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In Brief

LYONS AUXILIARY
Time change for the Lyons Aux meeting: It will be held on February 8th at 7p.m. at the Lyons Public Library.

BASKETBALL UDATE
The BRLD vs Oakland-Craig basketball games that were postponed Friday night will be made up on Monday, February 14th as Boys only games.
The JV boys will start at 6:00 PM followed by the Varsity boys game.

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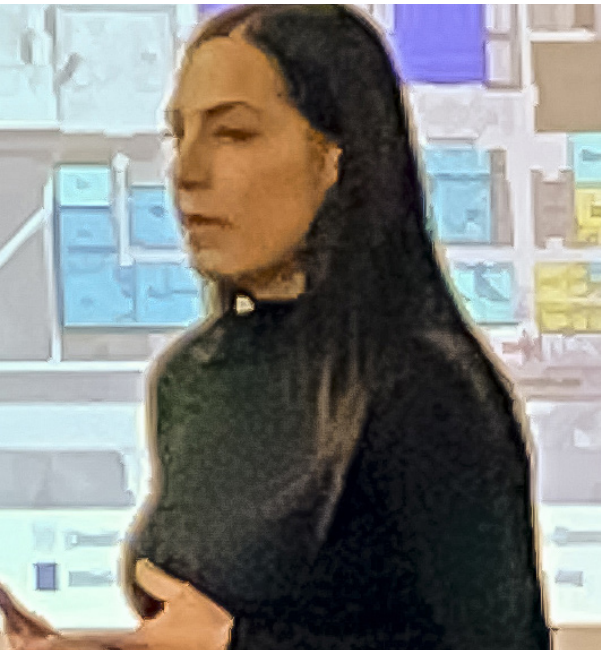
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Many attend informational meeting in Decatur

Debbie Krutilek
Lyons Mirror-Sun

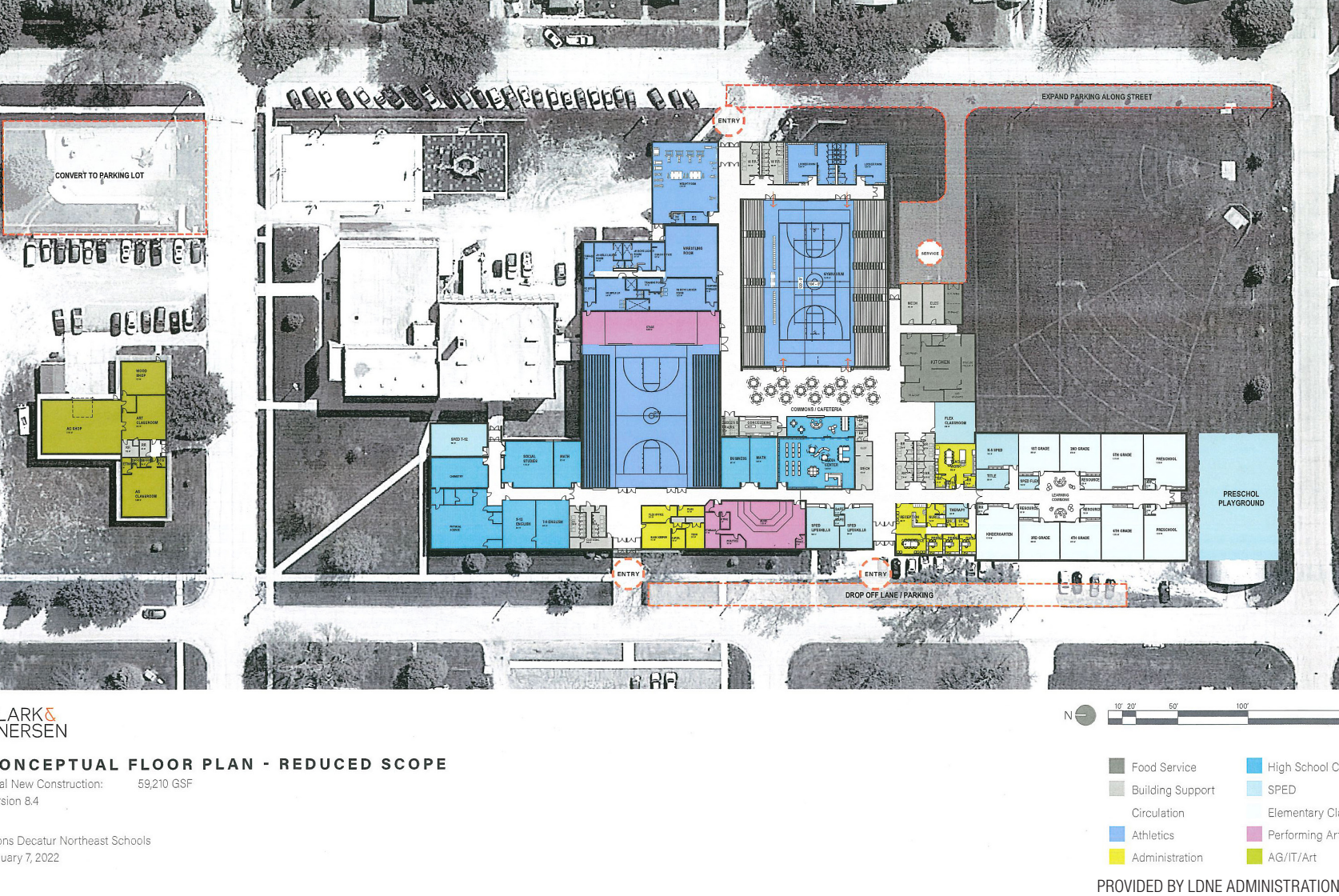
A large crowd gathered at the Sears Center in Decatur on Wed., Jan. 26 to hear plans concerning a \$21.5 million bond issue to address the proposal for renovations and additions to the current Lyons-Decatur Northeast school building. Superintendent Lindsey Beaudette welcomed everyone and asked the Board of Education members present to introduce themselves. Board members Jamie Bacon, Evan Myers, Corey Petersen and Jolene Troutman were present. Principals Weston Swanson and Brenda Totten also introduced themselves.
Representatives from the design team, the architects, bond underwriters and construction managers introduced themselves. Clark and Enersen have been selected as the architectural firm designing the project with Piper Sandler serving as the fiscal agent. The Construction Manager-at-Risk is Boyd Jones.

Superintendent Beaudette explained that this was the first public meeting and extended an invitation to come to Lyons on February 2nd to tour the current facility and attend the second public presentation.
Concerns Raised
“Safety is our main concern, but other problems are windows that won’t open, rooms without exits and the lack of a secure entry,” Beaudette explained. She noted the building is not ADA compliant and like most outdated buildings does not have an elevator.
She went on to say that ramps might be considered for wheelchair accessibility, however none of the doorways meet width regulations to meet code. The entire building only has 4 bathrooms, with no bathrooms on the third floor.
Other items addressed included the limited storage space and lack of a place to hold a large meeting. Currently, as the need arises the music room or the



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A member of the Design Team presented slides of the existing 3 story building and then shared this slide of the plans for renovations and additions.

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The plan for the possible new school building

Board of Supervisors asks Burt County Assessor to step down

Jason Redding-Geu
Lyons Mirror-Sun

Following the presentation of the results of a two-audit of the Burt County Assessor's office, the Board of Supervisors asked Assessor Joni Renshaw to step down. The request came at the board's regular meeting held last Friday morning during which Nebraska Property Tax Administrator Ruth Sorensen presented her findings.
The Burt County Board of Supervisors had contacted Sorensen's office to express concerns with the assessment practices of the county assessor and her office.
The audit led to numerous communications between the county as-

essor and assessment staff.
“It is evident that the assessment practices of the assessor are inadequate,” Sorensen told the board.
Sorensen stated many reasons why they came to this conclusion including their findings that the uniformity provision had been violated by what appears to be a selective reappraisal of sold properties.
Sorensen recommended in her report that Renshaw be placed on probation for a period not to exceed one year, allowing Renshaw and her office to make corrections to the issues the auditing board found. She was also instructed to attend routine meetings and training.
Renshaw in turn

shared what she found to be wrong or misleading within the report. She said she felt there was constant miscommunication with the auditing board that led to confusion.
“There were many times where I would be told one thing and something else would need to happen,” Renshaw said.
Renshaw stated several times throughout the review that she contacted other assessors in other counties for clarification. She discovered that many of the other counties indicated that they needed clarification as well.
Sorensen responded to Renshaw's comment, “If you had time to call all of these other county assessors, you had time to fix the problems we

asked you to.”
After Sorensen finished sharing her review, Supervisor Carl Pearson asked Sorensen if she believed that Burt County properties were being assessed fairly.
Sorensen shared that the review board believes that some were fairly assessed, but a good portion of the county was not.
“I was pulling for you Joni, and that is why I asked that question,” Pearson told Renshaw. “We need the Assessor's office to be fair, and that is why I feel I have to go along with the rest of the board in asking you to resign.”
While the board unanimously voted in a motion to ask for Renshaw's resignation, they have no authority to demand it.

“She is an elected official, and we have no power in the matter of her resignation,” Pearson pointed out after the meeting.
Renshaw resigned effective immediately.
Renshaw commented several times during Sorensen's report that she believed the audit was requested by the Board in an attempt to get her to resign.
“I have been the Assessor for Burt County for over 40 years,” Renshaw said. “If my resignation is what you want, fine, I am done.”
In her final act she left Deputy Assessor Katie Hart as acting assessor. The board approved.
The board has 45 days to fill the vacancy for the rest of Renshaw's term.

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I know you didn’t ask but

Busy days and embrace the stress

Jason Redding-Geu
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I am sure we have all been there. The day that everything seems to be due.

For me that is called Monday.

Every time a new week starts I feel like my favorite cartoon character Garfield.

Even though he was a lazy house cat he still hated Mondays. There are days I wish I could be a lazy house cat.

Not have a care in the world, and sleep all day. The only thing I really

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cared about was when it was time to be fed. That would be the life, but I digress.

Everything seems to come at me on Mondays. I have tried everything

to make life easier for myself. I get done what I can ahead of time. I make a plan for what I need to get done. I set times for when I need to get certain things done. I even try to account for things that randomly pop up.

Even with all this, Mondays seem to stress me out. But, I think it is supposed to be like that. I really do believe that stress is important in life. Well, the right kind of stress anyway. Stress done right gives humans a chance to feel accomplishment.

My accomplishment

on Mondays is the feeling when I have all my stories in and have this paper put together. I don’t think I would be very happy without that stress leading up to it. I would miss that sense of relief if I wasn’t stressed out by it.

Stress starts turning into a bad thing when we don’t get that sense of accomplishment. The times where you work and work and never seem to get anything done, or even worse, it doesn’t get done right.

In my opinion, the only way to come back

from that is to do what you can to prevent it. You have to bite down and get things done. Take an one task at a time approach, and get back to the accomplished feeling. You can/should use each finished task to get the accomplished feeling.

We live in a world that tells people to get rid of stress at all costs. Take a break frequently and often, but the way I look at it, stress is there for a reason. Humans need to feel useful, and the only way that can happen is to feel the stress.

Guest Opinion

Lawmakers have a chance to unburden small businesses

Johnathan Hladik
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Center for Rural Affairs

For Nebraska’s small business owners, the past two years have been anything but easy. From forced closures to supply chain disruptions, entrepreneurs are seeing a new challenge at every turn. The Nebraska Legislature will have an opportunity to provide some much needed stability with two bills scheduled to appear in front of the Appropriations Committee in February.

Legislative Bill (LB) 1090,

introduced by Sen. Myron Dorn, would allow lawmakers to increase funding for the Business Innovation Act’s Microenterprise Assistance Program. This program provides no-cost technical assistance to entrepreneurs that want to start or grow their business. It allows community lenders, like the Center for Rural Affairs, to help them learn the basics when it comes to budgeting, business expansion, and marketing.

The Legislature has already allocated money to Business Innovation Act programs, but

an outdated state law caps the amount that can be used by each. That limits growth at a time when businesses are looking to expand. This proposal, supported by the Department of Economic Development, would put that money to work.

The Microenterprise Assistance Program also provides capital to allow these same community lenders to make affordable loans to businesses in your community. State law currently limits these loans to \$100,000 or less. LB 759, also introduced by Sen. Dorn, would raise that limit to \$150,000.

This increase would make a world of difference to main street business owners. Current limitations force them to seek secondary sources of funding to complete business loans. That additional paperwork and time has turned out to be a real hardship for some, especially for those working as a sole proprietor or juggling a second job.

While these proposals will fly under the radar for most, small business entrepreneurs might find this to be the most important legislation debated this session.

Reaffirming the Right to Life

• By Pete Ricketts
Governor of Nebraska



Pete Ricketts

We’re on the cusp of a historic moment in America. After 49 years, the Supreme Court is set to revisit the infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion in 1973. This year, they have an opportunity to undo one of the worst decisions ever made by our nation’s highest court.

The National Right to Life Committee estimates that over 63 million abortions have taken place in America since Roe v. Wade. That’s more than 50 times the number of Americans who have died in all U.S. wars combined. The sheer number of unborn babies who’ve lost their lives through abortion is staggering. As a nation, we must put an end to the lie that one person’s so-called right to privacy trumps the right of another to live.

Nebraska is a pro-life state. State law declares “the will of the people of the State of Nebraska and the members of the Legislature to provide protection for the life of the unborn child whenever possible.” We are always looking for ways to cultivate greater respect for the dignity of unborn human life. Nebraskans consistently speak out and stand up in defense of the unborn. Each January, thousands of pro-life supporters gather on the steps of the Nebraska State Capitol—regardless of the weather—for

the annual Walk for Life. Churches hold vigils to pray for the protection of unborn children. Every October, Nebraskans peacefully demonstrate their support for human dignity by forming a “Life Chain” on sidewalks of main streets. Nebraskans show their pro-life convictions on license plates and roadside signs. They volunteer time at crisis pregnancy centers to serve expectant mothers. They generously give to help new parents prepare to welcome a child into their home.

Nebraskans do all this, and more, because we recognize that the right to life is one of the most basic truths. There’s a reason it’s the first right affirmed in the Declaration of Independence. Over the years, we’ve enacted pro-life policies in Nebraska to protect the sacredness of life from the moment it begins.

• In 2002 and 2004, Lt. Governor Mike Foley, a state senator at the time, helped enact laws making fetal homicide and fetal assault crimes.

• In 2010, then-Speaker Mike Flood of Norfolk

successfully championed a bill to make Nebraska the first state in the nation to ban abortion after 20 weeks of gestation.

• In 2011, Senator Lydia Brasch of Bancroft led efforts to require parental consent before a minor receives an abortion.

During my time in office, we’ve continued to affirm the dignity of life.

• In 2017, Senator Joni Albrecht championed the Compassionate Care for Medically Challenging Pregnancies Act. It ensures that doctors equip women with information on perinatal hospice care after an unborn child is diagnosed with a lethal fetal anomaly. This gives mothers and their families immediate awareness of resources to help them cope with this heart-breaking challenge.

• In 2018, the Legislature approved another bill sponsored by Senator Albrecht to provide commemorative certificates to mothers who miscarry. It affirms the dignity of life and humanely acknowledges the loss that a mother undergoes through miscarriage.

• In 2019, Senator Albrecht successfully secured passage of a bill to bolster the state’s informed consent protections. It requires doctors to direct women to information on how to reverse the abortion pill when the drug is prescribed.

• In 2020, Senator Geist put forward LB 814 to end the barbaric practice of dismemberment abortion in Nebraska.

• In 2021, State Senators worked together to pass a new tax credit for families who have a stillborn baby to help offset medical bills, burial expenses, and costs of preparing for the baby’s arrival.

If the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, it would likely restore authority to the 50 states to decide how to regulate abortion. This means our state senators have important work to do to prepare for the possibility of the Court doing away with Roe v. Wade.

There are three main bills in the Legislature this session to limit abortion:

• LB 933: Senators Joni Albrecht and Mike Flood have introduced the Nebraska Human Life Protection Act. If the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, it would criminalize the performance of abortion procedures in Nebraska.

• LB 781: Senator Julie Slama is sponsoring the Heartbeat Act. It requires a physician to perform an ultrasound prior to performing an abortion. If a heartbeat is detected, the bill would make it unlawful for a

physician to perform an abortion.

• LB 1086: Senator Suzanne Geist has put forward the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol Act. It requires abortion-inducing drugs to be provided by a physician. It prohibits physicians from providing any abortion-inducing drug to a woman whose pregnancy is more than forty-nine days of gestational age.

As these bills are debated, I ask that you encourage your state senator to protect the unborn. You can find their contact information at www.NebraskaLegislature.gov.

Each life is a precious gift from God. This year, we could see “a new birth of freedom” in America if the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade. Whatever happens in federal court, let’s work to give every baby boy and girl in Nebraska the opportunity to live the Good Life.

If you’d like to learn more about the pro-life policies of my administration, please write me at pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov or call 402-471-2244.

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There is more to speech than just talking

Jason Redding-Geu
Lyons Mirror-Sun

Getting up in front of a group of people is no easy task for anyone. But the students of the Lyons-Decatur North-east (LDNE) speech team are learning tools to get them through it.

“You never know when you will be asked to be a public speaker,” LDNE Head Speech Coach Melissa Brokaw said. “I tell kids that someday they may have a job interview in front of a panel of people and they will be able to speak with confidence.”

According to Brokaw, there are two types of events that the students compete in: public speaking and oral interpretation. The

public speaking events are informative, persuasive, entertainment, and extemporaneous.

These students are required to write their own speeches. They need to be original and important to the student. Informative and entertainment speeches also allow the use of visual aids.

The difference between informative and entertainment is that the purpose of entertainment is to add humor. Persuasive speeches do not allow the student to use visual aids, but they try to persuade the audience to do or feel a certain way.

According to Brokaw, being in speech helps students in the classroom as well as in the real world.



PICTURE PROVIDED BY LDNE ADMINISTRATION

LDNE speech team members Arianne Brokaw and Brayden Hegge used their verbal skills to achieve 2nd and the 3rd places.

“I believe that speech helps kids become better readers and writers.

In order to interpret pieces of literature, the students have to analyze

the characters, their motives, the author’s purpose and be able to portray all those with their voices,” Brokaw said. “These skills translate into the classroom. As far as being better writers, the students have to write and go through the revision process until we reach the best possible speech.”

There is a reason that it is called a speech team. According to Brokaw it is similar to the way track and wrestling teams work. There are Dual teams and 5-6 people teams, but the individual speeches are where it is hard to see the team aspect.

“A student can place individually and qualify for state individually, but they earn points for

the whole team as well. It is easy to find success as an individual in speech,” Brokaw said.

New students going into speech are well informed about what might fit them best. “When we get new team members, Mrs. Seagren and I meet with students to have them watch different types of speeches so they can make an informed decision of which activity they would like to do,” Brokaw said.

Brokaw feels that speech is still going strong. It is another way to be involved in school. She urges the community to see for themselves by attending the public performance night on Monday, February 21 at 7 pm. being performed in the old gym.

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gym are the only options.

Superintendent Beaudette and Mrs. Melissa Brokaw addressed problems with the heating system. Some rooms are 85 degrees, so windows that do work have to be opened while other rooms are not warm enough. This is due to the lack of thermostats to regulate classrooms. Air quality was also presented as a concern.

The original building was built in 1907 with an addition built in 1930. In 1965 the existing gym was added. Beaudette noted that over the years there have been minimal tax requests for the Special Building Fund which could have helped with the proposed project.

Design Team Shares Plans

A member of the design team addressed the patrons showing a picture of the current floor plan and provided information of the layout of the three floors.

The next slide showed the proposed plan and an explanation of how the plan would meet all ADA regulation codes and solve the problem of students from ages 3 to 18 years of age condensed into one learning environment. The Elementary and Secondary students would have separate entrances.

Underwriters The associate of the bond underwriters took his turn to explain that the board members were faced with the decision as to the number of years to pay off the proposed bond. He provided the figures of 30, 25, or 20 year pay-off scenarios.

He noted that if the board decided to go for the longest amount of time, then the cost of the project would be shared with new members of the community who moved into the district over time.

The following schedule of payments were shared in hand outs to

all in attendance:

The public vote of the bond issue will be a “By Mail Only” ballot that will be mailed out February 22 & 23rd to all registered voters within the district. The ballots must be returned by March 15th.

Patrons were told if they had questions about the Bond Election all the information is on the Burt County Election Commissioner website at burco.ne.gov.

Questions Taken Judy Connealy asked about the current enrollment and if this proposed project was going to accommodate students should enrollment increase. Both Beaudette and a representative from the Architect Firm were confident the classroom sizes were sufficient for 25 students.

Currently each elementary class is around 14-22 students. Beaudette provided enrollment figures from the past 10 years remaining steady.

A question arose as to why the board was evasive about a compromise with Bancroft Rosalie. Superintendent Beaudette answered that there was desire on the behalf of Lyons-Decatur’s administration and school board to continue working with Bancroft-Rosalie.

A Letter had been drafted and sent to Bancroft Rosalie, but there was no response. She stressed that if consolidation were ever considered, Lyons-Decatur would want to always keep elementary students in Lyons. Someone from the audience remarked the past cooperative agreement between the two schools was for sports only.

Marilyn Andersen asked why there was a need for a new gymnasium. In answer to her question the current gymnasium does not accommodate four teams practicing after school, making it necessary for early morning practice and late night practice. With the plans of the

proposed gym, it would allow for schedules that would eliminate that issue.

A teacher added that the gymnasium isn’t only used for sports, but there are many times during the winter and during rainy days when Elementary recesses are held in the gym.

Nico Hardeman asked if savings of repair costs and maintenance costs with a new structure could be used toward the cost of a new building. The answer was they could be, but with additional square footage of the new structure there may not be much savings in those costs.

The Engineers acknowledged the questions and replied and offered to do an analysis on the costs to find if there would be savings, also taking into consideration additional square footage to heat and cool.

Hardeman also asked how additional costs over the \$21.5 Bond would be covered, because prices are expected to increase for materials. The answer was that the costs could not exceed the amount set in the bond issue. If prices exceed the Bond, then there will have to be things taken out of the project to lower the costs.

A board member noted that the first amount with everything on the wish list, the cost was 28 million. Since then, things were eliminated bringing the cost down to the amount being discussed tonight.

Other questions were asked about alternative options. The board members said no other options were considered and added that the facts are, working with the current building to bring it up to codes and regulations, the costs would be in the millions of dollars and you still have the old existing structure.

Someone in the audience asked how many employees were on the payroll. Beaudette stated 60, which includes

bus drivers, cooks, substitutes and office staff. In answer to her salary she answered \$132,000.

It was then asked why every school in the area needed its own superintendent. Jolene Troutman responded by saying, “Several years ago there was a study on that issue, but at the time throughout the state there were only two schools who shared a superintendent.”

One of the patrons voiced her opinion that older folks in the Decatur community would not be in favor of the bond issue. She stressed there were still bad feelings from when the school was taken from Decatur and all students had to be bussed to Lyons.

Carrie Marriot noted the school is the center of communities and there is nothing wrong with being proud of your community and school. She said, “We all want what’s best for our kids, grandkids, nieces and our nephews.” Additional comments were shared, both pro and con on the subject at hand.

At this time the audience heard from a sophomore student, sharing her point of view and responding to some of the comments she heard throughout the evening, “I am a student and no, I don’t have to think about finances or anything you all have concerns about,” she stated. “I have an English classroom with no windows and have to go through another classroom or into the hallway in an emergency.”

She emotionally shared how hard losing the Coop with Bancroft Rosalie has been, saying it was a terrible experience for her and her schoolmates. “Currently there is no place to go after lunch so that negative energy is brought with students into the classroom. I know the way things are I may only get one semester in a new building, but I look to the future.”

She also expressed

her fear of the things that happen in other schools when there is a school shooter. She said that there is no easy access to exits. She ended by saying we really do need a new school.

Another member of the audience brought up the emotional ties Decatur has to Decatur school and that the Decatur building was in better shape than the Lyons Building when Lyons decided to close

that building.

Jaime Bacon responded that the decision to close the Decatur building was a mutual decision by both communities.

As the discussion came to a close, Superintendent Beaudette thanked everyone for their input and invited all to attend the meeting and tour of the school building on February 2 at the Lyons-Decatur gym starting at 7:00 p.m.

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Obituaries

Willis D. Kroger, 93

Willis Dale Kroger was born to John and Nina (Manley) Kroger Feb. 2, 1928. He passed away Jan. 30, 2022, at Clarkson Hospital with family by his side following a stroke at the age of 93. Willis grew up on the family farm near Rosalie, where he attended school. He later attended high school in Lyons, and then went on to graduate from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln with a B.A. in Agriculture. It was there that he met Janet Carr, whom he married on May 19, 1950, at the First Presbyterian Church in Lyons. Three children were born to this union: Kathi, Tom and Ken.



Willis took an active role in his church and community. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church his whole life, where he served on various boards and taught Sunday School. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and a charter member of Evista Village where he served for over 50 years. He also served on the Lyons Development Board, the Cemetery Board and was a member for many years of the Rural Water Advisory Board. He supported all local community development projects and took great joy in seeing local people progress in life. Willis worked with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Winnebago, for 20 years. He also operated a commercial poultry business in addition to the farming he so enjoyed. He was a hard worker but took time for family vacations and enjoyed traveling with Janet. Willis was always up for a new adventure, whether it was something to see, a new experience or a new food to try. He was a man of faith who had a great love for his family, friends and country.

In his later years a highlight for him on most days was early morning coffee at the cafe with fellow farmers and lunch at Happy Days Senior Center. He will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Nina, a son, Tom, and a brother, John. He is survived by his wife, Janet of Lyons; daughter, Kathi (Noah) Palmer of North Platte; son, Ken (Laurie) Kroger of Folsom, Calif.; nine grandchildren: Lauren, Ryan and Ashley Kroger, all of Sacramento, Calif., Eric Kroger of Boise, Idaho, Jess (Laura) Palmer of Englewood, Colo., Caleb (Maggie) Palmer of Littleton, Colo., Alyssa Palmer of Arena, Wis., Portia Palmer of Lawton, Okla., Sadie (Daniel) Barela of Edgerton, Wis.; seven great-grandchildren: Nina, Zola, Titus, Miles, Charlie, Tobias and Grace. A funeral service will be held Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022, 10:30 am at the First Presbyterian Church in Lyons. The Burial will be in the Lyons Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to Happy Days Senior Center or the First Presbyterian Church.

Lyons Decatur Alumni Planning

Lyons Decatur Alumni plans are underway for May 28, 2022. Make sure to Save the Date! Afternoon Tours are being scheduled. Social will start at 5:00. Banquet at 6:30, with more social time to follow. The Spring Alumni Newsletter will have more information and ordering banquet tickets. With Alumni donations, the committee decided to continue with the \$700 scholarship(s). A donation will be given to the Lyons Decatur Northeast School Foundation to digitize more yearbooks. Much appreciation to those who donated last year. Without your donations, these two projects would not be an option. Do the Alumni have your current address? You can email lyonsdecaturalumni@gmail.com with your updates or contact one of the Alumni Planning Committee Members. Alumni Planning Committee: Mike Olson, Karen Gilbreath Vlach, and Paul Hadley (1972) Stacy Haeffner Koehler and Mandy Kellogg Struble (1997) Shelby Sunderman Hehn and Addison Beck Johnson (2007) Scholarship Committee: Maggie Connealy Hoops (1995), Heath Svendsen (1992), and Jodi Chambers Sell-Grove (1996). The Alumni Committee appreciates all suggestions and comments. Use the email from above or contact one of the committee members. Follow us on Facebook, too!

LDNE students take high marks in spelling bee

Jason Redding-Geu
Lyons Mirror-Sun

The Burt County Spelling contest was held at the Lyons-Decatur Northeast School gymnasium in Lyons on January 27th, where 5th grade 6th grade and junior high students from all over Burt County competed to be the top speller. “This year there were 24 participants in the 5th and 6th grade division and 22 participants in the Junior High division,” LDNE Administrator Laurie Long said. Prizes were distributed for each division: First - \$25, Second - \$20, Third - \$15, and Fourth - \$10. Prizes are furnished by the Decatur Community Club, Lyons Community Club, Washington County Bank in Tekamah and Oakland Women’s Club. “Aubrey Lauritsen won 1st Place of the 7th/8thgrade division and will represent Burt County in the Omaha Sports Commission Spelling Bee to be held in Omaha,” Long said.

**Junior High Division
5th& 6thGrade**
1. Aubrey Lauritsen –Lyons-Decatur



PHOTOS PROVIDED BY LDNE ADMINISTRATION

ABOVE: (Right to left) Aubrey Lauritsen of Lyons-Decatur, Eric Hart of Lyons-Decatur, Grace Wallerstedt of Oakland-Craig, Layla Fisher of Lyons-Decatur received first through fourth place in the Junior high division. BELOW: (Right to left) Brinley Burton of Oakland-Craig, Ryanna Bacon of Lyons-Decatur, Kellyn Knaak of Lyons-Decatur, and Kaylee Tomka of Lyons-Decatur, received first through fourth place in the 5th and 6th grade division.

1. Brinley Burton – Oakland-Craig
2. Eric Hart – Lyons-Decatur
2. Ryanna Bacon – Lyons-Decatur
3. Grace Wallerstedt – Oakland-Craig
3. Kellyn Knaak – Lyons-Decatur
4. Layla Fisher – Lyons-Decatur
4. Kaylee Tomka – Lyons-Decatur



Library Happenings



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LEFT: Thank you to Miss Mary Wilkins for stopping by the library last week and helping me decorate the library for Valentine's Day. Such a sweetheart! RIGHT: Thank you to Miss Rose Wilkins for stopping by the library and bringing the library staff members homemade treats and cookies! They were delicious! Such a generous heart!

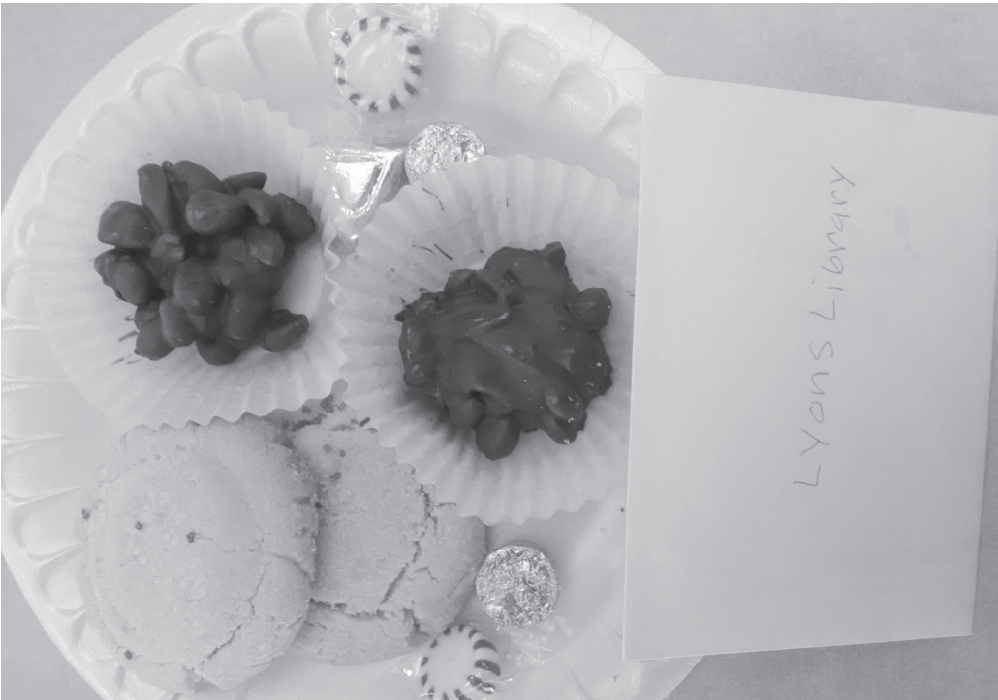
Blind Date With A Book!

By Mrs. Hollman

For the whole month of February you can spice up your reading life by going on a blind date with a book! Will your dream book be a

romance, mystery, western, a book full of action and adventure, or a classic you’ve been meaning to read, maybe a fantasy or historical fiction, or possibly a thriller, or maybe even science fic-

tion? Stop by the library and grab your blind date with a book today! Don’t like the book that you’ve selected? No hard feelings just bring it back and pick out a different one. Happy Reading!



Cookies from Rose Wilkins

Happy Days Menu

**STEPHANIE WARREN
MANAGER**

**MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 7TH**
Chicken noodle soup, egg salad sandwich, crackers, lime jello with pears, milk

**TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 8TH**
Beef tip in gravy over rice, broccoli, pineapple, bread, milk

**WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 9TH**
Pork roast, potatoes & gravy, green beans, peaches, bread, milk

**THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 10TH**
Hamburger on a bun, tater tots, 3 bean salad, cookie, milk

**FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 11TH**
Turkey, sweet potatoes, peas, apricots, bread, milk

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Looking back and forward at school bond issues

Reflections

Your Weekly Decatur Opinion Column

• Debbie Krutilek Decatur Correspondent



I want to start this week’s article by thanking Superintendent Beaudette for her presentation for Decatur Patrons on January 26th, providing much needed information. Charlie and I are “transplants” who lived in Oakland before moving to Decatur. We now consider Decatur as our hometown. I have been a part of multiple School Bond issues as a student, a parent, a community member, and I worked as the Superintendent’s secretary for 30 years when two Bond Issues were being approved.

Judging the way Wednesday evening’s meeting went during the 90 minutes of information sharing and the question/answer part that followed, it was obvious the administration, board members, task force members and all involved in the project had done a lot of work to get to this point in planning a building that is beneficial to the learning environment for our Lyons-Decatur students. Several who spoke up made the comment that a school is the center of a community. It was good to hear comments both from those for and those opposed to passing a Bond Issue for school building improvements.

Way back when, when I was not yet a teenager, the subject of consolidated schools was a new concept. It was in the late 1960’s when Uehling, Oakland and Craig school boards held talks to consolidate. When an agreement couldn’t be reached, Uehling and Hooper school boards began talks of consolidation. I remember well the night after a softball game, we returned to Uehling and we got the news that the Uehling school, where I had just finished my freshman year, would be closing. My sophomore year would be going to school on a bus to Hooper. At the time my teammates and Uehling classmates were devastated.

The sun came up the next morning, summer passed by with more softball games and other things that kept kids busy during the long summer days. Soon it was late August and the start of the 1968-69 school year at the consolidated Hooper-Uehling school. When it came to choosing what subjects would make up the school day, the students from Uehling were a bit overwhelmed with the list of curriculum options available.

Everything went well, although the first weeks the Hooper kids had to accept a bunch of new classmates. Soon new friends were made and before long everyone meshed as one school. As a Junior the communities of Nickerson and Winslow, who were also part of the school, made it known that their communities were not included in the school name. That was when it was decided to eliminate town names and change the school name to Astro Heights. That didn’t go over well. I remember the Student Council President addressing the School Board, backed by the school body and faculty, pleading that the name be changed.

The Student Council President had the nerve to stand before the board members to tell them what other schools had nicknamed our school because of the “A-H” letters of Astro Heights. (I will leave it at that for you to figure out.) The school board at the time responded with, “if you can come up with something better, we may consider changing our school’s name”. History was made when the name was changed to Logan View. Although the school’s name was a minor decision when schools are consolidated, it was extremely important to the students.

As a senior, our class was the first to graduate from the new JR-SR Logan View school building in 1971. Yes,

last year we celebrated our 50th year class reunion. At the reunion we talked about those years of high school that we were more or less the kids who tested the benefits of consolidating schools. At the Saturday evening meal, one of the men who was a school board member involved in the consolidation was invited. He and his wife joined us at The Office in Hooper. One of the classmates acknowledged him, thanking him for his part in giving us the many educational opportunities we would never have had if the Bond Issue had not been presented to the patrons of the communities. To this day I appreciate the forethought and commitment of our parents, neighbors and community members who agreed to have their taxes increased decades ago, moving forward to build a school in a corn field 50+ years ago.

Listening to the presentation and the comments on Wednesday evening from the audience were like what were voiced when I worked at Oakland Craig. The first bond issue was in 1982 when the rural school buildings were closed, and the district went from District 14 to District 14a.

The passing of the Bond Issue made it possible to build a new elementary building, band room, cafeteria, commons and a new gymnasium. Over the years, the enrollment increased at the El-

ementary level to the point where all grades K thru 6 were split into two sections.

When the building was planned it was for 1 classroom for each grade K-6. Enrollment grew to the point that all grades K-6th were split into two sections.

The benefits of Pre-kindergarten became evident, creating the need for another room for the littlest students. For several years the “new” elementary building’s students consisted of classrooms for K-3 grade. Adjustments were made to what is known as the old building across the street, utilizing whatever space there was for six classrooms to educate 4-6th grade students.

Was the increase in enrollment of students at the Oakland-Craig district because of the new school building? That is hard to prove, but I know the community is made up of a large number of families where mom’s and dad’s now raise their children in the community where they grew up.

Before I retired I saw yet another Bond issue brought to O-C patrons’ for their votes. This time to fund a major addition to the elementary building to educate all grades PK-6th grade. The election was successful, the addition was completed, and all elementary students were then back to one location.

Are bond issues expensive? The answer

is yes. Were decisions made over the years to continue educating in aging buildings a good decision? Probably not, but hindsight is always 20/20. Do up-to-date school buildings play in the decision when families are considering a move to a new location? Apparently, because it seems other communities with nice schools seem to grow faster than communities where school buildings are not safe, not ADA compliant and not conducive for a good learning environment for all students.

Both Lyons and Decatur are in good locations that are along main highways and within an hour’s drive to Sioux City, and within 100 miles from Omaha. Both towns have community members who are dedicated to keeping their Main Street buildings occupied, with owners who do their best to keep their doors open.

It was mentioned at the meeting on January 27th that there is a shortage of housing in both towns. Over time that issue has the possibility to change as older citizens leave their homes. There may be instances where young families determine a move to either town and investing in building a new home is a good decision.

These are things to consider when casting the ballot that you will be receiving in your mailbox in late February.

Local EMTs attend conference in Kearney

Debbie Krutilek Lyons Mirror-Sun

A three-day conference in Kearney was attended by Decatur EMTs Nicole Small, Molly McCulloch and Garrett Anderson.

Small noted that Thursday was basically the time to get registered, check out vendors and visit with other conference attendees. She went on to say Friday was a full day of training. She shared that she attended a training class that dealt with an Of-

ficer Down situation and another session dealing with a Firefighter May-Day. This session provided information on ways that all involved in emergency situations can work alongside each other for the best outcome. Saturday was another full day of training with sessions that included topics in the cardiac, trauma, and general operations of emergency services.

The conference provided Continuing Education for various First Responders. To

keep your EMT license current, it is necessary to complete 20 Continuing Education hours every 2 years on the State level. To qualify for the National Registry 40 hours of Continuing Education must be completed. Small said, “Living so close to Iowa I wanted to complete 40 hours.” By attending this conference Small, McCulloch and Anderson earned 16 hours.

Throughout the conference, vendors were set up displaying all sorts of equipment and

information for First Responders to view, as well as chances to bring home some free gifts.

The biggest event of the conference was an awards and memorial banquet, for outstanding achievements of fellow EMTs and memorial for lost comrades. A live auction of various items and music followed the banquet. Sunday wrapped up the conference with buffet breakfast for all and 3 additional general sessions.

Maple Villa Meeting

Debbie Krutilek Lyons Mirror-Sun

Members of the Maple Villa Board met on Monday, January 24th. Members present were John Maryott, Susan Houck, Jim Nichola and Debbie Krutilek. Peggy Smith was absent.

Nicole Small reported

all apartments are occupied except one. The maintenance and cleaning staff will begin work on the unoccupied apartment to prepare it for a new tenant. Small said she has had one person asking about availability.

Small reported that the annual inspection

of all units is complete. Tenants are encouraged to report concerns or problems with the office before complaining to one another or sharing it with others. Small told the board when she is aware of issues they are prioritized and addressed as time allows. Most concerns are usu-

ally minor and easily addressed.

Small advised the board members that she is actively applying for positions elsewhere, and it is her hope to find a full time job with benefits.

She told the members she will prepare an ad in search of someone to fill her position.

Sears Center Activities

Sunday February 6th: Coffee & Rolls 9:30-11

Monday February 7th: White Elephant Bingo 1:00 Lutheran Delivers

Tuesday February 8th: Frog Class 10:00 a.m. Board meeting 1:00 p.m.

Thursday February 10th: Frog Class 10:00 p.m. Tia-Chi 2:15-3:15

Friday February 11th: Social time 9:30 a.m.

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Isaiah 40:31



Preacher Feature



Gratitudes, Grumpies, and Grace

One theme throughout the Zoom meetings I have been part of in the past few years is checking in with each other. That has happened through the informal asking if anyone has something to share to the more formal everyone answering a series of questions.



By Pastor Heidi Wallace
First Presbyterian and Bethany Lutheran Churches

Just last month I was introduced to a new take on the sharing of highs and lows and it has become my new favorite. The alliteration of it makes it easy to remember and it reminds us of where God is working in us and through us. It is the sharing of Gratitudes, Grumpies, and Grace.

The first part is of course sharing any number of things for which we are grateful. Even in the worst of circumstances, we can see that there is something for which we can thank God. It might be considered small or insignificant by some, but it does not matter. Whatever makes us appreciative is worth mentioning. In our prayers a couple of weeks ago, the writer, Rose Schrott Taylor, mentioned such things as "a cold winter sunray, the flavor of an orange, the hug of a friend, or the Bible". In this season of Epiphany especially, we see God revealing God in many and various ways. Our Gratitudes may reflect some of those ways.

In turn, our Grumpies may reveal some things about us. What makes us impatient, angry, or fearful? With what or whom are we struggling? Sometimes it just needs to be put into words, to be given voice.

I once heard of a family who left the congregation they had been attending because it felt like there, they had to put on a brave face and answer "Fine," to the question of how they were doing. They were not fine. Still, they felt it was not a safe place to share how or who they really were.

The reason for checking in with each other is to share what is real for us now. That includes our grumpies. We should be able to share our authentic selves and situations without judgement.

The final part is Grace. Where are we seeing God extending grace to us or how are we trying to extend grace to ourselves? In what ways are we saying, thinking, and believing that who we are and what we are doing is enough? In 2 Corinthians 12:9, we read, "My grace is sufficient for you...". Know that it is.

I sincerely hope you have an opportunity to share your Gratitudes, Graces, and Grumpies this week in a safe place. Maybe your safe place is on the pages of a journal. Maybe it is in the presence of a trusted friend. Maybe it is in the office of your pastor. Any member of the Lyons Ministerial Association would welcome checking in with you.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Local Church Services

for the week of February 3-9

As per recommendations from the health department, many if not all local church services and activities have been suspended at this time. We have decided to leave general information about each church's typical service times for when things return to normal.

Lyons Churches

St. John's Lutheran Rural Lyons
• 685-6260
Pastor Nathan Henschen
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Sundays 8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays

New Life Assembly of God
700 S. 10th St., Lyons
687-2246
Pastor Jeff Clark
Sat. 10 a.m. Worship
Team Practice
Sun. 9 a.m. Prayer Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:20 a.m. Fellowship Coffee
10:30 a.m. Worship & Celebration Service
Wed. 7:00 p.m. Life Group

Bethany Evangelical Lutheran ELCA
605 Main St., Lyons
Worship on Zoom at 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
In-person Worship at 10 a.m.

Lyons Methodist Church
Worship held in Lyons at 10:45 a.m.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
430 Lincoln St., Lyons,
687-2102
Father Paul Ortmeier
www.stjoseph-holycross.org
Sat. 6 p.m. Evening Mass at St. Joseph's in Lyons: on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sat. of the month at Holy Cross in Bancroft: on 2nd & 4th Sat. of the month.
Sun. 9 a.m. Mass in Lyons
10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross in Bancroft
Wed. 7 p.m. Catechism & Choir

First Presbyterian Church
340 Everett St., Lyons
687-2581
Rev. Heidi Wallace
Worship on Zoom at 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
In-person Worship at 10 a.m.

Logan Valley Baptist
125 S. 3rd St., Lyons
Pastor Tim Zechman
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Evening Worship

Memorial United Methodist
305 Pearl St., Lyons
687-2186
Church office: 685-5433
Pastor Toni Hightree
Sun. 10 Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Decatur Churches

Gospel Ministries
Main Street, Decatur
846-5052
Pastor Paul Malcomson
Second Sunday of each month 6:00 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ Decatur Restoration Branch
913 4th Ave., Decatur
349-5181
High Priest: Dale Smith
Preside: TBA
Speaker: TBA
Welcome & Usher: TBA
Holy Family Catholic Church
403 4th Ave., Decatur
374-1692
Father Kevin Joyce

Trinity Lutheran Church, 603 4th Ave., Decatur
Rev. Brian P. Tolzman
Sun. 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Sunday School; Wed. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

United Methodist Church
803 4th Ave., Decatur
349-5120
Pastor Michael McGregor
tekamahumc@abbnebraska.com
Thur: 7:30 pm AA/Alanon
Sun: 9:00 am Worship Service
Wed. 9:00 a.m. Mass

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Dated at Tekamah, Nebraska, January 28th 2022.

Robin S. Olson, Treasurer of Burt County, Tekamah, NE 68061
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432800200, NE4 16-22-10 SILVERCREEK TWP, \$6,937.88
430103000, NW4EXTR 27-24-10 DECATUR TWP, \$6,079.40
113101600, SL6L2&PTL2, PTSL2&SL2 20TH ADD OAKLAND, \$6,002.90
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422800800, W2SE4 16-22-8 OAKLAND TWP, \$3,771.79
110701200, PT BLK 107 DECATUR, \$2,553.22
111605200, L17 1ST CITY ADD LYONS, \$2,452.42
431602400, N4S4 E2NW4&N28A W4NE4 8-23-11 QUINNEBAUGH TWP, \$2,301.50
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421000600, TRW2SE4 32-23-8 EVERETT TWP, \$1,965.95
430102600, TR SE4SE4 22-24-10 DECATUR TWP, \$1,900.32
114201300, PTL1&ADJ ST BLK121 TEKAMAH, \$1,878.48
113808600, S2L1&2&PT ALLEY BLK 103 TEKAMAH, \$1,859.08
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424801600, L1 TR E2SE4 24-21-8 PERSHING TWP, \$1,799.80
314900500, LOT: N200'S350' OF SL2L15 SOUTH INDUSTRIAL AREA TEKAMAH, \$1,741.94
110300700, E75'L15-18 BLK 18 CRAIG, \$1,732.84
112701300, L2-3EXN6'L3 BLK13 OAKLAND, \$1,602.08
111616000, L1&E42'L2 BLK6 LYONS, \$1,560.50
113810000, L4&W2L3 BLK69 TEKAMAH, \$1,494.34
636002100, L7 HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$1,447.38
312808100, N2L11 EXS1'W46' BLK 7 OAKLAND, \$1,408.26
112716800, L8-10 BLK32 RAILROAD ADD OAKLAND, \$1,406.60
112603400, L7&N2L6EXE7' BLKJ HULBERTS ADD OAKLAND, \$1,377.40
113205700, L1-2-3 LUNDSTROMS EAST ADD OAKLAND, \$1,364.60
421900900, TRACT NW4SW4 20-23-9 LOGAN TWP, \$1,357.30
113904400, L1 BLK78 TEKAMAH, \$1,339.44
432103000, TRACT IN NE4NW4 29-23-11 QUINNEBAUGH TWP, \$1,313.92
110201600, L1-7 BLK 3 CRAIG, \$1,194.00
112804400, L19-20-21 BLK1 BREWSTERS ADD OAKLAND, \$1,128.20
636007200, L26 & 26A & 24B HARBOR 671 SUB ARIZONA TWP, \$1,120.51
111603900, W38'L9&E2L10 BLK2 ENFIELD PARK ADD LYONS, \$1,093.36
112605600, L6-7 BLK43 NELSONS ADD OAKLAND, \$1,072.96
110203500, S1/5 L5&ALL L6 BLK 8 CRAIG, \$1,044.46
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112804600, L16&E2L17 BLK1 BREWSTERS ADD OAKLAND, \$945.02
430302100, PT NE4NE4 06-23-10 DECATUR TWP, \$923.56
111008000, L18-21 BLK 92 DECATUR, \$899.78
110204300, L7-8 BLK 9 CRAIG,

\$889.96
111400900, L25-27 BLK 18 DECATUR, \$882.60
114307100, L4&PT ST &ALLEY BLK 137 TEKAMAH, \$869.24
312805100, LOT: N 21.1'L8 BLOCK: 10 OAKLAND, \$861.36
110100800, S110'SL2L17& N20'S110'W223'SL1L22& SL2L22COURT ADD CRAIG, \$850.24
112705300, L8&N2L7 BLK14 OAKLAND, \$821.62
112709600, L7-8 BLK18 OAKLAND, \$807.90
436600200, L9 & PT 10 NW4NW4 30-21-11 ARIZONA TWP, \$789.88
311611300, LOT: N31.95'L1&PTL2 BLOCK: 3 LYONS, \$754.32
114302100, L2 BLK 117 TEKAMAH, \$751.26
111302400, L1-3&L18-28 BLK 41 DECATUR, \$697.63
113207100, L35 LUNDSTROMS EAST ADD OAKLAND, \$687.02
311612600, LOT: 15TO17 BLOCK: 8 LYONS, \$685.82
112102100, L4-5 BLK39 SUNNYSIDE ADD LYONS, \$675.18
111904400, L9 BLK13 LYONS, \$669.84
111401100, LOT: 21-22 BLOCK: 18 DECATUR, \$668.52
110903300, L18-20 BLK 35 DECATUR, \$626.94
111609300, N90'SL1-2-3L7 FIRST COURT ADD LYONS, \$622.90
424102100, TR SE4SE4 33-22-9 BELL CREEK TWP, \$619.70
111906200, E1/2L11&ALL L12 BLK32 SECOND ADD LYONS, \$614.36
111707500, E42'L3 BLK26 LYONS, \$585.96
113905900, W30'N67 1/2'L3&N67 1/2'L4 BLK 80 TEKAMAH, \$580.95
110904900, L18-20 BLK 22 DECATUR, \$561.88
310205600, LOT: S7'L3&N18'L4 BLOCK: 16 CRAIG, \$560.56
110400600, L2 COURT ADD CRAIG, \$557.18
114804400, L1-2-3 BLK10 RAILROAD ADD TEKAMAH, \$553.84
110307200, .95 AC TR LYING WEST OF LOT 10 COURT ADD., \$551.20
113809500, L7-8+10'ALLEY BLK104 TEKAMAH, \$546.00
112610600, L6-7 BLK41 NELSONS ADD OAKLAND, \$544.66
112102200, L6-7 BLK39 SUNNYSIDE ADD LYONS, \$538.96
110204200, L1-2&W79'L3-6 BLK 9 CRAIG, \$536.00
111900200, L10 BLK 12 LYONS, \$534.82
636004100, L12I HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$524.00
111904700, L12 BLK 13 LYONS, \$521.94
434703100, L2 SW4A+ADJ RR 24-21-10 SUMMIT TWP, \$508.96
113903400, S2L3-4 BLK61 TEKAMAH, \$508.52
110204500, L9-10 BLK 9 CRAIG, \$501.80
311614300, W2L13 BLK 7 LYONS, \$492.50
112612300, L10-11 BLK39 NELSONS ADD OAKLAND, \$483.05
114502300, L7-8 BLK177 TEKAMAH, \$471.82
431602200, NW4NW4 N OF RD 8-23-11 QUINNEBAUGH TWP, \$471.26
111606700, L11 1ST CITY ADD LYONS, \$459.46
310205800, L6-7 BLK 16 CRAIG, \$451.54
112713100, L7 BLK17 OAKLAND, \$443.66
636005200, L6 HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$437.17
420700100, TR E2NW4 20-23-8 EVERETT TWP, \$432.55
110302700, L2 BLK 25 CRAIG, \$424.92
111301900, L1-2&S96'L28 BLK 40 DECATUR, \$420.42
113100600, L7-8 BLKD ASKWIGS OAKLAND, \$415.24
114808300, L10-11-12&10'ALLEY BLK3 RAILROAD ADD TEKAMAH, \$414.70
636010400, L3-4 ROBERT'S LANDING SUBDIVISION, \$404.50
111900100, L8-9 BLK12 LYONS, \$401.64
110401000, L4-5 BLK 22 CRAIG, \$388.16
430702600, TR SW4NW4(RD.43) 15-23-10 DECATUR TWP, \$380.82
110904100, L6 BLK 22

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111911200, L1 BLK 19 LYONS, \$367.60
111303600, L1&3 (EXS18'RD) PROSPECT VALLEY DECATUR, \$345.58
110906000, L14&E20'L15-17 BLK 21 DECATUR, \$339.35
314312600, LOT: W60'N66'L2EX ALLEY BLOCK: 134 TEKAMAH, \$334.24
112608800, L4&S2L5 BLK22 RAILROAD ADD OAKLAND, \$332.06
314304600, LOT: PT L6-7 BLOCK: 134 TEKAMAH, \$324.60
111406100, L15 BLK 13 DECATUR, \$319.42
636003600, L18 HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$309.70
426101000, PT SE4SE4 5-20-9 CRAIG TWP, \$304.94
114800200, N2L1&STREET BLK5 RAILROAD ADD TEKAMAH, \$295.20
636003500, L6I HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$288.20
113912100, L5 BLK108 TEKAMAH, \$283.25
111709300, L12 BLK28 SECOND ADD LYONS, \$276.51
111808000, LW1/2L3-4-5 BLK21 LYONS, \$275.98
112710200, L15 BLK18 OAKLAND, \$266.96
110604200, PT11-13&ALL L14 BLK 25 DECATUR, \$248.28
636005000, L1 HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$246.50
110404100, N.57ACTRL3 COURT ADDITION, \$245.24
110501700, E2L23-24 BLK 51 DECATUR, \$237.98
110603800, L11-17 BLK 26 DECATUR, \$234.18
112714800, L14 BLK16 OAKLAND, \$231.56
111409500, L18-19-20 EX HWY BLK 18 DECATUR, \$209.78
111617100, L5 BLK5 LYONS, \$206.34
113207000, L36 LUNDSTROMS EAST ADD OAKLAND, \$202.58
111405100, E59'L15-17&PT ALLEY BLK 16 DECATUR, \$184.96
636007500, L13I HARBOR 671 SUB 7-21-12 ARIZONA TWP, \$183.30
114803400, L21-22N110'E20'L20 BLK7 RAILROAD ADD TEKAMAH, \$180.24
434400700, TR NE4SE4 2-21-10 SUMMIT TWP, \$177.54
436605900, PT L8 31-21-11 ARIZONA TWP, \$172.94
111407200, L12&PT ALLEY BLK 15 DECATUR, \$155.10
314312500, LOT: N2 SL8 L5&6 BLOCK: 146 TEKAMAH, \$121.98
111500100, L17&W95'L15-16&PT ALLEY BLK 93 DECATUR, \$117.96
434800200, N OF RR NE4NE4 30-21-10 SUMMIT TWP, \$112.84
110208400, L1-2-3 BLK 13 CRAIG VILLAGE, \$112.02
114502900, N2L1-2 BLK188 TEKAMAH, \$102.51
110209000, LOT: 15&N24'L14 BLOCK: 15 CRAIG, \$91.90
424507100, RR IN NE4NE4 1-21-8 PERSHING TWP, \$91.58
310205700, LOT: 5 & S7'L4 BLOCK: 16 CRAIG, \$87.08
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114503200, S2L2 BLK 188 TEKAMAH, \$69.53
111706400, PTL2SL1 FIRST COURT ADD LYONS, \$65.06
421100700, L2NE4 35-23-8 EVERETT TWP, \$41.44
435004300, TR NE4NW4 25-21-10 SUMMIT TWP, \$27.62
111302300, L4 BLK 41 DECATUR, \$24.48
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111303700, L5 EXS19' PROSPECT VALLEY DECATUR, \$22.36
310301600, LOT: W65'L16 BLOCK: 18 CRAIG, \$19.76
111302700, L11-17 BLK 42 DECATUR, \$18.82
111407300, L11&PT ALLEY BLK 15 DECATUR, \$17.98
111302600, L4-9 BLK 43 DECATUR, \$16.73
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NAME CHANGE

LEGAL NOTICE FOR NAME CHANGE OF A MINOR CHILD

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Burt County, NEBRASKA
Case Number CI-22-8
(case number assigned by clerk of court)
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF
Kyler Reece Anderson
(minor child(ren)'s current full name(s))

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of January 2022, a petition was filed in the District Court of Burt County, Nebraska, (county where Petition filed) the object and prayer of which is to change a minor child's or children's name(s) from Kyler Reece Anderson (minor child(ren)'s current full name(s)) to Kyler Reece Rife (minor child(ren)'s preferred new full name(s)) .

A hearing will be had on said petition before the Honorable John E. Samson (name of judge hearing your case) in courtroom no. 1 (courtroom number), 111 N. 13th Street Tekamah, Nebraska (court address where hearing will be held) on the 10th day of March, 2022, (date, month, year) at 10:45 a.m. (time of hearing), or as soon thereafter as will be convenient for the court and that unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, the minor child(ren)'s name(s) will be changed from that of Kyler Reece Anderson (minor child(ren)'s current full name(s)) to Kyler Reece Rife (minor child(ren)'s preferred new full name(s))

/s/ Whitney Anderson
Signature
Date 1/25/2002
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Name
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MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETING

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20, LYONS-DECATUR NORTHEAST, BURT COUNTY, NEBRASKA, SHALL BE HELD ON THE 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022, AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE LYONS-DECATUR NORTHEAST SECONDARY LIBRARY, LYONS NE, FOR THE AFORE SAID DISTRICT. A TENTATIVE AGENDA OF THE SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE GOVERNING BODY. THE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MODIFY THE AGENDA WITH SUBJECTS RECEIVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE 24 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING.

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MEETINGS

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Burt County, Nebraska, will be held will be held at 9 A.M. Wednesday, February 9, 2022, in the Courtroom on the 3rd floor of the Burt County Courthouse in Tekamah, Nebraska. The 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 Burt County Clerk in the Burt County Courthouse, Tekamah, Nebraska. The agenda may be modified at such meeting.
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Lady Wolverines fall to No. 8 Clarkson-Leigh

By James Schrock
Sports Editor

The BRLD Lady Wolverines split this week as they lead up to the East Husker Conference Tournament. They played the rescheduled game with Clarkson/Leigh on Monday and came up short. They rebounded with a win Over Winnebago on Tuesday.

Vs. Clarkson-Leigh			
BRLD	14- 3-13-14		44
C-L	13- 5- 8-24		49

On Monday the Lady Wolverines hosted Clarkson-Leigh ranked #8 in Class C-2 with a 13-5 record. BRLD had a slim 14-13 lead after the first period. Tough defense by both teams ensued as Clarson/Leigh led 18-17 at half-time. BRLD took the lead 30-26 by the end of the third period. But the Lady Patriots outscored

Ratings

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Girls Basketball Ratings

CLASS C-1		
1. Grand Island CC		13-5
2. North Bend		17-1
3. Wahoo		14-4
4. Lincoln Lutheran		16-2
5. Broken Bow		16-3
6. Kearney Catholic		12-7
7. Gothenburg		13-5
8. St. Paul		13-3
9. BRLD		13-4
10. Chadron		11-6

CLASS C-2		
1. Hastings St. Cecilia		19-0
2. Bridgeport		17-1
3. West Point GACC		17-1
4. Crofton		16-2
5. Ponca		17-1
6. Pender		16-4
7. Sutton		15-3
8. Oakland-Craig		12-5
9. Superior		15-3
10. Yutan		14-5

BRLD in the final period to take the win 49-44. BRLD shot 44% (14

of 32) in 2-pointers, 6% (1 for 16) in 3-pointers and 62% (13 of 21) at the line. The team had 19 turnovers for the game. Clarkson Leigh shot 55% (11 of 20) in 2-pointers, 15% (2 of 13) in 3-pointers and 65% (22 of 34) at the line. The team had 25 turnovers for the game.

Addison James led the team in scoring 12 points hitting 3 for 6 in 2-pointers, 1 for 4 in 3-pointers and 3 for 4 at the line. Alyssa Buchholz had 9 points hitting 2 for 7 in 2-pointers and 5 for 9 at the line. Jordan Snyder had 9 points hitting 3 for 6 in 2-pointers and 3 for 3 at the line. Other scorers for BRLD were Makenna James and McKenzie Murphy with 4 points each, Isabella Bonneau and Samryn Dick with 3 points each.

Jordan Snyder led the team with 8 rebounds

followed by Alyssa Buchholz with 6 and Isabella Bonneau with 5 rebounds. Isabella Bonneau led the team with 3 assists. Isabella Bonneau and McKenzie Murphy led the team with 4 steals followed by Alyssa Buchholz with 3 steals. Jordan Snyder led the team with 5 deflections, McKenzie Murphy and Alyssa Buchholz had 4 and Isabella Bonneau had 3 deflections.

Vs. Winnebago			
BRLD	19-24-18-16		77
Winn	8-15-11-12		46

The Lady Wolverines faced Winnebago on Tuesday and walked off with an easy win. They jumped to a 19-8 first quarter lead and expanded that to 43-23 by halftime on their way to a 77-46 win.

BRLD Shot 53% (21 of 40) in 2-pointers, 37% (7 of 19) in 3-pointers and

64% (14 of 22) at the line. The team had 19 turnovers for the game. They also had 24 steals and 26 deflections as a team. Winnebago shot 52% (13 of 25) in 2-pointers, 19% (4 of 21) in 3-pointers and 62% (8 of 13) at the line. The team had 30 turnovers for the game.

Makenna James and Jordan Snyder led the team with 17 points each. James shot 5 for 5 in 2-pointers with 10 points in the paint, 2 for 3 in 3-pointers and 1 for 3 at the line. Snyder shot 3 for 4 in 2-pointers, 2 for 5 in 3-pointers and 5 for 6 at the line. Alyssa Buchholz had 11 points hitting 3 of 11 in 2-pointers, 1 for 1 in 3-pointers and 2 for 6 at the line. Addison James had 3 for 5 in 2-pointers, 1 for 4 in 3-pointers and 2 for 3 at the line. Other scorers for BRLD were McKenzie Murphy with 7, Samryn Dick with 6,

Treylla Sheridan with 6, and Elise Anderson with 2 points.

Makenna James led the team with 8 rebounds followed by Alyssa Buchholz with 6, Treylynn Sheridan, Trayla Sheridan, Arianne Brokaw, Isabella Bonneau and Jordan Snyder had 3 rebounds each. Alyssa Buchholz, Isabella Bonneau and Jordan Snyder led the team with 3 assists. Makenna James, Isabella Bonneau and Samryn Dick led the team with 5 steals each and Jordan Snyder had 3 steals. Snyder had 3 blocked shots.

BRLD has a bye in the first round of the East Husker Conference Tournament and hosts the second round. BRLD will be playing Tekamah-Herman on Monday night in Lyons. They come into the tournament as the #2 seed.

Wolverines lose three during week

By James Schrock
Sports Editor

Vs. Clarkson/Leigh			
BRLD	13- 5- 5-11		34
CL	14-27- 9- 4		54

The BRLD Wolverines hosted Clarkson/Leigh in the rescheduled game from earlier in the season due to weather. Clarkson/Leigh came in 12-2 #8 in Class C-1. The two teams were tight in the first quarter with the Patriots leading 14-13. But Clarkson/Leigh took off in the 2nd quarter getting hot on 3-pointers and outscoring BRLD 27-5. The Wolverines never recovered from that as they fell 34-54.

BRLD shot 27% (9 of 33) in 2-pointers, 29% (4 of 14) in 3-pointers and 67% (4 for 6) at the line. The team had 13 turnovers for the game. Clarkson/Leigh shot 33% (8 of 24) in 2-pointers, 35% (10 of 29) in 3-pointers and 72% (8 of 11) at the line. They had 11 turnovers for the game.

No Wolverines

reached double figures. Elliott Nottlemann led the team with 9 points hitting 1 for 8 in 2-pointers, 2 for 3 in 3-pointers and 1 for 1 at the line.

Other scorers for BRLD were Samuel Dick and Caden Hansen with 6 points each, Mason Dolezal with 4, Graysen Briggs with 3, Braden Hardin, Braylon Snyder, and Talan Mock with 2 points each.

Mason Dolezal and Elliott Nottlemann led the team with 6 rebounds each, Graysen Briggs, and Talan Mock each had 3 rebounds. Braden Hardin led the team with 2 assists and Elliott Nottlemann had a blocked shot.

Vs. Winnebago			
BRLD	17-11-10-11		49
Winn	17-14-26-17		74

The Wolverines faced Winnebago on Tuesday. The teams started out tight being tied at the end of the opening period, 17-17. Winnebago led 31-28 at halftime. The third quarter Winnebago outscored BRLD

26-10 to go up 57-41. Winnebago rolled on to a 74-49 win.

BRLD shot 32% (9 of 28) in 2-pointers, 46% (7 of 15) in 3-pointers and 59% (10 of 17) at the line. The team had 23 turnovers for the game. Winnebago shot 59% (26 of 44) in 2-pointers, 46% (6 for 13) in 3-pointers and 36% (4 for 11) at the line. The team had 11 turnovers for the game. Winnebago held the advantage scoring in the paint 48-16.

Samuel Dick led the team in scoring with 16 points hitting 2 for 6 in 2-pointers, 2 for 3 in 3-pointers and 6 of 11 at the line. Elliott Nottlemann had 13 points hitting 3 for 10 in 2-pointers with 6 points in the paint, 2 for 5 in 3-pointers and 1 for 2 at the line. Caden Hansen had 11 points hitting 3 for 6 in 3-pointers and 2 for 2 at the line. Other scorers for BRLD were Mason Dolezal with 6, Talan Mock with 2 and Hunter Carpenter with one point.

Mason Dolezal and Graysen Briggs led the team with 4 rebounds each, Samuel Dick, Elliott Nottlemann and Caden Hansen each had 3 rebounds. Nate Morris led the team with 3 deflections and Caden Hansen had a blocked shot.

Vs. Stanton (East Husker Conference Tourney)			
BRLD	15- 4- 6-22		47
Stant	9-20-13-17		59

The Wolverines entered the East Husker Conference Tourney as they came into the tourney as the #9 seed. They traveled to Stanton to play the #8 seed Stanton Mustangs.

BRLD started out good as they led 15-9 by the end of the first

quarter. But Stanton outscored BRLD 20-4 in the second quarter to go up 29-19. The Mustangs increased their lead to 42-25 by the end of the third period as they went on to win the game 59-47.

BRLD shot 43% (12 of 28) in 2-pointers, 21% (5 of 24) in 3-pointers and 53% (8 of 15) at the line. The team had 13 turnovers for the game. Stanton shot 50% (14 of 28) in 2-pointers, 38% (6 of 16) in 3-pointers and 72% (13 of 18) at the line. They had 16 turnovers for the game.

Elliott Nottlemann led the team with 18 points hitting 4 for 7 in 2-pointers with 8 points in the paint, 2 of 11 in

3-pointers and 4 for 7 at the line with 8 points in the paint. Samuel Dick had 13 points hitting 5 for 8 in 2-pointers with 6 points in the paint and 1 for 6 in 3-pointers. Other scorers for BRLD were Hunter Carpenter with 6 points, Mason Dolezal had 5, Caden Hansen had 3 and Talan Mock had 2 points.

Elliott Nottlemann and Samuel Dick led the team with 6 rebounds each. Talan Mock and Hunter Carpenter each had 3 rebounds. Caden Hansen led the team with 3 assists and Mason Dolezal led the team with 3 steals. Elliott Nottlemann had 2 blocked shots and Caden Hansen had one blocked shot.

“Keep Looking Up!” by Gary Fugman
Astronomy Club Invites You to Test Your Night Knowledge

Since 2007 people of all ages have had a place where they could gather to gain appreciation and knowledge of the night sky and view that same night sky. Fifteen years ago Northeast Nebraska Astronomy Club (NENAC) was founded to fill a need. In those fifteen years, two evenings a month in Lyons and Decatur, NENAC topics have ranged through our Solar System to our Milky Way Galaxy out to the farthest reaches of our Universe. Visitors and members of NENAC have learned about and experienced with large astronomical telescopes the planets Jupiter and Saturn at their best, constellations and Christmas colored stars, and galaxies that make up the cosmic web to name a just few. Now it's your turn to show what you know about the science of astronomy and the night sky!

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Alannah Osborne - 2nd at Neligh Oakdale Invite

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BRLD Wrestling Results

Neligh Oakdale Invite
Landon Redding 5th
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Zeena Villanueva 2nd

EHC conference meet
Daven Whitley 1st
Keyton Kampa 3rd
Landon Redding 4th
Tyler Archer 4th
Gus Gomez 4th

Girls Cedar Bluffs
Zeena Villanueva 2nd
Ashlynn Whitley 2nd



Daven Whitley - 3rd at Neligh Oakdale Invite - 1st at EHC Tournament



Juan Garcia



Gus Gomez - 4th at EHC Tourney



Landon Redding - 5th at Neligh Oakdale Invite - 4th at EHC Tournament



Keyton Kampa - 3rd at East Husker Conference Tourney

Lyons-Decatur Lunch Menu

Monday, February 7th	Tuesday, February 8th	Wednesday, February 9th	Thursday, February 10th	Friday, Feb- ruary 11th NO SCHOOL
Breakfast: Waffle sticks, strawberries, cool whip	Break- fast: Sausage gravy over biscuits	Breakfast: Fruit scone	Breakfast: Pop tarts	
Lunch: Spaghetti, lettuce salad, corn	Lunch: Chicken nug- gets, potatoes, green beans	Lunch: Meatloaf, cheesy pota- toes, baked beans	Lunch: Turkey, bacon & swiss wrap, tri tator, corn	

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