

# NORFOLK DAILY NEWS

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A glance at what's going on in the news



## REGION

### Wind power

Two decades from now, Americans could get as much electricity from windmills as from nuclear power plants, a government report predicts.

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### Wind farm funding

An Omaha company plans to fund and own one-third of the Elkhorn Ridge Wind Farm, which is now under construction near Bloomfield.

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## NATION

### Medication nation

For the first time, it appears that more than half of all insured Americans are taking prescription medicines regularly for chronic health problems, a study shows.

The most widely used drugs are those to lower high blood pressure and cholesterol — problems often linked to heart disease, obesity and diabetes.

The numbers were gathered last year by Medco Health Solutions Inc., which manages prescription benefits for about one in five Americans.

Experts say the data reflect not just worsening public health but better medicines for chronic conditions and more aggressive treatment by doctors. For example, more people are now taking blood pressure and cholesterol-lowering medicines.

### 'Designer babies'?

News that scientists have for the first time genetically altered a human embryo is drawing fire from some watchdog groups that say it's a step toward creating "designer babies."

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## NEBRASKA

### Gates Foundation

A Nebraska native will oversee the world's biggest charitable foundation starting Sept. 2. Jeff Raikes, the brother of state Sen. Ron Raikes, will become chief executive of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

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### 'FreeRice' game

For two weeks, students at Northern Hills Elementary have been helping to provide food for needy people in other countries by playing a "FreeRice" vocabulary game.

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## MAYOR'S RACE

Sue Fuchtman captures 69 percent of the vote, forcing Tom Schommer to regroup.

## KENO IS COMING

Norfolk voters approve bringing keno to the city to fund recreation improvements.

## KLEEB VS. JOHANNIS

After convincing victories, Scott Kleeb and Mike Johannis to battle for Senate seat.

# Fuchtman celebrates resounding victory



DARIN EPPERLY/DAILY NEWS

**SUE FUCHTMAN** receives a hug and kiss from her brother, Tom Stover, as they celebrate her mayoral race victory in Tuesday's primary with her niece, Chris Love (left). Fuchtman captured 69 percent of the vote heading into November's general election, where she again will take on Tom Schommer.

## Birthday party turns into victory party

By **KATHRYN HARRIS**  
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Sue Fuchtman received a nice birthday present from Norfolk voters during Tuesday's primary — a decisive victory.

In the three-candidate race for Norfolk mayor, which was seen by many as a toss-up before Tuesday's balloting, Fuchtman walked away with 3,128 votes — 1,964 more votes than second-place finisher Tom Schommer. Larry Sweigard received 211 votes.

It translated into Fuchtman capturing 69 percent of the votes cast, while Schommer received 26 percent and Sweigard 5 percent.

Both Fuchtman and Schommer

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**SUE FUCHTMAN**  
PRIMARY WINNER

will advance to the November general election in the race to see who will succeed Gordon Adams as Norfolk's next mayor.

Fuchtman said she was celebrating her birthday with friends Tuesday night when she heard the election results.

"It was an unreal night," she said Wednesday morning.

Fuchtman said she believes her message about Norfolk citizens being ready to take responsibility and having a voice in the decisions facing their own city was a big factor in the victory.

"There's certainly a feeling that maybe there are changes that need to be made, but it's no one (person's) answer. It's going to take us all, and respectfully so," she said.

"I think our message has stayed constant through the last four to six months of campaigning," Fuchtman said.

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## Election08

### Norfolk mayor

(Top two advance)  
Sue Fuchtman . . . . . 3,128  
Tom Schommer . . . . . 1,164  
Larry Sweigard . . . . . 211



Fuchtman

Schommer

## Approval of keno surprises officials

By **GRACE PETERSEN**  
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Voters favor bringing keno to Norfolk, and that came as a bit of a surprise to Norfolk Mayor Gordon Adams.

"Based on what we had been told from the previous surveys, I guess we were a little surprised it would pass," Adams said Wednesday morning. And rather easily, too.

In Tuesday's primary election, 2,633 people voted in favor of the keno issue, while 1,878 voted against it. That's a margin of 58 percent to 42 percent.

"I guess, personally, I'm not a gambler, I don't

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## Election08

### Keno in Norfolk

For . . . . . 2,633  
Against . . . . . 1,878



## Familiar names in race for council

By **EVAN BLAND**  
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Experience ruled in Tuesday's primary election for a city council Ward 3 seat, with incumbent Jim Brenneman and longtime businessman Vaughn Wiebusch advancing to the November general election.

While political newcomers Chad Korth and Dave Hedrick saw their runs come to an early end — receiving 174 and 134 votes, respectively — Brenneman (291 votes) and Wiebusch (236 votes) will continue campaigning.

"I'm satisfied," Brenneman said Wednesday morning. "I sincerely wanted to be re-elected. I

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# Kleeb's Senate win sets up matchup with Johannis

### World-Herald News Service

LINCOLN — Scott Kleeb's easy win in the Democratic Senate primary sets the stage for a race of sharp contrasts this fall.

Kleeb, a youthful politico pushing change, will face Republican Mike Johannis, a savvy veteran selling experience.

Kleeb, 32, trounced Tony Raimondo, 68, a Columbus business executive who never overcame resentment among some hard-core Democrats over his 11th hour party switch last December.

But Kleeb offered a unity message at a gathering of about 75 friends and supporters at Zen's Lounge in downtown Lincoln. He talked about

the need for people to come together — "neighbors to neighbors" — to make dramatic change in Washington.

"We work for change not because it's easy, but because it's right," said Kleeb, who took the stage with his wife, Jane Fleming-Kleeb, and their two young daughters.

Kleeb's win followed a low-key race fought largely over the airwaves. He won despite Raimondo outspending him about 2-to-1 on TV advertising.

Raimondo, 68, took the loss graciously. He praised Kleeb and criticized Republicans in

**THURSDAY**  
**63 45**  
Few showers  
Wind:  
5-10 N  
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**FRIDAY**  
**71 51**  
Sunny  
Wind:  
10-15 NW



**SATURDAY**  
**75 52**  
Sunny  
Wind:  
9-19 NW

## Election 08

### U.S. SENATE

REPUBLICAN  
 Johannis 78%  
 Flynn 22%

### DEMOCRAT

Kleeb 69%  
 Raimondo 25%

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### U.S. HOUSE

#### THIRD DISTRICT

#### REPUBLICAN

Smith 87%  
 Ellison 13%

#### DEMOCRAT

Stoddard 74%  
 Spatz 26%

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### AMENDMENT 1

#### PUBLIC ENDOWMENTS

For 58%  
 Against 42%

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### STATE

#### LEGISLATURE

##### DISTRICT 17

Garwood 42%  
 Giese 35%

Bowman 24%

##### DISTRICT 41

Sullivan 45%  
 Eureka 27%

Rasmussen 22%  
 Peterson 3%  
 Warner 2%

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### MADISON CO.

#### COMMISSIONER

##### DISTRICT 2

Uhlir 51%  
 Hughes 49%

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### NORFOLK

#### MAYOR

Fuchtman 69%  
 Schommer 26%  
 Sweigard 5%

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### NORFOLK

#### CITY COUNCIL

##### THIRD WARD

Brenneman 35%  
 Wiebusch 28%

Korth 21%  
 Hedrick 16%

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### NORFOLK

#### KENO

For 58%  
 Against 42%

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### LOWER

#### ELKHORN NRD

##### DISTRICT 4

Tighe 55%  
 Feddern 24%

Kuhn 21%

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### CUMING COUNTY

#### JAIL BOND

Against 54%  
 For 46%

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### PENDER

#### SALES TAX

For 78%  
 Against 22%

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### SCOTT

#### KLEEB

trounced Columbus businessman Tony Raimondo in the race to be the Democrats' nominee in the Senate race.

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**POLYGAMISTS** Sect mother of newborn not a minor, Texas concedes.

**MYANMAR** U.N. fears "second wave of deaths" from new storm. **PAGE 3**

**CHINA** Death toll of nearly 15,000 appears likely to soar far higher. **PAGE 3**

**HOLY LAND** Bush pushes for Mideast peace during trip to Israel.