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Excitement has been building for two years about an outdoor movie theater that was conceived, researched and created by a McCook youth group. With the screen now in place and the projector up and running, "Cars Under the Stars" is set for its first showing tomorrow at 9 p.m. at the Red Willow County Fairgrounds. McCook Community Foundation Fund's youth group, Youth Change Reaction, started working to bring the outdoor theater to McCook in early 2022. With members who have graduated and new members added, YCR continued to work on the project and it is now available for the community. YCR is made up of McCook High School students from each grade level, who focus on youth-centered projects for their hometown. They have hosted junior high dances, read to elementary students and created Sunshine Baskets for those feeling down. But the group wanted to tackle a large project, something that would last long after they had graduated high school. And Cars Under the Stars outdoor theater project was born. Located southwest of the grandstands on the Red Willow County Fairgrounds, Cars Under the Stars will have its first showing Saturday, May 4 with a Star Wars-themed movie, Stars Wars: The Last Jedi, in recognition of "May the Fourth Be With You"...May the Force Be with You. Gates will open Saturday at 8:15 p.m. with the movie to start soon after sundown, approximately 9 p.m. There is no charge to get in, although a free-will offering will be taken.

### CARS UNDER THE STARS

# **WEATHER**



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**MONDAY-FRIDAY** 



### GOV. PILLEN REQUESTING FEDERAL DISASTER DECLARATION

Governor Jim Pillen has submitted a request to President Joe Biden requesting a federal disaster declaration for the state. It includes a request for federal assistance for a wide range of emergency relief costs, including debris removal, emergency protective measures and individual assistance. The affected area includes multiple counties across eastern Nebraska. The request comes in the aftermath of destructive storms that hit multiple counties across the state last weekend. Shortly thereafter, Gov. Pillen declared a state of emergency for three counties affected by tornadoes - Douglas, Washington and Lancaster. FEMA has been working with the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to obtain accurate damage assessments, which included a fly-over of those areas yesterday with Lt. Gov. Joe Kelly, who also serves as the state's homeland security director. Preliminary cost assessments submitted to FEMA for public infrastructure damage in all counties is \$11.5 million. Over \$8 million of that is for damage assessed to public infrastructure in Douglas and Washington. It was noted in the request that the number would increase as storm damage assessments continue to take place. The number of homes impacted by the tornado in Douglas and Washington counties, as validated so far by FEMA is nearly 400, including almost 160 homes that were deemed to be destroyed.

### HILGERS JOINS LAWSUIT OPPOSING AFT RULE

Attorney General Mike Hilgers joined a coalition of 21 states in a lawsuit opposing an ATF rule that would prevent law-abiding Americans from privately selling firearms. The rule seeks to require a federal firearms dealer license for every individual who sells a firearm for anything the ATF sees as a profit, including currency, exchange of another firearm, or a service. It could make a felon of a gun hobbyist who sells a firearm to another family member or a hunter who trades a firearm with another hunting buddy. "Until now, those who repetitively purchased and sold firearms as a regular course of business had to become a licensee... This rule would put innocent firearm sales between law-abiding friends and family members within reach of federal regulation," the court filing reads. "Such innocent sales between friends and family would constitute a felony if the seller did not in fact obtain a federal firearms license and perform a background check." In the suit filed in Arkansas, the attorneys general argue that the rule is unconstitutional because it is vague, violates the Second Amendment, and circumvents Congress. Nebraska joined the lawsuit alongside attorneys general from Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.



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#### **SPORTS**

The McCook Bison boys golf team finished fourth at the **LOO** Southwest Conference meet in Ogallala yesterday. The host 🖡 team won the meet with a team score of 330. Reid Loop led the Bison with a round of 77. The Bison boys are competing in a quad in North Platte this morning. The MHS girls tennis 🕏 team tied Grand Island Central Catholic for the Kearney Catholic team title yesterday. The Bison singles players of Izzy Clause and Brooklynn Gillen finished unbeaten and first-place in their divisions. The number one doubles team of Rowen and Roslyn Wiemers finished second with the number two doubles team of Abby Schneider and Elizabeth McConville were fifth overall. The Bison will compete in the North Platte Invite tomorrow. The McCook Community College softball team is in La Junta for their Region IX tournament games vs. Otero tomorrow. The MCC baseball team is in Beatrice for a key four-game series with Southeast CC.

North Platte Community College has named Jacob Brandl as their new men's basketball coach. Brandl spent the last four

years as the head coach of the McCook Community College

men's basketball program, amassing a 47-72 record. In his first season at the helm, Brandl helped guide the Indians to a

Region IX tournament championship appearance, their first since 1997. During his four seasons he coached 12 Nebraska Community College Athletic Conference selections and eight

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## **JOKE OF THE DAY**

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A: To get better buns!

All-Region IX honorees.

# HOME OF BISON SPORTS!



# TODAY'S PUZZLE

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- 24 Elite
- 27 Spot 28 Look
- Platinum (abbr.)
- Green skinned pear
- 31 Delaware (abbr.)
- Snaky fish 32
- Parent groups
- Type of race 37
- Thieves' hideouts
- 40 Famous cookies
- 42 Tranquil
- 43 Farce
- Verse meter 45
- BB association
- Oldest
- Anger
- 52 Bro.'s sibling
- 53 Maned animals
- 54 Explosive

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- **Evening party**
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- Sugar-free brand
- Military rank
- Wood
- Braid
- Horse-like animals
- Very
- 35 Medal
- 36 Morsel
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- Nervous system
- Kimono sash
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- 50 Last scale note

