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Tidbits

Shooting case turned over to district court

Michael Lewis, 21, was in Thayer County Court Monday morning for new charges — three counts of terroristic threats and three counts for using a deadly weapon.

The charges stem from a party in Davenport Oct. 26. Later into the early morning hours of Oct. 27, Lewis shot Reuben, 33 and Remington Elting, 29, after an altercation at his home. He faced two charges related to the shooting of Reuben, which were dismissed last week in Thayer County District Court.

Monday, the case with the new charges was turned over to district court. Lewis, whose bond has been continued from the first case, was ordered to appear in district court June 4 at 9:30 a.m.

Send in Memorial Day ceremony information

Communities in Thayer County are welcome to send Memorial Day Ceremonies schedules, along with guest speakers to the Hebron Journal-Register at hebronjrnews@windstream.net.

All information received will be published in the May 22 issue.

Humanities Nebraska at Courtyard Terrace

"Echoes of an Era" will be presented by Paul Siebert through Humanities Nebraska May 15 at 2 p.m., in the Courtyard Terrace Activity Room.

Using the Nebraska State Seal and Flag as a backdrop, Siebert will present a musical living history program of a family's journey from Russia to Nebraska in the 1870's. Siebert will use seven different acoustic instruments.

Recycling Center open May 18

The Hebron Recycling Center will be open May 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The center is located at 5th and Holdrege Streets and is open every third Saturday.

Accepted are No. 1 and No. 2 plastic, tin, aluminum, newspapers and cardboard.

No lids or motor oil bottles will be accepted.

Bowling meeting set for May 23

A community meeting to discuss the future of bowling in Hebron will hold a meeting May 23 at 7 p.m. in the Hebron Activity Center.

Anyone is welcome to attend.

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Larsen, Esther, 103

Powell, Duane, 84

Simonton, LaDonna, 74



Thayer Central graduates 39

Shevin Solomon waits for the Pomp and Circumstance to begin at Thayer Central's graduation May 11. Class Valedictorian was Holly Timmerman, the daughter of Kyle and Kris Timmerman. Salutatorians were Maggie Harris, daughter of Drew and Amy Harris and Jarod Hergott, son of Joe and Audra Hergott. The class motto was "If we wait until we're ready, we'll be waiting for the rest of our lives," a quote by Lemony Snicket (Daniel Handler). Class colors were coral and navy blue. The flower was Coral Dahlia, and sponsors were teachers, Betty Meyer, Deb Bulin, Andy Long and Justin Bomar.



Photo by Ryan Waters

Deshler graduates 19

The Deshler Public Schools Class of 2019 took the stage May 11 to receive their diplomas and remember Jaide Miller, a classmate who died in December. The Class song was "You're Gonna Miss This" by Trace Adkins. The motto was "We know what we are, but know not what we may be," by William Shakespeare. Colors for the class were royal blue and yellow. The sunflower served as the class flower, and Breann Haney and Joan Unruh were the class sponsors. Officers were Peyton Dubbert as president; Paige Kniep, vice president; and Leah Schmidt, treasurer. Hutch Finke introduced the class for the ceremony.

James spent three months in jail

For shooting with intent to kill John Dobson, Frank James, who had used Jesse James' name as an alias, was sentenced to three months in jail, "kept in labor for and during the period of three months," and a \$100 fine.

The sentence was handed down by Judge W.E. Goodhue in 1889, and was for assault and battery.

On March 5, 1990, James petitioned the court at 5:35 p.m., "25 minutes to 6 o'clock P.M." to release him from the Thayer County Jail. The court figured James could pay the fine sitting in jail for \$3 per day, but granted James his freedom because "after diligent search, was unable to find any goods or real estate belonging" to James.

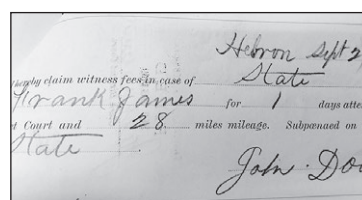
His attorney was J.S. Fisk, and the sheriff was R.J. Town, different from the year before when W.J. Green had arrested James.

The Hebron Journal-Register notes the early cases found in Thayer County records do not verify Frank James was Jesse James' brother, or even related to the infamous duo, therefore, the headline on last week's story, "Frank James used dead brothers name as an alias" was inappropriate.

In another early court case, John Wilson, A.A. Mead and Fred Mack were charged for a burglary that occurred June 19, 1891 "about the hour of twelve in the night season of the same day in said county...a certain stone house of W.A. Camp."

The court record stated the men unlawfully, feloniously, willfully, maliciously and forcibly did break and enter to "carry away the goods of said W.A. Camp."

They "carried away" 12 pairs of men's shoes, 12 men's soft fur hats, 37 pairs of men's ready made



wool pants and shirts, 12 silk hem stitched hankchiefs, eight gentlemen's silk neck scarfs and 85 cents in nickel and silver pieces "lawful money of the United States of the value of two hundred and seventy-five dollars," and other items.

On June 30, 1891, a warrant was issued and the three men were arrested with car fare costing \$17.45; telegrams and board at \$100; and the arrest for \$3. All three pled not guilty and entered into a \$1,000 recognizance promising to appear in court to answer the complaint against them.

Meyer leaving after 27 years

By Nancy McGill
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Veteran teachers pack a healthy amount of history in the education system, and after 44 years with 27 spent in the district that became Thayer Central, 1972 Hebron graduate, Betty Meyer, recalls driving down to Chester for the middle school.

"At that time, we had K-2 here, 3-5 in the intermediate, 6-8 at Chester and high school here," she said about the classes. "We were a unified district. We used to go back and forth to all the buildings. It's just nice to be able to walk across the parking lot."

Meyer taught in Bruning, Lincoln and Omaha before making her way back home to farm with husband, Steve. She has her masters degrees in music education and library science, along with a degree in early childhood, and undergraduates in elementary education and vocal music.

Simply put, Meyer likes learning, and she applies that philosophy to students.

"You find a kid's interest to get them to read," she said. "I'm open to suggestions and try to purchase the books they want because they'll come back. We need to get them hooked."

Meyer schedules authors to visit the library and spend time with the students, and helps pay for the visits with proceeds from the Scholastic Book Fair she coordinates.

"That way, the proceeds benefit our kids and doesn't go somewhere else," she said.

She also runs a themed reading incentive program from January to April, and rewards students who strive to meet the program's four

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Jacobson takes next step in life

By Nancy McGill
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Several of Thayer Central's veteran teachers have reached new stages in their lives, and Diane Jacobson is already there — she spends weekends in Lincoln, where her grandchildren live. Husband, Vic, is there most of the week.

They're at a time in their lives they can help out. Jacobson plans to be in Lincoln more after she retires this year, and take more trips with Vic.

She met him when she first started teaching in Hebron 39 years ago. Back then, he taught the fifth and sixth grades.

"I came to Hebron single. We fell in love and were married the next summer," she said.

Jacobson continued the educational tradition she had grown up in with her marriage to Vic. Both parents taught — her mom was a librarian and dad, a superintendent in her hometown of Neligh and in Kansas as well.

Her passion is first grade because she sees the change from kindergarten — students on the verge of developing attention spans, and preparing to become independent learners.

Jacobson's years at Thayer Central included all the milestones of transitioning from Hebron Elementary, and phasing in the preschool, along with moving from the primary building on Lincoln Avenue to

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Collins and Kniep receive Aksarben scholarships

The Aksarben Foundation has proudly awarded scholarships to hard-working, deserving heartland youth for over sixty years. In the early 2000's, Aksarben began a partnership with the Horatio Alger Association, one of the nation's largest need-based college scholarship programs in the country, opening the door to reach even more students across Nebraska and western Iowa.

Each year, fifty new Aksarben | Horatio Alger State (4-year) scholarships are awarded for a total of 200 or more students benefitting from these awards, annually. These fifty students are selected from hundreds of applications received by Aksarben's Women's Ball Committee. The committee reviews and selects students based upon exhibited determination, integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity while achieving high academic advancement and leadership potential.

Valued up to \$10,000 and matched by local colleges and universities, such as the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Creighton University, College of Saint Mary, Bellevue University and Metropolitan Community College, each of these

scholarships are awarded to students who have pledged to attend a college or university within the state of Nebraska.

These Aksarben | Horatio Alger State Scholarships are funded entirely by the Aksarben Foundation, through generous donations raised at the Aksarben Ball and to the Foundation directly. "We are honored to be able to assist these hard-working, deserving students on the path to realizing their dreams," says Aksarben Foundation president, Sandra Reding.

In addition to the Aksarben | Horatio Alger State Scholarships, roughly 100 lucky students are awarded The National Scholarship. National Scholars receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. during the spring of their senior year to participate in the National Scholars Conference and are awarded scholarships valued at up to \$25,000. Aksarben was honored to attend the 72nd Annual Horatio Alger Awards in Washington D.C. and celebrate this accomplishment with this year's Nebraska National Scholar, Jaidan Hanshaw of Papillion.

Among those receiving scholarships were Andi Collins of Deshler and Paige Kniep of Deshler.

Kids Archery Clinic to be held at Lovewell

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism is observing "Kids to Parks" Day, on May 18, and Lovewell State Park is hosting a Kids Archery Clinic for the event. The Kids Archery Clinic will provide an educational opportunity for kids interested in learning about archery.

Pre-registration is encouraged but not required. Interested participants can call the Lovewell State Park office at (785) 753-4971, or stop in during business hours.

Lovewell State Park staff will host clinic sessions at Lovewell State Park Archery Range beginning at 2 p.m. In these sessions participants will learn about archery equipment, safety, and shooting skills.

Some equipment will be available, made possible through the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and

Tourism Hunter Education Program; however, participants are encouraged to bring their own equipment if they have it. A valid state park permit is required to enter the state park, daily permits are \$5 and an annual vehicle permit is available for \$25.

An Amphibians and Reptiles program previously scheduled for this date has been cancelled due to scheduling difficulties. Questions should be directed to the Lovewell State Park Office at (785) 753-4971.

If notified in advance, the department will have an interpreter available for the hearing impaired. To request an interpreter, call the TDD Service at 1-800-766-3777. Any individual with a disability may request other accommodations by contacting Lovewell State Park at (785) 753-4971.

Reinke awards scholarships to three area students

Reinke Manufacturing is proud to announce that it has awarded the Reinke Employee/Student Scholarship to three area high school seniors as part of its Reinke Scholarship Program. This marks the 15th year of the Reinke Scholarship Program, which includes both the Community Scholarship and the Employee/Student Scholarship.

The Reinke Employee/Student Scholarship Program awards a total of three \$1,000 scholarships to children of Reinke employees. This year's scholarship recipients are:

- Alexia Fayle - She is the daughter of Rick and Lori Fayle of Deshler. She will graduate from Deshler Public School and attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this fall. She plans to study business administration. Her father is a group leader for welding and her mother and mother is a galvanizing planner/scheduler supervisor.

- McKenzie Johnson - She is the daughter of Dennis and Carol Johnson of Hebron. She will graduate from Thayer Central High School and plans to study broadcasting at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. His father, Dennis, is a galvanizing scheduling assistant with Reinke.

- Sydney Roth - She is the daughter of Chris and Kim Roth. Sydney graduates from Deshler Public School with plans to study elementary education at Doane University. Her father, Chris, is president of Reinke.

The Reinke Manufacturing Employee/Student Scholarship Program is administered by Scholarship Management Services, a program of Scholarship America, the nation's largest nonprofit private sector scholarship and educational support organization. The

organization selected the recipients of the scholarships based on the standard Scholarship America criteria, including academic performance, demonstrated leadership, participation in school and community activities, work experience, extenuating personal or family circumstances, an outside appraisal and a statement of career and educational goals and aspirations.



Alexia Fayle



McKenzie Johnson



Sydney Roth

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The recipients of the Reinke Community Scholarship will receive a \$500 scholarship. This year's scholarship recipients are:

- Brody Carlgren is the son of Troy and Allison Carlgren. He will graduate from Pike Valley High School and plans to attend Southeast Community College in Beatrice. He is undecided on a major.

- Hutch Finke is the son of Scott of Marla Finke. He will graduate from Deshler Public Schools with plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to study agriculture/agribusiness.

- Toriann Likens is the daughter of Tony and Lana Likens. She will graduate from Fairbury High School and plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to study agriculture/agribusiness.

- Glenn Meyer is the son of Verrill and Jodi Meyer. He will graduate from the Bruning-Davenport School District and plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to study agriculture/agribusiness.

- Megan Miller is the daughter of Arnold and Dayna Miller. She will graduate from Superior High School and plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to study agriculture/agribusiness.

- Zachary Parde is the son of Josh and Nicol Parde. He will graduate from Republican County High School and plans to attend Fort Hays State University to study business administration.

- Boone Svoboda is the son of Arnold and Teresa Svoboda. He will graduate from Lawrence/Nelson Public Schools and plans to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to study agriculture/agribusiness.

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Card of Thanks

The family of Joanne Grone would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and concern shown during the three weeks of Joanne's illness and surgery.

We appreciate the care and efforts of the staff at Thayer County Health Services and the kindness, generosity, food, flowers, cards, and support of friends, family, church, and community after Joanne's passing.

Joanne was a quiet, kind, and loving person, who will be greatly missed.

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Sports



Deshler qualifies two out of three-man team

Hutch Finke and Adam Roth qualified for the Class D Boys Golf Championship at Lake Maloney in North Platte May 21-22.

The 18-hole Championship first round begins May 21 at 9:30 a.m. The second round will be May 22.

Finke earned fourth place at 90 and Roth finished in sixth place with a 95.

"The boys had a great day for district golf in Grand Island," Coach Andy Brenn said. "District golf can always be a little nerve racking because anyone who's out on the course wants to place in the top 10. With that being said, you have to play your game and be mentally strong."

The Dragons golf three — Finke, Roth and Peyton Dubbert. Brenn is excited to send two out of three.

"Adam and Hutch are very familiar with the course in North Platte, so I'm expecting some good results from those two boys," he said.

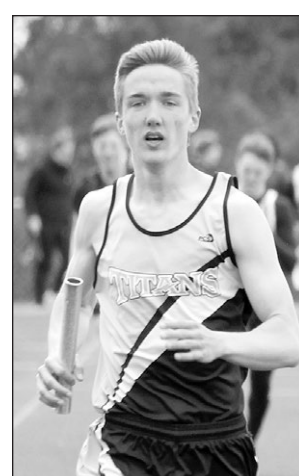
The golf team was two men short for the Thayer Central Invite May 9 at Hebron Country Club.

That gave Deshler a lone golfer at the invite — Adam Roth, and Roth pushed himself in cold and windy conditions to place second with an 87. The meet was postponed until May 9 because of inclement weather May 8.

"With the meet being pushed back to Thursday, Hutch (Finke) and Peyton (Dubbert) had other obligations to take care of and attend at the school," Coach Andy Brenn said.

Roth did a nice job playing through chilly weather and handling adversity, he added.

"He didn't have his best front 9 score, but he played very smart on the back 9. He competed against some bigger schools that we're used to seeing and did a great job," Brenn said.



RETURNING state qualifiers, Trey Fischer, Dylan Fischer, Keegan Casey and Zach Koss crossed the finish line first in the 3200 relay and Phillip Price, Dylan Fischer, Casey and Koss nabbed first place in the 1600 relay. Dylan Fischer was a substitute for the 3200 relay team last year. Price also qualified for state in the 110 hurdles.

Titan boys run ahead of tough teams

The Thayer Central Titan boys' team competed at an "extremely high level" during the C7 district meet for track and field May 9.

Coach Bryan Solomon said he believes the Titans won their ninth district title at the meet in Sandy Creek that will see Titans from the girls' and boys' teams, and one extra, Madelynn Wells in the low 300 hurdles, compete for state medals.

Coach Deb Vorderstrasse said Wells had one of the six fastest times across all districts at 49.39.

Boys who qualified for the state meet at Omaha Burke High School May 17-18 were Kevin Burd (long jump, 18 feet, 10.25 inches); Trey Fischer, Keegan Casey, Dylan Fischer and Zach Koss (3200 relay, 8:31.68); Phillip Price, Dylan Fischer, Casey and Koss (1600 relay, 3:37.27); Koss also qualified in the 400 (53.16) and in the 800 (2:05.57); Price (110 hurdles, 15.69) and Damian Stewart in the 3200 run (10:39.34).

Qualifiers for the girls' team are Mikenzy Andersen

(Pole vault, 9 feet, 4 inches); Emily Welch (Shot put, 39 feet, 9 inches and in as an automatic mark qualifier); Chloe Souerdyke (High jump, 5 feet, 1 inch); and Katelyn Richardson in the 800 (2:28.90).

Out of the qualifiers for the boys' team, Trey Fischer, Casey, Dylan Fischer, Koss, and Damian Stewart will once again take their starting position on the state track.

"These boys don't like to lose," Solomon said about the running performances at the district meet. "If it is going to be a tight race, they embrace that challenge of going out and trying to win."

Every point during the meet matters, Solomon added.

"I know the firsts and seconds are nice, but it is typically your other points that end up leading to team titles," he said.

Efforts made at the meet meant company for Burd in the long jump. He was one of three Titan jumpers competing — Luke Wiedel and Hayden Luttrell came in

right after Burd in third and fourth, respectively.

"They were separated by one-half inch for the spot for state," Solomon said.

Price's efforts nearly won him a slot in the 300 hurdles, but he tripped.

"He was running in first. He came back to run a good first leg in helping the mile relay qualify," Solomon said.

Seniors on the team, Burd, Casey, Dylan Fischer, Koss, Damian Stewart, Price, Keith Hergott, Jarod Hergott, Isaiah Keilwitz and Shevin Solomon have provided quite a bit of leadership for the younger athletes this season.

"This has been a special group. They will be missed, but greatly appreciated for all of their time and commitment put into Thayer Central Track and Field," Solomon said.

Vorderstrasse said the girls qualified under pressure from tough teams.

Welch enters the state competition as one of the best six throwers out of the Thayer Central's district.

"She is five out of the top six throwers. All came out of our district, so she has already competed against them," Vorderstrasse said.

Chloe Souerdyke should earn a place at state in the high jump (Souerdyke returns from last year, where she crossed over the bar at 5 feet for fourth place), and a vault of 10 feet would put Andersen in place as well.

"She has vaulted the 10-foot height several times this season. Again, if she can focus on fundamentals, she should be able to vault more than 10 feet," Vorderstrasse said.

Richardson ran a good 800 at districts, and placed second. The returning state qualifier in the 800 hit her split marks on the district track so she didn't get boxed in. She is also a returning state qualifier in the 800.

Wells is sitting in a good position in her heat at state. She has a chance of making the finals.

"She had the most personal bests achieved on the team this season," Vorderstrasse said.



Adam Roth and Hutch Finke will tee off at the state golf tournament in North Platte next week.

Varsity golfers set for district meet

The home meet for the Thayer Central golfers didn't have ideal conditions — winds were 20 to 30 miles per hour and temperatures were cold.

Neither individual golfers nor the team placed.

"We have to take better advantage on our own course," Coach Trey Strong said.

The C1 district meet was scheduled for Tuesday at Woodland Hills Golf Course in Eagle. Teams in Thayer Central's district

were Centennial; Elmwood-Murdock; Fillmore Central; Humboldt-Table Rock-Steinauer; Johnson County Central; Lincoln Christian; Lincoln Lutheran; Milford; Palmyra; Southern; Superior; Sutton; and Syracuse.

Strong said the weather looked promising for the meet and the five varsity players were Jackson Feulner, Bailey Kiburz, Logan Wiedel, Carter Miller and Joel Kayser.



Photo by Brett Larson

Bailey Kiburz is one of five varsity golfers who competed in Class C1 district golf Tuesday.



Mike Edgecombe/JR Photo

Carter Miller prepares for the shot during Thayer Central's only home meet of the season May 9.



The Thayer Central Boys track and field team won the C7 district title at Sandy Creek May 9. The boys had 100 points. Second place was Doniphan Trumbull with 74 points. Coming in third was Sutton with 62 points.

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