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# MHS One Act Inspiring Imagination and Hope with 'The Amazing Angel-Man'

CINDY RAMSEY

The Minden Play Production team will begin its competition season on November 3 at the Ord Festival. This year the Whippets will share a message about the strength of imagination and the importance of family bonds with their performance of "The Amazing Angel-Man" by Julian Felice.

James, a young boy, suffers from Angelman Syndrome. This neurodevelopmental disorder causes problems with speech and mobility forcing him to spend his life in a wheelchair. The story shifts from James' imagination where he dreams of being a superhero called "The Amazing Angel-Man" to the real world, where the realities of his condition have a serious impact on his family, particularly his father. As the play progresses, these two separate worlds start to overlap, leading to an uplifting resolution that upholds the values of hope and imagination.

The play was inspired by the real-life story of a young boy who suffers from Angelman Syndrome. This syndrome affects males, females, and all racial/ethnic groups equally.

Starring in the play's 'reality' and 'imagination' are Frank Kovacs as James and The Amazing Angel-Man, Carson Wright as John (his father), Arabella Reed as Tina (his mother), Hallie Hartman as Lynette (his sister), Emory Porter as Nell (his imaginary friend), Hallee Schoone as Michelle (his caretaker), Autumn Johnson as woman in danger saved by the Amazing Angel-Man, Alexa Warner as Dr. Vincent (pediatrician), Bailey Alkire as Dr. De'ath (specialist), Ashlyn Kernick as Chelsea (game show contestant), Miles Heath as Stevie (game show contestant), Chloe Osborn as Natasha (game show contestant), Dayne Porter as Pettak (Grand King of the Trintons), Isabelle Martin as Louise (John's colleague), and Jonathan Althouse as Doctor (surgeon in hospital).



The Minden Play Production team will begin its competition season on November 3. This year's play, 'The Amazing Angel-Man' explores the power of imagination and family bonds in the face of adversity. Pictured: James, The Amazing Angel-Man (Frank Kovacs) reaches to save his father (Carson Wright) during a rehearsal. (Courier photo by Cindy Ramsey)

## Weather Forecast

Oct. 3	B1: 54/	/27 🚜
Nov.	1: 51/	38
Nov.	2: 64/	'39 <del>*</del>
Nov.	3: 57/	/35 🌞
Nov.	4: 55/	39 🌞
Nov.	5: 59/	40 🌞
Nov.	6: 58/	<b>39</b> **



**Daylight Savings Ends November 2** 



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## **Letters to the Editor**

I was recently reading a brochure of the new proposed elementary school bond. I am not saying either way on a new school, but question some of the statements made on the bond.

The statement made that the 30% state tax credit is LB 1107. In 2024, LB 1107 was ended in a sunset clause by Nebraska Legislature. There is still the 30% tax credit but it comes from LB 34, not LB 1107.

No tax increase as stated in the brochure I question. If the mill levy stays the same as stated, your taxes will go up. Why? Because the valuations of real estate in the county has gone up.

Example: an irrigated quarter of farm ground in the school district is \$798,000 is now in 2025 valued at \$920,610. If the present mill levy stays the sames as stated, your taxes will be \$819.00 higher than the previous year. Also, the present high school bond will be higher also by about \$200.00. This will make basically \$1,000 more in new taxes for a quarter of farm ground.

A house in the city of Minden saw an average increase of 12%. If you had a house valued at \$218,210 in 2024, it is now \$244,395. Under the school bond plan you will pay \$204.00 more in 2025. Thirty-one dollars of this is for the present high school bond.

Bottom line is your taxes are going up.

David Nelson



With rising grocery prices, here is some Food for Thought:

Public opinion is stranger than the (legislature) and nearly as strong as the ten commandments. - Charles Dudley Warner

Collecting more taxes than is absolutely necessary is legalized robbery. - Calvin Coolidge

Taxation without representation is void. - attributed to James Otis

High taxes is the road to ruin. - Chris Christis

In levying taxes and sheering sheep, it is well to stop when you get down to the skin. - Austin O'Mally

Instead of raising taxes as some would insist we need to reduce waste and inefficiency. - Tim Murphey

It is no more immoral to directly rob citizens than to skip indirect taxes into the price of goods that they cannot do without. - Albert Camus

People try to live within their means so they can afford to pay taxes to a government that can't live within its income. - Robert Half

We can't do without taxes, but would like to have good ones. - Charles Adams

You don't pay taxes, they take taxes. - Chris Rock And some for enlightenment!

The only prize much cared for by the powerful is power. - Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes

When A annoys or injures B on the pretext of improving B, A is a scoundrel. - H.L. Mencken

It is regretted that the (rich and) powerful too often



bend the acts of government to their selfish purpose. -Andrew Jackson

Democracy is the recurrent suspicion that more than half the people are right more than half the time. - E.B. White

Democracy's real test lies in the respect for minority opinion. - Ellery Sedgwick

There are certain persons for whom pure truth is poison. - Andre Maurois

When a man assumes a public trust, he should consider himself a public property. - Thomas Jefferson

Nothing in life is more lamented than a wise man should have so little influence. - Herodotus

Whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends (life, liberty, pursuit of happiness), it is the right of the people to abolish it. - Aristotle

When bad men combine, the good must associate. - Edmund Burke

All that in necessary for evil to prevail is for good men to do nothing. - attributed to Edmund Burke

Democracies are most often corrupted by the insolence of demagogues. - Aristotle

Democracy is on trial in the world on a more colossal scale than ever before. - Chas. Fletcher Dole 1845-1927

Arise or be forever fallen. - Milton

Complacency never made change for the better.

Glenda Blauch

## Weather Recap

Date	High	Low	Precip.
10/18/25	57	46	-
10/19/25	64	36	-
10/20/25	59	42	-
10/21/25	60	41	-
10/22/25	62	41	-
10/23/25	57	39	-
10/24/25	53	51	-
Total Week Precip.			0.00

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## **News Briefs**

## **Paws Up Kearney County**

Paws Up Kearney County has several upcoming events. Holiday Pet Photos will be taken on Sunday, November 9 from 1-5pm at the Lempka Home. \$25 donation suggestion for session. Pets must be on a leash or in a carrier when coming and going to avoid any confrontation with other pets. Call or text Jane for your reservation time.

A 'Pugtato' Bar fundraiser will be held on Sunday, December 14 from 5-7pm at The Windmill, 521 N. Colorado Ave. before the Light of the World pageant. This event will feature a potato bar with all the fixings, desserts, and drinks (to go containers available). Free will donation, cash bar. Enjoy a hot meal and a cool pageant while supporting a great cause.

## **Christmas City 5K Run/Walk & Little Elf Run**

The Minden Chamber of Commerce will host the 15th annual Christmas City 5K Run/ Walk & Little Elf Run on Saturday, November 29. Registration begins at 8:30am, Little Elf 1/2 Mile starts at 9am, and the 5K starts at 9:30am all at Westminster United Presbyterian Church, 109 N. Colorado Avenue.

A t-shirt will be provided to all 5K participants who pre-register by November 1. Registration is \$20 per entry for the 5K and free for the Little Elf Run. Registration forms can be found at the Chamber office and www.mindenne.org on the event page.

Costumes are encouraged. Celebrate the race with pancakes during the Minden Rotary Pancake Feed at the church the same morning.

Halloween Candy Crawl
The Minden Chamber of Commerce will host a Halloween Candy Crawl around the square on Friday, October 31 beginning at 2:30pm. Kids are invited to come dressed up in their Halloween costumes to take part. Participants can start on any of the four corners of the square and walk by businesses to get candy and treats. Parents are asked to please accompany their children. Be sure to bring bags for candy and treats!

## Murder Mystery Dinner The Minden FFA Alumni and Minden Chamber are partnering to host a Christmas City

Murder Mystery Dinner fundraiser to support the Minden FFA chapter on Saturday, November 15 at the Minden Opera House. The event begins with a social hour starting at 5pm followed by dinner at 6pm and the program beginning at 6:30pm. Tickets are available now \$40 per person or \$300 for a table of 8. Tickets can be purchased at mindenoperahouse.com.

## **WIC Clinic Dates**

To enroll for WIC visit signupwic.com. A screening over the phone is completed before attending your appointment. In person WIC clinics in Kearney County will be held at United Methodist Church in Minden, 340 N. Newell on Monday, November 10 and Monday, December 8.

## Poll the Vote

Kearney County wants your opinion! The courthouse dome needs repairs. Please fol-

low the links below to complete a survey to tell us your feeling on the matter. Visit https://tinyurl.com/SaveChristmasCity or scan the OR code. You do not need to create an account to take the survey. Simply click "Poll Pass" which is a temporary guest pass to PolltheVote.com.

Paper copies are also available at the courthouse, Jensen Memorial Library, Axtell Village Office, Wilcox Village Office and City Minden Office.

Poll open October 15 - November 15.



MHS Industrial Arts teacher Bob Carlson was honored with a bench dedication during halftime of the home football game against Cozad on October 24. The bench reads, "THANK YOU MR. CARLSON FOR PUTTING US FIRST FROM THOSE YOU TAUGHT AND INSPIRED." (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)





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Adding depth, clarity, and color to the performance are several ensemble cast members. Car crash ensemble: Elizabeth Hunt (captain), Benezith Alarcon, Kaylie Lawless, Hope Mason, Abby Reith, Steven Rhodes, Trystan Sharkey, Chad Teel, and Autumn Johnson. Game show audience ensemble: Vlad Adams, Kierra Antillon, Brooke Carr, Anila Cortez, Shelby Nelson, Traven Duda-Crites, Natali Uribe, Christina Trine, Zoey Randel, and Alyxis Ellebrecht. Trintons ensemble: Tessa Morey, Grace Hansen, Tylie Struss, Gage Thull, Hali Knott, and Addyson Meyer.

A large crew of students works behind the scenes to help tell the story. Crew: Patrick Clark (Captain), Kaden Bock, Devin Choquette, Matthew Dixson, Wyatt Johnson, Samuel Martin, Reed Morlang, Casey Nelson, Dalton Pasbrig, Isaac Reed, Sage Saunders, Steel Saunders, Jack Scheibel, Christian Sorensen, and Elijah Warner. Light crew: Samuel Tunnell (Captain), Jocelyn Zerr, Luz Lopez, Samantha Miller, and Zoey Calderon. Makeup/hair/costumes/props crew: Alejandra Gonzalez (Captain), Madisen Mulroney, Brooklyn Workman, Izabella Tira, Mia Tira, Lilian Gruber, Victoria Hansen, Jocelin Iniguez, Ava Fickler, Katherine Marshall, and Myah Casillas. Sound crew: Sawyer Grotrian and Aly Cederburg. Publicity crew: Brielle Boudreau, Jolie Buechler, and Jade Melroy.

Providing guidance are directors Jeffrey Horner, Jeremiah Holmes, Savannah Brandt, and Markus Ramsey. The director's assistant crew consists of captain Danica Schoone and Margot Dimond.

The 2025 MHS Play Production schedule includes performances at the Ord Play Production Festival on November 3 (noon performance), Public Performance at MHS on November 11 beginning at 7:30 p.m. (free admission), the 9th annual Minden Play Production Rumble November 21-22 at the MHS Auditorium beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Friday and 8:00 a.m. on Saturday (Minden performs Saturday around 6:15 p.m. Admission is charged), Southwest Conference in Cozad on November 24, and District Play Production at Minden High School on December 3. Depending on results from the



District competition, the team could be performing at the Class B State competition in Norfolk on December 12.

The public is welcome to attend performances. Admission will be charged during competition performances.





The Minden High School Play Production team is preparing for its competition season rehearsing scenes from "The Amazing Angel-Man" by Julian Felce. The play was inspired by the real-life story of a young boy who suffers from Angelman Syndrome. The public is invited to watch the inspiring show during a free public performance on November 11 at 7:30pm in the MHS Auditorium. (Courier photos by Cindy Ramsey)

## Minden Courier Football Contest Winners Week 9

ROGER HANSEN

Week 9 of the Courier Football Contest found three entries with two misses each so the tie-breaker determined the top two and one that just missed out. All three picked Kansas over KSU (KSU won) and each had a different miss for their second errant pick.

Cray Stubbs of Minden surfaced as the \$25 winner. His tie-breaker guess was 47 (actual points-49, Nebraska 28-Northwestern 21).

Runner-up kudos (and \$15) goes to Pat Duntz of Minden. He predicted 44 points.

Left out the the money stakes was Corey Ziola of Minden. He speculated 41. Five other entrants had three misses.

Most missed games were Ole Miss over Oklahoma, Texas A& M over LSU, BYU over lowa State and Rutgers over Purdue.

The \$100 perfect entry (all perfect entries throughout the season are thrown into a hat with one lucky one drawn out) is still looming. So far, just one perfect entry through nine weeks. A few more weeks remain in the contest.

# City Council Rescinds Condemnation Order

CINDY RAMSEY

Minden Public Schools Superintendent Jim Widdifield and East Elementary Principal Sandy Pohl presented information about the proposed new elementary school project during the October 20 regular meeting of the Minden City Council. The purpose of this presentation was to provide the council with information to share with the community.

Pohl explained the project is needed to address issues including space, safety, and security. Widdifield explained new financing options available will utilize state funds resulting from tax credits. Additionally, if the proposed bond is approved by the community, it will result in a lower interest rate for the project ultimately lowering the total cost. Widdifield also shared that the district has spent approximately \$500,000 on repairs at East Elementary in the past two years. All future repairs and improvements to the current building will be million dollar fixes. The presentation concluded with Widdifield telling the council the new elementary school will have a ripple effect of benefits to the community.

Councilwoman Teresa Sumstine shared her opinion on the proposed project. She stated voting for the new school is voting to receive more bang for your buck. Sumstine explained taxpayers will be paying the taxes no matter what, but a yes vote will secure a lower interest rate and less time for the project to be paid. Widdifield encouraged anyone with questions regarding the project to reach out.

Moving onto action items, the council addressed ordi-

nances relating to the National Flood Insurance program. FEMA notified the City that a new flood hazard determination has been made for Kearney County effective in 2026. City ordinances must be updated to remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance program. The changes made are minor. The council approved Ordinance 1309 for participation in the National Flood Insurance program. The three readings were waived and the ordinance was adopted by title. Ordinance 1310 adopting and enacting a new code for participating in the National Flood Insurance program was also approved. The three readings were waived and the ordinance was adopted by title.

A status review of the order of condemnation for the property at 1348 N. Colorado Avenue was the final agenda item. Property owner Peg Hickman and her contractor, John Malcom, had addressed the council on this matter during public comment. Malcom informed the council the house has been torn down and requested instruction on what must be done to move forward so they can pour footings for the new house. Hickman told the council she has been working on the land as much as she can and would like to get her new house on the property. The contractors are helping to clear the property and want to pour the concrete as soon as possible so it has time to set.

The order of condemnation expired on October 6 leaving the council the option to rescind the order, rescind the order and issue a new order of condemnation, or

move forward with the current order of condemnation. A motion by Dave Bunger to rescind the order of condemnation was seconded by Sumstine.

Before voting, Bunger clarified the City can issue a nuisance order on the property if necessary. Sumstine stated there has been a lot of work completed at the property and Hickman wants to get settled before cold weather comes in. She continued that good faith has been shown on Hickman's part during this process and she believes there should be good faith now on the City's part. Having a place to go with water to clean up will help make the process of clearing the property easier to complete.

The order of condemnation was rescinded by a 3-1 vote with only Yant voting opposed.

In other business the council: Approved October 6 minutes. Approved bills and claims. Approved cafeteria plan reimbursements. Accepted excused absence of Mayor Larry Evans. Approved special designated liquor license for Hi-Way Liquor at Anderson Jewelry Store for Ladies Night on 11-14-25 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Approved September 2025 treasury report. Approved September 2025 budget report. Approved Ordinance 1306 authorizing the issuance and sale of bond anticipation notes not to exceed \$700,000 third reading. Approved letter of agreement amendment #1 with Olsson Associates for the engineering services for the K Road and 26 Road paving project not to exceed \$32,950.

# Resident Requests County Road Upgrade

CINDY RAMSEY

A resident looking at purchasing land to build a house spoke to the Kearney County Board of Commissioners about the process to put in a road to the property during the October 21 regular meeting.

Steve Wolfe would like to build a house on 21 Road a half mile south of V Road. Zoning regulations require homes to be built on a road that meets local road standards and 21 Road is currently only minimum maintenance in that location. Wolfe was informed his choices are to secure easements to install a half mile driveway from V Road to his property or file to have 21 Road upgraded to local road standards added to the County's One & Six Year Road Plan.

Two public hearings scheduled to take place during the meeting have been rescheduled for the November 18 meeting. Notices for the hearings failed to identify Ft. Kearny Consolidated as the applicant. The notices will be corrected and published again with the necessary information before the hearings are held.

The County has two asphalt overlay projects slated to take place during this budget year. Approximately two and a half miles between 40 Road by Keene and Q Road entering Heartwell make up the budgeted paving projects. The board approved a service

agreement with Oak Creek Engineering for engineering services of the projects.

The board determined application deadlines and a date for interviews in order to begin advertising the Clerk of District Court position. Applications will be due by 5p.m. on November 14 with interviews to take place at 1 p.m. on November 18.

An offer to paint lines at the fairgrounds parking lot was rejected by the board. The County paid for the painting of no parking and handicap spaces. The offer will be turned over to the Fair Board for them to decide if they would like to accept the offer.

In other business the board: Approved October 7 minutes. Approved bills and claims. Approved WJE Consulting three year cost allocation plan. Approved resolution for solar farm, wind turbine, and nuclear energy moratorium.



# High School Students of the Month



## **AXTELL**

Name: Madison Wells Grade: Senior

**Achievements:** Maddie is FBLA president, been a class officer for 3 years, involved in 3 sports during the school year, consistently on the Honor Roll, member of the National Honor Society, and a member of the Axtell Sportsmanship/Leadership Committee.

What attributes does the student have that helped her achieve success: Maddie is driven, reliable, and always has a positive attitude. She does a great job leading her fellow FBLA members and making sure everyone does their part.

**Future Plans:** Attend CCC to obtain a nursing Degree, then go to UNMC for their two-year program.



## WILCOX-HILDRETH

Name: Cheyenne Lieb Grade: Senior

**Achievements:** Cheyenne has been a very active member of FBLA each year of her high school career as well as in junior high. As an active member she takes on the leadership role in many chapter activities, and without her, these projects wouldn't get done or see the success they see. In high school, Cheyenne led Go Green initiatives for our school, helped raise money for important causes such as the March of Dimes and the FBLA Foundation. In addition, collecting food for our local food pantry has been a huge passion of hers. She is always the one there to get the food counted, haul it, sort it and get it to those who need it most. Cheyenne puts others and her community first, and she succeeds in all areas of her life from the clubs she is involved in to academics and sports as well.

**Challenges Overcome:** This is an FBLA member and student that doesn't let anything stand in her way of seeing the positives in life, showing joy to those around her, and being an example to her classmates and the younger members and classes in our school community

**Attributes:** Cheyenne is one of those students active in all sports and many school activities and even with her involvement she knows how to communicate and dedicate her time wisely to each activity she is a part of. She is one who doesn't need a title to lead, she leads by example and that is why I know she will be doing amazing things post high school no matter what she puts her passions towards. All of those in her presence will be better because of her. **Future Plans:** Cheyenne plans to attend CCC in Hastings and major

in their dental hygiene program to become a dental hygienist.

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## MINDEN

Name: Carson Wright

**Grade:** Senior

Achievements: Placed 4th in Management Information Systems at State FBLA as a sophomore, qualifying him for the National Leadership Conference. Honorable Mention in Spreadsheet Applications at State FBLA as a sophomore. Placed 2nd in Management Information Systems at State FBLA as a junior, qualifying him for the National Leadership Conference. Placed 5th in Network Design at State FBLA as a junior. Placed 5th in Insurance & Risk Management at State FBLA as a junior. Placed 6th in Management at State FBLA as a junior. Honorable Mention in Banking & Financial Systems at State FBLA as a junior. Serves as president of our Minden FBLA chapter.

Attributes that helped him achieve success: While I think Carson has many attributes that lead to his success, I believe it is his ability to devise a plan and his work ethic towards achieving that plan that has made him so successful. In addition to that, he is wise beyond his years. He has the maturity level, understanding, and insight that you don't often see from students his age.

**Future Plans:** Carson plans to study either Construction Engineering or Construction Management in college. He will be attending one of the University of Nebraska colleges, but is still undecided as to which one he will attend.

"It's fun to watch students grow throughout their time in high school. It's been fun to watch Carson grow from the time he was a freshman within FBLA to where he is now as a senior. He's one of those kids that you just know is going to be successful after high school no matter what he decides to do!" – FBLA Advisor Luke Grossnicklaus







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## **Calendars and Menus**

#### Minden Public Schools

#### **MENUS:**

All breakfast includes fruit or vegetable and milk. All lunch includes fruit and vegetable bar and milk.

Friday, Oct. 31: BREAKFAST: Long John; LUNCH:Cheeseburger, chips

Monday, Nov. 3: BREAKFAST: Pancakes, sausage; LUNCH: Sub sandwich bar

Tuesday, Nov. 4: BREAKFAST: Apple donut bites; LUNCH: Hard or soft beef taco

Wednesday, Nov. 5: BREAKFAST: Breakfast burrito; LUNCH: Chicken nuggets, Mac & cheese

Thursday, Nov. 6: BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs, cereal; LUNCH: Pork rib patty on a bun

Friday, Nov. 7: BREAKFAST: Muffins, hard boiled egg; LUNCH: Chili, cinnamon roll

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#### **ACTIVITIES:**

Friday, Oct. 31: FFA National Convention

Saturday, Nov. 1: FFA National Convention; VB District **Finals** 

Monday, Nov. 3: One Act Play Festival

Wednesday, Nov. 5: State VB

Thursday, Nov. 6: State VB; 7th Girls BB vs. Wood River, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7: ACT Registration Deadline for December test; FFA Pathway to Careers Conference; State VB

## **Axtell Community School**

#### **ACTIVITIES:**

Saturday, Nov. 1: PP @ D-1 District Contest, 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3: NO SCHOOL FALL BREAK; One Act PP @ Axtell Triangular, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 4: Elementary QB @ Southern Valley, 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6: QB, 9 a.m.

Friday, Nov.7: Pathways to Careers Conference-High School only

## Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools

#### **MENUS:**

Milk, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fresh fruit and vegetable bar and yogurt served daily plus many more new breakfast and lunch items.

Friday, Oct. 31: BREAKFAST: Funnel cakes; LUNCH: Mandarin orange chicken

Monday, Nov. 3: BREAKFAST: Egg bites; LUNCH: Hot dogs Tuesday, Nov. 4: BREAKFAST: Breakfast nuggets; LUNCH: Goulash

Wednesday, Nov. 5: BREAKFAST: Banana bread; LUNCH:

Corn dogs

Thursday, Nov. 6: BREAKFAST: Breakfast round; LUNCH: Nacho day

Friday, Nov. 7: BREAKFAST: Breakfast bagel; LUNCH: Fried chicken legs

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#### **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday, Nov. 3: FFA Officer meeting, 11:40 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 4: 7-12 Team meeting, 7:45 a.m.; Student Council meeting, 11:40 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 5: FFA Chapter meeting, 7:30 a.m.; National Honor Society meeting, 11:40 a.m.; MTSS-A, 3:50

Thursday, Nov. 6: PK-6 Team meeting, 7:45 a.m.; Veteran's Day Program Practice, 8:30 a.m.; FCA meeting, 11:40 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7: FFA P2C & AG ED Symposium; Veteran's Day Program Practice, 8:30 a.m.; FBLA Officer meeting, 12 p.m.; District Special Education meeting, 2:45 p.m.

## **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, Nov. 3: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy,

## corn, dinner roll, fruit & dessert

Tuesday, Nov. 4: Baked steak, baked potatoes, carrots, dinner roll & fruit

Wednesday, Nov. 5: Soup, sandwich, fruit & dessert Thursday, Nov. 6: Meatloaf, cheesy mashed, beets, muffin & fruit

Friday, Nov. 7: Tuna & noodles, peas, bread, fruit & des-

## **RYDE Transportation For All Ages**

RYDE Transit offers public transportation for all residents of Minden and Kearney County, Monday thru Friday -8:00am to 5:00pm. Service is available to Minden and all of Kearney County, and out of town trips to Kearney, Holdrege, Hastings, and Grand Island. Please call at least 24 hours in advance for a ride.

RYDE Transit provides transportation for medical care, therapy, education, jobs, and shopping for individuals of all ages.

Call 308.832.2139 to schedule your ride. Public Transportation is easy to ride, and open to everyone.





## For the week ending October 25, 2025.

Nebraska Weekly Grain Prices, Omaha-Council Bluffs US No. 2 Yellow Corn: \$3.95-\$4.03

US No. 1 Soybeans \$9.61-\$9.72

Steers - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt./Actual Wt.)

Weight Range - 550-599; Avg. Weight - 577; Price

Range - \$420-\$516; Average Price - \$458.14

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Weight Range - 550-599; Avg. Weight - 573; Price

Range - \$387-\$485; Average Price - \$412.10

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## Do You Remember

## Eighty Years Ago — 1945

The Minden Whippets were Tri-Valley champions after defeating Gibbon 7-0. Richard Kosch spearheaded the only touchdown of the game when he covered the last four yards in the early minutes of the second quarter. Dick Etzelmiller kicked the extra point.

Preparations were underway to again light the Kearney County courthouse dome during the Christmas season. The lights had not been lighted since December, 1941, when Pearl Harbor was attacked which plunged the nation into war.

Dr. Lyle E. Mantor, professor at Kearney State Teachers College, spoke on "Highlights of Old Fort Kearny" at the annual meeting of the Kearney County Historical Society."

## Seventy Years Ago — 1955

The selection and care of small appliances was the subject studied by the New Idea Club meeting at the home of Mrs. Clarence Jameson.

Mrs. Siegel Garrett and Mrs. Roy Youngson entertained at a birthday party honoring their mother, Mrs. Arthur Youngson, on her 75th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stadler were honored in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house at the St. Paul Lutheran Church.

## Sixty Years Ago — 1965

Evelyn Petersen, employee of the local telephone office, was honored by co-workers at a tea for 40 years of service.

The Mariners of Westminster United Presbyterian Church elected LaVern and Shirley Holsten, skippers; Tom and Betty Madsen, first mates; Larry and Georganne Erwin, log keepers; and Dale and Frances Grenseman, pursers.

Wilcox Eagles Bob Swanson and Ken Meyers helped in

turning a 7-7 halftime deadlock into a 40-13 romp over Amherst.

## Fifty Years Ago — 1975

Minden High School's 1975 yearbook, "The Whippet," placed second in State Class B competition sponsored by the Nebraska High School Press Association.

The Burlington Northern train had a minor derailment four miles east of Minden. Three cars filled with corn were derailed with no injuries to the four-man crew.

Beulah Silvrants was the second \$50 Bank Night winner. Winners were required to be in one of the participating stores when the drawing took place. Silvrants was in the Ben Franklin Store and \$5 winner Roy Brown was at Vaughn's Men Shop.

## Forty Years Ago — 1985

Kevin Jameson, son of Gary and Joyce Jameson, and Sarah Norton, daughter of Robert and Dee Norton, were crowned Homecoming king and queen.

Hildreth's fifth graders, in their search for information regarding basketball in Hildreth, interviewed Halsey and Etta Glenn. The session also helped the students with their note taking and interviewing skills.

Named to the all-tournament volleyball team of the Fort Kearny Conference were Shawna Guthrie and Jill Bergstrom of Wilcox and Karin Rief and Kristin Knudson of Axtell.

## Thirty Years Ago — 1995

The Minden Volunteer Fire Department battled a blaze that destroyed a shop building and threatened a grain bin on the George Smidt farm.

Beau Keiser of Hildreth was awarded third place in the K-3 division of the State School Bus Safety Poster Contest sponsored by the School Transportation Association.

The Minden seventh grade football team finished the season with a perfect record. They ended the season with a shutout over the previously undefeated Broken Bow Indians, 10-6.

## Twenty Years Ago — 2005

Minden Whippet Alvaro Sanabria earned his first ever state medal during the boys Class C state cross country meet. Sanabria placed ninth in the competition.

Minden Community Players performed the Neil Simon play "Rumors" at the Minden Opera House.

Former Hildreth pastor Michael Clark returned to Hildreth to give his presentation, "The Reality of Evil in the World," at Trinity Lutheran Church. Clark is a pastor in Wichita, Kan. where the BTK serial killer Dennis Rader was a member of his congregation.

## Stay in the Loop



**2015** — The Minden Chamber Ambassadors sold insurance to residents to keep this courthouse replica off their yard as a fundraiser to assist the Century of Lights committee in funding the many activities scheduled for the holiday. This was the replica's last hurrah as it was retired from parade duty.

## Ten Years Ago — 2015

The Minden boys' cross country team capped off an excellent season by earning the Class 'C' runner-up trophy at the state meet in Kearney. The Whippets were within two points of a state championship as Milford won their fourth consecutive title edging Minden 61-63.

The Axtell Community Schools officially held its track dedication and ribbon cutting before the Wildcats home football contest against Elm Creek. Marking the official open to the track were: Axtell cheerleader Ashley Snell, Axtell Board Members Ty Fickenscher, Josh Cederburg and Jon Abrahamson, Superintendent Steve Wickham, Board Members Sara Wells and Linda Almquist, Dan Rosenthal the engineer on the project and president of REGA Engineering of Lincoln and Axtell cheerleader Zoe Dahlgren.

While helping out at Epworth Village in York, a group of United Methodist Church of Minden members learned about a new campaign to raise money for a music program at Epworth Village. Businesses pledge money for each origami crane folded by clients, staff, family, and volunteers. Members of the United Methodist Church in Minden folded the cranes from June to September and presented the 1220 total cranes made to Epworth Village in October.

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Paper copies of the survey are available at the Kearney County Courthouse, Jensen Memorial Library, and city/village offices.

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## **Church Directory**

## Axtell

**Bethany Lutheran** 903 25 Road BethanvAxtell.org (308) 743-2597 Marcia Dorn, Pastor

Sunday, Nov. 2: 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 BethanvAxtell.org.

## First Presbyterian 406 A Avenue

Sunday, Nov. 2: 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, Nov. 2: Worship service, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.: Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5: Evening Bible Study, 7 p.m.

## Trinity Lutheran, LCMC 104 E. Fifth St. Craig Richardson, **Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Donuts/ Juice & Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.: Worship/Communion, 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3: Men's Bible Study, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5: High School Supper/Fellowship, 6 p.m.

## Campbell St. Anne Catholic Father Adam Sparling, **Pastor**

Saturday, Nov. 1: Mass, 5 Sunday, Nov. 2: Mass, 8 **Trinity Lutheran** 360 So. Stewart (402) 756-8552 **Greg Volsky**, **Vacancy Pastor** 

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school to follow

**United Westminster** Presbyterian **Broad and Main** Street

Mark A. Diehl, Pastor Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 10 a.m.

## **Funk** Fridhem Lutheran **401 Lake Street** Daren Popple, **Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Sunday School, 9:20 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Communion offered 1st & 3rd Sunday each month

## Heartwell **God's Lighthouse, Full** Gospel

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 10:30 a.m.

**Holy Family Catholic Mission Parish** 287 Jefferson Street **Father Evan Winter** 

Sunday, Nov. 2: Mass, 8:30 a.m.

## Hildreth **Trinity Lutheran 502 Sanders Avenue** Caroline Schenk, **Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: 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, Nov. 2: Sacrament meeting, 10 a.m.

To schedule an appointment with the missionaries for either a gospel lesson and/or for any other service call or text (402) 452-1992

Visitors welcome

## Macon

Zion Lutheran Located 1 mile west of Macon, 1503 31st Road, (Franklin) Marcia Dorn, Pastor Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship service, 9 a.m.

## Minden **Bethany Lutheran**

437 E. Fourth St. Don Hunzeker, Pastor Julie Schmidt, Parish **Ministry Associate** 

Thursday, Oct. 30: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1: Walking, 8 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 2: Contemporary Worship, 8:30 a.m.; Blended-Traditional Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Holy Communion at both services; LWR Quilt Display

Tuesday, Nov. 4: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Wednesday.Nov. 5: Church Club, 5 p.m.; Wednesdav Night Supper, 6 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. Stav connected with our website, Bethanyminden. org

## **Evangelical Free** 1310 W. First St. Tom Barnes, Lige Reed, Pastors

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.

## First Christian Church **Disciples of Christ** 444 N. Brown Ave. Come grow with us! Call (308) 832-2693

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Fellowship after worship services

Ladies' Bible Study Tuesdays @ Bloomfield Home. 9 a.m.

## **Fredericksburg** Lutheran 616 33 Road Julie Schmidt, Parish **Ministry Associate Don Hunzeker, Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Coffee 10:30 a.m. Communion served 2nd

## Monday each month Saint John The **Baptist Catholic** 628 N. Garber Father Evan Winter

Saturday, Nov. 1: Mass, 5:30 p.m., confessions before Mass

Sunday, Nov. 2: 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, Oct. 31: Breakfast & Prayer, 7 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 2: Bible Study/Sunday School, 9 Worship/Commua.m.; nion, 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 5: JYM 5th, 5 p.m.; Communion, 6:30 p.m.; JYM 6th-8th, 7

Study, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7: Breakfast & Praver. 7 a.m.

## **United Methodist** 340 N. Newell Ave. Kayla M. Mangrich, **Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 10 a.m.; Confirmation, 11:15 a.m.

## **Westminster United** Presbyterian 109 N. Colorado **Sharon Rees. Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship/ Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Communion 1st Sundays; Coffee Fellowship, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 5: Fellowship Friends, 1:30 p.m.

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

Kenton Birtell, Pastor Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, Thursday, Nov. 6: Bible 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion every other Sunday

## **United Methodist** 203 S. Sapp St. Candance Miller. **Pastor**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Worship, 9

Communion 1st Sunday every month

## **Wilcox Community** 106 W. Detroit St. Craig Cedar, Pastor Affiliated with **Evangelical Free Church of America**

Sunday, Nov. 2: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Wednesdays: Awana & Youth Group (during school year), 6:30 p.m. Bible Studies during the week. Check our Facebook page.

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## **Obituaries**

#### Richard A. "Dick" McBride, 85 - Minden Resident



Richard A. "Dick" Mc-Bride, 85, of Minden, died October 24, 2025 at his home. Funeral services were held on October 29, 2025 at the Minden United Methodist Church with Rev. Kayla Mangrich officiating followed by burial at the Minden Cemetery. The service was streamed to the church's YouTube and Facebook

pages. Visitation was held on October 28, 2025 at Craig Funeral Home in Minden. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Minden United Methodist Church or Kearney County Health Services Foundation.

Dick was born January 3, 1940, in Minden to J.R. "Shep" and Isabel (Chaplin) McBride. He grew up in Minden and graduated from Minden High School in 1958. Dick earned his bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Following college, he moved back to Minden to farm.

Dick married Kay Lyn Hamous February 4, 1967 in Minden. He joined Shep at the Minden Terminal selling John Deere farm equipment and later became an owner. Dick retired in 2001 from the implement business. Then he worked several years helping Dave Craig and then Eric Van Horn at the Craig Funeral Home in Minden.

He was an active community member serving as Chief of the Minden Volunteer Fire Department, Noon Rotary, Minden City Council, Kearney County Board of Supervisors, Minden C.R.A. and Kearney County Hospital Board.

He enjoyed spending time with his family and watching his grandchildren's activities, meeting with the Thursday morning coffee group, and loved serving the Minden Community throughout his life.

Dick is survived by his wife, Kay Lyn of Minden, children, Sarah (Jeff) Thompson of Hastings, Mark (Jennifer) McBride of Kearney, grandchildren, Anna McBride, Max McBride, and Ava McBride of Kearney, in laws, Jim Hamous of Amarillo, TX, Pat Miller of Minden, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Dick was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Patricia, two brothers, Jim (Pam) and Bob (Erma) McBride, sister Pat (Conrad) Peterson, and in laws Judi Hamous and Jim Miller.

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

#### John H. Maxon, 39 - Minden Resident



John Howard Maxon, 39 of Minden, NE, passed away peacefully on October 22, 2025, after complications from colorectal cancer. There will be no visitation as cremation was chosen. A private graveside service will be conducted at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the family for future

designation. The Craig Funeral Home in Minden is assisting the family.

John was born in 1986 in Grand Island Nebraska to Howard L. and Colleen A. (Boerkircher) Maxon. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Grand Island. He graduated from Grand Island Senior High in 2005.

John studied computer science at the Community College in Grand Island. He was employed at Skagway, Fifth Street Food Pride, Casey's and Boogaart's. He loved customer service and interacting with customers and his fellow employees. He was also a part of the family business – Auto Way Bowl in Minden.

Since his childhood, John has been a lover of the Dragon Ball Z anime series and was sad that he would not be able to live out the Life Code from Master Roshi he was following: "Work Hard, Study Well, Eat and Sleep Plenty. That is the Turtle Hermit Way!"

Survivors include his parents Howard and Colleen Maxon, and brothers Paul and Luke all of Minden. Numerous Uncles, Aunts, cousins, extended relatives and friends. John was preceded in death by Grandparents Adrian ("Snow") and Eleanor Maxon, Paul and Carolyn Boerkircher and many extended relatives.

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

# Thank You

Dear friends, relatives and community members,
Our thanks and gratitude go out to you all for standing
by us when we needed you the most. Your
thoughtfulness and support made the sorrow of
saying our final goodbye to "Doc" a little easier to
bear. Friends and relatives truly are more precious
than words can express.

From "Doc" Jim Madsen's Family

#### Marvin O. Vorderstrasse, 81 - Minden Resident



Marvin Owen Vorderstrasse, age 81, of Minden, Nebraska, passed away on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at Mary Lanning Healthcare in Hastings. A celebration of life with military honors will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 7, 2025 at Bethany

Lutheran Church in Minden, NE with Rev. Donald Hunzeker and PMA Julie Schmidt officiating. Private family burial will be held at Oregon Trail Memorial Cemetery in Bridgeport, NE at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family for future designation, or contributed to Pioneer Village or Bethany Home in Minden, or to Perkins Pavilion in Hastings, in honor of Marvin's legacy. Arrangements are under the care of Craig Funeral Home in Minden.

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#### Jordan James Larson, 33 - Axtell Resident



A Memorial Service for Jordan Larson was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at Bethel Lutheran Church in Holdrege, Nebraska with Pastor Craig Richardson officiating.

A private inurnment was held prior to the service at Fridhem Cemetery, rural Funk, Nebraska.

Jordan James Larson, 33 years of age, of Axtell,

Nebraska, passed away on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at the family farm. Jordan was born in Kearney, Nebraska, on November 10, 1991, the youngest of three children, born to James "Jim" and Wendy (Wells) Larson. He was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church, and later confirmed there. Jordan received his education from Axtell Public Schools and graduated from Axtell High School, with the class of 2010.

Jordan pursued higher education from Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Nebraska and returned to the family farm and worked alongside his father.

Jordan loved to spend time with his niece, and nephew, Emma and Mason, and cheering for them during their many activities.

He enjoyed golfing with friends, watching Husker and KC Chiefs football, KC Royals Baseball and spending time with his close friends and family. Jordan was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Axtell, where he enjoyed helping in the kitchen.

Jordan was preceded in death by his father, Jim Larson in 2021; his grandparents: Earl and Charlotte Larson; and Ted R. Wells; and uncles: Dave Larson; and Michael Wells.

Those left to cherish his memory include: his mother, Wendy Larson of rural Funk; his brother: Dustin Larson and girlfriend, Tina Bilau of Bennington, Nebraska; his sister, Jamie Hruska and her husband, Eric of Axtell; niece and nephew: Emma and Mason Hruska; grandmother, Arlis Wells of Holdrege; uncles and aunt: Jerry Larson and his wife, Linda of Axtell; Kathryn Illingworth and her husband, Stephen of Hastings, Nebraska; Jim Wells and his wife, Ellen of Omaha, Nebraska; and Jerry Wells of Axtell; along with other relatives, and friends.

A Memorial Book Signing was held on Monday, October 27, 2025, with family greeting friends at the Nelson-Bauer Funeral Home in Holdrege.

Memorials in Jordan's memory are kindly suggested to Trinity Lutheran Church in Axtell or the Axtell Ball Association.

Expressions of caring and kindness can be sent to the family at www.nelsonbauerfh.com

The Nelson-Bauer Funeral Home in Holdrege is in charge of the arrangements.

#### James L. Reiss, 90 - Omaha Resident



A memorial service for James L. Reiss was held on Sunday, October 26, 2025, at the Grand Hall at Immanuel Lakeside Retirement Community, Grand Hall, 17545 Frances Street, Omaha, Nebraska with the Rev. Frank Kerkemeyer officiating.

Graveside memorial service was held on Monday, October 27, 2025, at

the Wilcox Cemetery at Wilcox, Nebraska with Pastor Marcia Dorn officiating. Military Honors were provided by the Wilcox American Legion Post #377 in conjunction with the United States Army Funeral Honors Team.

James Larry "Jim" Reiss, 90 years of age, of Omaha, passed away Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at the Immanuel Lighthouse in Omaha, Nebraska, surrounded by his wife and children. James was born on December 1, 1934, in Holdrege, Nebraska. He was the youngest of six children born to Frederick and Katherine (DeVries) Reiss, who lived on a farmstead in Wilcox. Jim was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Wilcox and was a lifelong Lutheran. He graduated from Wilcox Public Schools in 1952.

Jim enlisted in the United States Navy in 1955 and served at the Great Lakes, Pensacola, Maine, and Malta locations. After being honorably discharged in 1957, he returned home to Wilcox, Nebraska, where he opened the Jim Reiss Agency in Wilcox and later Hildreth, Nebraska as a real estate and insurance agent. Larry Hinrichs joined him as a partner in the Hildreth office until retirement. Jim also served as President of the Professional Insurance Agents of Nebraska and Iowa (PIA).

On March 4, 1959, Jim and Janis (Bahensky) were married. To this union, two children were born: Jeffrey and Joni. On September 3, 1977, he married Marsha (Nelson) Vannoy which added two additional children to the family: Ann and Timothy. Jim and Marsha celebrated 48 years of marriage this September.

Jim was actively involved in numerous business and community endeavors, including owning North Shore Marina with his son Jeff, Lions Club, South Central United Chamber of Commerce, and Wilcox Chamber of Commerce, all of which promoted and advanced communi-

ties in south central Nebraska.

After he retired, Jim and Marsha made their home in Seward and Eagle, Nebraska, and Loveland, Colorado. Jim made a friend everywhere he went. He continued to be involved in many endeavors such as working at Seward Motor Freight, Woodland Hills Golf Course, and Camp Carol Joy Holling. He enjoyed golfing and woodworking. They returned to the Lincoln and Omaha area in 2021.

Friends and family have fond memories of his humor and practical jokes. He loved to share great stories of his family, travels, and life experiences. Jim loved his hometown of Wilcox and served on the Wilcox Board of Education, QRT and volunteer fire department. Jim also loved to hunt and was instrumental in starting the South-Central Pheasants Forever Chapter in Nebraska.

Jim was preceded in death by his son, Jeffrey; son-in-law, Stuart Schlatz; parents, Frederich Jr. and Katherine (Devries) Reiss; siblings: Louida (Lloyd) Golter; Landis (H.J.) Wiederspan; Arlynn Reiss; Belva Jean (Ron) DeBord; and brother-in-law, Rollie Haas.

Survivors include his wife, Marsha, of Omaha; children: Joni Schlatz of Doniphan, Nebraska; Ann and husband Brad Fruhling of Gretna, Nebraska; Timothy Vannoy and wife Kathy of Leawood, Kansas; and daughter-in-law, Sharon Reiss of Omaha; sister, Audrey Haas of Mesa, Arizona; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and many relatives and friends.

Jim was very involved in every community he lived in, and they all held a special place in his heart. Memorials in Jim's honor can be designated to Immanuel Care Community, the Wilcox Community Foundation, Alzheimer's Association, or Camp Carol Joy Holling.

Expressions of caring and kindness can be sent to the family at www.nelsonbauerfh.com

The Bauer-Torrey & Mach Funeral Home in Alma is in charge of the arrangements.



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Jerry was a member of the Wanda Lutheran Church in

Juniata. He was an avid Husker football and volleyball

fan and loved watching western shows. Jerry also had

the ability to tell great stories to anyone who was inter-

ested. Jerry also enjoyed spending time with his family

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife,

Karin Torske of Hastings; son, Scott (Robin) Torske of

Heartwell; daughters, Brenda (Curt) Mack of Kenesaw,

Connie (Todd) Bates of Lincoln, and Tammie (Brian) Allo-

way of Hastings; daughter-in-law, Angie Torske of Hast-

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Ran-

and watching his grandchildren grow up.

#### Jerrold "Jerry" G. Torske, 88 - Hastings Resident

Jerrold "Jerry" G. Torske, 88, of Hastings, passed away on Friday, October 24, 2025, at Mary Lanning Healthcare in Hastings. Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 8, 2025, at Eaton Cemetery near Heartwell with Rev. Lon Landsmann officiating. A fellowship gathering will be held after the graveside service at the Heartwell Community Center. Memorials in Jerry's honor are kindly suggested to the family for future designation. Craig Funeral Home in Minden is assisting the family.

Jerrold "Jerry" Godfrey Torske was born on September 22, 1937, in Heartwell to Godfrey and Adeline "Addie" (McPherson) Torske. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and grew up and attended school in Heartwell. Jerry was united in marriage to Karin S. Johnson on June 25, 1966, in Rosemont, Nebraska and to this union, five children were born: Scott, Brenda, Connie, Randy, and Tammie. The family made their home in Holstein where Jerry owned his own construction company. Through the years he also worked for the railroad, constructed grain bins and maintained television towers.

ings; nine grandchildren; brother, Jim (Sharon) Torske of Wichita, KS; sister, Eloise Waechter of Lakewood, CO; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, extended relative and close friends. dy Torske; brothers, James Harold Torske, Nels (Doris) Torske, Robert (Faye) Torske; sisters, Johanna (Leland) Jungert, Betty (Fred) Cook; and brother-in-law, Ken Waechter.

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

## For the Record

#### **Marriage License**

Isaiah G. Petty, 25, Minden & Katlyn Haleigh Rowan, 25, Minden; 10-16-25

#### **Kearney County District Court**

State vs. Dreyden J. Roemmich, Holdrege; COUNT I: sexual assault-1st degree; COUNT II: commit child abuse intentional/no injury; 10-16-25

#### **Kearney County County Court**

Alexander A. Torres, Minden, no federal or state waterfowl stamp, fine \$50, Nebraska Game & Parks Commission Officer Teter, 9-6-25 Derek S. Reilley, Colby, Kansas, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Nebraska State Patrol Office Clark, 10-7-25

Quantavious J. Bullock, Summit, Mississippi, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Bauer, 10-9-25 Melissa M. Ritner, Wilcox, speeding 11-15 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Stindt, 9-20-25

Dirk A. Merrill, Omaha, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Margritz, 10-3-25

Ricky T. Orr, Grand Island, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Gonzalez, 9-12-25

Mark D. Stubblefield, Kenesaw, no valid registration-car/pick-up/ step van, fine \$25, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 10-2-25

#### Minden Fire & Rescue

10-21-25—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to Bethany Home for a lift assist.

#### **Axtell Fire & Rescue**

10-20-25—The Axtell Emergency Unit was dispatched to Mosaic for a possible aspiration & transport to Good Sam.

10-18-25—The Axtell Emergency Unit was dispatched to Mosaic for a personal illness & transport to Phelps Memorial.

## **Kearney County Sheriff**

10-4-25, A vehicle driven by Piper Morgan Isaacson, Kearney, was northbound on 36 Road when the vehicle hit loose gravel, fishtailed clockwise, ran off the roadway to the right, rotated counterclockwise while skidding through the ditch. When the vehicle was facing perpendicular to the direction of travel, the vehicle rolled over its top one time, coming to rest on the wheels. Estimated damage: \$7,000

10-12-25, A vehicle driven by James Balderas, Evans, Colorado, was traveling north on Lowell Road (Lowell, NE), when the vehicle lost the rear driver's side wheel. Balderas was able to get the vehicle off Lowell Road and onto W Road. Balderas attempted to look for the wheel near the residence of Trudy Plautz. As Officer Seals made contact with Plautz, he noticed the wheel near the south side of Plautz's house. The wheel was returned to Balderas, where he was able to repair his vehicle and leave the scene. Estimated damage, Balderas: \$1,000: Estimated damage, Plautz residence: unknown. 10-14-25, A vehicle driven by Brianna Lee Kuehn, Heartwell, was traveling northbound on Highway 10. A vehicle driven by an unknown party was traveling southbound on Highway 10. The unknown driver crossed the centerline colliding with the left side drivers mirror & door. The unknown driver left the scene. Estimated damage, Kuehn: \$3,000.

10-14-25, A vehicle driven by Rebecca A. Thornburg, Holstein, was eastbound on Highway 74 when it struck a deer that entered the roadway, killing the deer & causing minor damage to the vehicle. Estimated damage: \$1,000.

10-17-25, A vehicle driven by Daniel L. Johnson, Holdrege, was heading east on E. Road, when a dog ran in front of him so he swerved to miss it. Johnson left the roadway & entered the ditch & spun around. Estimated damage: \$3,000.

## **Bowling Standings**

Classey Lassies	10-16-25		
Team Standings:		W	L
Split Happens		29	11
Pony Express Ford		24.5	15.5
Dobish Dumpsters		20.5	19.5
Aurora Coop-Keene		20	20
Skye's The Limit Salon		18	22
Platte River BBQ		17	23
Larson Bros Construction		16	24
Upland Bar & Grill		15	25
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High Individual Game: Kasey Welch, 234; Kristi Carlson, 190; Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 189

High Individual Series: Kasey Welch, 537; Sheri Keller, 473; Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 466

High Team Game: Aurora Coop-Keene, 486; Skye's The Limit Salon, 450; Upland Bar & Grill, 428

High Team Series: Aurora Coop-Keene, 1244; Skye's The Limit Salon, 1232; Split Happens, 1210

Sunday Mixed	10-19-25		
Team Standings:		W	L
Flintstones		3	1
3 Chicks & A Stick		3	1
Lucky Dogs		2	2
Bowling Stones		1	3
Travelers		1	3

High Individual Game, Men: Randy Durand, 204; Will Wyatt, 187; Cody Wyatt, 174

High Individual Game, Women: Teresa Durand, 191; Betty Smith, 154; Sheila Schoone, 147

High Individual Series, Men: Randy Durand, 539; Will Wyatt, 496; Calvin Durand, 464

High Individual Series, Women: Teresa Durand, 457; Betty Smith, 429; Sheila Schoone, 409

High Team Game: Flintstones, 652; Bowling Stones, 546; Travelers, 506

High Team Series: Flintstones, 1762; Bowling Stones, 1567; Lucky Dogs, 1462

Monday Maniacs 10-20-25		
Team Standings:	W	L
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm	20	12
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust	20	12
Children First Daycare	15	17
Budget Heating & Air	9	23
High Individual Game: Sherri Merrill,	181; Deb Dorn	, 177

Denise Smith, 168 High Individual Series: Sherri Merrill, 508; Rendy France,

459; Deb Dorn, 424 High Team Game: Children First Daycare, 473; Minden

Exchange Bank & Trust, 437; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 402

High Team Series: Children First Daycare, 1219; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 1215; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 1088

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# Cats and Falcons Compete at State

ROGER HANSEN

Axtell and Wilcox-Hildreth had competitors at the State Cross Country Meet at the Kearney Country Club on October 24. The races were 5K (3.1 miles).

Axtell's boys' team qualified out of its district to run at state. The team finished 17th out of 18 teams that qualified. The top ten were Doniphan-Trumbull, Tri-County (DeWitt), Cornerstone Christian (Bellevue), Norfolk Catholic, Nebraska Christian (Central City), North Platte St. Pat's, Perkins County (Grant), McCool Junction, Boyd County (Spencer) and Hemingford.

Individual 'D' champ was Kaser Johnson of Doniphan-Trumbull at

15:42.

The Wildcats runners were Micah Houchin (44th, 18:05), Felix Lopez (75th, 18:39), Aydan Houchin (105th, 19:17), Kyler Kolbo (116th, 19:29) and Isaiah Sinachack (126th, 20:30). Four of the five return in 2026 (all but Aydan). 131 boys ran.

Wilcox-Hildreth's Alex Klatt-Terabelian (Soph.) was 85th at 18:49. This was the ninth fastest time in Falcon cross country history.

Emma Hall of Axtell (jr.) ran in the 'D' girls event. She was 56th at 21:51. 121 girls ran.



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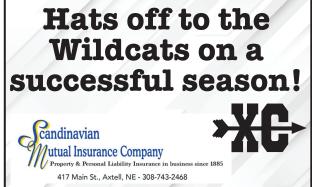


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**EMMA HALL** 







# Whippets Push for a Strong Season Finish

ROGER HANSEN

The State Cross Country Meet was held as it has been for 50+ years at the Kearney Country Club. All races were 5K (approx. 3.1 miles).

Minden Freshman Adelyn Whitten raced to a medal in her first year of high school varsity competition, placing ninth in Class C at 19:53.8. Her time was the second fastest ever by a Whippet girl on the state meet course, trailing only Jessie Hurt's 19:49.7 in 2020.

Alexa Warner (junior) came in at 32nd at 21:05. She had medalled at 11th in 2024. 119 girls ran.

Individual champ was Scout Bell of Gothenburg at 19:16 while the team champ was Chase County (Imperial).

All of Minden's varsity girls can return in 2026 as there were no seniors on the squad. Additionally, some very talented 8th graders, who were recently runners-up at the state junior high meet, will move up to bolster next year's team.

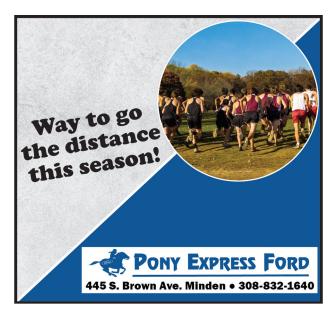
The Whippets boys qualified as a team and placed 8th among 15 Class C teams at the meet and can be proud of how they ran. Gage Thull placed 31st at 17:31, Javi Perales 36th at 17:37, Trystan Sharkey 54th at 17:56, Isaac Reed 61st at 18:00. The two non-scorers were Steve Rhodes (102nd, 19:26) and Holt Aschenbrenner, who battled a physical affliction, (117th, 21:31).

The teams finishing ahead of Minden were Lincoln Christian, Holdrege, Ft. Calhoun, Syracuse, Gothenburg, Elkhorn Mt. Michael Benedictine and Pierce.

Individual 'C' winner was Trevin Opp of Lincoln Christian at 15:59.

117 boys ran.

As with the Whippet girls, there were no seniors on this season's team so there is the possibility for another successful year in '26, and perhaps even better.





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**ADELYN WHITTEN** 



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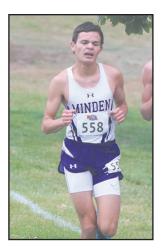
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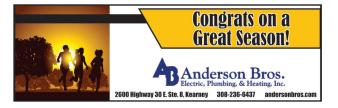












# Falcons Suffer First Round Playoff Loss to Central Valley

PHIL SERRONE



Wilcox-Hildreth had their season ended after a first round state playoff loss to Central Valley on Oct.23. The final score of the game was 6-60 in favor of the undefeated Bobcats. Pictured: (above) Cauy Twohig takes a hand off and looks for a running lane. (below) The Falcons' special team unit line up before the kickoff. (Courier photos by Cheri Twohig)

Wilcox-Hildreth had their football season ended this past week in a first round playoff loss to Central Valley. The Cougars came into the state playoffs as the two-seed with an undefeated record of 8-0.

Despite the underdog status, the Falcons gave it their all for all four quarters but that was not enough as the Cougars overwhelmed Wil-Hil by a score of 6-60.

On the defensive side, Wilcox-Hildreth gave up 449 total yards of offense. The Falcons' lone touchdown came in the first quarter but were held scoreless for the remainder of the game. No individual stats were provided by the time of publication.

The Falcons have all the reasons to keep their heads held high as the team qualified to the state playoffs for the fourth straight year. Closing out the season, their final record will stand at 4-5. We look forward to the continued growth and improvement of the program next season!

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# Whippets Take Hard Hit From Haymakers

ROGER HANSEN



Minden Whippets football team (2-7) played their final game of the season on Oct.24 against SWC foe Cozad High School. The final score was 28-45. Pictured: Bo Lutkemeier fights for extra yardage. (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)

Minden's football season came to a close on October 24 in a 28-45 loss to Cozad at Kuper Field. The Whippets ended the 2025 campaign with a 2-7 record.

The Haymakers received the opening kickoff and chewed up nearly eight minutes off the clock on a 15-play scoring drive that ended with a 4-yard TD run. The conversion kick put Cozad up 7-0 at 4:18.

Minden went three-and-out then the Haymakers ate up some more clock on a 13-play drive that spanned the first and second quarters. That possession concluded with a 21-yard field goal at 9:04.

The Whippets fumbled on the kickoff return and Cozad pounced at the Minden 26. It looked as though the Dawgs would get a reprieve as Parker Hatch intercepted a Haymaker pass, but on the play a roughing the passer was called. Cozad then took advantage and scored a few snaps later on a 7-yard run. The XPK expanded the lead to 17-0 at 7:15.

Minden responded with an eight-play scoring drive. Runs by Hatch, Logan Verbeck and Bo Lutkemeier and a pass from Hatch to Andrew Runions got the ball to the Haymaker 10. From there, Hatch ran it in and the Whippets were on the board at 4:08. The conversion failed but the margin was down to 17-6.

Cozad then answered, going 77 yards in five plays and got a 22-yard TD run at 1:45. The conversion kick was wide but the lead went back to 17, 23-6.

Minden was moving again on three Hatch runs and a Verbeck rush but time ran out in the first half.

The Whippets took the second half kickoff and promptly used

eight plays, again mixing runs by Hatch and Verbeck, to find paydirt at 8:31 on a 22-yard scamper by Verbeck. The conversion pass failed but Minden had some momentum by cutting into Cozad's lead, which now was 23-12.

The Haymakers seized the momentum right back, however, connecting on a 48-yard scoring pass play and adding a 2-point conversion pass to up the lead to 31-12.

Back came the Whippets, using a 32-yard kickoff return from Verbeck, a 9-yard Hatch run and a 19-yard Verbeck run. Verbeck then got into the end zone a second time, this one a 6-yard TD run. Hatch-to-Cole Schwenka hooked up for the conversion and once again Minden was making a game of it, now trimmimg the Cozad advantage to 31-20 at 3:15.

Cael Smith recovered a Haymaker fumble to get the ball back to the Whippets near the end of the third period.

To begin the fourth, the Minden moved into Cozad's red zone but ultimately ceded the ball on downs.

In the final three-plus minutes of quarter four, there were three touchdowns scored. Cozad upped the lead to 37-20 on a 17-yard run at 3:17. Cohen Schmidt then brought the locals to their feet, returning the Haymakers' kickoff 89 yards for a TD. Hatch-to-Cohen was successful for the 2-point conversion and the Whippets still held out hope at 3:03 with the Haymakers ahead 37-28.

Minden made a decent attempt at an onside kick but Cozad got possession of the ball. A quick strike 56-yard TD run at 1:41 by Cozad plus the conversion run lifted the lead to 45-28. Neither team would add any more points to the board.

Minden OFFENSE: 230 yds. rushing, 12 passing for a 242 total. Cozad OFFENSE: 271 rushing, 130 passing, 401 total.

Minden RUSHING: Hatch 124 carries, 116 yards, 1 TD; Verbeck 17-105, 2 TDs; Lutkemeier 3-9.

PASSING: Hatch 5-15, 12 yards, 1 int. RECEIVING: Runions 2-16, Verbeck 3-(-4)

TACKLES (solos-assists)- Verbeck 9-6 (2 for loss), Caleb Schwenka 10-3 (1 for loss), Lutkemeier 6-2, Kanin heath 4-4, Cael Smith 6-1, Morgan Johnson 4-1, Cohen Schmidt 2-2, Runions 1-2, Cole Schwenka 3-0, Kellen Conyers 1-2, Hatch 2-0, Drew Seiler 0-2, Dalton Pasbrig 0-1

**FUMBLE RECOVERY- Smith** 

PUNTING- Lutkemeier 1-32

KICKOFF RETURNS- Schmidt 1-89 (TD), Verbeck 2-24.0 ave., Cole Schwenka 3-10.0 ave.

Cozad 7 16 8 14- 45 (5-4)

Minden 0 6 14 8- 28 (2-7)

**Scoring Summary:** 

C- 4 run (kick)

C- 21 FG

C-7 run (kick)

M- Hatch, 10 run

C- 22 run

M-Verbeck, 22 run

C-48 pass (pass)

M- Verbeck, 6 run (Hatch to Cole Schwenka)

- 17 run

M-C. Schmidt, 89 kickoff return (Hatch to C. Schmidt)

C- 56 run (run)

This was the final game for three Whippet seniors, two of which had their seasons cut short due to injury or illness. The three were Landon Bules, Luke Grollmes and Matt Putnam. The four-year record for the time these boys were in the program was 16-21 (6-4, 5-4, 3-6, 2-7).



## Lady Wildcats Close Regular Season

PHIL SERRONE

The Axtell Lady Wildcats traveled to Silver Lake High School on Oct.21 for their final regular season games. Exeter-Milligan/Friend was also in attendance for the triangular.

In the first matchup of our recap, the Lady Wildcats faced off against hosting Silver Lake in a highly competitive matchup that needed three sets to decide a winner. Unfortunately that winner was not Axtell, as the Lady Mustangs pulled off the win by set scores of 25-23, 19-25 and 23-25. No individual stats were provided.

Axtell might have come into the game against 22-5 Exeter-Milligan/Friend as the underdog but the Lady Wildcats took the Bobcats to the limit, almost scoring an upset in the first set. The Bobcats proved to be resilient regardless of Axtell's best efforts winning both sets 26-28 and 16-25. No individual stats were provided.

The Lady Cats close out the regular season with a record of 12-16. Axtell showed great improvement throughout the season with multiple winning streaks. The team

traveled to Amherst High School on Oct.27-28 for subdistrict action. Their first round matchup came against Southern Valley, a team that they have beaten once this season. We will have a full recap from subdistricts in next week's paper!

No individual stats were provided from either game, keep an eye on our website themindencourier.com for any stat additions past publication.



The Lady Wildcats had their final regular season games at the Silver Lake triangular on Oct.21. Axtell lost both games at the meet and end their regular season with a record of 12-16. Pictured: (right) Bristol Thorell gives maximum effort and hits the floor to prevent a point. (left) Mina Schilling steps forward to dig the ball on defense. (Courier photos by Rachel Hawkins)



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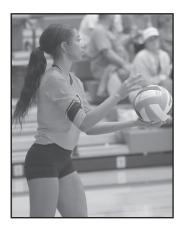
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# Lady Falcons Wrap Up Regular Season

PHIL SERRONE



Wilcox-Hildreth's volleyball regular season came to an end this past week starting with a trip to Pleasanton High School for a triangular on Oct.21. Sumner-Eddyville-Miller was also in attendance. Concluding the week, Wilcox-Hildreth traveled to Southern Valley High School on Oct.22.

The Falcons started off the week with a highly competitive matchup with 15-11 Pleasanton High School. Wilcox-Hildreth pushed the Bulldogs to the very limit in the first set but were narrowly defeated 25-27. The Bulldogs didn't let the Lady Falcons keep it as close as the first set winning the match point 18-25. No individual stats were provided.

In the final matchup of the triangular, Wilcox-Hildreth faced off against a very good team in SEM who

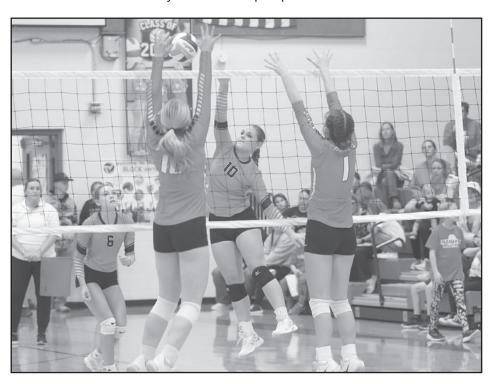
had a record of 23-6 on the season. Despite the contrast in records between the two teams, the Lady Falcons gave the Mustangs all they could handle but ultimately were defeated 14-25 and 21-25. No individual stats were provided.

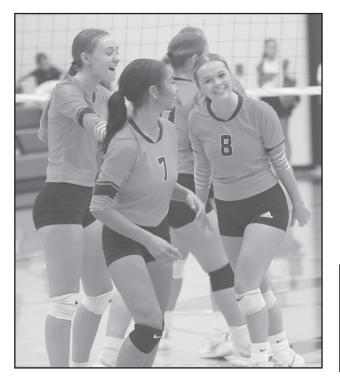
Wilcox-Hildreth's final regular season of the game was filled with excitement as five sets were needed to decide a winner in a highly competitive clash. The Lady Falcons jumped out to an early 2-1 lead after the following set scores: 25-22, 13-25 and 25-16.

Unfortunately for the Lady Falcons, the team was overwhelmed in the fourth set to force a tie by a score of 22-25. Heading into the overtime round, the Lady Falcons were defeated 8-15. No individual stats were provided.

Closing out the regular season, the Lady Falcons finished with a record of 2-26. On Oct.27-28, Wilcox-Hildreth traveled to Cambridge High School for subdistricts. Their first round matchup was against one-seeded Cambridge. We will have a full recap from subdistricts in next week's paper!

No individual stats were provided for all three games. Keep an eye on our website themindencourier.com for any stat additions past publication.





Wilcox-Hildreth volleyball had a busy end to the regular season with road trips to Pleasanton and Southern Valley. The Lady Falcons lost all three of their contests to close out the weekend. The team will face off against one-seed Cambridge in the first. round of subdistricts on Oct.27. Pictured clockwise from left: The Lady Falcons are all smiles after Dinah Culp lands an ace on the opposing team. Kinley Hansen spikes the ball on Pleasanton's defense. Dinah Culp prepares her serve. (Courier photos by Phil Serrone)

Read All-About-It In The 832-2220

School: Minden High School | Grade: Senior **Achievements:** Placed in top five freshman and sophomore years at state, runner up junior year, champion senior year. Four years as an all-conference player. Runner-up as a team freshman, sophomore, and junior year. State champ as team senior year.

#### Records she set this season:

Set 9-hole individual record - 32 (Lake Maloney) Set 18-hole individual record - 68 (Awarii Dunes) Set 36-hole individual record - 143 (Lake Maloney)

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## **Lady Whippets Place Third at SWC Tourney**

PHIL SERRONE

For the first time in quite some time, the SWC championship will not be held down by the Minden Volleyball team as the Lady Whippets placed third overall in the conference. The tournament was held at Cozad High School on Oct.20-21. Ogallala earned first place honors after defeating Holdrege in the finals.

Starting off the first round was a matchup against the Cozad Lady Haymakers in which the Lady Whippets handled business picking up a two set victory by scores of 25-15 and 25-8. Minden had faced off against Cozad the week prior, so the team was well prepared for any strategy the Lady Haymakers would implement.

Aly Cederburg led the offensive charge in the two sets finishing with a team high nine kills. Myla Emery played her usual 'do it all' role for the team, stuffing the stat sheet with six kills, 12 assists, two aces and three digs. Rebbeca Lempka attacked the ball with precision finishing with six kills. As a team, the Lady Whippets collected seven aces.

On the defensive end, Kaleigh Carr provided a boost with a team high eight digs. Minden finished with 27 digs. Cederburg limited the Lady Haymakers potential offensive output with a team high four blocks.

Heading into the second round was the third matchup of the year for Holdrege and Minden. The two teams had faced off twice already with a 1-1 split. Unfortunately for Minden, it was the Lady Dusters winning the rubber match with a clean sweep 22-25 and 18-25 in the final two sets.

Emery did all she could to will her team to victory as the senior finished with 14 kills, 16 assists, 12 digs and two blocks. Carr stepped it up on the offensive end as well, spiking the ball for a total of eight kills. Victoria Hansen played a tremendous role of setting the offense up when Emery wasn't as she tied with her teammate for a team high 16 assists.

Defensively, the Lady Whippet did all they could to limit Holdrege's attack of the ball as the team collected 62 digs. Makenna Anderson led the team with 15 digs while Lempka added 14 digs. Carr and Emery each contributed 12 digs. Minden blocked 10 kill attempts from Holdrege but it was not enough to limit the Lady Dusters' success.

In the third place game, the Lady Whippets had their hands full with the Lady Swedes of Gothenburg for four sets. Minden had already beaten Gothenburg earlier in the year and this most recent victory completed the season sweep. Final set scores were: 20-25, 25-18, 25-14 and 25-19.

Emery left it all out on the court in her final SWC tournament game of her career finishing with 14 kills, 18 assists, three aces and 11 digs. Aly Cederburg added 11 kills while Lempka and Carr each had eight kills. V.Hansen was neck-and-neck with Emery for the lead in the assists category but came up one assist shy with 17 total. Minden found great success on the serve as the team collected nine aces.

As a team, Minden showed great resilience on the defensive side of the game racking up 61 digs. Anderson had one of her better games of the season stopping the Lady Swedes' attack with a team high 19 digs. Lempka added 15 digs while Carr tied with Emery with 11 digs. Cederburg and Carr combined for seven blocks total.

Minden will next be in action when the team hosts

subdistricts beginning on Oct.27. The Lady Whippets game will take place on Oct.28 against an opponent yet to be determined. The finals took place on Oct.29. We will have a full recap from subdistricts in next week's paper!

Here are the following stats from Minden vs Cozad: Kills: Aly Cederburg 9, Myla Emery 6, Rebbeca Lempka 6, Kaleigh Carr 4, Bailee Fries 1; Assists: Emery 12, Victoria Hansen 8, Makenna Anderson 2, Grace Hansen 1, Carr 1; Aces: Emery 2, Olivia Armstrong 2, G.Hansen 1, Lempka 1, Carr 1; Digs: Carr 8, Anderson 6, Lempka 5, Emery 3, V.Hansen 3, Cederburg 1, Rilynn Johnson 1; Blocks: Cederburg 4, Johnson 1, Fries 1, Lempka 1

Here are the following stats from Minden vs Holdrege: Kills: Emery 14, Carr 8, Cederburg 5, Lempka 3, Johnson 2; Assists: Emery 16, V.Hansen 16, Carr 2, Anderson 1; Aces: Armstrong 1; Digs: Anderson 15, Lempka 14, Emery 12, Carr 12, V.Hansen 6, Armstrong 2, Cederburg 1; Blocks: Johnson 4, Emery 2, Cederburg 1, Bailee Fries 1, Lempka 1, Carr 1

Here are the following stats from Minden vs Gothenburg:

Kills: Emery 14, Cederburg 11, Lempka 8, Carr 8. Fries 1; Assists: Emery 18, V.Hansen 17, Anderson 2, Lempka 1, Carr 1; Aces: Emery 3, V.Hansen 2, G.Hansen 2, Lempka 1, Carr 1; Digs: Anderson 19, Lempka 15, Emery 11, Carr 11, V.Hansen 2, Cederbug 1, Johnson 1, Armstrong 1; Blocks: Cederburg 4, Carr 3, Johnson 1, Fries 1, Lempka 1



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## **NOTICE**

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA OCTOBER 21, 2025 - 9:30AM

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held October 21, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Brent Stewart and Board Members Jason Sinsel, Jeff England, James Miller, Robert Swanson, Nathan Avery and Heath Hofstetter. Also present were County Clerk Jenni Lupkes, Joe Anderson Hwy Supt., Melodie Bellamy Co Attorney, Criag Lupkes Planning & Zoning. and Cindy Ramsey of the Minden Courier. Detailed Minutes from the Board of Commissioners Meeting are available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office. The Board of Commissioners took the following action: Approved minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting on October 7, 2025. Approved Bills and Claims. Held a Public Comment. No one spoke. Met with resident Steve Wolfe regarding possibly building a house on 21 Rd south of V Rd, advised him that he would need to contact Planning and Zoning and the County will need to grade 21 Rd to bring it up to NE standards. Approved WJE Consulting -3 yr cost allocation plan. Set application deadlines and date for interviews for the Clerk of the District Court position. Rejected offer to

paint fairground parking lines and decided to turn the offer over to the Fair Board. Adopted a Resolution to provide a moratorium on accepting applications for Wind Turbine, Solar Farm or Solar Panel, and Nuclear Energy. Postponed Public Hearing for an application for an Anaerobic Digest and for a Special Use permit for Remodeling Pens. Approved service agreement with Oak Creek Engineering for projects 2 ½ miles between 40 Rd by Keene and Q Rd near Heartwell. Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:50 a.m.

/s/ Brent Stewart, Chairman Kearney County Board of Commissioners ATTEST:

/s/ Jenni Lupkes Kearney County Clerk GENERAL FUND: Melodie Bellamy, Co Attny, Phone/Dues, 30.00; Bethany Home, Sv, 1,560.00; Comm Action Ptnrshp of Mid-Ne, Senlow Bus, 1,096.14; Contryman Assoc, Sv, 5,000.00; Dewald Deaver L' Heureux, Sv, 1,381.50; Dier, Osborn, Cox, Sv, 310.50; Eakes Ofc Solutions, Su, 272.45; Election Systems & Software, Sv, 600.37; First Concord Ben Grp, Self-Fund Ded, 1,540.69; Great Plains Comm, Sv, 138.35; Hall County Sheriff, Sv, 13.30; Philip Heun, Veterans Svc, Train, 300.00; Kearney Co Health Svc, Sv, 60.00; Kearney Co Road Dept, Fuel, 1,491.84; Klein, Brewster, Brandt, & Messersmith, Sv, 529.00; Landmark Implement, Su, 7.18; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz, Sv, 2,387.00; Jenni Lupkes, County Clerk, Mile, 235.45; Mason's Supermarket, Su,

47.70; Midwest Connect, Su, 390.00; Minden Hardware, Su, 87.70; Minden Medical Clinic, Sv, 77.56; Ne Assoc of Co Officials, Reg, 55.00; Nebraska.Gov, Su, 1.00; Pedley Drug Store, Su, 19.88; Platte Valley Comm, Sv, 200.00; Region 3 Behavioral Health Svc, 2nd Quarter Co Match, 4,421.03; Soarin Group, LLC, Sv, 3,144.00; State of Nebraska DAS, Sub, 132.00; Thomas Stewart, Attorney at Law, Sv, 1,233.62; Syndicate Publishing, Pub, 144.79; USDA Aphis, General, Sv, 3,014.26; Verizon, Sv, 102.00; TOTAL 30,024.31. ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND: Auto Glass Experts, Sv, \$400.00; Bomgaars, Su, 379.99; Boss Fuels, Su, 10,989.79; Carquest/ Landmark Implement, Su, 966.53; E & E Turf, Sv, 200.00; Eakes Ofc Solutions, Su, 115.76; Ed Broadfoot & Sons Sand & Gravel, Gravel, 23,879.44; Fifth Street Printing, Su, 2,425.45; Filtercare of Ne, Sv, 276.85; First Concord Ben Grp, Self-Fund Ded, 50.00; Hansen Int'l Truck, Sv. 6,148.29; J & A Traffic Products, Su, 720.00; J-Spot Svc, Sv, 2,481.85; Kearney Co Health Svc, Sv, 70.00; Landmark Implement, Su, 478.33; Lawson Products, Sv, 86.99; Minden Hardware, Su, 9.99; NAPA Auto Parts, Parts, 390.38; NMC, Sv, 1,584.39; Share Corp, Su, 162.15; TO-

TAL \$51,816.18. INHERITANCE TAX FUND: Oak Creek Engineering, Su, \$2,743.00; TOTAL \$2,743.00. JUVENILE SERVICES AID FUND: Verizon. Phone, \$39.93; TOTAL \$39.93. COMMUNICATIONS FUND: Eakes Ofc Solutions, Su, \$60.21: First Concord Benefits Group, Self Fund Ded, 1,574.11; Great Plains Comm, Sv, 197.53; Nebraska Tech & Telecomm, Sv, 629.64; State of Nebraska DAS Central Finance, Teletype, 30.00; TO-TAL: \$2,491,49.

Oct 30, 2025 (163) znez

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on November 18, 2025 at 9:35 am by the Kearney County Board of Commissioners in the boardroom of the Kearney County Courthouse in Minden, Nebraska to hear public comments on:

Fort Kearny Consolidated has applied for a special use permit for remodeling pens at 6-7-14 SW 1/4 & SE 1/4 6-7-14 Liberty 303.4 AC or 1818 32 RD increasing head count to 85,000 while staying in existing feedlot footprint. Questions or comments may be directed to the County Zoning Administra-

tor Office at 308/830-0589. An agenda for this meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the Kearney County Clerk, located in the Courthouse at 424 N. Colorado Ave. in Minden Nebraska. The agenda may be modified prior to such meeting.

Craig Lupkes Zoning Administrator October 23, 2025

Oct 30, 2025 Nov 6, 2025 (37) znez

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on November 18, 2025 at 9:45 am by the Kearney County Board of Commissioners in the boardroom of the Kearney County Courthouse in Minden, Nebraska to hear public comments

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> Craig Lupkes Zoning Administrator October 23, 2025

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## **NOTICE** CITY OF MINDEN **COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on October 06, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in regular session in the Council Chambers, pursuant to advance notice of said meeting simultaneously transmitted to all members of the Council and to the public as shown by the copy thereof posted in the Minden City Hall, Outside the Minden City Hall, First Bank & Trust Co., Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co., and the Post Office. A copy of the notice is on file in the office of the City Clerk. Council Members Present: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. City Officials Present: Evans, Olson, Krings, and Jordan. Absent: Yant. Approved Bills and Claims: 7aa Investments--Supplies \$44.80, 911 Custom Llc--Uniforms \$1,281.00, Amazon Cap-Services--Supplies ital \$1,558.05, Atlas Automation Llc--Repairs \$2,305.55, Aubri Nantkes--Uniforms \$1,840.24, B. Norgaard--Repairs \$110.46, Black Hills Gas Holdings, Llc--Utilities \$139.17, Bound Tree Medical Llc--Supplies \$1,698.18, Business World Products Of Hastings, Inc--Supplies \$317.10, Capital One--Supplies \$534.79, Carrot Top Inc--Supplies Industries, \$433.37, City Of Holdrege--Fees \$7,179.34, Core & Main Lp--Supplies \$30,995.60, Dana F Cole & Company, Llp--Fees \$11,100.00, Danko Emergency Equipment Co.--Supplies \$3,041.00, D. Bunger--Training \$288.48, Dier, Osborn & Cox, P.C., L.L.O--Legal \$1,000.00,

Dier, Osborn & Cox, P.C., L.L.O--Legal \$2,456.25, Doty Belt Llc--Supplies D. Schroed-\$863.00, er--Training \$329.52, Eakes Inc--Supplies \$1,967.38, E. Lawrence--Infrastructure Capital \$15,402.00, Fyr-Tek Inc.--Uniforms \$10,413.73, Grayson Tool, Inc--Repairs \$502.20, Great Plains Communications--Phone/Internet \$1,074.28, Great Plains Communications--Phone/ Internet \$100.78, Green Quest Recycling Inc--Fees \$14.94, Hawkins Water Treatment--Chemical \$3,247.16, Hd Supply Facilities Maintenance Ltd--Supplies \$1,324.03, Iworq Systems Inc--Tech/Engineering \$3,200.00, Jims Ok Tire Minden Llc--Repairs \$506.00, Jones Insurance Agency, Inc--Insurance \$20,837.00, Ke Co Treasurer--Fees \$6,033.33, Kt Diesel & Equipment--Repairs \$1,018.95, Landmark Implement Carquest--Supplies \$60.42, League Association Of Risk Management--Insurance \$239,668.00, L. Shrader--Training \$29.21, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc--Supplies \$184.04, Minden Exchange Bank & Trust C--Financing \$6,050.40, Minden Lawn & Sprinkler--Repairs \$442.00, Minden Opera House--Fees \$50.00, Minden Utility Dept.--Utilities \$3,130.25, Municipal Supply-Nebraska--Supplies \$7,388.96, Ndee--Fees \$115.00, Nphe--Fees \$90.00, Olsson Associates--Tech/Engineering \$18,625.34, One Billing Solutions, Llc--Fees \$491.36, One Call Concepts Inc--Fees \$35.49, Penguin Management--Fees \$1,062.00, Platte Valley Communications Of Kearney, Inc.--Repairs \$215.00, Platte Valley

Laboratories, Inc--Chemical \$235.00, Playcore Wisconsin Inc.--Infrastructure Capital \$2,270.97, Pony Express Ford--Repairs \$1,512.28, Presto X Co.--Mainte-Quadient nance \$84.78, Leasing--Fees \$801.78, Revenue Bond Payment Account--Fees \$2,050.00, Revenue Bond Payment \$2,550.00, Account--Fees Revenue Bond Payment \$9,050.00, Account--Fees Siteone Landscape Supply Holding, Llc--Vegetation \$73.74, Southern District--Utilities Power \$38.02, Southern Power District--Utilities \$28.51, Syndicate Publishing, L.L.C.--Fees \$334.88, T. Beck--Printing \$73.50, United Parcel Service, Inc--Fees \$149.96, Verizon Wireless--Phone/Internet \$839.33, Versatile Roofing--Repairs \$4,940.00, Village Cleaners Inc--Uniforms \$50.12, Winzer Franchise Company--Supplies \$201.09, Woodward Disposal--Fees \$32.50, 9-19-25 Payroll \$66,451.91, 10-03-25 Payroll \$68,685.12. Items Approved: Consent Agenda--Schneider motioned to approve the consent agenda. Sumstine seconded. Voted aye: Sumstine and Schneider. Abstain: Bunger. Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes, not to exceed \$700,000--Schneider introduced Ordinance No. 1306 for its second reading. Sumstine seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Selection of a bid for the Street Improvement District 2025-1 paving project--Sumstine motioned to approve the bid of Nielsen Contracting in the amount of \$464,673 for Street Improvement District 2025-1 for the K

Road paving project and

Bunger seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Application for deferral of special assessment by David and DeAnna Anderbery for Paving District 2025-1--Schnieder motioned to approve the application for deferral of special assessment by David & DeAnna Anderbery for Paving District 2025-1 and Bunger seconded. Voted ave: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Employee appreciation turkey/ham gift certificates and chamber bucks in the amount of \$100 for full-time and \$50 for part-time--Bunger motioned to approve the **Employee Appreciation Tur**key/Ham Gift Certificates and Chamber Bucks in the Amount of \$100 for fulltime and \$50 for part-time and Sumstine seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Loan extension with Longshot Property Development for a repayment start date 1-1-2026--Schneider motioned to approve the extension of the terms of the loan agreement between Longshot Property Development and the City of Minden Revolving Loan Fund to allow for a repayment start date of January 1st, 2026 and Sumstine seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Contract with Axon Enterprises for the purchase of new body and dash cameras for the Minden Police Department in the amount of \$109,111.80 to be paid over a 5-year period--Bunger motioned to approve the contract with Axon Enterprises for the purchase of new body and dash cameras for the Minden Police Department in the amount

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over a 5 year period and

Schneider seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Comprehensive fee schedule--Bunger motioned to approve the City of Minden's Comprehensive Fee Schedule and Sumstine seconded. Voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider. Non Action Items: Council Announcements. Public Forum. Bunger motioned to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. and Schneider seconded. Voted ave: Bunger, Sumstine, and Schneider.

Abbey Jordan, City Clerk A complete transcript of the council minutes is available at the City Clerk's office and online at mindennebraska.org.

Oct 30, 2025 (250) znez

## **NOTICE ADOPTING ORDINANCE** NO. 1310

AN ORDINANCE ADOPT-ING AND ENACTING A NEW CODE FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF MINDEN, NE-BRASKA, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT INCLUD-ED THEREIN; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; PRO-VIDING FOR THE MANNER OF AMENDING SUCH CODE; AND PROVIDING WHEN SUCH CODE AND THIS OR-DINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE: AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAM-PHLET FORM. Passed and adopted by the City Council on this 20th day of October, 2025.

/s/ Larry Evans, Mayor Attest: /s/ Abbey Jordan Abbey Jordan, City Clerk (SEAL)

Oct 30, 2025 (30) znez

## **NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1309** 

National Flood Insurance Program Nebraska Ordinance/Resolution for **Emergency Program** and

Regular Program Direct Conversions

60.3(b) ORDINANCE/RESOLU-TION DESIGNED TO MEET STATE AND FEDERAL RE-QUIREMENTS FOR PARTIC-IPATION IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PRO-GRAM FOR COMMUNI-TIES IDENTIFIED AS FLOOD PRONE BUT HAVE NOT RE-CEIVED DETAILED FLOOD IN-SURANCE STUDY INFORMA-TION; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM. ADOPTED AND AP-PROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Minden. This 20th day of October, 2025. This ordinance becomes effective January 23, 2026.

> /s/ Larry Evans, Mayor Attest: /s/ Abbey Jordan Abbey Jordan, City Clerk (SEAL)

Oct 30, 2025 (35) znez

## **NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Millwright Mechanical LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has been organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, with its initial designated office at 9735 S West Ave. Holstein NE, 68950. The initial agent for service of process of the company is David Lewis, 1106 N Juniata Ave, Juniata NE 68955.

Oct 23, 2025 Oct 30, 2025 Nov 6, 2025 (13) znez



(308) 832 - 1594 515 West First Street,

## **NOTICE NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION** \$27,285,000 **KEARNEY COUNTY SCHOOL** DISTRICT 0503 (MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4,** 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the qualified electors of Kearney County School District 0503 (Minden Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the "**District**") that a special election has been called and will be held in the District on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at which time there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

"Shall Kearney County School District 0503 (Minden Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the "District") issue general obligation bonds of the District in an aggregate stated principal amount not to exceed Twenty-Seven Million Two Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$27,285,000), for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of construction and acquisition of a new elementary school building, site and public infrastructure improvements, modifications to the District's existing buildings and facilities, and providing for the necessary furniture, equipment and apparatus for such buildings and facilities of the District; such bonds to be issued from time to time, to bear interest at such rate or rates, to be sold at such prices and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by, or determined at the direction of, the Board of Education;

and

"Shall the District cause to be levied and collected annually a special levy of taxes against all the taxable property in the District sufficient in rate and amount to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due?"

FOR such Bonds and tax

AGAINST such Bonds and tax

Electors voting in favor of the proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "FOR such Bonds and tax" following the proposition.

Electors voting against such proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "AGAINST such Bonds and tax" following the proposition.

Ballots for early voting may be obtained from the County Election Commissioner's office.

#### **By Mail Election**

This election will be an election by mail. All registered voters residing within Kearney County School District 0503 (Minden Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska will receive their ballot by mail, and therefore, no polling places will be open for voting. Ballots will be mailed by the Election Commissioner not sooner than the 22nd day and not later than the 10th day before the election date of November 4, 2025 (between October 13, 2025, and October 25, 2025). Upon receipt of the official ballot, the registered voter shall mark it, seal the ballot in the identification envelope supplied with the ballot, sign the identification envelope, and comply with the instructions provided with the ballot.

**Voter Registration Dead-**

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The deadline to register to vote at an agency, online, with a deputy registrar, by mail, or delivered by an agent is the third Friday before the election date (October 17, 2025). The deadline for in-person registration is the second Friday before the election date (October 24, 2025), by 6:00 p.m. at the County Election Commissioner's office for the County in which the voter lives. Any voter who changes information on a current registration or registers to vote after the ballots have been mailed but before such in-person registration deadline will be given a ballot at the time of registration or change. Ballots for early voting may be obtained at the Election Commissioner's office of the County in which the voter lives.

#### **Ballot Return Deadline**

Voted ballots, sealed in the completed identification envelope and completed in accordance with the instructions provided with the ballot, must be delivered by mail, in person, or by an agent to the Election Commissioner. Ballots must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 4, 2025.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF KE-ARNEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0503 (MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA

Oct 9, 2025 Oct 16, 2025 Oct 23, 2025 Oct 30, 2025 (165) znez

Keep Informed. It's Your Right to Know!

## **NOTICE MEETING OF THE KEARNEY COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OCTOBER 14, 2025**

A Special Meeting of the Kearney County Board of Equalization was held on October 14, 2025 at 9:25 a.m. in the Board Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Robert Swanson and Board Members Brent Stewart, Jason Sinsel, Jeff England, Heath Hofstetter, James Miller and Nathan Avery. Also present were Kearney County Clerk Jenni Lupkes, County Assessor Jennifer Pittner, County Treasurer Jody Payne, Melodie Bellamy Co. Attorney, Scott White Co. Sheriff and Cindy Ramsey of the Minden Courier. Detailed Minutes of the Board of Equalization Meeting are available for inspection at the Co. Clerk's Office. The Kearney County Board of Equalization took the following action: Approved the minutes of the Board of Equalization for October 14, 2025. Set the levies for the political subdivisions of Kearney County, Nebraska for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

CITY & VILLAGES:

Axtell	General	.503921
	Bond	.150815
		.654736
Wilcox	General	.449005
Minden	General	.438862
Airp	oort Auth.	.100196
-	Bond	.020205
	Total	.559263
Heartwe	ell General	.287342
Norman	General	.128797
FIRE DIS	TRICTS:	
Axtell	General	.018118
	Sinking	.001839
	Bond	.023544
	Total	.043501
Wilcox	General	.010429
	Sinking	.005093
	Total	.015522

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Minden General

	Sinking	.005412
	Total	.013135
Kearney	General	.022202
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	Bond	.003440
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	Sinking	.005630
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### **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING KEARNEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** MINDEN, NE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Regular Meeting of the Kearney County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Kearney County Courthouse, Minden, NE. An agenda for said meeting is kept continuously current at the office of the Kearney County Clerk. Said meeting is open to the public.

/s/ Jenni Lupkes Kearney County Clerk Oct 30, 2025 (21) znez

## NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 1306

AN ORDINANCE AUTHO-RIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BOND ANTICIPA-TION NOTES, SERIES 2025, OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, NEBRASKA, OF THE PRIN-CIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN HUN-DRED THOUSAND DOL-LARS (\$700,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INTERIM FINANCING FOR A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING IMPROVE-MENTS IN Street Improvement District NO. 2025-1, PENDING THE ISSUANCE OF PERMANENT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS: PRE-SCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID NOTES; AGREEING TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGA-TION BONDS TO PAY THE NOTES AT MATURITY OR TO PAY THE NOTES FROM OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS: FIXING CERTAIN TERMS OF THE NOTES AND AUTHORIZ-ING THE FIXING OF OTHER TERMS OF THE NOTES; AND ENTERING INTO A CON-TRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY WITH THE HOLDERS OF SAID NOTES; AND PROVID-ING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAM-PHLET FORM, PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of September, 2025

> /s/ Larry Evans, Mayor Attest: /s/ Abbey Jordan Abbey Jordan, City Clerk (SEAL)

Oct 30, 2025 (45) znez

## NOTICE

WILCOX-HILDRETH PUBLIC
SCHOOL BOARD OF
EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY OCTOBER 20,
2025 - 7:00 AM
POSTING LOCATIONS:
MINDEN COURIER

POSTING DATE: 10/9/2025 FRANKLIN CHRONICLE POSTING DATE: 10/8/2025 CONFERENCE ROOM-WILCOX 404 SAPP STREET WILCOX, NE 68982-0190

**WILCOX, NE 68982-0190** 1. Call to Order. Roll Call. 2. Announce location of posted Open Meetings Act. 2.A. Pledge. 3. Consent Agenda. Motion by Alan Casper, seconded by Teresa Carey, to approve the consent agenda. Motion Passed. Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea, Chris Stuehm: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0. 3.A. Approval of Agenda. 3.B. Approval of minutes of Special September 25, 2025 Board Meeting. 3.C. Approval of Claims. 3.D. Financial Report. 4. Visitors and communication from the public. Levi Adam and Sydnie Voichoskie were visitors in attendance. Levi Adam presented to the board some options for school housing incentive programs he has been working on to get housing available in Wilcox. 5. Action Items. 5.A. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to recognize the WHEA as the exclusive negotiating body for the 2027-2028 calendar year. Motion by Ryan Knaus, seconded by Chris Stuehm, to recognize the WHEA as the exclusive negotiating body for the 2027-2028 calendar year. Motion Passed. Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea, Chris Stuehm: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0. 5.B. Discuss, consider and take all necessary to approve the bid to replace the pool pump. Motion by Kert Hansen, seconded by Kirk Nelson, to approve the bid to replace the pool pump. Motion Passed. Teresa Carey:

Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea, Chris Stuehm: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0. 5.C. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve changes to the classified salary schedule. Motion by Alan Casper, seconded by Ryan Knaus, to approve changes to the classified salary schedule. Motion Passed. Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea, Chris Stuehm: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0. 6. Discussion Items. 6.A. Discuss potential housing incentives to recruit and retain teachers to the district. Superintendent Patterson and Levi Adam discussed the potential of creating a down payment assistance program for staff to use for the purchase of a new home. 6.B. Discuss the declaration of participation for 6-man or 8-man football for the 2027-2029 cycle. Superintendent Patterson shared current and projected boy enrollment numbers. Boy enrollment numbers are high enough to compete in 8-man for the next cycle. 7. Administrator Report. 7.A. Superintendent Report. Superintendent Patterson reported: School Finance Updates. Potential Housing Opportunities and financial assistance for school employees. Negotiations Updates. NASB State Conference Plans. Superintendent Evaluation Timeline. 7.B. Principal Report. Principal Glenn Reported: Attendance Updates. Attendance Bash. Device Confiscation Numbers. Standard Based Grading K-2. 8. Next Board Meeting: 7:00 PM Monday, November 17, 2025 in the Wilcox Conference room.

Motion by Alan Casper,

seconded by Teresa Carey, to adjourn meeting at 7:48 a.m. Motion Passed. Teresa Carey: Yea, Alan Casper: Yea, Kert Hansen: Yea, Ryan Knaus: Yea, Kirk Nelson: Yea, Chris Stuehm: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0. 9. Adjourn.

Checking Account ID 1 Fund Number 01 GENERAL FUND: Almquist, Maltzahn, Calloway, Luth PC, Auditors, 13,575.00; Amazon Capital Services, Inc., 472.91; Black Hills Energy, 2,107.51; BrightArrow Technoligies, Inc., 1,000.00; BTS Communications, Phone Vendor, 54.00; Central Nebraska Truck and Trailer Repair LLC, 1,596.88; Clearfly, 97.35; Cooperative Producers Inc, 5,817.42; Cornerstone Electric, 897.49; D&S Ag Sales, Inc., 2,250.00; DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, E-Rate/Charter, 0.00; Double D Cleaners, Dry Cleaners, 46.30; Eakes Office Solutions, 226.89; ESU #11, 11,173.52; Family Medical Specialties, Medical Provider, 149.00; Family Physical Therapy & Sports Center, P.C., 59.50; Franklin County Chronicle, 678.98; Fritz's Market, 170.87; Great Plains Communications, 314.05; HD Supply, 2,642.58; Holdrege Public School, 14,253.84;

Hometown Leasing, Copy Machine Lease Company, 894.00; J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc., 172.14; Janssen Chrysler Jeep Dodge, 236.48; Kat's Korner Market, 110.34; KSB School Law, 1,664.50; Larsen's Ace Hardware, 276.09; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, 141.49; Menards - Kearney, 377.40; Mid-America Research Chemical, 178.59; Minden Courier, Newspaper, 70.00; Mystery Science, Inc., 1,420.00; NCSA, 475.00; NWEA, 1,312.50; Omaha World Herald, 38.00; Presto-X Company, Pest Control, 97.87; Protex Central, Inc., 1,171.00; Psychological Assessment Resources, Inc., 1,307.95; Rutt's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc., Heating & Air Conditioning, 2,217.55; S & W Auto Parts, 59.91; Schenk, Darren, 375.00; Syndicate Publishing, Newspaper, 318.09; Teacher Created Resources, 47.94; Truck Center Companies Nebraska/Iowa/Kansas, 43.96; University of Nebraska at Kearney, 995.00; University of Nebraska Kearney, 100.00; Village Of Hildreth, 2,362.58; Village Of Wilcox, 2,929.29; VISA, 1,351.17; Wage Works, 144.50; Weides Water LLC, 192.00; Wilcox-Hildreth General

Fund, 15.31; Woodward's Disposal Service, 55.00; Yanda's Music And Pro Audio, 254.99; Fund Number 01, 78,989.73; Checking Account ID 1, 78,989.73.

Oct 30, 2025 (212) znez

# NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF TIRARE CONNECT LLC

Notice is hereby given that TIRARE CONNECT LLC has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

- 1. The name of the limited liability company is TIRARE CONNECT LLC.
- 2. The address of the designated office is 200 S 21st ST STE 400A, Lincoln, NE 68510.
  3. The name and street and mailing address of the initial agent for process is Northwest Registered Agent Service Inc, 200 S 21st ST STE 400A, Lincoln, NE 68510.

Oct 23, 2025 Oct 30, 2025 Nov 6, 2025 (21) znez

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## **NOTICE**

To all Kearney County landowners and tenants. It is illegal to install temporary fencing on County right-of-way. This is in direct violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. §39-301. Violators will be prosecuted. Normal maintenance and snow removal operations may damage fencing. Kearney County will not be liable for any destruction or damage to or caused by livestock that gets through illegally placed fencing. Kearney County Road Department employees have been instructed to properly maintain the road.

## BY ORDER OF THE KEARNEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## **NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Village of Wilcox will hold a public hearing on November 11, 2025, at 7:30 P.M. in the Wilcox Town Hall, the purpose of which is to hear public comments on the One- and Six-Year Street Improvement Program for the Village of Wilcox, in strict accordance with Nebraska Law.

> Village of Wilcox Melinda Ferree, Village Clerk

Oct 30, 2025 (16) znez

**SAMPLE BALLOT** \$27,285,000 **SCHOOL BOND ELECTION KEARNEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0503** (MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF **NEBRASKA** Tuesday, November 4, 2025

"Shall Kearney County School District 0503 (Minden Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the "District") issue general obligation bonds of the District in an aggregate stated principal amount not to exceed Twenty-Seven Million Two Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$27,285,000), for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of construction and acquisition of a new elementary school building, site and public infrastructure improvements, modifications to the District's existing buildings and facilities, and providing for the necessary furniture, equipment and apparatus for such buildings and facilities of the District; such bonds to be issued from time to time, to bear interest at such rate or rates, to be sold at such prices and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by, or determined at the direction of, the Board of Education; and

"Shall the District cause to be levied and collected annually a special levy of taxes against all the taxable property in the District sufficient in rate and amount to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due?"

FOR such Bonds and tax

 $\bigcirc$ **AGAINST** such Bonds and tax

Electors voting in favor of the proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "FOR such Bonds and tax" following the proposition.

Electors voting against such proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "AGAINST such Bonds and tax" following the proposition.

Oct 30, 2025 (70) znez

## **ELECTION VACANCY** NOTICE

The Tri-Basin Natural Resources District Board of Directors has a vacancy for a Sub-District 6 Director effective October 22, 2025. The vacancy exists for the remainder of the term, starting November 19, 2025, and ending December 31, 2026.

Sub-District #6 Boundary: All of May (6N-13W), Eaton (7N-13W), Lowell (8N-13W and 8N-14W), Lincoln (6N-14W), Liberty (7N-14W), Newark (8N-14W and 8N-15W), Logan (7N-15W) and Blaine (7N-16W and 8N-16W) Townships in Kearney County and the North election ward of the City of Minden in Kearney County, as it exists on December 14, 2021, as well as all of Anderson (7N-17W) and Cottonwood (8N-17W and 8N-18W) Townships in Phelps County Anyone who resides in these counties and is interested in applying for this vacancy should submit a written request to the Tri-Basin NRD office at 1723 Burlington St., Holdrege, NE 68949 or call (308) 995-6688 by the close of business on November 7, 2025. Interested parties can visit the NRD office or call (308) 995-6688 for more information.

Oct 30, 2025 Nov 6, 2025 (44) znez

> IN THE COUNTY COURT OF KEARNEY COUNTY, **NEBRASKA ESTATE OF** PHYLLIS ANN GASTON, **DECEASED ESTATE NO. PR25-30**

Notice is hereby given that on October 7, 2025, 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 Roger B. Gaston, whose address is 1395 Country Club Drive, Sidney, Nebraska 69162 and Robert T. Gaston, whose address is 1215 E. Assumption Road, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-7746, were informally appointed by the Registrar as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before December 16, 2025, or be forever barred.

/s/Laura B. Tobiassen Registrar **Kearney County Court Kearney County** Courthouse Minden, NE 68959 Remington S. Slama #27389 KLEIN, BREWSTER, BRANDT & MESSERSMITH Attorney for Applicant P.O. Box 272 Minden, NE 68959 308-832-2150 minden@kleinbrewster.com Oct 16, 2025 Oct 23, 2025 Oct 30, 2025 (44) znez

## **NOTICE**

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF KEARNEY COUNTY. **NEBRASKA ESTATE OF MARCELE D. SCHMIDT,** DECEASED

**ESTATE NO. PR25-29** Notice is hereby given that on October 24, 2025, in the County Court of Kearney County, Nebraska, Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Company, whose address is P.O. Box 179, Minden, Nebraska 68959, was appointed by the Court as Personal Representative of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims

with this Court on or before December 24, 2025, or be forever barred.

/s/Laura B. Tobiassen Clerk of the County Court **Kearney County Court Kearney County** Courthouse Minden, NE 68959 Remington S. Slama #27389 KLEIN, BREWSTER, BRANDT & MESSERSMITH Attorney for Petitioner P.O. Box 272 Minden, NE 68959 308-832-2150 minden@kleinbrewster.com Oct 30, 2025 Nov 6, 2025 Nov 13, 2025



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-Todd Jensen, Coordinator

## **HELP WANTED**

VILLAGE OF CAMPBELL SEEKS VILLAGE SUPERINTENDENT: The Village of Campbell is seeking a qualified and experienced individual for the position of Village Superintendent. The Superintendent will be responsible for day-to-day operations of the Public Works Department, which includes water, water-waste, streets, and parks. This role ensures our Village operates efficiently and safely.

#### **Qualifications:**

Ability to obtain and maintain a Nebraska Water Operators License Class 4 minimum.



- Ability to obtain and maintain a Nebraska Commercial or non-commercial applicators license with category 09.
- · Valid Driver's License.

## To Apply:

Please submit a letter of interest and resume to the Village of Campbell PO BOX 215 Campbell Ne 68932, or Campbell Clerks office. A full job description is available at the Clerk's office.

The Village of Campbell is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

## THE KEARNEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION-

ERS is accepting applications for the position of Kearney County Clerk of the District Court until 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2025 and interviews will be at 1:00 p.m. on November 18, 2025 at the Board of Commissioners regular meeting. Successful applicant will fill the unexpired term of

the retiring Clerk of District Court through January 7, 2027. Benefit package includes retirement, health, dental and life insurance. JOB DUTIES: Maintain the records of criminal & civil cases, the Court's dockets & processing judgments; receipting & disbursing payments; prepare monthly & quarterly fee reports; prepare yearly budget; process protection order applications and passport applications; jury commissioner duties. Job requires absolute confidentiality. JOB REQUIREMENTS: Fluency in typing; computer & data entry; knowledge of basic bookkeeping procedures; strong customer service and good phone etiquette. Experience in legal work a plus, but not required. Application form and detailed job description can be picked up and returned to the Kearney County Clerk's office, 2nd Floor, Kearney County Courthouse, 424 N. Colorado, Minden, NE 68959 or mailed to P.O. Box 339, Minden, NE 68959. Please include a resume with your application. EOE/Veterans Preference

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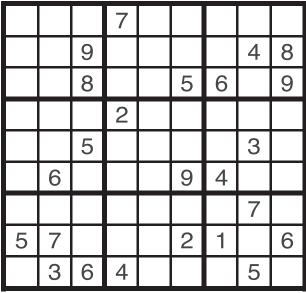
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- 15. Two-toed sloth
- 16. Small perfumed bag
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# Kearney County Ag Society Public Meeting

Tuesday,
November 4, 2025
7 p.m.
Kearney County
Fairgrounds
Open to the public

## **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

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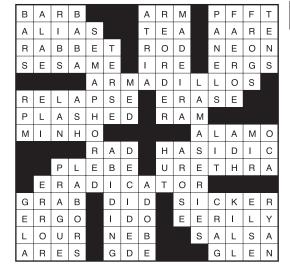
- 1. Bullfighting maneuver
- 2. From a distance
- 3. Soul and calypso song
- 4. Expressions of delight
- 5. Lower in esteem
- 6. Inner region of an organ
- 7. Flowers
- 8. A bog
- 9. Remove a fastening
- 10. Membranes
- 11. Enormous
- 13. One who abstains from drink

- 17. Malayan wild ox
- 24. Type of student
- 25. Rejecting all moral principles
- 26. Sino-Soviet block
- 27. Egyptian unit of weight
- 28. Wrong
- 29. Make a mistake
- 35. Indicates location
- 36. Boxing's "GOAT"
- 37. Where wrestlers compete
- 38. Timid
- 40. Disney town
- 41. Suggesting the horror of

- death and decay
- 42. Male parent
- 43. Remove for good
- 44. Simple shoes
- 45. Flowers
- 47. Hindi courtesy title for a man
- 48. Not pleased
- 49. "Atlas Shrugged" author
- 52. CIA officer and writer
- 53. Hoodlum
- 54. \_\_ Von Bismarck, Iron Chancellor
- 55. Woolen rugs

## **10.23.25 SOLUTIONS**

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