

Minden Chess Club Invites Players to Learn, Play, and Grow

CINDY RAMSEY

A club in Minden is bringing together residents of all ages for fun, conversation, and competition. Minden Chess Club invites players of all skill levels to learn, play, and grow in a family friendly environment.

Jason Bennetts and Berke Landrum are the club's founders. Bennetts moved to Minden about two years ago and met Landrum at his job. After bonding over chess, the pair began the work to create a club that would bring together others with a shared appreciation for the game.

"I wanted to do something within the community that I could reach out and give back to and also meet people with similar interests. Chess was an idea I had after playing with some of my new friends," Bennetts explained.

The first meeting of the Minden Chess Club was held on July 22nd 2023. Although the club has hosted some outdoor events, the Nebraska weather is often uncooperative. The founders count themselves fortunate to be allowed to hold weekly meetings and games at Pizza Hut.

"Pizza Hut has been very accommodating. Even though it's in a restaurant, there is no need to buy anything. They're very gracious in that sense," Landrum said.

Meetings are held every Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. year round. Participation is open to all ages and skill levels. The club currently boasts over 30 members running the gambit from talented senior players to youth interested in learning the game.

"I always liked chess. I grew up playing it and I like playing it now," Landrum said. "One thing I like about this club is we have everything from sixth graders to players over 60 years old. We try to be open to all generations and skill levels."

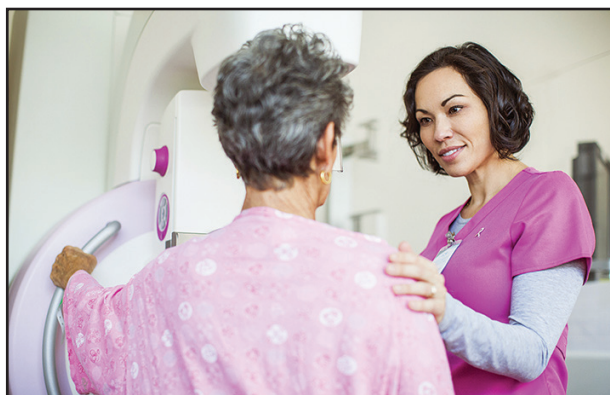
People interested in joining the club can bring their own board and pieces or play with those provided. The club has several game sets including one specifically de-



Minden Chess Club welcomes players of all ages and skill levels to learn, play, and grow their skills in a family friendly environment. Pictured: Members play chess while another member watches during a regular weekly meeting at Pizza Hut. (Courier photo by Cindy Ramsey)

Weather Forecast

Oct. 11:	88/53	
Oct. 12:	80/51	
Oct. 13:	76/44	
Oct. 14:	73/47	
Oct. 15:	79/48	
Oct. 16:	76/47	
Oct. 17:	69/43	



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News Briefs

Scouting for Food

Minden Boy Scout Troop 199 will be Scouting for Food on Saturday, October 12. Please set non-perishable foods outside your front door by 9am for scouts to pick up. All items will be donated to the Minden Food Pantry and Little Food Pantry. If you have questions, or your items get missed - please contact Jaime Sinsel at 308-830-2867 to arrange for pick up.

Pints for Polio

The Rotary Club of Minden will hold Pints for Polio Night at Thunderhead Brewing Company, 201 F Avenue, Axtell on Thursday, October 24 from 6-8pm. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$23 at the door and can be purchased from club members or at Thunderhead Brewery. Tickets include two select beers, light appetizers, great company and a good time! The event is organized to raise awareness and money for the fight to eradicate polio across the planet. Funds raised are matched times two.

Christmas City Ball

The Minden Chamber of Commerce will host a new Christmas Traditions event called the Christmas City Ball on November 16 at the Minden Opera House. This event will be a formal fundraising event for the Chamber consisting of a social hour from 5-6pm, a dinner at 6pm, keynote speaker, awards ceremony, and additional fundraising events during the dance. The public is invited to attend. Tables can be purchased for \$400 while individual seating will be \$50. Tickets can be purchased at the Minden Chamber of Commerce office on Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8am-noon) or by calling the office at 308-832-1811. A full list of Christmas Traditions events can be found on the website www.MindenNE.org/signature-events.

First Friday Musical Jam

Minden First Friday Musical Jam will be held 6-8pm on Friday, November 1 at Windmill Studios, 521 N. Colorado Avenue in Minden. Musicians of all skill levels are welcome to join this relaxed and informal event and audience members are encouraged to sing along if the mood strikes them! It's a great way to practice and improve your musical skills. The event is free to participants and audience members and is supported by beverage sales, which attendees are encouraged to purchase. No food is provided but everyone is welcome to bring snacks to share.

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, October 14; Monday, November 18; and Monday, December 9.

3rd Annual Touch-A-Truck

Kids of all ages can interact with and learn about the vehicles and equipment that help their community thrive at the third annual Touch-A-Truck in Minden hosted by Jensen Memorial Library. This year's event will take place on Saturday, October 12 from 10am-noon in downtown Minden.

Scheduled to appear this year are vehicles and equipment from the areas of first responders, municipal works, farming, transportation, and trucking. More information about the event is available at the library, on the library's social media channels (@jensenmemoriallibrary) or on the library's website (libraries.ne.gov/jensen).

Minden Courier Football Contest Winners Week 6

ROGER HANSEN

Week six of the Courier Football Contest produced two first time winners for this year.

Lisa Fries of Minden was the lone contestant to have just one incorrect prediction and for her effort she merits the \$25 first prize money.

Seven entrants had two misses so the tie-breaker total (Nebraska 14, Rutgers 7-Total 21) was used to determine the \$15 second place recipient. Minden's Cray Stubbs' guess of 35 was closer than the other six.

The remainder of the two-miss entries were submitted by Doug Hammer of Minden (36), Jim Bruening of Minden (38), Kyle Rutt of Campbell (39), Jena Coil of Ralston (40), Karl Detmers of Minden (43) and Corey Ziola of Minden (52).

Most missed game results were Minnesota over USC, Texas A& M over Missouri and Washington over Michigan.

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Weather Recap

Date	High	Low	Precip.
9/28/24	91	53	-
9/29/24	90	50	-
9/30/24	84	51	-
10/1/24	70	43	-
10/2/24	85	48	-
10/3/24	79	46	-
10/4/24	75	43	-
Total Week Precip.....	0.00		

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For the Record

Marriage License

Tyson Dean Marsh, 27, Minden & Haley E. Jones, 23, Minden; 9-27-24

Kearney County District Court

Wells Fargo Bank vs. Dickie L. Stadler Jr., Axtell; contract dispute, 9-26-24

Kearney County County Court

Monica A. Banuelos, Upland, speeding 16-20 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Minden Police Officer Kerns, 7-23-24

Jeremy J. Hubbard, Overton, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$50, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Clark, 7-30-24

Sergio A. Quinonez-Hervias, Gibbon, speeding 16-20 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Gonzalez, 5-17-24

Joseph L. Capasso, Garland, Texas, speeding 6-10 MPH County/State, fine \$25, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Evans, 8-7-24

Dedric W. Cervantes, Minden, no proof of insurance, fine \$50, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Gaudreault, 7-29-24

Jennifer M. Rose, Hastings, speeding 1-5 MPH County/State, fine \$10, Nebraska State Patrol Officer Scott, 8-14-24

Wallace Dodson, Minden, sexual assault without consent-3rd degree, fine 12 month probation, sex offender, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Seals, 6-23-24

Kiffen N. Cook, Minden, COUNT I: refuse to submit to test-1st offense, fine \$500, 3 month probation court, 60 days license revoked; COUNT II: carry concealed handgun under influence, fine \$100, 3 months probation court, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Seals, 4-13-24

Russell F. Schukar, Kearney, DUI- .08 blood-1st offense, fine \$500, 3 month probation, 60 days revoked license, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Seals, 5-26-24

Alexander Brais, Heartwell, speeding

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signed for beginners that includes 'moving instructions' on each game piece.

"It's a confusing game. That's part of what we're trying to do is talk them through and play it through. You definitely get better by practicing," Landrum said.

In addition to sharpening skills through casual play, occasional chess lessons are provided to teach players new tricks and different approaches.

"Jason's really good at those. He would go online for opening moves and guarding your king. I'm really big on, particularly for beginners, there's a certain move called castling that I like," Landrum said.

Building chess skills is important for members who choose to participate in larger tournament competitions. Minden Chess Club took a group of players to a tournament in Kearney last year and fared well. Landrum won first place in the tournament in the casual player division.

For players not interested in competing on a larger scale, Minden Chess Club offers plenty of casual play and opportunity to connect with others. Typically there are 2-4 games being played at one time during meetings and members can participate or watch ongoing games to learn and socialize.

"There's no fees or anything, just show up and play. It's a game that affords conversation and interaction because each specific game may be 15-20 minutes. In that there's a little bit of give and take between two players and the watchers too," Landrum said.

Community members with an appreciation for chess or an interest to learn the game are encouraged to stop by a meeting or contact one of the founders to learn more. Landrum can be reached at 308.528.0391 and Bennetts can be reached at 208.293.9322, be sure to mention chess club if sending a text.

"I think it's important to know chess is a great game to be able to evaluate life lessons and really understand the importance of picking and choosing and making decisions which is one of my favorite things about chess. You make one move and you could pay for it or you can make one move and you're really happy with it," Bennetts said. "There's a lot to be learned from it and it's a really fun game. You don't have to be smart to learn how to play; that's a very common misconception. It's a game for everybody that anybody can learn."

For updates, special events, and chess news, follow Minden Chess Club on Facebook.

11-15 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Eshleman, 8-19-24

Randolph C. Frizane, Kearney, speeding 16-20 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 9-4-24

Guadalupe Ledezma, Harvard, speeding 11-15 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 9-5-24

Sheryce L. Rice, Colorado Springs, Colorado, speeding 16-20 MPH County/State, fine \$125, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 9-6-24

Brain M. Pattison, Shelton, disobey stop lights, fine \$75, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 8-18-24

Justin R. Sadd, Axtell, speeding 11-15 MPH County/State, fine \$75, Kearney County Sheriff Officer Herrada, 8-18-24

Minden Fire & Rescue

9-27-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched.

9-27-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was on standby.

9-28-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched.

9-29-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched.

9-30-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched.

10-2-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to Bethany Home.

10-2-24—The Minden Fire & Rescue was dispatched to W. 9th Street for a fire.

10-2-24—The Minden Emergency Unit was dispatched to N. Tower Avenue for a pedestrian hit by a vehicle.

Axtell Fire & Rescue

10-1-24—The Axtell Emergency Unit was dispatched to transport female to Phelps Memorial Health Center ER in Holdrege.

10-2-24—The Axtell Fire & Rescue was dispatched to 9th Street, east of Miller the Driller, quad city mutual aid.

Kearney County Sheriff

9-18-24, A vehicle driven by Dean R. Marsh, Kearney, was northbound on Highway 44 and slowed to make a left hand turn onto U Road. A vehicle driven by Dillon Ford Johnson, Wilcox, also heading north, failed to stop in time and collided with Marsh, sending both vehicles into ditches. Estimated damage, Marsh: \$5,000. Estimated damage, Johnson: \$5,000.

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Letters to the Editor

Col. Dan Lonowski, I support your bid for Senator of the state of Nebraska and wish you best of luck.

I served with Col. Dan Lonowski in Afghanistan. I know him to be a Patriot, a family man, a Conservative Christian, and a servant of the people.

As patriot and professional Soldier, Col. Lonowski promptly answered whenever his nation called. He has deployed several times in combat and in support of our troops. With rank comes privilege and responsibility. Over 20 years in uniform I have observed many officers, but Col Lonowski stood out. He did not abuse the privilege rank provides. When it came to his duty and his work ethic, he was a consummate professional setting the highest standards for himself and those around him. He was a natural leader, and he was never afraid to get his hands dirty by working shoulder to shoulder with the troops. He embodied the fact that the primary role for leadership is to take care of those under his command.

Dan has a pretty keen sense of humor as well. He was quick with a funny comeback and usually had a hand in any prank or practical joke. He made people laugh in tough times when smiles were in short supply.

When we were not on duty, he would be one of the first to lend a hand with the Heart and Minds projects around the base. He helped raise awareness and for the building of a local national school on KAF. This school provided a bit of an education for scores of Afghan children and a much-needed momentary escape from war for hundreds of allied troops.

Col Lonowski is a devoted Christian. He co-led a Bible study with the troops and never missed an opportunity to encourage and uplift anyone who needed it. He was always telling us about the family back home, the latest things his kids were into. When I say his kids not just his family. He may have been thousands of miles away, but he kept up with all his students past and present and of course his wrestling team. It would not be uncommon to step into his tent and he would be on skype going over some homework, a special wrestling move or giving life advice to one of the students.

As for a politician Col. Lonowski did not discriminate with those who did not share his views, he tried to work with everyone but there was no doubt in anyone's minds that Dan Lonowski was and is a staunch Constitutional Conservative. High moral and ethical standards are the core of his belief system. He believes in small business capitalism, Law and Order, Personal Responsibility and a hard day's work and an Honest day's pay that the government keeps it hands off. He is a defender of the God given Right of every citizen to protect themselves and their property from those who would violate those rights. He is

a champion of our Heroes in and out of uniform who stand on the line to protect us and our Freedoms from the wolf at the door. My only problem voting for Dan Lonowski is we cannot talk him into leaving Nebraska and coming to Alabama. I will just have to wait until he runs for the higher office to do that. I count it a great Honor to have served with Col. Lonowski but even more to call Dan a friend.

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I, Joel Carmichael support Dan Lonowski for a senate seat in the Nebraska Legislature.

I first met Dan and his entire family when they moved into our small town of Stromsburg NE in 1972. Dan's parents had purchased a grocery store, and the entire Lonowski Family were welcomed into our community. It was evident from the start this was a very close-knit family that was being raised with traditional Midwestern values with emphasis on civics and service to our country.

Dan and I served together as enlisted Soldiers in the Nebraska National Guard, along with many of our siblings and other relatives. Even in these younger years, Dan's leadership abilities were observed, and our unit leadership encouraged him to start on the path to becoming an officer. Entering the Army as a basic Private to retiring as a Colonel is a great accomplishment alone. As many Veterans will tell of, serving together brings Soldiers closer; to work through the tough times and celebrate the good times. I am proudest to call Dan my friend, along with several of his family members that I served with.

I chose a different path and entered the active-duty army and subsequently moved away from Nebraska. I mention this because even through the years I have continued to remain connected with Dan and his family. One of my later Army assignments brought me back to the great state of Nebraska and I was happy to reinvigorate our friendship. I visited Dan many times while he was a teacher and coach at Adams Central High School, finding the time apart had changed nothing. It became immediately evident that Dan's students and wrestling athletes respected him and held him in high regard. This was not by accident but is testament to the type of Teacher/Coach/Leader that Dan Lonowski is.

To the residents of District 33 and all Nebraskans, Dan Lonowski will bring common sense leadership, strong Midwestern values and impeccable ethics while serving you as your legislator. I cannot think of anyone better suited for this elected office during the controversial and trying times that all of us have in our future.

Very Respectfully,
Joel Carmichael
Master Sergeant (Retired), US Army
Fayetteville, North Carolina

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City of Minden Awarded \$12,050 Community Forestry Infrastructure Grant From Nebraska Statewide Arboretum

PRESS RELEASE

The City of Minden was recently awarded a \$12,050 Community Forestry Infrastructure grant from the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum (NSA). The grant was part of \$10 million in grant funds awarded to NSA in 2024 by the USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry program as part of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

The goal of the grant program is to improve Nebraska's community forestry infrastructure in disadvantaged communities by supporting tree removal, care and planting to preserve tree canopy cover; protecting, enhancing and increasing access to watersheds in urban

and development areas by focusing on conserving and managing community forests and green stormwater infrastructure; and improving workforce development in the tree care industry by providing pathways for high school students, creating job training programs and connecting newly trained professionals with local tree care companies.

The City of Minden will use the grant funds to remove 5 diseased and distressed trees; 2 at Chautauqua Park and 3 at American Legion (Swimming Pool) Park. It also includes the addition of several trees to those two

parks; 7 at Chautauqua Park and 3 at American Legion Park.

"We are so pleased to be able to award this IRA grant to the City of Minden, which will profoundly impact the well-being of residents in Minden." Said Nebraska Statewide Arboretum Executive Director Hannah Pinneo. "This significant investment will yield important, long-term results. We are proud to partner with Minden to support a greener future."

"Continuing to invest into Minden's tree canopy is important for the future. We can thank those leaders that made that decision many years ago for the beautiful community we get to enjoy today, and generations to come will be glad we made that investment today. This grant is a great way to positively impact our community greenspaces without negatively impacting our city finances. We are thankful for the NSA's grant program and award to Minden." Said Minden City Administrator, Michael Krings.

For more information about the NSA's Community Forestry Infrastructure grants, including eligibility requirements and information about the grant application process, visit plantnebraska.org/ucf-grants.

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Debunking Breast Cancer Myths

PRESS RELEASE

Events like National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Susan G. Komen® MORE THAN PINK Walk® have been integral to raising awareness about the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women across the globe. Though such campaigns and events have helped many women better understand breast cancer and their own risk for the disease, certain myths surrounding breast cancer persist. Such myths are not harmless and can, in fact, lead to unsafe outcomes that jeopardize women's health.

Questions about breast cancer should always be directed to a physician. Though physicians may not have all the answers, they remain useful allies in the fight against a disease that the World Cancer Research Fund International reports will be discovered in roughly three million women this year. As women seek more knowledge of breast cancer, it can be just as important to recognize some common myths surrounding the disease.

Myth: MRIs are more effective than mammograms.

The National Breast Cancer Coalition notes that no evidence exists to support the assertion that a magnetic resonance imaging exam is a more effective screening test for breast cancer than a mammogram. The NBCC acknowledges that an MRI can be an effective diagnostic tool when doctors suspect something is wrong. However, the NBCC advises against using MRI to screen for breast cancer since it is more likely to yield a false-positive result than a mammogram. Indeed, the National Breast Cancer Foundation identifies mammography as the gold standard for the early detection of breast cancer.

Myth: Breast size and breast cancer risk are connected.

This myth typically suggests breast cancer is more common in women with large breasts. The NBCF notes there is no connection between breast size and breast cancer risk. Breast density, not size, may be associated with a greater risk for breast cancer. The Mayo Clinic notes dense breast tissue refers to the ways breast tissue appears on a mammo-

gram. Women with dense breasts, which the National Cancer Institute notes affects roughly half of all women over age 40, are at higher risk for breast cancer because the dense tissue makes screening for the disease more difficult. But breast size and breast density are not one and the same.

Myth: Most breast cancer patients have a family history of the disease.

The NBCC notes that roughly 15 to 20 percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer report a family history of the disease. Assuming only those with a family history are vulnerable to breast cancer gives women with no such background a false sense of security, which may discourage them from taking measures to lower their risk.

Myth: All breast lumps are cancerous.

The NBCF indicates only a small percentage of breast lumps end up being cancerous. Lumps should never be ignored, and should be reported to a physician immediately. But it's im-

portant to avoid jumping to conclusions after finding a breast lump. A clinical breast exam can determine what's behind the lump, and women who discover a lump should remain calm until such an exam is conducted.

These are just some of the many myths circulating about breast cancer. More information about the disease can be found at nationalbreastcancer.org.



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Bowling Standings

Monday Maniacs 9-16-24

Team Standings:	W	L
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust	9	3
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm	6	6
Budget Heating & Air	6	6
Children First Day Care	3	9
High Individual Game: Denise Smith, 197; Rendy France, 192; Debbi Allen, 164		
High Individual Series: Denise Smith, 460; Ashley Osterbuhr, 450; Debbi Allen, 449		
High Team Game: Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 440; Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 420; Budget Heating & Air, 379		
High Team Series: Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 1222; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 1054; Children First Day Care, 988		

Monday Maniacs 9-30-24

Team Standings:	W	L
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust	15	5
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm	9	11
Budget Heating & Air	9	11
Children First Day Care	7	13
High Individual Game: Ashley Osterbuhr, 178; Angela Segelke, 177; Denise Smith, 174		
High Individual Series: Denise Smith, 482; Theresa Ciemnoczolowski, 440; Renty France, 422		
High Team Game: Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 495; Children First Day Care, 422; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 417		
High Team Series: Lieske, Lieske & Ensz Law Firm, 1245; Minden Exchange Bank & Trust, 1181; Children First Day Care, 1161		

Classey Lassies 9-26-24

Team Standings:	W	L
Aurora Coop-Keene	14	2
Split Happens	13	3
Larson Bros Construction	7	9
Skye's the Limit Salon	7	9
Pony Express Ford	7	9
Upland Bar & Grill	6	10
Dobish Dumpsters	6	10
Platte River BBQ	4	12
High Individual Game: Linzzy Ellebrecht, 191; Cori Malone, 188; Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 181		
High Individual Series: Deb Cavanaugh-Dorn, 460; Cori Malone, 442; Kasey Welch, 435		
High Team Game: Larson Bros Construction, 459; Platte River BBQ, 440; Split Happens, 428		
High Team Series: Larson Bros Construction, 1243; Platte River BBQ, 1212; Aurora Coop-Keene, 1190		

Minden Unified Association 10-3-24

Team Standings:	W	L
First Bank	89	71
APEX	88	69
Joyce Farms	87	73
Miller Body	80	80
High Individual Game: Paul Heath, 232; Dusty Galusha, 210; Kevin Reed, 200		
High Individual Series: Dusty Galusha, 559; Paul Heath, 553; Kevin Reed, 527		
High Team Game: Joyce Farms, 767; First Bank, 678; Miller Body, 627		
High Team Series: Joyce Farms, 2004; Miller Body, 1773; First Bank, 1756		

Sweet Adelines to Perform

PRESS RELEASE

It's Show Time! Nebraska Pride Chorus of Sweet Adelines International once again presents its annual Show. It is "Let's Sing Broadway" featuring great music from famous Broadway musicals that is sure to bring back fond memories for unforgettable songs.

Under the direction of Connie Witt, women from seven central Nebraska towns join in bringing the fun filled afternoon or evening of a cappella singing Barbershop Style to Arapahoe, Kearney and North Platte. Witt has been directing the chorus for more than 10 years.

Special guest performers this year include Kim Baxter in Arapahoe and North Platte. Kim is a prolific songwriter and performer from North Platte. Baxter plays a wide variety of music including country, folk, Americana, oldies and ever a few originals. The Shockitanos, a singer/song writing duo who's style is influenced by County, Rock, Folk, Blues and Americana, will be the guests in Kearney. They also perform cover songs that bring back fond memories.

"Let's Sing Broadway" show time, dates and venues are October 19 in Arapahoe at the High School at 2:00 PM and in Kearney at the Merryman Performing Arts Center at 7:30 PM. On October 20, the show will be performed at the North Platte Community College at 2:00 PM.

The chorus looks forward to seeing you at the show. Admission is Free Will donation.

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- ✗ Supports DEI and against school choice
- ✗ Supports gun regulations
- ✗ Opposes voter ID

I would appreciate your vote on November 5th!



Potter's Wheel

By Lori Potter

I know it's important and healthy to live in the moment, but sometimes looking back can be enjoyable and educational.

That certainly was true the last weekend in September, when I spent Friday and Saturday at the Crane Trust near Alda and other nearby sites with Nebraska Press Women, and much of Sunday on the Junk Jaunt.

During the Sept. 28 NPW conference, we learned about work by several organizations - Crane Trust, Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary, Platte River Recovery Implementation Program and The Nature Conservancy - to protect and restore native prairies and river-related habitats.

The NPW board's pre-tour the previous afternoon had started at Ronnie O'Brien's Pawnee corn garden southeast of Shelton. She leads the Nebraska gardeners who have partnered with the Oklahoma-based Pawnee Seed Preservation Society to successfully recover 20-plus types of corn once grown in Nebraska by ancestors of today's Pawnee, including some extinct varieties.

During our next stop at TNC's Platte Prairies south of the Wood River I-80 exit, someone said out loud what most of us were thinking, "Can you imagine what our ancestors thought when they first came to Nebraska and saw grasslands like this stretching as far as their eyes could see?"

On the other side of that moment, imagine what people already living in the Loup, Platte, Blue and Republican river basins, primarily the Pawnee, thought about the strangers in covered wagons who were making themselves at home, plowing the prairie, and building houses, barns and fences.

Most Nebraskans have ancestors who were among those strangers.

My great-great Potter grandparents and their five children arrived at Red Cloud in a covered wagon in 1874. Five years later, they moved to a Harlan County site southwest of Wilcox. He built what was known as the Freewater Store, and bought land to farm there



and in northwest Franklin County.

My Grandma Tena Dunn, born in 1882, remembered riding in a covered wagon with her family from near Beatrice to Harlan County after her German-born dad was called to be the pastor at a Lutheran church north of Republican City.

After the Sept. 28 NPW conference adjourned, President and CEO Brice Krohn and his staff took us on a hayrack ride around the Crane Trust property.

Past and modern history were mixed as we photographed the trust's bison herd grazing in a prairie pasture near trees that shielded them from Interstate 80. Then the pickup-pulled wagon transported us to the Platte River's north bank.

Nostalgia followed me home to Kearney. Seeing modern combines chewing through cornfields made me remember the now antique IH Farmall tractors and Gleaner combine my dad and brother farmed with while I was growing up in the 1960s and '70s.

Dad was born on our Potter land south of Wilcox on Oct. 24, 1919. When he was old enough to start helping on the farm, Grandpa still used horses to pull the plow and planter. My siblings and I had no horses to ride as kids because Dad wanted "horsepower," not reminders of "horse power" farming.

On Sunday, Sept. 29, two friends and I explored Junk Jaunt places along Highway 2 from Litchfield to Broken Bow that were selling antiques and collectibles; old farm equipment and windmill parts; clothes and toys; handmade arts and crafts; honey, jams, jellies and baked goods; and lots of other stuff.

We ate picnic lunches under a shade tree near an apple tree loaded with fruit at the Treffer Ranch headquarters two miles east of Broken Bow, and had a nice visit with 90-year-old Delores Treffer.

I was back to living in the moment after returning home to dirty laundry, a stack of bills and a grocery/things-to-do list I'd started before my prairie-history-Press Women weekend. However, I know that to feel well physically, mentally and spiritually, I must visit places and do things that tap into - and create - wonderful memories.

Lori Potter of Kearney is a Wilcox area native and co-owner of her family's farm. She has been a Nebraska newspaper journalist for 46 years, including as a freelancer since March 2021.

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FFA Students of the Week



Axtell

Member: Warren Myers

Grade: Sophomore

SAE Project: Warren has an equine SAE in which he works with horses.

Favorite FFA Contest: Land Judging

Recent Successes: Warren competed in District Land Judging at the beginning of October. He placed 47th earning a red ribbon. He was also selected as one of the Axtell students who will be attending the 97th National FFA Convention.



Wilcox-Hildreth

Last month, the FFA officers helped out with Farm Safety Day at the Kearney County Fairgrounds! The officers were group leaders and taught lessons on chemical safety.

Students in grades 4-6 learned how to be safe around chemicals, insects, fire, animals, grain bins, four wheelers. The students also learned about first-aid and other dangers that they could encounter in life!



Minden

Name: Cael Smith

Grade: Sophomore

SAE: Beef Production- Placement

Involvement: Last week, Cael participated in the area Land Judging Contest and had a GREAT performance. Cael placed 29th overall and was the highest-placing Minden participant. Cael has participated in several CDE contests in FFA and has gotten very involved in his SAE with Eckloff Show Cattle. Cael is very passionate about agriculture, specifically the beef industry. We are excited to see how Cael continues to get involved in FFA in the coming years.

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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. 11: BREAKFAST: Pancakes & sausage; LUNCH: Hamburger, French fries, cookie

Monday, Oct. 14: BREAKFAST: Banana bread, yogurt; LUNCH: Corn dog, sweet potato fries

Tuesday, Oct. 15: BREAKFAST: Omelet, breadstick; LUNCH: Nachos, corn salad

Wednesday, Oct. 16: BREAKFAST: Cinnamon roll, yogurt; LUNCH: Popcorn chicken, breadstick

Thursday, Oct. 17: Freudel, cheese stick; LUNCH: Meatball sub, roasted French fries, broccoli

Friday, Oct. 18: NO SCHOOL

ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Oct. 11: District Softball Final; V FB @ Broken Bow, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 12: State MS CC @ Papillion Lavista South HS, 1 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 14: Board of Education meeting; State Girls GO @ North Platte; 7/8 VB vs. Lexington, 4:15 p.m.; 7/8 FB vs. Kearney Catholic, 5 p.m.; JV FB @ Holdrege, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 15: State Girls GO @ North Platte; 7/8 VB vs Holdrege, 4:30 p.m.; VB Res/JV/V @ Cozad, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16: PSAT Test-Select Juniors; State SB

Thursday, Oct. 17: District CC @ Minden; State SB; End of 1st Quarter; VB Res/JV/V Senior Night vs. Holdrege, 5 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 18: NO SCHOOL; State SB; V FB Senior Night vs. Gothenburg, 7 p.m.

Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools

ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Oct. 11: Journalism Students gone to sell ads, 8 a.m.; 3rd-5th HAL with Mrs. Dannehl, 9:10 a.m.; 9th-12th HAL with Mrs. Dannehl, 12:30 p.m.; 6th-8th HAL with Mrs. Dannehl, 1:30 p.m.; FB/CC Senior Night, 6:45 p.m.; FB vs. Kenesaw, 7 p.m.;

Trick or Treat, Donate Something Good to Eat!

ARABELLA REED, MHS FFA STUDENT

With the seasons changing and the weather chilling to a crisp slowly but surely, the Minden FFA chapter needs your help to provide those of less fortune this coming holiday season. Seeing that the citizens of Minden are good and warm-hearted, we hope that the turn out of canned goods will be plentiful for our trick or treat can food drive, for it is the spooky season of giving.

Students of the Minden FFA, along with students of the Minden FBLA and FCCLA, will be swiftly moving around the community and asking for donations to the canned food drive in the evening of October 21st. We encourage you that if you could possibly donate anything at all, please do so! Our organizations cannot wait to knock on your doors that evening, not for a trick, but for a treat of serving our community!

Dazzlers to perform @ halftime, 7:45 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 14: Staff mentor/mentee luncheon, 11 a.m.; FBLA monthly meeting, 11:40 a.m.; VB FKC, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 15: UNK TE204 students in Wilcox, 8 a.m.; 7th grade guidance in Mrs. Myers' room, 8:20 a.m.; PSAT Test, 8:30 a.m.; NHS meeting in Mrs. Maul's room, 11:40 a.m.; VB FKC @ Kearney Catholic, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16: 12 grade Transition @ ESU 11, 8:30 a.m.; Sophomores Connect the Dots, 8:30 a.m.; JH FB/VB @ Axtell, 1 p.m.; MTSSB meeting, 3:45 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 17: 8th grade guidance in Mr. Harold's room, 8:20 a.m.; FCA in Mrs. Maul's room, 11:40 a.m.; HS CC Districts @ Cambridge, 3 p.m.; End of 1st Quarter, 4 p.m.; VB FKC @ Kearney Catholic, 6 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 18: NO SCHOOL; FB @ Elm Creek, 7 p.m.

Axtell Community School

ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Oct. 11: FB @ Elm Creek, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 12: Band @ UNK Homecoming, 9:15 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 14: VB-FKC Tournament Round 1

Tuesday, Oct. 15: FFA Fruit Sales begin; VB-FKC Tournament Round 2 @ Kearney

Wednesday, Oct. 16: FFA State Land Judging; Sophomore Connecting the Dot Career activity; JH FB/VB vs. Wilcox-Hildreth, 1 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 17: CC @ Districts @ Cambridge; VB FKC Finals KHS

Friday, Oct. 18: End of 1st Quarter; Homecoming FB vs. Franklin, 7 p.m.

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Monday, Oct. 14: Creamed chicken over biscuit, beets, fruit & dessert

Tuesday, Oct. 15: Pork cutlet, baked potatoes, carrots, dinner roll & fruit

Wednesday, Oct. 16: Philly steak & cheese sandwich, fried potatoes, 3 bean salad, fruit & dessert

Thursday, Oct. 17: Hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes, salad & fruit

Friday, Oct. 18: Casserole, corn, bread, fruit & dessert

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Eighty Years Ago — 1944

A committee of farmers and representatives from city and county governments met in the assembly room of the courthouse and expressed interest in securing prisoner of war labor to help harvest 90,000 acres of corn.

Grace Christensen, former manager of the Bow and Arrow Cafe, reported to Hunter College in New York City as a new member of the Waves.

The Rozell Beauty Shoppe, located the first door north of the Etzelmiller Clothing Store, opened for business. Barbara O. Skelton was the proprietor.

Seventy Years Ago — 1954

Axtell Community School classes were headed by presidents Allan Berggren, senior; Marcia Holst, junior; Gary Anderson, sophomore; and John Dean Abrahamson, freshman.

The Minden Whippets waited until the last minute to hand the favored Hebron football team a 7-6 defeat. With 55 seconds left, Jack Wilson dived across the end zone and Dan Arnold passed to LaMoyne Monthey for the extra point.

Dale Morris, owner of Dale's Plumbing and Heating, purchased the building formerly occupied by the Golay Auto and Implement Company.

Sixty Years Ago — 1964

Lester Burnham was among county agents from the 50 states who received the Distinguished Service award from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. Burnham was cited for his leadership in developing educational programs designed to raise the productivity and efficiency of irrigated agriculture.

Cheerleaders for the Minden Junior High School were Colleen Christensen, Kylie Cray, Connie Swanson, Sandra Granger and Susan Wortman.

Delores McCroden was named honor chapter mother by the local chapter of the Future Homemakers of America.

Fifty Years Ago — 1974

Dr. Robert Patrick, optometrist, opened his office in the basement of J&J Electronics.

National School Lunch Week was celebrated with 25 million students across the country sharing a student-selected menu: a submarine sandwich, French fries, green beans, fruit cocktail, chocolate chip cookie and milk.

Forty Years Ago — 1984

Don Chase took over management of Fort Kearny Feeders, Inc. The feeder operation handled 14,000 head of cattle and employed 15 people.

The Axtell football team won its first game of the season by defeating Elm Creek. An Elm Creek two point conversion in the final quarter failed as Axtell held on for the 24-22 win.

The new Rough Rider 4-H Club was formed with members Kirk Downey, Jimmy Stephensen, Travis Downey, Jason Gilbreath, Chris Vessely, Brandon Lindau, Scott Wiese and Aaron Johnson.

Thirty Years Ago — 1994

Homecoming royalty for Minden High School included Mary Bloomfield and Ryan Petersen.

The C.L. Jones Middle School, which was destroyed by fire in 1992, was dedicated. The ceremony was presided over by superintendent Dr. Scott Maline.

Jason Nitche and Terri Twohig were crowned homecoming king and queen at Wilcox.



2014 — Kearney County 4-H and County Extension held their annual 4-H Supporter Breakfast at the Kearney County Courthouse. Nebraska Third District Congressman Adrian Smith attended the event and listened to a presentation by some of the 4-H youth about their 4-H experiences. Pictured at the event are from left to right - Dylan Wells, Jenae Boudreau, Erin Lammers, Congressman Adrian Smith, Madisyn Ayres, Erin Kuehn, and Josef Kuehn.

Twenty Years Ago — 2004

The Minden City Council approved spending at least \$95,000 to purchase a new snow plow. During a meeting, the council voted 4-0 in favor of a bid of \$83,943 from Wick's Sterling Trucks of Omaha to purchase a Sterling LT7501 with a GVWR of 50,000 pounds.

The Minden Whippet Softball team fell to the Adams Central Patriots 12-11 in the first round of district action.

The Axtell Wildcats girls volleyball team dropped a heartbreaking five set match to the visiting Elm Creek Buffaloes on homecoming in Axtell.

Ten Years Ago — 2014

Coming off a Southwest Conference championship the previous week, Minden traveled to Wild Horse Golf Course in Gothenburg for the C-4 district meet. The Whippet golfers were close to perfection as they captured their fourth consecutive district title starting in 2011. The Whippets saved their best golf for this year's district run winning by 42 strokes over Kearney Catholic (396) and 43 strokes over Cozad (397).

Troop 199 hosted a Webelos weekend at the Fort Kearny Youth Camp. The Webelos were split into patrols with a Boy Scout patrol leader. They were responsible for setting up tents and all the cooking and clean up. During the weekend several Webelos activity pins were earned including Citizen, Outdoorsman and Fitness.

Based on October 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2014 corn crop was forecast at 1.58 billion bushels, down 2% from last year's record high, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 8.75 million acres, down 8% from a year ago. Average yield was forecast at a record high 181 bushels per acre, up 11 bushels from last year.

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

First Presbyterian

406 A Avenue

Sunday, Oct. 13: Fellowship & Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship service, 10:30 a.m.

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308-743-2611

Matthew Snell, Pastor

Sunday, Oct. 13: Worship service, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school for all ages, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16: Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran, LCMC
104 E. Fifth St.

Sunday, Oct. 13: Donut & Juice, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday's: Men's Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Wednesday's: Confirmation, 3:45 p.m.; HS Youth Supper, following practice

Campbell

St. Anne Catholic
Father Adam Sparling,
Pastor

Saturday, Oct. 12: Mass, 5 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13: Mass, 8

a.m.

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Sunday, Oct. 13: Worship, 10 a.m.

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Funk

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Father Evan Winter

Sunday, Oct. 13: Mass, 8:30 a.m.

Hildreth

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Julie Schmidt, Parish Ministry Associate

Thursday, Oct. 10: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m.; Miriam Circle, 9 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 12: Walking, 8 a.m.; Prayer Shawl Gathering, 9 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13: Contemporary Worship, 8:30 a.m.; Blended-Traditional Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, October. 14: Church Council, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 15: Piece Corps Quilting, 1 p.m.; Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16: Church Club, 5 p.m.; Wednesday Night Supper, 6 p.m. Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

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Friday, Oct. 11: Breakfast & Prayer, 7 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13: Bible Study/Sunday School, 9

a.m.; Worship-Choir Sings, 10:15 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 18: Breakfast & Prayer, 7 a.m.

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Peter Choi, Pastor

Thursday, Oct. 10: Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13: Worship, 10 a.m.; Adult Sunday School, 11 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 17: Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.

Westminster United Presbyterian

109 N. Colorado

Sharon Rees, Pastor

Sunday, Oct. 13: Adult Bible Study, 8:30 a.m.; Worship & Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Fellowship, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16: Fellowship Friends, 1:30 p.m.; Youth Club, 3:45 p.m.; Confirmation Class, 5 p.m.;

Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Wilcox

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Whippets Give Their All in Loss to Milford

ROGER HANSEN

A somewhat injury-riddled Minden football team fought the good fight against Milford but the visiting Eagles came out on top in a 21-8 win over the Whippets at Kuper Field on October 4. Minden dropped to 2-4 and will next play at Broken Bow (3-3) on October 11.

Both teams used a lot of the clock on their initial possessions of the game but neither scored. William Runions recovered a Milford fumble on a 3rd-and-goal from the Whippets' four on the final play of the opening period to turn away the Eagles.

Minden began the second period from its own one and was able to pick up some first downs to move into Milford territory but eventually had to punt. Luke Grollmes' punt was downed at the Eagles' two.

The Dawgs' defense had Milford in a 3rd-and eight from the four when a well executed pitch-and-catch by the Eagles produced a 96-yard scoring pass play. The PAT kick put Milford up 7-0 at 6:01.

Following a three-and-out by the Whippet offense, the Eagles put together a nine-play drive that ended

with another long TD pass--this one covering 35 yards. The PAT kick was blocked but Milford went ahead 13-0 at 1:15 before halftime.

After intercepting a Minden pass in the final minute of the half, the Eagles threatened again, getting to the Minden four before ending with an incomplete pass attempt into the end zone as time ran out.

In the third quarter, another Milford interception and lengthy return put the Eagles in business at the Minden 15. Three plays later they converted a five-yard TD pass. The two-point conversion pass extended Milford's lead to 21-0 at 4:01 of the third.

Braxton Hatch snuffed an Eagle possession with an interception late in the third quarter. The Whippets then drove 49 yards in 12 plays to put points on the board. Logan Verbeck ran in from the one and also ran for the conversion so at 8:26 of the fourth Minden pulled to within 8-21.

The Whippet 'D' forced a Milford punt and the offense moved the ball to the Eagles 36 before another interception stopped Minden's momentum. Milford then ran out the clock.

The Whippets' offense totaled 228 yards--121 rushing, 107 passing.

RUSHING: Orrin Kuehn 16-78, Verbeck 7-26, 1 TD, Parker Hatch 9-19, Runions 1- (-5)

PASSING: Runions 11-23, 50 yds., 3 int.; P. Hatch 2-2, 17 yds.

RECEIVING: B. Hatch 7-71, Cade Harsin 2-21, Verbeck 3-11, Landon Bules 1-4

TACKLES: Cael Smith 9 (1 for loss), Bules 8 (1 for loss), Verbeck 7, Harsin 6 (1 for loss), Turner Schmidt 5, Kuehn 4, Grollmes 4, Evan Lutkemeier 3, Kanin Heath 3, Brett Eckhardt 2 (1 for loss), Carter Frecks 3, Runions 3, Cole Schwenka 1

SACKS: Lutkemeier, Eckhardt

INTERCEPTION: B. Hatch

FUMBLE RECOVERY: Runions

PUNTING: Grollmes 4-34.5 ave.



The Whippets battled Milford on the gridiron on October 4. The game was kept close throughout but unfortunately the Whippets were unable to pull out a victory losing by a score of 8-21. Pictured: (above) Logan Verbeck comes down with an impressive catch. (left) Brett Eckhardt jumps on the ball carrier for a tackle. (Courier photos by Phil Serrone)

KICKOFF RETURNS: Turner Schmidt 2-23.5 ave., Verbeck 1-25, Harsin 1-17

PUNT RETURNS: Bules 1-12, Schmidt 1-9

Milford 0 13 8 0- 21 (5-1)
Minden 0 0 0 8- 8 (2-4)

Milford- 96 pass (kick)
Milford- 35 pass
Milford- 5 run (pass)
Minden- Verbeck, 1 run (Verbeck run)



Falcons Clip Flyers 52-18

ROGER HANSEN

Wilcox-Hildreth won its third in a row and ascended to 4-2 by defeating Franklin 52-18 on Thursday, October 3 at Franklin. The Falcons will host Kenesaw (4-2) on October 11.

Wil-Hil compiled 308 yards of offense--201 rushing and 107 passing. Franklin ran for 174 and passed for 93 to total 267.

Graiden Ritner logged yet another big game statistically for Wil-Hil rushing for 122 yards and six TDs and leading the team with 16 tackles.

RUSHING: Ritner 24-122, 6TDs, Brody Patterson 7-43, Dagan Ortgiesen 6-23, Drew Blank 3-13

PASSING: Ortgiesen 7-11, 107 yards, 1 TD

RECEIVING: Thomas Donley 5-97, Gavin Patterson 1-5, 1 TD, Ritner 1-5

TACKLES: Ritner 16, B. Patterson 15, Cauy Twohig 10, Blank 9, Zayden Wilsey 8, Cody Schriener 6, G. Patterson 6, Ortgiesen 5, Eli Pistulka 4, Donley 3, Landon Lienemann 3, Kyler Masters 3, Kaleb Johnson 2, William Welsh 2, Luke Lush 2, Grayson Johnson 1

SACKS: one each for Blank, Donley, G. Johnson, B. Patterson, C. Schriener, Twohig, Wilsey

FUMBLE RECOVERY: K. Johnson

CONVERSIONS: Ritner 2 runs, 1 reception; B. Patterson 1 rec.; G. Patterson 1 rec.

The Falcons currently sit at 22nd in playoff points. The top 32 in the point standings qualify for the state playoffs.



The Wilcox-Hildreth football team traveled to Franklin on October 4. Pictured: (above) Sophomore Kyler Masters (#31) kicks off after a Falcon touchdown. (front page) Junior Cody Schriener (#12) and Sophomore Grayson Johnson (#16) work together to bring down the Franklin QB, #8 Calvin Carraher. (Courier photos by Stacie Pistulka)

Lady Whippets Take Down Top Ranked Lady Warriors

PHIL SERRONE

It was a battle of reigning state champions as the C-1 and C-2 state champions faced off at Lincoln Lutheran High School on October 2. Minden has been riding a wave of momentum with 22 straight victories and had their work cut out with them with their toughest competition on the schedule who had also won 17 straight games.

Starting off the contest, the Lady Whippets resilience was tested as the team dropped their first two sets of the season consecutively by scores of 14-25 and 23-25. In jeopardy of losing their first game of the season, the Lady Whippets did what they do best and that is lean on one another.

The third set was pivotal for the Lady Whippets as the team was able to pull off a 25-20 finish. With one win in tow, the team needed an extra point session but were able to win 28-26 to force a fifth set to 15. Heading into overtime, the game came down to the very wire but the Lady Whippets once again persevered to secure a 15-13 win and snap the Warriors 17 game win streak.

Minden's dynamic duo of Myla Emery and Mattie Kamery proved to be the difference maker in the contest. Kamery was explosive all game attacking the ball with 22 kills along with 17 assists and 16 digs. Emery facilitated the offense with a team high 28 assists as well as 10 kills, three aces and 10 digs.

While the pair proved to be a focal point for Minden, the depth of the Lady Whippets were also a big factor in the victory. Aubree Bules's 22 digs slowed down the Warriors offense and Makenna Betty's eight kills provided a boost on the offense. Kinsie Land finished the game with six kills and nine digs.

Here are the stats from the game:

Kills: Mattie Kamery 22, Myla Emery 10, Makenna Betty 8, Kinsie Land 6, Makenna Starkey 4, Rebecca Lempka 2, Aubree Bules 1; Assists: Emery 28, Kamery 17, Bules 2; Aces: Emery 3, Meredith Johnson 1; Digs: Bules 22, Kamery 16, Lempka 11, Emery 10, Land 9, Starkey 3; Blocks: Kamery 5, Starkey 4, Betty 3, Land 1, Emery 1

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

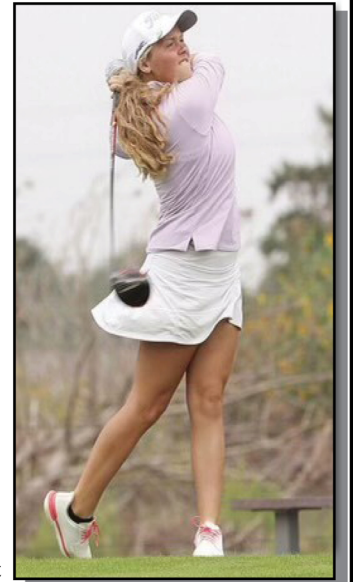
KayLynn Jorgensen - Golf

Grade: 11

Achievements in past seasons and this season: In 2023, KayLynn broke the 18-hole Minden girls golf record with a 71. She was a runner-up at districts and received fourth place at state (team runner-up). This season, she has taken the first-place individual medal and team medal at ALL tournaments, and she claimed All SWC (individual and team champions).

Challenges she has overcome: KayLynn sets high expectations for herself, and she's always chasing the next goal. She's been a leader on the course for years but always puts the team first, and we are lucky to have her. She's helped develop a culture of hard work and grit that are the base of our success.

Attributes that have led to her success: As a coach, I've never seen the level of work ethic that KayLynn has. She spends countless hours perfecting her game, and she is motivated beyond the level of a typical high school athlete. In the game of golf, perfection is impossible, but she continues to chase it. She has competed at the highest level with great players, and she has proven herself on the course, in the classroom, and in life. She's a role model for young golfers, a great teammate, and a rare gift to our golf program.



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Wildcats Battle Back for Victory Over Blue Hill

ROGER HANSEN



The Axtell football team got a hard earned victory over Blue Hill on October 4. Pictured: The Wildcats discuss strategy on the field during a time-out. (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)

Axtell trailed three times in the first half but eventually overcame Blue Hill 62-46 in Blue Hill on October 4. The Cats scaled to 2-4 and will play at Elm Creek (2-4) on October 11.

Currently Axtell is in the 30th position in playoff points. The top 32 in the point standings qualify for the D2 playoffs.

The two-headed juggernaut of running back Elijah Bergstrom and quarterback Jake Halvorsen scored all nine of the Cats' touchdowns, all on the ground, (Elijah 5, Jake 4) and all four of the successful two-point conversions (two apiece). Additionally, Elijah topped 200 yards of rushing and Jake went over 100. The Cats' offensive line certainly deserves a fair amount of the credit for the rushing total.

The teams traded touchdowns and leads for most of the first half until Bergstrom's five-yard TD run a little before halftime put the Cats ahead for good.

Axtell led by as much as 20 by the end of the third period, 50-30, as Jake scored his third TD of the night and Elijah his third and fourth.

The Bobcats tried to keep pace striking with a 72-yard TD run early in the fourth to cut Axtell's lead to 50-38. But the Cats sandwiched another Jake TD and Elijah TD around a Blue Hill scoring run to keep the Bobcats' threat at bay.

Axtell ran for 395 yards and passed for 64 to accumulate 459 yards of total offense.

RUSHING: Bergstrom 27-234, 5 TDs; Halvorsen 15-132, 4 TDs; Tristin Benson 7-29

PASSING: Halvorsen 5-9, 64 yds.

RECEIVING: Noah Branstad 4-37; Bergstrom 1-27

TACKLES: Halvorsen 16, Dom DeJonge 9, David Sonnenfeld 8, Bergstrom 7, Caleb Kindschuh 7, Jon Lammers 5, Branstad 4, Luc Lopez 2, Kolton Lavicky 2, Benson 2, Nick Dahl 2, Reece Hunt 1, Warren Myers 1, Xander Sandman 1

INTERCEPTION: Bergstrom

BLOCKED PUNT: Halvorsen

Axtell 12 14 24 12- 62 (2-4)

B. Hill 14 8 8 16- 46 (1-5)

A- Halvorsen, 3 run

BH- 65 run (run)
A- Bergstrom 28 run

BH- 3 run

A- Halvorsen, 6 run

BH- 15 run (run)

A- Bergstrom, 5 run (Halvorsen run)

A- Halvorsen, 6 run (Halvorsen run)

BH- 39 run (run)

A- Bergstrom, 4 run (Bergstrom run)

A- Bergstrom, 41 run (Bergstrom run)

BH- 72 run (run)

A- Halvorsen, 6 run

BH- 5 run (pass)

A- Bergstrom, 23 run

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Lady Cats Drop Close Battle with Blue Hill

PHIL SERRONE

Axtell ended their week of games with a road contest against the Blue Hill Bobcats on October 3. This was Axtell's second five set matchup of the week as the team aimed for the same results they found earlier in the week over Bertrand.

Starting off the contest, Axtell and Blue Hill split the opening two sets 1-1. The Bobcats got out in front after a 19-25 first set while the Lady Wildcats were able to answer back in the second 25-19. Both teams traded another pair of victories over one another in the third and fourth set. Blue Hill pulled out a third set victory by a score of 22-25 and Axtell forced a fifth set with a score of 25-11.

Heading into the fifth set to decide a winner, Axtell and Blue Hill found themselves coming down to the wire. Unfortunately, Blue Hill was on the right side of the result pulling out a 13-15 fifth set and officially claiming the victory.

Axtell's record on the season now sits at 12-9. The team

will travel to Arapahoe on October 8. Their final meet of the week will take place on October 10 at Axtell and will be a home triangular with Amherst and Pleasanton.

Here are the following stats from the game:

Kills: Emily Danburg 16, Ashlynn Nelson 7, Addyson Skaggs 6, Morgan Hawkins 5, Jerzee Smidt 4, Cadie Nickel 4, Madison Wells 2; Aces: Danburg 2, Nelson 2, Hawkins 2, Wells 1, Skaggs 1; Digs: Danburg 36, Hawkins 23, Nickel 21, Skaggs 18, Nelson 14, Smidt 6, Wells 4, Leah Stritt 1; Assists: Nickel 32, Danburg 3, Smidt 3, Hawkins 2, Skaggs 1



The Lady Wildcats split the week 1-1 with a victory over Bertrand and a five set loss to Blue Hill. The team's record on the season is now 12-9. Pictured: (above) Ashlynn Nelson goes up for a spike. (left) Cadie Nickel and Addyson Skaggs go up for a block. (Courier photos by Phil Serrone)

Lady Wildcats Earn Victory Over Bertrand

PHIL SERRONE

Winners of their last five of six games, the Lady Wildcats of Axtell have been riding a wave of momentum in the past few weeks and the team aimed to carry that over on October 1 with a home battle against Bertrand.

The game was highly competitive and needed five sets to decide a winner. Axtell lost a close first set by a score of 25-27. The Lady Wildcats were able to bounce back in the next two sets by a score of 25-18 and 25-19. Bertrand forced a fifth set with a dominant 13-25 win but ultimately Axtell prevailed 15-11 to seal the victory.

Emily Danburg was tremendous attacking the ball throughout all five sets as she ended the game with a game high 21 kills. She showcased her versatile skill set on the serve and defensive end as she ended the game with three aces and a team high 34 digs. Addyson Skaggs had a season high eight kills.

Cadie Nickel facilitated the offense throughout with a team high 31 assists. Ashlynn Nelson proved to be a difficult outing on the serve for Bertrand as she was able to collect four aces.

Here are the following stats from the game:

Kills: Emily Danburg 21, Addyson Skaggs 8, Jerzee Smidt 3, Morgan Hawkins 3, Ashlynn Nelson 2, Cadie Nickel 1; Aces: Nelson 4, Danburg 3, Skaggs 3; Digs: Danburg 34, Skaggs 23, Hawkins 20, Nelson 18, Nickel 16, Smidt 7, Madison Wells 3; Assists: Nickel 31, Skaggs 3, Smidt 2

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Lady Whippets Win Streak Reaches 25 Games

PHIL SERRONE



The Lady Whippets continued their dominance on the season with big victories over Lincoln Lutheran, Sandy Creek and Centura on the week. The team is now 25-0 on the season and has a real chance at repeating as state champions. Pictured: (above) Kinsie Land and Makenna Betty go up for a block. (below) Myla Emery spikes the ball (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)

ended the game with a final stat line of 15 assists, five aces, four kills and three digs. Kinsie Land provided a boost on offense with seven kills.

In the final matchup of the evening, Minden took on Centura in a pair of competitive sets. The Lady Whippets were victorious after two sets by a score of 25-17 and 25-16.

Kamery continued her impressive season with a team high 10 kills. The senior also had seven assists, two aces and five digs. Emery was once again impressive setting up her teammates to score with a team high 14 assists. She anchored the defensive end as well with a team high eight digs.

Meredith Johnson proved to be a difficult serve to solve for Centura as she was able to secure three aces. Aubree Bules and Rebecca Lempka each had six digs on the defensive end.

With districts quickly approaching, the Lady Whippets are in great

shape to make another run at the state championship. The team has now pushed their record to an impressive 25-0 and will aim to add onto that mark with a triangular held in Broken Bow on October 10.

Here are the following stats from Minden vs Sandy Creek:

Kills: Mattie Kamery 11, Kinsie Land 7, Myla Emery 4, Makenna Betty 4, Makenna Starkey 4, Makenna Anderson 1, Carmin Gramke 1; Assists: Emery 15, Kamery 6, Meredith Johnson 2, Aubree Bules 2, Rebecca Lempka 1; Aces: Emery 5, Bules 1, Starkey 1; Digs: Lempka 4, Kamery 3, Emery 3, Johnson 3, Bules 2, Land 1, Lydia Petty 1, Starkey 1; Blocks: Betty 1

Here are the following stats from Minden vs Centura:

Kills: Kamery 10, Emery 6, Lempka 2, Starkey 2, Betty 1; Assists: Emery 14, Kamery 7; Aces: Johnson 3, Kamery 2, Emery 1, Bules 1; Digs: Emery 8, Kamery 6, Lempka 6, Kamery 5, Land 1, Lydia Petty 1; Blocks: Betty 1

In the matchup between the Lady Whippets and Sandy Creek, the home team was able to apply pressure throughout the contest leading to a 25-7 and 25-14 victory.

Leading the way was Mattie Kamery's team high 11 kills along with six assists and three digs. Whether it was putting her teammates in the right spot to score or securing another ace, Myla Emery showcased her versatile skillset. The junior



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Lady Falcons Split Silver Lake Quad

PHIL SERRONE

The Lady Falcons of Wilcox-Hildreth were able to get back into the win column at the Silver Lake quad held on October 1. The team had been in the midst of an eight game losing streak before snapping it with a victory over Harvard.

Before securing their victory over Harvard, the Lady Falcons faced off against Silver Lake. Both sets were highly competitive but Wilcox-Hildreth was not able to get the job done losing both sets 20-25.

Overall the team got contributions from multiple people on the depth chart. Katelyn Bunger led the team in kills with five. Camryn Bunger and Madison Bunger each produced four kills. Madison Sheen picked up the lone ace of the contest.

Wilcox-Hildreth was able to put together their most complete and dominant team performance with their win over Harvard. The team won by a dominant set scores of 25-13 and 25-12.



Katelyn Bunger once again led the team in kills with six. Dinah Culp had one of her better games of the season attacking the ball with five kills. Camryn Bunger continued her consistent contributions with five kills.

As a team, the Lady Falcons racked up a season high 14 aces. Madison Bunger led the team with four aces. Katelyn Bunger had three aces while Cheyenne Lieb, Camryn Bunger and Addison Overholser each had two aces.

Here are the stats from Wil-Hil vs Harvard:

Kills: Katelyn Bunger 6, Dinah Culp 5, Camryn Bunger 5, Madison Bunger 2, Cheyenne Lieb 1, Madison Sheen 1, Bailee Morse 1; Aces: M.Bunger 4, K.Bunger 3, Lieb 2, C.Bunger 2, Sheen 1

Here are the stats from Wil-Hil vs Silver Lake:

Kills: K.Bunger 5, C.Bunger 4, M.Bunger 4, Culp 1; Aces: Sheen 1

Falcons End Week on a W

PHIL SERRONE

It's been a rough skid for the Lady Falcons of Wilcox-Hildreth as the team has battled multiple teams this week with most of those matchups resulting in extra sets needed to decide a victory. Unfortunately, Wilcox-Hildreth was on the wrong end of the result for those games but the team was able to bounce back with a victory over Franklin on October 4.

Fitting with the theme of this past week, it was only right that it would take extra sets for Wilcox-Hildreth to obtain their victory. The two teams traded wins in the first two sets with Franklin winning the first 25-27 while Wil-Hil came out on top in the second 25-18.

The Lady Falcons lost focus in the third set on offense resulting in a 14-25 defeat. With their backs against the wall, the Lady Falcons were able to force a fifth set with a 25-22 set win. Heading into the final set of the evening, Wilcox-Hildreth edged out a close 15-12 match set effectively giving the team the victory.

Madison Bunger had already passed her season best for kills earlier in the week and she was once again able to best that record when she racked up 18 kills. Camryn Bunger had her best game of her young career when she hit double digits in kills with 10. Katelyn Bunger was able to provide depth with six kills while Dinah Culp chipped in five kills.

Concluding the busy week for Wilcox-Hildreth, the team's record now sits at 4-15. The team will travel to Ansley-Litchfield for a triangular on October 8. Ending the week, the team will host a triangular on October 10 with Silver Lake and Giltner.

Here are the following stats from the game:

Kills: Madison Bunger 18, Camryn Bunger 10, Katelyn Bunger 6, Dinah Culp 5, Madison Sheen 2, Cheyenne Lieb 1; Aces: Lieb 1



The Wilcox-Hildreth volleyball team earned a victory over Harvard during the Silver Lake Quad on October 1. Pictured: (above) Junior Dinah Culp (#7) takes the ball over the net. (left) Senior Katelyn Bunger (#8) delivers a serve. (Courier photos by Stacie Pistulka)

Lady Falcons Lose Pair of Extra Set Battles

PHIL SERRONE

A pair of highly competitive volleyball matches took place at Amherst High School on October 3. Wilcox-Hildreth hit the road to face off against the Broncos and Loomis in a pair of matchups that needed extra sets to decide a winner.

In the first matchup, the Lady Falcons found themselves in a three set battle against Amherst. The first set was close but the Broncos were able to pull out the win by a score of 19-25. Wilcox-Hildreth was able to bounce back with a close 26-24 victory for the second set. Unfortunately, heading into the final set the wheels came off the wagon for the Lady Falcon offense as the team fell by a score of 6-25.

Madison Bunger had her best game of the season attacking the ball and was a focal point of the offense with a team high 13 kills. Katelyn Bunger continued her strong play as well with nine kills. Freshmen Camryn Bunger contributed six kills. Amherst was able to neutralize Wil-Hil's serves with no aces allowed.

Wilcox-Hildreth ended the evening with a battle against Loomis that went three sets. The Lady Falcons' offense came out stagnant in the first set and lost by a score of 16-25. Their offense woke up in the second set and were able to narrowly edge out a 25-22 victory. The Lady Falcons third set fared better than previously in the triangular but the team was unable to pick up the victory by a score of 19-25.

Leading the team in kills was once again Madison Bunger who hit double digits for the second time in the evening with 10 kills. Katelyn Bunger contributed seven kills while Camryn Bunger produced six kills. Dinah Culp continued to show great improvement attacking the ball with five kills.

Madison Sheen and Katelyn Bunger led the team in aces with two. The team had great success on the serve with five aces as a unit.

Here are the following stats from Wil-Hil vs Amherst:

Kills: Madison Bunger 13, Katelyn Bunger 9, Camryn Bunger 6, Madison Sheen 1, Dinah Culp 1

Here are the following stats from Wil-Hil vs Loomis:

Kills: M.Bunger 10, K.Bunger 7, C.Bunger 6, Culp 5, Sheen 1; Aces: K.Bunger 2, Sheen 2, Culp 1

Area Runners Take Part in Annual UNK Cross Country Invitational

ROGER HANSEN

The annual UNK Cross Country Invitational took place on September 30 at the Kearney Country Club. Over 1850 runners among all four classes participated. Medals were awarded to the top 20 individuals for each gender in each class.

Minden placed third in the Class C girls' race. The top five: Columbus Scotus, Auburn, Minden, Aurora, Gothenburg. There were 30 teams and 204 runners.

Two Whippets and nearly a third brought home a medal.



Aclynn Osterbuhr (12th, 21:11) and Alexa Warner (13th, 21:18) medaled and Evie Sharkey (23rd, 22:05) was close. Also running for Minden were Selena Sharkey (45th, 22:43), Luz Lopez (89th, 24:01), Zipporah Wilson (148th, 26:05) and Maddy Morey (159th, 26:27).

Minden's boys came in fifth. The top five 'C' boys: Gothenburg, Aurora, Syracuse, Holdrege and Minden.

Individually, Sam Cederburg captured the 20th place medal at 18:03. Gage Thull was not too far off from a medal getting 25th at 18:14. Ten other Whippet runners were Caden Jameson (41st, 18:35), Harrison Reed (62nd, 19:04), Isaac Reed (66th, 19:12), Trystan Sharkey (80th, 19:32), Steve Rhodes (82nd, 19:33), Nathan Althouse (121st, 20:29), Seth Jacobitz (133rd, 20:44), Holt Aschenbrenner (196th, 22:16), Frank Kovacs (197th, 22:19) and Jack Widdifield (250th, 25:245).

Axtell and Wilcox-Hildreth entered their girls and boys in the Class D event.

Hemingford was the 'D' girls' champ. Axtell was 21st and Wil-Hil was 31st. 35 teams and 189 runners competed.

Axtell results: Emma Hall (68th, 24:29), Avery Stritt (73rd, 24:41), Sadie Lorenzo (105th, 25:53), Kali Philippi (138th, 27:33).

Wil-Hil results: Cara Bungler (84th, 24:58), Kallie Linden (103rd, 25:52), Ayva Bendorf (146th, 28:06), Reagan Johnson (162nd, 29:42), Chloe Johnson (175th, 31:20).

The Class D boys' field included 51 teams and 292 runners. Perkins County won the team competition. Axtell was 20th and Wil-Hil was 33rd.

Axtell results: Isaiah Springer (48th, 19:43), Aydan Houchin (105th, 21:09), Felix Lopez (125th, 21:42), Eli Sinacheck (200th, 23:57)

Wil-Hil results: Grant Henery (39th, 19:21), Spencer Jezbera (109th, 21:16), Jacob Jezbera (206th, 24:15), Craig Bungler (258th, 27:37), Karsen Klein (282nd, 31:30).



Axtell, Minden, and Wilcox-Hildreth cross country teams were amongst more than 1850 runners participating in the UNK Invite on September 30. Pictured clockwise from top right: Kallie Linden (WH), Craig Bungler (WH), Gage Thull (MI), Avery Stritt and Emma Hall (AX), Felix Lopez (AX), Alexa Warner (MI). (Courier photos by Phil Serrone and Shaina Johnson)

Falcons and Cats Run at FKC

ROGER HANSEN

Overton hosted the Fort Kearny Conference Invitational cross country meet at the Overton Golf Course on October 4. Axtell was second and third, girls and boys, respectively while Wilcox-Hildreth had finishes of second for the boys and fourth for the girls.

On the girls' side, Elm Creek (6) won the meet followed by Axtell (22), Pleasanton (31), Wilcox-Hildreth (37) and Bertrand (44) as the top 5.

The top five in the boys' team race were Bertrand (7), Wil-Hil (25), Axtell (32), Elm Creek (36) and S-E-M (55).

The girls' individual winner was Rilyn Schledewitz of SEM at 21:28. Axtell placed three and Wil-Hil two in the top 15.

Axtell medalists: Avery Stritt (6th, 22:43), Emma Hall (8th, 23:01), Jalena Lorenzo (11th, 24:16). Other Cats: Kali Philippi (17th, 26:18).

Wil-Hil medalists: Cara Bunger (10th, 23:56), Kallie Linden (14th, 25:12). Also for the Falcons: Ayva Bendorf (16th, 25:40-close to medaling), Reagan Johnson (19th, 26:28), Chloe Johnson (23rd, 29:17).

25 girls ran. For the boys individually, Marcus Hernandez of Bertrand won at 17:08.

Wil-Hil had two medalists and Axtell three.

Falcon medalists: Grant Henery (3rd, 18:29), Micah Johnson (5th, 18:45). Other Wil-Hil: Spencer Jezbera (17th, 20:29-third



The Wilcox-Hildreth boys cross country team of Craig Bunger, Grant Henery, Spencer Jezbera, Micah Johnson, Jacob Jezbera, and Karsen Klein earned second place at the FKC Invite on October 4th in Overton. (Courier photo by Autumn Johnson)

Whippets Runners-Up at Gothenburg Invite

ROGER HANSEN

Minden's girls and boys both finished as runners-up at the Gothenburg Invitational at the Wild Horse Golf Course on Dawgtober 3 (aka October). 24 schools were represented in the high school portion and 21 schools had runners in the junior high races. Over 400 runners competed.

Top five girls' H.S. scores: Gothenburg 32, Minden 34, Broken Bow 79, Wallace 90, McCook 94

Girls' individual winner was Scout Bell of Gothenburg at 20:36. Medals were presented to the top 20 finishers and the Whippets earned four of those, namely Alexa Warner (5th, 21:28), Aclynn Osterbuhr (6th, 21:34), Evie Sharkey (7th, 21:40) and Selena Sharkey (16th, 22:40).

Three girls ran as JVs. Their finishes: Luz Lopez (1st, 23:28), Maddy Morey (9th, 26:16), Zipporah Wilson (10th, 26:28).

64 girls ran varsity and 23 ran as JVs.

Top five boys' H.S. scores: Gothenburg 23, Minden 33, North Platte 37, Hershey 78, Broken Bow 108.

Boys' individual winner was Tyler Hetz of Gothenburg at 16:58. Earning top 20 medals for the Minden boys were Sam Cederburg (3rd, 17:57), Gage Thull (8th, 18:19), Isaac Reed (10th, 18:29), Caden Jameson (12th, 18:37), Har-

ison Reed (17th, 18:56).

Running as JVs were Trystan Sharkey (1st, 19:12), Steve Rhodes (2nd, 19:12), Seth Jacobitz (9th, 21:07), Frank Kovacs (23rd, 22:05) and Holt Aschenbrenner (24th, 22:15).

83 boys ran varsity and 54 ran as JVs. Minden's junior high girls were the team champs. The next four were North Platte, Broken Bow, Kearney Zion Lutheran and McCook.

Adelyn Whitten's streak of wins remained intact. She won the 3K race at 11:59. Earning top 15 medals were Emerson Kuehn (8th, 13:13) and Lillian Labenz (12th, 13:28). Kinsey Morey was seconds off a medal getting 16th at 13:53. Also competing were Lucy Reed (47th, 15:45), Taya Tomsen (58th, 16:26) and Kennedy Eckhardt (68th, 17:23). 89 girls ran.

The junior high Whippet boys were fourth behind North Platte, Gothenburg and Lexington.

Javi Perales also continued his winning ways, outrunning the field at 11:04.

Blake Boudreau medaled at 12th at 12:29. Six additional Minden runners were Brantley Wright (31st, 13:25), Landon Grollmes (38th, 13:42), Casey Nelson (47th, 14:04), Grayson Haggemeyer (53rd, 14:21), Caleb Moseman (54th, 14:21) and Everett Osborn (90th, 20:10). 91 boys ran.

scorer), Jacob Jezbera (22nd, 21:21), Craig Bunger (32nd, 25:50), Karsen Klein (37th, 30:04).

Cat medalists: Isaiah Springer (9th, 19:18), Felix Lopez (11th, 19:36), Isaiah Sina-check (12th, 19:42). Other Axtell: near-medalist Aydan Houchin (16th, 20:16), Eli Sina-check (27th, 22:58).

37 boys ran. The junior high kids ran 2500 meters. Axtell's boys earned FKC champ status.

The five junior Cats running were: Micah Houchin (2nd, 10:50), Ivan Hammond (4th, 11:06), Kyler Kolbo (7th, 11:48), Oscar Clausen (11th, 11:53) and Ryder Billups (29th, 15:45). Wil-Hil had no junior high boys' runners. 31 boys ran.

For the girls, Wil-Hil's Allegra Johnson was 8th at 13:25 and teammate Madi Hays was 18th at 18:26. Axtell's Adeline Wood was 14th at 14:14.

19 girls ran.

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12 Run Late Game Collapse Takes Victory Away From Hwy 6

PHIL SERRONE

HWY 6 Trail Blazers hosted a home battle against Centura on October 1 that featured 22 total hits and 29 total runs from the two schools. Despite the offensive fireworks, it was the Trail Blazers on the wrong end of the result falling to Centura by a score of 10-19.

The Trail Blazers found themselves in a seesaw battle with multiple lead changes. Both teams matched one another with six runs in the first two innings but it was HWY 6's two runs scored in the third and fifth to seemingly give the Trail Blazers an edge to victory. Unfortunately, the 10-7 lead quickly evaporated with a huge 12 run sixth inning for Centura. HWY 6 was not able to recover after this, dropping the game 10-19.

RF Jordyn Pracht has been on fire within the batter's box as the Right Fielder was able to pick up her second home run of the week. She finished 1-4 with one run scored and two RBIs. P Addison Klabunde, LF Beyonka Garcia and 2B Faith Harmon each had a multi RBI game. HWY 6 took advantage of runners in scoring position when they totaled 10 RBIs as a unit.

P Klabunde picked up the loss for HWY 6 in the contest. She pitched 5.1 innings and allowed 16 hits, 13 runs (11 ER) and struck out seven. RP Macie Deines had a short stint on the mound in relief for 0.2 innings of work. She allowed four hits, six runs (1 ER), one walk and struck out one.



The HWY 6 Trail Blazers ended their regular season with a record of 11-18. The team now heads into sub-districts with their season on line against Hastings on October 8. Pictured: Trinity Carr scores a run. (Courier photo by Phil Serrone)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
CNTR	1	5	0	1	0	12	0	19	20	1
HWY 6	5	1	2	0	2	0	0	10	12	4

Hwy 6 Trailblazers Split Triangular

PHIL SERRONE

Plenty of runs were scored in the home softball contest between HWY 6 and Ord High School on September 30. The two teams combined for 18 total runs and the Trail Blazers were able to pick up a 13-5 victory.

The Trail Blazers were led by strong hitting at the plate as the team was able to knock three home runs out of the park. SS Alexa Hale continued her impressive run at the plate with another home run, a mark that she hit three times last week. 3B Trinity Carr was perfect at the plate with a 4-4 performance including her first home run of her career along with three runs scored and three RBIs.

RF Jordyn Pracht went 1-3 in the game with her lone hit being a three run home run. P Addison Klabunde, CF Ady-sen Landauer, LF Beyonka Garcia, C Savannah Lewis and Carr each had doubles in the contest.

Klabunde pitched five strong innings on the mound. She allowed eight hits, five runs (4 ER), one walk and struck out five. No reliever was needed in the game and Klabunde picked up the complete game victory.

Heading into the final matchup of the triangular, the Trail Blazers faced off against Fairbury High School. While

the score might have been similar from the first game, the result was everything but that as the Trail Blazers fell by a score of 6-13.

The biggest swing of the game came from RF Pracht who picked up a triple. She ended the game 2-2 with one RBI. 1B Macie Deines went 1-3 with a double that plated two runs. 3B Carr and 2B Faith Harmon each had one RBI.

Klabunde was once again tasked to lead the pitching staff. She pitched 3 innings of work and allowed 10 hits, eight runs (6 ER), one walk and struck out four. After pitching a total of eight innings at the tri, RP Deines was tasked with relieving Klabunde for two innings of work. She allowed four hits, five runs (3 ER), one walk and struck out two.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
FRBR	4	0	4	3	2	0	X	13	14	1
HWY 6	1	0	1	0	4	X	X	6	8	5
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
ORDC	3	1	0	1	X	X	X	5	8	1
HWY 6	4	2	1	5	X	X	X	13	16	2

Blazers Come Up Short at Seward Doubleheader

PHIL SERRONE

Closing out the week, HWY 6 found themselves traveling to Seward for a doubleheader with the home team and Lakeview on October 3. Despite their best effort, the offense struggled to make contact in either game resulting in a loss.

In the first matchup, HWY 6 faced off against Seward in a contest where the Trail Blazers only managed four base hits. Seward used nine runs in the fourth and fifth inning combined to pull out in front for the victory over HWY 6 by a score of 2-10.

C Alexa Hale scored the only run for the Trail Blazers in the fifth inning when the sophomore hit a double to the outfield to plate two runs. SS Trinity Carr, P Addison Klabunde and RF Jordyn Pracht each picked up singles in the game.

P Klabunde was the starter on the mound for HWY 6 as she picked up the loss after 4.1 innings of work. She allowed 10 hits, nine runs (4 ER), two walks and struck out three. RP Macie Deines was tasked with relieving Klabunde. She allowed two hits and one run (1 ER) in 0.1 innings.

HWY 6's woes at the plate continued in the next matchup against Lakeview High School. The team was only able to collect one base hit in the contest as the team fell by a score of 1-5.

RF Savannah Lewis was the lone batter for HWY 6 to make contact with the ball as she was able to hit a double into the outfield that scored one run.

P Klabunde was once again relied upon to lead the pitching staff for the Trail Blazers. She pitched 4.1 innings and allowed nine hits, five runs (5 ER), one walk and struck out four. RP Deines pitched 2.2 innings in relief of Klabunde. She allowed one hit and struck out two.

HWY 6's record on the season now sits at 11-18. The team has been working hard and that will need to pay off with sub-districts against Hastings beginning on October 7. If the team is able to move on they will play the district finals on October 11.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
HWY 6	0	0	2	0	0	X	X	2	4	0
SWRD	0	1	0	5	4	X	X	10	12	0
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
LKVV	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	5	10	1
HWY 6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1

Lady Whippets SWC Team Champions, KayLynn Jorgensen SWC Individual Champ

ROGER HANSEN

Southwest Conference champions! The Minden girls' golf team left little doubt about which school is the top SWC program in 2024 as the Whippets' 344 handily outdistanced second place Holdrege (379) and third place Broken Bow (382).

The meet was contested at Ogallala's Crandall Creek Golf Course on October 1.

The conference's top two individual placers both represented Minden. SWC champ KayLynn Jorgensen has been steadfast in scoring in the 70s all season and her gold medal round this day was a 78.

SWC runner-up Kara Suchsland was just a putt, chip, fairway shot or drive or two behind, completing her round at 80.

Brynn Smith was a top-five conference scorer placing fifth at 90 and Shelby Nelson was the fourth scorer for the Whippets carding a 96 which placed her 12th.

Isabelle Martin finished the 18 holes at 97, good for 15th and a personal record. Also with a PR was Lauren Starkey at 103.



The Minden girls golf team continued to sink the competition this season as they earned the SWC title on October 1. Pictured above: Top Whippet golfers were KayLynn Jorgensen who earned first overall in the competition and Kara Suchsland who placed second overall. (Courtesy photos)



Minden Tops Leaderboard With Ease

ROGER HANSEN

The Minden Girls' golf team had one last tune-up before the big three meets to end the season, namely SWC, District and State. This meet, the Cozad Invitational on September 30, included linksters from nine schools.

The Whippets put together another excellent performance winning the meet by 40 strokes over runner-up Grand Island Central Catholic. The top four teams: Min-



den (361), GICC (401), Gothenburg (413), North Platte St. Pats (429).

KayLynn Jorgensen carded a 78 to again take top medalist honors. Kara Suchsland had her usual near-the-top finish getting third with an 83 and Brynn Smith, who has had a consistent year of high placings, came in fifth firing a 91. Shelby Nelson (109) and Isabelle Martin (110) were 12th and 14th, respectively.

Lauren Starkey was first in the JV portion of the meet shooting a 104.

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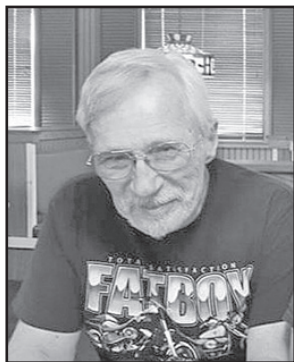
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Obituaries

Daniel J. Goergen, 75 - Upland Resident



Daniel J. Goergen, 75, of Upland, NE died September 26, 2024. He was born September 19, 1949 at Mitchell, SD. Dan was a Veteran of the US Navy and served in the Vietnam War.

His inurnment with military honors will take place at Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis,

SD on June 13, 2025 at 1:30pm. He is survived by his wife Candy Kennedy-Goergen and other relatives.

A complete obituary can be found on Hutchins Funeral home, Franklin, NE website, hutchinsfh.com

Mary M. Bergsten, 96 - Former Minden Resident



Mary M. (Wrin) Bergsten, 96, former Minden resident, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at Mount Carmel Home – Keens Memorial in Kearney.

Mary was born on March 8, 1928 in Farnam, NE to William George and Marguerite Justine (Schnoor) Wrin, and was welcomed home by her

older brother, John. She grew up on the family farm north of Farnam. She attended school in Ingham and Farnam, graduating in 1945. With 2 years of "normal training", she started her teaching career in 1945 right out of high school. Her first teaching job was in a one room school house without electricity or water, she had seven students. She continued teaching in small schools, including: Teal school, Horseshoe Bend, Norman, Heartwell, and Minden. Mary attended summer classes at Kearney State College each summer, until she earned her bachelor's degree in 1960. She continued teaching until 1994, when she retired after a 39 year teaching career. She took some time off from teaching in the early 60's to raise her children.

She was married August 24, 1957 to Charles Wayne Bergsten, and to this union two daughters were born, Laurie Ann and Karen Kay. Mary was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She enjoyed gardening, canning, cooking, baking, and sewing, skills which she passed along to her daughters. She was a meticulous housekeeper and loved the home which she and Wayne built. As a hobby she joined several painting classes realizing her artistic talent. Mary was an active member of St John's Catholic Church, Minden Lions Club, Kearney County Historical Society, and Nebraska Genealogy Society.

Mary was able to live in her own home until 2022 when illness necessitated a move to Mt. Carmel Home in Kearney. There she received loving care both physically and spiritually from the staff. We are forever grateful for this blessing. Thanks also to AseraCare Hospice... these girls are truly Angels on Earth!

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, husband, and son-in-law, Melvin Randel.

Those left to cherish her memory include her daughters, Laurie LaVoie and her husband, Stephen, and Karen Shumate; grandchildren, Amber Miller and her husband, Bryan, Michael Albers, and Nicole LaVoie; great-grandchildren, Kerby and Evelyn Miller, Harrison and Emmett Titkemeier; as well as a host of extended relatives, students, and close friends.

Funeral services were held on Monday, October 7,

2024 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Minden with Rev. Evan Winter officiating. Interment was held following the service at the Minden Cemetery. Visitation was held on Sunday, October 6, 2024 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Minden, with Rosary service following. Memorials in Mary's honor are kindly suggested to the Kearney County Historical Society or to Mount Carmel Home – Keens Memorial in Kearney, and may be sent to the family at 1404 E 31st Street Kearney, 68847. Arrangements are under the care of Craig Funeral Home in Minden

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

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/s/ Myra Johnson
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AN ORDINANCE TO ADD ARTICLE XIII, SECTIONS 14-340 THROUGH 14-346 REGARDING THE REGISTRATION OF VACANT PROPERTY TO CHAPTER 14 OF THE MINDEN MUNICIPAL CODE; TO REPEAL ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ALL PARTS HEREOF; TO ORDER THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO DESIGNATE THE TIME DESCRIBED WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN EFFECT.

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NOTICE**NOTICE IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF KEARNEY
COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

COUNTY OF KEARNEY, NEBRASKA, A body politic and Corporate, Plaintiff VS Arellano, David & Nickey; and John Doe And Mary Doe, real names unknown; City of Minden, Nebraska; and Parcel #00004193; E67" of W 121" of Lots Five (5) and

Six (6), and E 67" of W 121" of S 10" of lot Four (4) and N 10" of vacated 7th Street block Twenty Six (26), Original town of Minden Kearney County, Nebraska (442 E 7th) and the United States of America, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the District Court Of Kearney County, in the above-entitled action, I will at 10:15 am on the 30th day of October 2024, in the lower level of the Kearney County Courthouse in Minden, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds, the following described land and tenements, to wit: PARCEL #00004193; E 67' of W 121' of Lots Five (5) and Six (6), E 67 of W 121' of S 10' of Lot Four (4) and N 10' of vacated 7th Street Block Twenty Six (26), Original Town of Minden, Kearney County Nebraska (442 E 7th)

The highest bidder will deposit with the Clerk of the District Court of Kearney County, Nebraska on the day of the sale 10% of the full amount of the bid in cash or certified funds, except this requirement if waived if the highest bidder is the Plaintiff. The balance due upon confirmation of the sale by District Court. The property is being sold "as is" and with no guarantees of any kind and shall be subject to payment of any real estate taxes or other liens which are presently due and payable.

Scott K White
Kearney County Sheriff
Oct 3, 2024
Oct 10, 2024
Oct 17, 2024
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NOTICE**MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF INVITATION
FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids are requested to purchase the old football and basketball scoreboards. Scoreboards will be sold by sealed bid "as is" condition. Bids are due to the district office on or before 2:00 p.m., October 10, 2024. The successful bidder will be responsible for picking up the scoreboard on or before October 17th during school hours. If you have any questions, contact James Widdifield, Superintendent of Schools, 543 West 5th Street, Minden, Nebraska, (308) 832-2440.
Oct 3, 2024
Oct 10, 2024
(21) znez

NOTICE**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 11 will hold a regular meeting of the Board at the service unit office located at 412 West 14th Avenue in Holdrege, Nebraska on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The public may attend the meeting in person at ESU 11 for said meeting. A current agenda of items to be brought before the Board at this meeting is available for public inspection in the office of ESU 11. Reasonable accommodations for individuals with special needs who want to attend the meeting will be provided on request if sufficient advance notice is given. Accommodations for special needs can be requested by calling the ESU 11 office,
Oct 10, 2024
(28) znez

NOTICE**WILCOX-HILDRETH
PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR MONTHLY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the Wilcox-Hildreth Public School, a.k.a. Kearney County School District No. 50-0001 of Kearney County, Nebraska will be held on the 21st day of October, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. in the Wilcox-Hildreth Conference Room in Wilcox. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the Superintendent.

By: Board of Education
Wilcox-Hildreth
Public School
Oct 10, 2024
(25) znez

NOTICE**NOTICE IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF KEARNEY
COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

COUNTY OF KEARNEY, NEBRASKA, A body Politie and Corporate, Plaintiff VS Pat A Long, and John and Mary Doe, Real names unknown; town of Axtell, Nebraska; and Parcel #0000721710 E78" of Lot 2 Ex E 13" Block 2, Fairman's Addition, Axtell, Kearney County, Nebraska (508 W 4th) and the United States of America, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the District Court Of Kearney County, in the above-entitled action, I will at 10:15 am on the 30th day of October 2024, in the lower level of the Kearney County Courthouse in Minden, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash

or certified funds, the following described land and tenements, to wit:

PARCEL #0000721710; E 78" of lot 2 Ex 13" Block 2, Fairman's Addition, Axtell, Nebraska (508 W 4th)

The highest bidder will deposit with the Clerk of the District Court of Kearney County, Nebraska, on the day of the sale 10% of the full amount of the bid in cash or certified funds, except this requirement if waived if the highest bidder is the Plaintiff. The balance due upon confirmation of the sale by District Court. The property is being sold "as is" and with no guarantees of any kind and shall be subject to payment of any real estate taxes or other liens which are presently due and payable.

Scott K White
Kearney County Sheriff
Oct 3, 2024
Oct 10, 2024
Oct 17, 2024
Oct 24, 2024
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NOTICE**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, October 15, 2024 at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners' Room of the Kearney County Courthouse, Minden, Nebraska. 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/ Myra Johnson
Kearney County Clerk
Oct 10, 2024
(21) znez

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NOTICE**INVITATION TO BID****RE: AXTELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL ADDITION AND RENOVATION AXTELL, NE**

Ladies/Gentlemen:

BD Construction Inc. of Kearney has been pre-selected as the Construction Manager for the Axtell Community School – Addition and Renovation project.

We are soliciting Bid proposals for the Scope of work as listed below on Thursday, October 17th, 2024, at 2:00 PM Central Time for the Axtell Community School – Addition and Renovation. Bids will be publicly read aloud at the office of BD Construction – 209 E 6th Street – Kearney, NE 68847

The project consists of a 12,400 SF addition to the existing Axtell Community School building, as well as renovation to approximately 2,500 SF of existing

restroom and classroom spaces. The addition consists of 7 new classrooms, a new staff lounge, new restrooms, a new administration area, and a new secure main entry. The existing administration area will be demolished. Exterior site work will include new concrete sidewalks, steps, and ramps.

Specific work to include: demolition, concrete foundations and floors, exterior masonry, structural and misc. steel, rough carpentry, finish carpentry, casework, insulation (batt, thermal, foam and spray), EIFS, air barriers, metal wall and soffit panels, composite framing support systems, EPDM roofing, flashings, firestopping, joint sealants, expansion joint covers, hollow metal doors / frames / hardware, flush wood doors, access panels, coiling doors, aluminum storefront and glazing, gypsum drywall,

metal stud framing, acoustical ceilings, tile (floor and wall), flooring, interior and exterior painting, display boards, toilet partitions, toilet accessories, fire extinguishers, lockers, roller window shades, fire sprinklers, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, site prep, site concrete, and landscaping.

Subcontractor and supplier bids shall be sent via email to: Austin Larson with BD Construction at: alarson@bdconstruction.com. Hand delivered or mailed bids will also be accepted.

All proposals shall remain in effect for a period of Forty-Five (45) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals.

All bids are to be in strict accordance with the Contract Documents and all other related Bid Documents, which can be viewed/obtained (electronically) from BD Construction.

The Owner shall have the

right to reject any or all bids and to reject a bid not accompanied by any requiring bid security or by other data required by the bidding documents; or to reject a bid which is in any way incomplete or irregular and to waive any informalities in any proposal.

We look forward to receipt of your proposal on bid day. If you should have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Austin Larson of BD Construction at 308-234-1836.

By submitting a bid for this project, Bidder agrees he has read the BD Construction Standard Subcontract Agreement and if bid is accepted, is willing to execute this Subcontract. This Subcontract Agreement is available for review at BD's office, 209 East 6th Street, Kearney, NE 68847.

Oct 3, 2024

Oct 10, 2024

(123) znez

NOTICE**NOTICE OF MEETING AXTELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

Notice is hereby given that the LB 399 (Americanism Committee) Meeting of the Board of Education of School District 50-0501 of Kearney County, Nebraska, a.k.a. Axtell Community School, will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 6:45 p.m., in the Axtell Community School Library, which meeting will be open to the public. Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Board of Education of School District 50-0501 of Kearney County, Nebraska, a.k.a. Axtell Community School, will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., in the Axtell Community School Library, which meeting will be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available

for public inspection at the Office of the Superintendent.

Linda Almquist,
Secretary

Oct 10, 2024

(35) znez

NOTICE**MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Minden Public Schools, a.k.a. Kearney County School District No. 50-0503, will be held on Monday, October 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Minden High School Media Center. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the Office of the Superintendent.

Oct 10, 2024

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CLUES ACROSS

- Unsheared sheep
- Rock TV channel
- Streetcar
- Concerning
- Exclamation
- Greek goddess of youth
- Popular type of device
- Alcoholic beverage
- Ancient Olympic Site
- Sharpshoots
- Tyron Lannister was characterized as one
- Pointed ends of pens
- Measuring instruments
- Midsection body part
- Made a mistake
- Adjusted
- "Partridge" actress Susan
- Yell
- Civil rights city in Alabama
- Young boy
- Type of sea bass
- To call (archaic)
- Unfortunate
- Separate oneself from others
- Hero sandwiches
- Spy group
- Florida is famous for them
- Irritating individuals
- Luck
- Hunting expedition
- WWII diarist Frank
- Peyton's younger brother
- Type of wrap
- Type of overseas tax or levy
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Wake up

CLUES DOWN

- Works of body art
- Israeli politician Abba
- Renowned desert
- Eat greedily
- She didn't make it through the Fr. Revolution
- Beat
- Bloodsucker
- From a place already noted
- Counted on
- Alberta Assn. of Baccalaureate World Schools
- Something one can

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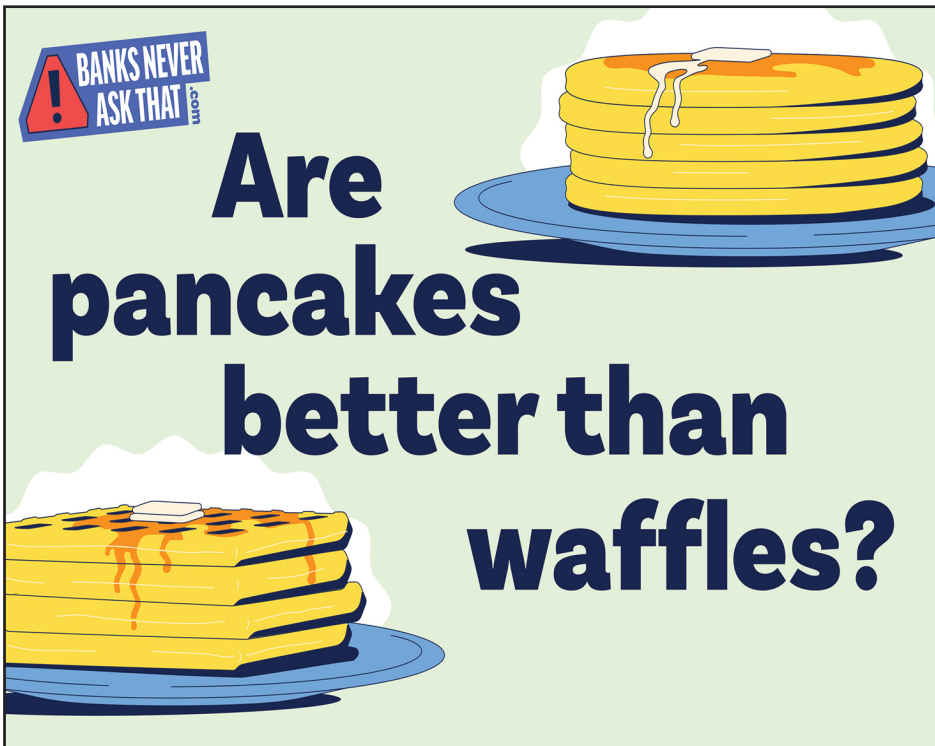
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| 17. Wild ox | Horsley | 47. Logician and philosopher |
| 24. Type of student | 37. More (Spanish) | 48. Nocturnal hoofed animal |
| 25. Bacterial infection of the skin | 38. Autonomic nervous system | 49. Relaxing spaces |
| 26. Expresses surprise | 40. Indigenous peoples | 52. From a distance |
| 27. What engaged couples ultimately say | 41. Deflections | 53. Form of Persian language |
| 28. Crony | 42. Circulating life force | 54. Amounts of time |
| 29. Where one begins (abbr.) | 43. Executes with a rope | 55. Mathematical designation |
| | 44. Natives of an island nation | |

10.3.24 SOLUTIONS

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There was a lot of action in Minden last week. (above) Multiple fire departments from Quad City Mutual Aid responded to a large fire on the west edge of Minden on October 2. (middle) Audiences enjoyed a many laughs with the Moms Unhinged comedy show at Minden Opera House on October 3. (bottom) JCT 6/10 Cruzerz Car Club presented Harold Warp Pioneer Village with a \$4,000 check from proceeds raised at the Second Annual Car Show on October 5. (Courier photos by Carrie Conner and Cindy Ramsey)




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