

Colleges and universities held graduation ceremonies in December.

Preston Philip Bernhardt

Preston Bernhardt, son of Kurt and Kristi Bernhardt of Lamar, graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Dec. 21 with a Bachelor of Science degree in environmental studies with an emphasis in natural resources.

The 2009 Chase County Schools graduate is pursuing a position in his field.

Brenda Marie Malmkar

Brenda Malmkar of North Platte, daughter of Leo and Bethene Lines of Imperial, received her Masters of Education degree in curriculum and instruction from Doane College in Crete Dec. 15.

She had previously received a degree in education from the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Malmkar is a kindergarten teacher at Osgood Elementary School in North Platte.