

Oakes Archery Tournament Results

Bullseye Results

Elizabeth Larson, Score: 287
 Maddox Cline, Score: 281
 Isaiah Wertz, Score: 278
 Peter Baasch, Score: 274
 Miranda Maroney, Score: 272
 Nellie Maroney, Score: 270
 Jayla Peters, Score: 269
 Jayden Maddock, Score: 267
 Cameron Honeyman, Score: 265
 Emilee Buro, Score: 265
 Zaden Haak, Score: 262
 Brody Moore, Score: 256
 Samantha Thompson, Score: 256
 Daniel Baasch, Score: 256
 Bryella McKown, Score: 255
 Autumn Handt, Score: 254
 Ryan Stickel, Score: 252
 Cale Juran-Boehms, Score: 250
 Emily Garza, Score: 239
 Bentley Bruhn, Score: 236
 Paisley Jackson, Score: 235
 Owen Jordahl, Score: 235
 Keagan Patzlaff, Score: 234

Livia Sundby, Score: 233
 Aspen Sitzler, Score: 233
 Kyle Lee, Score: 230
 Logan Moore, Score: 229
 Emary Pahl, Score: 224
 Ruby Zimbelman, Score: 221
 JoZie Peterson, Score: 221
 Braylyn McKown, Score: 219
 Estella Wentworth, Score: 217
 Taigann Knudson, Score: 216
 Claire Rexine, Score: 214
 Finley Lange, Score: 213
 Leon Decker, Score: 204
 Carmen Rexine, Score: 204
 Rowan Quandt, Score: 202
 Brenna Larson, Score: 200
 Rowan Garland, Score: 199
 Brenda Lee, Score: 199
 Kinzee Buro, Score: 199
 Briggs Peterson, Score: 174
 Knox Quandt, Score: 173
 Tensly Juran-Boehms, Score: 168
 Micah Hollingsworth, Score: 163
 Xander Lee, Score: 126

3D Results

Brody Moore, Score: 279
 Maddox Cline, Score: 277
 Elizabeth Larson, Score: 277
 Miranda Maroney, Score: 276
 Isaiah Wertz, Score: 275
 Cameron Honeyman, Score: 274
 Jayden Maddock, Score: 270
 Jayla Peters, Score: 269
 Zaden Haak, Score: 263
 Cale Juran-Boehms, Score: 261
 Emilee Buro, Score: 259
 JoZie Peterson, Score: 255
 Daniel Baasch, Score: 251
 Nellie Maroney, Score: 249
 Peter Baasch, Score: 247
 Samantha Thompson, Score: 243
 Autumn Handt, Score: 241
 Owen Jordahl, Score: 238
 Emary Pahl, Score: 237
 Bryella McKown, Score: 235
 Ryan Stickel, Score: 228
 Logan Moore, Score: 228
 Carmen Rexine, Score: 223

Bentley Bruhn, Score: 223
 Kyle Lee, Score: 215
 Brenda Lee, Score: 211
 Keagan Patzlaff, Score: 211
 Estella Wentworth, Score: 208
 Brenna Larson, Score: 204
 Emily Garza, Score: 203
 Taigann Knudson, Score: 201
 Braylyn McKown, Score: 201
 Livia Sundby, Score: 199
 Kinzee Buro, Score: 198
 Aspen Sitzler, Score: 194
 Briggs Peterson, Score: 192
 Knox Quandt, Score: 191
 Leon Decker, Score: 186
 Claire Rexine, Score: 179
 Ruby Zimbelman, Score: 171
 Finley Lange, Score: 158
 Rowan Quandt, Score: 152
 Micah Hollingsworth, Score: 113
 Xander Lee, Score: 99
 Scores posted by NASP at nasptournaments.com

The Prairie Pulpit: The Law That Frees

In modern society, the word "law" often carries negative connotations. It suggests restriction, limitation, and the curbing of personal freedom. Many assume that true freedom means the absence of rules, that the fewer constraints placed upon a person, the happier and more fulfilled that person will be. Yet both human experience and the Christian faith point to a different conclusion: law, rightly understood, is not an enemy of human flourishing, but one of its essential foundations.

Christians believe that God's Law, summarized in the Ten Commandments, is not arbitrary. It reflects the created order and the design of human life itself. Commands such as "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," and "You shall not bear false witness" protect life, property, and truth, which are the very things upon which stable communities depend. A society that disregards these principles quickly descends into fear, mistrust, and instability.

In this sense, God's Law serves what Christians have long called a civil use. It preserves order. Even those who do not believe in God benefit from a moral framework that restrains violence, dishonesty, and exploitation. Traffic laws provide a helpful analogy. They limit where and how fast a person may drive, but those limits make safe travel possible. Without them, chaos would reign, and freedom of movement would actually decrease. Moral law functions in much the same way. By restraining harm, it makes peaceful coexistence possible.

But God's Law also serves a deeply personal purpose. It acts as a mirror, showing individuals the truth about themselves. Few people need to be convinced that the world is broken. Yet the Law reveals something more uncomfortable: the brokenness is not

only "out there," but within each of us. We have all failed to love our neighbors as we should. We have all spoken wrongly, acted selfishly, or neglected to do what was right.

While this may sound discouraging, it is ultimately beneficial. Honest diagnosis is the first step toward healing. One cannot correct a problem that one refuses to acknowledge. The Law cuts through self-deception and calls people back to what is good, right, and true from God Himself, particularly salvation through His Son Jesus Christ.

Finally, for Christians, God's Law serves as a guide for life. It shows what love looks like in concrete terms. Love is not merely a feeling, but is action. It honors parents, protects life, respects marriage, tells the truth, and refuses to take what belongs to another. In this way, the Law does not function as a ladder by which people earn God's favor, but as a guide for lives lived in thanksgiving to the God who has already given His Son for their salvation.

Modern culture often assumes that freedom and law are opposites. In reality, the absence of moral law does not produce freedom, but confusion, insecurity, and harm. True freedom is not the ability to do anything whatsoever, but the ability to live rightly, safely, and well.

God's Law, far from being a relic of the past, remains profoundly relevant. It protects society from chaos, calls individuals to honesty, and guides believers in lives of service. Properly understood, it is not a burden imposed from above, but a gift given for the good of all.

Those who wish to hear more about this good and wise gift of God are welcome to join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM at St. John's Lutheran Church, 120 S. 9th Street in Oakes.

By Pastor Chris Brademeyer

Tornadoes Boys Basketball Head to Districts

Scores in order chronologically and with Oakes score placed on the left:

1. W 70 - 50
2. L 54 - 65
3. W 48 - 36
4. W 69 - 36
5. W 66 - 54
6. W 60 - 34
7. W 69 - 53
8. L 54 - 56
9. W 69 - 39
10. W 51 - 39
11. W 64 - 29
12. W 80 - 34
13. L 65 - 67
14. W 80 - 32
15. W 64 - 24
16. W 74 - 30
17. W 86 - 52
18. W 76 - 54
19. W 61 - 54

The Tornadoes boys' basketball team has been soaring high this season, even in loss only being a few points short. Yet what

makes this team so special is the consistency that barely any other team can keep up with. Even in the players I have seen in games out endurance the other schools. I am no sports expert but gassing out the competition then maintaining your pace makes these big scores possible.

With districts around the corner this track record of performance frames a good picture of their likely chance of dominating districts. Understanding the pressure of ending a year with a bang can greatly mount on these boys but with what they have been able to do so far is more than enough to be proud of alone. So using their ability, stamina, and teamwork the districts all the way up to state should be a breeze with the confidence backed by a score list like this.

- Written by Bryson McKown, Score data provided by NDHSAA

Max Cline Recognized for Honorable Mention of Academic All State Selection



The North Dakota Association of Secondary School Principals is excited to announce that the 2026 North Dakota Academic All-State Teams have been selected. Two hundred forty-five high school seniors were nominated by their school principal and competed for state-wide honor in the Class AA, A,

and B divisions. Student selection is based on grade-point averages, ACT or SAT scores, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and leadership qualities.

The North Dakota Association of Secondary School Principals will award Gold, Silver, and Bronze Team members an honor medalion. The medallions will be presented to the students at a ceremony at their school. In addition, WDAY and Forum Communications will also air a digital presentation honoring all the medalists. The Class B presentation will air on Friday, March 6, between the two semifinal games in the afternoon. The Class A presentation will air on Friday, March 6, between the two semifinal games in the evening. The Class AA presentation will air on Friday, March 13, between the boy's semifinals. There will be no in person presentation of awards.

All medals and certificates will be mailed/mailed to each school from the North Dakota Association of

Secondary School Principals. This Program is co-sponsored by the North Dakota Association of Secondary School Principals and WDAY-TV in Fargo, WDAZ-TV in Grand Forks, KMBY-TV in Bismarck, KMCY-TV in Minot, and Forum Communications Companies.

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Oakes Golf Club Welcomes New Groundskeeper



The Oakes Golf Club is pleased to announce the addition of Nathan Boehm as its new groundskeeper.

A native of Bowman, Boehm brings nearly a decade of greenskeeping experience to the position. He previously worked at Sweetwater Golf Course, where he developed a strong background in course maintenance and turf management at his hometown course.

Boehm's passion for the game of golf, combined with his dedication to maintaining quality playing conditions, makes him a valuable addition to the team at Oakes Golf Club. Oakes Golf Club Board President Aaron Held expressed enthusiasm about the experience and work ethic he brings to the role.

Outside of work, Boehm enjoys spending time on the golf course, watching movies, and playing video games.

Members and guests are encouraged to welcome Boehm as he begins his new role helping maintain and enhance the course for the upcoming season.

Accepting Bids
 for mowing for Glover Cemetery for summer of 2026. Send Bids or questions to Bruce Skjefte at:
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BEAR CREEK TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
 The Bear Creek Township annual meeting will be held Tuesday, March 10th, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at Seasons.
 Jen Harris, Clerk
 Bear Creek Township
 (Published in Oakes Times, February 26, 2026, March 5, 2026)

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OEI 2025 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE
 The Annual Meeting for Oakes Enhancement, Inc. will take place prior to the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting: Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 7am. The meeting will be held at the Oakes Community Center Meeting Suite. Dakota State Line Regional Alliance will be conducting business at this time.
 (Submitted to the Oakes Times 1/29/2026, 2/12/2026, 2/26/2026)

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