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## **Health**

### **-Autism Patients Could Receive Coverage**

Nebraska's Medicaid program will begin behavioral modification services for children with autism. The move comes after the state was sued in two-thousand twelve for denying such coverage. The department of health and human services lifted that restriction in October two-thousand fifteen. Vicki Depenbusch with the autism Family Network says Medicaid covering some treatments, like Applied Behavioral Analysis is a long time coming. Depenbusch says some private insurers still do not cover ABA for children with autism. She says getting that coverage is the next big step needed to help those affected with the disorder. Getting federal approval for the Medicaid coverage was the final step in the stat's framework, according to Calder Lynch director of the DHHS Division of Medicaid and long term care. Services approved for coverage include day treatment, community treatment aide, and outpatient therapy.

Daily News Break; 4-13-16; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P; :30

### **-Zika Virus Has History**

World health experts are saying the Zika virus is scarier than they originally thought. Dr. Mark Rupp is a professor of internal medicine, infectious disease division at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and says we've known about the Zika virus since the nineteen-forties, but has not been well studied. He says we are starting to understand it has real problems in pregnancy and can cause microcephaly in babies and other birth defects. He says they are now looking to see is the virus causes complications in adults. People need to take precautions against mosquito bites and use repellent, keep standing water off their property and wear long sleeves and pants. He is also encouraged by work being done to genetically modify mosquito's so they can't breed or if they do the offspring die immediately.

Daily News Break; 4-14-16, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P :15

## **Education**

### **-Civics Class a Requirement for Graduation**

Nebraska University President Hank Bounds has announced his selection for the next chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Dr. Ronnie Green. An announcement ceremony was held at the Van Brunt Visitors Center in Lincoln. Dr. Green is currently the University of Nebraska vice president for agriculture and natural resources, Harlan Vice Chancellor for the UNL interim senior vice chancellor for academic affairs. Green has been with the university since two thousand-ten. He is a first generation college graduate originally from Fincastle Vermont. If confirmed by the board of regents during it's May twenty-fifth meeting, Green would succeed Chancellor Harvey Perlman who stepping down after more than a decade as chancellor.

Daily News Break; 4-7-2016; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

### -Welcoming Ceremony Held for U.N. Chancellor Hank Bounds

It's high praise for University of Nebraska president, Hank Bounds from Governor Pete Ricketts. The governor spoke at the investiture ceremony to formally welcome Bounds as the N.U. systems leader. Ricketts says Nebraska can solve some of the world's most pressing problems, and Bounds is the visionary leader who can bring the state's brightest minds together to accomplish that. Two dozen speakers honored Bounds last week including University of southern Mississippi president Rodney Bennett who says Bounds' leadership style and experience will help Nebraska succeed, Bounds is the seventh president at the University of Nebraska.

Daily News Break; 4-18-2016; 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

## **Government**

### -Governor Opposes Bill to Allow Professional Licenses to Illegal Immigrants

Governor Pete Ricketts opposes a bill that would allow those brought into the country as children by illegal immigrants to obtain professional occupation licenses. There are over one hundred and fifty professions that require licenses ranging from teachers, doctors, barbers, and lawyers. Nebraska lawmakers gave first round approval to the bill. Governor Ricketts says he doesn't have problems enforcing laws that are passed, He says the issue he has is making exceptions to undermine the rule of law by rewarding people who broke the law. Lawmakers gave first round approval to the bill last week. There are two more rounds of voting before it lands on Governor Ricketts' desk.

Daily New Break; 4-4-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P :30

### -Restrictions of Seizures Bill Nearing Passage

A bill nearing passage in the state legislature would restrict what law enforcement could seize and where the proceeds would go. Senator Tommy Garrett of Bellevue tells colleagues; too much money has been taken under suspect conditions and too little has gone to public schools as specified by the state constitution. Cash and property could not be seized by police unless the suspect is convicted of a crime. If the take totals under twenty-five thousand dollars it must go through the state system, which funnels about half the forfeitures to the public schools has been missing out on a little more than two million dollars a year under the current system.

Daily News Break; 4-8-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

## Agriculture

### -Compromise Reached to Advance Bill

A tense debate and an uncertain outcome led Senator Mike Gloor, the sponsor of the farmland tax relief bill to strike a compromise. Objection after objection was raised, some loudly. Urban lawmakers objected to property tax relief flowing only to farmers and ranchers were being portrayed. Other lawmakers objected to the impact on the state budget, Senator Gloor had doubts he had enough votes to advance the bill, in the end Senator Gloor got thirty-nine. The key compromise was reducing it's fiscal impact, dropping the total of property tax relief from thirty-million dollars to twenty million dollars, Senator Gloor believes the work done on the floor to move his bill could have a spillover effect as the unicameral enters its final full week.

Daily News Break; 4-5-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5PM :30

### -Tax Credits Bill to Aid Farmers

Agriculture won big in the legislature session with approval of twenty-million in property tax credits, but farm groups say more needs to be done. Nebraska Farm Bureau President Steve Nelson calls the twenty-million tax credit a step in the right directions, but Nelson points out taxes on agricultural property have risen by one-hundred twenty six percent, in the last ten years. Dave McCracken with the Nebraska Cattlemen Association says his members are under real financial pressure. McCracken says he favored the initial proposal pushed by governor Pete Ricketts. It would have restricted revenue growth on the local level and spread out the increase in farmland valuations, softening the blow of increased property tax bills on farmers and ranchers. Farm groups contend the state has for too long leaned too heavily on agriculture to fund state schools.

Daily News Break; 5-3-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

### -Using the Early Crop Planting Schedule

Corn planting got off to a fast start in Nebraska. That is until the rains came. Farmers got into the fields as early as mid-April. Rains have slowed their progress considerably. The National Ag Statistics Service reports twenty-six percent of the corn crop was in the ground by last weekend, slightly behind normal. Seven percent of the corn has emerged. Only two percent of the soybean crop has been planted, again slightly behind normal. Rain has helped winter wheat and pastures. Wheat was rated sixty-one percent good to excellent and thirty-five percent fair, with only four percent poor. Seventy-one percent of the wheat crop was jointed, well ahead of the thirty-two percent average. One percent of the crop was headed. Pasture conditions are well above the five-year average.

Daily News Break; 5-6-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, 30

## **Finance**

### **-DHHS to Follow Business Plan Moving Forward**

Officials with the State Department of Health and Human Services will be following a business plan for the first time. Department of Health and Human Services Chief Executive Officer Courtney Philips says the business plan will keep the department accountable to the public and help shore up its weaknesses. Philips says a top priority is hiring the right people and keeping them. The governor has given the Department of Health and Human Services priorities to consider, such as becoming more efficient and effective, making its services more customer-focused, improving public safety, and reducing regulations. Governor Pete Ricketts says the plan should focus the department toward improvement .

Daily News Break; 6-21-2016, 7A, 8A. 12P, 5P, :30

## **Community Activities**

### **-Deborah's Legacy Hosts Fundraising Banquet**

This Thursday evening at six o'clock at the Quality Inn and Suites, Deborah's Legacy will host their annual fundraising banquet.

Daily News Break; 4-6-16, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15

### **-Motorcycle Cook-Off Planned**

A motorcycle cook-off sponsored by the Christian Motorcyclists will be held at Budke Powersports on Saturday April Sixteenth, from eleven in the morning until three in the afternoon. This free will donation event will benefit the "Mission Project" Prizes for top three soups. Contact Tammy Lake, for sign-up information.

Daily News Break; 4-12-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15

### **-Thanks to KLCNPB**

A special thanks to Keep Lincoln County/North Platte Beautiful and Nebraskaland National Bank, The Eagles Club, Adams Bank and Trust, The Espresso Shop, and Great Western Bank, for providing materials, staff, food, locations, and strong community support for Tuesdays clean up sweep through downtown North Platte,

Daily News Break; 5-11-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P : 15

### **-Radio Guest: Allison Huebner/Jill Vaughn, Deborah's Legacy**

Topic: Annual banquet

The Morning Remedy: 8:35A: 4-5-16, 5 Minute Interview

### **-Radio Guest: Amanda Koubek, American Red Cross**

Topic: Bloodhound Blood Drive

The Morning Remedy; 9:00A: 4-13-2016; 5 Minute Interview

-Radio Guest: Lincoln County Kids Safe

Topic: Child Safety Seat Inspection

Tanner in the Morning: 9:00A: 6-2-16; 5 Minute Interview

-Radio Guest; Amanda Koubek, American Red Cross

Topic: Discussed the need to donate blood and platelets. Announced local blood drives and information as to where blood can be given.

The Morning Remedy: 8:00A: 6-20-2016, 10 minute interview.

## **Industrial Development**

-Nebraska Adapts Oil/Gas Regulations

Nebraska has adopted new regulations for the state's oil and gas industry. Governor Pete Ricketts signed the measure into law on Wednesday. This law will require periodic sampling and reporting of fracking waste fluids and monitoring of produced water transporters. It also reduces the "promotional" duties of the Nebraska Oil and Gas Commission and refocuses the agency's purpose on promoting health, safety and protection of natural resources. Senator Ken Schilz of Ogallala introduced the bill in response to public input last year during a series of hearings focused on the state oil and gas industry.

Daily News break, 4-1-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

-Central Nebraska Public Power Donates to Control Weeds Along the Platte

The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District's Board of Directors approved a request at Monday's monthly meeting for a twenty five thousand dollar contribution to two weed management areas to help control invasive aquatic vegetation in the Platte Valley. The contribution to the Platte Valley and West Central Weed management areas to control phragmites. This invasive weed grows along the Platte River, thick enough to choke off channels, yearly maintenance is necessary.

Daily News Break: 4-8-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :30

## **Crime/Law Enforcement**

-Be Aware of Scam Phone Calls

The phones at Omaha Public Power district were ringing off the hook Monday. Spokesperson Jody Baker says the calls were from utility customers reporting they received phony bill collection calls. We need to remind Nebraskans to never give personal or financial information during an unsolicited telephone call; also you should never allow a person in your door without identification. Omaha Public Power District would suggest if a caller insists on payment for utilities with a phone or payment card please hang up.

Daily News Break; 4-20-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P ,5P, :15

### -Prison Escapee Caught With His Pants Down, Literally

Prison escapee Timothy Clausen has been caught; officers acted on a tip and cornered Clausen in a North Omaha apartment Wednesday evening. Authorities found him on the toilet. Clausen gave up without incident. Authorities captured thirty seven year old Armon Dixon in Lincoln, Saturday after fishing him out the storm water drain in which he attempted to hide. The two escaped the state-run Lincoln correctional center Friday morning, hiding in a laundry truck. Clausen, who is fifty-two had cut his hair, shaved his beard and changed out of prison garb into different clothes. He has been sent to the Tecumseh prison. An anonymous tip to the Omaha Crime stoppers led officers to Clausen.

Daily News Break; 6-17-2016: :30

### **Social Services**

#### -Community Call for Blood and Platelet Donations

Blood shortages are beginning to crop up at some hospitals, so officials with the American Red Cross are urging eligible donors in Nebraska to give blood or platelets. Aging Spokeswomen Sue Thesenga says quote "It comes at an important time for the Red Cross because right now blood products are being sent to hospitals as quickly as donations are coming in." Please make an appointment at five three four seven three oh five zero, our Red Cross is located at thirteen, oh, two South Willow.

Daily News break; 5-10-2016, 7A, 8A, 12P, 5P, :15