aphids, farmers can visit the UNL Entomology website or consult the latest edition of the "Guide for Weed, Disease, and Insect Management in Nebraska."

Market Report

For the Week Ending July 25, 2025

Nebraska Weekly Grain Prices, Central Region US NO 2 YELLOW CORN: \$3.73-\$4.00 US NO 1 SOYBEANS: \$9.41-\$9.56

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STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt) Wt. Range - 855-894; Avg Wt - 873; Price Range - 333.00-349.50; Avg Price - 341.23

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Obituary

Dennis D. Rupe of Eustis passed away peacefully on Monday, July 21, 2025, in Hastings at the age of 86.

Dennis was born on April 13, 1939, near Eustis to Irvin "Jake" and Mabel (Balcom) Rupe. Dennis graduated from Eustis High School with the class of 1957. He served in the Army National Guard, demonstrating his dedication to his country.

Dennis dedicated his life to farming after taking over the family farm. He devoted 35 years as a seed corn salesman for NC+ (Channel Seed) bringing his expertise and passion to the agricultural community. He carried the values of hard work and commitment throughout his life.

In 1960, he married Jane Toberer, and together they raised two sons, Scott and Shannon. Dennis was a loving husband, father and an adoring grandfather

who cherished every moment spent with his children and grandchildren.

His faith was an essential part of his life, as he was a faithful and devoted member of St. John's Lutheran Church, where he also served on the church council board. His community involvement extended beyond the church; he was an active member of the Eustis Fair Board, the Frontier County FSA Board, and the Rural Fire Department Board, always aiming to contribute to the well-being of his community.

In his free time, Dennis enjoyed fishing and deer hunting. These hobbies brought

him joy and were often shared with his family, reinforcing the bonds of love and togetherness he held dear.

Dennis leaves behind many fond memories in the

hearts of those who knew him. His legacy is one of hard work, devotion to family, and a deep sense of community service. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents; wife Jane and sister Janet Smith. Survivors include his sons, Scott (Jodi) Rupe of Eustis and Shannon (Julie) Rupe of Eustis; grandchildren, Calvin (Amber) Rupe of Blue Hill, Joleen (Anson) Hueftle of Elkhorn, Hayden (Taylor Buescher) of Eustis, Jacob (Sadie Fales) of Eustis; great grandchildren, Landry, Jensyn, Leighton, Jarrett.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Eustis Fair Board or the Eustis Fire and Rescue. Online condolences may be shared at berrymanfuneralhome. com. Services were held Monday, July 28 at St. John's Lutheran Church with Pastor Kathy Gundell officiating. A burial followed at East Cemetery. Berryman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Haymaker Creative District Chosen for Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska

COZAD LOCAL

The Haymaker Creative and Historic District is proud to announce its selection as a featured host community for the Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska, a statewide initiative that brings imaginative public art into rural towns across the Heartland.

This traveling exhibition places sculptures in outdoor settings, transforming everyday spaces into open-air galleries that inspire, entertain, and educate according to the Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska website. Cozad joins a vibrant network of Nebraska communities committed to celebrating creativity, sparking conversation, and welcoming visitors through the arts.

"We're thrilled that the Haymaker Creative & Historic District has been selected to host the Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska starting in Spring 2026," said Bonnie Hubbard, Coordinator and Instigator of Creativity for the Haymaker Creative and Historic District. "This initiative shines a spotlight on rural communities like ours, bringing zesty, imaginative public art to our streets and enriching everyday life for residents and visitors alike. The fact that it rotates annually makes it even more meaningful, as we continue introducing fresh perspectives and creative experiences to Cozad. It's an exciting step toward making our town a true creative destination."

Each sculpture is created by artists in the United States with emphasis in the Midwest and comes with a stipend for their display. All pieces are available for purchase, offering a unique opportunity to support creative talent and bring lasting beauty to the region.

The Haymaker District's participation reflects its ongoing mission to elevate Cozad as a cultural destination, blending heritage and innovation in ways that invite exploration and pride.

To learn more about the Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska, including artist opportunities and participating towns, visit sculpturewalkne.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS: THURSDAY, JULY 31ST - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6th 1 FRI 2 SAT 3 SUN 4 MON **5 TUES** Dog Man Scavenger Hunt Dog Man Scavenger Cozad Country Club: Cozad Country 10am Free Groceries Waypoint Customer App. Club: Camp Comeca @ WPL Hunt @ WPL @ GGC Tournament Dog Man Scavenger 11am Story Time @ WPL 10am Free Groceries @ 1pm Meadowlark Point 9am Cozad Chamber Car Hunt @WPL **Book Club** Dog Man Scavenger Hunt Show 7pm Books on Tap @ 7pm City Council Meeting @ WPL **WPL** Dog Man Scavenger Hunt @WPL @ WPL











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WPL Hosts Outdoor Movie

A crowd of 45 enjoyed the annual outdoor movie sponsored by the Wilson Public Library at dusk on Thursday, July 24. The movie was projected by Wilson Public Library Director Laurie Yocom north of the bus barn on the east side of Cozad Middle School. For many years, Yocom had projected the movies on the south side of the American Legion Building north of the Robert Henri Museum. The weather conditions were perfect and those in attendance enjoyed the free movie with their families and friends. (LOCAL Photo by Mel Nutt)



Yard of the Month

The Petals Garden Club awarded Joell McGinnis of Cozad with the July Yard of the Month. Joell resides at 1824 Meridian where she has lived for 51 years. Her yard has always been a delight to drivers-by with the vast variety of perennials, annuals, bushes, and trees. The Cozad LOCAL purchased a new sign for the award this year, with the Yard of the Month being sponsored by the Petals Garden Club, the Cozad LOCAL, and the Cozad Chamber of Commerce. Nomination forms for August and September yards of the month are available at the chamber office or at Sonny's. (LOCAL Photo by Mel Nutt)





from FRONT - Burkholder

The swim team motto for this year was, "Chasing Goodness to Find Strength." This phrase was inspired by James 1:17, which says, "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." Burkholder also tied another verse to this year's swim team motto, 2 Timothy 1:7, which states, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

Anne taught her swimmers to chase after God's goodness; in doing so, they will be able to find strength amidst their adversities. The most challenging part of this swimming season, according to Coach Anne, was helping her swimmers grow as individuals and as a team. There are multiple different age groups among the swimmers. Some kids have swam longer than others and possess more experience. Nevertheless, she always makes it her goal to help each swimmer gain confidence through their wins and lessons. Although this can be the most challenging part of the season, she also believes it's the most rewarding. Burkholder doesn't just create fast and strong swimmers; she creates courageous and humble individuals who aren't

afraid to try. Her coaching methods have touched the hearts of her swimmers by reminding them that God gave us sports so that we can learn to do hard things well—and that we can do them as a team.

"I think one of the things that I think about every year is... 'Is God still asking me to do this?'" shared Burkholder. Sometimes coaching can be considered a test of patience. Although she has coached for many years, she's always asking God if this is where He wants her to be. And every season for 18 years, He's always assured her that yes, this is where He wants her to be. Coaching has helped her trust in the Lord and have confidence that God always has a plan, explained Burkholder. Her swimmers also share the same love for Jesus, which has influenced them to compete for God's glory and to do everything with Him.

This year, the Cozad swim team was able to make large strides in and out of the water, and many records and personal bests were achieved. The Cozad swim team has been blessed to be under Coach Anne's leadership. Coach Anne boldly shares and inspires others through her faith in Jesus. Her love for sports and her unwavering faith has taught her swimmers to wear the medals in their hearts instead of the ones around their necks. Coaching is a lifestyle that teaches everyone



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Coach Anne Burkholder provides encouragement during the Cozad Regional Invitational hosted at the beginning of July. (LOCAL Photo)

valuable life lessons that will help them along the way.

I hope to see Coach Anne continue to do what she loves most of all, which is loving and helping kids discover that a heart for Jesus is the most important thing in life. That's more meaningful than any medals that we wear around our necks.



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Cozad Football Hall of Fame Honors Legendary Players and Teams

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The Haymaker Booster Club hosted the Cozad Football Hall of Fame on Friday, July 25, at the Cozad Country Club.

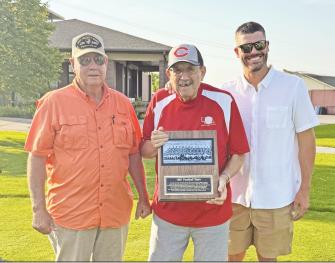
Five individuals, Brendan Holbein, Luke Pinkelman, Kelly Petersen, Colin Wetovick, and Jack Lawless; and three teams, the 1961 football team, 1991 football team, and 2005 football team, were awarded plaques.

Brendan Holbein (1988-1991) - RB/DB

Brendan Holbein was a two-time All-State performer for the Haymakers on the gridiron, earning Super-State honors and the World-Herald state offensive player of the year during his senior season. In 1991, the Haymaker phenom set school and state records for rushing yards in a season (2,740), touchdowns in a season (38), and most points scored in a season (258). Holbein capped his high school career by helping the Haymakers defeat Elkhorn 17-6 to win the 1991 state championship. He was awarded the 1991 Bobby Dodd Award from the Touchdown Club of Atlanta as the top running back in Nebraska. Holbein went on to play for the Nebraska Cornhuskers, winning three conference titles and two national championships.

Luke Pinkelman (2003-2006) - OL/DL

Luke Pinkelman was a force in the trenches for the Haymakers' playoff runs from 2004-06. Known as a ferocious blocker and dominant defender, he earned three first-team All-District and All-State awards from 2004-06. In 2006, he was named second-team Super-State and earned invitations to both the Shrine Bowl and the West Nebraska All-Star Game. Pinkelman was part of the Haymaker offensive line that set the state playoff record for most rushing yards in a game (558) against Kearney Catholic in 2005. A standout thrower in track, he won multiple state titles and earned a scholarship to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. During his time in Lincoln, Pinkelman garnered multiple



Dreu Young (right) honored Jim Hatcher and Robert Bubak with the plaque for the Class of 1961. The 1961 football team, the rough-and-tumble Hay-makers, led by head coach Terry Williams, imposed its will on opponents, going undefeated en route to the state title. The Haymakers finished 9-0 and repeated as Southwest Conference champions. They outscored their opponents by an average of 32-3 while featuring a punishing running game and stingy defense. For their efforts, the gridiron legends earned one high school All-American, three first-team All-Staters, six first-team All-SWC picks, and three second-team All-SWC honorees. The red and black finished No. 1 in Class B and No. 7 in the all-class rankings. (Courtesy Photos)

conference titles and All-American honors. He was inducted into the Nebraska High School Hall of Fame.

Kelly Petersen (1958-1961) - RB/LB

Kelly Petersen was a two-way standout for the Haymakers on the football field. The middle linebacker earned All-State honors in both his junior and senior seasons at Cozad. Considered by many to be the best linebacker in the state in 1961, Petersen earned high school All-American honors that season. He capped his high school career by helping the red and black win the 1961 Class B state championship. Petersen earned a scholarship to play for Bob Devaney's Nebraska Cornhuskers, starting at center in 1965 and 1966. His efforts helped the Big Red win the national rushing title in 1965 and secure a berth in the 1966 Orange Bowl against Alabama. In 1966, his play earned him All-Big Eight accolades and an invitation to the 1967 All-America Game.

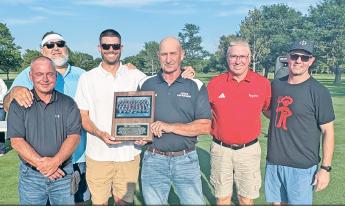


Colin Wetovick (2011-2014) – RB/LB

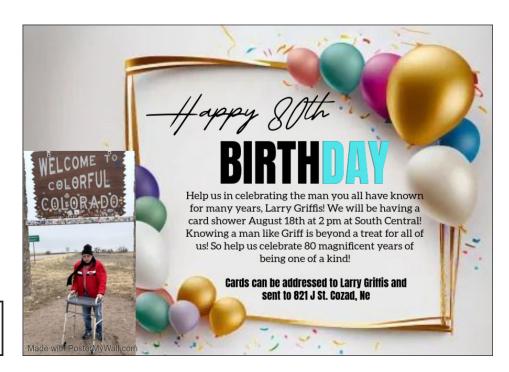
Two-time All-State linebacker Colin Wetovick was a game changer for the Haymakers during his career. Wetovick was instrumental in helping the Haymakers win the 2013 state championship and reach the 2014 state semifinals. The

two-time All-District honoree finished his career with 2,334 rushing yards, averaging 8 yards per carry, ranking fifth in school history. On defense, he set a state and school record for most

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The 1991 CHS Football Team was inducted into the Cozad Football Hall of Fame on July 25. Members present to share in the presentation were from left, Jake Vetter, Chris Dishman, presenter Dreu Young, Coach Bill Pinkelman, Coach Scott Adkisson, and Mike Brownfield. The 1991 football team, led by coach Gene Hunting, made a run for the ages, earning Cozad's first state title in the playoff era. The team set school and state records during the championship run. Founded on a dynamic ground game and fierce defense, the red and black forged their way to the title game against No. 1-ranked Elkhorn. On a frigid November day in Cozad, the Haymakers defeated Elkhorn 17-6 to secure the state championship. Individually, the Haymakers earned eight All-SWC selections, three first-team All-State honors, and two Super-State picks, with Brendan Holbein earning Offensive Player of the Year accolades. The team also had three players selected for the Shrine Bowl and four players chosen for the West Nebraska All-Star Game.



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Cozad Pool Lifeguards

The Cozad Swimming Pool has been in good hands this summer with this tremendous team of lifeguards and basket personnel under the leadership of Manager Reagan Armagost and Assistant Manager Monty Brooks-Follmer. The pool will close on Friday, Aug. 15. Front row, from left: Rylee Nelsen, Sadie Hosick, Brilee Wiese, Tally Sassali, Kinley Armagost, and Riley Peck. Middle row: Manager Reagan Armagost, Taylor Howell, Blair Brennan, Braeden Wiese, Graci Marhenke, Taryn Chytka, and Clatyn Fleharty. Back row: Chance Kargas, Kellen Shoemaker, Assistant Manager Monty Brooks-Follmer, and Jared Merced. (LOCAL Photo by Mel Nutt)

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interception returns for a touchdown in a career with five. Wetovick finished ranked No. 2 in school history for career tackles. In the 2013 state title game, he was the team's leading scorer with three touchdowns and one 2-point conversion. His play earned him a selection to the West Nebraska All-Star Game. Wetovick was also

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part of the Class B state champion 4x100 relay team in 2014.

Jack Lawless (1966-1969) - OL/DL

Jack Lawless was a dominating presence for Haymaker football as a three-year starter from 1967-1969. The powerful defensive end earned first-team Class B All-State honors in 1969 and was named All-SWC in both his junior and senior seasons. During his playing career, Lawless helped lead the Haymakers to three consecutive Southwest Conference titles (1967-69) and a Class B state championship in 1969. Lawless was also a key member of the 1969-70 Haymaker basketball team that won the state title. The 1969-70 Haymaker football and basketball teams were inducted into the

Nebraska High School Hall of Fame in 2019 as "Golden Anniversary" teams.

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2005 Football Team

The 2005 Haymakers, led by head coach Ron Bubak, boasted a dominant rushing game and tough-nosed defense on their way to the playoffs. The Haymakers finished the season 9-2 and won the district title. Against Kearney Catholic in the playoffs, the Haymakers set state playoff records for rushing yards in a game (558) and total yards in a game (613). The Haymaker offense averaged 354 yards per game during the season and finished the year with more than 3,000 yards rushing. The team earned three All-State selections and seven All-District honors.





Classes Set to Begin at 'The Gathering Place'

MEL NUTT, CORRESPONDENT

'The Gathering Place,' located at 216 E. 10th Street in Cozad, has several classes scheduled for August. The venue's first event and soft opening were held on Saturday, June 21, with a Swap Meet/Flea Market Extravaganza from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. A Saturday Market was also held on Saturday, July 12, in conjunction with Bands, Brews, and BBQs. Both events were well-attended.

Transforming the former old church, which was part of the Historical Walkway across the street from Veterans Memorial Park, has truly been a labor of love for Beverly Polito and her husband, Alberto Silva. The New Hope Evangelical Country Church was sold to the Christian Science Society Church in 1921 and moved into Cozad the same year.

According to Polito, "The Gathering Place is a new collaborative learning studio, promoting the gathering of local community members and sharing unique experiences through instructor-led workshops for hands-on learning or instruction. In addition, this space can be rented for birthday parties, baby showers, bridal showers, reunions, weddings, craft and vendor shows, and other events."

Upcoming classes scheduled include the following:

- · Saturday, Aug. 2: The Art of Gouache: Exploring Opacity, Color, and Texture with Karrie Steely, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- · Mondays, Aug. 4, 11, 18, and 25: Biblical Meditation & Body Movement with Rita Wolf, focusing on aligning body, mind, and spirit through breath, stretching, and Biblical truths to refresh your soul and strengthen your walk with God, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 9: Color for Everyone with Karrie Steely a color application class to achieve the perfect color and compatibility in art, furnishings, gardening, and everyday life, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 12: Essential Oil Blending Class with Beverly Polito – create your own signature essential oil blends, 5:30 to 7 p.m.
- · Saturday, Aug. 23: Sketching the Natural World with Karrie Steely a nature journaling class, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

To get more information and sign up for a class, visit www.thegatheringplaceclozad.com.

More classes will be scheduled in the near future. If you have a talent or craft you would like to teach to the community, please contact Polito at 308-325-6831 or thegatheringplace@gmail.com.



The Gathering Place has several classes scheduled for August. Beverly Polito and her husband, Alberto Silvo, have poured a ton of resources, manpower, and love into transforming the former church building into a venue for classes, family events, craft and vendor shows, and other events. (LOCAL Photo by Mel Nutt)

Asche Shares Experiences at Armchair Travels Presentation

COZAD LOCAL

Trysta Asche was this month's Armchair Travels presenter at the Wilson Public Library on Thursday, July 24. Her presentation focused on her experiences in Washington, D.C., especially her work with the Holocaust Museum. Asche is beginning her 13th year in education and her third year at Cozad Middle School. She teaches 7th grade English and 6th grade reading. She is also the head high school volleyball coach. Asche is a United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Teacher Fellow and a Lowell Milken Center Teacher Fellow.



Trysta Asche shared her experience from Washington, D.C., and her work with the Holocaust Museum at the Wilson Public Library's Armchair Travels. (LOCAL Photo by Mel Nutt)

Her experiences with the Holocaust Museum began when she applied for and was accepted to attend the Arthur and Rochelle Belfer National Conference in 2018, while she was teaching in Arcadia. This led to her involvement with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Teacher Fellowship Program. As a teacher fellow, she receives free materials and enjoys teaching her students



about the Holocaust and sharing her resources with colleagues all over Nebraska and the United States.



Comeca to Host 75th Anniversary Free Cookout

ELLEN MORTENSEN

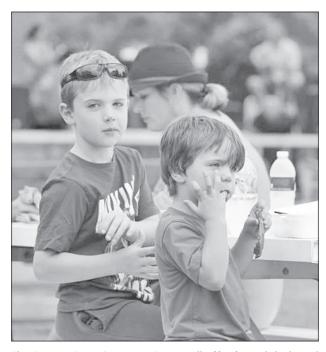
The year 1950 marked the beginning of the Korean War for America, as the country was still reeling from World War II, which had ended only a few short years earlier. It was a time when many were looking for some type of peace and solitude; a place where they could escape images of war, even for just a short time. Rev. Adrian J. Edgar had a vision for just such a place, and with the help of other members of the Cozad United Methodist Church, established Camp Comeca.

That same year, Comeca hosted its first cookout, which featured buffalo meat. That tradition continued for many years.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the cookout, and though buffalo has not been on the menu for a number of years, the purpose and tradition of the event remain the same.

About five years ago, the United Methodist Church sold the camp, which is now owned by Cozad Camping Ministry - a group of local individuals whose desire is to see Comeca Camp & Retreat Center remain open. The cookout provides an opportunity for the camp staff and volunteers to "show off" the grounds to those who may not be familiar, as well as raise funds to help with camp expenses.

"We are excited to continue the camp's mission of sharing Christ without a denominational affiliation. The Comeca staff remains committed to providing a Christ-centered experience for everyone," said Camp



The Comeca Camp & Retreat Center will offer finger lickin' good BBQ ribs and chicken at the 75th annual cookout on Saturday, Aug. 9 from 5:30-8 p.m. (File photo)

Director Justin Hoehner.

The 75th annual cookout is set for Saturday, Aug. 9, from 5:30-8 p.m. While buffalo burgers may have been the draw at one time, nowadays it is the famous BBQ ribs. In fact, the ribs are so popular that the cookers

always make extra.

"We have several talented volunteers smoking BBQ ribs and chicken and making delicious sides for the meal! We'll also be selling the ribs by the rack to take home, since they have been so popular in the past," said Comeca Events Committee Chair Tammy Paulsen.

Along with providing a fabulous meal, this year's event will include some new activities to mark the 75th year. The cookout will proudly present:

- John Lillyman painting LIVE on stage, and the painting will be auctioned off at the end of the night!
 - Inflatables from RockIt Event Pros.
 - Mini Golf from Roaming Greens.
 - Comeca Staff fun activities
 - Milk-crate climb
 - gaga ball
 - 9-square in the air
 - Leading hikes to a few favorite destinations!
 - Sno Cones from SunnySno
 - A photo booth at the iconic "Camp Comeca" sign
- A display celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Camp Comeca!

"There is no cost for admission, but there will be a donation station where you can contribute to Comeca's ministry if you feel led to give," explained Amy Hoehner, Camp Development Coordinator. "Whether this is your first time visiting, or you've been a camper for decades, we'd love to see you there!"

What My Dad's Bedtime Stories Taught Me

My dad told the best bedtime stories. He made them up as he went, weaving magic into every word. The framework remained the same, but the details changed each night, as if the story had a life of its own.

It always began with a little girl and her dad. Because she had been such a good little girl-kind or generous or helpful-her dad told her she could have anything she wanted. The humble little girl then set out on a quest to discover what her heart truly desired. Each night, she explored her options: a shiny red wagon, a little pony, a fancy dress. But the ending never changed. She always chose something simple and meaningful-like a locket necklace or a journal of her very own.

I adored this story. It fascinated me how my dad could weave such vivid worlds from his imagination. I didn't believe I had inherited his creative gift, but later in life, I realized I, too, had a knack for telling stories—just not always the beneficial kind.

As an analyzer of people, I began crafting stories in



my mind. I imagined what others thought of me or what their motives might be. I even invented dramatic futures for myself–fanciful outcomes to problems or situations that had no grounding in reality. These stories, while vivid, rarely turned out to be true.

I've believed that someone disliked me and created an entire list of reasons why. I've woven plots where someone wanted to harm me when I had no real evidence about her feelings. I've lived through imagined heartbreak of losing a job or a loved one dying, all in my head, without any of it actually happening. These stories wove an elaborate world around me, but they were only convincing illusions.

What once delighted me as a child became a heavy burden as an adult. The truth is, I often assume people are thinking about me far more than they are. Most of the time, they're simply living in their own heads, just as I am. And it's dishonest to think I know someone's motives or feelings unless they've chosen to share them. Even then, it's easy to misinterpret what I see or hear.

Choosing to live in reality was my first step toward freedom. The next was to stop writing false stories in my mind. These simple choices have allowed me to live more fully in the life that is actually in front of me-one that doesn't need to be imagined to be meaningful. In the end, my dad's stories weren't about wagons or ponies—they were about finding what truly matters. For me, that's learning to live honestly, fully, and in the present.

DAWSON COUNTY COURT REPORT

Jiron.Denci

Assault – bodily injury/mutual consent | Guilty | \$500 fine

Pastrana-Gonzalez.Charles

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Dismissed

Steele.Cassandra.D

Speeding 16-20 MPH Municipal | Guilty | \$125 fine

Tigner.Teresa.J

Speeding 16-20 MPH Municipal | Guilty | \$125 fine

Johnston.Kenneth.B.Jr

Violate stop or yield sign | Guilty | \$75 fine

Darling.Evan.S

Speeding 21-35 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$200 fine

Avila-Arita, Elvin O.

DV Assault-3rd/Cause Bodily Injury | Guilty | Jail 87 days (concurrent) | Credit for 87 days served

Bulle.Tawakal.A

Misuse of learner's permit | Guilty | \$75 fine

Dennis, Phillip M.

Assault on a public safety officer with bodily fluids | Guilty | Jail 60 days (concurrent) | Credit for 10 days served |Probation | 15 months (concurrent) |Probation | 12 months (concurrent) | Probation revoked | Jail 90 days (consecutive) | Credit for 90 days served

Assault on a public safety officer with bodily fluids | Guilty | Jail 60 days (concurrent) | Probation | 15 months (concurrent) | Probation revoked | Jail 90 days (consecutive) | Credit for 17 days served

Loftin.Jacoby.D

Drive under susp/before reinstated | Guilty | driver license revoked for 1 year

Mohamed.Abdelteef.H

Careless driving | Guilty | \$100 fine

Velazquez-Gomez.Ashley Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate |

Guilty | \$75 fine

Hernandez-Marin.Mignely Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate |

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate Guilty | \$75 fine

Goodhart.Matthew.R

Speeding 06-10 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$25 fine

Henke.Glen.B

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine

Ulcak.Nathan.T

Speeding 06-10 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$25 fine

Rodriquez.Nepomuseno.Liet

Fail to use caution to pass emergency vehicle | Guilty | \$100 fine

Brown.Randy.D

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine Fail to use child passenger restraint | Guilty | \$25 fine

Denicola.Lane.A

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine

Contreras.Maricela

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine

Nutter.Valerie.R

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine

Hernandez.Britnee.Rae

Disturbing the peace | Reduced | 1 day jail, 1 day time served

Shaw, Calvin Ellis

Resisting arrest - 1st offense | Guilty | Jail 10 days (concurrent) | Credit for 10 days served Obstruct a peace officer | Guilty | Cost only judgment

Calderon.Orlando.S

Possess or use drug paraphernalia | Guilty | \$100 fine Drive on shoulder of highway | Guilty | \$25 fine

Hernandez-Deleon.Josalyn

Speeding 11-15 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$75 fine

Gonzalez-Merlo.Wilton.F

No operator's license/non-waiverable | Guilty | \$200 fine

Peterson.Gabriel.D

Nonresident violate 30-day | Guilty | Time Served

Peterson, Gabriel Donald

Fugitive from justice | Preliminary hearing waived

Dutan Guaman, Jonatan D

Speeding 16–20 MPH Interstate | Guilty | \$125 fine

Smith, Bryson Eli

Violate stop or yield sign | Guilty | \$75 fine

DAWSON COUNTY JAIL BOOKINGS

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2025

Pirir-Ordon, Oscar Alexander - 28

Lexington, NE - 07/18/2025 - 11:13 - Traffic Offenses - No Operator's License

Davenport, Kegan M - 33

Overton, NE - 07/18/2025 - 14:10 - Warrant (Shoplifting), Warrant (Driving Under Suspension)

Hoffman, Angela Kathleen - 33

Gothenburg, NE - 07/18/2025 - 21:43 - Fraud - Misrepresentation in Obtaining State Assistance

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2025

Lopez-Yax, Manuel Antonio - 40

Lexington, NE - 07/19/2025 - 01:39 - 3rd Degree Assault (Domestic), Child Abuse (Negligently), Assault (Cause Bodily Injury)

Lopez-Perez, Rocio - 38

Lexington, NE - 07/19/2025 - 09:49 - 3rd Degree Domestic Assault)

Frank, Kaula Elaine - 32

Little Valley, NY - 07/19/2025 - 12:34 - Possession of a Controlled Substance (Meth), Narcotic Equipment Possession

Capron, Twyla Larenda - 31

Salamanca, NY - 07/19/2025 - 12:34 - Possession of a Controlled Substance (Meth), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Guerrero-Pizano, Miguel P - 52

Lexington, NE - 07/19/2025 - 23:20 - Driving Under Suspension

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025

Tzun-Martinez, Fredy Orlando - 19

Lexington, NE - 07/20/2025 - 01:23 - Driving Under Revocation

Bermejo-Silvia, Rosa Milagros - 24

Portland, OR - 07/20/2025 - 23:17 - Obstruction, False Reporting, No Operator's License

Monday, July 21, 2025

Beltran, Benjamin - 33

Lexington, NE - 07/21/2025 - 05:55 - Strangulation, 3rd Degree Domestic Assault

Dishman, Adam J - 41

Hastings, NE - 07/21/2025 - 08:50 - Attempted Possession (Meth)

Sel Cetino, Abel - 56

Lexington, NE - 07/21/2025 - 10:22 - Failure to Report Every 12 Months

Martinez-Diaz, Lemay - 32

Lexington, NE - 07/21/2025 - 17:15 - Driving Under Suspension, Traffic Offenses (Violate Stop Sign)

TUESDAY. JULY 22. 2025

Hollibaugh, Cole James - 40

Eddyville, NE - 07/22/2025 - 15:34 - Child Abuse, Threat - Terroristic, 3rd Degree Assault

Beachel, Toby J - 47

Gothenburg, NE - 07/22/2025 - 16:55 - Probation Violation

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025

Land, Sheila J - 30

Cozad, NE - 07/23/2025 - 00:24 - Possession of Controlled Substance (Meth), Marijuana Possession - Less Than 1 Oz (3rd Offense)

Sanchez-Ramirez, Jesus Octavio - 21

Lexington, NE - 07/23/2025 - 16:43 - Sexual Assault by Electronic Device

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025

Hakimi, Nisar A - 33

Lexington, NE - 07/24/2025 - 15:33 - Warrant (Failure to Appear)

Garcia-Perez, Jose Alfredo - 29

Lexington, NE - 07/24/2025 - 20:58 - Driving Under Suspension, Possess Marijuana, Possess Open Container, No Proof of Insurance

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Notice

The regular meeting of the Cozad Housing Authority Board of Commissioners will be held Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at the Haymaker Haven Community Room (421 West 9th Street). A draft agenda is available to the public at the Housing Authority Office. July 31, 2025 (10) znez

Notice Notice Notice OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that M5 Firearms, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, is organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its registered office at 42251 Road 767, Cozad, NE 69130, Its designated office is located at 42551 Road 767, Cozad, NE 69130 with a mailing address of PO Box 174, Cozad, NE 69130. Its registered agent at such address is Bronson J. Malcom. The general nature of its business is to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska, except for banking or insurance, and for all other purposes authorized by law. The limited liability company was formed on the 29th day of May, 2025 and it shall have perpetual existence. The af-

fairs of the Company shall be conducted by its Members pursuant to an Operating Agreement duly adopted by the Company.

Malcom, Nelsen & Windrum Law Office Attorney for: M5 Firearms, LLC PO Box 174 Cozad, NE 69130 (308)784-2048

July 17, 2025 July 24, 2025 July 31, 2025 (40) znez

Notice RESOLUTION #16-2025

Whereas, the Custer County Board did, approve, by motion to close a 3 mile section of the blacktop County road, known as the Callaway-Cozad road, said closing being approximately 16 miles South of the junction of said County blacktop road and State Highway #40, the purpose of said closing is to conduct the Sandhills Open Road Challenge/One Mile Shootout being held on August 8, 2025. Whereas, the Board feels that it is in the best interests of the public to formally close said portion of the County blacktop road by resolution. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF CUSTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA, a three mile section of the County blacktop known as the Callaway-Cozad road from approximately 13 miles South of the junction of State Highway #40 and said County road, to approximately 16 miles South, said junction shall be closed during the running of the Sandhills Open Road Challenge/One Mile Shootout, it being justified as necessary in order for the public safety. Said road shall be closed beginning at 8:00 A.M. on August 8, 2025, until the final car has made its run. A designated County Official will declare the road open at the conclusion of the race. Dated this 15th day of July, 2025.

/s/ Charles Blowers Chairman Bd of Supervisors /s/ Constance Gracey Attest: County Clerk July 24, 2025 July 31, 2025 (49) znez

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Notice is hereby given that Waypoint Bank, 747 Meridian Avenue, Cozad, NE 69130 has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for consent to purchase certain assets and assume substantially all of the deposit liabilities and other specified liabilities of the 105 S Saunders Avenue. Sutton, NE 68979 branch of Astra Bank, which is headguartered at 323 4th Street, Scandia, KS 66966. It is contemplated that all offices of the above-named institutions will continue to be operated with Waypoint Bank operating the branch in Sutton, NE. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at the appropriate FDIC office located at 1100 Walnut Street, Suite 2100, Kansas City, MO 64106 not later than August 16, 2025. The nonconfidential portions of the application are on file at the appropriate FDIC office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the nonconfidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

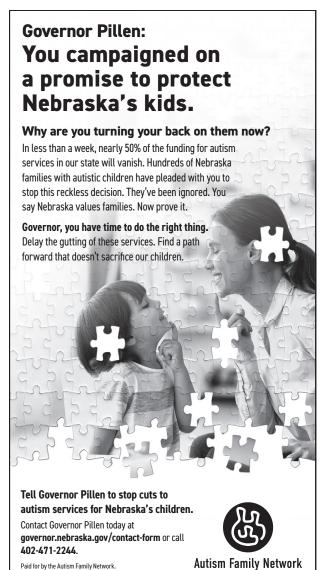
July 17, 2025 July 31, 2025 Aug. 7, 2025 (42) znez

Notice DAWSON COUNTY ANNEX, LEXINGTON, NE JULY 22, 2025

The Dawson County Board of Commissioners met for a budget workshop on July 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., at the Dawson County Annex, Lexington, Nebraska. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Swanson. Commissioners PJ Jacobson, Bill Stewart,

Rod Reynolds, Joe Richeson and Chairman Swanson were present. Also present was the budget committee: Michaela Arndt, County Clerk, Linzy Hendricks, Register of Deeds, and Kaitlyn Woltemath, Treasurer. Chairman Swanson announced that the current open meetings act was posted for the public and the location of the poster. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the notice to members of the Board of County Commissioners and the media of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened workshop was open to the public. Chairman Swanson opened the public workshop at 9:00 a.m. and budget sheets were presented, discussed and input was heard from various county officials. At 12:18 p.m., the meeting was adjourned. I, Michaela Arndt, County Clerk in and for Dawson County hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours prior to said meeting. That the minutes of the County Commissioners of Dawson County, NE., from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all media requesting notification concerning the meeting of said body were provided advance notice of the time and place of said meeting and subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Michaela Arndt Dawson County Clerk Kevin Swanson, Chairman July 31, 2025 (71) znez





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Notice In accordance with Section

19-1102 of the Nebraska State Statutes, the following employee job titles and their current salary on August 1, 2025 corresponding to such titles, is published as follows: Administrative Account Clerk 21.70. Assistant Fire Chief 500.00. Assistant Pool Manager 15.50. Assistant Rescue Chief 500.00. BPW 3000.00. BPW 3000.00. BPW 3000.00. BPW 3000.00. Building Inspector 34.27. City Attorney 1800.00. City Clerk/Treasurer 40.18. Concrete Operator 24.95. Councilmember 4800.00. Councilmember 4800.00. Councilmember 4800.00. Councilmember 4800.00. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer 26.91. Economic Development Director 54.32. Electric Commissioner 42.40. Electric Foreman 41.28. Emergency Manager 1500.00. EMS 3.50. Fire Chief 750.00. Fire/Rescue Secretary 400.00. Fire/Rescue Training Officer 500.00. Fire/Rescue Treasurer 400.00. Fire/Rescue President 400.00. Housing Coordinator 38.94. Library Aide V 13.50. Library Aide IV 13.75. Library Aide III 14.67. Library Aide II 18.12. Library Aide I 19.00. Library Director 28.20. Lifeguard I 13.75. Lifeguard II 14.00. Lifeguard III 14.25. Lifeguard V 14.50. Lifeguard (substitute) 13.50. Lead Lineman 38.51. Lineman III 32.38. Lineman II 28.62. Lineman I 30.64. Mayor 7200.00. Operator I - W/S 18.03. Operator II - W/S 22.50. Operator III - W/S 23.18. Operator IV - W/S 28.09.

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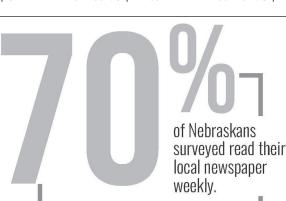
(71) znez

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Cozad, Dawson County, Nebraska was convened in an open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 7, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building at 215 West 8th Street. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Council Chambers. Present for the meeting were: Mayor Kloepping, City Clerk Kloepping, Councilmembers Worthman, Howerter, Curtice, Hernandez, Chief Reynolds, Library Director Yocom, Commissioner Weinmaster, Commissioner Franzen. Absent: Commissioner White. Also present: Edward Dunn with West Central Nebraska Development District (WCNDD), Lindsey Johanson with Cozad Community Leaders (CCL), and Jordan Starman with Cozad Chamber. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publishing in the Cozad Local. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda was given to members of the City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was opened to the attendance of the public. Mayor Kloepping opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to open the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea -Howerter, Hernandez, Worthman, Curtice. No - None. The McElhinny First Subdivision preliminary and final plat are to split a lot between duplex sides so they can be sold separately. Worthman moved, Hernandez seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea - Curtice, Howerter, Hernandez, Worthman. No - None. Worthman moved. Howerter seconded. to approve the consent agen-

da which included: City Council Minutes – June 16, June 30 retreat. Roll call vote: Yea - Hernandez, Curtice, Howerter, Worthman. No - None. Curtice moved, Hernandez seconded, to approve claims excluding none: 911 CUSTOM LLC - 14.00-SU-, AMAZON BUSINESS - 1810.76-SU-, AR-NOLD INSURANCE AGENCY - 1490.40-EX-, BARCO MUNIC-IPAL PRODUCTS, INC - 106.54-SU-, BLACK HILLS ENERGY - 4569.41-EX-, BOARD OF PUB-LIC WORKS - 20052.50-EX-, Blue Alpha - 140.40-SU-, Nicholas R. Broz - 3500.00-EX-, CENGAGE LEARNING INC/ GALE- 62.27-SU-, COLONIAL LIFE - 4129.16-EX-, COZAD DEVELOPMENT CORPORA-TION - 56,897.65-EX-, COZAD TELEPHONE COMPANY -1729.58-EX-, COZAD VETER-INARY CLINIC - 212.00-EX-, CULLIGAN - 181.15-EX-, Cozad Auto Supply - 570.56-SU-, DANKO -14.607.00-SU-DAW-SON PUBLIC POWER DISTRIC -362.57-EX-, DAWSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS - 26.00-EX-, DEMCO INC - 154.87-SU-, DOUBLE L EMBROIDERY -339.66-SU-, Dinges Fire Company - 1300.00-SU-, EAKES

OFFICE SOLUTIONS - 203.51-SU-, EFTPS - 31,666.64-EX-, Mary Edenburn - 585.00-EX-, Elan Financial Services - 2913.13-EX-FLASH ELECTRIC. LLC - 505.36-EX-. HOMETOWN LEASING - 519.60.-EX- Debra J Herbert - 275.00-EX-, IN-GRAM LIBRARY SERVICES INC - 1297.41-SU-, ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO - 19.20-SU-, Inovalon Provider, Inc. - 143.49-EX-, LEXINGTON AREA SOLID-WASTE AGEN - 12150.81-EX-. MEAD LUMBER CO INC - 707-49-SU-, MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS - 70.00-EX-, MUNIC-IPAL SUPPLY, INC. OF NEBRAS-KA - 987.20-SU-, NEBRASKA DEPT REVENUE - 4.216.96-EX-, Luis A. Nunez - 440.00-EX-, OVERDRIVE - 872.00-SU-,

PAULSEN INC - 707.01-SU-, Paw Prints in Dawson County - 2000.00-EX-, Regional Care Inc. - 65787.32-EX-, River Oaks Communications Corporation - 6332.50-EX-, Tim Ryan -1040.00-EX-, SONNY'S SUPER FOODS - 1328.20-SU-, SUN LIFE FINANCIAL - 1787.05-EX-. SYNDICATE PUBLISHING, L.L.C. - 25.52-EX-, Stryker Sales Corporation - 762.54-SU-, T & T Lawn Care LLC - 4725.00-EX-. T A S C - 3016.78, TRACTOR SUP-PLY CREDIT PLAN - 942.86-SU-, The Lincoln National Life Insurance Comp - 222.75-EX-. Troy's Tire & Auto - 2785.39-EX-. Turner Technology — 497.50-EX-, ULINE - 1244.30-SU-, VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY - 6021.07-SU-.VIL-



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LAGE UNIFORM - 477.10-EX-, VOYA FINANCIAL -16.008.93-EX, Verizon Wireless - 80.02-EX-, Wilson Public Library - 27.68-EX-, Total - 290311.09 Roll call vote: Yea - Worthman, Hernandez, Howerter, Curtice. No - None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve the recommendation from Cozad Planning Commission of the preliminary plat for McElhinny First Subdivision. Roll call vote: Yea - Howerter, Hernandez, Worthman, Curtice. No -None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve the recommendation from Cozad Planning Commission of the final plat for McElhinny First Subdivision. Roll call vote: Yea -Hernandez, Howerter, Worthman, Curtice. No - None. Struck through swear in Ariel Rose - Police Department as she couldn't make it to the meeting. Worthman Howerter moved, seconded, to approve the reimbursement payment to 818 LLC DBA The Frontier Frau, in the total amount of \$21,097.56 for payment for façade improvements in accordance with

the CDBG 23-DTR-004 Grant. Roll call vote: Yea - Curtice, Hernandez, Worthman, Howerter. No - None. Howerter moved, Hernandez seconded, to approve the Authorization to Request Funds Form. Reauthorization due to timing since the original form. Roll call vote: Yea -Worthman, Curtice, Hernandez, Howerter. No - None. Howerter moved, Worthman seconded, to approve PSA for General Administration Services for the Cozad Downtown Revitalization Project 23-DTR-004 with WCNDD. Roll call vote: Yea - Curtice, Hernandez, Worthman, Howerter. No - None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve PSA for Construction Management Services for the Cozad Downtown Revitalization Project 23-DTR-004 with WCNDD. Roll call vote: Yea - Hernandez, Howerter, Worthman, Curtice. No - None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve the Request for CDBG Funds of \$21,097.56 for Drawdown #1. Roll call vote: Yea - Howerter, Hernandez, Worthman, Curtice. No

- None. Worthman moved, Hernandez seconded, to approve the request to block off 8th Street from Avenue F to Avenue H, part of 7th Street from Avenue F to Avenue H, and Meridian Street from 7th – 9th Street for Hay Days parade and carnival on September 4th - 7th. Roll call vote: Yea - Curtice. Howerter, Hernandez, Worthman. No - None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve Music Mondays in August at the Green Space. Roll call vote: Yea - Howerter. Hernandez. Worthman. Curtice. No - None. Howerter moved, Worthman seconded, to approve the request to block off 7th - 8th Street on Meridian for a Chamber Car Show on August 2nd from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea - Curtice, Hernandez, Worthman, Howerter. No - None. Curtice moved, Worthman seconded, to approve authorizing the mayor to execute the agreement for the Grant Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid Program. Roll call vote: Yea - Hernan-

dez, Howerter, Worthman, Curtice. No – None. During citizen comments, Edward Dunn with WCNDD wanted to remind everyone that the district has lots of programs and helps with grants and more. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m. ATTEST:

Mayor Marcus Kloepping City Clerk/Treasurer Brandi Kloepping

July 31, 2025 (255) znez

Notice

Notice is hereby given to: COZAD VETERINARY CLINIC, INC., a Nebraska corporation, JAMES PIOTROWSKI, D.V.M., and MAIDA PIOTROWSKI, husband and wife, AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIM-ING ANY INTERESTS IN AND TO A TRACT DESCRIBED AS: Beginning at a point One Hundred (100) feet North of the Southwest corner of Lot One (1), in Tract A in the Subdivision of part of the North Half (N1/2) of Section Seven (7), Township Ten (10) North, Range Twenty Three (23), West of the 6th P.M., in the City of Cozad, Dawson County, Nebraska, thence East Two Hundred (200) feet, thence North Three Hundred Fifty (350) Feet, thence West Two Hundred (200) Feet, thence South Three Hundred Fifty (350) Feet to the place of beginning, REAL NAMES UNKNOWN. You are hereby notified that on July 22, 2025, Oliver K. Holbein, D.V.M., and DeeAnn L. Holbein, husband and wife, filed a Complaint in the District Court of Dawson County, Nebraska, Case No. Cl 25-218, naming you as defendants, the object and prayer of which is to quiet title in fee in Plaintiffs, Oliver K. Holbein, D.V.M., and DeeAnn L. Holbein, husband and wife, to the real estate described here as against you and each of you. You must file an appropriate written response or answer to this complaint within thirty days after the last date of publication or otherwise be deemed in default.

Wilson J. Hupp, #27338 Hart, Huyser & Miller, P.C., L.L.O. P.O. Box 229 Cozad, NE 69130 (308)784-4580 Attorney for Plaintiffs

July 31, 2025 Aug. 7, 2025 Aug. 14, 2025 (55) znez

Notice Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Citizen Advisory Review Committee as provided by the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act R.R. S, 1943, Section 18-2701 et seg. will be held at 12:00 p.m. on August 12, 2025 in the Cozad Development Corporation Conference Room, 121 W. 9th Street, Cozad, NE, which meeting will be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Director for Cozad Development Corporation, or by emailing jen@cozaddevelopment.com. Cozad is a Fair Housing City.

Jen McKeone, Fund Administrator July 31, 2025 (24) znez

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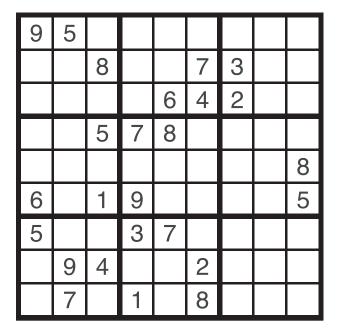
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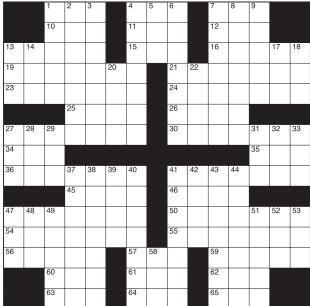
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Auto manufacturer
- 4. The 23rd letter of the Greek alphabet
- 7. Two-year-old sheep
- 10. Member of indigenous people in Asia
- 11. Airborne (abbr.)
- 12. Actress de Armas
- 13. Not moving
- 15. Cool!

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- 16. Plants of the arum family
- 19. Perceptible by touch

Rorschach test

- 23. Monetary units
- 24. Art
- 25. Cardinal number
- 26. Dueling sword
- 27. Hates
- 30. Fixed in one place
- 34. Pie _ __ mode
- 35. Moved on foot
- 36. Passenger's spot on a motorcycle
- 41. A way through
- 45. "Rule, Britannia" composer

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- 47. Flowing
- 50. Common greetings in Arabic countries
- 54. Solution for all difficulties
- 55. Soft clothing fabric
- 56. Building material
- 57. Sea bream
- 59. A way to cause to be swollen
- 60. One and only
- 61. Skin color
- 62. Wreath
- 63. Nevertheless
- 64. They ___
- 65. Sea eagle

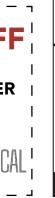
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Policemen (French)
- 2. Toy dog
- 3. Inflamed colon disease
- 4. Muscular weaknesses
- 5. Helps little firms
- 6. References
- 7. Takes down
- 8. Facilitates
- 9. One-time empress of
- the Roman Empire
- 13. Engine additive

14. Chemistry solution

- 17. Written account
- 18. Consumed
- 20. Coming after all others
- 22. No (slang)
- 27. Government lawyers
- 28. Super Bowl winner Manning
- 29. Small amount
- 31. A way to save for your future
- 32. A way to travel behind
- 33. Midway between northeast and east
- 37. Head pain
- 38. Loud lawn insect
- 39. Actress Hathaway
- 40. Boat race
- 41. About fish
- 42. Nursemaid in India
- 43. Marketable
- 44. Tinier
- 47. Parts per billion (abbr.)
- 48. Paddle
- 49. Oneness
- 51. Bitter compound
- 52. Not around
- 53. Very fast airplane
- 58. Swiss river







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