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The crowd at the Wakefield Party enjoying the music of Taylor Hunnicutt.

Wakefield Party gets bigger and better

On Saturday, June 30th, despite continuing threats from mother nature to put a damper on things the Wakefield Party was held on a beautiful summers evening.

"Like many outdoor events in Nebraska, we kept a close eye on the weather throughout the day" said one of the events organizers Megan Weaver. "Fortunately, Mother Nature cooperated, allowing us to enjoy a fantastic evening of live music, great food, and a wonderful sense of community in downtown Wakefield."

The event, held around the end of May annually, has seen continual improvements in refinements,

including this year's lineup of popular country artists Allie Colleen, Taylor Hunnicutt, and Alyssia Dominguez as well as improvement stage and sound equipment. "The 2026 Wakefield Party was a tremendous success, and we couldn't be more pleased with how the event turned out" said Weaver. "This year, we made a larger investment in the entertainment experience by bringing in exceptional artists and enhancing our sound and lighting production. That investment paid off, as all three performers delivered outstanding shows!"

The event is only possible with

the help and hard work of many volunteers who help organize, setup, and help run the event, many of them from The Little Red Hen Theatre, who benefits from the drinks sales at the party. "We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the staff and volunteers of the Little Red Hen Theatre for their hard work and dedication before, during, and after the event" said Weaver. "We also want to thank the Wakefield Progressive Board, staff, and family members who spent countless hours helping with setup, operations, and keeping the cold drinks flowing

throughout the night."

"At the end of the day, The Wakefield Party is about creating a fun night out, and this year certainly delivered. Between the incredible live music, great food vendors, cold drinks, and good company, it was an evening to remember. Thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, sponsored, and supported the event. We can't wait to see everyone back in Wakefield next year."

More pictures from this years party can be found on the back page of this edition of the Republican.



The outdoor showroom of Miller Building Supply.

Open house held for Miller Build Supply expansion

On Saturday, May 30th Miller Building Supply held an open house for their new showroom across the alleyway from the main store on the corner of 2nd and Main Streets.

The showroom has a large selection of power tools, gardening tools, mowers and equipment, grills and grilling supplies, and even fishing supplies and beef jerky.

"We have been trying to listen to our customers as much as we can because it's a big investment, so we are trying to take one step at a time" said Chad Mackling, owner of Miller Build-

ing Supply along with Nick Miller. "So far the support is tremendous and we appreciate everyone's feedback."

When asked how the plan came together Mackling said "No one in the Wakefield Community offered what we are now selling up to this point. We felt money leaving the community and purchases made outside the community didn't make much sense if we were sitting on the building. For the long term we feel it will make life easier for members of our community and the surrounding area."



Angie Colleen the Partys headliner.

Allen Days begins June 13; Tractor drive up old Hwy 20

Allen will be holding its annual town celebration Allen Days on Saturday June 13th, and Sunday June 14th. The evening coincides with the 40th Lov-A-Lop Swap Meet held at the farm.

The events begin with the Lutheran Church bake sale being held at Countryside Gas and Grocery from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m., coffee and donuts at the Community Center also from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

A tractor drive along the original route of Highway 20 will also be held, starting with resignation for the drivers at the school parking lot beginning at 8:30 a.m. with the drive beginning at 9:30 a.m. up to Waterbury for a break, then back along old Highway 20 to Allen.

This year's event has something special for the kids in the form of a foam party being held in the park, with multiple sessions being held at 11:30 a.m. and running hourly until 3:00 p.m.

The Park Improvement Committee will be serving a meal at

the park starting at 11:30 a.m., while a music performance celebrating the founding of the anniversary of the United States 250th a, the 100th anniversary of the building of Highway 20, and the 40th anniversary of the swap meet at Lov-A-Lop Farm.

Starting at 2:00 p.m. there will be a drawing for the winners of the 10lbs of hamburger as well as the creation of paper airplanes for the paper airplane toss with prizes at 2:30 p.m.

Starting at 7:30 p.m. there will be a cruise night drive around town followed by a bring your own beverage social in the park.

Then on Sunday First Lutheran Church will be holding its outdoor church services at 9:00 a.m. Finally Dixon County Historical Society will be holding its first event of the season "Historic U.S. Route 20: A Journey Across America's Longest Highway" presented by members of the Historical Society at the Dixon County Museum starting 1:00 p.m.

Max Greve Wood Bat Tourney starts Friday

The annual Max Greve Wood Bat Tournament will be held in the ballfields in Grave's Park as well as some of the Legion division games being played at Hank Overin Field in Wayne. Legion games on Friday, the 8th will be played in Wakefield, with games being split on Saturday and Sunday between Wakefield and Wayne. The Wakefield games for each division of the tournament can be found below.

Legion

Post 81 Seniors vs O'Neill, Friday, 8:00 p.m.

Post 81 Seniors vs Malcom, Saturday, 8:00 p.m.

Seniors semifinals Sunday, 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. at Eaton Field

Seniors championship, Sunday,

7:00 p.m. at Eaton Field.

Ponies

Games are all Saturday
Wakefield vs Laurel, 9:00 a.m.
Wakefield vs Lennox, 4:00 p.m.
Championship, 7:30 p.m.

Broncos

Games are all Sunday
Wakefield vs Wahoo, 9 a.m.
Wakefield vs Lennox, 4:00 p.m.
Championship, 7:30 p.m.

Digits

Games Saturday and Sunday
Wakefield vs O'Neill, Saturday, 1:00 p.m.
Wakefield vs Wayne, Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
Championship, Sunday, 5:30 p.m.



Jacob Birkley

Post 81 has tough pair of games in Wayne

The Wakefield Post 81 senior legion baseball team saw its 2026 regular season begin this past week with two wins and one loss.

Most recently, Wakefield travelled to Wayne to take on the Rollin Hills Supply Post 43 Seniors on Monday, June 1.

Against Post 43, Wakefield struggled to keep up with the consistently-successful offense of its opponents.

In the top of the first, Wakefield started off strong with runners on second and third and only one out, but the Post 43 squad quickly shut down the next two batters to escape without giving up a run.

From there on, Post 43 found a rhythm.

With two runs scored in the first and second innings, followed by one more in the third, Post 43 quickly jumped out to a 5-0 lead going into the fourth.

In the top of the fourth, Wakefield managed to get one runner

on due to an error, but couldn't capitalize, and the momentum rolled with Post 43 as they proceeded to score five more runs in the bottom half of the inning to take a 10-0 lead.

After Wakefield was unable to score any in the top of the fifth, the game ended due to run-rule, and Wayne took home the 10-0 win.

Prior to their loss to Wayne, the Wakefield squad snagged a solid win in their home-opener against Pierce on Friday, May 29.

Against Pierce, pitching kept the home squad in control.

In the bottom of the first, Wakefield got on the board first thanks to a ground ball from Matthew Metzler, which scored Mason Lamprecht to make the contest 1-0.

After taking the lead, Wakefield never looked back. In the top of

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Library invites patrons to "Sponsor a Story"

The Gardner Public Library Board is inviting the community to support young readers this summer through its "Sponsor-a-Story" fundraiser, part of the library's Summer Reading Program, "Unearth a Story"

The fundraiser encourages individuals and local businesses to donate to help update the library's children's book collection. Donations will go toward purchasing new books aimed at encouraging reading and learning among local youth.

Community members and businesses can choose to sponsor a specific book or allow the library to select one for them. Donation options include \$25

for one book, \$50 for two books, \$75 for three books, or another amount chosen by the donor.

Donors also have the option to include a personalized bookplate inside the sponsored book recognizing an individual, family, or business.

Donation forms can be picked up at the Library or from a board member. Members include: Carol Clark, Sheri Eaton, Carmen Fernandez, T. Adam Goos, and Victoria Nelson. Completed donation forms and contributions may be dropped off at the Gardner Public Library. Checks should be made payable to the Library Foundation.

Funeral Services

Albert L. Nelson, Jr., 91

Funeral services for Albert L. Nelson, Jr., 91, of Wakefield, will be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Wakefield. Burial will be in Wakefield Cemetery.



Albert L. Nelson was born on May 19, 1935, to Albert G. and Lilly (Buss) Nelson in Falls City and he passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on Friday, May 29, 2026.

He was baptized at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and attended their parochial school through sixth grade, when his family moved to rural Wayne, he attended Wayne Schools and was confirmed at Grace Lutheran Church.

In the early 1950's he joined his two brothers in the Kansas oilfields, later returning to the Wayne area in 1957. His family joined St. Paul's Lutheran Church, south of Wakefield, and he started working for Willis Meyer's farming operation.

On June 28, 1959, Albert married Janelle Tarnow at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. To this union, the couple had four children. The couple farmed for five years and then moved to Battle Lake, Minnesota, where they had a resort on Otter Tail Lake. In the winter, he sold Watkins products.

In 1972, they moved back to the farm south of Wakefield, where they resumed farming. He was active in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, the Men's Club, Lutheran Layman's League and served as a Sunday School teacher.

After St. Paul's Lutheran Church closed, they moved their membership to St. John's Lutheran Church in Wakefield and joined the church choir. The couple moved to Wakefield, where he semi-retired, and Albert delivered ATMs and worked for Heritage Industries in Wayne until fully retiring.

Albert is preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Kodi Nelson; siblings, Lois Christman, Bonnie Frevert, Dale Nelson, Merle Nelson; and grandson, Kerre Nelson.

He is survived by his wife, Janelle Nelson; sons, Craig Nelson, and Blaine (Donna) Nelson; daughter, Tiffany (Elmer) Foxx; 13 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Orphan Grain Train (206 S 6th St, Norfolk, NE 68701) or Mercy Meals of Siouxland (3101 Hamilton Blvd, Sioux City, IA 51104).

Arrangements are under the direction of Munderloh-Smith Funeral Home.

Lower Elkhorn NRD discusses water and nutrient study at monthly meeting

Meeting Recap from the Lower Elkhorn NRD May Board of Directors Meeting

At the May 28th Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District (LENRD) Board Meeting, Water Resources Manager Doug Hallum provided an update on the Nebraska Environmental Trust vadose zone study.

The "Observing Water and Nutrient Mobility in the Vadose Zone" study will work hand-in-glove with producers to help LENRD staff evaluate nutrient and water movement underground and under various farming practices while accounting for weather, soil, and geology. This will help staff evaluate which best management practices are better with which soil types to protect water quality and maintain or enhance recharge to our aquifers.

As of the meeting, six Requests for Proposals and one Request for Quote were published with a deadline of June 19th for interested parties to respond. Ten courtesy emails have also been sent to area partners. So far, there have been two requests seeking additional information and two letters of declination due to the scope of work. Soon, staff will begin seeking producers operating on various types of farms to participate in the study.

Directors also heard from Katie Cameron, ENWRA Project

Coordinator; and Dr. Jesse Korus, UNL; about the Plainview geophysical investigation. The City of Plainview recently began exploring new sites for an additional municipal well. An engineer, hired by the City, selected an area to dig a test hole based on a community driven effort. The city, through their relationship with Source Water Protection Specialist Jim Olson, recommended having UNL come in and evaluate groundwater flow. This brought Dr. Korus into the picture to conduct a tow TEM (tTEM) study.

Dr. Korus used a tool with technology similar to that of an AEM study, to measure resistivity in the ground around the area of the new test well. Though Dr. Korus often gets involved before a test hole has been dug, his findings showed that the City and engineer had coincidentally picked the perfect spot due to the underground water flow in that specific area and a low nitrate concentration.

Economic Development Consultant, and a Madison County Commissioner have been assembled to begin a new phase of flood mitigation efforts for the City of Battle Creek.

After Directors ultimately rejected the final plan document of the NRCS Battle Creek WFPO Plan earlier this year, staff believe this is necessary to keep the conversation going regard-

ing flooding challenges Battle Creek faces while also taking the time to make sure all parties are on the same page with how to move forward.

In other action, a public hearing for the certification of new ir-

rigated acres was held, and the FY 2026 Auditing Agreement with Dana F. Cole was approved.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be Thursday, June 25, 2026, at the LENRD office at 7:30 p.m. and on Facebook Live.

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Happenings at the Wakefield Senior Center

Activities

Thursday, June 4: Exercise, 9:30 a.m.
Friday, June 5: Pool, 11 a.m.
Monday, June 8: Exercise, 9:30 a.m.; Up and down, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, June 9: Pool, 11 a.m.; Blood pressure checks, 12 p.m.; Hand and foot, 1 p.m.
Wednesday, June 10: Open Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Thursday, May 11: Exercise, 9:30 a.m.

Lunch Menu

(Please call 402-287-2149 before 11:00 a.m. the day before to order)
Thursday, June 4: Egg salad sandwich, chips, fruit, and tapioca pudding.
Friday, June 5: Meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, green bean casserole, and dinner roll.
Monday, June 8: Egg salad sandwich, chips, coleslaw, and tapioca pudding.
Tuesday, June 9: Hamburger, creamy mac-n-cheese, baked beans, and fruit.
Wednesday, June 10: Creamed chicken on a biscuit, peas and carrots, and canned mandarin oranges.
Thursday, June 11: Vegetable beef soup, cold cheese sandwich, and fruit.



Future sitters learn safety and skills at babysitting clinic

Thirteen participants successfully completed the recent Nebraska Extension Building Better Babysitters Clinic on May 22 at the Gardner Public Library in Wakefield.

In the above picture are back row (l to r): Taygan Oswald, Eden Hansen, Claire Kvols, Jackie Steffen (Extension Educator), Yatziri Chevez Romero, Finely Dolen, Reagan Nelson, Blakely Bartels, Ellie Nelson, Jornee Hampl, Sophia Sebade (Wakefield Fire Department), Hedassah Kaufman. In the front row (l to r): Naomi

Badley, Jyrnee Carson, Reagan Kaufman

The clinic provided comprehensive training designed to prepare young people for successful babysitting experiences. Participants received instruction in the business aspects of babysitting, child development, child safety, emergency preparedness, age-appropriate activities, communication skills, food and nutrition, and professional babysitting practices.

Upon completion of the workshop, graduates gained

valuable knowledge and skills to help them provide safe, responsible, and engaging care for children while developing confidence in their abilities as babysitters.

For information about future Babysitting Clinic sessions, contact the Nebraska Extension Office in Dixon County at 402-584-2234.

Card Of Thanks

Thank you for all the help with the auction of Glen's Body Stop.

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City holding rabies clinic June 15th

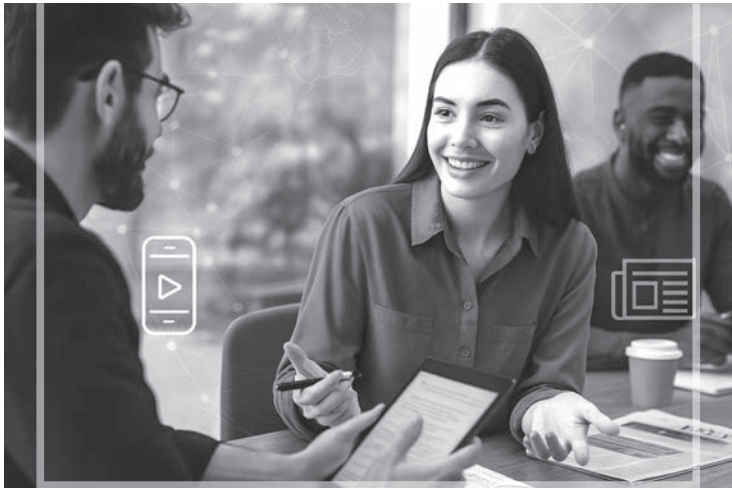
On Monday, June 15th, The City of Wakefield will be holding a rabies clinic at the City offices from 1:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The Emerson Vet Clinic will be on hand to administer vaccines for rabies, distemper/parvo, and kennel cough. The Clinic will also have flea and tick preventatives available that work best in the area.

Because tapeworms can also be a problem for dogs, the vet clinic is also recommending a dewormer such as

Pyrantel, given by mouth, or Iverhart, which takes care of internal parasites as well as tape worms. These parasites are contracted by animals through ingestion from wild animals and well as fleas.

The City of Wakefield reminds pet owners that all dogs within city limits must have a tag/license and a current rabies shot by June 30th. Tags can be purchased at the City Office during regular business hours, but the cost of doing so increases after June 30th.



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'Do you believe you're dispensable?'

by Erik Raymond
Ordinary Pastor

I recently returned from an extended time away from home. Our family was able to visit family and friends in several different states while enjoying the goodness of

God's creation. Upon returning, my son and I joined a group from our church to go to serve with our sister church in the Dominican Republic. All total I have been out of Omaha and away from our church for over a month. As a pastor this is the longest I've been away from our church.

Upon returning I gently dipped my toe back into our context. Texting one elder I was reassured that everything was fine. I sat down with another elder to catch up and he likewise let me know that things got along quite well without me.

In that meeting with one of my elders I was struck afresh by a precious reality: I am dispensable! Nothing came apart while I was gone. I returned to a healthy church that is progressing in the gospel. What a wonderful and humbling reality: God uses us but he doesn't need us. Perhaps you read my words about dispensability and thought, "Man, this guy is a bit full of himself. Who walks around thinking that they are indispensable?"

I will grant you that it sounds prideful. And this is my point. Pastors in particular are especially prone to thinking like this. Most of us are not prideful enough to say that we think we are indispensable but neither are we humble enough to actually believe it. Too often we work, worry, and wine like everything depends on us. Failing to get done what we think we need to, how we need to, and when we need to can lead to an uneasiness of the soul. The next day we double-down on ourselves and like a spinning tire in a muddy field, we only make things worse.

I've been there, jamming too much into a day while skimping on rest and taking a double dose of

worry. These things are subtle and can quickly (and even dangerously) perpetuate themselves if left unchecked.

As a pastor I take great comfort in the story of Noah. This guy had a lot of work to do. Among other things, he preached, provided for his family, built a massive ark, and basically ran a zoo in the ocean. But you know one thing he didn't do? He didn't steer the ark. He wasn't the captain. Think about it: this giant wood box was tossed around in the ocean and stayed afloat for about a year. It lands on a mountain. A mountain! What does he do? He is inside taking care of what he can take care of. The hand of providence guides, directs, and steers. What a comfort to us as pastors it is to know that the church that has Christ in the stern will never topside. He is a skilled mariner and can bring all of us safely to port.

God didn't need Noah but he used him. He was dispensable. This is good and freeing news, especially for those in the ministry. God uses us but he doesn't need us. Work hard, pray hard, lead, and rest well. God gifts his church in a variety of ways. He has it all covered with a bunch of dispensable parts.

Realizing (and truly believing) that you are dispensable a liberating, humbling, and refreshing provocation to praise.

I should take a vacation more often.

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YA/JUV FICTION

Alice with a Why by Anna James – Alyce is sent to live with her grandmother, the original Alice, after losing her father. After receiving a strange tea invitation, Alyce wonders if Wonderland is real after all. Soon she is tumbling down into Wonderland. The Moon Queen and Sun King are at war and Alyce is tasked with setting it right. With the help of old friends, Alyce will have to solve Wonderland's problems and, eventually, find her way back home.

GRAPHIC NOVELS

The Witches of Pepperwood Bay by Lisa Manuzak Wiley – Keeping peace in Pepperwood Bay is no easy task! Juniper, Lily, and Clover must be ready for anything and everything as caretakers of the magical lighthouse portal overlooking the bay. While navigating the bonds of sisterhood, and with the help and hindrance of a variety of magical creatures, the sisters must work their magic and keep their home safe.

BOARD BOOKS

Let's Put That Away! by Clea Shearer – Clean up, clean up! Come on everyone, it's time to tidy up and clean our toys up. Are you ready?

JUVENILE NON-FICTION

Big Brain Book by Leanna Boucher Gill – The brain is pretty cool. It's like the computer of the human body. This BIG book answers all the questions and all you need to know about that squishy but important organ between your ears!

LARGE PRINT FICTION

All This Could Be Yours by Hank Phillippi Ryan – Tessa Calloway is on a whirlwind book tour for her instant bestseller. But there is a chilling problem – Tessa is being stalked by someone who's obsessed with sabotaging her career, but also destroying her family. Tessa fears the fallout. If she cannot untangle who's threatening to expose her darkest secrets, she'll lose her career, her family – and possibly her life.

The Forget-Me-Not Library by Heather Webber – Juliet is lucky to be alive after a freak accident. Impulsively, she decides to take a solo summer trip. When the road detour leads Juliet to Forget-Me-Not, Alabama, she meets Tallulah, a newly single mother. The two women soon discover there's magic between the pages of where you've been and where you still need to go. And that happiness, even when lost, can always be found again.

REGULAR PRINT FICTION

Elphie by Gregory Maguire – El-

phaba's childhood was no easy feat. Haunted by a Monkey and taunted by Dwarf Bears, Elphie witnesses terrible things happening to the animals of Oz. Elphie is destined to be a witch from childhood. Perhaps there is more to her story than just being the Wicked Witch of the West.

Executive Power by Andrews and Wilson – An American intelligence team is wiped out. Sole survivor: Kyle Ryan, youngest son of Jack Ryan. This is just the prelude to an even more devastating conflict – a deadly military coup. An American embassy is seized with numerous hostages. Jack Ryan has faced many challenges as president, but solving this problem is no one-man job.

NON-FICTION

The Rise and Fall of Dinosaurs by Steve Brusatte – 66 million years ago, Earth's most fearsome creatures vanished. Today dinosaurs remain one of our planet's great mysteries. This book takes you through the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods all the way up to the moment when a giant asteroid struck the planet. Examine the extraordinary extinction event in Earth's history, one full of lessons for today as we confront a "sixth extinction."

LIBRARY LOWDOWN

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June Book Club: The June books are now available for this month's book club! We are reading "Jurassic Park" by Michael Crichton. It's a sci-fi thriller adult fiction with a dash of horror vibes. Book club is completely free to join! June's meeting will be on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. Stay tuned for the July's book announcement!

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HOCUS - FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Candle is taller. 2. Arm is resting on table. 3. Back of chair is different. 4. Dial on stove is moved. 5. Light is shorter. 6. Hair is different.

News from
Allen...

By: Callie Anderson



FFA Officers attend COLT conference...

Last week, the new Allen FFA officers attended COLT Conference in Aurora, Nebraska. COLT stands for Chapter Officer Leadership Training. They were able to make plans for the next year of service as the leaders of our local chapter.

Members of the FFA that attended the conference int he picture above girls front to back: Grace Ankeny, Hailey Millard, Rebecka McNear. Boys front to back: Logan Kraemer, Tucker Anderson, James Warner, Jude Ridenour

New to Allen Consolidated Schools District?

The School District Census Report is a requirement from the Department of Education that is due every July for children ages 0 - 21 that reside in our school district. These numbers are used by the Nebraska Department of Education for state aid and for federal funding. This list is also used to invite children who are eligible to be enrolled in Preschool and Kindergarten each spring. If you are new to our district or know of anyone who is new to our district you are encouraged to contact the school to provide us information. State statute and board policy re-

quires that the school district establishes a permanent, continuing census of all children age 0 - 21, and to maintain this census on yearly basis. Please contact Stephanie Sullivan or Becky Stapleton at (402) 635-2484 Or email: ssullivan1@allen-schools.org or bstapleton@allenschools.org.

2017 Alamo Bowl T-Shirts For Sale

Did you attend the 2017 Alamo Bowl? The Allen Music Department has an abundance of shirts from the 2017 Alamo Bowl. We will be selling these shirts for \$5 a piece, first come first served. Sizes

range from small - 3xl. There are just a few of certain sizes but 38 larges! The money we make from selling these shirts will go towards our summer purchase of new instruments for our program!

If you are interested in buying a shirt or many, please contact Mr. Smith and he will reserve them for you. These shirts were stored in plastic containers but would need a wash to get some wrinkles out.

Again, all money raised will go to our summer purchase of new instruments! Please message me here if interested.

DIXON COUNTY COURTHOUSE NEWS

Marriage Licenses

Alexander Harvey Mills, 40, Colton, SD to Samantha Katelin Haaskinsin, 37, Colton, SD.

Wyatt James Verzani, 23, Concord to Lindsay Ann Lenz, 22, Concord.

Court News

Blake L. Jensen, Waterbury, Excess windshield and/or window tint, Class 5 Misdemeanor, \$25 plus court costs.

Michael A. Lutt, Wakefield, Speeding, \$50 plus court costs,

Tessa M. Recker, Beemer, Speeding, \$50 plus court costs.

Olivia L. Kleinschmit, Hartington, Speeding, \$50 plus court costs.

Real Estate

Warranty Deed: James Edward Bierbower and Estelle Bierbower, husband and wife, convey to Roth Asset Leasing, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, the following: Property 1: The North 8 feet, 3 inches of Lot 14 and the South 8 feet, 9 inches of Lot 15, all in Block 7, Original Town of Wakefield, Dixon County, Nebraska. Property 2: The East 75 feet of the South 16 feet, 9 inches of Lot 14, in Block 7, Original Town of Wakefield, Dixon County, Nebraska.

Trustee's Deed: Arden K. Olson and Avanelle A. Olson,

Trustees of the Arden K. Olson and Avanelle A. Olson Revocable Trust, conveys to Arden K. Olson and Avanelle A. Olson, husband and wife, as joint tenants and not as tenants in common, the following: the NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Dixon County, Nebraska; and The E1/2NE1/4 and the SW1/4NE1/4 of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Dixon County, Nebraska.

Warranty Deed: Arden K. Olson and Avanelle A. Olson, husband and wife, conveys to Douglas Olson, Diane Dykstra, and Mark Olson, the following: the NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Dixon County, Nebraska.

Warranty Deed: Barry L. Manning and Kathryn L. Philip, husband and wife, and Kristin Kramer and Brian Skocaj, wife and husband, convey to Jason Stewart and Winter Stewart, husband and wife, as joint tenants and not as tenants in common, the following: the SW1/4SE1/4 of Section 35, Township 27 North, Range 5,

East of the 6th P.M., Dixon County, Nebraska.

Quitclaim Deed: Kristin Kramer and Kathryn L. Philip, Co-Trustees of the Vivienne Hugelman Family Trust, does quitclaim, grant, convey and confirm unto Kristin Kramer and Kathryn L. Philip, the following: the SW1/4SE1/4 of Section 35, Township 27 North, Range 5, East of the 6th P.M., Dixon County, Nebraska.

DIXON COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sunday, May 24, 2026

- 1:30 a.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop in Wakefield. Citation issued for no registration and no proof of insurance.
- 2:10 a.m. Deputy issued a City of Wakefield citation for vehicle blocking sidewalk.
- 2:21 a.m. Deputy issued a City of Wakefield citation for vehicle parked in no parking zone between the hours of 0200 and 0600.
- 2:46 p.m. Caller reported an accident with injury – rural Ponca. Deputy and Ponca rescue responded.
- 5:29 p.m. Caller requested rescue unit in Allen. Deputy and Allen rescue responded.
- 6:26 p.m. Received a Department of Health and Human Service child abuse/neglect intake. Deputy advised.
- 11:19 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop in Wakefield. Citation issued for no valid registration.

Monday, May 25, 2026

- 3:42 a.m. Dakota County requested assistance from Deputies and also requested thermal drone. Deputies responded with drone for search.
- 10:52 a.m. Caller from Allen reported a pickup blocking driveway. Deputy responded.
- 1:50 p.m. Female turned herself in to serve out a time pay warrant. Deputy transported subject to Thurston County jail.

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

- 9:55 a.m. Received a call for a mental health / welfare check rural Newcastle. Deputy responded.
- 7:37 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 7:47 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Wakefield. Citation issued for speeding. 82/65
- 8:04 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 9:43 p.m. Caller from Wayne requested a welfare check on her daughter. Deputy responded.
- 10:40 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for speeding.

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

- 12:53 a.m. Deputy issued a City of Wakefield citation for vehicle parked facing traffic.
- 10:32 a.m. Caller requesting information on filing a protection order. Deputy spoke with caller.
- 12:24 p.m. Report of abandoned animals in Ponca. Deputies responded. Animals were transported to the South Sioux City animal control center.
- 3:07 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Dixon. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 3:27 p.m. Received a Depart-

ment of Health and Human Services child abuse/neglect intake. Deputy advised.

- 3:31 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Allen. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 5:27 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for excessive window tint.
- 5:44 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for excessive window tint.
- 8:54 p.m. Caller reported dog running around loose in Wakefield. Deputy advised dog was out with owner at the city park.

Thursday, May 28, 2026

- 10:49 a.m. Received a request for a welfare check rural Newcastle. Deputy responded.
- 2:51 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Wakefield. Citation issued for speeding. 79/65
- 3:11 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Wakefield. Citation issued for speeding. 76/65
- 3:14 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Martinsburg. Citation issued for stop sign violation.
- 3:48 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Ponca. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 3:58 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Emerson. Written warning issued for speeding.
- 4:00 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Dixon. Citation issued for speeding. 77/65
- 5:09 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Dixon. Written warning issued for expired registration.
- 5:24 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Allen. Citation issued for speeding. 86/65
- 6:31 p.m. Deputy conducted a traffic stop rural Concord. Written warning issued for expired vehicle registration.
- 6:48 p.m. Deputy conducted a

traffic stop rural Concord. Written warning issued for speeding.

- 8:53 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Allen. Citation issued for speeding. 72/55
- 9:30 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Allen. Citation issued for speeding. 82/65

Friday, May 29, 2026

- 3:17 a.m. Caller reported an erratic driver rural Emerson. Deputy advised.
- 9:53 a.m. Received notification of a hospice death in Wakefield.
- 8:29 p.m. Received a request for a welfare check for a possibly suicidal subject driving through Dixon County. Deputies responded.
- 8:44 p.m. Deputy issued a City of Wakefield citation for vehicle parked in no parking zone between the hours of 0200 and 0600.
- Caller reported a stolen vehicle in Allen. Vehicle was located / recovered on Main street in Allen.

Saturday, May 30, 2026

- 11:12 a.m. Report of suspicious activity rural Allen. Deputy responded.
- 7:17 p.m. Caller from Wayne reported an erratic driver possibly heading towards Wakefield. Deputy responded.
- 8:40 p.m. Deputy conducted traffic stop rural Wakefield. Written warning issued for speeding.

Dixon County Sheriff's Office dispatched the following fire and rescue calls from May 24, 2026 through May 30, 2026.

Allen: Fire: 1 Rescue: 2
Concord: Fire: 1 Rescue: 0
Dixon: Fire: 1 Rescue: 1
Martinsburg: Fire: 0 Rescue: 0
Newcastle: Fire: 1 Rescue: 0
Ponca: Fire: 0 Rescue: 3
Wakefield: Fire: 0 Rescue: 2

Inmates: 2

TRANSITION SUPPORT

The League of Human Dignity can help you develop, implement, and follow up on plans for transition support. This includes evaluation, treatment, and care if you are experiencing a specific, time-limited problem, such as a transition from an institutional or group setting.

We are a partner agency with Nebraska's Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). Contact us to see how we can help.

Phone 833-800-5643



Congratulations
2026 GRADUATES

SECURITY BANK IS PROUD TO AWARD \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS TO OUR EMPLOYEES' GRADUATING SENIORS ACROSS OUR FIVE BRANCHES.



Mason Baller
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Laney Folkers
Laurel Concord Coleridge



Kaley Lammers
Hartington Cedar Catholic



Gracyn Keagle
Wakefield High School



Maverick Heine
Hartington Cedar Catholic

WISHING YOU ALL THE BEST AS YOU EMBARK ON THIS EXCITING NEW CHAPTER OF YOUR JOURNEY!



Sunday Afternoon at the Museum

Historic U.S. Route 20

A Journey Across America's Longest Highway

Sunday, June 14th at 1:00 p.m.

at the Dixon County Museum 225 S. Clark St, Allen

All are welcome to attend this free program, prested by museum members to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Highway 20's existence across the United States

For further information call 402-584-2968 or 712-212-3527

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation

EDUCATIONBRIEFS

Sarmiento, Kraemer, graduate from UNMC
Events were held in Omaha, Lincoln, Norfolk, Kearney and Scottsbluff
Diplomas and certificates were conferred on more than 1,000 University of Nebraska Medical Center students during ceremonies held May 7 in Lincoln, Norfolk and Kearney and May 9 in Omaha and Scottsbluff.
Among those graduating are local students Antonio Sarmiento, of Wakefield, Doctor of Physical Therapy, and Ashley Kraemer, of Allen, with a Master of Science.

Lundahl graduates from Nebraska Wesleyan, Mackling on honors list
Nebraska Wesleyan University awarded nearly 400 undergraduate and graduate degrees May 9 during its 137th commencement ceremony.
Commencement was held

at NWU's Abel Stadium. Tampa Bay Buccaneers general manager Jason Licht, a 1993 Nebraska Wesleyan graduate, delivered the commencement address.
Among those receiving diplomas at the ceremony is Wakefield alumni Anna Lundahl, who received her Bachelor of Science.
Nebraska Wesleyan University has announced its 2026 spring semester academic honors list recognizing undergraduate students with superior academic performance.
Students earning at least a 3.75 semester grade point average while completing a full-time course load of at least 12 credit hours of graded work are eligible for consideration.
Among the students recognized with this honor for the spring semester was Rhyanne Mackling, of Emerson.

PUBLIC NOTICES

SECTION 00 10 00 INVITATION TO BID
Sealed Proposals for the construction of "Waterbury South for Dixon County, Nebraska," JEO Project No. 252020.00, QuestCDN No. 10197500, will be received by the County Clerk at 302 W 3rd Street, PO Box 546, Ponca, NE 68770, until 9:30 AM on the 9th day of June 2026, and thereafter will be read aloud.
The work is generally described as follows: Bridge Rehab.
Opinion of Probable Cost \$400,000
Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.
All Proposals for said construction work must be made on blanks furnished by the Engineer and must be accompanied by Bid Security of not less than 5% of the amount bid. Bid Security to be made payable to the Treasurer of Dixon County as liquidated damages in case the bid is accepted and the bidder neglects or refuses, to enter into contract and furnish bond in accordance herewith.
Copies of the contract documents are on file with Dixon County for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$30.00. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$100.00 per set. Please contact Sandy Walker at 402.371.6416 / swalker@jeo.com to coordinate your request and send your check to: 404 S 25th Street, Ste. B, Norfolk, NE 68701. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.
For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.
The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities and to make awards on bids which furnish the materials and construction that will, in their opinion, serve the best interests of the Project and also reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

DIXON COUNTY, NEBRASKA
Lisa Lunz, Chairperson
May 21, May 28, June 4 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETING
The Wakefield Rural Fire Board will be holding a meeting on Thursday, June 4, 2026, starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Wakefield Fire Hall 407 Main Street in Wakefield.
May 28, June 4 ZNEZ

NOTICE of SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION WAYNE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0560 WAKEFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2026 4:00 pm
A special board meeting of the Board of Education of Wayne County School District 0560, the Wakefield Community School, will be held in Room 201, on MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2026 at 4:00 pm at 802 Highland Street., Wakefield, NE 68784. The purpose of this meeting is to interview Interim Superintendent candidates. A complete agenda for these meetings, kept continuously current, are available for inspection at the office of the Superintendent of Schools and school website.
Sherri Lundahl Board Secretary June 4 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF WAKEFIELD, NEBRASKA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Wakefield, Nebraska will be held at 5:30 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026 at the Wakefield Civic Center 407 E 7th St, 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 City Clerk at 405 Main Street, but the agenda may be modified at such meeting.
Pam Vander Veen, City Clerk June 4 ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
Notice is hereby given that meetings of the Dixon County Board of Supervisors and Dixon County Board of Equalization will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 in the Dixon County Annex Building at 59140 HWY 12 Ponca, Nebraska. The County Board of Supervisors meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. The agendas for such meeting are kept continuously current and is available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska and at https://dixoncountyne.gov/. This notice is given by direction of the Chairman and Board of Supervisors of Dixon County, Nebraska.
May 7 ZNEZ

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Cael Johnson

the second, they once again held Pierce scoreless before exploding for four more runs in the bottom half of the inning.
With a 5-0 lead, Wakefield kept its foot on the gas and scored once more in each of the next two innings, before Ruben Vega ended the game by putting the home squad up 8-0 in the bottom of the fifth with a steal of home plate, which invoked the run rule.
Leading the way for Wakefield in its win over Pierce was Lamprecht, who allowed just one hit and struck out nine in five innings on the mound.
Finally, Wakefield kickstarted its week and season with a rout on the road over Crofton on Wednesday, May 27.
Against Crofton, Wakefield's



Cinch Hampl



Matt Metzler



Tanner Thompson



Mason Lamprecht



Ruben Vega

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Wakefield Community Schools - June Lunch Menu

JUNE 2026				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 TACOS FIESTA BLACK BEAN CORN APPLESAUCE	2 CHICKEN N NOODLES BROCCOLI ORANGE FRESH ROLL	3 EGG PATTY SAUSAGE HASHBROWN FRUIT WANGO MANGO	4 SLOPPY JOES TATOR TOTS BAKED BEANS GOGURT/STRING CHEESE	5 PEPPERONI SURPRISE PEACHES GREEN BEANS COOKIE
8 HOT HAM N CHEESE VEGGIE STRAWS FRUIT FLUFF	9CHICKEN NUGGETS MASHED POTATOS/GRAVY FRESH CARROTS STRAWBERRIES	10 EGG SAUSAGE/PANCAKE TORNADO EGG OMLET FRUIT SLUSHY RUBY RUSH JUICE	11CHICKEN LEG GREEN BEAN WANGO MANGO PEACHES FRESH ROLL	12 HOT DOG OR CHILI DOG SWEET POTATO FRIES APPLESAUCE COOKIE
15 BBQ MEATBALLS MAC N CHEESE PEAS MAND ORANGES	16 PIZZA PATTY GREEN BEANS PEACHES FRESH ROLL	17 CHICKEN N WAFFLES SCRAMBLED EGGS WANGO MANGO	18 CHICKEN PATTY CHIPS STRING CHEESE/GOGURT MIXED VEGGIES	19 HAMBURGER SMILEY FRIES BAKED BEANS APPLESACUE COOKIE
22 PULLED PORK BAKED BEANS SWEET POTATO FRIES FRUIT COCKTAIL	23 CHICKEN FAJITAS RICE CORN APPLESAUCE	24 PANCAKES EGG PATTY SAUSAGE FRUIT WANGO MANGO	25 CORN DOG FRENCH FREIS GREEN BEANS FROZEN FRUIT FRESH ROLL	26 PIZZA BROCCOLI FRESH FRUIT COOKIE
29 CHICKEN STRIPS SMILEY FRIES BAKES BEANS PEACHES	30 BEEF N NOODLES STEAMED CARROT APPLESAUCE FRESH ROLL	1 HAMBURGERS FRENCH FRIES GREEN BEANS ORANGE	2 ORANGE CHICKEN RICE EGG ROLL BROCCOLI FRUIT CUP	3 COLD SANDWICH CHIPS FRUIT WANGO MANGO COOKIE

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The Wakefield Republican

Forty-fourth Year. WAKEFIELD, DIXON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1926. Number 44.

BIG TIME IS
PLANNED FOR
JULY FOURTH

LEGION PLANS FOR THE BIGGEST
CELEBRATION EVER HELD
IN WAKEFIELD

Wakefield's Fourth of July celebration, which will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, will be the biggest event held in Wakefield for a long time, if the plans of the American Legion, which has charge of the day, are carried out.

It was concluded by the committee that the celebration would probably be the one big event for Wakefield of the season, and they accordingly are sparing no pains to make it such. Supplementing the four hundred dollars secured from the business men, they are contemplating adding enough to it to make the celebration cost twice that much and more.

One of the biggest and best free acts on the road today has been secured to entertain the visitors here. This act alone will be expensive. Besides the regular band music, a showing of fireworks will be given that will surpass anything ever shown here. Two big ball games will be in evidence, the three teams from Allen, Emerson and Wakefield to play. Various minor sports and prizes will be given.

The handling of such a celebration will necessitate a large amount of hard work and expense. The Legion is not contemplating the celebration to be a money-making event—if they break even they will be satisfied.

Quite a large amount of money is to be spent in advertising alone, and probably a couple of booster trips will be carried out. The Legion asks that they merely have the co-operation of every one possible.

**WAKEFIELD TO PLAY BALL
AT BLOOMFIELD SUNDAY**

Wakefield will journey to Bloomfield on Sunday to cross bats with that team. Bloomfield has a good team, and the game should be a good one.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish in this way to thank the American Legion for the beautiful flowers given me for Decoration Day.
CLARENCE R. BACKERSON.

**APPROPRIATE SERVICES
HELD DECORATION DAY**

Memorial Day services were held in Wakefield Sunday at the Auditorium and at the cemetery. The program as announced in last week's Republican was carried out in its entirety.

Following the numbers by the band, invocation, singing and the Gettysburg address, the address of the day was delivered by J. H. Kemp of Wayne, which was very appropriate and well received. A beautiful tableau was given at the close of the services, which was excellent.

The services at the cemetery were held as follows: "America" was given by the band, followed by the G. A. R. ritual. "The Red, White and Blue" was sung by Miss Myrtle Carlson. The roll call of veterans followed. The services ended by a prayer by Rev. Farner, and the firing squad, and taps.

**SEVERAL CHANGES MADE IN
TRAIN SCHEDULES THIS WEEK**

A new time table went into effect this week, affecting train times at Wakefield as follows:

Passenger train No. 12, east in the morning, leaves at 9:00 instead of 9:05 as formerly. No. 10, afternoon passenger east leaves at 2:50 instead of 3:10 as formerly. There is no change in Nos. 9 and 11, the west bound Norfolk passengers.

No. 57, morning freight west, leaves at 9:00 instead of 7:40 and No. 45, also west leaves at 9:00 instead of 8:10. The Bloomfield evening train leaves at the old time, 5:25, but coming down in the afternoon as No. 52 it leaves at 2:15 instead of 2:30. Freight No. 22 leaves at 3:30 instead of 4:00. Freight Nos. 44 and 56 are unchanged. The afternoon train from Crofton arrives at 2:00 and leaves at 6:10 back. The morning train is now taken off.

The W. S. Ebersole family were dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Terwilliger, and supper guests at the C. A. Samuelson home Wednesday.

WAKEFIELD MARKETS
(Prices Subject to Change Without Notice)

Hogs	.....	\$10.50 to \$13.25
Corn	.....	.60
Oats	.....	.32
Wheat	.....	\$1.45
Hens, heavy	.....	.20
Hens, light	.....	.17
Hens, Leghorn	.....	.14
Roosters	.....	.09
Roosters, Leghorn	.....	.07
Broilers	.....	.28
Leghorn Broilers	.....	.23
Ducks	.....	.10
Geese	.....	.07
Butterfat	.....	.33
Butter	.....	.35
Eggs	.....	.24
Gasoline, Stations	.....	.23
Gasoline, city wagon	.....	.21 3-4
Gasoline, rural	.....	.22 1/2
Kerosene, city tank wagon	.....	.16 1/2
Kerosene, rural tank wagon	.....	.17

BIRTH RECORD

Born May 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sandahl, a daughter.

DURR-MINER

At 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning, at the bride's home, occurred the marriage of Miss Rita Miner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Miner of this city, to Mr. Frank Durr, son of Mrs. Chas. Durr, of Onnawa, Iowa. Rev. Farner of the Methodist church performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a pale green georgette crepe dress and the groom wore the conventional blue. They were unaccompanied.

The bride has lived here all her life, was graduated from the Wakefield High School, and has taught in rural schools near here for the past two years.

The groom is a young man of near Onnawa. He served two years with the A. E. F. during the World War, being one of the few survivors of the "Lost Battalion."

They will be at home after June 1st on the groom's farm near Onnawa, Iowa.

The Republican extends congratulations.

**ATTEND BIG ROAD MEET
AT SOUTH SIOUX CITY**

Wm. Kay, G. A. Sar, H. J. Nuernberger and A. L. Nuernberger attended the big meeting of good roads boosters at South Sioux City last Wednesday night.

The meeting was called principally to crystallize sentiment toward hard surfacing Highway No. 20 west of, on South Sioux City to O'Neill, which is a portion of a government endorsed transcontinental route from Boston to the Pacific coast.

The committees from the various towns in this section of the state were royally entertained by the Commercial Club of South Sioux City, with music by the Monahan Post Band, etc.

The main points of the big meeting can best be described by the following, taken from the North Nebraska Eagle, published at South Sioux City:

"The big event of the day was the mass meeting of good-roads boosters held in the high school auditorium, which opened shortly after 8 o'clock with Governor Adam McMullen as the principal speaker.

"Attorney Sidney T. Frum presided at the meeting, calling upon representatives from the various localities interested in the improvement of the highway, who explained the urgent need of the work to the governor.

"Attorney W. P. Warner of Dakota City, introduced Governor McMullen, who began his speech with the simple statement: 'I've bought something. You have sold me your plans for graveling Highway No. 20.' After the applause subsided he added: 'However, it is only a confirmation of the sale. For many years I have realized the importance of the road. The time is approaching, though, when work actually may be commenced. I cannot promise the exact date when funds will be available for the purpose, but I will make this prediction—before I lay down the affairs of office, No. 20 will be finished from South Sioux City to O'Neill.'

"Pandemonium reigned in the meeting for several minutes after the governor made this declaration.

"The governor declared himself opposed to an increase in the gasoline tax to meet the expense of state highway construction, and also stated that he would not favor a property tax. 'Our present income is sufficient to meet our needs,' he asserted. 'It will take time to build our roads, but we

are accomplishing wonders. We have not issued a single bond, and we will not need to. When the highways across the state are finished they will be paid for."

"Gov. McMullen also expressed himself as opposed to toll bridges. 'It is un-American to pay toll,' he asserted. 'When our highway systems were in their infancy it was the custom for private corporations to construct bridges and the only way they had to reimburse themselves was to exact a toll for the use of their bridges. But that day is over. With our present system of public bridge construction it should be our policy to erect bridges with public funds so that they may be used freely by the people as they desire just as our highways are utilized.'

"The governor explained that since the federal government had been offering aid in the construction of state highways Nebraska had been able to accept help on an average of only 76 miles per year for the first six years but that last year 907 miles had been constructed with the aid of the United States. Highway No. 20 will be included in the federal aid construction, he said.

The coast to coast road of which the stretch from South Sioux City to O'Neill is a part, is the only transcontinental highway which had its conception in Nebraska. It was originated by the Nebraska state highway engineer, little more than a year ago, and now is marked from Boston to South Sioux City as "U. S. 20," said Governor McMullen.

"Short talks were made by Frank Votter, attorney, of Laurel; Fred W. Ebinger of Plainview; Sterling Stewart of Allen; Lysle Jackson, attorney of Royal and Colonel Welch of Osmond.

"Thomas Sullivan, veteran good roads booster of Jackson, 'brought down the house' when he traced the development of northeastern Nebraska for the past 70 years and pointed out that the pioneers and their descendants had themselves maintained highway No. 20 until the present time, concluding with a demand that the state 'maintain the road for the next 70 years.'

"He traced the history of the road from the time it was a mere trail, stating that it had been once christened the Grant road, later the Antelope trail, then State Highway No. 20 and finally United States Highway No. 20.

"Following the speeches, an organization for furthering the plans for hard surfacing the road was formed. L. B. DeVore of Randolph, former president of the Antelope Trail association, was unanimously elected president of the new organization. Spencer Butterfield of Osmond, was elected secretary by acclamation.

"A board of directors, consisting of one member from each town along the highway, was elected as follows: Thomas Sullivan of Jackson; A. D. Bagley of Allen; A. B. Shively of Laurel; William Eike of Randolph; L. P. Townner of Breslow; E. P. Van Kirk of Brunswick; Clifford Rundquist of Royal; C. M. Daily of O'Neill; George F. Smith of Waterbury; John Curley of Dixon; R. K. Draper of Belden; Spencer Butterfield of Osmond; Chester R. Christensen of Plainview; J. W. Voorhes of Orchard; Lee Drayton of Page, and Sidney T. Frum of South Sioux City.

"Among others occupying stage seats were: A. C. Tilley, district highway engineer; W. H. Blakeman, former president of the Nebraska Good Roads association, both of Norfolk; and Mayor Stewart Gilman of Sioux City.

Delegations were present from Randolph; Page; Royal; Plainview; Ponca; Homer; Jackson; Dixon; Hartington; Pierce; O'Neill; McLean; Dakota City; Laurel; Coleridge; Osmond; Orchard; Neligh; Newcastle and Wakefield.

BREAKS ARM CRANKING FORD

Carl Jones, shoe shining artist at the Elite barber shop, had the misfortune to break his arm Friday afternoon while cranking his father's Ford on Main street. His right arm was broken just above the wrist.

CARL MILLER SELLS OUT

Carl Miller sold his stock of goods in the general store at Waterbury last Saturday to Oscar Hemmingway of Elk Point, South Dakota. Carl had the store just one month. He is undecided as to just what he will do.

The What-So-Ever society meets today (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. L. W. Schwedhelm, with Mrs. Yemm as assistant hostess.

WELFARE ASSOCIATION TO
GIVE PROGRAM SUNDAY

The Wakefield Community Welfare Association will give the following program on Sunday, June 6th, at the Salem Lutheran church. Program starts at 8:00 p. m. The speaker of the evening will be the Hon. Elmer E. Thomas, of Omaha. All churches are uniting in this service, and the community is invited.

Program

Opening selection by orchestra.

Singing by Congregation.

Selection by orchestra.

Scripture reading by Rev. Farner.

Duet, Dorothy Boeckenhauer and Eriz Henrickson.

Prayer by Rev. Nelson.

Solo, by Mrs. Martin.

Address by Elmer E. Thomas.

Singing by congregation.

Benediction by Rev. Martin.

This is one of the best program offered in this community and you cannot afford to miss it.

—By the Committee.

WAKEFIELD BOYS TO AT-
TEND TRAINING CAMPS

Gordon Ebersole, Irwin Patterson, Robert Nuernberger, Harry Larson, Frank Howell, Jay Nuernberger and Rolland Kay have signed up to attend the Citizens Military Training Camp at Ft. Snelling, Minnesota, August 1-31.

This training is given free of charge, including railroad fare both ways and clothing, by the government, and the boys will get one month of regular military training. These Citizen Military training camps have become quite popular in the last two or three years, as they give the young man a good outing, as well as good training, under direct supervision of army men. They will not only be well taken care of, but they will also be taught to take care of themselves.

Any others desiring to enlist for the month may find the application blanks, information, etc., at the local post office.

The Auxiliary of the American Legion held a special meeting last Thursday evening to elect a new president to take the place of their former president, Mrs. W. S. Ebersole, who left for her new home at Sioux City this week. Lunch was served after the business meeting. Mrs. Ebersole was presented with a silver berry spoon from the Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Youngdahl, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Johnson, daughter Della, and sons Milton, Herbert and Clarence of Sioux City visited at the V. C. Linden home Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Youngdahl and Mrs. Johnson are brother and sister of Mrs. Linden.

Mrs. G. W. Henton entertained at a one o'clock luncheon last Friday for Mrs. W. S. Ebersole, who moved to Sioux City this week. Covers were laid for the following guests: Mrs. Chas. Busby, Mrs. Emil Henrickson, Mrs. Ella Patterson, Mrs. J. H. Montgomery, Mrs. Maude Samuelson, Mrs. J. O. Peterson and Mrs. W. S. Ebersole.

The choir of the Presbyterian church gave a picnic supper at the park for Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ebersole Friday evening.

Mrs. Fred Strange invited a number of ladies for a surprise party for Mrs. Ralph Riley at her home Thursday afternoon. The time was spent socially, after which a tempting lunch was served. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. O. W. Money, Mrs. John Allen and Mrs. W. Triggs of Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Cruickshank entertained Sunday evening for the Ebersole family.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Campbell, Paul Ingram and Jay McKinney of Winnebago spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. John Campbell of Milan, Ill., who came last week to attend the funeral of her brother, the late Lee Fitzsimmons, is spending a couple of weeks visiting at the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kimbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore of Lyons attended the funeral of the late Lee Fitzsimmons Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Poff and daughter Miss Mary of Omaha, visited at the J. H. Mitchell home and with other friends over Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Fransen and daughter Ruth, who have spent the past nine months in Oakland, where the latter taught school, came Monday and are moving into their home in the east part of town. The Floyd Clough family have occupied same during their absence.

FORMER WAKEFIELD RESI-
DENT DIES AT RANDOLPH

Lee Fitzsimmons, a former resident of Wakefield, died Wednesday morning of last week at his home south of Randolph, after an illness dating from August of last year. His condition had been critical many times, yet always he made a strong fight for life.

Funeral services were held at the Welsh Presbyterian church east of Carroll on Saturday at 10:30, Rev. Jones conducting the services. Burial was made at Wakefield, preceded by a short service in the Christian church here.

Lee Fitzsimmons was born at Seckerville, Wisconsin, February 16, 1875. He came to Wayne county in 1879, where he grew to manhood. He moved from Wakefield to near Randolph about eighteen years ago.

In 1879 he was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Oliver, who remains to mourn his departure. To this union were born four children, two of whom died in infancy, and Ivan Fitzsimmons and Mrs. Kenneth Scadden, both of Randolph. He also leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fitzsimmons, three brothers: John of Humboldt, Minnesota; Homer of Dalton, Nebraska; and Thomas of Burlington, Colorado; and five sisters: Mrs. John Campbell of Milan, Illinois; Mrs. J. M. Bradford and Mrs. John Crane of Papillion, Nebraska; Mrs. Arthur Pullen of Arlington, Nebraska; and Mrs. Francis Kimbell of Wakefield, Nebraska.

Deceased was a member of the Christian church of Wakefield, and also of the Masonic Lodge of Randolph.

Card of Thanks

We desire to thank all those for their kind sympathy and assistance during our recent bereavement, and for the beautiful flowers and singing. The Fitzsimmons Family.

Miss Alice and Florence Miner entertained a number of young ladies Thursday evening for their sister, Miss Rita, a bride of this week. The time was spent in embroidering names on quilt blocks for the honored guest. The hostesses served lunch later in the evening.

The ladies of the M. E. church entertained Friday afternoon at a miscellaneous shower for Miss Rita Miner at her home. The afternoon was spent in sewing for the bride, after which a covered dish luncheon was served by the ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Miller left on Wednesday morning for a month's visit with the former's parents in New Mexico.

Mrs. C. Leap and daughter Vivian, of Lincoln, came Saturday for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Rhone. Mr. Rhone went to Winnebago to meet her. She returned home Tuesday.

August Lundberg of Bloomfield visited from Sunday until Tuesday with home folks.

The following relatives attended the funeral of the late Lee Fitzsimmons Saturday: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fitzsimmons, parents of the deceased; Mr. and Mrs. John Crane and Mr. and Mrs. M. Bradford of Papillion; Mr. and Mrs. Art Pullen of Arlington; Mrs. John Campbell of Milan, Illinois; Thomas Fitzsimmons of Burlington, Colorado; Mrs. Ben Weaver and George Oliver, of Tracy, Minnesota; Mrs. Otto Fink of Coleridge, and Mr. and Mrs. Tipton Emmons of Allen.

Enrollment at the Wayne State Teachers College for the first summer term will begin on Saturday, June 5 and be completed on Monday, June 7th. Classes will begin Tuesday morning, June 8. Indications point to a heavy enrollment. Art, band, orchestra, piano, voice, playground supervision, athletic coaching, besides all phases of kindergarten, primary, intermediate, high school and supervisory instruction. A number of specialists have been added to the staff to meet the increased enrollment. The lecture and entertainment course will be a special feature—advertisement.

Mrs. Wm. Wolter of Omaha spent Decoration Day in Wakefield.

Carl Jones had the misfortune to break his arm last Thursday while cranking a Ford car. Both bones of the right arm were broken above the wrist. He is recovering nicely from same.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Leuck of Chicago visited at the Fred S. Utecht home a few days last week. They went to Lincoln from here for a visit with the former's parents and brother.

BARN AND STOCK
DESTROYED BY
FIRE FRIDAY

LIGHTNING STRIKES BARN DURING THUNDER STORM FRIDAY EVENING

The large barn on the place occupied by Fred Meine was completely destroyed by fire early Friday evening of last week. The fire was started by lightning, and was beyond control before help arrived.

The barn was a large structure, 34x40 feet, with a shed 34x16 on the south. Besides the barn six head of horses, three calves, several tons of hay, harness, etc., were destroyed. Only \$800 insurance was carried on the barn and the stock was partially insured. The place is what is known as the Geo. Fouss farm, six miles south of town.

The fire started about nine o'clock, and Mr. Meine immediately attempted to save the animals. He succeeded in rescuing three horses. One bull and a calf broke loose. All the rest were destroyed. Mr. Meine did not know of the fire himself until the phone rang shortly after a heavy crack of lightning, and getting a little suspicious went into another part of the house and discovered the fire. It was impossible to reach central for a half an hour or more. When connections were made the local fire department was notified, and the truck made the six mile run to the farm. The barn was burned to the ground by that time, however. While the fire was at its height there was danger of the flames spreading, as the barn was right in line with the house with the wind, but it had rained a little, which kept sparks from setting fire easily.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish in this way to thank our many friends and neighbors for their assistance at the fire at our home on last Friday night, and also for the prompt response of the firemen from Wakefield to our call for assistance.
MR. AND MRS. FRED MEINE.

**NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

Of the legal voters of school district No. 60 of Dixon County, Nebraska, will be held at the school house on Monday, June 14th, 1926 at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of making a levy of \$21,600.00 for general school purposes for the coming school year, which amount is in excess of 8 mills on the dollar on the last completed valuation of said district, and for the transaction of such other business as may legally come before it.

M. F. EKEROTH, SECY.

**THUNDER STORM VISITS
THIS SECTION FRIDAY**

Quite a severe thunder and rain storm, visited this section last Friday evening. Little happened in the immediate vicinity of Wakefield, but a large amount of rain fell to the north and east of town. Wakefield folk who had gone to Allen to attend commencement remained all night, and the commencement exercises at Emerson were practically broken up due to the threatening appearance of the storm.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received until 8 P. M., June 11th, for the building of a school house in District 87, Dixon County, Nebraska.

For plans and specifications see the director.

The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

OSCAR JOHNSON, Director.
Pub. 3 times, May 27, June 3 and 10

Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Coe and daughter Dorothy; Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Utecht, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Henton and son Hosmer, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clough attended the Commencement exercises at Allen Friday evening. Miss Ruth Coe was a member of the graduating class. She returned home with her parents that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Tannehill and children motored to Norfolk Saturday evening for an over Sunday visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lund of Wayne attended Decoration exercises here Sunday.

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Answers

Super Crossword

Puzzling Perjury

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1 Illuminated like quaint old streets

7 "Taxi" mechanic Graves

12 Shut noisily

16 "If u ask me ..."

19 Full of mischief

20 Dam on the Nile

21 Very angry

23 What you may feel after doing something very bad

25 In a messy way

26 Be worthy of

27 Feudal sovereign

29 Big name in car rental

30 Bad-mouth

31 Currency in 60-Down

32 Hosp.

33 James of "Gunsmoke"

35 Sly plan

38 Somewhat

42 Shed for watercrafts

44 In — terms (not using technical jargon)

46 "Fernando" group

48 Ballet bend

49 Settle the bill

50 Bi- x four

51 Top 40 DJ

53 "My life — open book"

55 Clothing supporter

59 Smidgens

61 Wild West's Wyatt

65 North of Iran-Contra

66 Decks in a boxing ring

67 Mediocre

68 Loan shark

70 New York Giants

72 Certain

74 In a macabre manner

75 Down East dweller

76 "Night" writer

77 Wiesel

79 PE place

79 Aligned

80 Wintour of fashion

81 Thus far

83 Major leaguer, e.g.

85 Endure

87 Fossil rock

89 Debt

101 Citizen" of film

102 "Citizen" of film

11 Trig

12 Cousin of a custard apple

113 "Hold on just a minute!"

117 Planted "pet"

119 Nutty holiday dessert

122 Commit

123 Unsticks, as a sticker

126 Fifth wheel?

127 Caron of "Lil"

128 Letters before esses

129 Doing the job

130 1941 Oscar winner Mary

131 Park board

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1 They may be AWOL

2 Old Glory's home

3 Very eye-catching

4 Pick-me-up

5 Atoll part

6 E'en if

7 Señora, say

8 Court great

9 Little branch

10 "Citizen" of film

11 Trig

12 Cousin of a custard apple

13 "Casablanca" character lisa

14 ABA mem.

15 Med. scan

16 "Uncle!"

17 Actress

18 Homeric epic

22 "A Bell for —" (1944 novel)

24 Hoppy brew

28 Sky sphere

30 Broadband

31 Gossipy sort

33 Up for debate

34 Emu's cousin

36 Full of feeling

37 Bush knife

39 Fundraisers with food

40 Bridge beam

41 "Wipeout" channel

43 Et — (and others)

45 Descended

47 Vowel string

52 Color of a forest

54 Computer system modeled on the human brain

55 Punctuation causing pausing

56 Fake fat brand

57 Wagering everything

58 Viscid

60 Japan's capital

62 Come about

63 Find new tenants for

64 Marvel superhero

67 Kitty —

67 That gal

69 "Listen, pal!"

71 Threw away

73 Donate 10%

78 African land

82 Galaxy unit

83 Supplication

84 Hint of color

86 Dull hurt

88 Tablet extra

90 Great-grandfather of Nero

91 Certain stag or doe

92 Intentions to do evil

94 Phishing crime

97 TV antennas

98 Zagreb locale

99 Fedora or fez

101 — wave

102 — Paulo

104 Accumulate

108 Raft wood

110 Ruby-hued

113 Hotel room service, often

114 Helpful hints

115 Oven output

116 Irish money

117 Ontario tribe

118 Nylons, e.g.

120 Intel org.

121 Chili holder

123 Urban trains

124 Whack down

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

• Police officers in Thailand can be forced to wear Hello Kitty armbands as punishment for transgressions such as illegal parking or arriving late to work.

• Historians cite runaway inflation as a major cause of ancient Rome's fall.

• During World War II, the SS ran a wiretapped brothel named "The Kitty Salon" in Berlin where prostitutes would glean information from clients through seemingly innocuous conversations.

• "Hoover wagons," named after President Herbert Hoover, were broken down cars pulled by mules during the Great Depression.

• Actor Jimmy Stewart was rejected by the military after he was drafted, for being too thin.

• When Napoleon attacked Vienna in 1809, Beethoven hid in his brother's basement and covered his ears with pillows, afraid the noise would destroy his remaining hearing.

• The FIFA World Cup is the world's most-watched sporting event.

• Most tornadoes in the Southern Hemisphere rotate clockwise, while their Northern Hemisphere counterparts rotate counterclockwise.

• When serving as a lawyer, Abraham Lincoln only argued one case in front of the U.S. Supreme Court — which he lost.

• In ancient Egypt, chief embalmers often wore a mask of the god Anubis.

• Soccer is known as "football" everywhere except America. The name refers not to the fact that it's played with the feet, but that it's played on one's feet, rather than on horseback.

• About two-thirds of the world's lowest literate adults are women.

• Before the year 1000, all chess pieces were male figures or animals. The queen made her debut when the game was introduced in southern Europe.

Thought for the Day: "After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him ... The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut." — Will Rogers

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30 Med. plan

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Annabelle Reaves



Quinn Riewer

Wakefield 14u team has dominant pair of games at Wayne tournament

The Wakefield 14-and-under softball team went 2-2 recently against some strong teams to gain some confidence as their season begins to progress.

In their two wins, the Wakefield squad took down the Havoc 14-and-under squad as well as the Sioux Falls Ice by a combined score of 23-4.

With strong starts in both of the contests, paired with some sturdy defense, the Trojans trounced the Havoc 14-2 and the Ice 9-2 to claim two dominant early-season wins.

Wakefield's two losses, however, came at the hands of the Wayne Dirt Devils and the Golden Girls.

Against the Golden Girls, the Wakefield squad simply had trouble putting the bat on the ball, as they went 1-2-3 through the first

two innings of play, which allowed the Golden Girls to build a stout lead, which they did not let go of. When the game exceeded its time limit, Wakefield was handed a 10-0 loss.

Against the Dirt Devils of Wayne, Wakefield was able to put the bat on the ball, and even scored an early run, but simply couldn't keep up with the red-hot Dirt Devil offense.

In the first inning, the Dirt Devils exploded for six runs. While Wake-

field hit back with a run of their own in the second, it wasn't enough to slow down the confidence that emitted from Wayne, as they answered with four more runs of their own in the second.

When all was said and done, Wakefield was handed their second loss of the season by a score of 12-1.

With two dominant victories and two losses, the 2026 Wakefield 14-and-under softball season is now officially in full swing.



Maci Kratke



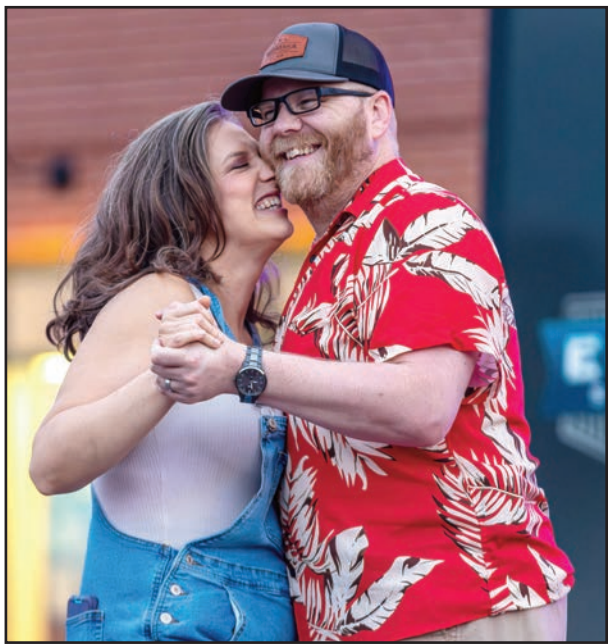
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