

Minden Community Players Present 'Clue'

CINDY RAMSEY

Murder, mystery, and mayhem are coming to the Minden Opera House as Minden Community Players present 'Clue' March 6-22.

The classic board game brought to life! Six guests are invited to a dinner party thrown by an anonymous host. They are given aliases—Colonel Mustard, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock, Professor Plum, and Miss Scarlet. Though discouraged from revealing personal information, it is soon discovered that all of them have fallen victim to the same blackmailer, their very host of the evening, Mr. Boddy. Each is presented with a weapon and an option: pay their extortionist double, or kill the innocent butler. What follows is a madcap, slapstick evening full of murder, mystery, and laughs as they seek to puzzle out the culprit amongst criminals.

Director Don Phillips is excited to bring this whodunit parody to the stage in Minden with the help of Producer Joy Phillips. Veteran Players are joined by newcomers to the stage to portray characters made popular by the classic game and a few new faces as well.

Rachel Smallcomb is the feisty Miss Scarlet, Leta Vahl is the neurotic Mrs. Peacock, Taylor Haight is the morbid Mrs. White, Nick Collins is the pompous but dense Colonel Mustard, Joshua Gesinski is the academic playboy Professor Plum, and Greg Freitag is the timid and anxious Mr. Green. Welcoming the guests and leading the evening is Wadsworth played by Zac Keller, often nearby is the French maid Yvette played by Carina Fritz, leering from the shadows is the intimidating Cook played by Jeanne Jons, and bringing the group together is the despicable Mr. Boddy played by Dustin Southworth in his MCP debut.

Rounding out the colorful cast is Becky Anderson as the singing telegram girl, Abbi Keller as the motorist, Tim Kingsley as Chief of Police, and Roy Lawton as the unexpected cop.

A good crew is just as important as a solid alibi and this production has the best. Steve Crooks, Jerry Jons, Delvin Schmidt, Paul Ogier, Don Phillips, Rita Crooks,



Mrs. White (Taylor Haight), Mrs. Peacock (Leta Vahl), Mr. Green (Greg Freitag), Colonel Mustard (Becky Anderson as stand-in) and Miss Scarlet (Rachel Smallcomb) finally meet their blackmailer and host for the evening, Mr. Boddy (Dustin Southworth) while Wadsworth (Zac Keller) oversees the gathering. Get your tickets to see how this mystery plays out in the MCP production of 'Clue' March 6-22 at Minden Opera House. (Courier photo by Cindy Ramsey)

Weather Forecast

Mar. 6:	55/32	
Mar. 7:	56/33	
Mar. 8:	69/37	
Mar. 9:	66/35	
Mar. 10:	54/23	
Mar. 11:	37/18	
Mar. 12:	42/23	



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News Briefs

Candidate Filings

The Non-Incumbent (new filers) filing deadline for the upcoming Primary Election is March 2, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Filed candidates as of February 27, 2026:

Sara Wells, Axtell School Board, Non-Incumbent

Husker Quilt Raffle

Paws Up Kearney County is selling tickets for a Husker quilt raffle. The Husker themed, all cotton, king sized quilt was made and donated by Marlene Detmers. Drawing for the quilt will be held on Saturday, April 25 at the Paws Up Shelter Me fundraiser. You do not need to be present to win. Raffle tickets can be purchased through Paws Up Kearney County board members by email at pawsupkearneycounty@gmail.com, by messaging Paws Up Kearney County on Facebook, or by texting Jane at 308-830-9870. Cash, check and venmo accepted.

Republican Convention

The Kearney County Republican Party will hold its 2026 County convention on Tuesday, March 24 at 7pm in Minden. The event will be held at the Kearney County Fairgrounds, North Highway 10, Minden. All registered Republicans are invited to attend the convention.

The 2026 Kearney County Convention serves many important functions for the Republican Party. Local party officials will be elected, and the selection of delegates and alternates to the NEGOP State Convention will occur. The voting delegates at the convention are those who registered at <https://secure.anedot.com/negop/delegate-form-2026> before the March 1 deadline.

St. Patrick's Dinner

Join Hildreth Fire & Rescue for a St. Patrick's Dinner on Sunday, March 15 at Hildreth Fire Hall, 248 Commercial Ave, from 11am-1pm. Reubens, soups, and desserts will be served.

Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt

Join Minden Lions Club for a day of joy, laughter, and the thrill of the hunt on April 4 from 11am-2pm at Jaycee Park. Their Easter Egg Hunt promises delightful surprises and memories that will last a lifetime with face-painting, food, Easter bunny, and fun. Preschool and Kindergarten hunt begins at 11am. 1st-4th grades begin at approximately 11:20am.

Partnership Announcement

Harold Warp Pioneer Village and the Hastings Museum are excited to announce a Reciprocal Museum Membership Program. If you are a member of one of these amazing museums, you can enjoy your membership benefits at the other museum too. Benefits include free entry and a discount in the gift shop.

Wilcox-Hildreth Music Department Mattress Fundraiser

The Mattress Fundraiser is back and every purchase benefits the Wilcox-Hildreth Music Department. The event will be held on Saturday, March 28 from 10am-4pm at Wilcox-Hildreth High School. All sizes available including custom. Brand new with 1-20 year warranties. Delivery and shipping available. Free threshold delivery. Cash, check, credit card accepted. Financing available. 25+ mattresses on display, all comfort levels.

Minden Legacy Fund Community Visioning Session

Minden Legacy Fund will host a Meet & Greet event and Community Visioning Session on Monday, March 16 at 52 Taphouse. Everyone is invited to these events to learn more about the Minden Legacy Fund, help share ideas for the future of Minden, and enjoy desserts made by the Minden Community Center. The Meet & Greet will begin at 6:15pm and the Community Visioning Session will begin at 7pm.

Spring Plant Sale

Minden Post Prom/7-8 Washington DC Trip Annual Spring Plant Sale is underway. The sale ends April 5th. Please contact Lisa Clapper or use the QR code to view the catalog and place your order online. 'Bonus Buys' are available for online orders only. Online orders are encouraged. Be sure to note the student or 'post prom' as the seller. With every purchase you are supporting a great organization!

Pick up will be at Kearney County Fairgrounds on April 22. Do not wait to order as some items can run out.



Weather Recap

Date	High	Low	Precip.
2/21/26	46	27	-
2/22/26	34	17	-
2/23/26	36	17	-
2/24/26	51	30	-
2/25/26	52	34	.24
2/26/26	59	30	-
2/27/26	62	35	-
Total Week Precip.....			0.24

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Jeanne Jons, and Joy Phillips have created a set that brings the audience directly into Boddy Manor. Joy Phillips, Joyce Kingsley, and Jeanne Jons are responsible for the costumes that identify each character. Joy Phillips, Jerry Jons, Paul Ogier, Troy Gramke, John Sherbert, Don Phillips, Becky Anderson, and Abbi Zeller keep the fast paced exploration of the manor moving as the stage crew while tech crew Darin Haight, Brady Mailand, Amber Kroll, Dottie Gramke, and Kaylan Ogier shed light on the evidence and keep the tapes rolling for sound. Cassandra Tomsen is on music for the performance and Charlotte Freitag is the prompter.

Suspicious and accusations abound and the evidence is piling up that you won't want to miss this show. Stakeout the performance alone or bring your partner(s) in crime. Show dates are March 6-8, 13-15, and 20-22. Curtains go up Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30pm and Sundays at 2:30pm. Tickets are on sale now at mindenoperahouse.com for \$17.50 each. Snag your seat today and it could be you, in the theater, with the

Harold Warp Pioneer Village Names Dustin Southworth as New Museum Manager

PRESS RELEASE

MINDEN, NE – Harold Warp Pioneer Village is pleased to announce the appointment of Dustin Southworth as its new Museum Manager. Southworth, who has served as the institution's Office Administrator for the past seven months, brings a specialized background in museum administration and technology to his new leadership role.

During his tenure as Office Administrator, Southworth demonstrated a deep commitment to the operational success of the "Museum of Progress." His appointment reflects the museum's ongoing dedication to leadership that balances a respect for historical preservation with an expertise in modern technologies. Southworth's passion for the museum's collection and its mission to chronicle American innovation makes him an ideal fit for the position.

"I grew up visiting Pioneer Village and have always loved my visits. I love the improvements that have been made over the last few years and I am excited to make my own mark on the village." — Dustin Southworth

As Museum Manager, Southworth will oversee the daily operations of the 20-acre complex, which includes 28 historic buildings and a collection of over 50,000 items. His vision for the site centers on maintaining the integrity of Harold Warp's original mission while cultivating an experience for a modern audience.

About Harold Warp Pioneer Village

Harold Warp Pioneer Village, located in Minden, Nebraska, is a world-renowned "Museum of Progress" that chronicles the epic story of America's growth and innovation. Spanning 20 acres and featuring 28 historic buildings, the village houses a staggering collection of over 50,000 historical items. The museum is uniquely designed to present history in a chronological and group-based arrangement, showing how every field of human endeavor has progressed since 1830. Its mission is to preserve the artifacts that transformed the lives of Americans and to share this legacy of progress with visitors of all ages.

Founded in 1953 by visionary entrepreneur Harold Warp, the village preserves the artifacts that represent the "Story of America and How it Grew." The collection features everything from 350 antique automobiles and 17 aircraft to original historic structures like a Pony Express Station and a one-room schoolhouse.

For more information about Harold Warp Pioneer Village, please visit www.pioneer-village.com.

playbill.

Follow Minden Community Players on Facebook and Instagram for news about upcoming productions. Audition for the next show and the spotlight could be on you.



Actors rehearse a scene in the Minden Community Players' upcoming production of 'Clue'. Tickets are on sale now for shows March 6-22 at Minden Opera House. (Courier photo by Cindy Ramsey)

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CLJMS Short Film 'Outside In' Encourages Joy

CINDY RAMSEY

The halls of C.L. Jones Middle School are full of learning and socializing that have students and teachers experiencing a wide range of emotions. This year's CLJMS short film takes a deeper look at all the feelings bottled within the middle school's walls.

"The 2026 CLJMS short film crew spent several days brainstorming in order to come up with this year's movie theme. After many years of comedies and humor-based films, the group felt it was time to explore other important emotions," CLJMS teacher Whitney Maulsby said. "With a spark of inspiration from the popular film 'Inside Out,' the production crew decided to take a look inside the minds of their classmates to see what life is really like for a middle school student."



Whether you are currently a middle school student, have yet to walk the junior high halls, or said goodbye to those years long ago, 'Outside In' will help provide a clearer understanding of the highs and lows of being in middle school and how to navigate these formative years.

"During the film, audience members will follow the Whippet dog (our very own Principal Strasburg) as he shows you what's happening in the hallways of C.L. Jones. From

the outside looking in, you will experience a wide range of emotions...just like a typical day in junior high. 'Outside In' will encourage you to feel all the feels. Through the creation of this film, we've discovered that dealing with emotions might just be the most important part of growing up," Maulsby explained.

The community can follow along as anger, disgust, fear, sadness, and joy take over classrooms, playgrounds, and cafeterias at MPS. Will the students be able to navigate through the ups and downs of middle school and still be able to choose joy at the end of the day? Will the teachers be able to guide them in the right direction while handling emotions of their own? Are broccoli and pickles really that disgusting?

Media 8 and Journalism 7 students have been working hard to create and produce the film that answers all these questions. Their efforts are mirrored by the Linguistics 8 students who are promoting the film and the red carpet film premier. Join the students behind the film for a night full of emotion and love on Tuesday, March 17th.

The red carpet event will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the high school commons area with photos, refreshments, raffles, a VIP experience, gifts, and more. The movie will premier at 7:15 p.m. in the MPS Auditorium. A free will donation will be accepted at the door. If you are unable to attend, the evening will be streamed on their YouTube channel: Whippet Nation Network.



Linguistics 8 students prepare for the red carpet premier of the 2026 CLJMS short film 'Outside In'. The event will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at Minden High School. (Courier photo by Cindy Ramsey)

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Cats Earn FKC Runner-Up Honors

CINDY RAMSEY

The Axtell and Wilcox-Hildreth Speech teams had a busy week competing at the FKC Conference Meet in Sumner on February 25 followed by the Voices of the Plains Invite in Holdrege on February 28.

Axtell continued to dominate the competition earning runner-up at the conference meet, just four points behind conference champion Elm Creek. The Wildcats earned ten event medals including conference champion honors in three events.

Riding high from this success, the Cats showed confidence in attending the Voices of the Plains Invite where the competition included several larger schools. They held their own earning six event medals.

Axtell FKC results: Elijah Sinachack and Isaiah Sinachack, 1st Place, Duet Acting; Elizabeth Pfeil, 1st Place, POI; Samantha Vinchattle, 1st Place, Persuasive; Sophia Havranek, 1st Place, Serious Prose; Emma Hall, 2nd Place, Informative; Aubrey Vinchattle, 3rd Place, Entertainment; Brooklyn DeJonge, Coben Hill, Connor Strolberg, Harley Pittz, and Sophia Havranek, 3rd Place, OID; Kali Philippi, 4th Place, Serious Prose; Krystal Fickenscher, 5th Place, Persuasive; Bristol Thorell, 6th Place, Poetry

Axtell varsity results from Voices of the Plains Invite: Elijah Sinachack and Isaiah Sinachack, 2nd Place, Duet Acting; Elizabeth Pfeil, 4th Place, POI; Brooklyn DeJonge, Coben Hill, Connor Strolberg, Harley Pittz, and Sophia Havranek, 6th Place, OID; Emma Hall, 10th Place, Informative; Samantha Vinchattle, 10th Place, Persuasive

Axtell novice results from Voices of the Plains Invite:



AXTELL SPEECH TEAM

Krystal Fickenscher, 2nd Place, Persuasive

Wilcox-Hildreth is picking up steam for the season. The Falcons earned five event medals to secure 6th place as a team at the conference meet. Two Falcon events earned medals at the Voices of the Plains Invite.

Wilcox-Hildreth FKC results: Brett Woollen and Kaden Woollen, 3rd Place, Duet Acting; Kaylan Ogier, 4th Place, Poetry; Brett Woollen, 5th Place, Serious Prose; Parker Woollen, Bella Grymes, and Kaylan Ogier, 5th Place, OID; Cooper Woollen, 6th Place, POI

Wilcox-Hildreth results from Voices of the Plains Invite: Kaylan Ogier, 5th Place, Poetry; Bella Grymes, Kaylan Ogier, and Parker Woollen, 12th Place, OID



WILCOX-HILDRETH SPEECH TEAM

Minden Speech Voices of the Plains Champs

CINDY RAMSEY



MINDEN SPEECH TEAM

The Minden Speech team concluded its regular season at the Voices of the Plains Invite at Holdrege on February 28. The Whippets swept the competition earning first place as a team ahead of Holdrege. Additionally, the team earned 30 medals out of 38 entries that competed.

Varsity medal winners were: 1st Place - Arabella Reed, POI; Danica Schoone, Entertainment; Frank Kovacs, Humorous Prose. 2nd Place - Arabella Reed, Serious Prose; Dayne Porter, Mia Tira, and Miles Heath, OID; Frank Kovacs, Persuasive Speaking; Natali Uribe, Entertainment Speaking. 3rd Place - Arabella Reed, Humorous Prose; Emory Porter, POI; Jonathan Althouse, Entertainment Speaking; Miles Heath, Poetry; Rebecca Lempka, Persuasive Speaking. 4th Place - Emory Porter, Hope Mason, Luz Lopez, and Natali Uribe, OID; Miles Heath, Serious Prose. 5th Place - Carson Wright, Extemporaneous Speaking. 6th Place - Ashlyn Kernick, Poetry. 7th Place - Ashlyn Kernick, Serious Prose; Carson Wright and Frank Kovacs, Duet Acting; Emory Porter, Poetry. 8th Place - Dayne Porter, Poetry. 9th Place - Ashlyn Kernick, Humorous Prose. 10th Place - Isabelle Martin, Entertainment Speaking; Jonathan Althouse, Humorous Prose; Natali Uribe, Poetry.

Novice medal winners were: 2nd Place - Hallie Hartman, Extemporaneous Speaking; Mia Tira and Tynlie Struss, Duet Acting. 3rd Place - Steven Rhodes, Entertainment Speaking; Steven Rhodes, Extemporaneous Speaking. 4th Place - Hallie Hartman, Humorous Prose. 5th Place - Henry Heun, Informative Speaking.

The Whippets will narrow their team to top competitors for the SWC competition in McCook on March 9. The District meet will be held in Aurora on March 16. Any event placing third or better at the district meet will qualify for the Class B State Meet on Saturday, March 28 in Kearney at Horizon Middle School.

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2026 Kearney County Spelling Bee



The 2026 Kearney County Spelling Bee was held at C.L. Jones Middle School on February 25 with participants from Minden, Axtell, and Wilcox-Hildreth receiving prizes donated by Runza.

WINNERS — (top) 2026 Kearney County Spelling Bee seventh and eighth grade winners were Ivan Hammond of Axtell (first), Tehya Toline of Minden (second), and Laura Behrhorst of Axtell (third). (middle) Sixth grade winners were Leigha Smith of Axtell (first), Gracie Halkyard of Axtell (second), and Alivia Knispel of Minden (third). (bottom) Fifth grade winners were Quentin Griffiths of Minden (first), Sophie Graham of Minden (second), and Mason Latta of Minden (third). (right) Fourth grade winners were Gwendolen Smock of Minden (first), Jayden Schiley of Wilcox-Hildreth (second), and Emmett Hofstetter of Minden (third). (Photos by Carrie Conner)



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C.L. Jones Middle School Spring Concert

C.L. Jones Middle School 4th-6th Vocal Concert was held in the MPS Auditorium on February 26. Students in grades 4-6 and Music Club performed a variety of tunes under the direction of Erin Ellis with accompaniment by Angie Althouse. (Courier photos by Carrie Conner)



MUSIC CLUB



5TH GRADE



4TH GRADE



6TH GRADE

Whippets of the Month



East Elementary



Preschool
Lily Gibbens



Lily is such a joy to have in our classroom. She is a wonderful friend who is always kind, caring, and thoughtful toward others. Whether it's sharing materials, inviting someone to play, or offering a helping hand, Lily makes everyone feel included and valued.

Kindergarten
Izzy Craig



Izzy is a kind, hardworking, and loving kindergartner who brings joy to our classroom each day. She consistently shows respect and always gives her best effort in everything she does. Izzy embraces challenges with enthusiasm, eager to learn and grow. Though she leads quietly, she sets a wonderful example by helping her classmates stay focused and on task. She follows school rules faithfully and is someone you can always count on. Keep shining, Izzy—we are so proud of you!

1st Grade
Korralynn Muff



She is kind and respectful to classmates and teachers. Korralynn always works hard and wants to do a good job. She is a thoughtful good friend who shows excellent integrity! I can always count on Korra to do the right thing. I love coming to school each day and seeing her sweet smile! These are just a few reasons why Korralynn Muff is our Whippet of the Month!

2nd Grade
Gunnar Gant



Gunnar is a hard worker in the classroom, but on top of that he is always willing to help his friends out with their school work or a problem on the playground. He is a great example of Capital I Integrity!!

3rd Grade
Carter Alumit



Carter is a great leader inside and outside of the classroom. He is respectful, kind, and has the best manners.

Police Report

February 19-
 0430: HWY 10 & Country Club Lane-Traffic Stop
 0437, HWY 10& North City Limits-Traffic Stop
 1917, HHS Intake
 1926, Speed Limit Sign Down by Dollar General
 North-NDOR Contacted
 1946, Traffic Complaint-Unable to Locate Vehicle
 1946, Brown & Hawthorne-Traffic Complaint
 2126, 1st & Brown AVE-Motorist Assist

February 20-
 0233,500 Block W 1st -Death Investigation
 0704, HWY 10 & 16th ST-Accident Investigation
 1228, 300 Block N Brown-Unit Call
 1448, 700 Block East 1st -Escort
 1554, HHS Intake
 2241, 600 Block North Brown AVE-Disturbance

February 21-
 1341, 200 Block East 1st St- Unit Call
 1349, Brown & Campbell-Subject Walking in turn lane of Brown Ave

February 22-
 0806, Officer Information, ongoing investigation
 0936, 700 Block Western- Possible Scam
 1953, Officer Information, ongoing investigation

1608, Accident, Agency Assist

February 23-
 1339, 300 Block Ridge, Parking Complaint
 1531, Officer Information, ongoing Investigation
 2026, 100 Block E 16th, Unit Call
 2104, HWY 10 & Fairgrounds, Traffic Stop

February 24-
 0125, HWY 6 & Piester AVE, Traffic Stop
 0313, 300 Block North Colorado AVE, Open door
 0401, HWY 10 & Fairgrounds-Traffic Stop
 0510, HWY & Fairgrounds-Traffic Stop
 1026, 200 Block N Kearney AVE-Check Welfare
 1049, 100 Block North Brown-Unit Call
 1715, Officer Information, Ongoing Investigation
 1938, HWY 6 & 10- Motorist Assist
 2022, 500 Block East 5th-Unit Call

February 25-
 0933, 500 Block Western-Dog at Large
 1035, 700 Block N Minden AVE-Truancy
 1114, 1st & Western -Debris on Roadway
 1716, 100 Block Nance AVE- Unit Call
 1824, 600 Block North Hull-Disturbance

Axtell FBLA



Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month, held every February, provides an opportunity to recognize and celebrate CTE students, educators, and programs. CTE plays an important role in preparing high school students for success in college and beyond. As part of CTE Month, the Minden Courier salutes our local FBLA chapters.

The Axtell FBLA chapter has 21 members led by advisor Tara Smith. The chapter had several noteworthy moments last year.

"Axtell FBLAs biggest accomplishments were being the top donor to the March of Dimes with a donation of \$2,313. We took seven students to State FBLA and had one student (Isaiah Sinachack) qualify for Nationals in Digital Video Production," Smith said. "Isaiah attended Nationals in Anaheim, CA over the summer."

The Wildcats' goal for this year was to accomplish more Ribbon projects throughout the year. They were able to complete six: Foundation Donor, Spark the Legacy, LINK, Feed Nebraska, Alzheimer's Association Challenge, and the Go Green Challenge. Additionally, the

chapter has high hopes for competitions.

"We are taking five members to SLC this year and hope to qualify a couple of people for nationals this year," Smith said.

2025-26 members of the Axtell FBLA are: Madison Wells (president), Emily Danburg, Blake Sonnenfeld, Ella Hardenbrook, Brooklyn DeJonge, Ashlynn Nelson, Morgan Hawkins, Bristol Thorell, Brecklyn Delaney, Nick Dahl (secretary), Allison Fulmer, Felix Lopez, Mina Schilling, Isaiah Sinachack (vice president), Sophia Havranek, Elijah Sinachack, Stephanie Cederburg, Leah Stritt, Solara Quigley, Brylee Rabe, and Amelia Halvorsen.

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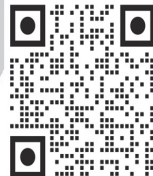


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Do You Remember

Eighty Years Ago — 1946

E.H. Murray announced the opening of the Minden Hog Yards located at the C B & Q stock yards north of the city.

J.C. Bales and Dale Christensen established a route shoe repair shop including the towns of Hildreth, Upland, Axtell and Wilcox. Shoes would be brought to Minden and returned the following week to collection centers on the route.

Taking pre-induction physical examinations at Ft. Leavenworth were Russell Weedlun, Warren Burchell and Charles Swan of Minden, Norman Godfrey of Kenesaw and Joseph Miller of Norman.

Seventy Years Ago — 1956

The five seniors who rounded out their high school basketball careers at the district tournament were Jim Jacobs, Dan Arnold, Dick Wilson, Bob Knudsen and Dick Hove.

Paul Fischbach, Minden irrigation engineer, was appointed to a key position in the agricultural extension service of the University of Nebraska.

Members of the Minden Future Farmers of America who attended the District VI convention at Grand Island, along with their sponsor Dick Wilson, were Bob Vogt, Bill Petersen, Micky Ryan, LeRoy Keen, Harlan Jacobsen, Don Haller, Gary Jacobsen, Dennis Lammers, Arden Sinsel, Bob Christensen and Danny Kuehn.

Sixty Years Ago — 1966

Twenty-nine third grade children with their teacher, Glenda Stork, visited *The Minden Courier* where they were shown the presses in motion, the typesetting machines in action and learned how casting of mats was accomplished.

Loretta Gleason and Georganne Erwin, elementary teachers, conducted a 24-hour workshop for the local elementary teachers in elementary science.

A style show, sponsored by the Minden Chamber of Commerce, was attended by 400 persons. The show included clothes which the merchants of Minden were offering in their new spring lines.

Fifty Years Ago — 1976

The Chore Service, designed to provide in-home services and minor home repairs, was available to senior citizens 60 and over. Mary Beahm was Kearney County Chore Service Supervisor.

Cubmaster Roy John Nelson presented past Cubmaster Roger Johnson with a plaque in appreciation of past service to Pack 199. Scouts of Den 1 receiving both Citizen and Craftsman awards were Morgan Taylor, Neil Schmidt and Kevin Johnson. Receiving Craftsman awards were Randy Brandenburg, Teddy Miller and Brad Talbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with an open house.

Forty Years Ago — 1986

Starring in Hildreth's senior play, "Absolutely Murder" were Adrienne Benz and Duane Day. Others cast in the play were Ronda Soker, Janelle Harms, Barry Schmidt, Michele Pollock, Jay Halsted, Shelly Swarthout, Brenda Casper, Cathy Fecht, Clark Bauer, Linda Bunger and Shahn Boss.

The Wilcox Eagles defeated Lebanon Beaver Valley, earning a trip to the state basketball tournament.

The Minden Volunteer Fire Department hosted an eight-week course on hazardous materials for their own department as well as for the Axtell Fire Department.

Thirty Years Ago — 1996

The Minden Technology Committee was a little over half way in its effort to bring Internet access to the

Minden area.

Members of the Minden Chamber of Commerce and employees of A-1 Heating, Air Conditioning and Plumbing celebrated the company's grand opening in their year-old building with a ribbon cutting.

The Hildreth Greyhound basketball team moved one step closer to the boys' state tournament by defeating Amherst 57-42. Randall Adam led Hildreth with 22 points.

Twenty Years Ago — 2006

Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning talked to Minden High School students about internet safety.

Eunice Jackson of Minden was the big winner of the 'million dollar' giveaway during the Minden Opera House's volunteer appreciation meeting. The 'million dollars' she received were in the form of ten 100 Grand candy bars.

The Axtell Wildcats boys basketball team retained their perfect season with a 52-39 win over the Arapahoe Warriors.

Ten Years Ago — 2016

Axtell's goal of a state tourney berth was one step closer as the Cats opened subdistrict play with a 58-38 win over Franklin at Sandy Creek. Step two for Axtell was successfully completed as the Cats defeated Blue Hill 66-53 to take the D1-9 subdistrict title. Sporting a 21-4 record, Axtell advanced to the district final to take on Southwest (14-10) at Lexington High School.

Two Wilcox-Hildreth art students were accepted into the 2016 Regional Scholastic Art Awards Show. Camryn Preston, a senior, received two Honorable Mentions for her artwork entitled: "Three Sisters" (Prismacolor Drawing) and "Little Things" (Digital Art). Grace Pistulka, a sophomore, received an Honorable Mention for her sculpture "Elephants Gone Wild".

The Lady Falcons were chasing the state tournament as well as school history with its first trip as Wilcox-Hildreth and the only thing standing in their way were the Wauneta-Palisade Broncos. Wilcox-Hildreth put themselves in position at halftime holding a 22-14 advantage only to see its lead evaporate down the stretch scoring only eight second half points. Wauneta-Palisade was able to avoid overtime and the Falcons to hold on for a hard-fought 32-30 victory.

It took more than four regulation quarters to determine the winner and state tourney qualifier from the D1-5 district championship game. The extra four minutes of overtime went Cambridge's way as the Lady Trojans defeated Axtell 42-35 at Lexington to end the Lady Cats season at a noteworthy 19-7.

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SPORTS



Wildcats Taste Victory Before Defeat to #1 Seed

ROGER HANSEN

Axtell's season was halted in the D2-7 subdistrict played at Shelton on February 23 and 24 but not before getting a win in the first round and not going quietly against the number one seed in the second round. The season ended with a 2-22 record.

The Cats got the sweet taste of victory for the second time this season defeating Elba 42-37 on February 23.

Aydan Houchin jump started Axtell's offense with three-pointers on the first two possessions of the game. Then Reece Hunt swished a pair of treys in the middle of the quarter. Finally, an and-1 from Easton Bergstrom and a three-ball by Micah Houchin closed out the Cats' strong opening period which had them up 20-8.

The scoring fell off a bit in the second quarter but Axtell's defense remained active and somewhat disruptive without fouling. The Bluejays committed 11 turnovers in the first half compared to only three for the Cats. At halftime Axtell was on top 29-14.

The Cats did not score for the first five and a half minutes of the third quarter and Elba took advantage with a 10-0 run to cut Axtell's lead to five, 29-24. David Sonnenfeld's bucket broke the drought and Hunt drilled his third three of the game a little later helping Axtell to a 34-26 lead through three periods.

The Cats never trailed in the game but Elba got to within three twice in the fourth quarter. Axtell had turnover problems in the second half but defensively coerced 14 turnovers from the Bluejays. Carter Lorenz was big for the Cats in the final minute, getting a key steal and hitting 5-6 free throws. Elba hurt its cause by making only 1-10 FTs in the second half.

The Cats were 12-57 (7-34 on 3s) for 21% on FGs and 11-16 on FTs. They had 12 offensive and 21 defensive rebounds, 10 assists, 15 steals and 20 turnovers.

Hunt collected 11 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists and 3 steals and Lorenz had 10 points, 4 rebounds and 4 steals. Aydan Houchin got 6 points (his season-high), 5 rebounds and 5 steals and Sonnenfeld had 4 points, 3 rebounds and 2 steals. Bergstrom chipped in 3 points and 11 rebounds and Micah Houchin and Kyler Kolbo both added 3 points and 2 assists. Warren Myers pulled down 5 rebounds.

Elba	8	6	12	11-	37	(1-20)
Axtell	20	9	5	8-	42	(2-21)

CATS- Hunt 11, Lorenz 10, A. Houchin 6, M. Houchin 5, Sonnenfeld 4, Kolbo 3, Bergstrom 3, Warren Myers 2

The next night on February 24 top-seeded Shelton handled the Cats 60-46 but the contest was closer than the final score would indicate.

Axtell led 15-11 at the end of the first period and then the teams went to halftime tied at 22-22.

The game was still tied at 30-30 with three minutes to go in the third before Shelton amassed a flurry of points. The third quarter closed with the Bulldogs up 47-37.

The Cats tried to keep pace in the fourth but Shelton pulled away a little more.

Axtell's 46 points were a season-high and the 19 points scored by freshman Carter Lorenz was the top individual point game for the Cats during the season.

Axtell was 13-38 (9-21 on 3s) for 34% on FGs and 11-20 on FTs. The team had 8 offensive and 20 defensive rebounds, 11 assists, 5 steals and 22 turnovers.

Individual stats: Lorenz-19 points (4 3s), 4 rebounds, 2 assists; Hunt-8 points (2 3s), 2 assists, 2 steals; M.



Axtell boys basketball team had their season concluded against top-seeded Shelton at subdistricts on Feb. 24. The team earned their second victory of the season the day before against Elba. Pictured: David Sonnenfeld and Easton Bergstrom fight for a rebound. (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)

Houchin-6 points (2 3s), 4 rebounds, 2 assists; Bergstrom 5 points, 10 rebounds, 2 blocks; Myers 3 points, 5 rebounds; Sonnenfeld- 5 rebounds, 2 assists.

Axtell	15	7	15	9-	46	(2-22)
Shelton	11	11	25	13-	60	(14-9)

CATS- Lorenz 19, Hunt 8, M. Houchin 6, Bergstrom 5, Kolbo 3, Myers 3, Sonnenfeld 2

Seniors Reece Hunt, Easton Bergstrom and Aydan Houchin were in the Cats' program the past four years that compiled a 41-54 record (10-11, 18-7, 11-14, 2-22).

Varsity scoring in '25-'26: Hunt 163, Kolbo 118, Myers 77, Lorenz 71, Bergstrom 67, M. Houchin 35, Sonnenfeld 28, A. Houchin 22, Nolan Wells 14, Landon Powers 14, Connor Strolberg 6, Caleb Hall 5, Elijah Sinachack 2, Luke Samuelson 2

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Falcons' Season Wraps Up

PHIL SERRONE

After a subdistrict loss against top-seeded Overton High School, the Wilcox-Hildreth Falcons basketball team season has come to an end. The team will finish with an overall record of 8-16 which is an improvement from last year's 5-19 finish.

While the loss stings, the Falcons did get to celebrate the taste of victory in their first round subdistrict matchup against Franklin on Feb. 23. The scoreboard read 59-36 when the final whistle was blown.

The Falcons got out to a dominant 20-3 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. Franklin responded in the second quarter with an even 12-12 run that provided the Falcons with a 32-15 lead at half.

In the second half, it was all Falcons once again as the team poured 19 points on the Flyers' defense in the third quarter. Franklin outpaced the Falcons in the fourth quarter 8-14 but did not matter as the lead was insurmountable.

Drew Blank had one of his best scoring outputs of the season as the sophomore finished with a team high 19 points along with two three pointers, six rebounds, five assists and four steals. Landon Lienemann scored 10 points with five rebounds, two assists and one steal.

Thomas Donley came close to another double-double on the season as he finished one point away with 9 points, 14 rebounds, three assists and one steal. The Falcons had seven players who contributed on the scoresheet.

On Feb. 24, the Falcons season ended in a 49-66 contest against top-seeded Overton. This was a much more focused Eagles team that took the Falcons lightly a couple weeks ago with a narrow 54-55 win.

Heading into half time, the Eagles got out to a dominant 16-40 lead limiting the Falcons offense to eight points in both quarters. Overton scored another 18 points in the third quarter to comfortably coast to victory in the fourth quarter.

Kaleb Johnson did his best to will his team to victory as he collected a double-double behind 16 points and 12 rebounds. Landon Lienemann splashed three shots behind the arc to finish with 11 points. Luke Lush and Donley each finished with eight points.

Congrats to the Falcons on a hard fought season! Wilcox-Hildreth will return a strong foundation from this year's starting team



Wilcox-Hildreth boys basketball season came to an end in the second round of subdistricts against top-seeded Overton on Feb. 24. Before the loss, the team defeated Franklin on Feb. 23. Pictured: Landon Lienemann follows through on his three-point attempt. (Courier photo by Shaina Johnson)

next season including Lienemann, Johnson, Blank and Luke Lush.

Here are the following results from Wilcox-Hildreth vs Franklin:

Points: Drew Blank 19, Landon Lienemann 10, Thomas Donley 9, Cody Schriener 7, Jacob Beck 5, Kaleb Johnson 5, Luke Lush 4

Rebounds: Donley 14, Blank 6, K.Johnson 6, Lienemann 5, Lush 4, Beck 2, Schriener 2, Ethan Eiley 2, Kip Johnson 1

Assists: Blank 5, K.Johnson 4, Donley 3, Lienemann 2, Schriener 1, Lush 1

Steals: Blank 4, Schriener 2, K.Johnson 1, Lienemann 1, Donley 1

Here are the following results from Wilcox-Hildreth vs Overton:

Points: K.Johnson 16, Lienemann 11, Lush 8, Donley 8, Schriener 4, Blank 2

Rebounds: Johnson 12, Donley 8, Blank 5, Lush 4, Schriener 2, Lienemann 2, Jacob Beck 2

Assists: Lush 3, Donley 3, Blank 2, Lienemann 2, Beck 2, Schriener 1, K.Johnson 1

Steals: Lush 1, Blank 1, Beck 1

Blocks: K.Johnson 4



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Cardinals Build Lead Whippets Can't Overcome

ROGER HANSEN

The Minden boys saw the season end at the C1-8 subdistrict played at Gothenburg on February 24. Doniphan-Trumbull defeated the Whippets 56-43. Minden's final record was 13-10.

Two decisive runs by the Cardinals helped to vanquish Minden.

The first quarter ended with the Whippets down 10-11. A few minutes into the second period it was still a two-point game--Minden down 13-15. Then the first and most detrimental D-T run materialized. The Cardinals closed the second quarter with an 18-0 run to go into halftime ahead 33-13.

With D-T scoring the first two points of the third period, it became a 20-0 run before Traelin Christensen hit a bucket for Minden. A 10-2 Whippet run cut the margin to 12 before the second damaging Cardinal run, 15-2, gave them a 25-point lead.

Minden did its best to cut into the deficit but the final 13-point difference was as close as it got.

The Whippets were 17-45 (3-18 on 3s) for 37% on FGs and 6-9 on FTs. They had 8 offensive and 22 defensive rebounds, 10 assists, 7 steals and 21 turnovers.

Luke Grollmes statted 14 points, 5 rebounds and 4 assists and Traelin Christensen got his 7th double-double with 10 points, 11 rebounds and 3 steals. Luke Craig had 9 points, 8 rebounds and 2 steals and Landon Bules supplied 6 points, 3 rebounds and 6 assists. Cole Schwenka scored 4 and Jackson Armstrong got 3 rebounds.

Minden's roster included eight seniors who have played for the last time as Whippet roundballers--Luke Grollmes, Landon Bules, Jackson Armstrong, Ambrose Bloomfield, Jack Scheibel, Sam Rowan, Devin Choquette and Patrick Clark.

The four-year record for the program was 43-49 (10-12, 10-13, 10-14 13-10). This year's

record was the first winning season since '21-'22 and only the second in the last 12 seasons.

Season scoring: Christensen 349 (15.2 ave.), Grollmes 293 (12.7), Craig 225 (9.8), Bules 189 (8.2), Armstrong 118, Schwenka 69, Bloomfield 26, Cohen Schmidt 10, Scheibel 7, Zach Klabunde 5, Rowan 5, Tanner Schmidt 4, Bryson Knott 3, Bo Lutkemeier 2



The Minden boys basketball team season came to an end in the C1-8 subdistrict play at Gothenburg on February 24. The Whippets' final record was 13-10. (Courtesy photo)

Falcon Winter Sports Season Records

PHIL SERRONE

With the winter sports season now concluded, The Courier wanted to highlight some notable school records achieved this season.

Basketball: Cheyenne Lieb: Six three pointers made (tied), 40 three pointers made in a season, 81 three pointers made in career.

Drew Blank: 13 assists in a game, 102 assists in a season

Thomas Donley: 293 career rebounds

Landon Lienemann: 65 three pointers made in season, 97 three pointers made in career

Wrestling: Ayva Bendorf: 16+ career 4-point nearfalls, 7;8+ season and career 2-point nearfalls, 24;30+ season and career reversals, 36 escapes in season, fastest technical fall 1:47

Camryn Bunger: First state medalist in program history, 23 season pins, 16 season and career 4-point nearfalls, 0:10 fastest pin in

career

Dinah Culp: 34 career wins, 25 career pins, 73 career takedowns, 6 career 3-point nearfalls (tied)

Elin Patterson: First state tournament victory in program history, 30 wins in season, 62 takedowns in season, 4 season and career technical falls, 6 season and career 3-point nearfalls (tied), 25 escapes in season

Brody Patterson: 4 time state qualifier, 2026 Class D Runner Up (138lbs), 342 career takedowns, 78 career reversals, 166 wins (2nd all-time)

Kyler Masters: 8+ career technical falls, 36+ career 4-point nearfalls, 101+ career wins (5th all-time)

Cauy Twohig: 2026 state qualifier, 136 wins (third all-time)

Lady Cats and Dawgs Season Scoring

ROGER HANSEN

Following is the '25-'26 basketball season scoring for the girls of Minden and Axtell.

Minden girls' season scoring: Myla Emery 357 (16.2 ave.), KayLynn Jorgensen 159 (7.2), Kaleigh Carr 125 (5.7), Riley Eden 107 (4.8), Ruby Rhynalds 75 (3.9), Lauren Starkey 25, Adelyn Whitten 24, Macy Korgensen 16, Jaelyn Trew

3, Josa Ciemnoczowski 3, Gabbie Lee 2

Axtell girls' season scoring: Emily Danburg 293 (13.3), Morgan Hawkins 151 (6.8), Leah Stritt 123, Bristol Thorell 92, Maddie Wells 77, Ashlynn Nelson 30, Brooklyn DeJonge 21, Mina Schilling 10, Ella Lorenz 2, Nicole Arner 2, Solara Quigley 1

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

CAEL SMITH & EVAN LUTKEMEIER

School: Minden High School

Activity: Wrestling

Grade: Junior

Achievements in past seasons and this season:

Cael 2025 - 5th at state; 2026 3rd at state

Evan 2025 3rd at state; 2026 3rd at state

Challenges they have overcome:

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Attributes that have led to their success: Both wrestlers



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Bowling Standings

Monday Maniacs 2-16-26

Team Standings:	W	L
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm	14	10
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust	13	11
Budget Heating & Air	12	12
Children First Daycare	9	15

High Individual Game: Becky Trent, 187; Ashley Osterbuhr, 166; Deb Dorn, 165
 High Individual Series: Deb Dorn, 454; Sherri Merrill, 440; Denise Smith, 424
 High Team Game: Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 451; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 432; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 392
 High Team Series: Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 1189; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 1179; Budget Heating & Air, 1072

Monday Maniacs 2-23-26

Team Standings:	W	L
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm	15	13
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust	15	13
Budget Heating & Air	14	14
Children First Daycare	12	16

High Individual Game: Rendy France, 218; Laura Pasbrig, 191; Rendy France, 184
 High Individual Series: Rendy France, 561; Theresa Ciemnoczowski, 450; Janet Kile, 433
 High Team Game: Children First Daycare, 483; Children First Daycare, 461; Children First Daycare, 448
 High Team Series: Children First Daycare, 1393; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 1112; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 1080

Classey Lassies 2-19-26

Team Standings:	W	L
Aurora Coop-Keene	22.5	13.5
Upland Bar & Grill	22	14
Skye's The Limit Salon	22	14
Pony Express Ford	18	18
Platte River BBQ	17	19
Dobish Dumpsters	15	21
Split Happens	14.5	21.5
Larson Bros Construction	13	23

High Individual Game: Kasey Welch, 202; Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 198; Tanna Struss, 189
 High Individual Series: Kasey Welch, 519; Tanna Struss, 483; Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 455
 High Team Game: Aurora Coop-Keene, 459; Split Happens, 457; Upland Bar & Grill, 440
 High Team Series: Aurora Coop-Keene, 1327; Upland Bar & Grill, 1230; Split Happens, 1194

Sunday Mixed 2-22-26

Team Standings:	W	L
Flinstones	43	21
Travelers	36.5	27.5
Bowling Stones	36	28
3 Chicks & A Stick	36	28
Lucky Dogs	32.5	31.5

High Individual Game, Men: Bryon Sazama, 255; Randy Durand, 212; Seth Massey, 209
 High Individual Game, Women: Betty Smith, 180; Amber Misek, 178; Haley Deyo, 174
 High Individual Series, Men: Bryon Sazama, 629; Randy Durand, 546; Calvin Durand, 536
 High Individual Series, Women: Betty Smith, 472; Amber Misek, 457; Haley Deyo, 439
 High Team Game: Travelers, 709; Flinstones, 626; Bowling Stones, 602
 High Team Series: Travelers, 2013; Flinstones, 1801; Bowling Stones, 1697

Awana Grand Prix



The Minden AWANA clubs held their 8th annual Grand Prix on February 15th. There were 5 divisions: Youth (Pre-school), Sparks (Kindergarten-2nd Grade), T&T (grades 3-6), and Adult Open and Outlaw (no weight restriction on cars.) We had a fun afternoon and look forward to another race next year! Pictured top to bottom: Preschool winners for Speed - 1st Noah Bergen, 2nd Tommy Traxler, 3rd Jude Kulhanek. For Design - 1st Huxson Stadler, 2nd Colton Swedberg, 3rd Lawson Kohtz. Sparks winners for Speed - 1st Landon Favinger, 2nd Waylon Curtis, 3rd Sutton Stadler. For Design - 1st Beach Ya, 2nd Jayce Williams, 3rd Ellen Lundeen. T & T winners for Speed - 1st Hannah Bergen, 2nd Everett Houchin, 3rd Elliana Kulhanek. For Design - 1st Brynlee Petersen, 2nd Isaac Kulhanek, 3rd Julia Kulhanek. (Courtesy photos)



Calendars and Menus

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MENUS:

Friday, Mar. 6: BREAKFAST: Bagel, cream cheese; LUNCH: Bosco stick, marinara

Monday, Mar. 9: BREAKFAST: Breakfast boat, cereal bar; LUNCH: Bacon cheeseburger, tater tot casserole, roll

Tuesday, Mar. 10: BREAKFAST: Mini waffles, peanut butter; LUNCH: Stuffed crust pizza

Wednesday, Mar. 11-Friday, Mar. 13: NO SCHOOL
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ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Mar. 6: ACT Registration

Monday, Mar. 9: Board of Education meeting; SWC SP @ McCook, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 10: End of 3rd Quarter

Wednesday, Mar. 11, —Friday, Mar. 13: NO SCHOOL

AXTELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

MENUS:

Friday, Mar.6: LUNCH: Bosco sticks, green beans OR Peach parfait

Monday, Mar. 9: LUNCH: Walking BBQ, coleslaw OR Chicken Caesar salad

Tuesday, Mar. 10: LUNCH: Burrito with cheese sauce, re-fried beans OR PBJ

Wednesday, Mar. 11: LUNCH: Meatball Sub, corn OR Oriental chicken salad

Thursday, Mar. 12: LUNCH: Corn dog, broccoli OR Ham sub

Friday, Mar. 13: LUNCH: French toast casserole, sausage patty, hash browns

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ACTIVITIES:

Monday, Mar. 9: SP @ Riverside Meet

Tuesday, Mar. 10: FFA Career Day; JH QB @ Alma, 3 p.m.; Booster Club meeting @ Thunderhead, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: JR Job Shadowing; Ready to Stand Curriculum 8th, 10th, 12th, 8 a.m.

Thursday, Mar. 12: JR Job Shadowing

WILCOX-HILDRETH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MENUS:

Friday, Mar. 6: BREAKFAST: Stuffed hash browns; LUNCH: Chicken strips OR Fish

Monday, Mar. 9—Friday, Mar. 13: NO SCHOOL
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ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Mar. 6: FCA meeting, 12 p.m.; District Special Education meeting, 2:45 p.m.; End of 3rd Quarter, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 7: SP @ Maxwell Meet, 8 a.m.

Monday, Mar. 9: NO SCHOOL; Board of Education meeting, 8 a.m.; Board of Education Retreat @ Holdrege, 8:30 a.m.; Mentor/Mentee Luncheon, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 10: NO SCHOOL; 7-12 Team meeting, 7:45 a.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: NO SCHOOL; MTSS-B, 3:50 p.m.

Thursday, Mar. 12: NO SCHOOL; PK-6 Team meeting, 7:45 a.m.

Friday, Mar. 13: NO SCHOOL

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Dinner Menus

Meals served at Minden Community/Senior Center (Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska), 403 N. Colorado Avenue, at noon. Please call 308-832-2139 the day before the dinner with your reservations. All meals are served with coffee, water, and milk. Menu are subject to change. Join us.

Monday, Mar. 9: Creamed chicken over biscuit, beets, fruit & dessert

Tuesday, Mar. 10: Pork chop, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, dinner roll & fruit

Wednesday Mar. 11: Porcupine meatballs over mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, fruit & dessert

Thursday, Mar. 12: Hot roast beef sandwich over mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw & fruit

Friday, Mar. 13: Spaghetti, pea salad, garlic bread, fruit & dessert

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BethanyAxtell.org
(308) 743-2597

Marcia Dorn, Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 8: Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.; Worship with Holy Communion, 10:45 a.m.

Worship will be recorded and posted on our website at BethanyAxtell.org.

First Presbyterian
406 A Avenue

Pastor Doodle Harris
Sunday, Mar. 8: Fellowship & Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship service, 10:30 a.m.

Keene Evangelical Free
662 F Road
308-743-2611

Matthew Snell, Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship service, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: Evening Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran, LCMC

104 E. Fifth St.

Craig Richardson, Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Donuts & Juice, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Messiah Practice, 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Mar. 11: Lent Supper, 6 p.m.; Worship, 7 p.m.

Campbell

St. Anne Catholic
Father Adam Sparling,
Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Mass, 8 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran
360 So. Stewart
(402) 756-8552

Greg Volsky, Vacancy Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school to follow

United Westminster Presbyterian Broad and Main Street

Mark A. Diehl, Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 10 a.m.

Funk

Fridhem Lutheran
401 Lake Street
Daren Pople,
Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Sunday School, 9:20 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Communion offered 1st & 3rd Sunday each month

Heartwell

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Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Holy Family Catholic Mission Parish
287 Jefferson Street

Father Evan Winter
Sunday, Mar. 8: Mass, 8:30 a.m.

Hildreth

Trinity Lutheran
502 Sanders Avenue
Caroline Schenk,
Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Holdrege

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

112 W 11th Ave
402-208-7277

Sunday, Mar. 8: Sacrament meeting, 10 a.m.

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Marcia Dorn, Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship service, 9 a.m.

Minden

Bethany Lutheran
437 E. Fourth St.

Don Hunzeker, Pastor
Julie Schmidt, Parish Ministry Associate

Thursday, Mar. 5: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m.
Saturday, Mar. 7: Walking, 8 a.m.

Sunday, Mar. 8: Contemporary Worship, 8:30 a.m.; Blended-Traditional Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Mar. 9: Church Council, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 10: Piece Corps Quilting, 1 p.m.; Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: Ruth Circle, 4:30 p.m.; Congregational Potluck Supper, 6 p.m.; Lenten Service, 6:45 p.m.

Thursday, Mar. 12: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m.; Miriam Circle, 9 a.m.

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Evangelical Free
1310 W. First St.

Tom Barnes, Lige Reed, Pastors

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Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Fellowship after worship services; Sunday School, 11 a.m.

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Fredericksburg Lutheran

616 33 Road
Julie Schmidt, Parish Ministry Associate

Don Hunzeker, Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Coffee 10:30 a.m.

Communion served 2nd Sunday each month

Saint John The Baptist Catholic
628 N. Garber

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Saturday, Mar. 7: Mass, 5:30 p.m., confessions before Mass

Sunday, Mar. 8: Mass, 10:30 a.m.; (in Spanish at 12:30 p.m.); confessions before Mass

St. Paul Lutheran
206 N. Colorado

Rev. William Zwick

Friday, Mar. 6: Breakfast & Prayer, 7 a.m.

Sunday, Mar. 8: Bible Study/ Sunday School, 9 a.m.; High School Youth, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 10: LWML Bible Study, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: Lent Supper, 5:30 p.m.; Lent Service, 6:30 p.m.; LLL meeting, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, Mar. 12: Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 13: Breakfast & Prayer, 7 a.m.

United Methodist
340 N. Newell Ave.

Kayla M. Mangrich, Pastor

Thursday, Mar. 5: Prayer Time, 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 10 a.m.; Confirmation, 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 11: Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Mar. 12: Prayer Time, 1:30 p.m.

Westminster United Presbyterian

109 N. Colorado

Sharon Rees, Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship/ Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Fellowship, 10:30

a.m. Communion 1st Sundays

Wednesday, Mar. 11: Fellowship Friends, 1:30 p.m.; Dinner & Devotions, 6 p.m.; Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Wilcox

St. John's Lutheran
102 S. Stockton St.

Kenton Birtell, Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion every other Sunday

United Methodist

203 S. Sapp St.

Candance Miller, Pastor

Sunday, Mar. 8: Worship, 9 a.m.

Communion 1st Sunday every month

Wilcox Community

106 W. Detroit St.

Craig Cedar, Pastor
Affiliated with

Evangelical Free Church of America

Sunday, Mar. 8: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.

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Obituaries

Lucas J. Nelson, 42 - Minden Resident



Lucas J. Nelson, 42, of Minden, passed away on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at Kearney County Health Services in Minden. Celebration of life services were held on Monday, March 2, 2026, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Minden with Rev. Donald Hunzeker and PMA Julie Schmidt. The service was streamed to the church's YouTube page. Private family interment was held prior to

the service at the Minden Cemetery. A memorial book signing was held on Sunday, March 1, 2026, at Craig Funeral Home in Minden. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Lucas' honor are kindly suggested to Minden Police Department, Minden Volunteer Fire Department, Bethany Lutheran Church, or Kearney County Health Services Foundation. Arrangements are under the care of Craig Funeral Home in Minden.

Lucas John Nelson was born in Minden to Roy Nelson and Karen (Schwartz) Nelson on November 13, 1983. He was baptized and confirmed at Bethany Lutheran Church in Minden, Nebraska. He attended Minden Public Schools and graduated in 2002.

In high school he participated in football, basketball, golf, and band. After high school he attended DeVry University in Denver, Colorado, and Naropa College in Boulder, Colorado. At Naropa he earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and a degree and license in yoga. Over the years Lucas had mastered playing the drums starting in high school. While at Naropa, he took several music classes in addition to those in his majors. He was requested to accompany many music majors presenting their final productions.

While living in Colorado, he worked at Abraxis Glass and Black's Glass, installing glass windows and doors, shower doors and creating stained glass windows. He also worked at Gibbs Bagels and Movie Gallery.

Lucas moved back to Minden in 2021 where he lived until the time of his death. While in Minden, he taught yoga at Zen Den and Life Force Yoga in Kearney and for a counseling service in Holdrege, Nebraska. He also moved back to help out his family's business. In addition, he volunteered at the SAFE Center in Grand Island, Nebraska.

He was a creative, sensitive, and spiritual person. He studied and read about many spiritual leaders. He enjoyed reading all sorts of nonfiction books and growing plants. He loved cooking, trying all sorts of new recipes and creating his own. He had a knack for picking out wonderful dogs and cats for pets. His last dog was a Shiba Inu named Lily who was his constant companion. He loved and adored his nieces and nephews, and they loved their Uncle Lucas, the Tickle Monster. They always wanted him to come and play. He was part of many trips to the Children's Museum in Kearney, the Big Apple Fun Center, the zoo, the park, and picking up the children from school. His family was important to him. He had a great sense of humor and was a kind and caring person.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents on both sides of the family, Jack and Jacqueline Schwartz and Runt (Ernest) and Marie Nelson; his uncle, Augie Nelson; aunt, Erna (Nelson) and uncle, Randy Horine; and cousin, Anthony Blum.

He leaves to mourn his parents Roy and Karen Nelson of Minden; brother, John Nelson and wife Erin Kenney of Houston, Texas, and their children Cameron Nelson, Elizabeth (Nelson) and Chase Powers of Dallas, Texas, and son William; and Graham Nelson of Seattle, Washington; sister, Kirsten (Nelson) and Nick Thom and their sons Maverick and Lucky and daughters Banks and Jameson of Minden; and a host of wonderful, supportive, loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

Tributes and memories can be shared with the family at www.craigfunerals.com.

Richard J. "Dick" Hove, 87



Richard J. "Dick" Hove passed away peacefully on December 28, 2025. He was 87 years old.

Born in Minden, NE, Dick lived most of his life in Nebraska. He was a practicing attorney in Kearney, Lexington, and Lincoln. He also retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army after over 20 years

of service in the Active Army, Nebraska National Guard, and the Army Reserve.

Dick was a loving husband to Sally and Sandy, a proud father to Andy, Scott and Chris, and an adoring grandfather to Drew, Ryan, Taylor, Morgan, Will, Jayden, and Jacob. He also cherished his one great-grandchild, Colt.

He is survived by Andy and Sherry Hove of Franklin, Michigan, Scott and Cheryl Hove of Omaha, Nebraska,

Shelly Blinde of Kearney, Nebraska, Drew Hove of Auburn Hills, Michigan, Ryan and Leila Hove of Omaha, Nebraska, Carson and Taylor Jaeger of Kearney, Nebraska, Morgan Hove of Omaha, Nebraska, Will Hove of Auburn Hills, Michigan, Jayden Hove of Kearney, Nebraska, Jacob Hove of Omaha, Nebraska and Colt Jaeger of Kearney, Nebraska.

A Celebration of Life event will be held Saturday, March 28, 2026, from 2-5p.m., at Roper & Sons South Lincoln Chapel, 3950 Hohensee Dr., Lincoln, NE. Prior private inurnment at Omaha National Cemetery. Memorials may be directed towards The Shriner's Hospital for Children. Roperandsons.com.

James Allen "Jac" Cantrell, 48 - Omaha Resident

James Allen "Jac" Cantrell II, 48, of Omaha NE, passed away on Dec. 11, 2025, after a long illness. Graveside services will be 2:00 pm, March 9, 2026, at Minden Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Gethsemane Lutheran Church (Omaha NE) in memory of Jac. Visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.



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For the Record

Kearney County District Court

Christine N. Jeremias, Kenesaw vs. Todd J. Jeremias, Kenesaw; dissolution of marriage, 2-17-26

Zachary T. Cole, Minden vs. Katrine M. Eilers, Omaha; protection order-harassment; judge denied, 2-17-26

Yukie Soto-Elliot Nashaia, Minden vs. Katrine M. Eilers, Omaha; protection order-harassment; judge denied, 2-17-26

Susuke Christian Soto Elliot, Zachary Cole, Yukie LN Soto Elliot, Minden vs. Katrine Eilers, Omaha; protection order-harassment, 2-23-26

Kearney County County Court

Quincy G. Ellis, Kearney, speeding 11-15 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Margritz, 2-5-26

Jeremy Johnson, Upland, leave accident-fail to furnish info-1st, fine \$300, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Seals, 10-16-25

Austin E. Samuelson, Kearney, COUNT I: disturbing the peace, fine 6 months probation; COUNT II: attempt of a class 2 misdemeanor, fine 6 months probation, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Ziola, 5-16-25

Seth N. McElhaney, Arapahoe, COUNT I: DUI-.08 blood-1st offense, fine \$500, 7 days jail, 1 day credit for time served, 6 months revoked license; COUNT II: obstruct a police officer, fine 7 days jail, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Seals, 5-24-25

Seth N. McElhaney, Culbertson, following too close, fine \$50, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Abbott, 5-7-25

Jose A. Caballero Bernudez, Kearney, speeding 36+ MPH County/State, fine \$400, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 1-18-26

Minden Fire & Rescue

2-12-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to E. 2nd Street for a personal illness.

2-15-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to Highway 10 for a vehicle rollover.

2-19-26—The Minden Fire & Rescue was dispatched to 1st Street in Bloomington for fire assistance.

2-20-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to N. Brown Avenue for a personal illness.

2-21-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to 1st Street for a fall.

2-22-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to R Road for an injury.

2-23-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched for a fall with injury.

2-24-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to N. Brown for an unresponsive patient with difficulty breathing.

2-24-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to E. 5th Street for a patient with dif-

ficulty breathing.

2-25-26—The Minden Fire & Rescue was dispatched to 27 & Q Road in Bloomington for a grass/field fire.

2-25-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to S. Nance Avenue for a possible stroke.

2-25-26—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to E. 1st Street to transport a patient from KCHS to Good Sam.

Axtell Fire & Rescue

2-15-26—The Axtell Emergency Unit was dispatched to D Avenue for a fall.

2-15-26—The Axtell Emergency Unit was dispatched to W. 4th Street to transport a patient with chest pains to meet a Good Sam Unit on Highway 44.

2-19-26—The Axtell Fire & Rescue was dispatched to 1st Street in Bloomington for assistance with a structure fire.

2-24-26—The Axtell Fire & Rescue was dispatched to Mosaic for a false alarm.

2-25-26—The Axtell Fire & Rescue was dispatched to 27 Road & Q Road in Franklin County for assistance with a grass fire.

Kearney County Sheriff

2-19-26, A vehicle driven by Kathy Perez-Castro, Shelton, was northbound on Highway 44 when a southbound black 4 door Impala appeared to hit a slick spot and side swiped Perez-Castro before regaining control and continued southbound. Estimated damage, Perez-Castro: \$10,000. Estimated damage, Unknown Driver: \$10,000.

2-17-26, A vehicle driven by Benjamin A. Crackel, Kearney, facing south was stopped at the intersection of Highway 44 & W Road waiting on northbound traffic so as to make an eastbound turn. A vehicle driven by Hallie L. Olson, Holdrege, also southbound, looked away from the road & then was alerted by their vehicle of the impending collision. Crackel pulled off to the shoulder while Olson came to rest in the southwest ditch. Estimated damage, Crackel: \$3,000. Estimated damage, Olson: \$5,000.

2-19-26, A vehicle driven by Rene L. Engel, Holdrege, was eastbound on Highway 6 when it began to slow to turn north onto Highway 44. Due to weather conditions, Engel slid into the south ditch striking a road sign and coming to rest in the ditch. Estimated damage: \$2,500.

2-20-26, A vehicle driven by Isabel Ann Menagh, Kearney, was traveling northbound on 31 Road, preparing to turn west onto South Shore Drive in the Summer Haven Subdivision when a deer struck the driver's side door. Estimated damage: \$1,000.

Legal Notices

NOTICE NOTICE OF MEETING AXTELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Board of Education of School District 50-0501 of Kearney County, Nebraska, a.k.a. Axtell Community School, will be held on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., in the Axtell Community School Library, which meeting will be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Office of the Superintendent. Please email Rob Gregory, superintendent, with questions: rob.gregory@axtellwildcats.org..

Linda Almquist,
Secretary

Mar 5, 2026
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NOTICE MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Minden Public Schools, a.k.a. Kearney County School District No. 50-0503, will be held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the Minden High School Media Center. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Office of the Superintendent.

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NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF BARBARA K. LYNN, DECEASED ESTATE NO. PR 26-7

Notice is hereby given that on February 26, 2026, in the County Court of Kearney County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Denise K. Rich, whose address is 1102 P Rd., Minden, NE 68959, 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 May 26, 2026, or be forever barred.

/s/Laura B. Tobiassen
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there has been organized under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act, the following-named limited liability

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Dated: February 24, 2026
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By/s/ Andrew S. Olson
Andrew S. Olson, Bar No.
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Dated: February 4, 2026.

Darcy W. Huffman,
Organizer

Dillon M. Noel, Organizer
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Bahensky, L.L.P.,

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Unit of dry measure
5. One who defies authority
8. Social media giant
12. Render holy
14. "Much ___ about nothing"
15. Computer manufacturer
16. Creed
18. Immoral act
19. Mountain pass
20. Winged nut
21. Don't know when yet
22. Elected officials
23. Corrupt tendencies
26. Popular adult beverage
30. Made a mistake
31. Morally correct
32. Type of whale
33. Portable conical tent
34. Native people of the Congo
39. More (Spanish)
42. Classroom implementations
44. Cognizant of
46. One who tells
47. Free from bondage
49. Thick piece of something
50. Containing two adjacent nitrogen atoms
51. Removed from the record
56. Legendary singer Turner
57. Broke up the earth
58. Hunting expedition
59. Contributes
60. Unit of work or energy
61. Wreckage on the seabed
62. Affirmative! (slang)
63. Witness
64. Scrape (Archaic)

CLUES DOWN

1. "___ and flows"
2. Humble request for help
3. A position of leadership
4. Continent
5. Adherent of a particu-

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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6. Things that can be eaten
7. Self-governing Netherlands territory
8. Long-tailed crow
9. Repeated
10. Bluish greens
11. Humanities
13. Someone who serves in the armed forces
17. Labor (Spanish)
24. Zero
25. Shared by involving

three parties

26. Queens ballplayer
27. Consumed
28. Rest here please
29. Men's fashion accessory
35. American time
36. Sound unit
37. They ___
38. Soviet Socialist Republic
40. Places to play video games
41. A sudden attack of

illness

42. When you hope to arrive
43. Charges
44. Actress Seyfried
45. A tributary of the Ohio River
47. Omit when speaking
48. Armored fish
49. Remain
52. From a distance
53. Adventure story
54. Geological times
55. Eat dinner

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