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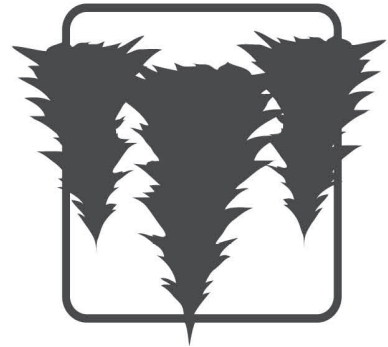


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The Bronco Buzz

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New School Website!

Wheeler Central has a new website, and it is now up and running. Please visit the new site at www.wbroncs.org!

You can check the school website for the most up-to-date school, breakfast, and lunch calendars, and the weekly bulletin will be posted to the site. On the homepage, you will find links to the school's Twitter and Facebook pages here. A horizontal bar

across the middle of the page provides quick links to frequently used pages, like Powerschool and the monthly calendar (although not all the quick links are up and running quite yet).

The website is still a work in progress, with changes being made and more information being posted. Check back often for new information!

www.wbroncs.org/

The screenshot shows the new website interface. At the top is a navigation bar with icons for District, Community, PowerSchool, Gradebook, and Calendar. Below this is a 'News' section with a 'Welcome to www.wbroncs.org' article. To the right are social media feeds for Twitter and Facebook. Further right is a 'Calendar' section showing dates for September 6, 7, and 8, 2018, with specific events listed for each day.



The deadline for the October 2018 issue of The Buzz is September 24, 2018. Please send submissions to thebuzz@esu8.org.

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Advisor: Mrs. Patti Jensen





Mark Your Calendar

Upcoming Events

- 9/18 - Career Fair @ O'Neill
- 9/18 - Wheeler County Foundation Meeting @ 8:00
- 9/19 - Assembly @ Chambers (7-12 grades)
- 9/20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences, 5-8 P.M.
- 9/21 - 1:00 Dismissal
- 9/24 - Buzz Deadline for October Issue
- 9/25 - Mobile Food Pantry
- 9/25 - K-6 Field Trip
- 9/26 - 10:00 Start
- 9/26 - After School Reading Program
- 9/26 - Financial Aid Program, 5:30-7:00
- 9/27 - 7-8 Field Trip to Ashfall
- 9/28 - 1:00 Dismissal
- 10/2 - MAP Testing Begins (7-11 grades)
- 10/4 - School Pictures
- 10/6 - Harvest of Harmony
- 10/8 - Smiles Program @ 10:30
- 10/12 - End of 2nd Quarter
- 10/12 - 2:00 Dismissal

Updating Addresses

We are in the process of updating our Buzz addresses. If you have a Bartlett or Ericson mailing address, you automatically receive the Buzz. For patrons who have Spalding and Ewing addresses, we print mailing labels.

Parents and grandparents of current Wheeler Central students may also receive the Buzz free of charge. We also send the Buzz to members of the military. If you know of people who should be receiving the Buzz but aren't, please send us their mailing addresses, and we will add them to our list.

Phone: 402-654-3273

Email: thebuzz@esu8.org

The Bronco Buzz: 20 Years and Counting

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Bronco Buzz, we have gone back through past issues to find stories that we want to reprint. (We have all 20 years' worth filed here, although we found that we are missing a few issues.)

Hopefully you enjoy this new feature to celebrate 20 years of school news!

Thank You, Advertisers!

Thank you to everyone who advertises in The Bronco Buzz and the Wheeler Central Yearbook.

It is because of the generosity and support of these businesses that we are able to offer our yearbook at a lower cost to students AND to send the Buzz to residents of Wheeler County, patrons of our district, members of the military, and grandparents of WC students FREE OF CHARGE.

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Back to School!

School is off to a great start and much is happening at Wheeler Central already this year. Students have been busy both in and out of the classroom.

Watch for your October Buzz to catch up on everything happening at school!

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Thank you all for your support of Wheeler Central and our Journalism Department!

2018-2019 FFA Events

September 11	Area V Range Judging	Holt County
September 17	District Range Judging	Atkinson
September 19	Area II Range Judging	Blaine County
September 20	Area IV Range Judging	Hall County
September 25-26	State Range Judging	Chase County
October 24-27	National FFA Convention	
November 1	Pre-District Livestock	Bassett
November 2-3	P2C	Grand Island
November 14	District Livestock	Ord
November ??	Red Cross Blood Drive	Bartlett
January 16	LDE	Atkinson
January 21	LDE (Snow Date)	Atkinson
February 4	State Degree Applications Due/ Stars Designation	
February 6	District Degree & Proficiency Review	
February TBD	Livestock Judging	Loup City
February 27	District CDE	
March 5	District Meats	Sargent
March 15-16	Activate/Leverage	Kearney
March ??	Red Cross Blood Drive	Bartlett
March 12	Livestock Judging	Burwell
April 3-5	State FFA Convention	Lincoln
April 15	State Fair Market Beef ID Due	

FCCLA Dates for 2018/19

● September 17	● FLW (Fall Leadership Workshop)	● Kearney	● Chapter Members
● October 10	● DLC (District Leadership Conference)	● West Holt	● Chapter Members
● November 9-11	● Cluster (Regional FCCLA Meeting)	● Louisville, KT	● Members who pay their way
● December TBA	● Christmas Party	● School	● Members
● January 30	● STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition)	● Chambers	● Members
● Jan or Feb	● Ground Hog Supper	● Bartlett	● Members
● February 24-25	● Peer Education Retreat	● Kearney	● Junior High
● April 7-9	● SLC (State Leadership Conference)	● Lincoln	● State Qualifiers, Officers

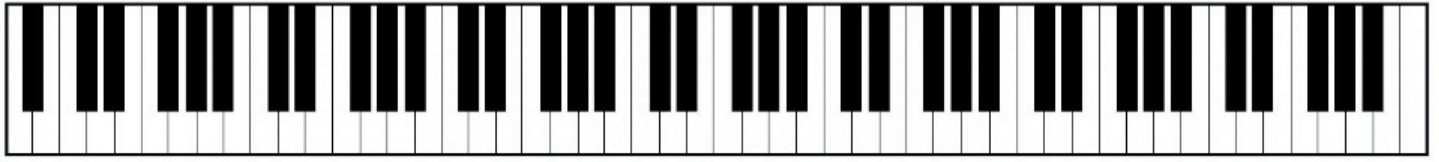


Don't forget...

Check the new school website for the
latest, most up-to-date information.

www.wbroncs.org





2018-2019 Music Events

October 6, 2018	Harvest of Harmony	Grand Island
November 2, 2018	Elkhorn Valley JH Choir Clinic	Tilden
November 3, 2018	Doane Fall Festival of Winds	Crete
November 5, 2018	NVC Choral Clinic	Stuart
November 5 or 12, 2018	WC Veteran's Day Program	Bartlett
November 14-16, 2018	NMEA All-State	Lincoln
December 18, 2018	WC Christmas Concert K-12	Bartlett
January 14, 2019	Boone Central Choir Clinic	Albion
January 28, 2019	UNK Honor Festival	Kearney
February 15, 2019	WSC Honor Choir	Wayne
March 19, 2019	NVC West Band Clinic	Keya Paha
March 23, 2019	Class D All-State Band	Kearney
April 18, 2019	District Music Contest	Broken Bow
April 27, 2019	5th and 6th grade Honor Band	Neligh-Oakdale
April 29, 2019	Spring Concert	Bartlett
May 4, 2019	Graduation	Bartlett



Regular = Honor Ensembles
Bold = Required Performance

One Act

"The Adventures of Super Margaret"

By Adam Szymkowicz



Cast



Super Margaret	Rachel Dierks
Louis	Rex Day
Nefarious Evil Genius	Clay Patrick
Brad	Kody Spencer
Angela	Morgan Ramsey
Other Worldly Person	Beau Hawn
Girl 1	Rylee Larson
Girl 2	Hailey Genereux
Girl 3	Caitlin Sheldon
Spider Monkey Leader/Bumblee Bee	Gracie Pokorny
Spider Monkey/Bumble Bee Leader	Cheyenne Pokorny
Spider Monkey/Bumble Bee	Taya Morrison
Henchman Leader	Bryson Abbott
Henchman	Keegan Schlenger

Directed by Mrs. Katie Davis

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Wheeler Central

Great Things Are Happening Here!

* We welcome 4 new staff members this year: Miss Elizabeth Glynn (K-12 Instrumental and Vocal Music), Mrs. Makayla Reiter (Daycare Teacher), Mrs. Katie Davis (Para), Ms. Megan Gotschall (Daycare Para).

* Two teachers have assumed new duties this fall: Mrs. Shawna Schlenger moved from Daycare Teacher to Preschool Teacher, and Mrs. Ranotta Nordhues moved from Daycare Para to First Grade Teacher.

* Fall sports have kicked off. Good luck to the cross country, volleyball and football teams.

* Seventh through twelfth graders enjoyed their day at the State Fair.

* Our new school website is up and running, and updates are continually being made.

* Preschool numbers are strong, with 16 enrolled in either half-day or whole-day class. Preschool classes began on September 4th.

* The summer maintenance crew was busy, completing a number of big projects this year: moving all elementary classroom contents (with the exception of Miss Lovitt and Mrs. Reed, who moved last summer), completing work on one of the apartments in the teacherage, fixing an on-going plumbing issue in the Old Gym, and completing some structural work in the New Gym. This was in addition to all of their yearly summer projects.

* One Act tryouts were held, the cast has been selected, and practices have begun.

* Seventh graders have been busy catching, pinning, and labeling insects for their collections.

* Wheeler Central has again been awarded the ReVision Grant. Two pieces of equipment (an embroidery machine in the FCS room and a banner maker in the shop) will soon be used by students to complete new projects.

* The Bronco marching band will soon take to the streets in preparation for Harvest of Harmony.

* A TeamMates chapter is being organized at Wheeler Central. It is in the planning and training stages now.

* High School Rodeo season is wrapping up. Their final competition for the fall will be September 16th at North Platte.

* FFA members been competing at Range Judging Contests.

Renegade Fall Sport Schedules



CWCE Football

CWCE Varsity Football

8/24/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Hartington-Newcastle @ Hartington
8/31/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Wausa @ Ewing
9/7/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Elgin/Pope John @ Bartlett
9/21/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Twin Loup @ Taylor
9/27/18 (Th), 7:00 P.M. St. Mary's @ Bartlett
10/5/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Stuart @ Chambers
10/12/18 (F), 7:00 P.M. Central Valley @ Wolbach
10/18/18 (Th), 7:00 P.M. Orchard/Clearwater @ Clearwater

CWCE JV Football

9/4/18 (Tu), 7:00 P.M. Riverside @ Spalding
9/17/18 (M), 7:00 P.M. North Central @ Ewing
9/24/18 (M), 7:00 P.M. Orchard/Clearwater @ Clearwater

CWCE JH Football

9/4/18 (Tu), 5:00 P.M. Riverside @ Spalding
9/10/18 (M), 5:00 P.M. Stuart @ Chambers
9/17/18 (M), 5:00 P.M. North Central @ Ewing
9/24/18 (M), 5:30 P.M. Orchard/Clearwater @ Clearwater
10/1/18 (M), 5:00 P.M. Elgin/Pope John @ Elgin
10/15/18 (M), 4:30 P.M. Central Valley @ Bartlett



Cross Country

CWC Cross Country

8/30/18 (Th), 4:30 P.M. NV Invite @ Niobrara State Park
9/6/18 (Th), 5:30 P.M. Loup City Invite @ Sherman Lake
9/14/18 (F), 3:30 P.M. O'Neill Invite @ O'Neill CC
9/20/18 (Th), 4:00 P.M. Creighton Invite @ Creighton CC
9/24/18 (M), 1:00 P.M. UNK Invite @ Kearney CC
9/27/18 (Th), 4:00 P.M. West Holt Invite @ Atkinson/Stuart CC
10/5/18 (F), 4:30 P.M. NVC @ Bassett CC
10/11/18 (Th), TBA Class D District Meet @ TBA
10/19/18 (F), TBA Nebraska State Meet @ Kearney CC



CWC Volleyball

CWC Varsity Volleyball

8/21/18 (Tu), 7:00 P.M. CWC vs. O'Neill Jamboree @ Chambers
8/30/18 (Th), 5:00 P.M. Clearwater Dbl Tri @ Clearwater
9/4/18 (Tu), 6:00 P.M. St. Mary's @ Chambers (JV,V)
9/6/18 (Th), 5:00 P.M. CWC/Ainsworth/NC Tri @ Chambers (JV,V)
9/8/18 (S), 10:00 A.M. Central Valley Tourney @ Greeley (JV)
9/11/18 (Tu), 6:00 P.M. Stuart @ Stuart (J,JV)
9/15/18 (S), 10:00 A.M. CWC Pool Play @ Bartlett (V)
9/18/18 (Tu), 5:00 P.M. CWC Dbl Tri @ Bartlett (V)
9/22/18 (S), 10:00 A.M. Wisner Pilger Invite @ Wisner (V)
9/24/18 (M), 6:00 P.M. Orchard/Clearwater @ Clearwater (JV)
9/27/18 (Th), 5:30 P.M. CWC/Elkhorn/St. Mary Tri @ St. Mary (JV,V)
9/29/18 (S) 9:00 A.M. Clarkson-Leigh Coop @ Clarkson (V)
10/1/18 (M), 5:30 P.M. Elgin/Pope John @ Elgin (JV)
10/2/18 (Tu), 5:00 P.M. CWC/CV/Palmer Tri @ Greeley (V)
10/4/18 (Th), 5:00 P.M. OC Dbl Tri @ Clearwater (V)
10/9/18 (Tu), 6:00 P.M. BURwell @ Burwell (JV,V)
10/16/18 (Tu), 5:30 P.M. CWC/Ewing/CV Tri @ Ewing (V)
10/22/18-10/26/18 NVC Tournament @ TBA (V)
10/29/18-10/30/18 D-1 Sub District @ TBA (V)
11/1/18 (Th) District Final @ TBA (V)
11/8/18-11/10/18 Nebraska State Tournamen @ Lincoln (V)

CWC JH Volleyball

9/4/18 (Tu), 4:00 P.M. Riverside @ Spalding
9/10/18 (M), 3:30 P.M. Stuart @ Chambers
9/15/18 (S), 8:00 A.M. St. Mary's Tourney @ St. Mary's
9/24/18 (M), 4:00 P.M. Orchard/Clearwater @ Clearwater
10/1/18 (M), 3:30 P.M. Elgin/Pope John @ Elgin
10/9/18 (Tu), 4:00 P.M. Burwell @ Bartlett
10/13/18 (S), 9:00 A.M. Ewing Tourney @ Ewing
10/15/18 (M), 2:00 P.M. Arcadia/LC Tourney @ Arcadia

Check the school website for
updates and changes to game
schedules!

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From the Archives...

Stories from the past 20 years of The Bronco Buzz.

Journalism Class Assumes New Responsibilities

Volume 1, Issue 1
September 24, 1999

The atmosphere is somewhat chaotic, yet surprisingly organized in Room 19 during 5th period. Ms. Schwager's journalism class is hard at work reaching a deadline or developing a layout for the 1999-2000 yearbook.

The journalism class is involved in many ventures this year. Students write and submit articles to the Burwell Tribune, write articles for and publish the Bronco Buzz, and organize the yearbook.

Ms. Schwager comments, "This group of students is fantastic. They have met each of these challenges with optimism and hard work." When asked to name the biggest challenge facing the journalism class, Ms. Schwager replied, "Raising money to fund the yearbook. Many people don't realize that the yearbook is a self-supporting organization. We are not dependent on school funds. It's hard to find time to advertise and organize an efficient ad campaign."

During journalism, students learn many different aspects of the media. Students learn about business and accounting, how to write captivating articles, and different publishing techniques. Students will also learn how to deliver a live broadcast over the radio. Listen to KBRX every Friday for the Wheeler Central school news.

Booster Club Sponsors Tailgate Party

By Terri Hoesly
Volume 5, Issue 2
September 19, 2003

The Wheeler Central Bron-

co football fans enjoyed a tailgate party prior to the WC-Herndon football game on Saturday, September 6th, at Bronco Field.

The Booster Club sponsored the event and furnished the hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages, and table service while the fans brought a wide variety of potluck dishes. The Herndon fans were also invited and took part in this fun event. Special thanks goes to the We-Mart for furnishing the buns.

Congratulations of the Bronco Football team for winning the game! We are proud of you!

Junior High Football Starts Season

By Coach Johnson
Volume 5, Issue 2
September 19, 2003

Monday, September 15th, the Wheeler Central Junior High boys football team opened their season against the Santee Warriors. The Broncos won the opening toss and elected to receive the ball.

On his first play in a junior high game, Monte Snider took the opening kick-off 79 yards for a touchdown. Ben McCain ran in the extra point to give the Broncos a 7-0 lead. On the next series, Santee fumbled and Monte Snider grabbed the ball off the field and ran it in for his second score of the day. Ty Weber ran in the extra point making it Wheeler Central 14, Santee 0. The Broncos held the Warriors to 3 downs and out and Phillip Smith, after some nifty running, took the ball 44 yards for the Broncos' third touchdown of the day. Ben McCain ran in the extra point to make the score Wheeler Central 21, Santee 0.

Ben McCain scored on a 14 yard touchdown run and the extra point was no good. Wheeler was

ahead 27-0. Before the half, Phillip Smith took the ball in to make the score 33-0.

In the second half, the younger Broncos got a chance to see a lot of playing time and were able to score two more times. Mike Brown took a sweep around the end 60 yards and Monte Snider took in another score to make the final score 46-6.

Monte Snider was the leading tackler for the Broncos and was a dominant force for the whole game. Cody Havel played very well at defensive end, improving with every play. Finally the 8th grade core of Mark Smith, Mike Brown, and Calder Russman blocked well on offense and covered the field well on defense.

Post Office Coloring Contest

Volume 6, Issue 4,
October 8, 2004

The Bartlett Post Office sponsored a stamp coloring contest for grades K-2. Students were given a picture of the Nebraska state stamp to color. Each class visited the post office when their pictures were completed.

Postmaster Donna Sears presented each student with a "Greetings from America" coloring and activity book. People visiting the post office voted for their favorite picture in each grade. Winners in each class were:

Kindergarten: 1st Conner Croxen; 2nd Cade Pokorny; 3rd Paige Nichols; First Grade 1st Brenden Pelster; 2nd Robyn Ita; 3rd Jacob Green; Second Grade: 1st Allyson Martinsen; 2nd Lacey Schindler; 3rd (tie) Kristin Mahony and Kodi Gehl.

Thanks to Donna for giving the kids the opportunity to participate and for the neat books.

Starting Big

By Dustin Bachelor
Volume 8, Issue 4
September 22, 2006

On Friday, September 1, the Loup County Wildcats came to Bartlett to take on the defending state champions, the Broncos. Everyone was excited to see the Broncos back in action after winning the 6-man state championship last year. Both teams came out playing hard in the first quarter, but it was quite evident that the Broncos were far too much for the Wildcats. By the end of the first quarter, the Broncos were leading 30-0. Not much changed throughout the second quarter, as the Broncos' rampage continued. At halftime, the score was 64-14. After halftime, both teams slowed down substantially, as neither team scored very much. The Broncos, led by Tyler Reiter who had 4 touchdowns, dealt their first brutal defeat of the year, and the final score was 77-22. Good game boys!

Husker Harvest Days

By Katie Swett
Volume 9, Issue 1
September 2007

On September 12th, the Wheeler Central FFA Chapter attending Husker Harvest Days in Grand Island. There were hundreds of agricultural exhibits that were set up to educate people as well as FFA members. Our students learned several things as they toured different places and worked on their ag assignments. An assignment was given to each class. The 8th graders were given the assignment of interviewing exhibitors. The welders were given the opportunity to see several demonstrations in their area. The sophomores wrote a paper on what they learned at Husker Harvest Days, and the freshmen compared two products they learned about.

The leadership class volun-

teered for the Rural Health Coalition. They talked to people about sun protection and farm safety. They also handed out brochures, which provided people with more information. Along with the brochures, they also handed out wristbands and "soybean" chap-stick. In order to help with farm safety, some of the leaders played Jeopardy with other students.

Bartlett's 125th Celebration

Volume 10, Issue 2
October 2008

A group of residents from the village of Bartlett met on Monday, September 15, 2008, to begin plans for the 125th year celebration. It was suggested that Memorial Day weekend would be a good time. Plans could be made to go along with Alumni and Memorial Day services. It seems like 2010 is a long way off, but time sure goes fast.

Some ideas brought up to add to the Alumni/Memorial activities were a parade, water fights, bar-b-que, pancake breakfast, quilt show, old pictures exhibit, old time rodeo, horse & buggy rides, family games, and craft vendors. It is hoped that the Wheeler County organizations will come forward with ideas and offers to help make this celebration really special. Thoughts are being gathered for an update to the Wheeler County History Book, also. There will be another meeting in November; the date has not been set at this time.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please share them with the Village Board.

From the Prevention Coordinator... Roller-Skating

By Mrs. Jean Nordhues
Volume 11, Issue 1
September 2009

Approximately 20 students

attended the roller-skating and movie night in Ericson on Tuesday, June 30. Earlier in the week Mrs. Erickson, Mitch & Margo, and Mr. & Mrs. Nordhues had sorted through the skates, dusted them off, and found matching pairs. Mrs. Erickson & Margo also returned later in the week and cleaned several of the skates. Mr. Nordhues set up equipment for music & the movie. Everyone seemed to have fun and Mr. Nordhues kept busy replacing wheels that were rolling off the skates, and Mrs. Erickson and Mrs. Nordhues helped with replacing & stringing new shoelaces. Pop & bars were provided by the GLW Children's Council through the prevention grant. We appreciated all those who came and helped, and the village of Ericson for allowing us to use the building and the skates. Also, thanks to Margo & Mitch for helping to organize the activity.

New Principal

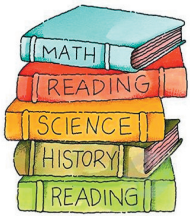
By Paige Hinkle
Volume 17, Issue 1
September 2015

Wheeler Central has a new 7th through 12th grade principal. Mr. Jay Johnson will be serving as part-time principal this year, along with also continuing to teach history part-time.

He received his degree in spring of 2015 from UNK. His degree was to be a principal.

His responsibilities are to help make sure teachers are aware of professional growth opportunities, student discipline, enforcing the tardy policy, supervising 7-12 lunch, doing evaluations for certified 7-12 staff, and attend some 7-12 meetings.

In addition, he is also serving as Athletic Director (AD) for the Wheeler site. His duties include making the schedule for sports, contact officials, and contact the help for the games.



Counselor's Corner

by Mrs. Dawn Erickson

Bullying

From the time we are toddlers, we discover ways to make friends and skills to work in groups. Along the way, the word "bullying" is introduced. "Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time. Both kids who are bullied and who bully others may have serious, lasting problems (stopbullying.com)."

Please note that bullying has two distinct parts:

1. Power imbalance
2. Repeated behavior

Wheeler Central's faculty and staff watch student behavior carefully. Students, however, may be sneaky when bullying. We ask that other students and parents alert the classroom teacher when they believe an individual is bullying or being bullied. This allows our school to work as a team to address the problem.

"Paying for College" Financial Aid Program September 26th

Wheeler Central will again host a "Paying for College" night. This event is provided by the EducationQuest Foundation. All college bound juniors and seniors and their parents are urged to attend. The free catered meal will be served at 5:40 in the media center followed by a one-hour presentation from 6-7. Patrons from neighboring communities are welcome to attend.

BackPack Program Grant

Wheeler Central is proud to participate in the BackPack Pro-

gram. Each year, we receive weekly boxes of food packets. These packets usually contain milk and juice boxes, microwavable meals and fruit cups along with cereal or other snack items. Families wishing not to participate are asked to return the forms stapled to the first backpack sent home. There is no cost to enroll in this program. It is funded by the Heartland Foodbank and Woodhouse Ford.

Access to College Grant Program

This is our third year in the Access to College Grant Program. This program provides \$2,500 to our school per year. The money is allocated to fund college campus visits, college textbooks for high school students taking dual credit courses, catering the financial aid workshop and providing door prizes, handouts, and other expenses supporting and encouraging college bound students. In addition, our school may nominate one student to the Reaching Your Potential Scholarship program.

Campus Visits and Amtrak

For nearly twenty years, Amtrak has provided 50% discounted fares to high school juniors and seniors travelling to visit prospective college campuses. The program also includes discounted fares for up to two parents or legal guardians. See the Amtrak Campus Visit website to order tickets.

Start with Hello Week: September 24-28

Please join us in participating in the Start with Hello Campaign this fall. If you see someone alone at a school activity, reach out to them. Say hello. Invite them to join you. As part of the Sandy Hook Promise campaign, Start with Hello aims to end social isolation and recognize the importance of connecting with people.



By Mrs. Shawna Schlenger

Giggles and Grins is getting ready to kick off their school year. The first day of preschool was Tuesday, September 4.

I would like to introduce myself first. My name is Mrs. Shawna Schlenger, and I am the new preschool teacher at Wheeler Central. This is my third year in the district and first year in the preschool. I have been working in the district as the lead teacher in our daycare program for the past two years and spent several years as a substitute teacher before that. My husband and I reside on a ranch in northern Wheeler County where he also works. We are the proud parents of four children, who also attend school at Wheeler Central. Mrs. Susan Sanderson will be our full-time para and Mrs. Sherry Tetschner will be half-time in the preschool.

I am excited to begin our school year for several reasons. First, we have sixteen students enrolled, with the majority of those students coming from our own school district. Second, we have relocated to what used to be the fifth grade room and have lots of new/exciting changes in our room! Third, we have decided to expand our program to a full day for four year olds. We believe this will be a wonderful opportunity for those students to dive into learning and help them be better prepared for their academic future. If you'd like more information about the preschool, please give us a call at the school! Let's have a great year!





**News from
the Media Center
by Mrs. Kimmie Reed**

AR Goal Set

Ready or not, here we go! We are off to a new school year, which means new Accelerated Reader goals and total number of books read for the year. This year the total number read is set at 5,000 books. The kids are a little nervous about this goal, but they did so well last year, I know they can reach this one as well. The kids have already been busy reading their books and taking AR tests. We already have a couple students over 10 points within the first couple of weeks of school, which is awesome!

There are quite a few kids who bring their books home, but if they do not have new books that day or they just like to leave them at school, there are a few options for your kids at home as well. There is EPIC available online, eBooks available from the library, and I'm sure there are books at home that they could read and take tests on when they return to school. If you are interested in EPIC, you will need to go to the website <https://www.getepic.com>. It does have a monthly fee, but you can provide books for your kids to read. If you have questions or need help setting this up, let me know and I would be glad to help. The kids already have access to this at school, and they are familiar with using it.

We also have eBooks available. You will need to go to my.bigtimermedia.com and I will give students the log in information for them to take home for this. There aren't too many on this site as of yet, but I will add more throughout the year. If you have books at home and want to look up if there is an AR test, you can

log into arbookfinder.com, and it will allow you to look up if there are quizzes available or not.

The most important thing is that they are continuing to read and we don't always get time during the school day to allow them to read, so if they get a chance at home, they can benefit from any opportunity to read. They gain more knowledge and can work on skills making them better readers.

Afterschool Library Program

This year, we will continue the Afterschool Library Program with GLW Extension Office that we had last year, as well as during the summer. The kids had a great time during the school year last year, and we had a music theme Summer Program with Jen and Shelby. I will have more information about dates later on and get that information out to the kids. I hope we can continue this program and have a great turnout. The kids really seem to enjoy it and I appreciate the opportunity we have to work with the GLW Extension Office to provide this opportunity for the kids!

New Books in the Library

In May, we received some new books to add to our collection and plan on ordering more in the next couple of weeks. The kids love checking out the new books, and I also ask them for recommendations. They always seem to find a series they like or just a topic and I can find new books to get into their hands.

Scholastic Book Fair

There will be a Scholastic Book Fair in December this year geared more towards Middle School age students, but there might be a few titles some of the Elementary students will be interested in as well. I will share more information with dates/times later on as well.

Website Information

We have a new school website now, but I will still update the library website with dates as well. The new school website is: <https://www.wbroncs.org> and the Library website is: <https://wheeler-centrallibrary.weebly.com>. Please check them out!

Special Education Notice

Wheeler Central Public School is required to identify all students in need of special education services. To be eligible, students must be evaluated and meet criteria established by the Nebraska Department of Education. The various handicaps eligible for services include speech, vision, hearing, behavioral disorder, mental handicaps, learning disabilities, and autism.

Programs are available for preschool children and school age children.

If you believe that your child should be evaluated for special education services, please contact the Superintendent at (308) 654-3273.

Buzz Deadlines

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
October	September 24
November	October 22
December	November 26
January	December 17
February	January 21
March	February 25
April	March 25
May	April 22
June	May 20





On the first day of school, Honor Society Members Gracie Pokorny (L) and Amanda Williams handed out Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance certificates from the 2017-2018 school year.



Fourth Quarter

All A: MaKenna Pelster (8), Rachel Dierks (9), Morgan Ramsey (9), Gracie Pokorny (10), Neleigh Gehl (12), Derek Mahony (12), and Talli Pokorny (12).

AB: Dylan Rees (7), Brady Renner (7), Tim Keber (8), Cheyenne Pokorny (8), Carter Croxen (12), Ethan Naughtin (12), Logan Pelster (12), and Alex Schoenenberger (12).

Honorable Mention: Francisco Jinez-DeLaRosa (7), Nick Keber (7), Shelby Naughtin (8), Wylie Seamann (8), Rex Day (9), and

Justin Bolin (12).

Second Semester

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Honorable Mention: Francisco Jinez-DeLaRosa (7), Nick Keber (7), Hailey Genereux (8), Wylie Seamann (8), Rex Day (9), Amanda Williams (10), Brittany Shirbroun (11) and Courtney Abbott (12).



Fourth Quarter

Kindergarten: Nextly Jinez-DeLaRosa, Corbin Kasselder, and Dally Rees

First Grade: Zane Watson

Second Grade: July Gotschall, Olivia Heinz and Garrett Renner

Third Grade: Reese Smith

Fourth Grade: Braelynn Schlenger and Lexi Wright

Fifth Grade: Elijah Heinz

Sixth Grade: Hunter Genereux and Miles Rees

Seventh Grade: Francisco Jinez-DeLaRosa, Nick Keber and Dylan Rees



Perfect Attendance certificates for the 2017-2018 school year were awarded to many students.

Eighth Grade: Tim Keber and Wylie Seamann

Freshmen: Rex Day and Rachel Dierks

Second Semester

Kindergarten: Dally Rees

Second Grade: Olivia Heinz

Fifth Grade: Elijah Heinz

Sixth Grade: Hunter Genereux

Eighth Grade: Wylie Seamann

Freshman: Rex Day

All Year Perfect Attendance:

Second Grade: Olivia Heinz

Eighth Grade: Wylie Seamann



The Bronco Buzz is published 10 times per year. Our first issue is printed in September, and the last comes out in June.

The Bronco Buzz is sent to all Ericson and Bartlett box holders, as well as patrons who have Spalding or Ewing addresses.

The Bronco Buzz is also free to grandparents who have grandchildren attending Wheeler Central. Members of the military may also receive The Bronco Buzz free of charge.

If you know of someone who should be receiving The Bronco Buzz but isn't, please send their mailing address to thebuzz@wbroncs.org.

Creative Writing

Simile Color Poems

Mrs. Kasselder's reading group is currently reading the novel Tippy Lemmey by Patricia McKissack. They recently completed an activity in which they wrote Simile Color Poems.

Lime green is bright.
Lime green tastes like limes.
Lime green smells like limes in a garden.
Lime green sounds like squishing limes.
Lime green feels like ice cubes.
Lime green is awesomeness.
By Wyatt McCain

Maroon is powerful.
Maroon tastes like apples.
Maroon smells like redstone ready to blow.
Maroon sounds like when you bite an apple.
Maroon feels like raw iron.
Maroon is my favorite color.
By Reese Smith

Teal is awesome.
Teal tastes like popsicles.
Teal smells like horses running in the wind.
Teal sounds like ocean waves.
Teal feels like slime.
Teal is everything.
By Elsie Dexter

Blue is cool.
Blue tastes like blueberries.
Blue smells like a jellybean.
Blue sounds like rain.
Blue feels like ice cubes.
Blue is fabulous.
By Parker Freouf

Red is bold.
Red tastes like ripe, crisp apples.
Red smells like beautiful roses.
Red sounds like Husker fans.
Red feels like hot coals.
Red is victory.
By Mrs. Kasselder

Back to School Poems

The 6th graders wrote Back to School Acrostic Poems in English class.

Back to school
At a new year. We
Can do the impossible because
we
Know how

To. We go
On field trips. We will do well in

Science and make our parents
proud to
Call us their son and daughter.
Teachers
Help us with questions
On many subjects. We should
Obey our teachers and parents
and
Little friends, just to be kind.
By Elijah Heinz

Back to school
A new pair of shoes
Cooper, is me
Kids are crazy

Too many kids
Ouch!

Socks
Crackers for lunch
Homework
Over the fence the ball went
Oops!
Loose paper
By Cooper Pokorny

Backpack
A new classroom
Clueless kids
Kids falling

Tummy empty
Oof

Sissors
Cracks in the cement
Homework
Ouch
Over the ground the ball goes
Lunch
By Clancey Seamann

Back to school
Assignments
Children
Kids playing

Too much homework
Out on the playground

Sleepy
Can't wait for Friday
Hundreds of pencils
Off on a field trip
Often writing
Lots of books
By Jayna Guggenmos

Back to School
Assignments
Can
Kick you hard if you don't have it
done

Tuesday
Out at 3:30

So you
Can
Hurry through the day and go
Out
Out, but it's not over yet, you still
have
Late night homework
By Makayla McCain

Bring supplies
Adapting to change
Classmates, some new and some old
Kindergarteners through seniors

This is going to be a great year!
Optimistic about new classes

Singing new songs in music
Challenging dates from history
Harder story problems in math
Observing a new schedule
Organizing lockers
Loading the bus at the end of the day.
By Mrs. Jensen

Six-Word Stories

Ninth grade students were asked to write a six-word story about their summer. The students shared their stories with their classmates and were asked to write a six-word response. Student's six-word stories are shared below.

I went to the Albion River.
By Taya Morrison

I played Fortnite on the bed.
By Clay Patrick

I got a PS4 over summer.
By Alex Stewart

I fractured my foot in basketball.
By Hailey Genereux

I watched anime and played games.
By Wylie Seamann

I went to Worlds of Fun and slept.
By Tim Keber

I showed, swam, and played basketball.
By Cheyenne Pokorny

I showed, babysat, and played basketball.
By MaKenna Pelster

Wheeler Central Establishes a TeamMates Mentoring Chapter

Submitted by Mrs. Marcia Smith
Wheeler Central will join communities across Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas & Wyoming in an effort to provide mentors for youth in grades three through twelve. "We are very excited to launch TeamMates Mentoring in the Wheeler Central School System. The strong school and community support is evident from the work being done locally to establish the TeamMates Mentoring chapter," stated Sue Kennedy, TeamMates Regional Coordinator, who facilitated a local board training on Wednesday, August 22nd.


The TeamMates of Wheeler Central chapter will begin mentoring students who attend Wheeler Central Public Schools and have established a goal of 15 matches for the 2018-2019 school year.

To find out more about how to become a mentor for TeamMates contact the Wheeler Central School or our coordinators: Ranotta Nordhues, Becky Smith and Cara Snider.

TeamMates Mentoring was founded in 1991 by Tom and Nancy Osborne to provide support and encouragement to youth. In school-based mentoring, mentors come to the school one visit per week, during the school year, and meet with a student. Mentors can play games, talk, work on projects, etc. TeamMates Mentors provide a sense of hope and vision to young people, with a mission to help them reach their full potential. Today, through TeamMates, over 9000 youth are being mentored one visit per week at their local school by adult volunteers.

Wheeler Central will kick-off their new chapter when DeMoiné Adams, TeamMates staff member, comes to WC to address our students and staff. Feel free to

come in and listen to this dynamic speaker. Date to be announced.




Elementary Collecting Tabs from Cans

Elementary students are collecting tabs from aluminum cans for the Ronald McDonald House.

Please find a student to bring in your tabs or you may take them to WeMart or the Post Office and drop them off in the container. We will also have our BIG container at school to fill.

Thank you,
Elementary Students and Teachers



In the June issue of the Buzz, Clancey Seamann's new long jump record was incorrectly printed in the caption of his picture from the Elementary Field Day. His new record is 14' 6.5." We apologize for the error.





Join Jen with Nebraska Extension in GLW Counties for a new afterschool reading program at Wheeler Central Library. Each week we will read fairy tales and do exciting, hands-on science experiments to learn the full story.

September 26th – The Three Billy Goats Gruff

October 24th – Hansel & Gretel

November 14th - Cinderella

December 12th – The Gingerbread Man

3:30-4:30 PM

Wheeler Central Library

Pre-registration is open to all youth K-6 and is required for each session so ample supplies are available for this free program. Please register by calling the Nebraska Extension in GLW office at (308) 346-4200 or emailing Jen at jepp@unl.edu.

Extension News

“A SILAGE Workshop”

News Release - University of Nebraska Steve Niemeyer Beef Educator for GLW Extension & Furst-McNess Feeds are hosting “A SILAGE Workshop,” Thursday, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 starting with registration at 5:30pm. Program starts at 6:00pm with meal at 7:00pm located at 83 Grand in Burwell (east side of square).

With hay harvest at a later date this year, beef producers maybe looking at alternative feed sources for some of their beef cow energy needs.

Dr. Galen Erickson, Beef Feedlot Nutritionist from the University Nebraska at Lincoln, will be on the program to help producers make good silage products from harvesting, storage & feeding.

Dr. Mark Tracy with Furst-McNess Feeds and Big Red Feeds will be available for questions regarding feed needs.

A producer panel will discuss their experiences with silage feeding.

The program schedule starts at 6:00pm concluding approximately 8:30pm. Our meal is provided by Furst-McNess.

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 TO GLW EXTENSION IN BURWELL @ 308-346-4200 (so we may have approximately meal count)

2019 National Championships Shotgun Qualifying Match

The State 4-H Shotgun Committee will be holding a Qualifying Match for youth interested in competing in the 2019 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships. Youth must be 13 to 17 years of age (4-H age). More details and registration can be found at –

<https://sites.google.com/view/nestateshotgun/home>

The National Qualifier will be held at the Heartland Public Shooting Park near Grand Island on Sunday, September 16th. Final ranking of youth will be based on the Nebraska National Shotgun Team application and qualifying score shot on September 16th. Early Bird registration deadline is September 12th. There will be a State 4-H Shotgun Championship Match held in 2019. More details coming.

Questions can be directed to:

- Russ Linhart (Match Director, State Shotgun Committee member), Email: russlinhart@gmail.com, Phone: 402-362-1469
- Tom Person (Match Director, State Shotgun Committee member), Email: tom.person@exmark.com, Phone: 402-450-8239
- Scott Stanley (Range Officer, State Shotgun Committee member), Email: zeekboys@gmail.com, Phone: 402-540-5070

Grazing Cover Crop Field Day @ Spalding

**Grazing Cover Crop
Field Day**

**September 21, 2018
1:00 PM**

**Jerry and Cindy Glaser,
Spalding, NE**

Featuring:

Dale Strickler, Green Cover Seed
Jason Stoll, Advancing Eco Agriculture

Topics:

- Soil Health Improvement
- Organic Crop Production
- Grass Finishing
- Cattle Grazing
- Irrigated Cover Crops

No preregistration required

Directions:

- North of Hwy 91 (west of Spalding) at Cedar River Bridge on 503 Ave.
- 1 mile north, road turns west as 820th Rd.
- West 1 mile, yellow house on south side

Contact:

Ron Bolze 402-321-0067
Steve Niemeyer 308-346-4200
Cindy Glaser 308-750-2879

TREE CARE & PRUNING WORKSHOP

**Sunday, September 23, 2018
2:00-4:00 PM**

**Taylor Park Arboretum
For ALL local Tree Lovers
“Hands-on” Tree Care Training**

Objectives & Topics:

- Tree Tool Selection & Care
- Tree Evaluation & condition
- Trimming Techniques for short term results
- Pruning Methods for structural correction

Please bring your best pruners & tree saw

Intended outcomes: Your enhanced Tree Care confidence & park trees get some pruning

Your lead presenter: George Acker, Ogallala, Nebraska Certified Arborist
Assisted by Brian Munk, Lincoln, Nebraska Certified Arborist, and NCN

Sponsors: Loup/Garfield/Wheeler Extension Office & Taylor Arboretum Committee
Fee?? maybe a few home baked treats??

2018 Nebraska Youth Smallbore Silhouette Invitational

2018 Nebraska Youth Smallbore Silhouette Invitational...This year's annual Nebraska Youth Smallbore Silhouette Invitational (previously known as the Nebraska High School Smallbore Silhouette Championships or the Pressey Shoot) will be held on Saturday, September 29, 2018, at the Pressey Wildlife Management Area. This is a "free" competition, open to all youth age 11 years old or older who have successfully completed Hunter Education and who have not yet graduated from high school. Proof of Hunter Education certification is required prior to being allowed to compete. Shooters should bring either their Hunter Education card or certificate to show at registration. All first time shooters at the event will receive one free box of .22 ammo!

The range will open for practice at 7:30 a.m., with registration continuing until 9:30 a.m. Matches will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude mid-afternoon. Competitors will be grouped in various classes according to age, rifle weight, sight type, and experience level, competing against others in their own class. Individuals and teams are encouraged to enter. Teams should consist of 4 shooters from the same school or 4-H club. Teams may also enter in the "open" category if they do not fit the requirement for school or 4-H teams, however, open teams will not qualify to win the Overall Team Award. Trophies or medals will be awarded to the winners of each class.

Only equipment authorized by NRA Smallbore Rifle Silhouette Rules will be permitted. Shooters should bring their own rifle and ammunition (Standard or High Velocity .22 short, long, or long rifle.) No Stingers or other Ultra High Ve-

locity ammo allowed. Targets are NRA 1/2 scale. Course of fire will be 40 rounds fired in two, 5-round stages at 40, 60, 77 and 100 meters.

NEW REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Pre-registration will be online this year. The deadline for pre-registering online is noon on Thursday, September 27. Registrations can also be made the day of the event. Pre-registration by noon on Thursday, September 27 is strongly encouraged! The registration links for individuals and teams are below:

Individual Registrtrtion: <https://goo.gl/formscU2q7ht9egvbR0sm1>
Team Registration: <https://goo.gl/forms/sxoRoGEWEEGXgkvR2>

Pressey WMA is located approximately 17 miles south of Broken Bow, NE and 30 miles north of Lexington, NE. Camping is available at the WMA. For more event details, contact Matthew Haumont at (308) 872-2348 or nebraskasilhouette@gmail.com. This invitational is the longest running organized youth shooting event in Nebraska!

Colleen Peterson, 4-H Aide
Nebraska Extension- Custer Co
431 S 10th Ave.,
Broken Bow, NE 68822
(308) 872-6831
cpeterson2@unl.edu
FAX (308) 872-2811

2018 Nebraska 4-H Trail Ride

Join us for the Nebraska 4-H Trail Ride in October 2018 at Nebraska National Forest near Halsey! You can access additional information in our 2018 info letter to participants.

To sign up, download and send in the 2018 Trail Ride Registration Form. Early Bird registration ends September 28th!

Trail Ride Schedule

4:00pm Panel Party – Help Set Up Pens

-Early birds bring your horse and settle in! Pens and hay are available for the horses. (*Note: the National Forest requires certified weed free hay. Regular hay is not allowed, due to potential weeds spreading into the forest.)

Saturday, October 6, 2018

9:00am Registration

10:00am – 12:00pm Trail Ride (2.5 hours)

12:00 pm Lunch on the trail

1:00pm – 4:00pm Trail Ride (3 hours)

6:00pm Raise Your Hand Alumni Supper (Riders and Community) followed by silent auction

8:00 pm Bonfire (Optional)

Sunday, October 7, 2018

9:00 am Breakfast

10:00am – 12:00pm Trail Ride (Optional)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Notice for Veterans

Attention Veterans of all eras.

If you have not filed your DA Form DD 214 with the County Clerk's office and/or the County Veterans Service Office please do so. This is not mandated but highly recommended for you and your families future use of this form.

If you don't have a copy of your DD 214 and would like assistance acquiring a copy, contact your Veteran Serve Officer and he can assist you in this process.

If you have any questions in regards to the filing or the purpose of this form, please feel free to contact the Veteran Service Office in O'Neill at (402) 336.1200.



Thank You

Where do we even start to thank all of the great people around us?

Thank you to the great doctors, nurses, and volunteers at St. Francis Hospital in Grand Island and Community Memorial Health Center in Burwell for the wonderful care and compassion they gave Bill during his stay.

Thank you to Hitchcock Funeral Home, Kent Boughton, Brenda Erickson and the Sons of the Legion for making the service so meaningful.

Thank you to the Bartlett United Methodist Woman Society and all of the families who brought in food and went out of their way to serve our family, relatives and friends a great meal.

We would also like to thank all of the people who sent cards, flowers, memorials, brought food and gave words of comfort. We can not thank you enough for everything you did.

The Bill Plugge Family
Darrin, Jeannie, Courtney, Bryson & Jayden
Dave Hoerle & families
Vic, Marsha Plugge & families
Jesse, Connie Plugge & families
Roy, Lu Plugge & families
Brent, Tami Plugge & families
Bud, Brandi Johnson & families
Bruce Plugge & Hayes
Ace, Jessica VanDeWalle & family

Mark your Calendar!

MOBILE PANTRY

HELPING MEET YOUR FAMILY'S NEEDS

Date: Tuesday, September 25th

Time: 12:00 – 2:00

Location: Wheeler Central Old Gym
600 Randolph St.,
Bartlett, NE



Bartlett Lions Club

Submitted by Mrs. Sherry Tetschner

Bartlett Lions Club members spent Thursday evening, August 9th, cleaning and taking inventory of the Lions Stand at the Wheeler County Fairgrounds.

After the cleanup, a short business meeting was held. Members discussed food items that need to be ordered for next year's food stand.

Winners of the Hay Bale Decorating Contest: 1st place was

awarded to the Butterfield's creation, "Strawbucks;" 2nd place was earned by Rylee Larson and Trey Smith with their decorated bale, "God Bless the Troops;" and 3rd place winners were Clay Patrick and Jerrin Kleeb with their "Cookie Monster" bale.

The Lions Club donated \$50 for 1st prize, \$25 for 2nd prize and \$10 for 3rd prize.

Alumni Banquet

Submitted by Mrs. Sherry Tetschner

Those attending the annual Wheeler County Alumni Banquet, May 26, 2018, at the New Gym in Bartlett, enjoyed a special evening of delicious food prepared and served by Kim Reiter's Uptown Cooking Creations. Many old acquaintances were renewed and school memories shared during the evening.

Honored classes and attendees: 1948 - Ellis Schrunk and Leola McCain; 1968 - Diana Lichenberg Lock, Cathy Palmer, Dianna Bock, Edd McCain, Ken Watson, Dixie Kruntorad, Gary Kasselder, Judy Harkins Brock, Eudeen Nichols, Frank Bittner and JP Schmeits; 1978 - Lu Plugge, Donna Oberg Keezer, Jim Swett, Dennis Pelster, Vikki Anderson Buhlman, Brenda Hixon Towns and Merry Koinzan Sprout; 1988 - Sid Mignery; 2003 - Anita Olson Ballagh, Travis Reich, Shelly Senn Kleeb, Rick Smith, Drew Kasselder and Sandy Smith Miller; 2018 - Neleigh Gehl, Logan Pelster and Carter Croxen.

Sandy Miller and Drew Kasselder were emcees from the class of 2003. Special speakers for the evening were Gary Kasselder from the class of 1968 and Seth Derner from the class of 1993. Shelly Kleeb and Anita Ballagh of the class of 2003 announced the winners of the door prizes. Traveling the most miles to the banquet was Rich Watson, from the class of

1969, who resides in Florida. Daryl Werkmeister, from the class of 1948, was the 25th person to sign in to the banquet. The oldest attending alumni member was Dale Dallege, from the class of 1945.

The banquet was put together by the 15 year alumni class of 2003. Their effort and time is much appreciated.

Blood Mobile

Submitted by Judy Janovec

Before I start this article I want to especially thank Marilyn Booth for graciously helping me with this blood drive on such short notice. A Certificate of Appreciation from the Red Cross was presented to Marilyn for the 2017 blood drive of which 107 units were collected.

The Bartlett American Red Cross Bloodmobile had a very successful day May 15, 2018, with 30 units of blood being collected for patient care with two donors being Power Red donors.

The following people stopped in to donate at the Old Gym in Bartlett: Marilyn Booth, Pauline Marker, Dale Hixson, Rick Koinzan, Kenneth Lidgett, Adrian Lindsay, Robert Nichols, Linda Peer, Delan Reed, Colleen Butterfield, Connie Plugge, Darla Hoerle, Shelia Luoma, Dennis Derner, Brock Dahlsten, Janet Dahlsten, Helen Plugge, Bill Spencer, Andrew Smith, Jerry Smith, Becky Hoffman, Rudy Smith, Kay Reineke, Vicki Vannier, William Kleeb, Louise Shermer, Kathy Snider, Alan Snider, Rod Olson, Emily Norrell, Susanne Deirks, Dennis Derner, Karen Kotrec, Rob Ita, Heidi Wid and Robin Castor.

Thank you to Lois Swanson for diligently assisting in setting up appointments for our next blood drive. Juice, water and packaged snacks were provided by the Red Cross. Bars were provided by the Lutheran and Methodist Churches

of Bartlett. A monetary donation for plates, silverware, etc. was made by the Ericson State Bank; the napkins and cups were donated by the Cornerstone Bank of Bartlett. Thank you Rudy Smith and all the students who helped in setting up or helped with the loading and unloading of the Red Cross van.

The American Red Cross notes its appreciation to Bartlett and the surrounding community members for their participation in giving a Life Saving gift.

THANK YOU again to all of our wonderful DONORS for a job well done!

The next bloodmobile will be at the Wheeler County Fairgrounds in Bartlett on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 from 12:30 to 5:00 pm. Remember - donors can save up to 15 minutes at their next appointment by using RAPID-PASS. Learn more about this at redcrossblood.org/RapidPass. Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in September.



ANNUAL MEETING INVITATION!

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

6:30 p.m. Social/Meal/Program

**4-H Building at Wheeler County
Fairgrounds
Bartlett, NE**

Main course provided.

Please bring salad or desert

Speakers Include

Candidates for Commissioner and Treasurer

RSVP

**by October 3 to Janna at (402) 694-8789
by calling or texting.**



REMINDER

The second half of the 2017 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes become delinquent on September 1st. The last day to pay, without interest charge, is Friday, August 31st.

Heidi Wid, Wheeler County Treasurer

Junk Jaunt - Junk Needed

Junk Jaunt will be in Ericson at the gym, on the last weekend in September.

We are making improvements at the gym, since there is a new roof.

Proceeds will go to the project.

All junk is welcome.

Kenneth Walker

Kenneth L. Walker, 70, of Bartlett, NE passed away Monday, August 20, 2018 at his home in Bartlett, Nebraska.

Per Ken's wishes he was cremated. There will be a Celebration of Life at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at Whistler's Pub and Grill, 200 E. O'Neill Ave., Greeley, NE.

Dolce-Scheef Mortuary of Spalding, NE is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.levanderfuneralhome.com.



Kenneth L. Walker

Kenneth LeRoy Walker, son of Ralph and Mildred (Gurnsey) Walker was born August 4, 1948 at Lincoln, NE. His family moved several places and Ken graduated from Cubberly Senior High at Palo Alto, California.

Kenneth worked for his parents at their gas station in Bartlett, and then moved to Texas. Kenneth was married to Jan and to this union Teddy was born, he later married Diane and Michael was born. In 1995 Ken moved back to Bartlett where he worked at Thunderbolt, and then later at Lindsay Irrigation and Manufacturing before retiring.

Ken was an avid motorcyclist, loved traveling, golf and playing pool. He loved various genres of music and spending time with friends and loved ones. Ken loved reading and movies, especially sci-fi.

Ken is survived by his sister Diane Gebers of Gretna, NE; son Michael Walker of Grand Island, NE; daughter Michelle Kitchens of Arlington, TX and grandsons Noah and Ryan Kitchens of Arlington, TX;

three nieces: Sonja (Gary) Weinrich of Grand Island, NE; Dawn Baillie of Grand Island, NE; Sarah (Eric) Nordhues of Gretna, NE; nephew Joshua (Jenny) McCain of Lincoln, NE; along with many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and son Teddy Walker.



MEETING MINUTES

Wheeler Central School Board

August 13, 2018

The Wheeler Central Board of Education regular meeting was held on August 13th, 2018. Chairman Patrick called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. She pointed out the location of the Open Meetings Poster. Members present were: Patrick, Race, Wright, Pokorny, Freouf, Olson, and recording secretary Wagner. Absent: Derner. Pokorny made motion to excuse Derner, Wright seconded. All aye.

Others present: Jay Johnson, Marcia Smith. Race moved to approve the August consent agenda and July minutes, Wright seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Patrick opened the meeting by welcoming visitors.

Mrs. Marcia Smith spoke in regard to the new Team-Mates Mentoring program.

Principal/ A.D. report by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson discussed some fall sports items. A proposed uniform rotation schedule was handed out. Mr. Johnson also discussed the student dress code policy.

Superintendent report by Mr. Olson. Mr. Olson made note on the grounds and facilities and the great job done by the maintenance crew. It was noted that speed bumps had been installed by the crosswalk on Randolph Street. It was discussed that radon testing had been done by Rudy and nothing was reported of concern. Preschool numbers were discussed. Mr. Olson noted that teachers and paras attended a number of workshops over the summer for professional development. It was reported that Wheeler Central was not a recipient of the Monsanto grant this year, but we will re-apply next year. Mr. Olson noted that he had spoke with Travis on the bus routes and nailed some things down for the school year. CWC Activity fund sheet handed out and expenses were discussed.

Brandi raised concern of the old gym outside and railing in-between the elementary buildings. Mr. Olson mentioned he would notify the maintenance crew and have the issues resolved.

In old business, final reading of Series 5000 Board Policy Updates. Pokorny made the motion to accept the 5000 Series Board Policy with revisions, Wright seconded.

Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Review of staff handbook. Item will be discussed at next meeting

Review of parent/student handbook. Item will be discussed at the next meeting.

In new business, first reading of the 6000 Series Board Policy revisions.

There was discussion on the 2018 Census Report, which was provided to the Board.

Update Corporate Authorization Resolution. Race made motion to approve Brandi Pokorny, Bethany Wagner, Rodney Olson, Jay Johnson, and Sue Patrick for all powers stated in the resolution, Wright seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Transfer \$2000 to CWC Fund. Freouf made motion to transfer \$2000 to the CWC Fund, Race seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Transfer of insurance money. Pokorny made the motion to transfer \$106,569.29 of insurance monies to the Special Building fund, Wright seconded. Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Closing of the bond fund. Race made the motion to transfer the remaining balance in the Bond fund to the General Fund, and to close the Bond Fund, Pokorny second. Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

Wright made the motion to enter executive session to protect public interest at 9:25 pm, Freouf seconded. All in favor.

Pokorny made the motion to exit executive session at 9:49 pm, Wright seconded. Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye, Wright aye, Derner absent.

It was noted that the Board would attend a Board Retreat event on Saturday, September 29 from 1 pm to 5 pm, with an alternate date of October 20th.

Pokorny made the motion to adjourn, Wright seconded. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m. Next regular meeting will be September 10th, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

CLAIMS

Activity Accounts, (230)Coaching classes (18.91)Office Supply (110.72)Postage (385)Guidance (186)Osmo-HAL (783)Elementary Furniture(33.15)FCS Supply(49.23)	
Secondary Textbooks	2533.24
Behren, Ron, ReVision Embroidery Machine	9969.95
Breakout, Inc., EDU Kit & Platform HAL Supply	150.00
Carolina, Secondary Supply	87.90
Cornerstone Bank, Payroll	82773.39
Edghill Motors, Mower Service	161.99
EMC Insurance, Insurance	4199.90
ESU #8, (15794.29)SPED (140)Executive Function (1342.61)Network Nebraska	17276.90
ETA Hand2Mind, Elementary Supply	79.78
Flinn Scientific, Secondary Supply	316.19
Goodheart Wilcox, FCS Textbooks	49.23
Heart Smart, AED	1577
Holt Co Independent, 18-19 Periodical Renewal	45.00
Hometown Leasing, Copier Lease	800.75
Honorbound IT, Network	299.00

Hubel Iron, Shop Supply	39.00
J & J Sanitation, Trash Service	628.16
Kasselder, Diane, Fuel	43.23
Lakeshore, (397.78)Elementary Supply (152.89)HAL	550.67
Loup Valley RPPD, Electricity	1427.52
MCI, Phone Service	55.26
McGraw Hill Education, (281.68)Elementary Textbooks (1352.81)Reading Mastery Workbooks	1634.49
Mendez Foundation, Guidance Supply	287.21
NCSA, Olson- Administrator Days	195.00
NETA, NETA Conference	169.00
NNTC, Phone Service(44.80)Daycare Phone	285.65
Nordhues, Paul, Grounds Maintenance	200.00
Nordhues, Ranotta, Mileage	277.95
Norfolk Daily News, Subscription Renewal 18-19	150.00
ONeill Pest Control, Pest Service	400.00
Owens, Katie, SPED Service	1863.59
Quill, Secondary Supply	317.17
Petska Backhoe & Plumbing, Plumbing Service	2063.86
Reiter, Makayla, (15)Daycare (40)Faculty Meal	54.00
Resources for Educators, Subscript. Renew - PreK	115.00
Scholastic, Elementary Periodical Renewal	475.22
Sundown Electric, Electrical Service	413.65
SyncB/Amazon, Maintenance Supply	124.90
TMS, Implementation & Training Fee	1500.00
Viaero, Phone Service	113.10
We Mart, Fuel & Oil	447.32
Zaner Bloser, Elementary Workbooks	294.17
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$134,151.17

PAYROLL

Blue Cross Blue Shield, Health Ins.	\$31,963.10
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**Village of Bartlett
August 13, 2018**

The Village of Bartlett board met in regular session on August 13, 2018 at the Village Office, 425 Randolph St. Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Nordhues at 7:05 p.m. Members present were: Reiter, Nichols, Tetschner. Absent: Williamson. Also present: Vicki Vannier, village clerk. Notices of the regular monthly meeting was given in advance by posting at the following: Bartlett Post Office, WeMart, and the Village Office. Vice-Chairman, Nordhues proclaimed the meetings to be a legal meeting and acknowledged that the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room.

MINUTES: It was moved by Tetschner and seconded by Nichols to approve the amended minutes. Motion carried.

SIRENS: Were not tested.
Chairman, Williamson arrived at 7:10 p.m.

STREETS: Were discussed and the clerk was directed to look into the cost of armor-coating.

WATER: Was discussed. The Village received a letter from DHHS Public Drinking Water Program because of 2 positive water samples of coliform in a 12 month period. A Level 2 Assessment will be performed by a Field Service Representative.

SEWER: Sewer issues were discussed. We will try to get a camera to view the system.

USER FEES: Were discussed.

AUGUST CLAIMS: Claims were discussed. It was moved by Nichols, seconded by Tetschner to pay the claims. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: The second reading of Ordinance 7.9.18 was read. Roll Call Vote for: Reiter, Nichols, Tetschner, Nordhues, Williamson. Roll Call Vote against: None Second reading passed.

EXPENDITURES:

J & J Sanitation, Dumpster	\$536.40
J & J Sanitation, Trash pickup	\$1,373.00
Internal Revenue Service, monthly payments	\$83.90
Northeast Nebraska Telephone, Telephone & internet	\$149.10
Nordhues Family, mowing & picking up tree limbs	\$450.00
McNally, James, Ordinance Preparation	\$75.00
Glenn Tetschner, Monthly Board Expense	\$50.00
Glenn Tetschner, mow tree dump	\$50.00
Glenn Tetschner, Spray for mosquitoes	\$100.00
Doug Reiter, Monthly Board Expense	\$50.00
Doug Reiter, Spray for mosquitoes	\$100.00
Paul Nordhues, Monthly Board Expense	\$50.00
Dan Williamson, Monthly Board Expense	\$50.00
Letti Nichols, Monthly Board Expense	\$50.00
Vicki Vannier, Monthly Salary	\$218.05
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSE:	\$3,385.45
SEWER:	
Loup Valley Public Power, electricity	\$43.56
Municipal Chemical Supply, enzymes	\$300.00
Van Diest Supply Company, evolver	\$362.50
Dan Williamson, mowing lagoon	\$80.00
TOTAL SEWER EXPENSE:	\$786.06

STREET:

Loup Valley Public Power, electricity	\$829.40
Glenn Tetschner, Street repairs	\$110.00
Midwest Service & Sales Co., street signs	\$152.60
WE Mart, fuel	\$87.18
TOTAL STREET EXPENSE:	\$1,179.18

WATER:

Loup Valley Public Power, meter loop attached	\$755.31
Loup Valley Public Power, electricity	\$328.58
O'Neill Electric Motor Service, generator switch install	\$2,831.45
Layne Christensen, Well testing	\$330.50
Central District Health Dept., water tests	\$46.50
Becky Smith, postage for water tests	\$130.25
Rudy Smith, Professional fee	\$100.00
Jeremy Eschliman, Professional fee	\$100.00
TOTAL WATER EXPENSE:	\$4,622.59

GRAND TOTAL OF EXPENDITURES: \$9,973.28

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, 10 September 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

**Village of Ericson
August 6, 2018**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Ericson, Nebraska met in regular and open session August 6, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. at the Village Hall. It was noted that the open

meetings law is posted in the meeting room.

Notice of the meeting was given to the public by posting of notice in three public places within the Village: Post Office, M & M 'C' Store and Ericson State Bank.

Present: Duane Waddle, and Jerry Horwart. Absent: Marty Seamann and Kay Johnson. Also present: Donice Woodworth and Judy Janovec.

Motion made by Jerry Horwart, second by William Curry to approve the July 2, 2018 minutes as published. Kay Johnson - Absent, Jerry Horwart - Yes, Duane Waddle - Yes, Marty Seamann - Absent, William Curry - Yes. Motion Carried.

CLAIMS:

Loup Valley Rural Public Power, Electricity	\$1,002.53
J & J Sanitation, Garbage	890.99
Jack Poulsen, Salary	125.00
Kay Johnson, Cleaning Hall, Restrooms/Wage	75.00
Duane Waddle, Wage	25.00
Jerry Horwart, Wage, Sewer, Mowing	100.00
William Curry, Wage	25.00
Marty Seamann, Wage, Mowing	675.00
Jeremy Eschliman, Water	100.00
Rudy Smith, Water	100.00
The Burwell Tribune, Advertising	20.21
Central District Health Dept, Water Tests	46.50
Robert Swett, Mowing	375.00
City of Burwell, Clean Sewer	321.20
G3 Contracting, Sprinkler Repair	692.76
Layne Christensen Company, Test Wells	495.00

Motion was made by William Curry, second by Jerry Horwart to pay all claims. Kay Johnson - Absent, Jerry Horwart - Yes, Duane Waddle - Yes, Marty Seamann - Absent, William Curry - Yes. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by William Curry, second by Jerry Horwart to accept bid from Overhead Door for a door opener for \$1,161.00. Village will be responsible for electric. Kay Johnson - Absent, Jerry Horwart - Yes, Duane Waddle - Yes, Marty Seamann - Absent, William Curry - Yes. Motion Carried.

No other business coming before the Board, motion by William Curry, second by Jerry Horwart to adjourn. MCU.

**Wheeler County Commissioners
July 31, 2018**

The Wheeler County Commissioners met in regular session on this date at 8:00 a.m. Notice of the meeting was published and posted as required by law. Answering roll call were Commissioners Jack Poulsen, Jim Hoerle, and Mark Landgren. Also present were Clerk Cara Snider, County Attorney Jim McNally, and Sheriff Adrian Lindsay. Jeremy Funk, Rick Funk, Steve Knievel, Darth Lenz, Doug Pokorny, Mike Rasmussen, Kellee Rasmussen.

Chairman Poulsen identified the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Poster located on the Commissioners' board on the south wall and made reference to the open law literature available on the Commissioners' room

table. The Clerk asked for the approval of the June 2018 proceedings and all Commissioners approved the proceedings as presented.

Fees from the various county offices were reviewed and approved for the month of June 2018. The claims were audited and approved as follows:

GENERAL FUND

Payroll,	
\$20,055.27	
AFLAC, insurance	52.92
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., insurance	128.80
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,005.29
Appera, service	68.10
Burwell Tribune, publishing	5.91
Colliers Landscaping & Lawn Care, service	210.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, support	293.32
Delta Dental, insurance	220.47
Doerr & Klein, PC, court appointed attorney	1,033.51
Ericson State Bank, payroll w/h	5,375.22
G-L-W Extension Service, support	1,864.13
Geoland Management, LLC, service	400.00
Terry Harpster, veterans mtg mileage	28.34
Holt Co. Treasurer, veterans service contract	366.67
Howard Co. Clerk, share of Dist. Court expense	577.98
Roger Johnson, veterans mtg mileage	15.26
Larry Kaczor, veterans mtg mileage	8.72
Krotter Law Group, court appointed attorney	3,914.04
Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker, mtg lodging	198.00
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power Dist., service	302.21
James McNally, clerical/rent	2,100.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc., equipment rent	60.00
Mid Nebraska Individual Services, support	818.00
MIPS, Inc., support/computer	3,538.12
MM C Store, sheriff fuel	261.54
Mutual of Omaha, insurance	283.53
Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, payroll w/h	682.89
Nordhues Family, mowing	320.00
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., service	530.77
Office Net, supplies	64.24
Peoples Service, service	134.59
Presto-X, service	44.56
Quill Corporation, supplies	463.02
Region III Administration, support	521.87
Cara Snider, mtg expense	130.80
Spalding Enterprise, publishing	25.50
Staples Credit Plan, supplies	79.86
Ken Stenka, veterans mtg mileage	43.60
United Healthcare Insurance Co., insurance	14,472.42
Verizon Wireless, service	107.74
Village of Bartlett, quarterly water	486.99
We Mart, sheriff fuel	976.55
Wheeler Co. Sheriff Dept., sheriff fee	88.25
Wheeler Co. Treasurer, postage	50.00

ROAD FUND

Payroll,	
\$20,595.60	
AB Recovery, w/h	390.90
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., insurance	55.36
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,085.75
Appera, service	25.95
Bartlett Post Office, postage	50.00
Caterpillar Financial Services, grader payment	14,767.68
CNH Industrial Capital, repairs	329.42
Country Partners, weed chemicals	1,632.00

Delta Dental, insurance	133.39
Emme Sand & Gravel, gravel	208.00
Ericson State Bank, payroll w/h	6,228.02
Greenline Equipment, repairs	22.86
Kayton International, repairs	84.06
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power Dist., service	162.72
Midwest Service & Sales Co., repairs	52.40
Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, payroll w/h	889.66
Nebraska Machinery Co., repairs	3,479.91
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., service	105.40
Peoples Service, tires	4,265.25
Powerplan, repairs	1,116.85
Doug Reiter, supplies reimbursement	20.32
Ryan's Truck & Tractor, repairs	444.67
Sapp Brothers Petroleum, diesel	10,682.48
The Parts Bin, Inc., repairs	113.19
Ulrich Gravel, gravel	28,935.92
United Healthcare Insurance Co., Insurance	11,674.41
We Mart, fuel	1,364.83

Snider presented the Sheriff's quarterly report. The report was reviewed as presented.

Veteran's quarterly report was presented and reviewed.

Snider presented the budget expenses. The board reviewed them as presented.

Snider mentioned there was a roof leak over the men's restroom. Snider is to contact local contractors to see if it is fixable or if we need to find a bigger company to fix the roof leak.

Snider presented the inventories held by the various county officials. The board reviewed and approved the inventories as presented.

Lenz visited with the board in regards to 3/4 of a mile of a minimum maintained road. Lenz said that Herd Co and Paul Leslie would be willing to help out on costs as Lenz is farming their ground. Lenz said he would personally fix the road, if the county would compensate for his work. McNally said that he would check into seeing if the county can use federal funds to fix a minimum maintenance road, and report back at the next meeting.

Jeremy and Rick Funk visited with the board about the trees that are overhanging the roads. It is the land owners responsibility to keep them trimmed and out of the road ways. They also asked about mowing the grass along roads, that as well is the land owner's responsibility. McNally stated that if he gets documentation that the trees and grass issues aren't being taken care of he will send out letters and enforce the issue. Funk also discussed the possibility of them (the Funks) maintaining Sunnyside Road. He said he would charge the county \$700 a week for 2 passes over the road. The board has decide to table this topic until further notice.

Knieval wanting to know if the counties policy on working minimum maintenance roads. He said they use the road for their equipment to farm their land. The board said they would send someone out to look at the project and get back to Knieval.

Snider presented NIRMA Road Department Inspection. After reviewing McNally stated that he would be updating the personnel policy manual and have it ready for review at next meeting.

Rasmussen's were present and presented their plan to build a Poultry Breeder House in the northwest corner of the southeast quarter of section 11 township 21 range 11. The board recessed the meeting in regard to this issue until 4:00 p.m. to give the County Attorney time to review the setback and other requirements.

At 4:00 p.m. Poulsen reconvened the meeting for consideration of the Rasmussen application and other matters.

McNally reported that there was no change done to the Class I feeding operations. The setbacks for a Class I feeding operation are 1/2 mile north and south and 1/4 mile east and west. This change was done on February 20, 2008. McNally further informed the Board and the Rasmussens that their application would first have to go before the Planning Commission for a public hearing and then back to the County Board for another public hearing before the application for a conditional use could be approved.

Hoerle made a motion to refer the Rasmussen application to the Planning Commission for action, seconded by Landgren. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Landgren, and Poulsen. Voting nay: none.

Poulsen made a motion to appoint Doug Reiter as an interim Road Foreman, seconded by Landgren. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Poulsen, Landgren, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Landgren made a motion to hire Rick Funk to maintain the Sunnyside Road for the months of August and September. Poulsen seconded Landgren's motion. On roll call

by the Clerk voting aye: Landgren, Poulsen, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

No other business coming before the Board of Commissioners, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 4:41 pm.

Cara Snider, County Clerk

Jack Poulsen, Board Chairman

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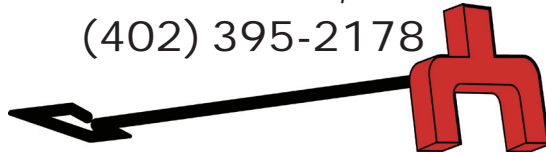


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