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We're looking forward to one Super Bowl play where a helmeted monster calmly walks away after making a tackle.

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Come Feb. 26, all calls start with '402'

Beginning Feb. 26, local phone calls in the 402 Area Code must be dialed using the area code plus the local 7 digit phone number. The option to dial local numbers using only seven digits will no longer be available.

Telephone numbers assigned and in service in the 402 Area Code will remain the same. New numbers will continue to be assigned from remaining 402 Area Code numbering resources until the available numbers are depleted at which time new numbers will be assigned from 531 Area Code resources.

In implementing Nebraska's new 531 Area Code everyone placing local and long distance calls, in the geography served by the 402 Area Code, will be required to dial 402 or 531 plus the local seven digit phone number to complete calls. Long distance calls that currently require dialing a '1' prior to the ten digit number will continue to require dialing '1' plus the area code and local number as has been done in the past. The Commission warns consumers that dialing '1' plus the local 10-digit number may result in a long distance charge on their landline phone bill.

In addition to changing the way local calls are dialed, all services including automatic dialing equipment or other types of equipment that are programmed with a seven digit number will need to be re-programmed to adapt to the new 10-digit dialing procedure. Some examples are life safety systems, fax machines, Internet dial-up

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Sacred Heart trying to celebrate 120 years

This week marked the celebration of Catholic Schools Week, "Catholic Schools — A+ For America." Sacred Heart School attempted to celebrate its 120th year of Catholic education in Richardson County, but the brutal winter weather kept the school doors closed for much of the week.

Students reported to classes Monday, but were dismissed later that morning. School was canceled both Tuesday and Wednesday.

The week began on Sunday with Parish Appreciation Day at weekend Masses, with high school students thanking parishioners for their spiritual and monetary support of Sacred Heart School.

Monday was Volunteer and Community Appreciation Day, with the National Honor Society hosting an open house/coffee at 9 a.m. in the main lobby of the school.

Tuesday was supposed to be Parent Appreciation Day, and Wednesday Honors Day, with the honoring of new National Honor Society members. The events have yet to be rescheduled.

Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day was scheduled for Thursday and Friday is Grandfriends Day. From 8-8:30 a.m., students' grandfriends may visit their classrooms and then walk over with the students for 8:30 a.m. Mass for preschool and kindergarten through sixth grades. This will also be Reading Day for prekindergarten through sixth grades.

Friday will also be Student Appreciation Day. It is Spirit Shirt/Blue Jeans Day as well for all students and teachers.

Dead of Winter



Jason Schock

Mother Nature delivered her very best fury on Southeast Nebraskans and much of middle America this week, starting with a thick sheet of ice Monday, followed by a few inches of blowing snow Tuesday, and Wednesday temperatures that dipped well below zero. All of the above, plus 30- to 40-mph wind gusts made for the worst winter storm of the season. Area school kids were let out three hours into the week and classes were canceled both Tuesday and Wednesday. None of that stopped this brave traveler - who identified himself only as "Sasquatch" - from making a brutal Tuesday afternoon hike downtown, to the Falls City Library.



Jason Schock

MAJOR DONATION. After the recent sale of Richardson County Bank & Trust - and retirement of longtime Chairman John H. Morehead - the bank has generously donated its highly valued art collection to the Falls City Library & Arts Center and Stalder Gallery. Sixteen pieces, including the John P. Falter oil on canvas original, "Confrontation," shown here, were donated. "We are so very grateful for the donation of art from the Richardson County Bank & Trust and to the Morehead family for facilitating this transfer," Gallery Curator Christina Wertenberger said. "The Library and Community Foundation of Richardson County is committed to collecting, maintaining and sharing the wonderful works of art in its possession. Our goal of growing the collection is just beginning and

this donation will make a huge impact on the collection. It is also our goal to become a collection that can be lent to other art galleries and institutions. Next year we will reciprocate on a loan from the Great Plains Art Museum in Lincoln that was part of the Falter Centennial Celebration. As we continue to grow, it is our hope that we put Falls City on the map for our wonderful gallery exhibitions as well as our superb permanent collection," she said.

Photographed, from left: Falls City Library Director Hope Schawang, Library & Community Foundation members Bob Aitken and Sandy Hartman, Wertenberger, Marc Morehead and Dana Rathje of RCB&T, and Library & Community Foundation President Ken Kunce.

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RCB&T Art Donation To Stalder Gallery

Piece	Artist	MEDIA
Confrontation	JP Falter	Oil on canvas
Nemaha Sunscape	AK Tubach	Oil on canvas
Harlan to Stone	AK Tubach	Oil on panel
Late October	G Roncka	Oil on canvas
Quail	JR Smith	Mixed media on paper
North of Parkville, Mo.	A Pascolini	Oil on panel
A Visit to Lone Jack, Mo.	A. Pascolini	Oil on panel
Cook Wagon, IL Ranch	W Matthews	Mixed media on paper
Friend or foe	M Gerhold	Oil on canvas
Buffalo Hunt, Wolf Skin	G Catlin	Hand colored lithograph
Marsh in Autumn	L Weddel	Watercolor
Missouri Mule in Ozark	TH Benton	Sepia, ink, pencil
Runaway	W Matthews	Print 6/50
The Assiniboine Mountains	TH Benton	Ink & watercolor
Reflections	LT Collier	Oil on canvas
August Evening/Platte River	H Holoun	Oil on canvas



Capitol View

By Ed Howard
Statehouse Correspondent
Nebraska Press Association

LINCOLN – The law of supply in demand proved its validity recently when the Department of Corrections had to go to the international market to buy one of the drugs needed for the lethal cocktail the state may use to kill condemned killers.

The U.S. supplier of the drug announced earlier this month it would stop providing sodium thiopental because its plans to manufacture the it in Italy ran afoul of authorities there. The government wanted guarantees that none of the drug manufactured in Italy would be used anywhere for lethal injections. The company, Hospira, then decided to withdraw from the market.

That meant Nebraska corrections officials had to shop elsewhere. A lack of sodium thiopental has interfered with executions in some other states.

Nebraska found a supplier in India. However, Kayem Pharmaceutical said the state had to buy a minimum of 500 grams, at a cost of \$2,056. That's enough sodium thiopental to accommodate 166 convicted murderers during their last medical procedure on earth. Only 12 men are on Nebraska's death row. It usually takes three grams of sodium thiopental to render someone unconscious. Thereafter, two other drugs are administered to kill the prisoner.

The hitch is that Nebraska's supply has an August 2012 expiration date. That Nebraska might execute 12 men in 18 months is unimaginable.

In fact, Attorney General Jon Bruning has only one request pending before the state Supreme Court to set an execution date, that being for double murderer Carey Dean Moore. Moore, 53, was first condemned to die in 1979 for the murders of two cab drivers in Omaha. He confessed to the murders in detail.

Since sodium thiopental is hard to get these days, the Department of Corrections wasn't in a position to haggle with the supplier. The company in India said it was 500 grams or nothing, so Nebraska bought the 500 grams, even though it was obvious most of it would eventually be thrown away. Federal law allows the state to sell a small portion of its supply to other states, although the department said it had no plans to do so.

Nebraska's last execution was in 1997 when Robert Williams was put to death in the electric chair for three murders. Moore would be the first person to be killed through lethal injection.

Will Cigar Bar Law Go Up In Smoke?

A judge in Lincoln has declared unconstitutional a provision in Nebraska's statewide smoking ban which allows for so-called cigar bars.

District Judge Jodi Nelson said exemptions for cigar bars, tobacco shops and some hotel rooms were not justified since those places aren't much different from businesses where smoking is banned.

Nebraska enacted a statewide smoking ban that took effect June 1, 2009.

State Sen. Scott Lautenbaugh of Omaha said the decision would likely be appealed, and quickly.

K2, or 'Spice' not safe or natural

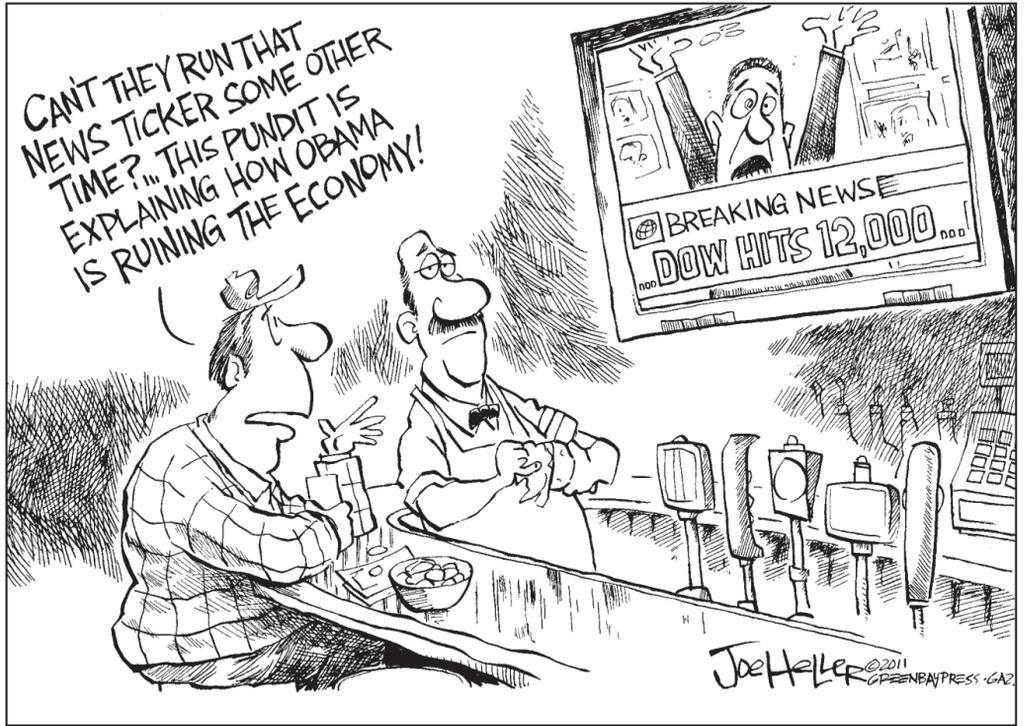
You can buy it as easily as a pack of cigarettes in Nebraska and it is marketed as a "legal high." It comes in several different names but is best known as K2 or Spice. It has been sold since 2006 as



incense or potpourri and sells for around \$30 or \$40 per bag. This is comparable to the cost of marijuana but can be purchased on the Internet or at local stores. is a mixture of herbal and spice products that is sprayed or coated with a tropic ingredient. The ingredients in K2 are neither natural nor safe. The man-made chemicals that are added to the herbal mix cause symptoms that are dangerous. Symptoms can include intense hallucinations, severe agitation or seizures, anxiety, increase in heart rate and blood pressure and vomiting.

Although some sellers claim that these products are intended for use as incense and not for human consumption, they are usually purchased as a legal substitute for marijuana and are typically smoked. Besides Spice and K2 other names include: fake weed; K-2 Summit; Genie, and Zohai.

So far, 15 states have banned the sale of K2 and Nebraska lawmakers are considering a ban on the sale of K2. In 2010, the Nebraska Regional Poison Center received 50 calls on K2.



Back-pain sufferer finds relief

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.



DEAR DR. GOTT: For the past 17 years, within two hours of falling asleep, a painfully stiff lower back would wake me and continually plague

me throughout the night. Before this started, I was active -- riding my bike, golfing and exercising regularly. Eventually, I gave up all activity, including my daily 30-minute walk, because the more I moved during the day, the worse the pain became at night. I tried pain pills, sleeping pills, muscle relaxers, lidocaine patches, heating pads, ice packs, stretching, walking around, sleeping on the couch and sleeping in a chair. Nothing worked. Sometimes it got so bad I would just stand in the middle of the room crying, begging for relief. Orthopedic specialists, physical therapists and chiropractors all examined me. The only diagnosis I received was that I had a form of fibromyalgia.

Once again, I asked my family doctor, who is an anti-aging specialist and proponent of alternative medicine, what else she might have in her bag of tricks. She came up with a supplement called Soft Tissue Support Pak, distributed by Ortho Molecular Products. It is a package of eight supplements designed to repair

soft-tissue injury. From the first night I took the supplements, I slept pain-free. I have been taking it for more than two months, and it's still working. I have also started exercising, bike riding and walking again. It is truly a miracle, in my estimation.

I know many people in the Internet chat rooms have the same symptoms I do and can't find relief. I hope this information is helpful to anyone who may be suffering from a similar torture. It's a bit costly, between \$2 and \$3 per nightly package, but it's more than worth it for a night's sleep.

Thank you for your column and all the folks it helps, including me.

DEAR READER: I was easily able to find Soft Tissue Support Paks by Ortho Molecular Products online. I could not find a package of eight, only nine and 30.

According to the website, the product contains vitamins C and B6, calcium, magnesium, turmeric, various enzymes and extracts, and other alternative supplements.

The product is fairly expensive. A box of 30 costs about \$69, with shipping ranging from free to nearly \$50, meaning each pack costs between just over \$2 to just under \$4. A box of nine costs just over \$29, and shipping ranges from about \$10 to \$50, with each pack costing between \$4 and \$9.

The top of the website boasts a fairly large badge claiming it is a Better Business Bureau-accredited business. When clicking on this, I traveled to the BBB website, where I found that Doctor's Choice Inc., of which Ortho Molecular Products is a part, had an A+ rating. (The BBB system ranges from A+ to F.)

I was fairly impressed by this, but in trying to learn more about Doctor's Choice Inc. and its various subsidiaries, I was disappointed. I was able to discern that the company is about 10 years old. (A further look at the BBB page showed it was established in December 2000.)

On the whole, I wouldn't recommend this product, primarily owing to its cost; however, because you have had such success, I suggest you stick with it. I cannot see that the product would be harmful. (It does carry warnings against use during pregnancy or nursing and in those with allergies to pineapple and bromelain.) So, if any of my readers choose to try it, I ask that they send me their results. I will print a follow-up article once I receive sufficient reports.

Dr. Peter H. Gott is a retired physician and the author of several books, including "Live Longer, Live Better," "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet" and "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Cookbook," which are available at most bookstores or online. His website is www.AskDrGottMD.com. Copyright 2011, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Council agenda

Mayor Tim Hersh and the city council will meet in regular session at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7, in Council Chambers. Their tentative agenda:

Routine Business; Consent Agenda.

Old Business: Discussion and action, approve various board appointments.

Regular Agenda: Public Hearing, amend CDBG Re-Use Plan; discussion and action items: HUD EDI ReUse Plan; 11-HO Homeowner Occupied rehab; Phase II Downtown Revitalization funding; change date next council meeting to Feb. 22, 2011; proposed ordinance to amend Ordinance 2-217, First Ward Councilman Hal Sutter; replat of Lots 19-22, Block 5, Hillcrest Addition to Falls City.

Planning workshop

The Falls City Public School District #56 BOE will convene in a special session on Saturday, Feb. 5, in the Central Office at FC Middle School.

This is the board's annual planning workshop and is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Supt. Tim Heckenlively provided the following agenda: 1. Strategic Analysis; 2. Long-Range Strategic Planning; 3. Staffing Plans; 4. Evaluation Process.

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41 Novel closer
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45 Cuff link
46 Hangs back
47 Party cheese
48 Deserve
49 Herr's spouse
50 Mr. Mineo
52 Ostrich relative

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Legislative Update

Legislative Update
Senator Lavon Heidemann
January 28, 2011



The Legislature now is in full swing. All the bills have been introduced and the Governor has presented his recommendations for the budget. Every afternoon, the senators break into their various committees and hold public hearings on each bill that has been introduced. In the mornings, the Legislature meets as a whole and debates bills that have been advanced from the standing committees.

The Appropriations Committee, of which I serve as chair, handles the process a little differently than other standing committees. Prior to public hearings on bills, the Appropriations Committee reviews the initial budgets of all

the state agencies. We will begin the public hearing process on bills referred to the Appropriations Committee on February 7th. We also allow every agency to come before the Appropriations Committee to present their budget. Following the public hearing process, we again review the budgets of the state agencies. By the 1st of March we must present our Preliminary Recommendations to the Legislature and by the end of April we have to finalize our recommendations for the 2011-13 biennial budget.

This past week, the Legislature gave first round approval to a bill that would make the chemicals used to make the drug commonly known as K2 or Spice illegal. Under LB 19, the penalties for possessing, manufacturing or distributing K2 would mirror those currently in statute for marijuana. This bill was part of the Attorney General's 2011 legislative package.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration recently announced plans to ban the five most commonly used chemicals used to make K2. However, it has been predicted that manufacturers will alter their chemical formulas just enough to ensure they fall outside the ban. LB 19 goes further than the federal ban, as it bans chemical classes, not just specific chemicals.

These synthetic drugs that are sprayed on herbs are 3 to 100 times more powerful than marijuana and cause symptoms such as panic attacks, seizures, and loss of consciousness. At the public hearing before the Judiciary Committee earlier this month, a high school student from western Nebraska testified that he smoked K2 with some friends before school. He had a dream that he was driving and woke up to find he had crashed his pick-up into a tree. He later was told that he had driven past nearby schools and narrowly missed hitting a young student.

Public hearings were held this past week on two bills that I introduced. One of them, LB 130, is intended to give the Education Committee another option when working on the state aid formula for K-12 schools, in the event that our revenue projections were to decrease significantly later this session.

As the Legislature discusses the various issues before us, I encourage you to contact me with your thoughts and suggestions. I can be reached at District #1, P.O. Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509. My telephone number is (402) 471-2733 and my e-mail address is lheidemann@leg.ne.gov

A fight for the public's right to know

By Shay Burk
Hastings Tribune

Nebraska newspaper publishers and owners testified against a legislative bill here Wednesday that could potentially push public meeting notices out of newspapers and onto the Internet.

The seven representatives with newspapers from Omaha to Benkelman testified before the Nebraska Legislature's Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee on LB444. The bill, introduced by Sen. Bill Avery of Lincoln, would allow city, county and other public bodies to publish their meeting notices online rather than in newspapers.

According to existing state statute, "Each public body shall give reasonable advance publicized notice of the time and place of each meeting by a method designated by each public body and recorded in its minutes."

Generally this means organizations will place a short notice in the local newspaper and post a paper copy of the agenda in the city hall, county courthouse or other public building.

The proposal Avery introduced late Wednesday afternoon would add to the existing statute the following language: "Methods of providing such notice shall include, but not be limited to, publication in a newspaper of general circulation, posting on the public body's website, or posting in a public building in the community."

Throughout the hearing, there was confusion among both the eight members of the committee and members of the audience regarding the interpretation of the proposed language.

Larry Dix, executive director of the Nebraska Association of County Officials, was the lone supporter of the bill who spoke in favor of allowing counties to post emergency meeting notices and other meeting notices on their government websites.

"If some piece of equipment breaks down and we only have a board meeting once a month and it's not on the agenda, we have to wait a month," he said. "And many times those don't meet the level of emergency but they're things we need to talk about. Therefore we want to have latitude to talk about these kinds of requirements."

When questioned, Dix said some counties already post meeting notices on their websites; however, the Nebraska Legislature has never given them the express permission to do so. "From a county government perspective, counties are sort of a creation of the state and we only have the authorities that the Legislature gives us and counties are looking to publish on their websites," he said. "We see this as a clarification of existing law."

Sen. Charlie Janssen of Fremont asked about the specific wording of the proposed change and what exactly it meant.

"So you have to put it in paper and on website according to this language," Janssen questioned.

"I don't read it that way,"

Dix retorted.

Janssen replied by saying that if a tractor breaks down and the county board needs to talk about it, that a meeting notice could be nailed to a post in town and then they could have the meeting.

Sen. Scott Price of Bellevue said he believed that the proposed language gave public groups an additional option for meeting postings.

"We're saying this gives us another option and gives us option to do some of the things we're doing today," Dix replied.

Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus said that this proposal would allow a county to replace the posting in the "pulp newspaper" with a posting on the Internet.

Dix also reminded the committee that this proposal would only affect public meeting notices and not the minutes, claims and other information that must be published in a newspaper.

"And I just came from a hearing down the hall that wiped out state aid to counties and some of the comments were that, 'If you have an idea of something that would help, bring it forward.' This is something that would help," he said.

"We're bringing it forward. With that, I would more than stress we're not trying to do this to harm a newspaper. We're trying to do this to help notify the public of our meetings."

Throughout the hearing, Sen. Schumacher asked different publishers how much they charge for the short meeting notices.

The average was \$4-6 per legal notice and most boards and commissions meet once or twice a month or less. Some groups only meet at certain times a year or quarterly.

Brook Curtiss, owner of the Plainview News in northeast Nebraska, said his newspaper is one of three in one county. The three newspapers each publish the legal notices for the one price and split it among the three papers. In some cases that may mean the \$5 for the ad is split with each paper only getting about \$1.25.

"With the meeting notices, since I get only one-third of income, it wouldn't be much money," he said.

It wasn't the money so much as it was the public's right to know that the publishers defined as their reason for protesting against the proposed legislation.

"The entire notion of public notices was built on the reliability and accountability of newspapers," Curtiss said.

"Once you print it, it's there forever," he said. "It cannot be changed. It cannot be updated with a timestamp."

Curtiss, 30, said he is a child of the Internet age, yet he has come to know that everything on the Internet is not fact and things can be changed easily.

Additionally, Curtiss said of his 1,200 subscribers, he

only had 15 over a period of six months who expressed an interest in subscribing to the online edition of his weekly paper.

Jason Frederick, another young owner with three weekly papers in southwest Nebraska, said he knows the Internet isn't readily available to many or widely used by his readers.

"I want to stress if legal notices are moved from newspapers and put on the Web — my grandmother, my mother-in-law and aunt, they don't have computers and aren't on the Internet — you will take away these citizens' rights and abilities to stay informed on what their representatives are doing," he said.

According to the "Internet Connectivity and Use in Nebraska" study conducted the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 44 percent of central Nebraskans are without access to broadband Internet and many of them don't have Internet at all.

If public notices and/or other public documents are moved completely online, Frederick said many Nebraskans would lose access to this vital information.

"Are you going to count these people out? I don't find it prudent or responsible," he said.

Barry Richards, a farmer from Hayes Center, said he gets all his news from the newspaper and doesn't even know how to use the Internet.

"I just want to bring the human side to it," he said. "I live to read the paper and I dictate my week by it. The paper tells me if something is going on in town, at school or in McCook."

Larry King, vice president of news and content for The Omaha World-Herald, also testified against the bill, saying that newspapers are the best source for local information in any community from Omaha to Hemingford.

"Newspapers are an independent entity separate from government that serve as a watchdog and allow people to also be watchdogs independent of the government," he said. "I just think the newspaper is the best source, most credible and best for people to find it instead of a government website."

King said he believed the proposed legislation was confusing and that he was satisfied with the current laws regarding the posting of meeting notices.

"I don't understand reason for this legislation and I think it's confusing and the options on where government entities can post adds confusion and doesn't help the public find the information. It would scatter it," he said.

The committee will meet in a closed session meeting before releasing a final decision on the bill sometime during the session. The committee's options are to forward it to the full Legislature, table it or vote to not forward it to the full Legislature.

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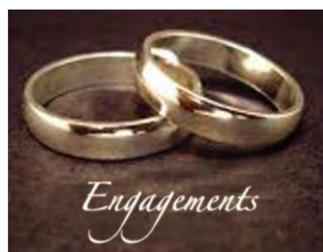
Sacred Heart
Fun'd' Night
Saturday, February 12 at
Prichard Auditorium

Dinner Menu	Price
Prime Rib	\$22.00
Spiced Shrimp	\$24.00
1/2 Spiced Shrimp	\$17.00
Grilled Chicken Breast	\$13.00
Prime and 1/2 Spiced Shrimp	\$32.00

Auction Fun'd' Night Schedule

Mass - St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church	5:30 P.M.
Social and Silent Auction	6-7 P.M.
Dinner	6:30 P.M.
Live Auction	8:30 P.M.

Contact Dina Sells, cell 801-0290 or home 245-4271 for further details or to make your reservation.
 Dinner reservations also being accepted at Sacred Heart School.
DINNER RESERVATIONS DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4th
 \$5 Late Fee Per Person After That Date
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Huppert-Peterson

Kristi Huppert and Brandon Peterson announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

Kristi is the daughter of Daniel and the late Sherry Huppert of Falls City. Brandon is the son of Karen and Thomas Schneider of Grand Island.

Kristi is a 1998 graduate of Falls City High School and a 2002 graduate of Hastings College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration and Human Services Administration. She is employed as administrator of Jonesbrook Estates in Falls City.

Brandon is a 1995 graduate of Thedford High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science and Grazing Livestock Systems. He is currently employed as a Resource Conservationist by the Natural Resources Conservation Service in O'Neill.

The couple are planning an April 30th wedding in Falls City.

Students

Dusty Metzner, Falls City, is included on the Dean's Honor Roll for his academic performance at Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis for the spring semester.

To qualify, a student must earn a grade point average of at least a 3.5 on a 4-point scale.

Society

Treasure Seekers

Nine members of the Treasure Seekers Club met at Bredeaux Pizza on Jan. 26, with Norma Lee Duerfeldt hosting. The meeting was opened with president, Denise Yount conducting the business meeting. She also read the minutes and called roll. Roll was answered with games you remember as a child.

A thank-you was read from the Falls City Ministerial Association. Officers for 2011 will be, Mrs. Yount, president and Carol Bierman, secretary-treasure.

Ann Meinzer and Nelle Pfister gave treasure rings. Carolyn Meckstroth, Verna Mae White, and Eleanor Last gave Readings. The meeting closed with "My Wish For You," by all present. Mrs. Yount closed the meeting with prayer.

The Feb. meeting will be a luncheon at the Museum on Mon., Feb. 14, hosted by Beverly Knobbe.

Ladies Bridge Club

Calling Falls City Area Lady Bridge Players!!!

The Falls City Country Club Ladies Bridge Club is re-organizing as the Falls City Bridge Club. The group will play party bridge at the Falls City Elks Club at 12:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. All area lady bridge players are invited to join. If you would like to join and have not been contacted; or you would like your name placed on the substitute list, call Della Meyer at 245-3743.

The initial meeting was held on Jan. 25, with Della Meyer as hostess. With four tables playing, the following were prize-winners: Nancy Wittwer, Kristi Gerweck, Myrtle Arnold, and Sandy Boatman. The next meeting will be on Feb. 8, at 12:30 p.m. at the Falls City Elks Club with Teri O'Grady as hostess.

St. Paul's LWML

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LWML met Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. in the church social room. Pastor Gifford began with prayer and a Bible study, "Our Spiritual Act of Worship," from the LWML Quarterly-Winter 2001.

Ramona Ebel, president, opened the meeting with the League Pledge. Roll call included 11 members and a guest, Pastor Gifford. November and December minutes were read and

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Falls City Housing Authority has developed its 2011 Annual Plan. It is available for review at the Authority's Office located at 800 E. 21st Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355. The Authority's hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon. thru Fri. A public hearing will be held on March 21, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

FCHS Class of '66 plans 45th

The Falls City High School Class of 1966 is having its 45th reunion July 22-23 in Falls City.

Friday night's party will be at Sportsman's II, which is owned and operated by classmate Rita Prater Goll.

Dinner on Saturday night will be at the Richardson County Historical Society Museum.

Many exciting things are happening in "our hometown," so classmates are encouraged to come and visit with old friends, see new buildings like Community Medical Center, the Falls City Library and Arts Center, the Falter Water Tower Park and tour the high school. Also find out what the near future holds for the beautification of the downtown area.

Lodging in Falls City is available at: Check-In Motel, 402-245-2433; Grand Weaver Hotel, 402-245-2448; Vision Inn, 402-245-2459; Matthes Manor, 402-245-5449 (classmate LaMarr Matthes).

For additional information, contact Dobby Falter Haws at 402-489-5938 or send an email to dobey.haws@gmail.com.

the treasurer's report was given. Thank yous were read from several groups. Dorothy Vollmer reminded members of the basket in the Church Narthex for the Falls City Food Pantry. Cindy Fritz and Jan Huebner are the auditors for the year 2010. The Remembrance Committee reported on Christmas get-togethers and Sandy Eickhoff will be the new Christian Life leader.

All day sewing by the Sew 'n Sews will begin in February. The convention in June in Peoria, IL, was discussed. The year 2011 dues are due. The group approved the Braille Lutheran Tape Ministry as its January project and will donate \$50. It also will give the congregational budget \$200 for expenses. Sandy spoke about the plans for the Spring Workshop and the birthday song was sung for Ramona Ebel and Joann Niedfeldt (December) and Sandy Eickhoff and Jan Huebner (January).

Judy Fritz and Jan Huebner served blueberry cheesecake for dessert.

Stella Circle

On Tuesday, Jan. 25, 13 ladies of the Stella Community Church Women's Circle met for their regular monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m.

President Carolyn Bredemeier opened the meeting with devotions and prayer. Those attending sang the hymn, "Thanks to God." Roll call was answered with a verse on Thankfulness. Reports were given. It was reported that 57 attended Family Night.

Patty Plasters gave the lesson, "How to Cultivate an Attitude of Gratitude."

Refreshments were served by Vicki Beilke and Chris Bredemeier. The table was decorated with Oriental coverings, dolls, fans, chopsticks, etc. from Vicki's visits to the Far East.

Gospel concert

Ken McWain and Terry Campbell will present a gospel concert at the First Church of Nazarene on Saturday, March 5.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

The church is located at 1812 Wilson.

On this day in 1966, the Soviet Union made the first controlled landing on the moon. The unmanned ship Lunix 9 landed in the Ocean of Storms area on the moon's surface.

Cupid, lover boy are coming back!

Bruce Walker, "aka" Cupid, his sidekick, John "lover boy" Meyer, and Molly, the lovable golden retriever, will be going to the dogs again this Valentine's Day.

The trio will be out and about on Valentine's Day to deliver their unique singing of Valentine's wishes — with a rather large splash of humor.

For a donation, they will visit the person of your choice and sing. Donations will benefit the Humane Society Building Fund for a much-needed new shelter building facility.

Requests can be made by calling 245-3557 on Friday or Saturday, Feb. 11-12, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Here is a chance to show someone special that you care and help man's best friend at the same time. Those with questions may call the Humane Society at 245-2779.

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Buffett Institute will help create level playing field for at-risk kids and families across the state

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What if a public university could leverage its land-grant mission by working with partners across the state to put the science of early childhood education into practice?

And what if all children – no matter their backgrounds – had equal opportunities for success?

Because of a generous gift to the University of Nebraska from Omaha philanthropist Susie Buffett – a gift the university has committed to more than match – these goals are now well within reach for Nebraska. The University of Nebraska has the opportunity to be a national leader and model for public universities in addressing early childhood.

Buffett's gift will establish the Buffett Early Childhood Institute at NU, a university-wide, multidisciplinary research, education, outreach and policy center that will help transform the approach to early childhood development and education in Nebraska and across the nation. The institute will be dedicated to promoting the development and success of children from birth to age 8, focused especially on those who are vulnerable because of poverty, abuse, or developmental, learning or behavioral challenges.

Through the institute, NU and its partners across the state will create a new model for the engagement of public higher education in early childhood, according to NU President James B. Milliken.

"The need for this Institute has never been more clear – and the potential to transform the lives of children has never been greater," Milliken said. "Too many children today are affected by an achievement gap that impacts their ability to succeed in school and later in life. This gap often is rooted in opportunities lost during the early years. We must do more to ensure our youngest children – especially those who are at risk – have equal opportunities for health, happiness and success. The University of Nebraska, a land-grant university with significant history and expertise in early childhood education, is well-positioned to help achieve this goal."

Milliken added, "The fundamental premise underlying the Buffett Early Childhood Institute is that all children, regardless of socioeconomic status or other limitations, can realize their potential. We believe this institute and others like it can be game-changers in early childhood development and education."

Annual support provided by Buffett's founding gift will be more than matched by university, private and federal sources to leverage an investment greater than a \$100 million endowment, Milliken said.

He praised Buffett for her leadership and dedication to early childhood. Through the Sherwood Foundation, based in Omaha, Buffett has invested in social justice initiatives that promote equity and enhance individuals' quality of life. The Sherwood Foundation and the Buffett Early Childhood Fund, which Susie Buffett chairs, support early childhood initiatives in Nebraska and nationally, such as Educare Centers for low-income families. Though Buffett's gift will not be used for university facilities, a key element of this new partnership will include building several new Educare Centers in Nebraska modeled after the successful centers in Omaha and elsewhere. The Buffett Early Childhood Institute will be a core partner in the ongoing work of the Educare Centers, providing assessment resources as well as graduate teachers from its early childhood education programs.

"Susie Buffett is a truly inspiring philanthropist whose work has had a powerful impact on Nebraska and the nation," Milliken said. "We could not be more grateful for her commitment to and confidence in the University of Nebraska. It is thanks to her guidance and generosity that the university now will be able to build on the work of our faculty and others in the field and take efforts in early childhood to another level."

Early childhood development and education is one of the six academic priorities of the Campaign for Nebraska, which was announced in October 2009. Buffett serves on the voluntary leadership team for the campaign.

Buffett said her commitment to early childhood education evolved from her belief that while equal oppor-

tunity is the great American promise, too many children are missing out on that promise because they enter kindergarten already behind – and often struggle to catch up well into adulthood.

"Science and common sense tell us that children are born learning," Buffett said. "So investing in the early years makes sense in order to create a more level playing field for all our children. This is an ambitious goal that will require a statewide collaborative effort. Nebraska's only public university, charged with serving the state through teaching, research and outreach, is the right institution to take the lead."

A number of other early childhood centers and institutes around the country are conducting important research and making significant contributions to the field, and the Buffett Early Childhood Institute will complement their work, Milliken said. But the Buffett institute will be unique in a number of ways.

The institute will focus on the developmental span from birth to age 8 – the period during which research shows children make their greatest gains in cognitive, behavioral, language and social-emotional growth. This focus ensures that the work of the institute will foster seamless transitions between children's developmental stages.

The Buffett institute will integrate teaching, research and outreach from disciplines spanning all four campuses, with a particular emphasis on using research to inform public policy in immediate, practical ways. Faculty from child and family studies, educational psychology, teacher education, educational administration, special education, psychology, nutrition, sociology, public health, communications, pediatrics, economics, architecture and other disciplines will be involved. University centers that will be involved include the Center for Research on Children, Youth, Families and Schools at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the Munroe-Meyer Institute at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, UNMC's College of Public Health, and the colleges of education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Finally, the institute will focus on transferring its successes to a national scale, so that while Nebraska children and families benefit immediately, the work of the institute ultimately will have a national impact. Nebraska, a small state where the public and private sectors are longtime and effective collaborators, is ideally suited for such a "scale-up" strategy.

"We plan to develop a model for involvement of the 21st-century land-grant university in a fundamental aspect of the life of the state, and we hope that our approach will be successful and replicated across the country," Milliken said.

Milliken said he hopes this new approach to early childhood education – in which the University of Nebraska puts its resources and energy and especially the intellectual power of its faculty and students to work to solve a great challenge facing the state – will serve as a new model for how public universities approach the field.

"The Buffett Early Childhood Institute can be an exemplar for similar efforts across the country," Milliken said. "This is one of the most exciting promises of the institute in a national



Tom Chapple, Sunmart Meat Manager, presents a check for \$1,000 to Stacy Ebel, paraprofessional at South School, for collecting \$150,000 of cash register receipts. Mrs. Ebel is in charge of collecting the receipts from students. Students photographed, from left: Cade Schawang, Kyle Black, Brandt Chapple, Aubrey Davis, Alyssa McQueen and Allyssa Mez. This is the second \$1,000 South School has received since the program started. The money will be used to purchase items for the classrooms that the regular budget might not support. The South School staff and students thanked Randy Gottula and the Nash Finch Company for providing this program.

context, because it has implications for the well-being and success of children around the country."

The institute will be led by an executive director who is a recognized leader in the field and national board of directors, and will include three interrelated divisions:

- A research program will advance the science of early childhood by developing evidence-based solutions for the challenges facing at-risk children. The research program will leverage the success of existing early childhood centers, such as UNL's Center for Research on Children, Youth, Families and Schools, which since 2003 has generated more than \$40 million in grants for educational research – a return of more than \$23 per dollar invested by the university.

- An education and professional development program will ensure that early childhood teachers and providers in Nebraska and elsewhere have access to research-based information and support in implementation so that best practices are put to work for the children who need them. Working with partners across the state – such as the Nebraska Department of Education, the two Educare Centers in Omaha (adjacent to Kellom Elementary School and Indian Hill Elementary School) and Building Bright Futures-Early Childhood Services – the education and professional development program will focus on developing the next generation of the early childhood workforce. New endorsements or certificate programs related to early childhood may also be developed.

- An outreach and policy program will ensure that information on the best practices for children, families and schools is made available to practitioners and policymakers. A primary purpose of this program will be to inform Nebraska and, ultimately, national policy goals.

"This public-private partnership literally institutionalizes the work Susie has been doing across the country for the past decade and takes it to a new level," said Daniel Pedersen, president of the Buffett Early Childhood Fund. "The university's leadership in prioritizing the cause of our most vulnerable children, setting a new example for what a land grant university can contribute, and helping Educare take root beyond Omaha – well, all that added together is simply awesome."

Dial '402'

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- Three digit numbers such as 211, 511, 711, 811, and 911 will not be impacted by the new 10 digit dialing requirement.

- Customers should receive letters from their local telecommunications provider with

Winners in Knights' annual poster contest

Falls City Knights of Columbus #1336 has announced the winners of their Drug and Substance Abuse Poster Contest.

One hundred thirty-four entries were submitted from Sacred Heart, Falls City South and Middle Schools.

In the Drug Awareness category, ages 8-11, the winners are: Sydney Brewer, 1st, Emma Beckner, 2nd, Ryan Chab, 3rd; age 12-14: Maggie Goltz, 1st, Lainey Larsen, 2nd; Carley Youde, 3rd.

In the Alcohol Awareness category, ages 8-11, the winners are: Morgan Bletscher, 1st, Meg Rieschick, 2nd, Darcy Snethen, 3rd; age 12-14: Sophie Keller, 1st, Morgan Hardenberger, 2nd, Reggie Johanson, 3rd.

further details. More detailed information on the relief plan is available from the Commission's home page at www.psc.nebraska.gov by clicking on the Area Code 402/531 Relief Plan link on the lower right side of the page. The Commission can also be reached through our Consumer Hotline (1-800-526-0017) or in the Lincoln area by dialing 402-471-3101.

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Public Record

County Court

Tiffany Coulter, Falls City, compulsory education violation, probation ordered for six months, plus costs of \$49.

Kelly L. Mattox, FC, parking in "No Parking" zone; fined \$10, plus costs of \$55.

Civil Court

Credit Management Services, Inc. vs. Daniel Nissen, FC, judgment entered against defendant in amount of \$2,337.37, prejudgment interest amount of \$152.80, fees of \$238.74, costs of 469.21, with an interest rate of 2.1930%.

Credit Management Services, Inc. vs. Willie Thrasher, FC, judgment entered against defendant in amount of \$1,616.51, prejudgment interest of \$91.57, fees of \$166.65, costs of \$69.21, with an interest rate of 2.1930%.

Credit Management Services, Inc. vs. Teresa Gentry and Donald Gentry, FC, judgment entered against in amount of \$765.94, prejudgment interest of \$47.16, fees of \$81.59, costs of \$83.92, with an interest rate of 2.1930%.

County Court Waivers (Court costs not included)

Cassidy J. Cavaness, no license on person, fined \$25; careless driving, fined \$100.

Nicholas K. Baumgartner, careless driving, fined \$100.

Gilbert B. Blanchette, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Billy L. McGallian Jr., speeding (16-20), fined \$125.

Steven J. Brandt, speeding (6-10), fined \$25.

Donald R. Lamb III, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Warren H. Voegel Jr., speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Stephen B. Ramer, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Darrin R. Hinkle, overweight capacity plates, fined \$325; overweight on axle or group, fined \$500; overweight on axle or group, fined \$325.



The local Knight of Columbus FreeThrow Contest was held Jan. 16 for boys and girls ages 9-14. The winners for the nine-year-olds were Jarrot Simon and Claire Niemeyer; 10-year-old winners were Anthony Froeschl and Erin Brewer; Ryker Hoy and Libby Dunn were the 11-year-old winners; 12-year-old winners were Keith Salimo and Alexis Barnes; 13, Bailey Witt and Kelsi

Fouraker; 14, Weston Witt and Abigail Magdanz. The champions move on to the district contest to be held at Auburn High School Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. Photographed, from left: Simon, Froeschl, Niemeyer; middle row, Hoy, Barnes, Fouraker, Brewer, Bailey Witt; back row, Salimo, Weston Witt.

'Piece of my Heart' workshop Feb. 10 at Humboldt school

UNL Extension in Pawnee County will host a "Piece of My Heart" workshop for youth ages 5-7 Feb. 7 at Pawnee City School, Feb. 10 at HTRS in Humboldt, and Feb. 15 at Lewiston Public School.

All workshops will take place after school until 5 p.m. Cost is \$10.

"Youth who are involved in this workshop will have fun learning about Valentine's Day, decorating Valentine's cookies and making a puzzle piece heart pin for their favorite Valentine," says Deb Weitzenkamp, UNL Extension Educator.

To register, or for more information on the Piece of My Heart workshop, contact Deb Weitzenkamp at 402-852-2970 or dweitzenkamp2@unl.edu.

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(Jan. 4)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Katelyn Hill, 193-507.
(Jan. 18)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Erika Olberding, 195-480.

Wednesday Nite Men's (Nov. 17)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Larry Munn, 277-680.
(Nov. 24)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Larry Munn, 234-581.
(Dec. 1)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Brian Ballagh, 255-682.
(Dec. 8)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 236-649.
(Dec. 15)
Hi-10, Marvin Jenkins, 257; Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 650.
(Dec. 22)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 247-672.
(Dec. 29)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 257-654.
(Jan. 5)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 246-680.
(Jan. 12)
Hi-10, Brian Ballagh; Hi-30, Larry Munn, 599.
(Jan. 19)
Hi-10, Delmar Gruber, 239; Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 627.
(Jan. 26)
Hi-10, Brian Ballagh, 236; Hi-30, Anthony Shafer, 590.

Thursday Night Short-Timers (Nov. 11)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel, 174-494. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Paul Rieger, 205-554.
(Nov. 18)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel, 211-548. Men's Hi-10, Charlie Liberty, 212; Hi-30, Paul Rieger, 571.
(Dec. 2)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Katelyn Hill, 219-538. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Charlie Liberty, 257-608.
(Dec. 9)
Ladies' Hi-10, Rachel Shafer, 201; Hi-30, Lacey Acton, 532. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Brian Ballagh, 223-593.
(Dec. 16)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Lacey Acton, 166-453. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Roy Rieger, 242-632.
(Dec. 23)
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel, 221-532.
(Dec. 30)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Katelyn Hill, 181-432. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Tom Acton, 224-596.
(Jan. 6)
Ladies' Hi-10, Katelyn Hill; Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Tom Acton, 217-585.
(Jan. 13)
Ladies' Hi-10, Terri Jo Ansel, 201; Hi-30, Rachel Shafer, 496. *No Men's scores available.*
(Jan. 20)
Ladies' Hi-10, Erika Olberding, 176; Hi-30, Katelyn Hill, 464. *No Men's scores available.*
(Jan. 27)
Ladies' Hi-10 and Hi-30, Katelyn Hill, 186-474. Men's Hi-10 and Hi-30, Tillman Vice, 220-525.

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Seven-day Forecast for Falls City

TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Clear and very cold Low: 7°	Partly sunny; not as cold 31° 21°	Partly sunny 36° 20°	Cloudy 34° 16°	Windy and colder 24° 6°	Sunny and cold 26° 6°	Mostly sunny and cold 25° 17°

Almanac Data

Falls City for the week ending Monday
Temperature
High for the week 45°
Low for the week 7°
Normal high 36°
Normal low 14°
Average temperature 23.6°

Precipitation
Total for the week Trace
Total for the month 0.62"
Normal for the month 0.87"

Snowfall (estimated)
Snowfall for the week Trace

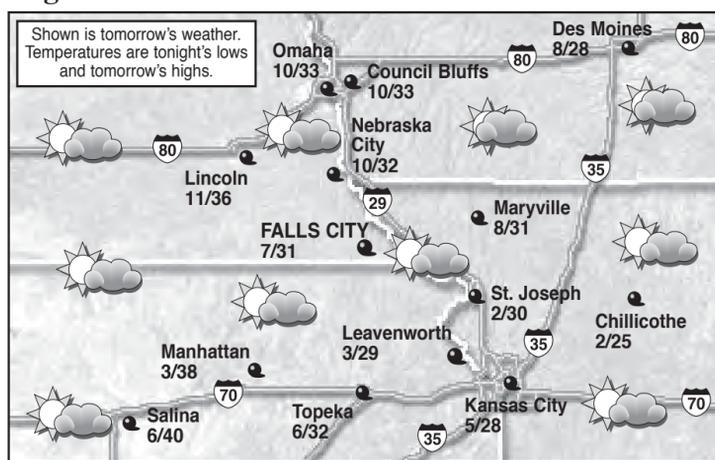
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Friday 21°
Saturday 29°
Sunday 26°
Monday 8°
Tuesday 15°
Wednesday 22°
Thursday 25°

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Regional Forecast Tomorrow



River Stages Yesterday

Big Nemaha River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change	Missouri River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change
Falls City	23'	5.18'	+0.01'	Rulo	17'	8.25'	+0.11'

Sun and Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Friday	7:29 a.m.	5:44 p.m.
Saturday	7:28 a.m.	5:46 p.m.
Sunday	7:26 a.m.	5:47 p.m.
Monday	7:25 a.m.	5:48 p.m.
Tuesday	7:24 a.m.	5:49 p.m.
Wednesday	7:23 a.m.	5:50 p.m.
Thursday	7:22 a.m.	5:52 p.m.

Day	Moonrise	Moonset
Friday	7:57 a.m.	7:38 p.m.
Saturday	8:21 a.m.	8:36 p.m.
Sunday	8:44 a.m.	9:34 p.m.
Monday	9:08 a.m.	10:32 p.m.
Tuesday	9:34 a.m.	11:31 p.m.
Wednesday	10:02 a.m.	none
Thursday	10:35 a.m.	12:31 a.m.

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(Ecclesiastes 12:13-14) _____ God's commands; on Judgment Day there are no _____ things.
(Matthew 12:35-37) Be careful, you will be justified or condemned by _____

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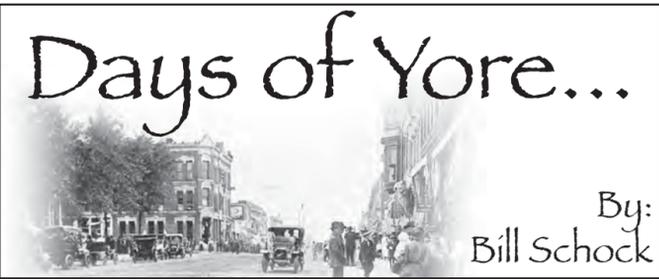
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Church this week is a good place to give God what's due.
Doing that brings good results.

Happy are those who fear the Lord. Psalm 112:1-10
Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12) 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16) Matthew 5:13-20
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Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany



**50 Years Ago
(Jan. 31-Feb. 3, 1961)**

Approximately 300 hunters, farmers and fishermen attended the annual Sportsmen's Dinner at the Royal Hall. Richard Hall, one of the promoters, said roast owl was a big hit.

Ted Kelley, manager of the Hested Store and a big community worker, was transferred to the company's Marysville, KS, store. He was succeeded by Robert Nelson, who had been with the company in Denver. Bob also became a great community worker.

Falls City High nudged Auburn 59-58 in overtime. Gary Kammerer led the Tigers with 16 points. Harry Fraser burned the nets with 30 as Humboldt defeated Pawnee City 60 to 51.

Airman Apprentice Edward Santo, Falls City, completed basic training and was stationed at Moffett Air Force Base, CA.

In The Vogue's one-cent sale, you could buy one dress at the regular price and get another for a penny.

Mel Steen head, of the Nebraska Game, Forestation and Parks Commission told Leo Nusbaum of the Journal that his agency would spend a million bucks on a park in Southeast Nebraska within the next 10 years. Indian Cave State Park?

Ed Buchholz advertised a house for sale near the downtown area, and sold it a half-hour after the Journal came out. Ed said he had approximately 30 calls.

Like steak? Choice T-bones were going for \$1.09 a pound at Superfoods. Four rolls of Charmin T-paper cost 98 cents.

No. 1 on the music charts was "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow?", by The Shirelles.

At the Oil City, Glenn Ford and Ernest Borgnine were starring in "Jubal." The Rivoli was showing Susan Hayward, James Mason and Julie Newman in "The Marriage."

Giving redeemable Red Stamps with purchases were Riesland Drugs, Farm Feeds, Kinsey Hardware & Plumbing and Wergin's Food Center.

Edward H. Ely, Stella, was inducted into the Armed Forces.

Mayor Marlin Armbruster announced that G & S Manufacturing Company was going to begin a pilot garment manufacturing operation in Falls City.

Wirsell Witler, southeast of Humboldt, was advertising a farm sale.

The stork report: A daughter was born Feb. 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Mullins, Route 1; a son was born Feb. 4 to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burget, Verdon; a son was born Feb. 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Godemann Jr., Route 4; a daughter was born Jan. 29 to Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Vice, Stella; a daughter, Gina Kay, was born Jan. 29 to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry E. Nolte, Humboldt; a son was born Jan. 30 to Mr. and Mrs. James Joy, Route 2.

Kathleen Strecker, Falls City, graduated from the University of Kansas City dental hygiene school.

A marriage license was issued to Brenda Lou Wiar, Falls City, and Ronald G. Fritz, Salem.

Items from the United Press:
Dallas, TX: A sign on the door of an East Hills animal clinic: "If after regular hours, just growl."

Knoxville, TN—Charles Maner, 80, filed suit for divorce from his fourth wife. He charged that his 66-year-old bride of three months was "extremely jealous."

Dallas, TX: John Jeter was known as the No. 1 "bull shooter" of the Southwest. John was a livestock photographer.

**25 Years Ago
(Feb. 3-7, 1986)**

Tyler Strecker, 9, son of Dan and Chris Strecker, was presented the Outstanding Citizen Award by Mayor Steve Kottich during a City Council meeting. He had saved the lives of two of his sisters when curtains in their room began burning. His dad was at work and his mother was outside when Tyler came out of the house leading his younger sisters to safety.

The Elks Hoop Shoot was won by: Beth Kiekhaefer, Sacred Heart; Randy Hayes and Mary Stutheit, both of Humboldt; Ceci Chandler, Southeast Consolidated, and Brent Parsons, Falls City.

West Point Cadet Richard Barker, Falls City, graduated with a B.S. in Mechanical Systems Engineering, and received a second lieutenant's commission.

Marty Froeschl was elected president of the Country Club; Bill Simon was vice president and Rod Vandenberg was named to the Board of Directors.

The Journal's Athlete of the Week was Chris Adams, Dawson-Verdon. The Wrestlers of the Week were Brad Baumert and Dan Couse, FCHS.

Sara Feek, Verdon, and Jeff Merz, Falls City High, were the winners of the Elks Most Valuable Student competition.

Nick Lampe, FCHS, was the Junior Rotarian of the Month.

Spark and Spouse were pictured in a Journal ad headed, "Who's This?," for celebrating their 30th anniversary. Their better-known names were Del and Joyce Sutherland.

Falls City High wrestling coach Larry Munn had won his 100th dual meet.

The Rev. James Lindgren was the new pastor at St. Mark's and St. Peter's Lutheran Churches.

Tom H. Burton, Falls City, had graduated from a mortician's school in Kansas City and was employed at a Wichita funeral home.

Timothy Haverkamp, 23, plead guilty to second-degree murder in connection with the death of James Thimm in a survivalist cult farm north of Rulo.

Ray Koopman led the Monday Night Mixed Bowling League with the high 10 and high series—212 and 594.

The City Council appointed Larry DeBusk to the Airport Authority to fill the remaining term of the late Dr. Don Fox.

Bantz's Fireside Inn noon special was spiced chicken, mashed potatoes and creamed peas.

Obituaries

Esther M. Wittrock-Breeden

Esther Marie Wittrock-Breeden, 80, passed away Jan. 10, 2011, at St. Mary's Health and Rehab in LaFollette TN, after a long illness.

She was born Feb. 8, 1930, in Falls City, a daughter of Erwin and Dorothea (Schuetz) Wittrock. She grew up on the Cedar Grove Dairy Farm, attended Christ Lutheran School and graduated from Falls City High School in 1947.

That summer she attended classes at Midland College, earning an emergency teaching diploma and then taught in a rural Richardson County school until mid-1949, when she resigned and entered St. John's College in Winfield, KS. Upon earning a two-year degree, she was subsequently called to teach elementary grades in Redeemer Lutheran School in San Antonio, TX.

She met Robert E. Breeden while teaching in San Antonio and they were married Christmas morning 1950 at Christ Lutheran Church in Falls City. They lived in San Antonio until Robert's employment took them to Inglewood, CA. He was an electrical engineer. They subsequently lived in Idaho Falls and Bountiful, Utah. In 1970, they moved to acreage in Heber Valley, Utah. Esther's many interests led to various jobs, including silk-screen-painting, teaching disabled adults and working at Sundance Farms.

Esther loved reading, painting, knitting, sewing, researching family history, making jewelry and other handiwork. Pug dogs were always part of their family and turkeys, goats and other livestock an important part of their small farm.

Esther was predeceased by her husband; son Jim; grandson Robby; sister Ruth and her parents.

She is survived by a son Bob (Maria), Tepic, Mexico; daughter Paula (John), LaFollette, TN; five granddaughters, nine great-grandchildren and a sister, Helen Dowd, Omaha.

Esther's body was cremated and her ashes will be in interred in the orchard on their acreage near those of her husband and son.

Falls City High FCCLA donation to local SENCA

The Falls City Family, Career and Community Leaders of America recently presented SENTCA a donation for the emergency fund and warm hats that were made by members and FCS classes.

Allison Rowland, president, made the presentation to Jenny Strecker.

Other service projects have included treats and visits for local nursing homes, treats for FCHS staff, and working with small children.

Allison also competed in the STAR competition for District 1 in Peru Jan. 21. STAR stands for students taking action for recognition. Her presentation was in the of Chapter Service display area. Allison explained what projects had been completed. She received a silver medal and will compete at the FCCLA Leadership Conference in Lincoln in April.

Ashley Popejoy and Hailley Baxter were helpers for the competition.

Barbara Watlington, adviser, served as a room consultant.

Eleanor R. Nichols

Eleanor R. Nichols, 88, Falls City, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011.

The daughter of Ottmar C. and Hattie B. (Johnson) Armbruster, she was born March 5, 1922, at Shubert. She graduated from Shubert High School.

On Nov. 25, 1938, she married Roy J. Nichols at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Shubert. He passed away Aug. 29, 1987.

The couple established their home in Shubert when married and also lived in various other places, finally returning to Falls City to make their home in 1952. Eleanor worked as a sales clerk for Tobers clothing store from 1953 until the early 1970s, then became employed at Earl May Seed Store until 1986 when she retired to help care for her husband. She moved into Careage Estates in July of 2007.

She was a member of Sts. Pe-

ter & Paul Catholic Church.

Eleanor is survived by a daughter, Regina (John) Cummings, Falls City; a brother, Marlin Armbruster, Falls City; a sister, Barbara (Charles) Ramsey, Dawson; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband; son, LeRoy; brothers, Robert, Leo and Dale Armbruster.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, Jan. 31, at 11 a.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church with Msgr. Robert A. Roh as the presiding priest. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery.

The family received friends following the Rosary at 7 o'clock on Sunday evening at Dorr & Clark Funeral Home.

Dorr & Clark Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Albert W. Gruber Jr.

Funeral services for Albert W. Gruber Jr., Salem, who passed away Jan. 20, 2011, at Lincoln, were held Monday, Jan. 24, 2011, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Lyle Schoen officiating. Interment was in Steele Cemetery.

The family received friends Sunday, Jan. 23, from 3 to 4 p.m. at Dorr & Clark Funeral Home.

Albert was born Oct. 2, 1925, at Falls City, the son of Albert J. and Clara (Werner) Gruber. He graduated from Falls City High School in 1942, then enrolled at Midland Lutheran College, Fremont, for one year. He then returned to rural Salem and farmed for his father.

On March 25, 1951, he married Betty L. Kratz at Auburn. The couple established their home in the Salem area and he farmed and raised livestock his entire life.

Albert was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Falls City. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 20th and Towle Street.

He is survived by his wife, Betty L. Gruber, Salem; a sister, Evelyn Auxier, Beatrice, and nieces and nephews.

His parents preceded him in death.

Dorr & Clark Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Reminder: Don't park on north or east sides

The FC Police Department along with the FC Street Department would like to remind residents of Falls City to not park on the north and east sides of the street after it snows.

Also, once plows have moved snow from the north and east sides of the street residents can move their vehicles back to those sides of the street so the plows can get through to the south and west sides of the roads.

Officers will ticket the own-

ers of vehicles that do not move their vehicles within 24 hours of the snow being plowed.

This does not apply to the business district or where otherwise posted.

Pushing or placing snow on city streets is also prohibited.

Ordinance calls for occupants and/or owners to remove snow, sleet, ice or mud from sidewalks. This includes sidewalks on vacant lots.

All sidewalks are to be cleaned within five hours after a storm has ceased, unless the storm has taken place during the night. In that case, the sidewalks should be cleaned by 8:30 a.m. the following day.

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Lady Tigers host Auburn Friday

By Jim Langan

Sometimes it happens in sports. One day a team can't miss. Life is good on the mountain. Then, the basket, end zone, strike zone, etc. becomes your nemesis. Just like that you are now playing your opponent and your psyche.

Thus was the case for the Lady Tigers in Kansas last week for the annual Hiawatha Invitational. Falls City defeated Horton 49-27 in the first game, then lost their final two games of the tournament to Rock Creek, 37-21, and Nemaha Valley, KS, 44-24.

Falls City came out red hot against Horton in the first round of the tournament. Lisa Kopf and Ashleigh Jordening combined for 15 first quarter points on 6-7 field goals and pushed the Lady Tigers' first quarter lead to 23-3.

Actually, if you look at the stats Falls City may have played its most complete game. They gave up no offensive rebounds to Horton, hit 17 of 20 free throws and allowed only 31 field goal attempts.

You will win nine out of 10 times when you limit shot attempts and keep the opposition off the offensive glass.

Three Tigers scored in double figures: seniors Kelise Kean (14) and L. Kopf (12) and junior Jordening (13). Senior Kari Krefels grabbed seven rebounds and Julianne Kopf added six assists.

Thursday night against Rock Creek is when the head games (cue Foreigner hit now) began.

The Tigers struggled, rushing some shots but trailed by only six at the end of the first quarter.

"We shot the ball so well on Tuesday, but couldn't find the basket Thursday night," said coach Max Milam. "We were not as patient and took too many quick shots."

Couple the poor shooting - 9-32 from the floor - with the zebra losing control of the game and the battle was now on two fronts. Falls City was whistled for 31 fouls to Rock Creek's 11 and attempted one free throw. That's right. Falls City was 1-1 from the charity stripe while Rock Creek hit 17-27 attempts.

This sports writer heard on several occasions the head coach of RC call each of the three officials by their first name and request they "get the game under control." Quite forcefully, I might add.

Twice in the second quarter on the same possession with Falls City down only eight points Kean put up a shot under the bas-



FCJS junior Ashley Sickel takes the lane in the Lady Tigers' 37-21 Hiawatha (Kan.) Invitational semifinal loss to Rock Creek last Thursday. Other Tigers in the photo, from left: Kelsie Kean, Julianne Kopf and Ashleigh Jordening. The 9-10 FCJS girls host Auburn Friday.

ket, was clearly fouled in the act of shooting and the gentlemen in black-and-white called it on the floor. Rock Creek forced a turnover after the second in-bound pass.

Falls City never recovered. Lisa Kopf scored six and juniors Ashley Sickel and Jordening each had four points. Sickel also snagged seven boards to lead the Lady Tigers.

The hangover carried over to Saturday where Nemaha Valley shut down the perimeter offense of the Tigers, which allowed Kean to pick up another double-double on the season. Kean scored 14 points and had 11 rebounds.

"Kelsie had some success early making some strong moves to the basket," said Milam. "I should have had the girls look more to her."

"At times we looked too

much for the three-pointer instead of running through our offensive sets.

"Our defense has been good but offensively we have got to be more consistent."

The Lady Tigers will have their rubber match with Auburn Friday night in the "Mac."

Auburn won on their home court 39-25 on Dec. 10, but Falls City nipped the Bulldogs by one point (33-32) 10 days later in the opening round of the Peru State Holiday Tournament.

FC, 49 Horton, 27
Scoring - Kean, 14; S. Olberding, 2; Lyons, 2; L. Kopf, 12; Jordening, 13; Sickel, 2; J. Kopf, 4.

FC, 21 Rock Creek, 37
Scoring - Kean, 3; L. Kopf, 6; Jordening, 4; Sickel, 4; Lewis, 2; H. Olberding, 2.

FC, 24 NV, 44
Scoring - Kean, 14; L. Kopf, 3; Jordening, 4; Sickel, 2; J. Kopf, 1.

Head Start apps for 11-12 being accepted

By Susan Phillips, SENCA

Will your child be ready for kindergarten? Why not give your child a Head Start in the right direction!

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To qualify for the program, parent or guardian 2010 income tax returns must fall within standard federal guidelines. Individual attention is also given to children with disabilities. For age requirements, children born between 10/15/06 to 10/15/08 may be eligible.

For more information contact Krystal Simpson, Family Service Advocate, SENCA Head Start Center in Falls City at 402-245-4983 or the SENCA Head Start Central Office toll free at 1-800-313-5608 and speak with Mary Jane at extension 110.

Space is limited so don't delay. Give your child a Head Start

Attend EMS event

About 330 individuals attended the 26th annual Nebraska Emergency Medical Services Association Winter Conference on Emergency Care Jan. 15-16 in Kearney.

Participants from Richardson County included: Rhonda Baxter, James Gerweck, Elizabeth Kaster and Amy Olberding, Falls City; Brandon Ewers, Shubert, and Kim Zierke, Stella.

On this day in 1959, pop musicians Buddy Holly, Richie Valens, and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson died in a plane crash near Mason City, Iowa.

Lady Tiger Reserves

The Lady Tiger Reserves defeated St. Joseph - Lafayette last Thursday 39-27 to improve to 5-1 on the season.

Sophomore Tressa Chandler had an outstanding game scoring 16 points. Sophomore Claire Poppe added nine points while fellow sophs Bethany Lampe and Malorie Feighner and freshman Brooke Scheitel scored six.

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Pioneer moves into next week

This week's winter storm wreaked havoc on more than the local roadways - it really messed up the Pioneer Conference Basketball Tournament.

All Monday and Tuesday games were postponed and can't be made up until Thursday, which means consolation and championship games — both boys and girls — can't be played until next Monday in Lewiston (game times TBA).

On the boys' side, FC Sacred Heart, 9-9 after a Friday night loss to 10-4 Class C1 St. Peter Claver, will play Southern at 3:30 p.m. Friday in Wymore. The semifinal against either Sterling, Lourdes or Freeman will be Saturday.

The HTRS boys face Diller-Odell in Odell Thursday night for a shot at Pawnee City Friday, also in Odell.

In the girls' bracket, second-seeded FCSH will take on the Johnson-Brock/HTRS (5 p.m. Thursday in Odell) at 5 p.m. Friday at Southern. The Saturday evening semifinal in Lewiston will be against either Sterling, Southern or Lewiston.

The Lady Irish are coming off a 65-20 home win over 1-14 Omaha St. Peter Claver. A 47-14 rebounding edge led to 63 field goal attempts for the Irish. Sara Landis had 12 team-high boards, 20 points and four blocks to lead her team. Sarah Magdanz finished with 14 points, 10 boards and five steals, Mallory Hillyard scored 10, had six assists and five steals, and Hannah Malcolm dished out 10 assists to go with six points.

The Irish fellas faced a different, much more athletic monster, and dropped its fourth game in a row, dating back to its MUDE-CAS "B" Division title. FCSH, now 9-9, opened up a big early lead on the strength of an 11-0 run, but SPC used a 17-0 run in the game's final four minutes to win going away, 65-45.

"The bottom line - we gave up 13 offensive rebounds that resulted in putbacks that scored them 19 points. We also had 22 turnovers against their press, which gave them some easy baskets," FCSH Coach Doug Goltz said.

"Their athleticism caused us



Jason Schock

FC Sacred Heart big man Brady Cromer was effective inside early against Omaha St. Peter Claver, scoring six of his eight points during a run in which the Irish built a double-digit lead. Later, though, the SPC full-court pressure rattled the Irish, leading to 19 steals and 22 FCSH turnovers.

problems."

There certainly is no shortage of athletic teams on FCSH's schedule and that will hardly change this weekend at the conference tournament. Southern, 10-4, is coming off a 10-point win over Falls City, beat HTRS on two occasions, and gave Sterling fits in two close losses to the Jets.

Scoring vs. SPC

FCSH boys — R. Barnhill, 14; Finck, 9; Goltz, 2; L. Barnhill, 12; Cromer, 8.

FCSH girls — Jordan, 6; Parrish, 5; Magdanz, 14; Malcolm, 6; Schawang, 2; Hillyard, 10; Voyles, 2; Landis, 20.

FCSH 34, J-B 60

The Sacred Heart boys' basketball program met its polar opposite last week in Johnson-Brock. After trailing 22-17 at the half, the Irish were outscored 38-17 in the second, falling 60-34 to the Eagles.

The Irish faced a very athletic, experienced Eagles team loaded with upperclassmen - 10 seniors, six juniors are on their varsity roster. Compare that with Sacred Heart's one senior - Reed Barnhill - and two juniors - David Bangert and Derek Olberding. The bulk of the Irish's minutes are coming from underclassmen.

"They are athletic - much like Howells," said coach Doug Goltz. "We have played many good teams. They rank up there as on of the better teams we've



Jason Schock



(Top) FC Sacred Heart sophomore David Bangert makes a nice assist to freshman Matt Goltz in the first half of the Irish's 65-45 home loss to St. Peter Claver Friday. (Bottom) FCSH freshman guard Ashli Jordan scored six points and grabbed six rebounds in the 14-4 Lady Irish's 65-20 win over St. Peter Claver.

played.

"The first half we played well enough to be in the game, but the third quarter we struggled to score and they got things going on the offensive end. Their athleticism obviously had a lot to do with that.

"We needed four good quarters and didn't get that."

FCSH, 34 J-B, 60

Scoring

FCSH - R. Barnhill, 7; Goltz, 10; L. Barnhill, 7; Bangert, 8; Cromer, 2.

J-B - Wolken, 10; Butler, 4; Neeman, 2; Behrends, 2; Damme, 6;

Krenk, 10; Wenzl, 14; Niedermeyer, 2; Baack, 10.

IRISH JV

— Brody Chandler scored nine points to lead the Irish JV to a 36-31 win at Johnson.

— Will Burenheide scored seven in a 31-21 Irish "C" game loss at Johnson.

— The FCSH girls JV fell 8-7 at Johnson in two quarters. Megen Voyles scored three and Emma Schock and Ashli Jordan had two points apiece.

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Poor third quarters killing Falls City guys

By Jim Langan

Another chilly third quarter spelled doom for the Tigers last Friday in Wymore, as Falls City was defeated 45-35.

Logan Faller led the Tigers with 10 points and Josh Stoller added nine. Trevor Harling and Cord Huettner each grabbed four rebounds.

An unbecoming trend has developed over the last 10 games for the Falls City Tigers, more specifically in losses.

In FC's last three losses the Tigers have scored a total of three points in the third quarter, while giving up 29 points. That's a difference of 26 points. The combined total of points the Tigers lost by in those three games: 26.

In FC's first eight games they outscored their opponents 91-87 and were 5-3, but the opponents win-loss total was 56-66.

It must be said that the last ten games have pitted the Tigers against much more difficult teams. In the last ten contests their opponent's winning percentage is .680 (91-42).

"I can't put a finger on it," said coach Don Hogue regarding the third quarter plunge in scoring of late. "We're not doing anything differently.

"If you look at the number of shots we're getting off it's the same as the other quarters. We're just knocking them down for whatever reason.

"It's important we don't put too much emphasis on it."

The defense has been up to Hogue's expectations. In those three losses Falls City only gave up an average of 41.7 points and

are only allowing just over 45 ppg on the season.

"Defensively I am pleased. Our record should be better than it is with us only giving up 45 point per game."

Inexperience at the varsity level, facing better quality, more athletic teams, referees "letting them play" - which needs to be seriously re-evaluated by the NSAA, look at what teams get away with now compared to fifteen years ago - and the Tigers just not knocking down jump shots are all mitigating factors.

All is not lost though. Falls City will play five more regular season games and if they can figure out how to shake that third-quarter monkey off their back they will have a chance in every game.

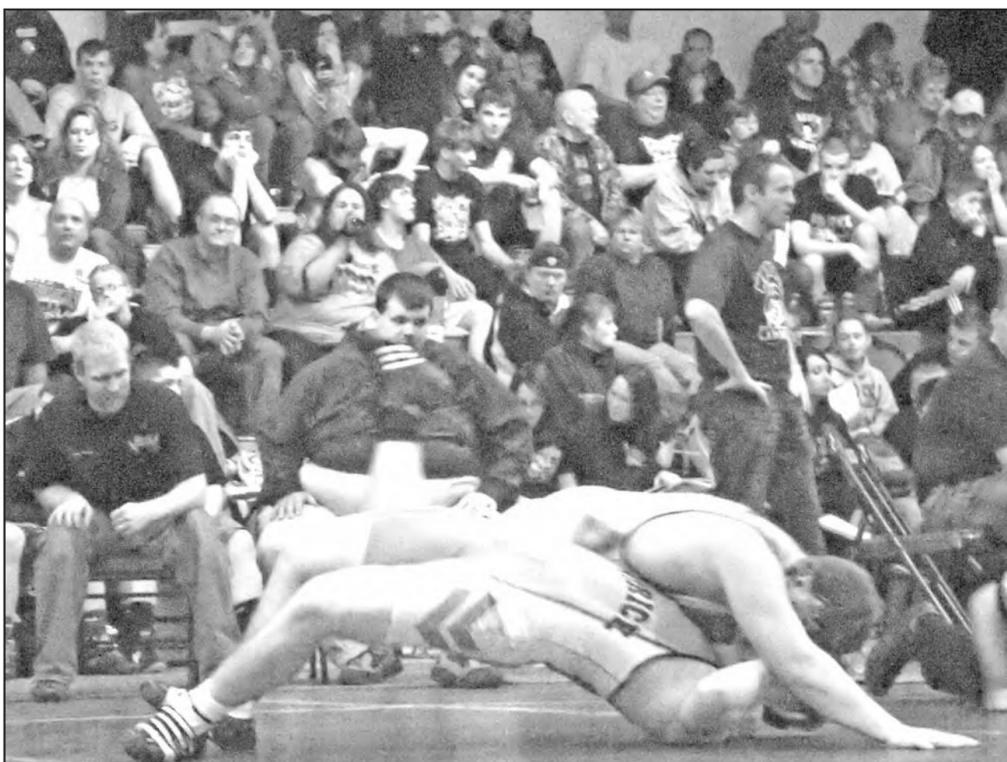
Their sub-district is winnable. The combined record of the other teams - Ashland-Greenwood, Auburn, Conestoga and Syracuse - is 24-38. Ashland has two wins against teams with a winning record, as does Syracuse. Auburn has none and Conestoga, winners of four games, has thrice defeated squads with one win. Vanilla to say the least.

It is hard to conceive catching fire or warming up with the outdoors resembling that of Sarah Palin's home state, but if the Tigers can get it going over the final stretch a district final is attainable.

To be continued...

FC, 35 Southern, 45

Scoring - Faller, 10; Stoller, 9; Frederick, 5; M. Harling, 4; Huettner, 4; T. Harling, 3.



HTRS 215-pounder T.J. Standerford placed second at Raymond Central and improved to 21-5 on the season.

HTRS heavyweight now 26-2

The Falls City and HTRS/Pawnee City wrestling teams competed in the Raymond Central Invitational last weekend.

Each school had seven varsity competitors with the Tigers finishing eighth out the 11 participating schools while the Titans were just one spot back in ninth.

Titan senior Ryan Worthey had the best finish of the local schools finishing first in the 285-pound class. He won both matches by decision with the first one coming 4-1 against Raymond's Isaiah Rittenburg (13-13) and then defeated Ashland-Greenwood's Layne Lambert (15-10) 2-1. Worthey has won three tournaments this year and improved his record to an impressive 26-2 on the season.

It is pretty impressive considering he has been wrestling around the 200-pound mark all season.

"We've had to work on staying outside on these big guys and using quickness to get ahead," said head coach Tyler Ferebee. "Strength is definitely an issue, but we've worked on several things that have made him successful at this weight class."

FC's Cole Ackerman (171, 20-6) and Logan Auffert (145, 16-7) both finished in third place.

Auffert defeated Auburn's Garritt Fischer (11-14) 8-5, then pinned Neb. City's Jeremy Baker (11-5) in the third round (4:26). Baker had lost only three times prior to the Raymond Central Invitational.

Ackerman also had success against a Bulldog, pinning Alex Gonsalves (22-10) in 3:45. He then fell 14-5 to Raymond's Aaron Studebaker who is undefeated (29-0) and ranked No. 1 in class C.

He bounced back with back-FCWC Tourney Feb. 12

The annual FC Wrestling Club Tourney will be held Feb. 12 at FC High. The event usually welcomes some 300 young wrestlers.

Club members last weekend competed at Beatrice, with Kellen McAfee, Kyler Frederick, Sloan Lenard, Delbert Casteel and Blake Vitale capturing championships. Vitale was named "Champion of Champions."

Placing second: Trey McAfee, Pacer Chapple, Jeremy Zimmerman.

Third: Sara Black, Kyle Black, Brett Black, Geoffrey Zimmerman, Braydon Frederick, Aidan Davis and Ellicyn Gilkerson.

Other results:

Lincoln (Jan. 16) - First, Ellicyn Gilkerson, Jacson Valentine; second, Morgen Valentine, Keegan Hunzeker, Sloan Lenard, Jeremy Zimmerman and Aidan Davis; third, Blake Vitale, Ransom Campbell, Carter Hunzeker.

Buchanan (Mo.) - Ransom Campbell, second.

St. Joseph (Mo.) - Campbell, third.

Omaha (Jan. 2) - Blake Vitale, Jeremy Zimmerman, first; Aidan Davis, second.

to-back second-round pins against Beatrice's Eric Engler

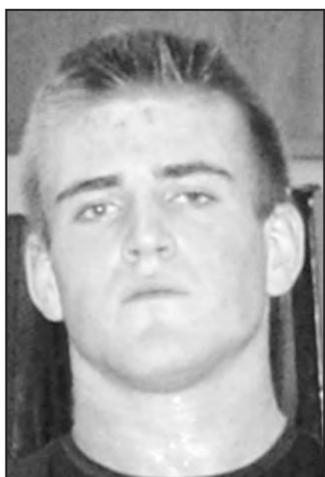
(13-17) and Columbus Lakeview's Breson Pillen (27-8).

Tate Hayes (119, 13-10) and Anthony Ritter (125, 6-7) each finished fourth while Dakota Butrick (130, 15-13) finished fifth and Chris Counce (103, 6-10) finished sixth.

HTRS results: Matt Milke (103, 18-6), fourth place; Justin Judge (130, 12-16), sixth; Drew Flynn (152, 4-10), fifth; TJ Standerford (215, 21-5), second.

Falls City will have its final home dual of the season tonight when Auburn comes to town.

HTRS will play host in their final tournament of the season before districts next weekend. The HTRS Invite will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.



Worthey



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Parents'/Guardians' Name _____

Dated _____

**Minutes of
County Board**

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD
OF
COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 25, 2011
CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 25, 2011. Roll call was answered by Ely, Davidson and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Ely. The minutes of the January 18, 2011, meeting were read, corrected and approved. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Ely to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted on the 1st floor lobby, the Commissioner's Meeting Room and in the lobby of the 3rd floor Sheriff's Office of the Courthouse.

ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPT.

Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent, updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week.

A discussion was held on the projects being planned for the One & Six Year Road Plan. A public hearing has been set for Tuesday, February 22, 2011, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Ely that upon consideration of the remarkable job performance that Scott Huppert has demonstrated over the past few months as the Richardson County Highway Superintendent the Richardson County Board of Commissioners hereby find that an agreement with Bruce Filipi as the Interim Highway Superintendent is no longer necessary, therefore notification shall be given to terminate the agreement effective February 1, 2011. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Snow removal on county roads and on the Courthouse grounds this past weekend was reviewed. Discussion was also held on the possibility of soliciting sealed bids for the snow removal of the Courthouse grounds.

Resolution 2010-2011-38 to set the date for a public hearing to be held regarding the closing of a portion of a county road, 650 Blvd. south of 706 Road, was reviewed with no action taken at this meeting.

SHERIFF HOUSER

Sheriff Houser presented the need for the purchase of bullet-proof vests and ammunition. Discussion was also held on the current use of the armory building.

Sheriff Houser also informed the Board that he had met with the Humboldt City Council to review a proposed agreement for the County to provide law enforcement services to the City of Humboldt. A contract is being prepared and will be presented to the Humboldt City Council and Board of Commissioners for consideration.

Resolution 2010-2011-37 was reviewed with the Sheriff with no action being taken at this time. The Board has requested that the County Attorney's Office review the proposed resolution. **REGINA CUMMINGS, ASSESSOR**

Regina Cummings, Assessor, presented to the Board and agreement for appraisal services by Ron Elliott.

Motion was made by Ely to enter into an agreement with Ron Elliott to perform appraiser services for Richardson County as requested by the County Assessor. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 18, Page 29)

**CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER
Applications for Appointment as
County Depository**

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the following applications for appointment as County Depositories for 2011: First Nat'l Bank & Trust Co., State Bank of Table Rock, Richardson County Bank & Trust Co. and American National Bank. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

OPPD Agreement

Motion was made by Davidson to approve and enter into an agreement with OPPD referring to their permit #160 for the use of county road right-of-way on 660 Avenue just off of Highway 159 west of Rulo. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 18, Page 30)

**Application for Juvenile Program
Funds**

Motion was made by Ely to approve the grant application to receive Juvenile Program funds from the NE Crime Commission for the four-county mentoring program administered by Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

**Letter to NE Legislature Revenue
Committee**

Letters were drafted and will be submitted to the Revenue Committee of the NE Legislature in opposition to LB383 which will eliminate current funding of different types of governmental state aid and to oppose LB96 which will reduce the different types of funding of state aid to certain political subdivisions.

County Visitor's Committee

Motion was made by Davidson to rescind the motion made on January 11, 2011 regarding the appointment of members to the Richardson County Visitors Committee due to the fact that the terms of committee members, Della Meyer and Mike Gilmore do not expire until December 31, 2011. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Davidson to allow the payment of all claims submitted today with the exception one to the City of Falls City for \$59,665.18 for 911 Emergency Dispatching Services which will be held for further review. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND

Alamar Uniforms, supp.....	665.07
Animal Health Center, serv.....	371.90
Tammie Beckner, reimb.....	11.76
B I Inc., sup.....	143.37
Best Printing, supp.....	498.00
Browns Shoe Fit, supp.....	216.96
Clerk of Dist. Court, costs.....	129.35
Clerk of the Supreme Court, costs.....	125.00
Eric Crook, serv.....	922.05
June Dettmann, reimb.....	24.50
Deb Ebel, reimb.....	121.49
FC Auto Supply, supp.....	121.34
FC Family Practice, serv.....	144.00
FC Journal, adv.....	264.61
FC Pharmacy/Radio Shack, supp.....	32.97
FC Mercantile, supp.....	462.27
FC Pharmacy, presc.....	212.49
First Nat'l Bank, supp.....	14.54
Graphic Screen Printing, supp.....	94.00
Charles Hosuer, reimb.....	38.64
Hullman's Ford, serv.....	109.04
IBM Corp., serv.....	348.00
Kawres, supp/serv.....	226.69
Kochs Auto, serv.....	426.50
Susan Leafly, reimb.....	14.16
Charles Menezes, reimb.....	24.50
Merritts Office Systems, supp.....	609.00
Robert Meyer, exp.....	35.70
Midtown Service Center, serv/supp.....	1,076.60
MIPS, serv.....	384.66
NACO, NE Assoc of Dist. Court Clerks, dues/regist.....	100.00
Pamida, supp.....	43.88
Neal Parsons, fee.....	430.00
Postmaster, postage.....	847.15
Quill, supp.....	180.55
Ram Exterminators, serv.....	45.00

Region V Services, matching funds.....	4,241.25
Region V Systems, matching funds.....	3,383.25
County Clerk Petty Cash, reimb.....	18.19
Jami Rutt, exp.....	208.90
Schulenberg Bakery, supp.....	11.80
Securus Technologies, serv.....	220.00
SE NE Communications, serv.....	478.47
SE NE Communications & Services, supp.....	49.99
Strecker's Gun & Supply, supp.....	150.36
Stripes & Signs, supp.....	74.00
Sunmart, supp.....	1,275.87
True Value Hardware, supp.....	4.79
US Postal Serv., postage.....	798.60
W&D Auto Care, serv.....	25.00
West Payment Center, supp.....	197.87
Natasha Winkelman, reimb.....	43.43
Wolfe, supp.....	37.55
Carolyn Zentner, serv.....	35.00
Total General Fund.....	\$20,890.06

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

Orscheln, supp.....	84.35
Cross-Dillon Tire, supp.....	312.00
FC Journal, adv.....	17.10
Lawson Products, supp.....	236.67
Lyman-Richey Sand & Gravel, sand.....	86.56
Myers Tire Supply, supp.....	53.56
NPDP, serv.....	93.25
OPPD, serv.....	76.55
Operation & Expense Acct., reimb.....	63.50
Richardson County Sheriff,	

serv.....	35.28
Windstream Corp., serv.....	47.51
Total Road & Bridge Fund.....	\$1,106.33

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sichel declared the meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk

Special meeting

The District 56 School Board will meet in special session at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, in the Central Office at the Falls City Middle School. Their agenda: Routine Business, including agenda approval and audiences. South School principal search information: Selection of candidates for interview; review process draft for Feb. 26 interview day. Other information items.

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Top three finishers of the FC Middle School National Geographic Bee, held Jan. 13, from left: Tucker Merz, school champion Allie Lendermon and Morgan Valentine.

Allie Lendermon wins National Geographic Bee

Each year, thousands of schools in the United States participate in the National Geographic Bee using materials prepared by the National Geographic Society. The contest is designed to encourage teachers to include geography in their classrooms, spark student interest in the subject, and increase public awareness about geography. Schools with students in grades four through eight are eligible for this entertaining and

challenging test of geographic knowledge.

FC Middle School participated in the program for the first time this year. A preliminary written qualifying test was given to all FCMS Social Studies students to find the top students to participate in the school bee and determine a school champion. The FCMS Bee was held Jan. 13, with 16 students in the final round. Those competing in the school-level Bee were: Elizabeth Oliver, Luke Gifford, Haley Liberty, Tucker Merz, Cody Frederick, Emma Beckner, Derrick Eickhoff, Jordon Phroper, Allie Lendermon, Chris Bennett, Taylor O'Brien, Preston Deckinger, Morgan Valentine, Maggy Rieschick, Abigail Gilkerson and Edward Fritz.

The top three winners were: Lendermon, first; Valentine,

second; and Merz, third.

Social Studies teacher Jack Munford will administer the written qualifying state test to Allie, the school champion. In early March he will be notified by mail if Allie finished in the top 100 to represent FCMS at the state level. State qualifiers compete in an oral competition at the state level, which is usually held in late March or early April. State winners are invited to National Geographic headquarters in late May to compete in the national finals for scholarships in the amount of \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000.

Munford and sixth grade teacher Susan Nutzman administered the tests. They thanked the administration and staff for their assistance in promoting and helping cover classes during the Bee.

'Mom the Boys Hit Me with the Dresser'

By D.M. RemLind

I was born the youngest of four children. If that in itself was not punishment enough, those three siblings were all brothers! I am a firm believer that brothers, brothers of sisters anyway, are the scourge of the world. Of course, my three brothers all had to be older! Maybe a younger brother would not be so bad; I have no way to know and quite honestly do not really care to find out.

I have to tell you growing up the youngest and the only girl leaves you somewhere between spoiled rotten and beaten to a pulp! I have this image in my head of the shredded wheat guy spinning back and forth yelling, "Spoiled rotten, beaten to a pulp, spoiled rotten, beaten to a pulp." Well, I'm here to tell you that neither side of that biscuit tastes sweet!

The spoiled rotten part would not be so bad if you did not know it was going to be followed by beaten to a pulp by the jealous brothers. Hey, I would have gladly given them that lavender and white dress that matched my mothers, or ANY of those cute little Easter hats!

Growing up with three older brothers and no sister often presented problems in the area of playing. My brothers would often play in their room and it looked like fun. Wrestling, tussling, whatever, it all just looked like a lot of fun and I wanted in on it. I could not join in though because they had some kind of magical force field on their doorway that sisters could not get through. Force field or not, it never stopped me from standing in the doorway and cheering, rooting for a favored brother, or just to egg the whole thing on.

One day all this tussling ended up in MY room. The boys still said I could not get in on the free-for-all

"Hey, this is my room; I want to play, too!"

I ran and tried to join in, but they shoved me back. I kept trying to penetrate the pile, but always somehow managed to be forced back no matter what angle I approached from. I finally mustered up all my strength and went full force at the mob.

One or two, maybe all three of those ornery critters shoved me back out of the pile. They sent me flying backwards and hit the back of my head on my dresser!

I ran downstairs holding my head and screaming, "Mom, the boys hit me with the dresser!"

Still to this day, a rendition of the story is always told at family gatherings, or just whenever they feel it is time to embarrass me. I believe if they have a chance, my brothers will have written on my tombstone:

**HERE LIES:
MOM, THE BOYS HIT ME WITH THE DRESSER**

I turned to dolls for companionship. My brothers, like most all boys, did not understand the relationship girls have with their dolls. To a young girl dolls are very important; they are friends, confidants and members of the family. They are not to be violated in any way, and especially not by brothers. One of my brothers thought it was fun to strip them naked and put them out by the side of the road for all passers-by to see.

When he would come and tell me of his dastardly deed, I would run out with a small blanket and rescue them immediately. It was a small prank to a young boy, but devastating to a young girl.

One year as an adult, a Mother's Day card came from this brother. On the front, it said something like Happy Mother's Day to a Sister Who Learned to be a Good Mom by Playing with Her Dolls. On the inside it asked, "Do you carry your kids around by their hair, too?"

When he called for my birthday, he asked what I thought of the card. I said, "Gee, I don't know, are you going to come strip my kids naked and put them out by the side of the road?"

What I should have said is why don't you come visit me and I will drag you around

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Love is in the air (and springing forth from his wallet)

(SPM Wire) Love is more than just in the air this Valentine's Day season; it's springing forth from people's wallets. Indeed, total holiday spending is expected to reach \$15.7 billion -- a marked jump from last year.

The average person will shell out \$116.21 on traditional Valentine's Day merchandise this year, up 11 percent over last year's \$103, according to the National Retail Federation's 2011 Valentine's Day Consumer Intentions and Actions Survey.

"Having surpassed expectations during the holiday season, it seems consumers are not done spending on gifts, which bodes well for the economy," said the Federation's president and CEO, Matthew Shay.

"Jewelry, candy and apparel sales should

provide a nice boost for retailers during the typically slower months of January and February."

Having cut back on spending in recent years, couples this year say they will spend an average of \$68.98 on their significant other or spouse, up from \$63.34 last year. Even family pets will be feeling more of the love this year. The average person will spend \$5.04 on his or her furry friends, up from \$3.27 last year.

Consumers will also spend an average of \$6.30 on friends, \$4.97 on classmates and teachers, and \$3.41 on co-workers.

As usual, men will spend the most on Valentine's Day gifts. The average man plans to shell out more than twice as much

(\$158.71) as the average woman (\$75.79) -- perhaps suggesting men are ignoring the "it's the thought that counts" sentiment this year.

Not surprisingly, greeting cards will be the most popular gift option, as 52.1 percent of those surveyed report they will be purchasing the romantic missives. Jewelry also is expected to be a big hit, with 17.3 percent planning on buying their loved ones something sparkly, up from 15.5 percent last year.

The survey also found spending across the board is expected to be up this year. Consumers will shell out \$3.5 billion on jewelry this Valentine's Day, up from an estimated \$3 billion last year. Clothing (\$1.6 billion vs. \$1.5 billion in 2010) and dining out (\$3.4 billion vs. \$3.3 billion in 2010) will also be pop-

ular gift options. Additionally, celebrants will spend \$1.7 billion on flowers, \$1.5 billion on candy and \$1.1 billion on greeting cards.

"Though the economy will still be on their minds, Valentine's Day holds a special place in many Americans hearts," said Phil Rist, Executive Vice President, Strategic Initiatives, BIGresearch, which conducted the survey. "Some may opt for a quiet night out or a home cooked meal to keep costs down, but it seems there are others who are a little more interested in a nice night on the town."

The NRF 2011 Valentine's Day Consumer Intentions and Actions Survey was designed to gauge consumer behavior and shopping trends related to Valentine's Day and polled 8,913 consumers.

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SENSE & SENSITIVITY

Bored couple needs to rekindle the spark

By Harriette Cole

DEAR HARRIETTE: I've grown apart from my husband. We have been married for 15 years, and I would say that it has been at least five years of boredom. We hardly do anything together. We have no intimacy whatsoever, in part because I am unwilling to do anything without romance beforehand. We are cordial to each other, like the way colleagues are at the workplace. We have two children, and I can't imagine breaking up our home. But at the same time, I can't imagine sticking around, either. I am so bored and uninspired. What can we do to get the interest back? And if we can't, should we try to make the best of it? I mean, maybe this is just what happens to couples over time. -- Brenda, Dallas, Texas

Dear Brenda: Start by planning a vacation for the two of you. Taking time out of your routine to do something fun together can ignite romance. Talk about your life, and be honest about how you feel. Go to counseling, and get support in navigating your marriage's challenges. Get spiritual counseling as well. No, you aren't supposed to be bored in your marriage. But don't give up until you exhaust your options.

Tell your husband that you want to figure out how to re-engage. Ask him to work with you to that end. Remember the activities that you enjoyed when you first got together. Start doing some of those things again. You may be able to rekindle your bond. Also check in with other friends. Some married couples are finding great support in coed marriage groups, where couples come together to talk about their issues and learn from one another.

If all this fails, work together to break up in the most respectful way possible.

DEAR HARRIETTE: I'm a young, attractive, single black woman who lives in New York City, and I'm facing a dilemma. Valentine's Day is fast approaching, and I have no date for that evening. I post my concerns on a popular social-network website. My friends tell me that I'm overzealous, and my response is that I'm only being proactive. What do you think I should do? -- Lisa, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Lisa: It's good that you are thinking in advance and want to make sure that you have something to do on Cupid's Day. A word of advice: You don't have to have a date on that day. It is good to have a plan, though. Why do I say that? Well, if you aren't seeing anyone and you don't have your eyes on someone, setting up a blind date could be awkward. Instead, you could go to a singles dance where other singles will be looking for the same thing. Or plan a night out with your single girlfriends, where you can laugh and joke in one another's company.

(Lifestylist and author Harriette Cole is president and creative director of Harriette Cole Media. You can send questions to askharriette@harriettecole.com or c/o United Feature Syndicate, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016.)
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Bloodmobile exceeds quota

An excellent turnout resulted in the quota being exceeded when the Red Cross Bloodmobile was at Prichard Auditorium on Jan. 27 and 28.

A special thanks goes out to Excel Meat Corp. and Robert Stuckemeyer for the donation of meat for the canteen and the Catholic Daughters of Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church for making sandwiches and providing service for the canteen. Cookies were provided by Zeta Delta Sorority and drinks, bread and canteen supplies were provided by the Falls City Jaycees and the Rotary Club.

Bob and Mary Schimonitz set up the canteen and Scott and Karen Maze set up tables and chairs. Rodney Knaup put up posters and the local businesses paid for the advertisement in the Journal. Also, a thanks to the anonymous donor for contribution for the canteen.

Calling for appointments were Marcia Schwartz, Elaine Schwartz and Peggy Vaughn. Helping at the registration table were Lee Ferguson and Judy Schlosser. Escorts were Thelma Swisegood, Norma Roland, Joann Stone, Delila Vice, Rosa-

lie Scholl, Ramona Godemann, Norma Wintz and Mary Lee Weinert.

Linda Frederick is the coordinator.

A special thanks to the following blood donors:

Ryan Bauman, Kathy Bartek, Linda Beckner, Deena Beer, Phil Bletscher, June Bowers, Becky Brewer, Trish Brewer, Patty Brown, Judy Bryant, Joe Buckminster, Katie Buckminster, Molly Chapple, Bev Chesnut, Lindsay Chichester, Selina Cooper, Mary Darveau, Sharon Darveau, Robert Davis, Fr. Ramon Decaen.

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Food distribution in Humboldt February 15, 17

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program distribution clinic will be held in Humboldt at 624 3rd St. on Tuesday, Feb. 15, and Thursday, Feb. 17.

An appointment is suggested.

CSFP provides nutritious foods to persons who are age 60 or greater, children until they reach age six, and women who are pregnant or have had a baby in the past year. Qualified persons must live in Nebraska and be under the income guidelines.

Foods given through CSFP include: canned fruits, vegetables and juice, canned and dry milk, hot and cold cereals, canned meat, peanut butter and dried beans, cheese, pasta or potatoes.

To schedule an appointment or to obtain information on how to qualify for CSFP, call Blue Valley Community Action at 402-729-2278.

'Shoot for a Cure' at Humboldt

The second annual "Shoot for a Cure" event, designed to raise funds for the Richardson County Cancer Fund, Inc., is set for Thursday, Feb. 10, at the HTRS School in Humboldt.

The Titans host the Falls City Tigers that night, with games to begin at 4:15 p.m. A soup supper, featuring chili, chicken noodle and cheesy potato soups, cornbread, relish bowls and desserts will begin at 5 p.m. in the school lunchroom. A free will donation will be accepted.

Kellie Workman, an RCCFI board member, is organizing the soup supper and said, as for last year, the HTRS staff is donating all of the items needed, from groceries to dinnerware and desserts.

"They are a huge key to our success," Kellie said. "With all of their donations, it makes the soup supper very profitable" and thus helps provide travel expense funding for Richardson County cancer patients.

The event is the idea of HTRS teacher and athletic director Scot Knudson, who has been battling thymoma for eight years. Knudson has received benefits from RCCFI since its inception and wanted to "give something back." The first "Shoot for a Cure" was held last year and raised \$2,434 for RCCFI and \$300 to the Nemaha County Relay for Life.

This year, Knudson wanted to share the event with a Richardson County school and Falls City High fit that bill. The schools are collaborating on t-shirt sales and all proceeds will go to RCCFI.

Knudson's wife, Mandi, is coordinating t-shirt sales and is planning a raffle of donated baskets during the games.

"We're very excited that Falls City is on board," Kellie said. "They too have sold t-shirts! It is a great night of fellowship and fund-raising!"

In addition to the soup supper, raffle (donations from county businesses) and t-shirt sales, a 3-point shooting contest will be held.

Organizers are hoping for a big crowd to enjoy an evening of basketball and participate in this worthy fund-raising effort.

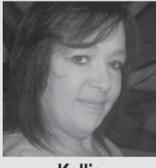
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Treat Those You Love to Decadent Stuffed French Toast

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Kellie Scheele-Shulver
Myrtle Beach, S.C.
(Pop. 80,508)



Special occasion or not, start your day off on a sweet note with this wonderful Raspberry and Cream Cheese-Stuffed French Toast. This delicious gem of a breakfast is chock full of berries and cream cheese, each bite more sinful than the next. Don't have raspberries on hand? No problem! Try blueberries, bananas or strawberries. Kellie Scheele-Shulver has found the secret to a perfect breakfast... and she's willing to share!

See step-by-step photos of Kellie's French Toast recipe and thousands more recipes from other hometown Americans at:
www.justapinch.com/frenchtoast

You'll also find a meal planner and coupons for the recipe ingredients. Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"... - Janet

Raspberry & Cream Cheese Stuffed French Toast

What You Need

- 1 (8oz) pkg cream cheese, softened
- 12 (3/4 inch thick) slices day old broche, challah or Hawaiian bread
- 1 c fresh raspberries*
- 3 eggs (beaten)
- 3/4 c half-and-half, light cream, or milk
- 3 tbsp sugar
- 1/2 tsp vanilla
- 1 dash salt
- pure maple syrup

- Combine beaten eggs, half-and-half, sugar, vanilla, and salt in shallow bowl. (For added taste, you might want to add a few drops of Grand Marnier)
- Dip each sandwich in egg mixture, turning carefully to coat both sides. Place sandwiches in greased 15x10x1-inch baking pan. Bake in 425 degree oven 15 minutes or until golden brown, turning once after 10 minutes. Serve warm with maple syrup, if desired.
- *NOTE: If desired, you can substitute frozen raspberries. Thaw and drain; reserve juice for another use.

Directions

- Spread cream cheese evenly over one side of each slice of bread.
- Top half of the bread slices with raspberries. Place remaining bread slices on top to make "sandwiches".

Submitted by: Kellie Scheel-Shulver (Pop. 40,358)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Public Meeting

The Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors will hold their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 10, 2011 at the NRD headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska. Individual committee meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. An agenda is being kept current at the office - 62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh, NE 68450.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order of Sale, issued by the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska in Case no. CI 10-148 wherein Midwest Management is Plaintiff, and Robert Jasper Larison, et al., are Defendants wherein said case Decree was rendered in and by the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska to foreclose liens for the real estate taxes paid upon the real estate described below for the sum of \$2,203.85, plus \$783.24 in interest as of December 21, 2010 accruing at the rate of \$0.85 per day thereafter, Attorney fees in the amount of \$328.51 and costs in the amount of \$298.04 and which further ordered that the real estate be sold to satisfy these liens, which Decree is still in full force and unsatisfied, to wit:

Lots 19 and 20, Block 63, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska.

I have levied upon said property and will sell the same on the 3rd day of March, 2011 commencing at 10:30 o'clock a.m. at the Richardson County Courthouse in Falls City, Nebraska, 1st floor of the courthouse in the corridor, to the highest bidder to satisfy said Decree, taxes, assessment, interest and costs. Said sale to remain open one-half hour.

Randy Houser
Richardson County Sheriff
3-10-17-24

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, The Imagination Factory, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, with its registered office at 2319 Crook Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355. The general nature of its business is to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. The limited liability company was formed on January 21, 2011 and shall continue perpetually. Its affairs shall be conducted by the members pursuant to an Operating Agreement duly adopted by the Company.

ORGANIZING MEMBER:
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2319 Crook Street
Falls City, NE 68355

Michael R. Dunn, #16825
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City of Falls City - Notice of Public Hearing & Notice of Intent to Amend CDBG Economic Development ReUse Loan Fund "Reuse" Plan Which Defines the Re-Use of Program Income From Previous CDBG Economic Development Awards

Notice is hereby given that, on Monday, February 7, 2011 as part of the 7 P.M. City Council meeting being held at City Council Chambers the City of Falls City, Nebraska will hold a public hearing concerning the amendment of the CDBG Economic Development Program Income ReUse Plan.

The amendments being considered will broaden the FC CDBG ED ReUse Plan to include all eligible uses, which includes broadening the eligible applicants to include retail loans and store front enhancement grants.

To review the specifics of the proposed/amended CDBG ED-ReUse Plan, a copy can be obtained at the City Clerk's office at City Hall or by contacting the numbers listed below.

All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing at which time they will be given the opportunity to speak in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of the proposed amended CDBG ED ReUse Plan. Written testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing. Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact the City Clerk at the numbers listed below no later than noon on Monday 2-7-2011. If there are questions regarding the amendment of this plan, please contact: City Clerk Gary Jorn, 1820 Towle Street, Falls City, NE 68355, (402) 245-2851; or SENDDD, Box 308 Humboldt, NE 68376, or by email senddhumboldt@windstream.net or by phone (402) 862-2201. 3

Village of Preston Notice of One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan Hearing

Public notice is hereby given in compliance with the revised statutes of Nebraska and the minimum requirements as adopted by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, that the Village Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the 16th Day of February 2011 at the G.A.R. Hall in Falls City, for the purpose of hearing comment relating to the proposed One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for 2011.

Julie Vollmer
City Street Superintendent 3

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land located in Verdon, Richardson County, Nebraska, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 10, thence North 490 feet, thence East 300 feet, thence South 35 degrees 30 minutes East 602 feet to the south line of Section 10, thence West 650 feet to the place of beginning, all in Township 2 North, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska, except portion thereof previously deeded unto the State of Nebraska for roadway purpose recorded in Deed Record Book 157 at Page 441, subject to a right to use of water from spring located on said tract with a right of way for pipe lines thereto, and except portion conveyed to the State of Nebraska by deed recorded in Book 97 Page 673.

Subject to a right of way 33 feet wide along the west line of said Section 10.

Commonly known as 64502 712 Road, Verdon, Nebraska 68457.

Will be sold at public auction on March 16, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. to the highest bidder for cash in the main lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355.

NEBRASKA ENERGY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

By: Michael B. Lustgarten, #18602
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NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

To All Participating Members:

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the participating members of Rural Water District No. 2, Richardson County, Nebraska, will be held at 2:00 o'clock P.M. on February 10, 2011, at the First National Bank Community Room, 1701 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska. At said meeting there will be the annual reports of the officers and an election of two (2) board members for the term of three (3) years. A copy of the agenda for said meeting is on file with the Secretary, Joseph Fischer, 65644 709 Rd., Falls City, Nebraska.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 2011.

Rural Water District No. 2
Richardson County, Nebraska
By Joseph Fischer,
Secretary
Neal E. Parsons
Attorney at Law 3

NOTICE OF MEETING RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

FEBRUARY 10, 2011

To All Participating Members:

Notice is hereby given that the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Rural Water District No. 2, Richardson County, Nebraska will be held following the Annual meeting of the District.

The following business will come before the Board:

- Call the meeting to order.
- Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.
- Election of officers.
- Election of Voting Delegate.
- Review claims.

Rural Water District No. 2
Richardson County, Nebraska
By Joseph Fischer,
Secretary 3

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Six Year Road and Street Plan for the Village of Barada, Nebraska, as required by Sec. 39-2119 et seq. R.R.S. (Supp. 1969) has been recommended for approval by the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees, and that a Public Hearing be held on said Six Year Road and Street Plan on the Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011 beginning at 7 P.M., at the Village Hall at which time objection to or recommendations for said Plan will be heard.

Mary Darveau, Clerk 3

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALAN J. McQUEEN, A Protected Person. Case No. 7915-B NOTICE

TO ALL CONCERNED:

Take notice that a Petition to approve the annual accounting and report on condition of ward, and to allow payment of administration fees and costs, filed by Jon M. McQueen, Successor Conservator/Guardian, is set for hearing in this Court on March 2, 2011, at 9:45 AM o'clock, or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard.

Dated: January 31, 2011
Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk of the County Court

Steven R. Brott, NSBA #10446
Attorney at Law
1524 Stone Street
Falls City, NE 68355
(402) 245-4222 3-10-17

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Six Year Road and Street Plan for the Village of Rulo, Nebraska, as required by Sec. 39-2119 et seq. R.R.S. (Supp. 1969) has been recommended for approval by the Chairman, and that a Public Hearing be held on said Six Year Road and Street Plan on the 14th day of February, 2011, beginning at 7 P.M., at the Village of Rulo Hall at which time objection to or recommendations for said Plan will be heard.

By Jane Zentner, Clerk 3

Village of Stella Minutes

VILLAGE OF STELLA Board of Trustees Meeting January 3, 2011, 7 p.m. at the Stella Community Building

Present: Henry Sullwold, Andy McMullen, Dan Sullwold, Aaron Davis and Jerry Joy. Absent: None. Guests: Elizabeth Ketter.

Chairman Joy called the regular meeting to order at 7 p.m. Motion by D. Sullwold and second by McMullen to approve the minutes as presented. All present voted Yea. Motion by McMullen and second by D. Sullwold to approve the treasurer's report. All present voted Yea. Motion by McMullen and second by H. Sullwold to pay the claims and payroll as presented. All voted Yea.

Taxes: Claim What's Yours

Lincoln — Taxpayers who qualify for and claim the Earned Income Tax Credit could pay less federal tax, pay no tax or even get a tax refund beyond the amount of tax withheld, according to the Department of Health and Human Services.

EITC is a refundable tax credit for eligible workers with low to middle incomes.

"We want to help people get the tax credits they've earned through the EITC program," said Todd Reckling, director of the Division of Children and Family Services in DHHS.

"EITC is a financial boost for working people hit by hard economic times. You earned it. Now file, claim it and get it."

Earned income tax credit is based on income and filing status. For example, childless singles making less than \$13,460 a year or married couples with two children making less than \$45,373 annually from wages, self-employment or farming in 2010 could qualify. To electronically file their returns and get the fastest refunds, both spouses must be present to sign joint returns.

Before filing your taxes, check to see if you're eligible. People can move into and out of eligibility based on changes in their earnings, their parental status or their marital status, according to Reckling.

To help Nebraskans take advantage of the EITC program, DHHS works with community organizations to provide free tax preparation assistance by IRS-certified volunteers to low income individuals and families. To locate a site near you, or if you have eligibility questions, call 2-1-1 or 1-800-829-1040.

- Federal tax credits include:
— Earned Income Tax Credit — up to \$5,666.
— Child Tax Credit — up to \$1,000 per child.
— Child and Dependent Care Tax Credits — up to \$2,100.
For more information visit: www.canhelp.org/EITC.htm

Communications: Anchors have been set for cell tower. Classes are to be held at the school building.

Reports of Committees: Streets: Stop signs are here; Lights: one south end of Main. Parks: OK. Water and Sewer: written report. Library: written report. Planning Committee: none. Maintenance man: none. Health Committee: none. Safety Committee: none. Tree Board: none. Community Building: sidewalk in front of building will be repaired next spring; heater in basement won't light; insulating big door in basement.

Tower evaluation: written report from Maguire Iron. Sewer: purchase of land should be completed next week. Met with JEO (Tyler Hevlin) on sewer repair. Plant needs some work, estimated cost \$10,000, need to move ahead with this.

Committees: McMullen suggested adding Ketter to the Water & Sewer Committee along with Davis and Joy; Main Street properties were discussed — what can and cannot be done with unkempt property; water shut off to the school building was discussed — the Village needs and operable valve - at this time it will not shut off completely — replacement will cost \$2,000 to \$4,000; current street plan is to rock some streets and work on Elm Street; the Tree City application has been submitted; some discussion on the umbrella policy for the Village; the completed audit waiver was presented to the Board and sent to State Auditor for approval; discussion on reduction of state funds for the Village; water shut-offs were signed.

Motion by H. Sullwold and second by Davis to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. All present voted Yea.

Vicki Owings, Clerk
Village of Stella
Claims and Payroll

NPPD, 950.83; JEO Consulting, 600; NE Public Health Environmental Labs, 55; Douglas Wheeler, 250; Vice Oil and Propane, 228.29; OPPD, 299.01; Midwest Labs, 46.85; American Recycling & Sanitation, 1040; Vicki Owings, 17.60; Vicki Owings, 475; George Ketter, 185.41; George Ketter, 370; Farm and City Supply, 23.99; Elizabeth Ketter, 44.18; Elizabeth Ketter, 86.25; Virginia Peck, 28.75; IRS, 160.30; SENC, 149.28.

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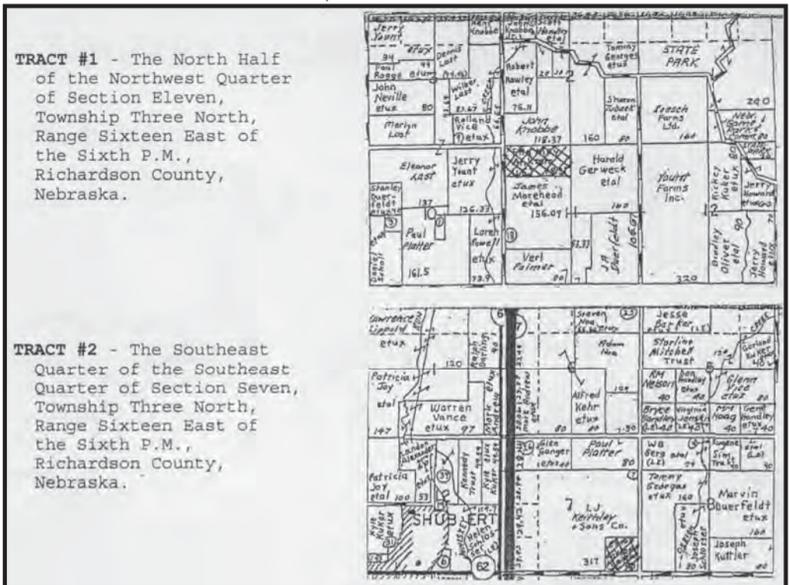
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ETTA ANKROM ESTATE

COUNTRY CATERING (NORTH HIGHWAY 73)

FEBRUARY 19, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M.



TERMS OF SALE

15% downpayment on date of sale, balance due upon closing which shall occur on or before March 15, 2011. Sellers to pay the 2010 and prior year real estate taxes; Buyer shall pay 2011 and subsequent year's real estate taxes. An owner's title insurance policy will be provided to the Buyer; fifty percent of the owner's policy to be paid by the Buyer and fifty percent of the owner's policy to be paid by the Sellers.

DEED OF CONCEYANCE

A good and sufficient Warranty Deed will be provided to the Buyer at the time of closing to provide marketable title in the Buyer subject to any easements and restrictions of record; the Sellers to pay the documentary tax and the Buyer to pay the cost of recording the deed.

OTHER TERMS

Buyer will be given full possession upon closing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ON DAY OF SALE WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER PRINTED MATERIAL. SELLERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

For Further Information Contact:

DOUGLAS E. MERZ
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1719 STONE STREET • FALLS CITY, NE 68355
(402) 245-3015

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Trustee's Sale

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on 02/28/2011, at 10:00 a.m. in the 1st floor corridor at the West door of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355:

LOT THREE (3) AND FOUR (4), BLOCK FIVE (5), ORIGINAL TOWN OF FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

All subject to any and all: (1) real estate taxes, (2) special assessments, (3) easements, covenants, restrictions, ordinances, and resolutions of record which affect the property, and (4) unpaid water bills, (5) prior mortgages and trust deed of record and (6) ground leases of record. The purchaser is responsible for all fees or taxes. This sale is made without any warranties as to title or condition of the property.

By: Erika Knapstein, Trustee, NSBA# 24088

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20-27-3-10-17

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at the first floor corridor at the West door of the Richardson County Courthouse on the 23rd day of February, 2011 at 10:00 o'clock A.M.:

Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block 11, Weaver's Addition to the City of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, according to the recorded plat thereof, more commonly known as: 821 E. 12th St., Falls City, NE 68355.

The property is being sold "as is" and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes, assessments and any lien or interest superior in right which may affect the subject property. The highest bidder will deposit \$500.00 in cash or certified funds with the Trustee at the time of the sale, which shall be non-refundable, and the remaining amount due must be paid in cash or certified funds to the Trustee by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the sale; except this requirement is waived when the highest bidder is the current Beneficiary. The successful bidder shall be responsible for applicable transfer fees or taxes including the documentary stamp tax.

DATED 13th day of January, 2011.
STEFFI A. SWANSON,
Substitute Trustee (11152)

Law Offices of Steffi A. Swanson, P.C.,
L.L.O.
1902 Harlan Drive, Suite A
Bellevue, Nebraska 68005
Tel. (402) 292-7700
13-20-27-3-10

Public Notice

The Prairie Union Cemetery Association annual meeting will be Saturday, Feb. 5 at 2 p.m. at the Shubert Library. Bids are being received for mowing the cemetery for 2011. Send bids to Richard Stanley at Stella prior to meeting Date. 27-3

LEGAL NOTICE TO FATHER BY PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 43-104.14, Nancy J. Mahloch, Attorney at Law, 1514 Court Street, Suite 100, Beatrice, Nebraska 68310, (402) 223-3507, does hereby provide the following notice of the adoptive placement of a minor child:

Brian Keith Mackey, you have been identified as the biological father of a male child born to Misty P. n/k/a Misty H. on October 12, 2000 in Gage County, Nebraska. The child was conceived on or about February 2000, in or about Beatrice, Gage County, Nebraska. And a female child born to Misty P. n/k/a Misty H. on July 16, 1999 in Gage County, Nebraska. The child was conceived on or about November 1998, in or about Beatrice, Gage County, Nebraska, and the biological mother now desires to have her husband adopt said children.

You are hereby notified that you have the right to: 1) Deny paternity; 2) Waive any parental rights you may have; 3) Relinquish and consent to the adoption of said child; or 4) File a notice of intent to claim paternity and obtain custody of the child within five business days of this notice pursuant to Section 43-104.02 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

If you wish to deny paternity, waive your parental rights, relinquish and consent, or receive additional information to determine whether you are the father of the children in question, you must contact Nancy J. Mahloch, Attorney, at the above address. If you wish to seek custody of the children, you must seek legal counsel from your own attorney immediately.

The Petitioners' Petition for Adoption of Austin Keith Mackey and Alyssa Dawn Mackey is set for hearing in the County Court of Gage County, Nebraska, on March 15, 2011 at 1:45 p.m.
27-3-10

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF ETHEL MARY KENTOPP KAMMERER, DECEASED - PR11-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of January, 2011, 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 Thomas Edward Kammerer, whose address is 4840 Alta Oaks Lane, The Colony, Texas 75056, and Jeffrey Edward Kammerer, whose address is 2136 Britt Drive, Argyle, Texas 76226, were informally appointed by the Registrar as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 28, 2011 or be forever barred.

Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk-Magistrate

Neal E. Parsons, #13228
Attorney at Law
217 East 18th Street
Falls City, Nebraska 68355
402/245-3088 27-3-10

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LAMPE FAMILY FARMS, LLC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lampe Family Farms, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, has organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its registered office at 65256 706 Rd., Falls City, Nebraska 68355. The general nature of the business to be transacted is to engage in any and all lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. The limited liability company commenced on January 12, 2011 and shall continue perpetually. Its affairs shall be conducted by a Manager with Michael V. Lampe as the initial Manager until such time his successor, successors or additional managers are selected pursuant to the Operating Agreement adopted by the Company.

ORGANIZING MEMBER:
Michael V. Lampe
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, L.L.C.
111 East 17th Street
Post Office Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486 27-3-10

County Board Minutes

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JANUARY 18, 2011 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2011. Roll call was answered by Ely, Davidson and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Ely. The minutes of the January 11, 2011, meeting were read, corrected and approved. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Ely to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted on the 1st floor lobby, the Commissioner's Meeting Room and in the lobby of the 3rd floor Sheriff's Office of the Courthouse.

BECKIE CROMER, EDGE
Beckie Cromer, Executive Director of Falls City EDGE presented to the Board the quarterly report of the organization.

ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPT.
Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent, updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week.

Discussion was held with the Board regarding the 2011 Priority List of county projects due to the NE Dept. of Roads by February 16, 2011.

A discussion was also held on the situation of county road 709 Road going east off of Highway 73 north of Falls City. After the construction of the highway, the county road now has a steep approach to the highway which creates a hazardous obstacle for motorists. Mr. Huppert has been in contact with the State Dept. of Roads and the Board will also be addressing the matter with officials at the NE Department of Roads.

SHERIFF HOUSER
Sheriff Houser met with the Board for a weekly update on the matters within the Sheriff's Department and Jail.

Sheriff Houser has requested that the Board consider modifying the current resolution outlining the number of deputies the Sheriff is allowed. He is requesting that the Resolution be revised to state the following: consist of one full-time Sergeant/Investigator, one full-time Patrol Sergeant, three full-time deputies, one part-time deputy to work up to twenty four hours per week, and one police dog.

Sheriff Houser also requested that the Union Contract be revised to provide for the elimination of the 90 day probationary period for new hires and re-hires of certified officers.

He also reported that vehicle maintenance is being done on all the patrol units, the Drug Dog has been groomed and that an employee was terminated on Thursday, January 13.

QUARTERLY JAIL INSPECTION

The Board conducted their quarter-

ly jail inspection and found the facility to be in good order.

RECESS FOR BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Motion was made by Ely to recess the regular meeting agenda and go into a Board of Equalization at 11:45 a.m. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

The Board returned to their regular meeting agenda at 11:55 a.m.

FC VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SQUAD

Members of the Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad met with the Board and requested to meet in an executive session.

Motion was made by Davidson to recess the regular meeting agenda and go into an executive session at 1:05 p.m. for the protection of the public interest with the following members of the Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad: Jim Gerweck, Rhonda Baxter, Amy Olberding, Shawna Bindle and Gene Bradley. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ely to close the executive session at 1:45 p.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER Richardson County Transit System

Motion was made by Ely to approve the Richardson County Transit Report as submitted by SENCA for December, 2010, in which \$2,717.00 will be requested for reimbursement from Federal and State Public Transportation Assistance Program funds. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

NIRMA Contact Person
Motion was made by Ely to appoint County Clerk, Mary L. Eickhoff as the NIRMA Contact Person for 2011. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Clerk of District Court Petty Cash Fund

Motion was made by Davidson to approve a petty cash fund for the Clerk of the District Court Office and to adopt Resolution 2010-2011-36. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 18, Page 28)

Other
County Attorney, Bob Meyer informed the County Board that Doug Merz has been appointed by him to serve as Deputy County Attorney.

Motion was made by Ely to submit a letter to the NE Dept. of Environmental Quality stating Richardson County's intent to participate and host a collection site for used electronics, appliances and batteries if approval was given for PC Recycling's grant request. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Davidson to allow the payment of all claims submitted today. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND

Amerias, retire8,715.16
Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance36,410.29
Clerk of Dist Court, costs64.00
Ron Elliott, contract2391.66
Kawres, serv37.50
Midtown Serv Center, serv19.10
Tim Nelsen, contract4,247.23
Nemaha County, bailiff exp 3,998.40
Noxious Weed Control Fund, transfer98.78
Postmaster, postage559.00
Pro Serv Business Systems, supp120.00
Richardson County Vendor, FICA9,355.69
Road & Bridge Fund, transfer217701.82
SE NE Communications, serv457.08
Verizon Wireless, serv432.28
Wells Fargo Card Services, Sheriff exp1,383.43
Windstream, serv110.86
Wolfe, supp45.71
Payroll Expense92,219.90
Total General Fund\$378,367.89

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Utility Holdings, serv72.35
Dobson Brothers Construction, Barada SE19,1345.04
Bruce Filipi, contract500.00
Lyman-Richey Sand & Gravel, snad360.80
NE Machinery Co., parts1,453.68
NPPD, serv49.96
NE Snow Equipment, parts581.56
Norris Asphalt Paving, supp523.47
OPPD, serv27.51
Quill Corp., supp82.95
Rural Water Dist. #2, reimb electric103.62
Safety Kleen, supp189.26
Sapp Bros., fuel24,857.46
Speece-Lewis Engineers, fee410.00
Unifirst Corp., supp61.55
ZEP Manufacturing, supp99.38
Payroll Expense34,928.50
Total Road & Bridge Fund\$255,647.09

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY FUND

NE Unemployment Comp., reimb2,324.00
Total Employment Security Fund\$2,324.00
STATE INSTITUTIONS FUND
State of NE Health & Human Services, serv785.52

TOTAL STATE INSTITUTIONS FUND \$785.52 ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION JANUARY 18, 2011 CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2011. Roll call was answered by Commissioners Ely, Davidson and Sichel and Clerk Eickhoff. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the room.

Motion was made by Ely to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted on the 1st floor lobby, the Commissioner's Meeting Room and in the lobby of the 3rd floor Sheriff's Office of the Courthouse.

MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

Motion was made by Ely to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Applications for the following organizations: 1) Community Medical Center for 2-2008 Chevrolet ambulances, 2004 Ford Ambulance, 2003 Ford van, 1997 Ford pickup, 2001 Ford pickup, 2004 and 2007 utility trailers; 2) First Church of the Nazarene for a 1984 Chevrolet bus; 3) First Baptist Church for a 1980 and 1992 Ford vans; 4) Boy Scout Troop #387 for 2 utility trailers; 5) Faith Baptist Church for a 1990 and 1986 Ford vans; 6) First Christian Church for a 2003 Chevrolet van and a 1975 and 1990 2 wheel trailers; 7) Good News Assembly of God Church for a 1999 Ford van; and 8) Sacred Heart School for a 1991 Dodge van, 1994 Ford bus, 1996 GMC bus and a 1998 Cadillac DeVille. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Ely to close Board of Equalization at 11:55 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk

District 70 School Board

Humboldt-Table Rock -Steinauer Public Schools Board of Education, District #70 Regular Meeting on Jan. 10, 2011 7 PM in the 2nd Floor Math Room in Humboldt

A regular meeting of the Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer Public Schools Board of Education, District #70 was held on January 10, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the 2nd Floor Math Room in Humboldt. The meeting was advertised in The Humboldt Standard, The Pawnee Republican and The Falls City Journal. A copy of the agenda was kept in the Superintendent's office prior to the meeting.

1) President Neal Kanel called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members were in attendance were: Ben Steffen, Allen Fankhauser, Scott Ogle, Steve Schardt, Joe Standerford, Jeremy Leech and Sandy Stalder. DeAnn Glathar was absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent Clinton Kimbrough, Principals Laurie Kimbrough and Kari Cover and Board Recorder Kellie Workman.

2) President Kanel welcomed the following guests: Joan Dreier and Sara Kappel.

3) Correspondence: none.

4) Five new board members read and signed their oaths of office.

5) Organization of the Board: President Kanel opened the floor for nominations for Board President. Stalder nominated Kanel, seconded by Fankhauser. Motion by Steffen, seconded by Stalder to cease nominations by unanimous vote. Motion carried 8-0.

6) Ogle nominated Steffen for Vice President, seconded by Leech. Motion carried 8-0.

7) Motion by Steffen, seconded by Standerford to appoint the Superintendent as Board Secretary. Motion carried 8-0.

8) Motion by Leech, seconded by Steffen to appoint Workman as Board Treasurer. Motion failed 3-5. Motion by Fankhauser, seconded by Steffen to appoint Stalder as treasurer. Motion carried 8-0.

9) Motion by Stalder, seconded by Ogle to appoint Kellie Workman as the Board Recorder. Motion carried 8-0.

10) Motion by Standerford, seconded by Steffen to appoint Official Bank Depositories as American National Bank, State Bank of Table Rock, and Great Western. Motion carried 8-0.

11) Motion by Fankhauser, seconded by Stalder to appoint Official Newspapers as The Humboldt Standard, The Falls City Journal and The Pawnee Republican. Motion carried 8-0.

12) Motion by Steffen, seconded

by Stalder to approve participation in the following Federal Programs: Title I, Special Education and Hot Lunch. Motion carried 8-0.

13) Motion by Steffen, seconded by Standerford to appoint the Superintendent as Federal Program Coordinator. Motion carried 8-0.

14) Motion by Steffen, seconded by Stalder to approve the agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

15) Motion by Leech, seconded by Standerford to approve the minutes of the previous regular and special meetings held on December 13, 2010. Motion carried 8-0.

16) Motion by Steffen, seconded by Standerford to approve the bills for payment in the amount of \$422,080.26 for general and payroll funds. Motion carried 8-0.

17) All board members present reviewed activity, treasurer and lunch fund reports. Motion by Standerford, seconded by Steffen to approve the reports. Motion carried 8-0.

18) Patron Comment: none.

19) Staff Presentations: none.

20) Old Business: Policy review by board members starting in the 1000's.

21) Technology report by those on the committee.

22) Priorities by board members to be compiled for February.

23) New Business: Following the reading of the resolution, motion by Steffen, seconded by Stalder to approve the resolution to allow donations of sick days to Scot Knudson from HTRS staff. Motion carried 8-0.

24) School board committee assignments will be assigned at the February meeting.

25) Motion by Steffen, seconded by Standerford to approve the amended 2010-11 school calendar as follows: 1:30 dismissals for staff development on January 28, February 25, April 8, May 19 no school for middle school only, March 18 for parent/teacher conferences from 2-7 PM. Motion carried 8-0.

26) Administrator Reports: Principal Kimbrough's report mentioned calendar of events and Code Red practice drill. Principal Cover also discussed Code Red drill at the middle school and listed the upcoming girls' basketball games. Superintendent Kimbrough discussed the after prom party, safety plan, Humboldt shop, past merger agreements, alley given from the city and future talks with Pawnee City school.

27) Executive Session: none.

28) Motion by Fankhauser, seconded by Standerford to adjourn at 9:17 PM.

The next regular meeting of the HTRS Board of Education will be on February 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the 2nd Floor Math Room in Humboldt.

Respectfully submitted,
Kellie Workman, Board Recorder

CLAIMS

Vendor	Amount
Autism Asperger Publ. Co.	28.95
Beatrice Daily Sun	81.93
Best Printing	859.00
Binder Brothers	82.46
Blecha's 66 Service	1,833.80
Blecha's General Store	6.28
Business Card	174.36
CIT Technology Financing Services, Inc	698.39
City of Humboldt	1,314.81
Cornhusker Int. Truck	307.40
Den's Country Meats	2,669.56
Eggers Bros Inc	153.66
Elk Creek Welding & Steel Products, Inc.	205.40
Esu #4	231.57
Esu #6	331.67
Esu 5	769.41
Falls City Journal	160.92
Falls City Mercantile Co.	46.35
Falls City Sanitation	326.70
Farmers Coop Elevator	40.62
Fremont Industries	390.00
General Office Checking Acct.	1,216.25
H & H Auto Parts	63.32
HTRS Payroll Acct	362,409.62
Humboldt Lumber	109.39
Humboldt Standard	405.53
IKON Financial Solutions	5,610.25
Iowa School for the Deaf	1,397.60
Joy Wilcock	1,283.20
Junior Library Guild	669.60
Koch's Truck Serv, LLC	1,420.00
Konica Minolta	102.00
Lewis Implement Company	2.50
Martin Marietta Materials	579.10
Mary Malcolm	1,549.50
Matheson-Linweld	103.80
Mezger Construction	903.88
Midamerica Books	286.97
NASB	480.00
NCECBVI	19,125.00
NCSA	75.00
NPPD	378.75
Nebraska Safety Council Inc ..	365.00
North Fork Farm Service	91.00
Omaha Truck Center	3,011.90
Okeefe Elevator Co., Inc.	241.16
PRTS, LLC	3,028.00
Pegler-Sysco Food Services	37.82
Phillips Plumbing, Hardware ..	11.67
R & D Grocery	204.00
Robert R Mendenhall II	732.82
Rocker Woodworking & Hardware	92.13
Saf-T-Net, Inc. (AlertNow)	484.80
Schendel Pest Control	81.00
Stallbaumer Lumber	123.66
Stanley Security Solutions	56.90
Table Rock Appliance	91.10
The Mcgraw-hill Companies	8.20
United Equipment Services Co	783.00
Vice Oil & Propane	1,137.10
Windstream Nebraska	809.79
Woodworker's Supply Inc	84.80
Zito Media	1,719.91
Total	422,080.26

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Thanks to my family and friends for the visits, prayers, cards, and phone calls when I was hospitalized after surgery. Thanks to Dr. Borg, Dr. Clare, Jill Haveman and all the caring, dedicated personnel at St. Elizabeth's in Lincoln and Community Medical Center for the excellent care and to the physical therapist for their expertise, patience and concern. Special thanks to Pastor Judith Wascher for her many visits both here and in Lincoln. Also, thanks to Kim Goff for getting the "machines" returned to Lincoln. Everything was appreciated so much. Byron "Bamey" Meinzer 5

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This is a huge thank you to everyone who helped me through my breast cancer journey. To Julie Fiegener who took the perfect picture, to Sandy Catlin who cried with me when I thought I would be dead by Christmas, to my "Guardian Angel", Julie Stice who told me she was going to be my meal coordinator (Julie you were a God send), to the amazing ladies who took time out of their busy day to prepare a meal for my family, I love you all; to our wonderful "Sacred Heart Family", for all your cards, calls and prayers. To the 5:30 am "morning maniacs" at the fitness center, thanks for motivating me (Tutti you're the best!), Jeannie Mullins & Laurel Herling for your daily texts, they truly kept me going and finally to my family - Mason, you tired to be so strong, its ok to be scared, to Colin who gave me 20 hugs a day, you are such a tender heart, to Claire who asked all the questions that only a child would ask, so sweet and honest, and to my husband, Chris, my "researcher", Thanks for the wonderful talks to St. Joe - "I Love You"; for all the flowers and gifts and to everyone who was there for me, I will never forget it, it is engraved in my heart and mind forever. Johnette 5

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FCHS hires Sterling, Peru State standout



Falls City High School has announced the hiring of a new head volleyball coach for the 2011 season.

K.T. Salberg, a three-time all-stater at Sterling High School and an all-conference selection at Peru State College, will succeed long-time coach Susan Witt.

Salberg, a 2007 graduate of Sterling, is an education major (math, elementary special ed) at Peru State College.

The FCHS job will be her first, though she's currently coaching a 13-year-old club team out of Nebraska City and has regularly assisted at the Sterling Volleyball Camp.

Salberg captained the Peru St. volleyball team and last fall earned NAIA All-Nebraska honorable mention. She was also an active member of the PSC Athletic Advisory Council.

BIG RED WRAP-UP

John Talman of Rivals.com, and Sean Callahan will join co-hosts Kevin Kugler and Adrian Fiala for a special "Big Red Wrap-Up," airing Thursday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. and again at 11 p.m. on NET1 and in high-definition on NET-HD.

The day after National Signing Day for football recruits, Talman, Callahan, Kugler and Fiala will analyze the newest batch of Huskers to sign their letters of intent to join the Nebraska football team. They will discuss those that signed, those that didn't and explore what impact the new recruits might have on the Nebraska team in the fall.



Falls City High School junior Derreck Ferris takes aim during the newly implemented National Archery in the Schools Program. The program's focus is to provide International Style Target Archery training in physical education classes in grades 4-12. Core content covers archery history, safety, technique, equipment, mental concentration, core strengthening physical fitness, and self-improvement.

Students take aim in National Archery in the Schools Program

Last fall, the first step for a new National Archery in the Schools Program was initiated at Falls City Public Schools.

Wes Sheets, the former commissioner of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, provided instructor training for local in instructors Kris Simon, Susan Witt, A.J. Landon, Don Hogue, Dennis Chandler, Randy Rech and Joe Dunn.

NASP is a joint venture between State Departments of Education and Wildlife Agencies. Several archery equipment manufacturers and organizations are also partners.

The program promotes student education, physical education, and participation in the sport of archery. The program's focus is to provide International Style Target Archery training in physical education classes in grades 4-12. Core content covers archery history, safety, technique, equipment, mental concentration, core strengthening physical fitness, and self-improvement. FCPS is currently working with the Nebraska

Game and Parks Commission on providing this opportunity for local students.

This is a program that has been implemented in a host of schools across the state and is gaining popularity every year. Nationally, NASP has been implemented by more than 5,300 schools in 46 states as part of their wellness program and surpassed the 4.6 million student mark in 2009.

Nebraska Game and Parks secured a Federal grant last spring to assist Nebraska schools in two-thirds of the total cost of program start up and equipment. The remaining program costs are being donated by the local Whitetails Unlimited Chapter.

FCPS is partnering with Sacred Heart to provide this program as a supplement to the PE programs at South School, middle school, high school, and Sacred Heart with the goal

of promoting wellness, student education, physical education, and participation in the life long sport of Archery. Last June, Superintendent Tim Heckenlively provided the board with introductory information about NASP and the direction the district was working with the NG&P Commission on bringing this wellness opportunity to the youth of Falls City.

In 2009, a two-year academic evaluation of NASP was concluded by a national research group which gathered data from focus groups, student surveys, teacher anecdotal records, and school academic records. The research found the program to be very effective in meeting the program goals.

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