Symphony of splishes, splashes may once again fill the warm summer air at Dallas Jones Park

The Falls City Lane Leadership group, established two years ago by the Chamber of Commerce to promote and develop leaders among the local young professional community, is moving forward with its plan to build a splash pad at the site of the old municipal swimming pool at Dallas Jones Park.

The splash pad project last summer received support from the Parks and Recreation Board and City Council. Lane Leadership members intend to solicit donations and apply for various grants to fund the \$200,000 park.

The 2,500 square-feet splash pad will provide a free activity for people of all ages. The placement in the area of the old pool was strategically chosen because of its central location and proximity to the Fiedler Family Ball Complex. A park designer has yet to be hired; Lane Leadership continues to research viable builders. The group aims to complete the park by next

In the meantime, Lane Leadership's fundraising campaign is underway. Those interested in making a tax-deductible contribution may do so at the Chamber Office or by visiting the Splash Pad Facebook page and using the "Go Fund Me" link.

For more information, visit and "like" the Splash Pad page on Facebook.



City children have often first passed across our desk at The Journal before their northbound transfer. This year was no exception. Here's a look at a few "Letters to Santa" intercepted just last week, as well as some from yesteryear, unearthed in the Journal archives:

DECEMBER 20, 2008

Dear Santa,

I want some doctor toys to take care of my dolls and my dog. Batchelor Buttons. Buttons is a good dog and I try to be a good girl. My sister wants a doll and my big sister wants an alarm clock. Jannie Ann Giles

DECEMBER 21, 1979

Dear Santa Claus, I want two Walkie-Talkies, Godzilla, Hot wheels, car set, ten storm troopers or six air pumps, Kansas City Backpack, Kansas City football, one R2D2 shirt, one Star Wars shirt, Kansas City football suit, Lassie, Baby seal, pony. I am nine years old, I am in third grade. Thank you for last years stuff. My name is Tony R.

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good boy. I just lost a second tooth. Please bring me a red bike with training wheels. Also, I would like some new clothes, and some toys. I like music, so I would like a piano and guitar. I love you Santa, and I'll leave you some cookies and milk for you on Christmas Eve.

Love, Jeff

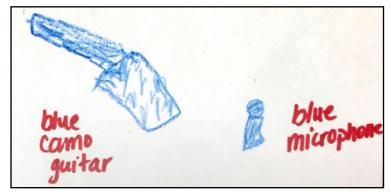
PS: I would like a bigfoot truck to.

DECEMBER 22, 1995

Dear Santa, I want Nike Airs, Team coat, desk, earrings, rings, computer, clothes, sand art, and a lock. Merry Christmas Santa!

Shayla Dunn

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I want, a blue camo guitar and blue microphone.

Treyden Hoppe

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Unclear if icy conditions contributed to Friday's fatal accident on Hwy. 75

A 49-year-old Stella man was killed Friday afternoon in a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of Highways 62 and 75, three and a half miles west of Stella.

Dennis Lockard was pronounced dead at the scene when emergency personnel responded to the call at around 1:30 p.m. It was determined that Lockard, driving westbound on Hwy. 62, entered the intersection with Hwy. 75 and was struck by a southbound pickup driven by Timothy Shoup, 48, of Omaha. Shoup was unharmed.

Roads were slick when authorities arrived on the scene, though they were unable to determine if Lockard's car slid through the intersection or he simply failed to yield right of way.

Responding to the wreck were Humboldt Fire, Humboldt Rescue, Richardson County Emergency Management and the Nebraska Dept. of

Lockard, a life-long resident of Stella, made headlines statewide in August 2006 when he shot and killed an Omaha man during an altercation on Main Street in Stella. Lockard asserted he shot 32-year-old James Nutile in self-defense, but was arrested and charged with second degree mur-



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der. The following spring, a Richardson County jury agreed with Lockard's contention the shooting was justified

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Swiftest justice

The Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution guarantees individuals to a speedy trial. Though "speedy" is a rela-



Miller

tive term, nobody could lament the agility of justice's wheels in a recent Richardson County District Court case open and shut in a matter of minutes.

A 25-year-old Home City, KS, man accused of trying to break into R&D Grocery in Humboldt the

night of Nov. 17 was arraigned in Judge Daniel E. Bryan's courtroom last Tuesday and shortly thereafter was in Lincoln,

serving a two-year prison sentence. Brandon J. Miller promptly pled guilty to felony attempted burglary and requested sentence be handed down immediately. Judge Bryan affirmed his request. Miller received 25 days credit for time previously served and Court costs were waived. He will be eligible for parole on Nov. 17, 2017, on the one-year anniversary of the crime. Upon his release, Miller will be placed on probation for 18 months and forced to pay \$390 in probation fees.

An alleged accomplice, Melvin J.D. Campbell, 21, of Pawnee City, has a preliminary hearing scheduled for County Court on Jan. 9. He too faces a felony attempted burglary charge, as well as felony possession of a controlled substance.

South Elementary students deliver on Christmas message of peace, brotherhood

By Jason Schock

The South Elementary School Christmas program, held last Thursday at Prichard Auditorium, was the 38th such presentation orchestrated by music teacher Robin Ankrom.

Naturally, such lifelong involvement could erode a person's enthusiasm for the job. It wouldn't be unfair to expect such annual productions to become more mechanical, more monotonous, with each passing year. At some point, the teacher just wants to pass out worksheets, so to speak.

But there's no confusing recurring with reoccurring for Mrs. Ankrom's elementary proany before it; maybe more

The subject matter most definitely was bold and inspiring. Mrs. Ankrom's students explored peace, brotherhood, environmental concerns and the increasing commercialization of Christmas, and focused on how we can shape a better future for our world in a presen- Day," and "A New World Christmas." tation of A New World Christmas, by Teresa Jennings and Paul Jennings.

Billed as a revue "bringing the ideals of Christmas past to the children of Christmas future," A New World Christmas was designed to "harken back to traditional



Emily Vitosh performed one of the solos during "We're Gonna Plant a grams. The 2016 program Christmas Tree" last Thursday during Falls City South School's presentation was perhaps as inspired as of A New World Christmas at Prichard Auditorium.

values, while celebrating the joy of the season."

The students performed "Livin' in a New World," "Make a Buck," "The Best Gifts," "We're Gonna Plant a Christmas Tree," "The Christmas Wish," "Adeste Fidelis," "Pat-a-Pan," "I Heard the Bells on Christmas

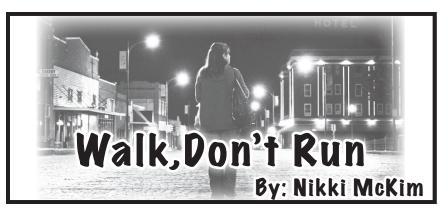
As always, Mrs. Ankrom incorporated many students into the production with various individual parts. A total of 42 either performed solos or narrations during the

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Each year around Christmas I sit with Brian and Alex, and share my favorite Christmas memories. Every year they pretend to hear it all for the first time and be interested, God Bless them. We all have those special childhood Christmas memories that we yearn to live again. I am lucky enough to have many Christmas memories to think about each year. I think of the year Aunt Mayree served us the most amazing Christmas breakfast, (pancakes the size of your head!) on her beautiful red dishes. I think of Grandma Judy's house and the smell of her home cooking that hit you as you walked in the door. I think of how my sister and I would lie under the tree staring up into the lights for hours, or the year we got those huge sleds. But, most of all I think of that little trailer house in Belton, Texas. Christmas always brings up the happiest of memories. While I now have many new Christmas traditions with my little family, my favorite Christmas tradition is, was, and always will be driving the 12 or more hours south to Texas. It was always the same. The night we left we would open our stockings, which usually contained things for our long night of travel. One such stocking stuffer was the Footloose soundtrack on cassette tape, which I loved at the time. My parents would load up our old car and we would hit the road. We drove through the night. Nine times out of 10 I was sick the entire way down and back. I was THAT kid who got carsick by simply looking at the car. It must have driven my parents insane. Even sick as a dog, I never remember hating or dreading our long trips. I remember how quiet it was, how peaceful it was as I leaned my forehead on the cool window watching the lights flash by as we sailed our way south. In Kansas you hit the toll road, which indicated the actual start of your adventure, in northern Oklahoma you looked for the Christmas Village full of lights right along I-35. The next thing you waited for was the "upside down truck" because once you were past that you knew that you were really on your way. South of Oklahoma City, you waited with baited breath for the Texas State Line. Crossing the Red River and you could feel everything shift, you were really on an adventure so far from home.

On down the road you start hitting city, after city. Grand view, West, Waco, and finally Temple. Home of the first Sonic I ever encountered, where my grandpa would let me get the #1 and not the little hamburger because I was a big girl. Home of the Scott and White Hospital, and the V.A. Hospital where grandma worked. A bit further on down the road-just past the Color Tile and that car dealership you veer around the slight curve and there it was, "THE OVERPASS". Across that and down the road you pulled into their neighborhood, just past the pool where I learned to swim and dive, past the "A" frame house I thought was so cool and you were finally there.

Once you get out of the car the first thing you notice is that Texas smells different than Nebraska and it wasn't as cold. Running as fast as your tiny legs could go you made it to the door and into the little trailer that seemed larger than life. Two wiener dogs, and one Spunky dog greeted you with kisses. The Christmas tree sat at the back of the house just through the living room, in front of two large windows. From that moment on, the days passed with lots of laughter and playing. MTV blared through the house when Grandma wasn't at work. Diet Pepsi and Milk were the drinks of choice, and we could do anything we wanted. My Grandpa Alexander would fill the entire house with his loud, infectious laughter. Grandma would say and do things that always kept us giggling. They called me Nikki-Tic and I loved it. My mom called her parents Mama and Daddy, something I never thought twice of until I got older. Up here, your parents are mom and dad. In the south, its mama and daddy.

We would visit the mall that housed the two-story carousel. It was the most famous attraction in Texas to two little girls. Everything really was bigger in Texas. Christmas morning was magical in every single way. There were gifts EVERYWHERE. For some strange reason, Santa was always much more generous when we were in Texas. I was convinced that Santa liked us better when we were in the south. As an adult, now that I really think about it, how in the world did our parents get all of those toys, our suitcases, and us girls back to Nebraska in one car?

It was all just so good. I barely remember anything else we did while there, or the drive home. But, I remember Grandpa's voice and laugh, the smell of the house, Grandma's goofiness and being in almost a euphoric state of happiness. Some of my happiest Christmas memories live there. Grandpa passed away the summer before my 15th birthday. And now, Alex and my niece Lucy both have some of his mannerisms. Whether it's the way Alex points, sits with his legs crossed, or speaks, or the way Lucy stands with her hands on her back, it brings a smile and dozens of memories rushing back. Grandma Charlotte moved to Minnesota after years of working here at Community Medical Center and passed away not too long ago.

As an adult I long for those days. I long for the adventure of the drive, the laughter and most of all the love. My grandparents moved to Nebraska when I was about ten years old. The trips slowed down, and then trickled off. No more excitement in seeing the larger than life "Welcome To Texas, The Lone Star State" sign, no more fire ants, and no more two-story carousel. I didn't spend every single Christmas of my childhood in the trailer house in Belton, but the years I did were pretty great.

These days, Alex gets to travel on Christmas but it's between houses here in Richardson County. I know he gets giddy when we head to my inlaw's home for gifts and delicious breakfast casserole, and again when we head to Granny and Papa's for more gifts, Harmon family shenanigans at their craziest and Oyster stuffing. I am so blessed to have my grandma and grandpa Harmon to share Christmas day with my family and my little boy. I tell Alex often that grandparents and great-grandparents are something so special and irreplaceable, but I think he knows how truly wonderful they are without me reminding him. We end our Christmas festivities at our home where we spend it with my sister, her family and my mom, who is just like her dad in every way and brings a little piece of grandpa Alexander to my little Alexander every day.

When I think of the magic I had of traveling through the night, on a big adventure my heart flutters. I treasure those memories. Every Holiday season a piece of my heart lies deep in Texas, and I think it always will.



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Capitol View By J.L. Schmidt **Statehouse Correspondent Nebraska Press Association**

"Simple Gifts" is a Shaker song written and composed in 1848. There have been several versions by recent artists. It was especially popular during the "peace and love" movements of the 1960s. I find it still appropriate as we contemplate the hustle of another Christmas and the specter of a New Year.

"Tis the gift to be simple

'Tis the gift to be free

'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be

And when we find ourselves in the place just right

It will be in the valley of love and delight."

Nebraska is a beautiful state with plenty of valleys. I grew up in the North Platte Valley in the Panhandle. I have always marveled at the Dismal River valley and the many valleys amid the undulating Nebraska Sand Hills. Don't forget the ever-popular "Bohemian Alps" of eastern Nebraska.

But what about the valley of love and delight? We seem to pay lip service to peace on earth, good will to men. It is almost Christmas, after all. But do we mean it?

Are we really still talking about closing the borders to keep folks from other countries out? Stop. Consider your ancestry. If the border had been closed in 1902. I wouldn't have been born in this country and most likely wouldn't be living here right now. We are Nebraskans. We all came from immigrant stock.

Confounding the issue is the fact that I am a descendant of the Volga Deutsch. Yes, the Germans from Russia. Raise vour hand if that is your ancestry or you know someone who is? Raise your hand if you have ever eaten a Runza or a bieroc. Those are sandwiches that were born in Russia. So, let's pause and reflect before we whip

our Russia Paranoia into a frenzy. Yes, we are operating in a worsening era of fear. It's difficult to accept people who don't look like us, talk like us, dress like us or act like us. We draw erroneous conclusions based on country of origin. My older siblings told me how difficult it was living in the Nebraska Panhandle during WWII because our grandparents attended a German-speaking church. You probably have your own similar stories.

It wasn't only the Volga Deutsch who were subject to this scrutiny. Japanese people were sent to internment camps. People of color – including many whose ancestors were here first - were also treated poorly.

Famed CBS "On the Road" newsman Charles Kurault nailed it in 1976 when he did a piece on the Interstate 80 Bicentennial sculpture project. Standing near the eastbound Grand Island rest area, he pointed at the "Irma's Desire" sculpture and said, "It's not likely tolerance will soon break out in Nebraska."

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Newly passed 21st Century Cures Act is no panacea

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Will patients benefit from the passage of the 21st Century Cures Act? After listening to politicians and reading the headlines, most people might think it's the best thing ever to come along for patients.

"A new day for medical research is on the horizon," proclaimed Rep. Fred Upton, the outgoing chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee which had just won a major victory last week. "The House and the Senate have passed this bipartisan legislation which will ensure our health system can keep pace with incredible advances in science and technology," Upton said in the GOP's weekly radio address. "We needed to do better. And with 21st Century Cures, we will."

Media headlines mirrored Upton's victory declaration. Headlines like this from the Wall Street Journal, "House Passes Health Bill to Speed Drug Approvals, Boost Biomedical Research" seemed to say it all: faster drug approvals, more money for research, less pesky regulation.

Or was there more to the story? Not everyone thinks the Cures Act will be wonderful for patients. But their voices were drowned out in the slick public relations campaign Upton's committee waged over the past few years using some 200 or so patient advocacy organizations to push for the bill. Most of those groups have strong ties to the drug and medical device industry.

A recent study by Dr. Vinay Prasad, an oncologist at Oregon Health Sciences University, found that three-quarters of 68 cancer advocacy groups he studied disclosed sponsorship from pharmaceutical companies. Some groups received money from as many as 16 or 17.

Prasad told me, "Ten years from now, someone with a cancer diagnosis will be worse off with this bill. People will be exposed to more things that don't work." Prasad and others say the Cures Act actually lowers the regulatory standards for drugs and devices. It's a step backward for patients.

In a nutshell the Act turns current regulatory practice on its head.

Randomized trials, the gold standard for medical research, may disappear if a drug company wants to sell a medicine for a different condition than the one it's already approved for. Instead it can use "real world evidence" to show the drug also works for a new indication. Such "evidence" could be observational studies, which are less reliable than randomized trials, but are cheaper and take less time.

The FDA can use patient experience to inform its regulatory decisions – information about the impact of a disease or related therapy on patients' lives. The data can come from patients, family members, caregivers, patient advocacy organizations, disease research foundations and drug manufacturers.

The agency can approve new drugs on the basis of data summaries rather than requiring the FDA to independently analyze study results for a new drug indication. Drug makers would have to submit all their data, but the FDA would not have to review it.

And although the bill authorizes billions for new medical research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the funding is not guaranteed, and the NIH would have to fight Congress for the money.

The Cures Act is the culmination of a 20-year effort by the drug industry and Beltway think tanks to loosen standards and permit new uses for drugs already approved in order to expand their markets. It can be traced back to the 1997 FDA Modernization Act, which was then - as the Cures Act is now - sold on the promise of getting cures to market faster. The 1997 law loosened regulatory standards and reduced the number of clinical trials needed for drug approval.

Are the changes brought about by the earlier law a harbinger of what's to come?

The reporting by John Fauber and his colleagues at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel offers a cautionary tale. In the last few years the paper has reported how drug and device makers have spent huge sums of money to sell drugs for conditions that were once thought to be part of everyday life.

The reporters found that drug companies turned conditions such as overactive bladder, adult ADHD, and premenstrual dysphoric disorder into medically treatable ailments. They reported that the latter was not even recognized as a mental disorder until 13 years after the first drug treatments were on the market. "Drugs used to treat the various medicalized conditions don't work that well and often have side effects that are nearly as common as the benefit," Fauber told me.

Are we turning the calendar back to 1933 when a book called "100,000,000 Guinea Pigs" was published exposing the dangers of patent medicines? Federal oversight of drugs was pretty lax then, and patients died. It's obvious drug makers will benefit from looser regulation. It remains to be seen whether patients will, too.

What have been your experiences with new drugs? Write to Trudy at trudy. lieberman@gmail.com.

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Soldiers celebrate during a Fort Robinson Christmas party.

Christmas at Fort Robinson, 1882

Fort Robinson provides the following holiday story of devotion and courage. It can be found in A

Frontier Army Christmas, a new book published by the Nebraska State Historical Society. Martin J. Weber, an old soldier, remembered: "December 1882 then a corporal in Troop H, Fifth Cavalry, I was ordered to report to the quartermaster at Fort

H, Fifth Cavalry, I was ordered to report to the quartermaster at Fort Sidney, the nearest railroad point, to get the Christmas goods for the Fort. A driver and a six mule team were detailed for the purpose."

Weber carried out his orders and

Weber carried out his orders and headed back to Fort Robinson. "The weather had turned cold and frost began to fly through the air indicating a storm. The next morning the storm broke in all its fury, a regular blizzard raging. We had to head into the storm. We made Camp Clarke where the Sidney-Black Hills Trail crossed the North Platte River.

"The bridge tender and his wife advised us to stay until the storm passed. As much as we disliked to leave the snug quarters and hot meals, we bid them goodbye and headed into the storm.

"We got to the Running Water stage station the night of the 23rd. Here we had hay for mules and horses and a warm place to cook our supper. How good that hot coffee tasted. It gave us new life and courage for the last twenty miles of our journey.

"The stage had broken the trail to the top of Breakneck Hill; the storm had passed, the fort only five miles away. We got safely down the Breakneck, crossed White Clay Creek, and broke trail across the valley, arriving at the fort on the 24th.

Falls City Journal holiday print schedule

The Falls City Journal will publish and be delivered on Wednesday, Dec. 28 due to the Christmas holiday. The office will close at noon on Friday, Dec. 23, and remain closed until Tuesday, Dec. 27. The advertising deadline for the Dec. 28 paper will be noon on Friday, Dec. 23.

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"When I passed the officers' quarters, the kiddies were all out running up and down the walks. When they saw me, they began to shout, 'The Christmas wagon has come!' Hearing them the officers and men came out. They could hardly believe it until the teamster drove his six weary mules up and we began to unload the Christmas goods. Even the officers were willing to help.

"So old Santa arrived, and there was a Merry Christmas after all had given up hope of seeing either. I was snow blind and had to wear dark glasses for some time after that. One year later I was promoted to first sergeant of Troop H."

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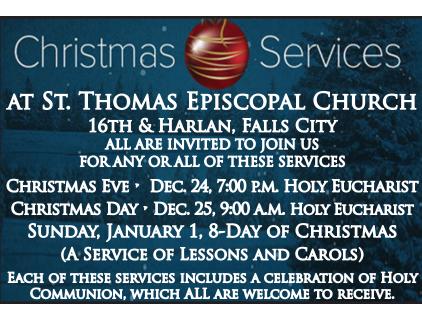


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The first of four charter jets has been sponsored by: AuctionTime.com and TractorHouse (Sandhills Publishing Company, Lincoln)

Due to the overwhelming number of applications received after the June, 2016 Flight, it has been decided that another flight will take place. But we need Nebraskans to step up one more time to make it happen...with donations and making the WELCOME HOME even bigger! We have already seen amazing results from people who want to make a difference:

1)West Point Central Catholic raised \$5,500 after JenaLee Wimer, WPCC Senior, suggested a Walk-A-Thon; 2) Jeanette Korth spearheaded a fundraising effort in Lindsay and donations totaled \$3,325; 3) Vietnam veterans on the June, 2016 flight organized a Soup Supper/Auction in Spencer and surrounding area to pay it forward, resulting in net proceeds of \$35,800! \$25 pays for the hat given to a veteran; \$50 pays for a polo shirt; \$100 covers the cost of the Pre-Flight Dinner for a veteran and his/ her spouse. \$300 covers the cost of one charter bus in the morning to take veterans to the airport. \$500 will provide lunch for all passengers on one bus in D.C.

\$900 is the average cost and sponsors one veteran. To make a donation or download an application, please visit: www.PatrioticProductions.org.

Applications and donations may also be mailed to: Patriotic Productions, 16213 Lamp St., Omaha, NE 68118. D.C. will include the Lincoln and Korea Memorials, and the Vietnam Wall with a chance for veterans to see the names of friends and take rubbings. Stops will also be made at the World War II, Iwo Jima, and Air Force memorials, as well as Arlington National Cemetery for the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the

As somber as the day will be in Washington D.C., the highlight will be returning to the Lincoln Airport, where it is hoped that thousands of citizens will gather to provide the "Welcome Home" our Vietnam veterans

Patriotic Productions organized ten previous Honor Flights that have flown 2,600 WW II, Korea, and Vietnam veterans to Washington D.C. since 2008. Patriotic Productions has a mission of honoring our military, including the creation, production and touring of Remembering Our Fallen photo memorials. Patriotic Productions is a non-profit organization, Tax ID No. 47-2127802. More information: www.PatrioticProductions.org

Society

First Presbyterian PWCircle

The Women's Circle of First Presbyterian Church met Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the beautifully decorated home of Betty Stoller. Marlene Schwarting read the poem "Christmas" to open the meeting. Members donated small change for the Least Coin offering. Jennifer James read the minutes of the October 10 meeting and said no minutes were taken at the November work day. She also gave the treasurer's report. The very successful bazaar was discussed. After the bazaar, donations were made to several mission projects. The pecan order arrived the week before the bazaar. Pecans have been delivered to Norma's Antiques and were also sold at the bazaar.

Brooms from the new company have arrived. Members were asked to report on broom quality after they use them. Thank you notes were received from the Nebraska Children's Home, the Open Door Mission, and the Council on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence. The church has adopted a family through SENCA. The women voted to give gas and gift cards to be added to the presents for the family. Pastor Nancy Tuma said she would get the cards.

women joined in the reading of the hilarious story "The RIGHT Family" as they passed and exchanged ornament gifts. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be Monday, February 13, 2017 at 7 pm at the home of Pastor Nancy Tuma. She will also be the lesson leader. Betty Stoller served a delicious coffee cake from a recipe in our church cookbook. The recipe brought back good memories of long time members Alice Swearingen and Margaret "Peg" Bixby.





Toni M. Noonan (Davis), of Rulo, NE, has been granted a dissolution of her marriage to David R. Davis of Falls City, on December 15, 2016.

Toni M. Noonan is not responsible for any debt other than her own.



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Society

Shubert AL Unit 222

The Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Unit 222 met Dec. 13, 2016 at the Legion building with cookies, candy and punch served for the holiday season. President Tana Brown called the meeting to order and was followed with prayer by Chaplain Sharon Howard. Everyone pledged allegiance to the flag sang the first verse of "Silent Night" and repeated the American Legion Auxiliary Preamble. Roll call was taken by Secretary, Elizabeth Ketner with eight members and one new member present, followed with the minutes of the previous meeting. Treasurer Lana Willman gave the monthly report. It was noted that seven more members need to pay their membership dues to be at 100 percent.

President, Tana Brown updated everyone on all the events the Auxiliary held during the busy month of Nov.. The Department of Nebraska Mid Year Conference will be in Grand Island Jan. 13 -15, 2017. District Convention will be Feb. 25, 2017 in Auburn. Everyone was encouraged to go if they could. President, Tana Brown reminded everyone to keep track of what they do for community service.

Correspondence: A thank you from "Gifts For Yanks" and a thank you note from the VA for the donation of needed items taken to them in November. Department Chaplain, Elizabeth Paes asked if anyone has a Prayer or Hymn to be sent to her for her Prayer book.

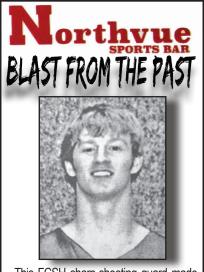
Christmas cards were signed by everyone to be sent to our Veterans this Christmas. Before closing President Tana Brown read the meaning of some of the Christmas cookies, Santa Clause, the Star, Angel, and the Candy Cane.

Closing prayer was given by Chaplain Sharon Howard, meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be at Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. at the Legion Building.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1937, an emergency number to the police – 999 – is launched in London. Humphrey Bogart stars in eight films this year. Golden Gate Bridge opens. Hormel launches tinned processed pork and ham, Spam. Scientists bombard the element molybdenum (42 protons) with atomic particles in a cyclatron, adding a proton and creating the first artificial element, technetium (43 protons).



This FCSH sharp-shooting guard made 5-of-8 three-point goals and 8-of-12 overall in a 21-point performance in the Class D2 Irish blowout win against Farragut, IA.

Can you identify this Blast from the Past? (Last Week's Blast from the Past was Kelsi Witt)

Nebraska 150 Celebration

An organizational meeting will be held at the Falls City Library and Arts Center on Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. for ideas to celebrate the 150 anniversary of Nebraska's statehood on March 1, 1867.

Nebraska was the 37th state in the union ten years following Falls City's sesquicentennial.

The website Nebraska150.org has ideas for events in the following categories: planting trees, education, volunteerism, books, films, collecting oral histories, health and fitness challenge, and more that ideas that will help enhance the yearlong celebration.

The library staff encourages community organizers to attend this meeting to help in planning these celebratory events.

Falls City Library & Arts Center Monday-Thursday 10-8PM, Saturdays 9-noon, 402-245-2913, www.fallscitylibrary.org, email-info@fallscitylibrary.org.

Christmas trees diverse history

One of the most recognizable symbols of the holiday season, Christmas trees can be seen in private homes, public spaces and many prominent locations beginning each December. Christmas trees come in all shapes and sizes, and families may prefer certain types of trees, including aromas, needle types and fullness. Christmas trees have a diverse history. The following are some facts about Christmas trees that holiday celebrants may or may not be familiar with. Many harvested Christmas trees do not grow in the wild, but are raised on farms. Christmas trees are an agricultural product. Roughly one million acres are dedicated to tree farming. Approximately 25 to 30 million real Christmas trees are sold in the United States every year. The top Christmas tree-producing states are Oregon, North Carolina, Michi-

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Lee Weaver

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tree dates back to the 16th century.

the amount of carbon dioxide in the air and help counter global warming. The most common Christmas tree species are balsam fir, Douglas-fir, Fraser fir, noble fir, Scotch pine, Virginia pine and white pine.

into mulch.

SOCIETY

Area Bridge

Marilyn Kentopp, Dennie Dixon, Lorna Simon, Vi Heim and Sheila Kirkendall won the prizes when Falls City Area Bridge met Dec. 13. Four tables of bridge were played. The hostesses were Teri O'Grady and Della Meyer.

Merry von Seggren and Marilyn Kentopp will host the next session on Jan. 10, 2017.



gan, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Washington. It can take as many as 15 years for a tree to grow to the typical height required of a Christmas tree. Every state in the United States grows Christmas trees.

Germans are credited with bringing the first Christmas trees into the home and decorating them in the spirit of Christmas. The first recorded reference to the Christmas

Tree farms are beneficial to the environment because they reduce

Christmas trees can be recycled

2016 through Jan. 1, 2017. During this time the sheriff's office will have increased traffic enforcement with a focus on impaired drivers. The Richardson County Sheriff's Office would like to remind all drivers to drive sober, buckle up, and have a safe holiday.

HTRS Mock Trial fifth in State competition

You drink, you

drive, you lose

The Richardson County Sheriff's

Department will be participating in

the National "You Drink and Drive

You Lose" grant from Dec. 15,

The Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer Team finished fifth overall in the 12 team State Tournament held on Dec. 6 and 7 at the Lancaster County Law Center. The tournament was won by Creighton Prep who defeated Duchesne Academy in the finals.

HTRS Team performed well. The team faced three teams in the two day tournament. They defeated South Sioux City 3-0 on the judges' scorecards. Lost to the eventual State Champion Creighton Prep 1-2 split decision and lost to the 3rd place York team in a split decision. As a result, HTRS finished 5th place overall. HTRS Mock team members are John Kanel, Tanner Merwin, Trenton Plager, Chloe Workman, Kendall Werts, Jacob Wilhelm, Alex Fairchild - Flynn and Camille Svoboda. The team is coached by Hon. Curtis Maschman and Carl Linnerson.

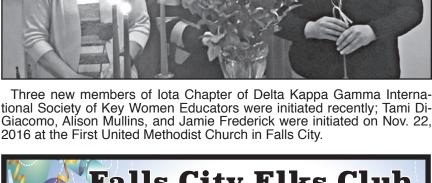


Seniors helped load the school van with presents and coats bound for Catholic Social Services in Lincoln. Over 100 coats were collected during our coat drive, and these were distributed through CSS as well. A big thanks to

students, class sponsors, and those who donated coats this year! You helped make Christmas warm and happy for someone who needed your help. (ABOVE, L-R:) Bailey Coonce, Alexis Barnes, Emerson Keithley, Libby Schawang, Nathan Bird, Libby Dunn, Bryant Jon, Keith Salimo, Austin Ahern, Nora Barker, Aly Bangert, Jade

Hill, Thea Schulenburg, Taylor Coonce, Robert Olberding, Logan Mattan and Haylee Heits. Each class in grades 7-12 donated money, bought gifts, and wrapped them for needy families.

tional Society of Key Women Educators were initiated recently; Tami Di-Giacomo, Alison Mullins, and Jamie Frederick were initiated on Nov. 22,



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for Brunch - 11 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



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SUNDAYS & MONDAYS - TRIPLE POINTS 9AM - NOON!! "Hot Seat" Drawings every 1/2 hour Noon-5pm, & 7pm-11pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash plus a \$50 coupon for February. (Excludes Sunday, January 1st)

TUESDAYS - Prime Time Tuesday!! \$2 off lunch and dinner buffets (55 & over). "Hot Seat" Drawings to win \$50 in Promo Cash every ½ hour Noon – 5pm. Couples Night Drawings to win a Bundle Pack every ½ hour 7pm-11pm!! Bundle Pack consists of a free Cabin Stay, \$50 Promo Cash for you and your friend, and two free buffets.

WEDNESDAYS - "Hot Seat" Drawings every 1/2 hour Noon-5pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash plus a coupon for \$50 in Promo Cash for February. LADIES NIGHT!! Ladies Only Drawings every 1/2 hour 7pm-11pm to win a surprise gift plus up to \$150 in CASH or Promo Cash.

THURSDAYS -TRIPLE POINTS 9AM - NOON!! "Hot Seat" Drawings every 1/2 hour Noon-5pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash plus a coupon for \$50 in Promo Cash for February. GUYS NIGHT!! Guys Only Draw ings every ½ hour 7pm-11pm to win a surprise gift plus up to \$150 in CASH or Promo Cash.

FRIDAYS - "Hot Seat" Drawings every ½ hour 2pm-5pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash. "Deal or No Deal" Drawings every ½ hour 6pm-1am to win up to \$150 in Promo Cash. Winner picks 3 briefcases from 12. Each briefcase will have an extra prize in it, but you won't know what the extra prize is until you say

SATURDAYS - "Triple Spin the Wheel" Drawings every $\frac{1}{2}$ hour 6pm-1am. You could win up to 200 in Promo Cash!! First spin you can win up to \$100 in promo cash, second spin chance to win up to \$5<mark>0 more</mark> in promo cash, and third spin you can win up to \$50 in Promo Cash for the month of February. (Excludes Saturday, January 21st)

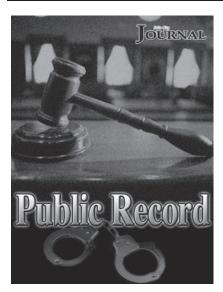
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DISTRICT COURT

-Chance P. Huppert, 20, of Falls City, count one, attempted possession of a controlled substance; count two, possession of drug paraphernalia; count three, possession of marijuana (one ounce or less). Pled no contest to all counts; sentencing set for Feb. 7, 2017.

-Brett M. Winters, 20, of Falls City, sentencing for burglary, a Class IIA Felony; placed on probation for 18 months, must complete cognitive group programming, including dialectical behavior therapy, moral reconation therapy and/or Thinking for a Change; ordered to obtain a GED and employment; must pay Court costs of \$153.50, or stand committed to Richardson County Jail at a credit of \$90 per day, and pay probation fees of \$580; to serve 30-day sentences in RC Jail (beginning March 13, 2017; June 13, 2017; Sept. 13, 2017; Dec. 13, 2017; and March 13, 2018), unless waived by the Court.

COUNTY COURT

-Sarah E. Hanesworth, 24, of Falls City, count one, assault; count two, disturbing the peace; pled guilty to both charges; fined \$150, plus Court costs of \$50.

-Jeremy Vice, 31, of Falls City, driving under suspension; pled guilty; sentencing Jan. 4, 2017.

-Paul C. Schawang, 48, of Falls City, assault in the third degree; jury trial set for Jan. 27, 2017.

-Everett A. Loper, 28, of Falls City, count one, maintaining a nuisance; count two, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicles; pled no contest to both counts; sentencing

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set for Jan. 11, 2017.

-Hailey N. Moyer, 19, of Falls City, assault in the third degree; probation revoked; disposition hearing set for Jan. 9, 2017.

-Wade R. Tackett, 23, of Falls City, sentencing for criminal mischief (less than \$500); fined \$100, plus Court costs of \$50, and ordered to pay restitution of \$540.75 to Galen Harmon, Falls City.

-Kelley L. Fernandez, 29, of Hiawatha, KS, criminal trespass in the second degree; pled not guilty; trial set for Jan. 11, 2017.

-Mark W. Gaede, 31, of Falls City, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; preliminary hearing set for Jan. 9, 2017.

-Chelsea M. Gordon, 23, of Auburn, count one, DUI - second offense, amended to DUI - first offense; count two, refusal to submit to pretest; pled no contest to amended count one; count two dismissed with prejudice (Editor's Note - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge). Sentencing set for Jan. 25, 2017.

-Anthony R. Warner, 21, of Plattsmouth, possession of K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); pled guilty; fined \$300, plus Court costs of \$49.

-David L. Werner, 61, of Falls City, sentencing for DUI (.15-plus); fined \$500, driver's license revoked for one year (ignition interlock permit ordered), to serve seven days in Richardson County Jail (beginning Dec. 16), placed on probation for nine months; must successfully complete outpatient treatment for chemical dependency; ordered to pay Court costs of \$50, lab costs of \$145.65 and probation fees of \$245; to serve 30 days in RC Jail (beginning May 31, 2017), unless waived by the Court.

-Jessica L. Hayes, 30, of Falls City, count one, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia; preliminary hearing set for Jan. 4,

-Eric Hestermann, 28, of Humboldt, theft by unlawful taking (less than \$500); pretrial hearing set for Jan. 4,

-Drue Miller, 29, of Falls City, issuing a bad check (less than \$500); pled guilty; fined \$40, plus Court costs of \$57, and ordered to pay restitution of \$53.78 to Sapp Bros. by Feb. 13,

-Drue Miller, 29, of Falls City, sentencing for count one, driving under

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suspension; count two, possession of K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); fined \$450, plus Court costs of \$48.50; placed on probation for one year.

-Charlene Y. Hill, 59, of Falls City, sentencing for assault in the third degree; fined \$125, plus Court costs of

-Beth A. Mikita, 43, of Hiawatha, KS, count one, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; count two, possession of K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia; preliminary hearing set for Jan. 4, 2017.

-Matthew W. Hanesworth, 34, of Falls City, maintaining a nuisance; pled no contest; fined \$40, plus Court costs of \$50.

-John G. Corbin, 27, of Plattsmouth, count one, possession of K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia; count three, improper/defective vehicle lighting; enhancement hearing held - valid third offense found; case continued to Jan. 9 for entry of pleas.

-James A. Scarberry, 45, of Falls City, maintaining a nuisance; fined \$30, plus Court costs of \$50.

-Tonya M. Begesse, 33, of Falls City, maintaining a nuisance; pled guilty; sentencing set for Jan. 18, 2017.

-Jessica Payne, 34, of Falls City weeds/grasses over 12 inches; pled guilty; fined \$20, plus Court costs of

-Justin A. Pfohl, 36, of Humboldt, criminal mischief (less than \$500); pled no contest; fined \$150, plus Court costs of \$50; ordered to pay restitution of \$200 to Rebecca Newland, of Hum-

-Jami L. Coonce, 19, of Rulo, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, no registration in vehicle; count three, no license on person; count four, speeding (11-15); count one dismissed without prejudice (Editor's Note dismissal without prejudice means the government did not waive its right to litigate the matter in a subsequent ac-

-Chelsea M. Raney, 19, of Falls City, count one, theft - shoplifting (less than \$500); count two, MIP (under 19 years of age), first offense; pled guilty to both counts; fined \$300, plus Court costs of \$50; ordered to pay restitution of \$18.99 to Kwik Shop.

CIVIL COURT

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against William Noble, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$232, plus prejudgment interest of \$5.38, attorney fees of \$28.28, and Court costs of \$52.47. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Collection Associates, and against Terry L. and Sandra Kohler, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$332.92, plus Court costs of \$116.20. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.391 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Midland Funding, LLC, and against Kathryn Pfaff, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$1,812.72, plus Court costs of \$127.84. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Professional Choice Recovery, Inc., and against Patrick Fairchild, of Dawson, in the amount of \$715.16, attorney fees of \$76 and Court costs of \$89.08. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Kevin Booth II, of Falls City, in the amount of \$264.98, plus prejudgment interest of \$6.19, attorney fees of \$31.49, and Court costs of \$52.47. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

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Credit Management Services, and against Anna Thompson, of Falls City, in the amount of \$128.29, plus prejudgment interest of \$3.02, attorney fees of \$17.82, and Court costs of \$65.50. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Edward Fischer, of Verdon, in the amount of \$168, plus prejudgment interest of \$3.84, attorney fees of \$21.80 and Court costs of \$84.52. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Professional Choice Recovery, Inc., and against Jacob E. and Christy Otero, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$495.04, plus prejudgment interest of \$54, and Court costs of \$104.92. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Brianna Sailors, of Falls City, in the amount of \$866.01, plus prejudgment interest of \$21.21, attorney fees of \$91.60, and Court costs of \$52.47. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Collection Associates, and against Eric S. and Nina Hestermann, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$2,016, plus prejudgment interest of \$81.39, attorney fees of \$206.60, and Court costs of \$73.50. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 6.0 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Corey Hayes, of Falls City, in the amount of \$5,281.20, plus Court costs of \$52.47. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 per-

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Jessica Stewart, of Dawson, in the amount of \$1,898.99, plus prejudgment interest of \$59.49, attorney fees of \$194.89 and Court costs of \$52.89. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Samuel Waters, of Falls City, in the amount of \$477, plus prejudgment interest of \$37.32, attorney fees of \$52.70 and Court costs of \$64.50. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Services, and against Chelsea Grame, of Falls City, in the amount of \$166, plus prejudgment interest of \$3.79, attorney fees of \$21.60 and Court costs of \$52.47. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Collection Associates, and against Clint W. Schriner, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$1,388.69, plus prejudgment interest of \$124.98, attorney fees of \$143.87 and Court costs of \$241.60. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 6.0 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of NE Debt. Collections, and against Sharon Scotton, of Falls City, in the amount of \$650.04, plus attorney fees of \$70 and Court costs of \$70.52. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.498 percent.

COUNTY COURT WAIVERS (Court Costs Not Included)

Tickets written by N/A -Gary R. Wenz, no small game/fur harvest license, \$150.

-Cornejo Briseyda Ceballos, speeding (16-20), \$125.

-Robert L. Bogle, speeding (6-10), \$25; failure to use seat belt, \$25. Tickets written by FCPD Officer

Charles DiGiacomo -Erin R. Rieschick, speeding (6-10),

-Mary Tackett, maintaining a nuisance, \$50; weeds and grasses over 12

inches, \$50. -Linda A. Wiar, speeding (6-10),

Tickets written by FCPD Officer

Millie King -Paul B. Schawang III, negligent

driving, \$75. -Montana C. Schawang, unsafe

backing, \$25. Tickets written by State Patrolman

Eric Jones -Karis E. Bredemeier, speeding (16-20), \$125.

Tickets written by State Patrolman Kent Kavan

-Joann L. Arington, speeding (11-15), \$75. Tickets written by State Patrolman

C.A. Zost -Dustin D. Wigington, speeding (16-

20), \$125.

-Jason M. Daharsh, speeding (6-10),

-Woodie T. Chaney, speeding (11--Michael R. Meyerkorth, speeding

(6-10), \$25; failure to use seat belt,

-Kristi K. Felumb, speeding (6-10),

-Bradley K. Olberding, speeding (11-15), \$75. -Ryan A. Koester, speeding (11-15),

\$75; failure to use seat belt, \$25. -Joshua L. Carpenter, no operator's

license, \$75; speeding (11-15), \$75. -Thomas E. Brabec, speeding (6-10),

-Kenneth L. Kaster, speeding (6-10), \$25; failure to use seat belt, \$25.

-Nicholas Dale Dannevik, speeding (6-10), \$25.

-Ryan Marc Haggerty, speeding (6-10), \$25. Tickets written by State Patrolman

Kaleb Bruggeman -Viet Q. Tran, speeding (11-15),

\$75. Tickets written by State Patrolman

William Rowell -Jason A. Lunsford, no valid registration, \$25; no operator's license,

> Tickets written by RC Sheriff Don Pounds

-Matthew W. Rathje, fail to use seat belt, \$25.

Tickets written by RC Sheriff's Deputy Clinton Stonebarger

-Sahiana Heredia-Lopez, speeding (11-15), \$75.

-Raymundo Gonzales, speeding (6-10), \$25.

Tickets written by RC Sheriff's Deputy Jonathan Kirkendall -Holly P. Nutter, speeding (11-15),

-Kimberly K. Hoagland, violate

open burning ban, \$100. Tickets written by RC Sheriff's Deputy Lyle McMann

-Jacob L. Harkendorff, speeding (6-10) \$25 -Cody M. Bahr, speeding (6-10),

-James W. Hagland, speeding (6-10),

-Mark A. Lowe, light or hand signals required, \$25; failure to use seat

belt, \$25. -Ashlee N. Gustin, speeding (16-

20), \$125. Tickets written by RC Sheriff's Deputy

Andrew Woods -Craig B. Brown, speeding (6-10),

\$25. -Latecia N. Faulkner, speeding (11-15), \$75.

-Hannah A. Salas, speeding (21-35),

\$200. -Robert L. Waltrip, speeding (11-

15), \$75.

TODAY IN HISTORY

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Irish teams rough up Lewiston, remain unbeaten

Sophomore point guard Drew Bippes scored 15 points and dished out five assists, and the FC Sacred Heart Irish boys' basketball team completely dominated in the paint to improve to 3-0 on the season with a 62-34 win over Lewiston last Tuesday at Prichard Auditorium.

It was FCSH's first appearance on the home court, where they return tonight to face Tri County. They protected their turf aggressively, owning a 35-15 rebounding edge on the Tigers. Of that total, 20 of those boards came on the offensive end and produced extra possessions. Consequently, Lewiston put it up a total of 38 times in the game.

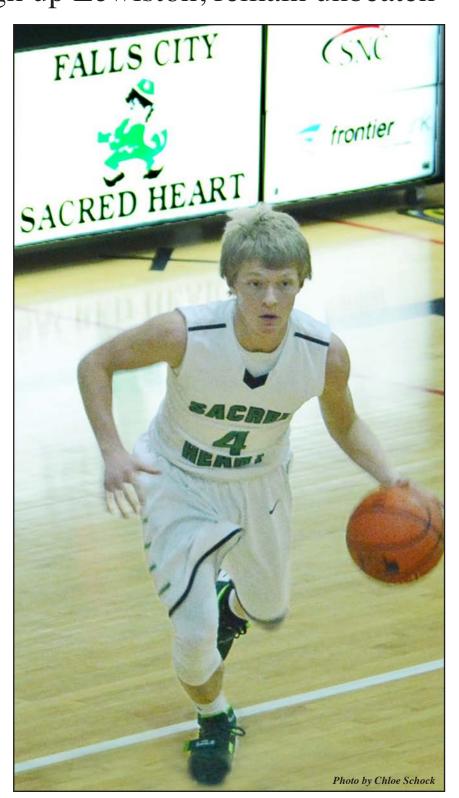
Eight different Irish players hit the offensive glass, led by Ryker Hoy's five rebounds. Tristan Keithley added four on the offensive end, while three of Austin Ahern and Theo Rohrer's five total boards came on offense.

The Irish didn't shoot particularly well — 3-for-13 from three-point land — but didn't need to. They turned it over just five times all night and took a 27-10 lead into halftime.

Bippes, however, did get into a rhythm, hitting 6-of-9 field goal attempts, including 1-of-2 from long range, and converting 2-of-3 from the free throw line. His five assists, coupled with four from Ahern and three apiece from Sean Arnold and



FCSH senior Alexis Barnes drives in the paint last Tuesday during her team's 56-16 home win over Lewiston. The Lady Irish are 4-0 and host Tri County tonight.



Emerson Keithley and the FC Sacred Heart Irish played for the home crowd for the first time in 2016-17 last Tuesday and picked up a 62-34 victory over Lewiston at Prichard Auditorium to improve to 3-0 on the season. Friday's games at Humboldt-TR-S were postponed due to weather and will be made up Jan. 3. The Irish were supposed to travel to St. Joseph, MO, Saturday to face Leblond, but adverse weather negated the trip. It has yet to be rescheduled. The Irish host Tri County tonight and travel to Murdock Thursday to face the 6-0 Class C2 No. 1 Knights.

Emerson Keithley helped FCSH rack up 18 assists, which more than nullified those five turnovers.

Noah Keller pitched in 13 points and Tristan Keithley added eight. Nine different Irish players made the scoring column in the game.

The Lewiston girls' basketball team produced some of the more dismal shooting numbers you'll ever find and it led to a 56-16 Lady Irish win last Tuesday at Prichard.

The Lady Tigers were 1-for-21 from three-point land (4.8 percent) and 5-of-43 (11.6 percent) overall from the floor. Those strays most often went the other way (FCSH owned a 35-23 rebounding edge) and Sacred Heart forced 21 Lewiston turnovers to compound the visitors' woes. The score was 18-2 after one period and 38-6 at halftime.

Senior Haylee Heits was dominant, scoring 20 first half points en route to a game-high 24. Heits was

one turnover from playing a literal perfect game, making all eight of her field goal attempts and all eight of her free throws. She added six boards and a block. Classmate Jade Hill scored nine points and led FCSH with seven rebounds and four steals, while Sara Wertenberger added six rebounds and a block, and Ahren Ebel and Abby Fiegener each dished out four assists.

The 4-0 Lady Irish are playing a pair of teams with winning records this week (home tonight against 3-2 Tri County and at 4-3 Elmwood-Murdock Thursday), but expect the FCSH girls to finish the semester sans blemishes and take a 6-0 record to Adams for the Freeman Holiday Tournament.

Those traditionally stout Falcons, by the way, are 2-4 on the season, with eye-popping losses to Lincoln Christian (74-11; that's not a typo), Conestoga (32-26) and Auburn (62-22).

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Each year the Nebraska School Activities Association and the Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Association recognize students who have been nominated by their schools, based on their individual academic excellence, leadership and significant contributions made to their NSAA activity.

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Nominated students must be varsity players or organizational leaders who played significant roles on the teams or in the organizational activities during the seasons for which nominations are accepted, and must carry a minimum cumulative GPA, in all curricular subjects, of 93 percent or 3.7 on a 4.0-point scale. NSAA high schools may nominate a maximum of two students per NSAA activity program. Students in grades 9-12 are eligible for nomination

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TIGER JV 3-0

The Falls City Tiger junior varsity boys basketball team is off to a strong 3-0 start.

Defensively, the Tigers have held their opponents to an average of just 32 points per game, while offensively averaging 54 themselves.

Last Tuesday, the Tigers defeated St. Joe Bishop Leblond, 54-21, as sophomore Cade Schawang and junior Jake Craig scored 12 and 11 points, respectively. Sophomores Phoenix Martin and Chaydyn Butler, along with freshman Kade Bredemeier, dished out 11 assists in the game.

Falls City was in a dog fight with the Auburn Bulldogs Dec. 9, but pulled out the 50-46 win, thanks to a big second half by freshman Mason Crawford, who finished the game with 13 points. Clutch free throws down the stretch by Phoenix Martin helped seal it. Martin, Schawang and junior Noah Milam ganged up on the Bulldogs by stealing the ball 17 times, and Craig and Schawang combined for 11 rebounds in the win.

In their opening game, the Tiger

JV routed the Syracuse Rockets, 57-28. Sophomores Collin Cook and Chaydyn Butler dismantled the Rockets' defense with 15 and 10 points, respectively.

TIGER RESERVES 2-1

The Falls City Tiger reserve boys basketball team went on the road last week and beat the St. Joe Leblond Golden Eagles, 53-31. Freshman Mason Crawford scored 12 points to lead FC. Freshman Zach Beaver tacked on 11 points for the Tigers, to go along with seven rebounds and three steals.

In a tough home game against the Hiawatha Redhawks, FC lost 39-30. Crawford again led the Tigers in scoring with 10 points, and Beaver pulled down 10 rebounds.

In the opening game of the season, the Tigers traveled to Auburn and beat the Bulldogs, 67-47. Crawford poured in 19 points and dished out five assists to pace the Tigers. Three other Tigers were in double digits, with freshman Caden Simon scoring 14, Beaver, 12, and Bredemeier, 10.

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South School

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40-minute show.

Soloists included Robert Gilkerson, Elizabeth Saul, Eric Heinzelman, Emily Vitosh, Mikaela Hawley, Tatum Kile, and Tristan Vitale.

Narrators were: Danyelle Kuker, Beaudree Harvey, Blake Rolfe, Daly Martin, Gabby Foster, Austyn Munford, Aleciauna Young, Kyleigh Furnas, Kadyn Strecker, Ava Armbruster, Lexi Brewer, Ashleigh Kirkendall, Jordan Wilcox, Deric Vice, Gabby Furrow, Paxton Adams, Remi Frank, Orion Cattrell, Molly Ebel, Vaden Leyden, Clara Feighner, Brianna Moore, Jayme Ewers, Madelyn Smith, Quenton Adams, Elsie Thompson, Gannon Ogden, Kemper Foster, Hannah Berger, Delaney Godemann, Brock Caudle, MyKayla Ruiz, Malori Kuker, Ashton Martin and Allen Mahoney.

The program was sponsored by Partners In Education and FCPS.

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Harring named one of six Bobcat football

tercollegiate Athletics announced last week that over 325 football student-athletes have been named 2016 Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athletes. Six Peru State

Bobcat football

players, includ-

ing FC Sacred Heart graduate Garrett Harring, were among those recognized.

In order to be nominated by an institution's head coach or sports information director, a studentathlete must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and must have achieved a junior academic status. Students must appear on the school's eligibility certificate for the sport and have attended two full years as a non-transfer or one full year as a transfer. The awards are given annually by the NAIA to outstanding student-athletes in the various sports in which the program is active and their team is eligible for NAIA postseason competition.

Harring and Sterling native Ryan Zuhlke gained their second Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete honors. Harring is a marketing major and a defensive back, while Zuhlke is a mathematics education major and is a linebacker.

Senior Brandon Fletcher, of Maxwell, along with juniors Travis Carnahan, of Wahoo, and Justin Mahon and Gunnar Orcutt, both of Omaha, earned their first recognition as a Scholar-Athlete.

"Playing a collegiate sport demands a lot of time on a studentathlete in the classroom, on the playing field, and in the weight room," PSC Head Coach Steve Schneider said. "It takes good time management in order to accomplish success in all areas and these young men are truly deserving of this type of recognition."

Garrett is the son of Todd and Lori Harring, of Salem.



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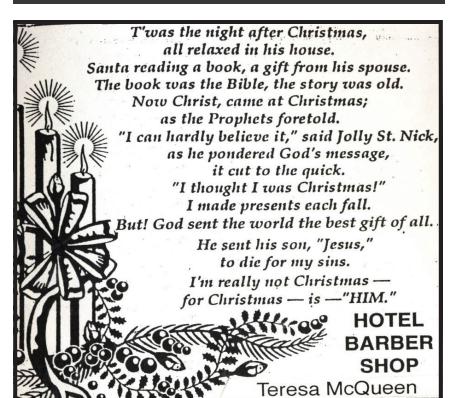
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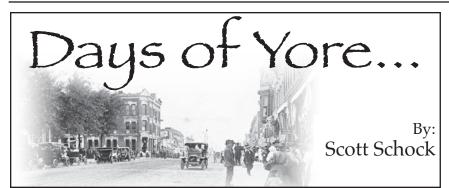
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50 Years Ago Dec. 22-28, 1966

The outside Christmas decorations at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Gerdes, 6 Sunset Drive, won the grand prize in the Jaycees' home decorations contest. The Auburn Jaycees and their wives served as judges.

Retail sales in Falls City were up 12.5 percent in October over September; they were 6.5 percent better compared to October of 1965.

The Rivoli Theater announced its annual free Christmas cartoon party for area youngsters. Parents were invited to leave their kids at the movie

house and do some Christmas shopping. Allen Tubach, noted artist who grew up in Falls City, was promoted to director of the *Omaha World-Herald*'s art department.

Edgetown at Horton, KS, announced Christmas dances. Area teens with driver's licenses were familiar with the spot.

Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, red cinnamon pears, bread and milk were on the menu at North and South

Schools. Washington (UPI) — The Pentagon was taking action to curb the alleged favoritism that gave draft-eligible professional athletes first crack at join-

ing Army Reserves or National Guard units. The town hall in Dawson, a frame building on the west side of the main street, was damaged in a chain reaction accident. Icy conditions were blamed. The building was twisted on its foundation.

Headline: "Valentine Registers Fifteen Below Zero."

Margaret Strecker, a student at FCSH, won the local VFW Voice of Democracy Speaking Contest.

In Richmond, Ind., police responded to a call to a coin-operated laundry. A guy was found sleeping in a dryer. The cops unloaded the dryer and took the man into custody for public intoxication. (UPI)

The local Elks Lodge was delivering food baskets to those in need. Pictured were Elks Lowell Lewis, Charles Simon, Robert Nolte and Virgil Jones. 102 families in the area were receiving the baskets, which included all the "necessaries for a bountiful Christmas dinner."

Headline: "1966 Nebraska Crops Are Record-Smashers."

The Journal reported that a history of the Tiffany windows in the First Methodist Church was now hanging in the church Fireside Room. The windows were virtually priceless.

Just after Christmas, with four inches of snow on the ground and more falling heavily, the demand for shovels in FC and around the county "picked up briskly," *The Journal* reported.

Headline: "Book's Author (William Manchester, The Death of a President, JFK) Calls LBJ An 'Inconsiderate Boor.'" (UPI story)

Many local businesses, including Falter's, Brown's Shoe Fit, Firestone, Gambles, Marge's, Tober's Vogue, Appleoff Appliance and Pennys, announced year-end clearance sales.

A six-inch snow blasted Richardson County. Roads and highways were reported packed and slippery. Those shovels (above) came in handy.

Morehead Auto Co. had a red 1961 Corvette for \$1,595. Oh, man.

25 Years Ago

The FC Volunteer Ambulance Squad made 385 runs during the year that ended Nov. 30. Squad members traveled 20,382 miles. Officers for the new year would be Mic Koso, Donna Sesna, Lynn Mez, "Never Nervous" Marvin Gerdes, Jim Wisdom, Joe Wittwer, Barb Bartlett and Ben Sailors.

From Dr. Peter Gott: "Is melancholy linked to winter?" He said yes, especially when "sunlight is scarce."

The last small-town rail depot in Nebraska at Weeping Water, was to close. It had also housed homeless people during the Great Depression. Hullman's Ford downed Sabetha, 126-87, in men's basketball at Prichrd Auditorium, Gunners for the local team: Dennis Prichard with 35 and Kevin Scheitel with 26. Neither had ever seen a shot they didn't like.

Capps, FL (AP) — Ted Turner and Jane Fonda were married at his ranch on her 54th birthday.

In India, rogue elephants had killed at least 31 people during the year in Assam State, sometime after swilling barrels of homemade beer in the villages they raided. (AP)

The Journal published a picture of downtown Falls City on Christmas Day. Not a creature was stirring.

Barbecued Ribs — Saturdays at Northvue Cafe. Price: \$3.50.

The Kickapoo Nation announced plans to build a casino near the tribe's reservation, south of Hiawatha.

Hempstead, NY (AP) — Walter Hudson lived and died by extremes. Once the fattest man alive, he lost 600 pounds, only to gain most of it back before his death on Dec. 24. In the end it took a huge hole cut in through his bedroom wall, 10 men and a forklift to get his 1,125 body to the morgue.

Nebraska and Miami were preparing to play in the Orange Bowl.

The Itha T. Krumme Memorial Arboretum Working Committee reported it had final approval from the head landscape architect from the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum for plant selections. Some 510 plantings, plus vines, were to be installed.

15 Years Ago

The Journal reported a "significant and damaging blow to the economy of Falls City, Richardson County and Southeast Nebraska" with the announcement of the closing of the Mickelberry's plant. Eighty-eight employees would be affected.

Elizabeth Gruber and Nic Sikora announced they would present a benefit Christmas concert, with proceeds to the Nebraska Make A Wish Founda-

Yule programs by Sacred Heart, FC Middle School and North School students all attracted large crowds. Although not named by her photographer dad, Emma Schock was described as the top performer at SH. Matt Uher was named the new football coach at FC High.

South School students received several responses to letters they wrote to service men and women after the 9/11 attacks and in advance of the holidays.

The SHHS One Act Play actors earned a Superior in the C-2 Districts. Jason Schock wrote a feature story about Guenter Hussenoeder, who spent two years in the German Peace Corps in Afghanistan in the 1960s. It's worth re-reading.

Three young Humboldt area guys were arrested on charges related to the alleged possession and manufacture of methamphetamine.

My uncle, Glennis L. "Pete" Lunsford, died at a local nursing home. He was 87.

RICHARDSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE HOLIDAY HOURS

The office of the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, December 26 in observance of Christmas.



OBITUARIES

Robin (Kirkendall) Carroll

Robin Lynn (Kirkendall) Carroll, 51, of Wichita, KS, passed away on Dec. 3, 2016 in Wichita. She was born on March 23, 1965 to Norman "Pete" and Theresa Kirkendall.

Robin attended Wichita schools and graduated in 1984 from Bethel Life High School. She attended Rhema Bible Learning Center in Broken Arrow, OK. In October 1987, she married Jim W. Carroll and moved to Jacksonville, NC, where Jim completed Marine Corps duty. They returned to Wichita in 1992 and lived there until her passing.

Robin is survived by her husband, Jim, of the home; foster daughter, Kendi Fleming; her parents, Pete and Theresa Kirkendall; brother, Rodney (Lanette) Kirkendall; sister, Tracey (Dan) Gentry; 18 nieces and nephews; six great nieces and nephews; and one grandchild, all of the Wichita area.

Funeral services were held Dec. 8, 2016 at Believers Tabernacle, Wichita. Baker Funeral Home, Wichita, is in charge of arrangements. Memorials are suggested to Believers Tabernacle.

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Dennis L. Lockard

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and he was found not guilty of a crime.

Dennis Lynn Lockard was born Oct. 5, 1967 in Auburn to Dennis Lowell and Vivian Darlene (McIn-

tire) Lockard. He grew up in Stella where he attended grade school. graduated He from Southeast Consolidated High School with the Class of 1986. On Feb. 14, 1987, Dennis was united



in marriage to Lori Strecker. To this union, a son, Dennis Lynn Lockard II, was born. The couple would later divorce. Dennis would later have another son, James Lowell Lock-

On April 6, 1993, he was united in marriage to Derinda Rybolt. The couple lived together in Stella for 23 years. Dennis helped his dad at Lockard Service from a young age and learned to work on tires and cars. He was like his mother in that he was very talented and could build anything. Dennis attended college in Omaha, but returned to Stella to be close to his parents. He and Derinda were always just a phone call away until Denny Sr. and Darlene's passing last summer. Dennis loved his family with his whole heart, which was huge. He would do anything to help family, friends or even a stranger stranded on the road somewhere. Dennis enjoyed playing pool league with his good friends and really never knew a stranger.

He is survived by his wife, Derinda, of Stella; sons, Dennis Lynn (Kalli) Lockard II, of Glenwood, MN, and James Lockard, of Kansas City, KS; sisters, Dennise (Lonnie) Reimer, of San Angelo, TX, and Dennette Wheeler (Rick Gilbertson), of Auburn; brother, Darren Lockard (Wendy Hemmer), of Auburn; aunt, Nellie Lee Lockard, of Stella; mother-inlaw, Daleen (George) Williams, of Paola, KS; father-in-law, Richard (Jane) Rybolt, of Silver Springs, MD; sister-in-law, Tammy Denise (Kevin) Christensen, of Omaha; brother-in-law, Travis McIntosh, of Plattsmouth; his pool league family; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral Services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2016 at the Stella Community Church, with Pastor Bill Stearns officiating. Visitation will be from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday at Wherry Mortuary in Humboldt. The family will greet friends from 6-8 p.m. at the mortuary. Interment will be at the Stella Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to the family's choice with a later designation.

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George 'Dennis' Moore

George "Dennis" Moore, 69, of nut Creek, FL. Des Moines, IA, passed away Dec. 8, 2016. He was born Sept. 29, 1947 in Falls City to George and Cleo Moore.

He graduated from Falls City High School in 1966 and earned a Bachelor's Degree from Northwest Missouri State in 1970. Dennis worked as an architect in Omaha and in Des Moines.

He is survived by his niece, Meg Hawks, of Omaha; and a nephew, Tom (Alice) Gildersleeve, of Coco-rangements.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents; and sister and brotherin-law, Patricia and Hal Gildersleeve.

Dennis will be cremated and laid to rest with his parents in Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln. No services are planned. Memorials to the Animal Rescue League of Des Moines or the Nebraska Humane Society of Omaha. Hamilton's Funeral Home, of Des Moines, is in charge of ar-

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Elizabeth Stradtman

Elizabeth Christine "Christi" (Stradtman) Rice, 47, passed away on Dec. 11, 2016 in Johnson City, TN. She was born on July 10, 1969.

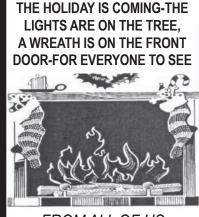
She is survived by mother, Terry Baxter Stradtman; daughter, Heather Nichole Cremins; special friend, Jordan; grandchildren, Emma Jo and Elle Mae; sister, Jesse Ann Boileau; brother, Jared Niles (Christine) Stradtman; uncles, Don Baxter and Kyle, and Jon Stradtman; aunts, Lois McGee, Eunice Stopple, Irene Stradtman, and Barbara Stradtman; and many close cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Donald and Loretta Baxter, and Clarence and Laura Stradtman; father, Ronald Stradtman; uncle, David Stradtman; aunt, Connie Baxter.

A private graveside memorial service will be held at Pilot Knob Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Bulls Gap, TN, at a later date. Jeffers Funeral and Cremation Services, of Greeneville, TN, is in charge

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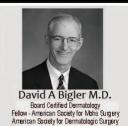
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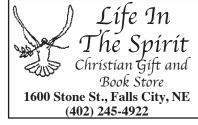
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Films contribute to cherished holiday traditions

Tradition plays a pivotal role during the holiday season. While each family has its own unique holiday traditions, certain traditions are embraced and shared by families far and wide. The tradition of watching holiday films together as a family is one custom that has endured for generations. Grandparents may have their favorite films, while moms and dads no doubt have their own must-see holiday movies as well. And no holiday film session is complete without including at least one movie that celebrates the magical impact that this time of year can have on youngsters. This year, holiday shoppers can even draw some gift-giving inspiration from some classic holiday films that appeal to family members of all ages.

"The Polar Express" (2004): Children love this tale of a young boy who lives out many kids' holiday fantasies by embarking on a magical, unpredictable journey to the North Pole. Along the way, the boy becomes a true believer in the spirit of Christmas when he picks up a loose sleigh bell that falls off of Santa's sleigh. Santa ultimately entrusts the bell to the boy, referring to the bell as "the first gift of Christmas."

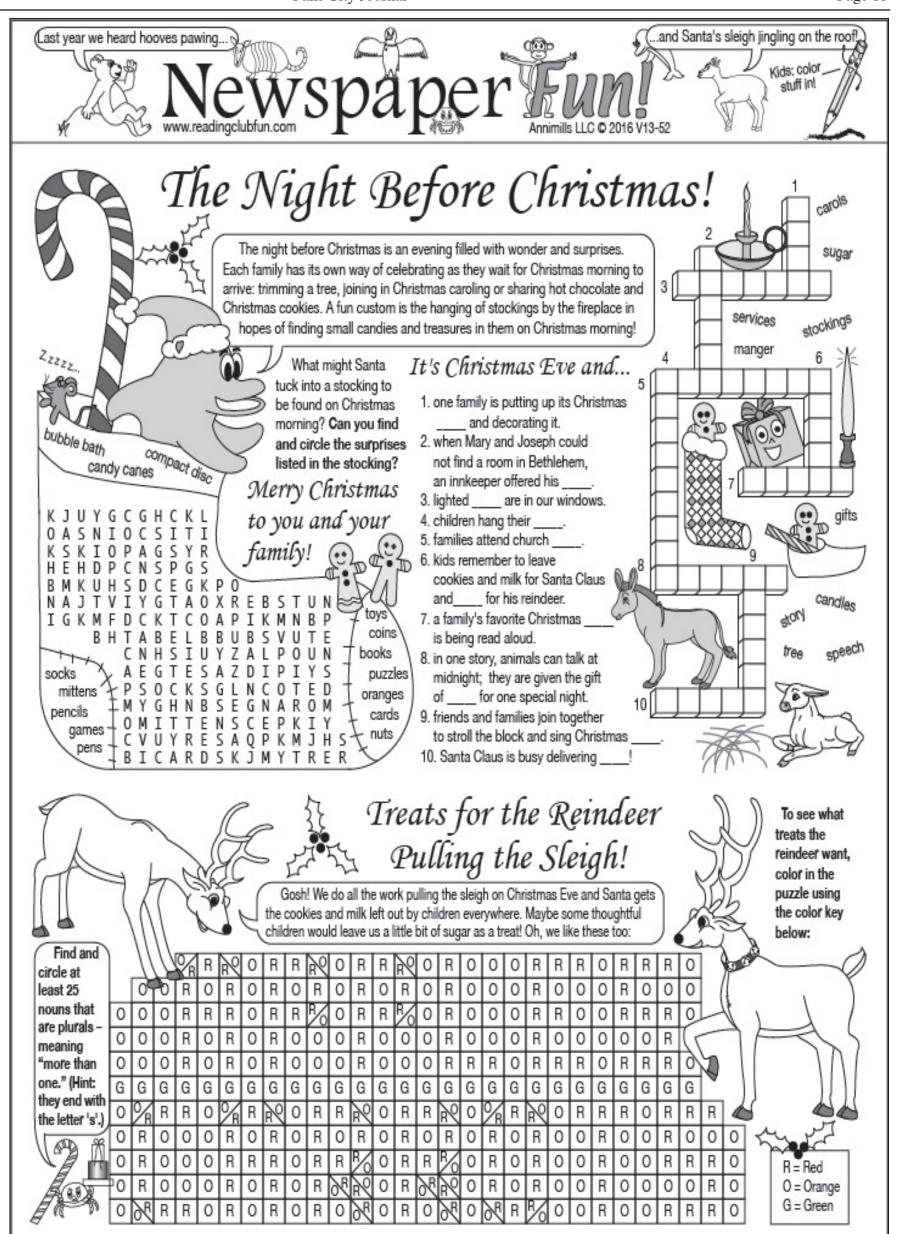
Parents who want to make the tradition of watching holiday films together with their children even more special for kids can give the First Gift of Christmas Sleigh Bell Gift Set (https://www.etsy.com/ shop/LilyDeal), providing their youngsters with the same sense of magic and wonderment the boy feels when Santa gives him the sleigh bell in the film. The set includes a large sleigh bell, a redand snow white-striped gift box, forest green ribbon, and large bow. A leather strap connected to each bell allows kids to hang the bell to include as part of their home holiday decor, or kids can carry the bell with them during the holiday season and show it off to friends and family alike. Each bell comes in a velvet gift bag, making the set an ideal memento for shoppers who want to give kids something they can unwrap and enjoy each Christmas for years to come. In addition, each bell comes with a Certificate of Authenticity that is signed by Santa and lists the name of the elf who inspected the bell, the reindeer name and the location of the bell on the reindeer's harness.

Shoppers looking for stocking stuffers for young fans of the film can opt for the Polar Express Round Trip Train Ticket. At 8" by 3", the ticket fits easily into standard Christmas stockings and can be customized to say "BELIEVE" or any word up to eight letters.

"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989): A holiday favorite among a slightly older crowd, "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" continues the tale of lovable family man Clark Griswold (Chevy Chase). Clark is determined to provide a traditional family Christmas for his wife, children and their large extended family, only to have his dream holiday derailed by a stingy boss. When shopping for gifts for fans of this holiday classic, shoppers can scour an array of homemade items on Etsy. com, from coffee mugs to T-shirts to home furnishings and more, celebrating Clark Griswold and all the mayhem his family hilariously endures en route to enjoying a merry Christmas together.

"It's a Wonderful Life" (1946): Grandparents are no doubt very familiar with this beloved holiday classic, which tells the tale of frustrated businessman George Bailey (Jimmy Stewart). Contemplating suicide on Christmas Eve, George is saved when his guardian angel, Clarence (Henry Travers), intervenes and shows him what life would have been like for George's loved ones had he never been born. Holiday shoppers looking for something special for a parent or grandparent who loves the story of George Bailey can peruse Etsy.com to find a host of items and replicas that recall some of the film's most memorable scenes.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Carolyn Arnold and Grant Smith, Co-Trustees, have filed an accounting and Petition for Review and Settlement of Twentieth Annual Accounting From October 28, 2015 to and Including October 27, 2016. Hearing has been set to consider the accounting, petition and fees on January 4, 2017, at 10:30 a.m., Richardson County Court, in Falls City, Nebraska.

Dated November 28, 2016

SYBIL G. HAMPTON FAMILY TRUST Carolyn Arnold and Grant Smith, Co-Trustees

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6-13-20

NOTICE In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Schaible, Deceased. Case No. PR16-51

Notice is hereby given that on November 28, 2016, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Michael C. Schaible, whose address is 1923 Towle Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before February 6, 2017 or be forever barred.

> Curtis L. Maschman County Judge

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6-13-20

NOTICE OF FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, AND FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the Matter of the

Estate of Edwin J. Nutzman, Deceased. Case No. PR16-53 Notice is hereby given that a Petition for For-

mal Probate of Will of said deceased, Determination of Heirs and Appointment of Rick Nutzman as Personal Representative has been filed and is set for hearing in the Richardson County Court, Second Floor, Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska, on January 4, 2017 at 10:00 o'clock A.M.

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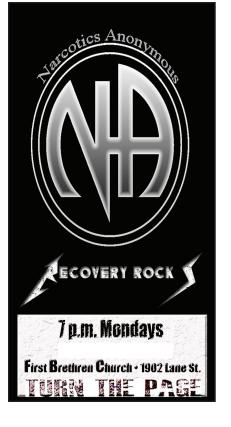
NOTICE OF HEARING MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTIONS

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of January, 2017, at 8:45 a.m. the Richardson County Board of Equalization will hold a hearing to consider an application from the following organization seeking tax exemption on motor vehicles: Boy Scout Troop & Cub Scout Pack #387, Humboldt; Christ Church of Falls City, Corner Stone Baptist Church, Community Medical Center, Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad, First Christian Church, Good News Assembly of God Church, Sacred Heart School, Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc., The First Baptist Church dba Valley Avenue Baptist Church and T.L.C. Ministries. The recommendations of the Richardson County Treasurer are available at the Office of the County Treasurer located in the Courthouse, Falls Čity, Nebraska.

David D. Sickel, Chairman Richardson County Board of Commissioners

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NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Estate of Dorothy M. Fisher, Deceased

Case. No. PR16-55

Notice is hereby given that on December 14, 2016, in the County Court Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Deceased and that Patricia S. Bauman, whose address is 71105 644 Avenue, Verdon, Nebraska 68457, Kathryn A. Mumm, whose address is 65849 705 Road, Rulo, Nebraska 68431, and Gary L. Fisher, Sr., whose address is 202 W. Goldberry Street, Rulo, Nebraska 68431, have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before February 21, 2017, or forever be barred.

> Nancy A. DeKlotz Clerk of the County Court

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20-28-4

PUBLIC NOTICE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY** Lincoln, Nebraska

Pursuant to NDEQ's Title 118 - Ground Water Quality Standards and Use Classification, public notification and opportunity for comment is hereby given of the following:

1. On or about December 20, 1989, a petroleum release was identified originating from a storage tank system located at 308 Ridge Street, Dawson. An approximate legal location is NW1/4, NW1/4, NE1/4, Section 22, Township 02N, Range 14E, Richardson County.

2. Follow-up investigation identified the effects of the release and led to the remedial actions proposed by NDEQ. The investigation resulted in a determination that this ground water contamination event is defined as remedial action class one.

3. The source of the release has been removed. A Risk-Based Corrective Action (RBCA) Tier 1 assessment was conducted. The assessment indicated the presence of dissolved petroleum compounds in ground water. The contaminant concentrations found were below the numerical levels used by the RBCA process to establish a need for further investigation or remediation. Based on the current site conditions and property use, the NDEQ has determined that no further remedial action is necessary due to the lack of threat to human health or safety.

Information regarding this release is contained in the file: NDEQ ID 61569, LST 03290-KAM-

Any person may receive further information or submit comments on the proposed action, and request or petition NDEQ for a hearing, in writing, stating the nature of the issues to be raised in the hearing, on or before January 23, 2017. A final decision by the Director will be made in a manner provided by Title 115, NAC Ch. 5. Direct written correspondence to: Director, NDEQ, P.O. Box 98922, Lincoln, NE 68509-8922. You may also call David Chambers at 402/471-2186 with comments or if alternate formats of materials are needed. TDD users call 711 and ask the relay operator to call 402/471-2186.

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION SAYLOR FARM AND LAND HOLDINGS OF NEBRASKA, LLC

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §21-193 notice is given that Saylor Farm and Land Holdings of Nebraska, LLC, a limited liability company, was organized on December 5, 2016 by filing a Certificate of Organization with the Nebraska Secretary of State setting forth the following:

1. The name of the company is Saylor Farm and Land Holdings of Nebraska, LLC.

2. The period of duration of the company is

3. The address of the initial designated office of the company in Nebraska is:

111 E. 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355, and the company's initial agent for service of process in Nebraska is Christopher C. Halbert, 111 E. 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355.

4. The general nature of its business is to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

Its Attorney: Christopher C. Halbert, #22609 Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, L.L.C. 111 East 17th Street Post Office Box 447 Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447 Phone: (402) 245-4486

13-20-28

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION OF DC GOFF FARMS, INC.

Registered Office: 70 Salem, Nebraska 68433 70501 645 Blvd.

Registered Agent: Daniel C. Goff

The corporation shall provide agricultural services and engage in any and all lawful business for which a corporation may be formed under the Nebraska Business Corporation Act. The number of shares the corporation is authorized to issue is 10,000 shares and the authorized capital stock is \$10,000 to be fully paid and non-assessable on issue. Perpetual existence commenced on December 13, 2016, when Articles were filed with the Secretary of State. Affairs are to be conducted by the Board of Directors and officers authorized by the By-laws and the Board.

> Incorporators: Daniel C. Goff Cassondra A. Goff 70501 645 Blvd. Salem, Nebraska 68433

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20-28-4

County Board

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DECEMBER 6, 2016 CALL TO ORDER

Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2016. Roll call was answered by Standerford, Davidson and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Davidson. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2016, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, David-

da with a correction due to a clerical error and add to the agenda a discussion with Pam Vice, County Assessor at 10:45 a.m. regarding staffing and to approve the remaining agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Standerford, ROLLCALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickelaye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

Sheriff, Don Pounds updated the Board on the routine business within the Sheriff's Department and Jail this week. Jail maintenance items were discussed. Sheriff Pounds has also been in contact with the supplier of the equipment for the kitchen and it is planned for delivery next week.

SHERIFF, DON POUNDS

Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent met with the Board to update them on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this

BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director updated the Board on the last testing of the generator this past weekend. It was determined that the part of the Courthouse that is not currently connected to the generator could be added and the Board authorized Mr. Kirkendall to proceed with this

Also discussed was staffing within the EMA

lar meeting agenda and go into an executive session at 11:00 a.m. to review county litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye.

ecutive session at 11:25 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

officials for fees collected during the month of November, 2016: Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk\$ 283.50

statement for November, 2016.

CLAIMS Motion was made by Davidson to allow the payment of all claims that were

Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

OBI (ERIE I CI I)	
Beers Shop, serv	611.34
Culligan, serv	102.37
Datamax, serv	
Dickeys BBQ, serv	
FC Sanitation, serv	
Kaytlyn Kennedy, reimb	
Brian Kirkendall, reimb	
Kustom Signals, supp	
Midtown Service Center, serv	
Midwest Mobile Radio, serv	
Miller-Monroe, bond/insur	
Mr. Automotive, parts	
Office Depot, supp	
Pest Control Services of SE NE, ser	
Postmaster, postage	
Ram Exterminators, serv	
Ameritas, retire	
EMA Petty Cash, reimb	
Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	
Richardson County Vendor, FICA	7735.16
Sapp Bros., fuel	192.15
SE NE Communications, serv	1992.84
Stripes & Signs, supp	70.00
True Value, supp	
Verizon, serv	488.66
Wolfes, supp	126.66
Payroll Expense	69568.64
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TOTAL ROAD BUYBACK

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ADJOURNMENT Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn

the meeting at 11:35 a.m. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-

erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk

held its regular meeting on Monday, December 12, 2016, at 5:15 p.m. at the Educational Service Unit 4 in Auburn, Nebraska. The following claims were paid for the month of December:

meet in regular session on Monday, January 9, 2017, at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room at the office of Educational Service Unit 4, 919 16th Street, Auburn, Nebraska. The Region 4 Preschool Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 11:30 a.m. in the conference room at the office of Educational Service Unit 4, 919 16th Street, Auburn, Nebraska. Agendas for both meetings, kept current, are readily available for public inspection at the office of the Admin-

Village of Shubert

Regular Monthly Meeting December 5, 2016 Shubert Library

The Village Board of Shubert, NE held the monthly board meeting on December 5, 2016 in the Shubert Library. Co-Chairman Peggy Oliver opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with the following board members present: Linda Patchen and Gina Steele. Zeb Shafer and Nathan Handley were absent. Clerk was present to record the meeting. Co- Chairman announced the Posting of the Open Meetings Law. Co-Chairman asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, Co-Chair added Christmas Lights from Falls City. Co-Chairman asked visitors for comments. Peggy Kuser CPA was present to review 2016 financial statements, review audit waiver and USDA report. Everyone else were present to observe. Co-Chairman asked T. Milke to review his water and sewer report. Water and Sewer systems are performing very well. Water level at well #3 is slowly continuing to rise. Water testing should be able to take place once the well recovers a few more feet. Chairman then moved on to regular business. There was a motion and second (Steele/Patchen) to approve the November 7, meeting minutes. Roll call vote was "Aye," Motion carried. There was a motion and second (Oliver/Steele) to approve the balance and claims sheet (with the addition of two claims received that day) Roll call vote was 'Ave": Motion carried. General: Zeb Shafer and Gina Steele were reelected. Paul Buchner was elected to the village board. Co-Chairman asked Paul Buchner to take the Oath of Office. Buchner was sworn in to the village board. With one board member absent Co-Chairman Oliver made a Motion to wait until next month to reorganize. Second (Patchen) Roll call vote was "Aye"; Mo-Water & Sewer: Board reviewed delinquent

water accounts. Well door #2-Still needs re-

Update on NRD and Wells-None, Wood & Brush pile: Dumping of treated lumber and furniture continues to be a problem. Brush pile will be piled up soon. Buildings and Park: Community Building: 17 chairs for \$2 a piece were purchased for the community building. There was a motion and second (Oliver/Steele) to approve the purchase and pay the claim. Roll call vote was "Aye," Motion carried. Outside light above door will need to be replaced. Board is still looking for fire escape handles for the two doors. Park: Has been winterized. Library: Gut-

ters have been cleaned out. Streets: A couple of street lights are out. Christmas lights: Falls city has 15 Christmas decorations to sell. Co-Chairman had a photo of the lights/decorations. Falls city would accept payment ½ in January and ½ next January. Motion and Second (Patchen/Steele) to purchase and pay full amount this January. Roll call vote was "Aye"; Motion carried. Will discuss snow removal next month.

Fire: Roof repairs are still needed. The next board meeting will be Monday January 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shubert Library. With no further business: Motion and Second (Oliver/Steele) to adjourn meeting at 8:12 p.m. Roll call vote "Aye". Motion carried.

Jennifer Buchner Village Clerk

NPPD - Fire Barn22.11	
Shubert Volunteer Fire Dept310.19	
Falls City Journal33.21	
Jennifer Buchner554.10	
Davis PHE70.00	
United States Treasury195.08	
Falls City Journal	
NPPD - Community Building25.68	
NPPD - Library22.11	
NPPD - Weather Siren22.11	
USPS Office47.00	
Vice Oil & Propane40.00	
Southeast Area Clerks Association10.00	
NPPD -Streets505.65	
USPS Office34.00	
Village of Shubert - USDA Account906.00	
Southeast Telephone Company48.34	
Nebraska Rural Water Association100.00	
Blankenau Wilmoth Jarecke LLP97.20	
Village of Stella15.00	
Tracy Milke70.75	
Aaron Davis55.00	
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Tracy Milke415.57	
Midwest Labs0.00	
State of Nebraska PHEL0.00	
Falls City Sanitation Service896.00	
Southeast Telephone Company48.34	
NPPD - Sewer294.60	
NPPD - Wells105.76	
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Village of Stella

Village of Stella Board of Trustees Meeting, December 5, 2016 at 7:00 P.M at the Stella **Community Building**

Present: Jim Owings, Heath Stanley and Jerry Joy. Chasity Davis arrived at 7:05.

Absent: Ådam Stanley . Guests: Raylene Dunn, Derex Kish, Andy McMullen, Pat Hatfield, Eric Schmit and Tracy

The regular monthly board meeting was called

to order at 7:00 P.M. and Joy noted the posting of the open meeting act.

Pat Hatfield and Eric Schmit of NPPD, introduced themselves to the board members. Eric is assigned to our area. He and Pat are the only ones down in this area unless there is an emergency, so response time may be a little longer,

but they will respond as quickly as possible. They noted no rate increase in 2017 and that as lights need replaced, they will be replaced with LED which is much more efficient. Motion by H Stanley and second by J Owings to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yea. Motion by C Davis and second by J Owings to approve the treasurers report as presented. All voted yea. Motion by J Owings and second by H

Stanley to pay the claims and payroll. All voted Communications: Derex Kish is working on community service for his merit badge in scouts. Thanks to NPPD, Jim Owings, Andy McMullen and Philip Cantu for the help with Christmas lights and decorations. Certification of election

was received from the County Clerk.

Committees: Streets – Bid for manhole work on 6th Street between Vine and Clark St and apron for inlet to guttering on 3rd and Elm St of \$1850 by Handley Construction. Motion by Joy and second by H Stanley to accept the bid from Handley Construction. All voted yea. The area where the Highway and Clark Street connect entering Stella's Head to Tails was discussed also. J Owings will contact the State about this. Lights – Ok. Park – Ok. W&S- Written report by Milke. Library -Written report by James. The quarterly library board meeting was held December 3 with Dan Hill, Gail Masonbrink, Jack Dunn, J Owings, J Joy and Sue James present. Maintenance Man – None. Planning – None Tree – none. Health – None Community Building - None. Main Street Improvement - None

Water Tower Painting – Table. Lime Digestive Tank- Table. Shelter Electricity – Not completed yet.

Swearing in of new board members - Chasity Davis and Heath Stanley took the oath of office which was administered by Chairman Joy. Derex Kish stood with them during the oath. Jim Donahoe was not present. H Stanley noted that millings are available for

\$17 a ton delivered. Table.
Work has begun on the 1&6 Street Plan.

Motion by H Stanley and second by J Owings to appoint Evan Wickersham of JEO Consulting Group, Inc as our Street Superintendent for 2017. All voted yea. Motion by J Owings and second by H Stanley to appoint JEO Consulting Group, Inc as the village engineer for 2017. All voted yea. Jana Anderson is requesting permission to remove the old mortuary building. The new park equipment would need to be moved north out of the way.

Water Shut-offs were signed.

Miscellaneous – Derex Kish took down and rolled up the flag following the meeting. Motion by J Owings and second by H Stanley to adjourn at 7:50 P.M. All voted yea.

DECEMBER CLAIMS AND PAYROLL Roger Sullwold 299.13; Jim Donahoe 168.09; Montana Vice 370.00; OPPD 286.86; Midwest Labs Inc 130.06; Vicki Owings 525.00; Vicki Owings 9.61; Tracy Milke 250.00; Aaron Davis 225.00; American Recycling & Sanitation 1040.00; SE NE Communications 204.33; Tracy Milke 211.75; Open Cell Connected 242; NEPD Milke 211.75; One Call Concepts 3.42; NPPD 1152.37; Internal Revenue Service 186.40; Sue James 117.00.

Village of Verdon

VERDON MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - DECEMBER 7, 2016 - 7:43 P.M.- VILLAGE HALL

Chairperson Denise Koso informed the room at large that the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Denise Koso at 7:43 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were: James Cocker-ham, Denise Koso, Wade Lowe, Brenda Streit, Shannon Weinmann and Clerk, Brenda Daniels. GUESTS: None. MINUTES: Motion by Koso, second by Streit

to approve, all the Trustees present voted YEA. AGENDA: Motion by Koso, second by Weinmann to approve, all Trustees present voted

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Weinmann, second by Koso to approve, with all the

Trustees present voting YEA.

DECEMBER, 2016 CLAIMS: Motion by
Koso, second by Lowe to pay the claims, all the
Trustees present voting YEA. Trustee Weinmann and Chairperson Koso then checked through the claims and verified they were correct. The claims paid in November, 2016 were also verified to be

COMMUNICATIONS: 1. The December, 2016 shut-off notices were reviewed by the Trustees

2. Thank you note from Clerk Daniels was

3. Chairperson Koso updated the board members on the information about the Congregational Church Building. Motion by Cockerham, second by Streit to have the building inspected for any problems, structural or otherwise, and all the trustees voted YEA. This will be further dis-

cussed at the January, 2017 meeting.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 1. Mention of how the cement trucks were wearing down the Village Streets was made by Cockerham.

2. Written monthly update reports from Tammie Bents were given to the Board to read and

3. Update on Nuisance violation was given by Chairperson Koso. Attorney Handley will be called in January about this on-going problem. NEW BUSINESS: 1. Motion was made by Koso, second by Cockerham to give the two em-

ployees extra holiday pay, all the trustees voted Yea, except Weinmann who abstained from voting for Clerk Daniels to receive it because of conflict of interest. 2. Motion by Koso, second by Weinmann to approve a building permit for Darel and Lana

Willman, all the Trustees voted YEA. 4. Motion made by Weinmann with second by Streit to donate \$50.00 to the Verdon Community Workers for Christmas treats, all the Trustees voting YEA. ORDINANCE 2016-103: "Vacating and closing 2nd Street west of Main Street to Railroad

crossing" came up for the second reading. Motion by Weinmann, second by Koso to pass the second reading with all the Trustees voting YEA. Second reading of Ordinance 2016-103 passed and approved.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Wein-

mann with second by Streit to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. All the trustees voted YEA.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Village of Verdon will be on January 4, 2017 at 7:30

p.m. at the Village Hall. Brenda Daniels, Verdon Clerk/Treasurer

VILLAGE OF VERDON CHANGE IN OFFICE MEETING -DEC. 7, 2016 - 7:30 P.M.- VILLAGE HALL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY

She called attention to the Open Meetings Act ROLL CALL: PRESENT WERE GARY COCHRAN, JAMES COCKERHAM, DENISE

CHAIRPERSON DENISE KOSO AT 7:30 P.M.

KOSO, BRENDA STREIT, SHANNON WEIN-MANN AND CLERK BRENDA DANIELS. GUEST: WADE LOWE. OUT-GOING TRUSTEE GARY COCHRAN SURRENDERED ANY VILLAGE PROPERTY

HE HAD. MOTION BY DENISE KOSO, SECOND BY SHANNON WEINMANN TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 7:32 P.M. ALL TRUST-EES PRESENT VOTED YEA.

MEETING ADJOURNED. BRENDA DANIELS, VERDON CLERK THE THREE INCOMING TRUSTEES. JAMES COCKERHAM, WADE LOWE AND SHANNON WEINMANN WERE GIVEN THEIR OATH OF OFFICE BY CLERK BREN-DA DANIELS.

VILLAGE OF VERDON REORGANIZATION MEETING

DEC 7,2016 - 7:35 P.M. - VILLAGE HALL Meeting was called to order by Chairperson protempore James Cockerham at 7:35 p.m. He called attention to the Open Meetings Act

posted on the wall. Roll Call: Present were: James Cockerham, Denise Koso, Brenda Streit, Shannon Weinmann, Wade Lowe and Clerk, Brenda Daniels.

Nominations were opened for election of

Chairperson and Shannon Weinmann nominated Denise Koso with a second made by Brenda Streit. Motion to have nominations cease made by Shannon Weinmann, second by Brenda Streit. After vote was taken, Denise Koso is the new Chairperson for 2017. She then appointed the following for offices. Clerk/Treasurer: Brenda Daniels, Village Attorney: Neal Parsons & Asso-ciates and for Verdon Street Supt. Julie Vollmer with the approval of the trustees, Weinmann abstained from approval for Brenda Daniels as clerk because of a conflict of interest.

The following Trustees were appointed to head these different departments. General: Denise Koso, Streets: James Cockerham, Water: Shannon Weinmann, Sewer: Wade Lowe, Cemetery & Parks: Brenda Streit. Denise Koso then appointed James Cockerham as Chairperson protempore for 2017 with the Trustees approval except Cockerham who abstained.

Motion by Koso, second by Weinmann to adjourn the reorganization meeting and proceed with the regular monthly meeting. All present voting YEA. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Brenda Daniels, Verdon Clerk/Treasurer

VILLAGE OF VERDON NOV., 2016 CLAIMS BRENDA DANIELS, MI\$37.26 VERDON LIBRARY, EX\$25.00 SUNMART, EX\$375.00 SNC, SEFARM & CITY SUPPLY, SU\$106.40 MIDWEST LABS, FE\$151.00 TAMMIE BENTS, RE. AAA FIRE EXTINGUISHER, SE\$35.00 N.P.P.D., SE...... O.P.P.D., SE..... .\$864.60 BRENDA DANIELS, SATAMMIE BENTS, SATAMMIE BENTS, MI \$480.00 .\$812.83 \$238.66 TAMMIE BENTS, RE.....\$43.51 NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENV. LABS., FE.....\$360.00 BRENDA DANIELS SA\$480.00 TAMMIE BENTS, SA\$812.83 TAMMIE BENTS, MI\$64.26

EX=EXPENSE, FE=FEE, MI=MILEAGE, RE=REIMBURSEMENT, SA=SALARY, SE=SERVICE, SU=SUPPLIES

The regular meeting of the Richardson County

son-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agen-

Patrol vehicle maintenance was also discussed. ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPT.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Motion was made by Sickel to recess the regu-

Motion was made by Davidson to close the ex-

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER Fee Reports
The Board approved reports for the following

Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist. Court\$ 390.25 Monthly Operating Statement
The Board reviewed the monthly operating

submitted today. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye,

.\$64,498.72 PROGRAM... JUVENILE SERV GRANT FUND Laura Osborne, reimbTOTAL JUVENILE SERV GRANT FUND HIGHWAY BOND REPAY FUND BOK Financial Corp, bond pymnt14248.75 TOTAL HWY BOND REPAY

David D. Sickel, Chairman

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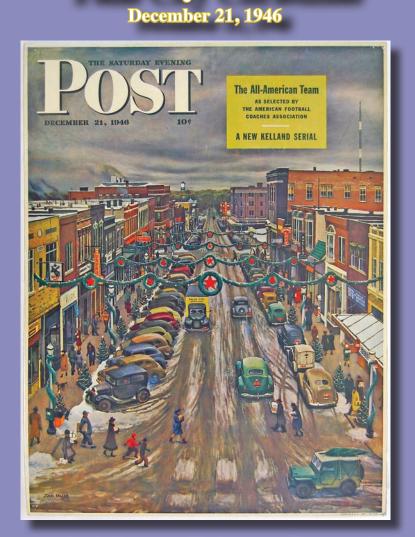
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Falls City Christmas'



As a setting for his picture of the last-minute Christmas rush, John Falter chose the town where he spent his boyhood, Falls City, Nebraska. The finished job is a mixture of paint and recollection. That water tower in the distance, for example, was a favored roost for Falls City boys on hot summer nights. They liked to sleep there. City authorities met in some alarm — the surrounding platform is 75 feet above ground — and forbade it. Falter had no trouble recalling the Christmas rush. As a boy, he worked in his father's clothing store on this street. A good many customers bought new outfits for the holidays, and young Falter was the pants runner — he ran trousers from the store to the tailor's, to get them shortened. Only customers appear in this painting. But the artist's sympathies doubtless are with those on the selling side of the counter.

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day, Dec. 21; 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 22; 8:00-9:00 a.m. & 3:45-4:45 p.m., Saturday, December 24; 6:30-6:55 a.m. & 9:30-9:55 a.m., Sunday, December 25.

The Christmas Story

Luke 2King James Version (KJV)

2 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed.

2 (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service **Prairie Union Baptist Church** 3 mi. east, 1 mile north &

1/4 mile west of Stella, NE

Sat., Dec. 24 6:30 P.M.



Letters

DEAR SANTA,

For Christmas I want a Drowsy doll and a Layette for her and also a doll crib for her. She is 15 1/2 inches high. I have been a good little girl all year. I think you are the kindest man in theworld. Would you please bring me what I want?

Your admirer, Judy Jones

Thank you for the toys you gave me last year. how is Mrs. Santa Claus and the elves? Are they busy? This year I would like an Anabelle kiddie doll and a Spirograph. I would also like a book about dogs and a game called Operations. That is all now. God Bess you very much Santa

Ann Kean

I would like Tippy Toes and Stormy, Misty. They are both horse story's. I have a horse. He is black and has white feet. His name is Tomaka. I have a book at school. It is called Tizz. Plays Santa Clause. It is a very good book. I want rings 'N' things and I am 8 years old.

My name is Kristine Ann M.



I want a Mickey Mouse loop the loop, Yellow Back hoe with front loarder, and Baseball shoes. I like you very much, Santa Claus.

Love Eric Willman, 6

I hope your fine, I've been good. I started school. I am almost six years old. I want a BB gun, a raceing car set, cowboy and idian set, and a watch. Bring my baby brother something special.

Love, Gary W. I'll bring you cookies and milk.

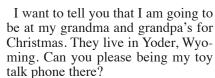
My mother is helping me write this letter because I am only three years old. I have tried to be as good as I can this year. For Christmas I would like to have a snow suit to play in the snow, some candy, some Tonka toys, and some tinker toys. I will leave you some cookies and chocolate milk on Christmas Eve. That will leave you with a full tummy to deliver the toys. God Bless.

Jason Lenard PS: My sister Becky has been good



I want a Mousetrap and Feedme and Sorry and Go To The Head Of The Class.

From Kristi



Thank you, Tamie

I have been a pretty good boy. I would like a blue bike and I would like a guitar. Also, I would like some clothes for school. A bigfoot truck would be nice, too. There will be cookies and milk for you on Christmas Eve. Love Joe

I would like paint board kitchen FS5 and pinnacles 20 inch 5-speed S-11 Disney World Castle Mouse Trap Snoopy Sno-Cone machine.

Love Ryan

I would like to have a new red Huffy bicycle for Christmas. Please, I have been a good boy.

Robby



I have tried hard to be a good girl this year. Now that I'm a 'big girl,' I like to help mommy with the housework. For Christmas I would like to have a dolly, a toy school bus and a Peyton Kuker, 2

I want a gargoyle with the big wings and the eyes that shut and open. I want Rollerblades also. Hope you have a safe Christmas. Don't fall off any roofs.

Love, Lucas Ely

I would like a Jenny Gymnast, some games, Barbie doll, roller blades, diaper bag for my dolls and whatever else would you like to bring me.

Thank you, Jessica Cook

I have been pretty good this year. This is what I want for Christmas. Roller blades, TV with remote with a VCR, jeans, a baby pig, a baby puppy, walk man.

Amber Ramer

I want for Christmas a car seat for my baby. Bring my sister a toy.

Taylor and Rachel Shubert









I want a toy Santa and toy flower. N. Witt



I want a Princess Poppy.

Raylynn



I want a big bouncy ball.

Wyatt

