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'Hat Shop'
March 10, 1945

The Stork, whatever you may think about it, does not bring ladies' hats. They are made—not in madhouses, but in workrooms like that which John Falter has painted in this week's cover. Mr. Falter made his picture in the James Joel Hat Shop in New York and the ladies in the picture are Natalie Joel—in the red coat—and Marguerite Churchill, owners of the shop. Miss Joel graduated into hat designing from studying at the Juilliard School of Music, and Miss Churchill arrived on the millinery peaks by way of the stage and screen. Mr. Falter, not to be outdone, himself designed the hat at the top center of the picture, the little je ne sais quoi number. Misses Joel and Churchill obligingly whipped it up and put it on sale. We confidently predict some lady will wear it.

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Richardson County officially 'Livestock Friendly'

HTRS senior back in school one day after three-vehicle crash last week

A 17-year-old Humboldt-TR-S girl miraculously didn't miss one single day of her senior year and was back in class last Tuesday, March 8, not 24 hours after a violent three-car accident near Six Mile Cafe north of Dawson.

Paxton McClarnen, 17, the daughter of Dennis and Kendi McClarnen, of Dawson, was transported to Auburn Community Hospital and released a couple hours later, though Karen LaFrance, 50, of Sterling, was not as fortunate. That said, everyone involved is lucky to be alive, Richardson County Sheriff Don Pounds said. LaFrance, too, was transported to Auburn's hospital, but then was flown to a Lincoln hospital for treatment of unspecified injuries. She is expected to make a full recovery.

LaFrance was southbound on 75 and attempting to turn left into the parking lot of Six Mile Cafe, north of Dawson and east of Humboldt, when her 1999 Oldsmobile was struck from behind by McClarnen's 2002 Chevy Trailblazer. The collision forced LaFrance's car into the left lane that at that very moment was occupied by a semi-trailer truck driven by Kevin Niles, 36, of Topeka, KS. Contrary to previous reports that suggested a head-on collision had occurred, the cab of Niles' truck was - fortunately - a split second ahead of the crash and LaFrance's car was forced underneath the rear axles of the trailer and the truck's wheels drive right over the top.

All three drivers were wearing seat belts, Sheriff Pounds said. Niles suffered virtually no injuries and, amazingly, his truck sustained so little damage he was able to drive it from the scene.

No citations were issued, but the accident remains under investigation.

Governor Pete Ricketts Monday in the District Courtroom on the third floor of the Courthouse in Falls City announced Richardson County as the newest county in the state to become designated a Livestock Friendly County.

The announcement was made as part of a series of activities in celebration of National Ag Week.

"By taking this step to be designated a Livestock Friendly County, Richardson County is letting the agribusiness community know that they are open for business," Ricketts said. "This area has abundant natural resources and a deep history in agriculture. The responsible growth of livestock operations in this area will support the future of their family farms and local economy."

The Governor was joined by several ag leaders for the event, including NE Ag Director Greg Ibach, State Senator Jerry Johnson, NE Cattlemen President Barb Cooksley and NE Farm Bureau President Steve Nelson, all of whom

were flying all over the state with the governor. A number of Richardson County dignitaries, including Commissioner Dave Sickel, also spoke at the event.

"The responsible growth of livestock operations adds value to area corn and soybean farms through increasing feed grain demand," said NDA Director Greg Ibach at the designation ceremony. "Richardson County joins a growing list of counties that are promoting livestock production as a key to rural economic development."

Created in 2003 by the state legislature, the LFC program is designed to recognize counties in the state that support the expansion of the livestock industry. In 2014, livestock receipts in the state comprised over half of the \$24 billion of Nebraska's total on-farm receipts.

There are now 36 counties designated as Livestock Friendly through the state program.

Tattered flag box gets a makeover of its own, Falls City High senior earns his Eagle Badge

Several years ago C. Ken Simpson realized there was a growing issue in Falls City. People always called him to ask what they should do with their tattered and old flags.

Simpson went to the Post Office and asked if they had an old mail box they would be willing to part with; he wanted it to serve as a drop-off site for retired American flags. It just so happened that the USPS did have one it wanted to part with. Simpson took the mailbox to Fred Deckinger and asked him if he could paint it camouflage green. Once the box was painted, it was placed near the back door of the American Legion Post #102 in Falls City.

The drop-off sight for tattered and old flags has worked out wonderfully, but over the years the old box has lost its color and was in dire need of some TLC.

Trenton Pentecost, wanting to earn his Eagle Badge and needing a project, set his sites on the old mailbox. Pentecost thought it would be a good idea to clean it up and make it more accessible for vehicles.

"It (the mailbox) was very brown and not very appealing to see and most people probably had no idea what it even was," Pentecost said.



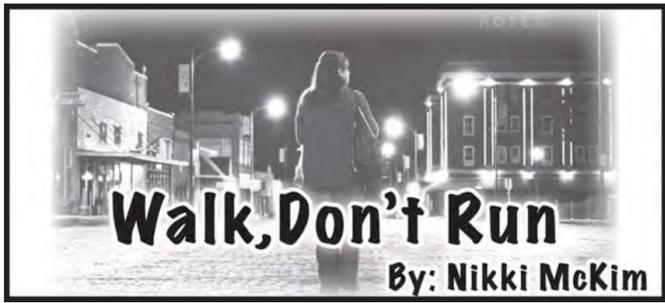
FCHS senior Trenton Pentecost, needing a community service project in order to earn the highly coveted Eagle Badge, set his sites on restoring the drop-off site for retired American flags, which is located outside of the American Legion Post #102 at 723 Harlan St. He's shown here with Post Commander Ken Simpson.

He took the old box, sandblasted it and powder coated it with the help of the good people at WASP. But Pentecost wasn't done; he contacted Sportin' FC and asked them for some help with stickers to better inform the public of just what purpose the bin served. Now the old brown box is a shiny bright red, prominently adorned with the Stars

and Stripes. "A great reason to do this is so that all the flags that really need to be disposed of, can get done properly by the American Legion," Pentecost said.

If you have a flag that needs to be properly disposed of, you can use the beautiful refurbished mail box that sits at 723 Harlan St.

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Remember that little parade they had in Kansas City on November 3, 2015? Some say it was a celebration of the Royals World Series Championship, I would say it was the office kick off of when I decided to stop. I didn't make it to that little parade but I do figure that was about the time I decided to give up on a lot of pretty regular events. That night and each night that has since followed, I come home from work and go catatonic. Brian put it perfectly when he said this winter we didn't slow down, we stopped.

Winter 2015-2016 around our home has been sponsored by the word's lazy, naps, food, horizontal and Netflix. It's completely insane to me that I have been such a huge cheerleader in my home of not taking naps because we can sleep when we're dead and now I'm the first to say "He let's just nap-all weekend." I'm not kidding about taking a nap all weekend either. Several weekends I would get home at 4:00 on a Friday and lay in bed only getting up to use the rest room and eat, through Sunday afternoon.

There's been a huge mix of things that led me down this path. The need to save money by spending more time at home, more work, migraines and bad health habits. Some could say it's a form of depression and I would agree to some extent. I may have been in a bit of a state of depression. For four months I made like a bear and hibernated. In the process I eat everything in sight, as you do when you're a bear. To say my attitude was rotten would be an understatement. I was gaining weight, tired all the time and grumpy. That's not fun for anyone, including me.

Last week I sat at my desk with hives down my neck, chest, back and legs. I was extremely agitated, tired and had a couple of people who were unhappy with me. I had just gotten off the phone with someone who was quite angry when I received another call immediately after. That person who ended up getting the brunt of my wrath. While I was calm and didn't exactly act hostile or mean, I was uncooperative and not hearing it. I hung up the phone and sat there. I hated who I was in that moment. There was reason for me to be angry but no reason to lash out at people who didn't receive that anger.

I had spent months being grumpy and tired. I had curled up into a ball and given up on being a normal person functioning normally in society. I focused on work and sleep and how much I could eat. It finally all just came to a head in that moment. I was terribly unhappy. Not unhappy with my husband, child, job or life in general, just unhappy with myself. I wasn't living the way I am used to. I had almost given up by going into this kind of hibernation. I realized I need to fix it or get help.

I am one of the lucky people who was able to sort of snap out of my funk on my own. I went home that night and gave myself a pep talk. This year was supposed to be MY year. Everything I had wished for was coming true in 2016. I was going on my dream vacation in a little over a month, Paul Simon was on tour again and I had snagged tickets for both his Lincoln and Kansas City shows, I have a healthy husband and son, I was truly living the dream. The first two months of 2016 were tough but I have the power to make the last 10 months amazing. I intended to do just that. I felt a renewed energy and decided to change it up a bit at home. I deep cleaned my house and rearranged everything. New bedroom gave me new energy-or so I was hoping. I took down the sun blocking curtains and let the light in. I went into my office for the first time in weeks and opened the windows. I demanded control back from myself. I could do this, I could turn it around if I just powered through that voice in my head telling me to forget getting out of bed today.

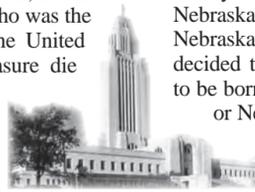
This last weekend was the first in quite a while that I forced myself out of the house. We went to a cheap dinner and movie on Friday night. Saturday we cleaned the house and I stepped outside! Most Saturday's I don't get close to getting outside or even dressed for that matter. I went to the store and bought some groceries for dinners and actual fruits and vegetables. I told myself that I was going to stop drinking Coke and eating entire cakes on my own...in one night. I had bought all of these pretty dresses for my Hollywood adventure and I gained too much weight in the last few months to even fit in them anymore. It was completely ridiculous that I let it get this out of hand. But now I feel like I'm on the right track. I'm eating smarter and spending less time horizontal. I'm going to make 2016 amazing, even if it kills me.



Plans coming together for 150th birthday

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

Had it not been for a presidential veto, Nebraskans could be celebrating 150 years of statehood this year. It was July 1866 when a group of Radical Republicans – take a minute to wrap your head around that one – proposed making Nebraska the 37th State. Andrew Johnson, a Jacksonian Democrat who was the 17th President of the United States, let the measure die without his signature when Congress adjourned. That's called a pocket veto, undoubtedly named for the practice of putting it in your pocket and forgetting about it. Johnson became President after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. Jackson didn't think that the proposed Nebraska constitution fit his idea of Reconstruction and blocked the move.



Those Radical Republicans came back with the Nebraska statehood idea again in January of 1867 and offered the Edmunds Amendment which would require Nebraska and any future states to allow blacks to vote whether their state constitution approved of it or not. Johnson vetoed the measure on Jan. 29, 1867. Congress re-passed it – imagine those Radical Republicans overriding a veto – on Feb. 9 which set the stage for the official March 1, 1867, recognition of Nebraska statehood.

But the fighting wasn't over. The focus shifted to Omaha, the site of the territorial capitol since 1854. A group of politicians living south of the Platte River wanted the capital moved to somewhere south of the Platte. Debate on the subject was so heated that "fists and guns" were brandished, according to one report. Makes the war of words in Nebraska's 104th Legislature seem tame by comparison. A Capitol Commission was appointed to find a suitable location south of the Platte.

After months of study, the commission landed on Lancaster, a small village with two stores and a shoe shop. History reports that there were six or seven houses and about 30 residents in Lancaster which, of course, later became Lincoln.

Nevada was the 36th State in 1864. Three years later Nebraska became a state. It was seven years, 1876, before the 38th State – Colorado – came along. This statehood business is tough stuff. No wonder it's important to make a big deal out of the 150th birthday – the sesquicentennial. Besides, it's easier to pronounce than the 125th birthday was – the quasiquicentennial.

I have always loved history and am truly looking forward to what promises to be a real statewide event. Given that plans call for a three-day statewide train tour, I am excited that folks in opposite ends of the state may have an opportunity to see the other end. Living in a state separated by a time zone from end-to-end to say nothing of vast weather differences – it was 46 with pea-size hail in Scottsbluff the same day it was 79 with sun and wind in Lincoln.

My love of history has caused me to question the westward expansion. I often wonder if the people who decided to park the oxen and wagon in what became Nebraska were less adventuresome than the folks who made it to Wyoming or Idaho or Or-

gon and Washington. Or were they just tired? Or did they really see Nebraska as the land of opportunity?

Perhaps the stories about having to hoist those wagons over the Oregon Trail bluffs at Windlass Hill (north and west of Ogallala) made some people have second thoughts about moving on west. Or it could have been tales about cowboys and Indians.

Maybe it was the first example of Nebraska Nice. I'd like to think that Nebraskans were hardy stock who decided they didn't want their kids to be born in Wyoming or Colorado or Nevada or Utah. Maybe they had a premonition that California was going to crumble into the ocean one day.

Bottom line, chances are if you

are reading this column you know exactly why you are in Nebraska. Your ancestry may not span that entire 150 years – mine goes back to 1902 and includes places such as Havelock, Fremont, Hastings, Sutton and Scottsbluff in the first couple decades. If you are a native who can trace roots back to the homesteads, good for you. If you moved here for college and decided to stay, or grew up here and moved away and then came back, welcome home.

I encourage all of you to check out the dedicated website for the 150th birthday event. You'll find out that this great state is bigger than agriculture and football and politics and tourism. It's a delightful tapestry of all that, and more!

Here's the link www.ne150.org Enjoy the exploration!

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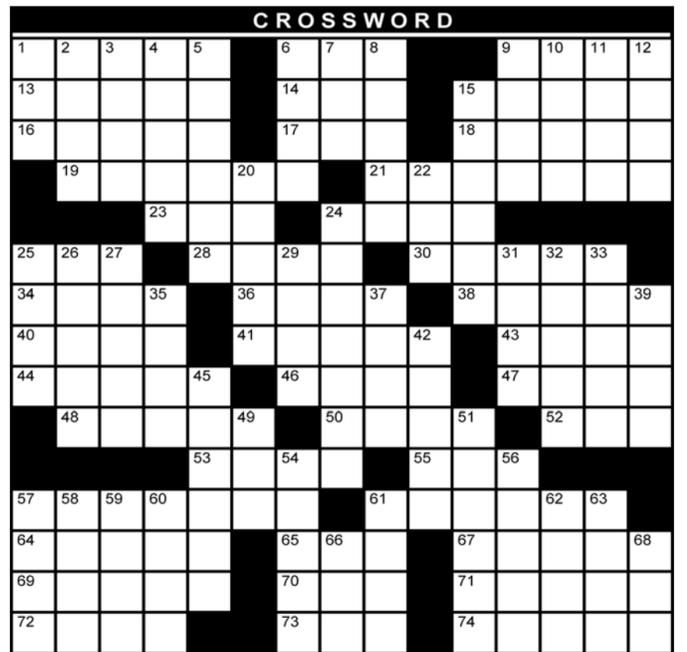
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ACROSS

1. Incited
6. Presidents' Day mo.
9. Pig trough stuff
13. "The Stars and Stripes Forever" composer
14. *Happy Days Are Here Again," ___ Reisman and His Orchestra
15. *Josephine Baker's turf
16. Blood fluid
17. Will Ferrell's Christmas character
18. Conical dwelling
19. *First Winter Olympics country
21. *Female pioneer
23. Uh-huh
24. Classic sci-fi video game
25. Boxer's punch
28. Hoodwink
30. Noble gas
34. Exclamation of sorrow
36. Lord's servant
38. Muslim ruler honorific
40. Central Time ___
41. North Pole workforce
43. Dwarf buffalo
44. Some sorority girls
46. South American monkey
47. Like gum after novocaine shot
48. Poisonous plant
50. Fill beyond full
52. Epitome of easiness
53. Satellite TV provider
55. Final, abbr.
57. *Black day
61. *Lindbergh's ___ of St. Louis
64. "Round up the ___ suspects!"
65. Major network
67. Healer
69. Capital of Switzerland
70. India's smallest state
71. In an unfriendly manner
72. Greek god of love
73. It often goes with "flow"
74. Magnetic field strength unit

DOWN

1. Sixth sense
2. Subject of "A Good Walk Spoiled"
3. ___ gum, food additive
4. Literary composition
5. *F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Beautiful and the Damned"
6. What refugees do
7. Snakelike fish
8. Very successful
9. Take one of these at a time
10. Nordic native
11. Curved molding
12. Jurist
15. Pollen producer
20. Malaria to Bill Gates, e.g.
22. Salmon on a bagel
24. Ascetic Muslim monk
25. * ___ Age
26. Healing plants
27. Swahili or Zulu
29. Fox' coat
31. Indian restaurant staple
32. Come clean
33. One of the Judds
35. Clothes line
37. Cheese on Peloponnese
39. *Iconic baseball player
42. Abdominal exercise
45. Equestrian's seat
49. Foreign intelligence service
51. Provoke
54. Irish playwright John Millington ___
56. Cease-fire
57. Toothpaste holder
58. Consumer
59. Eurozone money
60. "Without," in French
61. Striker's foe
62. Part of eye
63. Be a snitch
66. *Hairstyle
68. Shag rug



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FC Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus #1336 announced the winners of its Substance Abuse Poster Contest, from left: Rachel Magdanz, James Froeschl, Lexis Pokorny, Joe Simon, Maddie Littrell, Madison Dougherty,

Claire Niemeyer, Evi Schock, Saylor Hutfles, Jack Fiegenger, Chloe Knobbe and Elizabeth Selleck.

Prairie life comes alive March 29 FC Library & AC

Speaker Cherrie Beam-Calloway will present a program titled "The Courage to Continue" at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, at the Falls City Library & Arts Center, as part of the Women In Ag Day.

The presentation is made possible by Humanities Nebraska, the Nebraska Cultural Endowment, and Farm Service Agency, as part of the HN Speakers Bureau.

Cherrie Beam Calloway, as "Mariah," is a native Nebraska storyteller; 12 sets of her family homesteaded in Nebraska and Cherrie has been making history come alive for 35 years, giving programs to over 95,000 children and adults.

This is a sequel to the program "Promise in a New Land." Beam-Calloway, in period attire with Irish brogue, depicts Nebraska life on the prairie, from 1870 to 1885. Based on historical fact, she continues her story in a dramatic Chautauqua-style presentation. Selling the homestead, they begin again as cattlemen in the desolate Sandhills.

Relive trials of building the sod house, lightning storms, crying for rain, rattlesnakes and the never-ending wind. Delight with the 4th of July, Christmas and American pride. The

program, appropriate for all ages, has a sequel entitled "Grit n Gumption."

"The Courage to Continue" is one of approximately 300 programs offered through the Humanities Nebraska Speakers Bureau. The more than 165 available speakers

include acclaimed scholars, writers, musicians, storytellers and folklorists on topics ranging from pioneer heritage to ethics and law to international and multicultural issues, making it the largest humanities speakers' bureau in the nation.



SEZ-I

'Debates or Playground Brawls?'

After watching the (dare I call them Presidential?) debates on TV thus far this year, it is hard to really distinguish whether or not I have seen anything close to anyone of either party conduct themselves in a manner that comes to what I would expect and want representing our nation as the next President. It has nothing to do with politics, or policies or their individual backgrounds for qualification, it is simply their behavior in front of our own citizens and what they are willing to say and how they are willing to act in order to get people to cast a vote for them.

In a word it is disgusting and more to the point shameful. Not just on their part, but also more importantly on the part of the people that are willing to keep supporting these candidates in their quest to gain the highest office in the country. It's like watching some medieval battle in

which the armies are just thrashing in the muddy field with whatever they have at hand, swords, lances, rocks, hammers, axes, clubs, etc. and in the end only one or two remain standing with a few bloody slashes or wounds to claim victory!

What have they actually won? They have been so busy brutalizing the others with rhetoric and slander, that there has been no time for actual policy and problem solving. No one has discussed anything of substance (Barack Obama has served 8 years without ever doing anything of substance), they only talk about change without actually telling us HOW that change will occur and giving the details of who, what, when and where it will take place and how to pay for it all.

The career politicians tell us that outsiders can't understand how to handle the difficulties of Washington insiders, yet the career politi-

cians can't seem to handle them either. The outsiders say that career politicians have been corrupted by Washington insiders and need to be flushed out; that it's time to get people in Washington that won't be influenced by the corruption that exists within the government.

There is a way to go before the conventions to elect the final candidates. No delegates are firmly bound to vote for a candidate, so candidates listen up: quit acting like fools in front of the people. Act like a President; quit lying about things you have done, tell the truth...it will set you free! Tell us what you WILL DO to solve the problems... and give details! Stop the name calling and bullying...you sound like a 7th grader, not a President! Listen to the people, not your media chief; Americans know what they want... that is whom you will serve!

Terry Flynn

Food pantry needs donations

The SENCA Food Pantry in Falls City has an ongoing need for both perishable and non-perishable food, as well as personal care items.

Pantry needs include — but are not limited to — milk, eggs, bread, meat, canned pasta meals, microwaveable meals, canned meats such as chicken and tuna, pasta, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, juice and pudding.

Person care items include baby formula and food, diapers (sizes 3-6), pull-ups (all sizes), baby wipes, dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, facial tissues, bleach and bathroom/kitchen cleaner.

Food or a financial donation may be dropped off at the SENCA Office, Room 103, in the Courthouse in Falls City.

SENCA in 2016 is celebrating its 50th anniversary of providing services to economically challenged individuals and families in southeast Nebraska. There are a total of nine community action agencies that serve all 93 counties in Nebraska.

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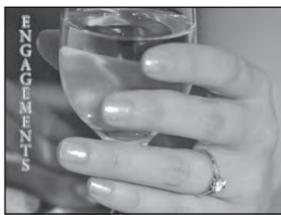
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Elk's Lodge dinner for R.C. Cancer Fund

The Past Exaluted Rulers Association of Falls City Elks Lodge #963 will be holding a smoked beef brisket and chicken breast dinner by Crome's Smokin' of Falls City, potato salad by Jana Anderson of Wooden Spoon Catering, and creamed green beans donated by Jackie Johnson and auction on March 19, at the Elks Lodge, 1417 Stone Street. This is our 11th annual event with the Elks. Proceeds will go to Richardson County Cancer Fund to help county residents with travel expenses. All the proceeds stay in Richardson County for county residents. Dinner will be served from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., silent auction will end at 7:00 p.m. and the live auction will begin with auctioneers Mark Fleskoski and Bob Howard, who donate their time.

Overseeing the event this year is Jackie Johnson, president of the Richardson County Cancer Fund, Inc. Peggy Davidson decided to step down and pursue other interests. Peggy did a wonderful job and laid a great foundation. All of the labor that goes into this fund is volunteered. The president would the board and Leland Harmon of Stripes and Signs for all the jobs he has contributed to the R.C. Cancer Fund. In 2015, the fund helped 42 people for a total of \$21,000, that brings the total to 392 people helped in the first 10 years. The need is great in our county and will continue to be.

A partial list of businesses who have contributed this year is : SNC and Wasp with generous cash contributions ; University of Nebraska, auction donors are Hullman's Ford, Randy and Lori Gottula, Falls City Journal, Falls City Sanitation, University of Nebraska, Kawres, KNZA, Inc., Lightning CR, Corner Quilts, Farm and City Supply, CMC, R.C. Woodworking, Blue Collar Auto, WD Auto, Chaney's Furniture, Studio M, Falls City Fitness, Wolfe's Office, Animal Health Center, Milam's Greenhouse, Steve Kottich, Memory Lane; individuals who contributed Susie Blecha of Humboldt, Jimmy Daniels, Kim Liberty, Denise Koso and Anita Pickard of Verdon ; Ron and Barb Ebel, Dan and Cathy Scholl, Randy and Lori Gottula, Pat Strecker, Tracy O'Brien, Sandy Johnson, Linda Santo, Avis Bailey of Falls City Kirkman's Cove Golf and Humboldt Lions Club of Humboldt ; Dina Sells of Rulo and Kristy Fischer of Stella.

The P.E.R.'s and the board members of the Richardson County Cancer Fund urge everyone to come enjoy a great meal and a fun time at the auction.



Aaron Kurpgeweit



Josie Nolte and Savannah Davis

2016 Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' Delegates

The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary have announced that Aaron Kurpgeweit, son of Lee and Denise Kurpgeweit and Savannah Davis, daughter of Mark Davis and Josie Nolte, daughter of Ben and Krystal Howard have been selected to attend the 2016 Cornhusker Boys/Girls State on the campus of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln from June 5-11.

Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' State is a unique citizenship training program designed to provide students with a better understanding of how city, county and state governments operate. Each delegate will learn how government subdivisions operate by actually doing the job. Participants will campaign for offices, hold elections, take part in band and chorus, compete in athletics and be involved in other activities as part of the citizenship training program. They will set up their own government and draft bills.

Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' State is a unique citizenship training program in which the youth of our nation are guided toward an understanding, comprehension, and appreciation of their roles as United States citizens.



Simpson-Wilson to wed on July 22

John and Donna Simpson of Falls City, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Irene Simpson to Phillip John Wilson, son of Rick and Crystal Wilson, Marysville, KS.

Kelly is a 2011 graduate of Falls City High School. She has an Associate Degree in Art from Highland Community College and a diploma in Practical Nursing from Southeast Community College. Kelly is an LPN at Community Physicians Clinic in Marysville. Phillip is a 2010 graduate of Marysville High School. He has an Associate Degree in Applied Science from Southeast Community College. Phillip is a service technician at Landmark Implement in Marysville and also farms.

A July 22, 2016 wedding is planned at St. Malachy's Church in Beattie, KS.

Society

Order of the Eastern Star

Humboldt Chapter #234 Order of the Eastern Star held a stated meeting at The Meeting Place on March 3, at 7:30 p.m. Phyllis Kreutzer, Worth Matron, presided in the East. The 15 members present sang the Opening Ode and gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by the Secretary. The Treasurer gave her report. Correspondence included information concerning the School of Instruction to be held on Saturday, March 12; at Pawnee City beginning at 9:00 a.m. Toby Varvais of South Sioux City is the District 1 Grand Supervisor. She will meet with all officers concerning their duties. Mrs. Kreutzer announced all committees would remain the same as last year.

The members voted to send \$50 to the 4-H Rawhide Wranglers at the Masonic-Eastern Star Home in Fremont for the Purple Ribbon project.

Discussion followed on what to do with the OES emblem light taken from the previous Masonic Temple. The Scholarship Committee will accept applications from graduating seniors of HTRS and Falls City High Schools until April 1. Those serving on the committee are Debbi Dunn and George Ketner of Stella and Nancy Nemechek of Humboldt. Credentials were handed out to the officers qualified to vote at the Grand Chapter of Nebraska Order of the Eastern Star. The Grand Session "Beauty of the Star," will be held in Kearney on May 10-12. This year the offices of Chaplain and Esther will be honored on May 12.

Colleen Moreheas was presented with her 50-year membership pin and certificated. She joined the Faith Chapter #254 in Rulo. Her chapter consolidated with the Falls City Chapter and later Humboldt Chapter 234. She gave some remarks about her membership.

Trudy Fankhauser volunteered to help the members with Bingo in March. There being no further business, chapter closed in form with prayer by the Chaplain and singing of the Closing Ode. Refreshments were provided by Phyllis Kreutzer.

FCSA returns \$2,311,000 to area Farmers

Farm Credit Services of America (FCSAmerica) announced that eligible customer-owners in Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Nemaha, Pawnee, Richardson and Thayer counties will receive checks this month totaling \$2,311,000 - their share of the financial cooperative's \$160 million cash-back dividend for 2015.

FCSAmerica has distributed a portion of its net earnings to eligible customer-owners for each of the past 12 years, returning \$1.15 billion in cash-back dividends to farmers, ranchers and their rural communities. The share of FCSAmerica's 2015 dividend returned to Nebraska customer-owners amounts to \$45.6 million.

"Cash-back dividends demonstrate the power of ownership that comes with our unique business model," said Tom Dobbie vice president of FCSAmerica's Beattie office. "The earnings that we retain ensure FCSAmerica has the financial strength to remain a reliable and dependable lender in good and tough times. The remainder is returned to our customer-owners, to benefit their operations and rural communities."

Each eligible customer's cash-back dividend is based on the average loan volume during the calendar year. The more eligible loan business customers have with the cooperative, the more they benefit financially through cash-back dividends. The FCSAmerica Board of Directors approves each year's cash-back distribution in December based on a number of factors, including the cooperative's financial performance. During the 12 years that FCSAmerica has distributed cash-back dividends, net income has grown to \$514 million from \$294 million and members' equity has increased to \$4.3 billion from \$1.5 billion. For more information on the 2015 cash-back dividend, including county-by-county distributions, visit powerofownership.com.

EXTREME EASTER EGG HUNT



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Friday, March 25th 6:30 p.m.
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Falls City native **Rachel Parrish** receives the Southeast Community College Business Administration Student of the Year Award from a Security First Bank representative March 2 at a ceremony held on the Beatrice campus.

SCC business student award to Rachel Parrish

Rachel Parrish, of Falls City, was named the Southeast Community College Business Administration Student of the Year at a banquet held on campus March 2.

The event is sponsored by the Beatrice Chamber of Commerce and each student is sponsored by a local business — Security First Bank sponsored Rachel. SCC business instructors select the winners from their respective departments.

Rachel is the daughter of two SCC graduates, Doug and Judy (Kean)

Parrish, of Falls City. She graduated from Sacred Heart in 2014 and started at SCC in July of that year. Rachel has been employed at the campus bookstore since November 2014 and has also been a resident assistant in student housing.

Rachel said she chose SCC because of the smaller campus and small classes and also likes SCC because of caring instructors who are always willing to help with anything. She will graduate in June with an Associates of Applied Science Degree in Business Administration and plans to work in marketing and/or sales.

Society

VFW Auxiliary

The VFW Auxiliary met March 7 at the Legion Club. The opening ceremonies were read by Chaplain Sharon Sells, and President Karla Capps conducted the meeting in a round table discussion with the new format.

Secretary Marilyn Capps read the previous minutes; Charlotte Gentry read the Treasurer's Report, and it was approved, subject to audit. Treasurer Gentry reported membership of 22 life and 81 continuous.

A motion was made by Gentry, seconded by Sells, and approved to purchase a frame for the new charter that would match the other one. Marilyn Capps gave a report on the district meeting. The national president is scheduled to be in Beatrice on April 24 for a luncheon (time TBD). All members are invited to attend. All future district meetings will be in Beatrice.

Treasurer Sandy Bellows stated that if approved at national, the lifetime memberships could go up considerably. She thought anyone thinking of changing to life member should try to do so now.

A motion to pay bills was made by Sells, seconded by Gentry, and approved. New member Janice Witter was installed.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 4, with the soup tasting to begin at 6. Election of officers will be held, so all members should try to attend. Anyone not wanting to keep their assignments should contact President Karla Capps before April 4.

St. Peter's WELCA

Six members of WELCA and guest, Lela Buckminster, met at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The song "Christ the Lord is Risen" was sung, with Roxann Stitzer at the piano. Nelle Pfister led lesson period with Chapters 12, 13, 14 and 15 from the book "Morning Splendor" by Marcia Schwartz. Lesson closed with missionary Benediction and Lord's Prayer.

President Roxann Stitzer opened the business meeting and Lois Cameron called roll and read February minutes; Treasurer Becky Runyan reported the bank balance and Linda Duerfeldt, flower fund.

The SNWOSE spring gathering will be April 23 at American Lutheran Church in Fairbury. Registration fee is \$18 before April 9, \$20 after.

Altar Committee for March: Joni Milam. The next meeting will be April 4, with hostess Roxann Stitzer and lesson leader Becky Runyan, who served refreshments at the close of the meeting.

A brunch will be served after 9 a.m. Sunday, March 20, service.



WILSON- Phillip Wilson and Kelly Simpson, of Marysville, KS, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Bowdy Delmar, who was born Feb. 9, 2016 at Beatrice Community Hospital and Health Center. He weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces and was 20^{3/4} inches long. Grandparents are John and Donna Simpson and Rick and Crystal Wilson. Great-grandparents are Betty (and the late Bill) Hersh, Rene (and the late Howard Schroedl), all of Falls City, Marie (and the late Wayne) Simpson, of Peru, Donna (and the late Delmar) Wilson, of Marysville, and Janice (and the late John) Nowak, of Blue Rapids, KS.

Wes Moore to speak at PSC March 31

Wes Moore is a youth advocate, Army combat veteran, social entrepreneur and host of Beyond Belief on the Oprah Winfrey Network. His first book *The Other Wes Moore* became an instant New York Times and Wall Street Journal best seller.

Moore will speak at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 31, in the Peru State College Theatre. The event is free and the public is welcome.

Moore is committed to helping the parents, teachers, mentors and advocates who serve our nations youth. Born in 1978, Wes and his sisters were raised by their widowed mother. Despite early academic and behavioral struggles, he graduated Phi Theta Kappa in 1998



Moore, a Rhodes Scholar, studied at Oxford, was an Army Captain, and worked as a White House Fellow for Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

as a commissioned officer from Valley Forge Military College, and Phi Beta Kappa from Johns Hopkins University in 2001, where he also played football and earned a bachelor's degree in International Relations. He then became a Rhodes Scholar, studying International Relations at Oxford University.

After his studies, Wes, a paratrooper and Captain in the Army, served a combat tour of duty in Afghanistan with the 1st Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division. He then served as a White House Fellow to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Currently, Wes serves on the board of the Iraq Afghanistan Veterans of America, The Johns Hopkins University, and founded an organization called "STAND!" that works with Baltimore youth involved in the criminal justice system.

A portion of all book proceeds for "The Other Wes Moore" are being donated to Americorps' City Year, a service organization focused on high-poverty communities, and the US Dream Academy, which also aims to improve the lives of youth living in high-crime and high-poverty communities.



Falls City Library and Arts Center, 1400 Stone St. Hours: Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.- 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.- noon.

Project Response: Helping Families in Crisis. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesdays. Provides support and advocacy to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other related issues. 1-800-456-5764.

Technology Tuesdays: Come for an hour with Pat, our IT expert, who can show you how to use your iPad, the basics of internet searches, or troubleshoot software problems. 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 6-7 p.m.

Yoga: Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. For all ages, all levels! Bring a mat if you have one. Wear comfortable clothes. See you there!

St. Patrick's Day: Kids Pre-K thru 2nd Grade Party. 3:45-5 p.m. Thursday, March 17. We'll have a story or two, great snacks, fun games and "Luck of the Irish" crafts.

Movie: *Max*, 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 22. Matinee for kids in grades 3-6.

William A. Reed: Motivational speaker and author. 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 22. His book, *The Four Sides*, "The transformation of a coach and the legacy of a principal."

Matinee: "Humanity from Space," 2 p.m. Wednesday, March

23. An epic journey of discovery. Using the latest mind-boggling data and CGI, it traces humankind's story from hunter-gather to dominant global species.

Book: *The Sandcastle Girls*, By Chris Bohjajian. 2 p.m. Thursday, March 24. When Elizabeth Endicott arrives in Aleppo, Syria, a crash course in nursing, and only the most basic grasp of the Armenian language. She meets a widower who writes her letters.

Movie Night: *Mockingjay, Part II*. 5:15-7:40 p.m. Tuesday, March 29. Watch the final installment of *The Hunger Games*. Rated PG-13.

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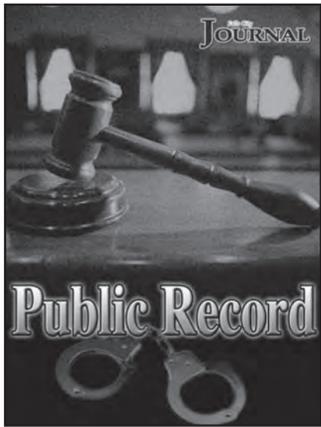
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(maximum time limit); count two, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle; count three, parking (maximum time limit); count four, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle; count five, parking - curb violation. Arraignment scheduled for March 28.

-Travis D. Feldhacker, 31, of Omaha, burglary, a Class III Felony; preliminary hearing scheduled for March 21.

Feldhacker is currently being housed at the Omaha Correctional Center, serving a sentence of five to 12 years out of Douglas County on weapons and forgery charges. He is eligible for parole and a hearing is scheduled for May.



Feldhacker

Authorities say Feldhacker in July 2012 burglarized the rural Dawson home of Randy and Flora Kirwan at 639 Boulevard, a mile north of State Line Road. Richardson County Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Frederick collected blood droplets at the scene and the DNA obtained allegedly matched that of Feldhacker.

He is accused of taking several expensive pieces of jewelry, including diamonds, two shotguns, a rifle and a pair of video gaming systems.

-Jason M. Brownell, 36, of Falls City, count one, driving under suspension; count two, improper/defective vehicle lighting. Pled guilty to count one; count two dismissed with prejudice (Editor's Note - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge). Sentencing set for May 9.

-Melissa Y. Runkles, 41, of Falls City, theft by unlawful taking (more than \$5,000), a Class IIA Felony; bound over to District Court for arraignment March 22.

-Dawn M. Wisdom, 40, of Falls City, theft by unlawful taking (more than \$5,000), a Class IIA Felony; bound over to District Court for arraignment March 22.

-William M. Ebeling, 26, of Falls City, theft by unlawful taking (more than \$5,000), a Class IIA Felony; bound over to District Court for arraignment March 22.

-Darren G. Tracy, 44, of White Cloud, KS, criminal mischief (\$500-\$1,500); pled not guilty. Pretrial hearing set for March 28.

-Darren G. Tracy, 44, of White Cloud, KS, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; pled not guilty. Preliminary hearing set for March 28.

-Ryan Aufenkamp, 29, of Brownville, DUI (.15-plus); pled not guilty. Pretrial hearing set for March 28.

-Jennifer R. Bearce, 35, of Seneca, KS, theft by shoplifting (less than \$500); pled guilty; fined \$50, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Jacqueline R. Gooding, 33, of Crete, count one, no proof of insurance, amended to licensing vehicle without liability insurance; count two, speeding (11-15). Pled guilty to both counts; fined \$175, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Matthew W. Hanesworth, 33, of Falls City, driving during revocation; pled guilty. Fined \$150, plus Court costs of \$49, and placed on probation for one year.

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, (CR15-400) count one, no operator's license on person; count two, no registration in vehicle; count three, violate stop or yield sign; count four, excess windshield or window tint. Pled no contest to counts one, two and three; count four dismissed with prejudice (Editor's Note - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge). Sentencing scheduled for March 23.

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, (CR15-399) no operator's license (non-waiverable), amended to no license on person; pled no contest to amended charge. Sentencing set for March 23.

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, (CR15-359) count one, no proof of insurance; count two, no operator's license (non-waiverable). Trial held, found guilty to both charges. Sentencing set for March 23.

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, (CR15-316) count one, no operator's license (non-waivable); count two, failure to use seat belt. Sentencing set for March 23.

-Jordan A. Lunsford, 25, of Falls City, attempt of a Class IV Felony. Full pre-sentence investigation ordered; sentencing set for April 18.

-Carla L. Dodd, 47, of Falls City, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, driving under suspension; count three, improper/defective vehicle lighting. Pled no contest to all three; fined \$210, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Nicholas M. Schramm, 43, of Falls City, DUI - second offense; jail term deferred to July 1, unless waived by the Court.

-April M. Feighner, 36, of Falls City, driving under suspension; pled no contest. Sentencing set for April 20.

-Jason N. Berger, 30, of Falls City, disturbing the peace; pled not guilty. Pretrial hearing scheduled for April 4.

-Jason N. Berger, 30, of Falls City, Sentencing for count one, assault; count two, disorderly conduct. Fined \$75 on each count, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Michael A. Selleck, 59, of Fortescue, MO, violation of protection order. Case continued to March 28 for entry of plea.

-Blake M. Westcott, 20, of Falls City, theft by receiving stolen property (less than \$500). Case continued to March 21 for entry of plea.

Westcott is alleged to have been in possession of a stolen cell phone owned by Teresa M. Lewis, 37, of Falls City.

-Blake M. Westcott, 20, of Falls City, reckless driving, first offense. Case continued to March 21 for entry of plea.

-Thomas L. Bassett, 33, of Falls City, count one, criminal mischief (less than \$500); count two, disturbing the peace. Pled not guilty to count one; pled guilty to count two. Case continued to March 16 for scheduling conference.

-Richard O. Farber, 45, of Pawnee City, DUI - second offense. Sentencing set for April 4.

ACCIDENTS

-Saturday afternoon, March 5, 1523 Harlan St. (Sapp Bros. parking lot). Owner of parked vehicle: Joshua B. Kaster, 29, of Falls City. Estimated damage when an unspecified vehicle, allegedly driven by a Michael Mitchell, backed away from a fuel pump and struck Kaster's 2015 Chevy 2500 pickup: \$1,000. The driver left the scene and a citation is pending, according to the accident report filed by investigating officer James Wason of the Falls City Police Dept.

-Monday afternoon, March 7, 800 block of Stone Street. Driver: Garrett W. Clark, 14, of rural Salem. Owner of parked 2007 Ford F-150 pickup: Christopher Glenn Kostuik, of Morrill, KS. Estimated damage when Clark, northbound on Stone Street in a 1998 Chevy pickup owned by his father, Daniel, also of rural Salem, told investigating officer James Wason of the FCPD

that he wasn't paying attention and struck parked truck: \$1,800 to Kostuik truck; \$500 to Clark vehicle. Garrett Clark was cited.

-Wednesday evening, March 9, 16th and Harlan Streets. Drivers: Caroline Negretti, 53, of Hiawatha, KS; Dillon Lotter, 24, of Falls City. Estimated damage when Negretti, southbound on Harlan Street in a 1999 Ford Ranger pickup, collided into Lotter's 2000 Chevy pickup, as he pulled out of Sapp Bros. parking lot and attempted to turn north onto Harlan Street: \$2,000 to Negretti vehicle; \$1,500 to Lotter truck. Negretti told FCPD Officer Jeremy Goldsberry the north/southbound traffic light was green, while Lotter claimed it was red. Based on witness testimony from Robert E. Koza, 62, of Lincoln, and Richard Spinner, 65, of Falls City, Goldsberry cited Lotter for failing to yield right of way. There were no injuries reported.

DISTRICT COURT

-Rose A. Williams, 45, of Falls City, sentencing for possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony. Placed on probation for two years, and ordered to pay \$750 in probation and chemical testing fees; must obtain a substance abuse evaluation within the next 30 days; perform 40 hours of community service; and sentenced to serve 50 days in Richardson County Jail with credit for 50 days served.

The charge stems from a March 2014 arrest.

-Abbie A. Diveley, of Falls City, has been granted dissolution of her marriage to Noah M. Diveley, of Falls City.

CIVIL COURT

-Judgment entered in favor of Accelerated Receivables Solutions, and against Ethen M. Bentley, of Stella, in the amount of \$6,558.13, plus Court costs of \$70.14. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.51 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Systems, and against Justin Eberle, of Falls City, in the amount of \$122.36, plus pre-judgment interest of \$4.61, attorney fees of \$17.23 and Court costs of \$70.96. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.51 percent.

-Judgment entered in favor of Credit Management Systems, and against Quentin Fankhauser, of Humboldt, in the amount of \$314.36, plus pre-judgment interest of \$9.83, attorney fees of \$36.46 and Court costs of \$94.92. Post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.51 percent.

COUNTY COURT

-Jordana Christolear, 26, of Syracuse, count one, parking violation

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Days of Yore...

By:
Nikki McKim

50 Years Ago
(March 15-21, 1966)

A trash fire fanned by a south wind swept along a fence line and into a hay shed at the Sterling Faller farm, destroying a large amount of hay.

Jim Harkendorff of the Falls City Tigers was named to the Twin Rivers Conference All-Star First Team and teammate Tom Perry was named to the Second Team.

A house labor subcommittee approved legislation to increase the federal minimum wage to \$1.60 an hour.

St. Patrick's Day lunch at the Falls City Elks Club boasted Ed Kruse on the organ and free Dutch lunch for "members and their ladies only."

A new structure, said to "dwarf" the Empire State Building, was announced. The twin-towered World Trade Center would soar 110 stories, or 1,350 feet above ground, and 75 feet below. The statistics announced were staggering: a \$525 million price tag, 10 million square feet of rentable space; 200,000 tons of steel; 23,000 windows and 1,500 miles of wiring.

Jim Campbell was aboard the USS Mason, which picked up two astronauts in the Pacific Ocean after an emergency splashdown.

An ad placed in *The Journal* by the FC Police Dept. asked dog owners to remember that gardening season is approaching and they need to keep their pets tied up in order to keep them out of the neighbors' gardens.

Betsy Glenn, of Falls City Junior High School, was the champion speller of all the seventh and eighth graders in the county, and Glenda Biaggi, of Bratton Union, was the champion speller of the fifth and sixth graders following an intense competition held at Falls City North School.

25 years

Tiffany Eis, a student at Falls City Middle School, was presented a new cassette-radio by library aide Vicky Martineau for being the top salesperson in the school's magazine contest.

Mark Derby, of DuBois, won first in the radio-controlled racing car event at Prichard Auditorium.

Sacred Heart School, in its 100th year, began a major fund drive to raise \$500,000 over the next three years. The purpose of the drive was to increase the Endowment Fund and construct six new classrooms.

Steve Simon, of the four-time state champion FC Sacred Heart Irish, was named to the Class D2 All-State First Team by both the Omaha World-Herald and the Lincoln Journal-Star. Jason Schock and Jason McNeely, both Falls City High seniors, were honorable mention.

The Southeast Consolidated girls captured the championship of the Class C power lifting meet.

First National Bank & Trust President Rod Vandenberg, on behalf of FNB, presented a \$7,200 check to the FC Educational Foundation to be used on Jug Brown Stadium repairs.

Falls City Pizza Hut advertised a large, two-topping pizza, pitcher of pop and a salad bar trip for four people, all for the low price of \$13.99.

In honor of their 65th wedding anniversary, Elias and Marguerite Bachman were the guests of honor at a large family dinner at the Rulo Auditorium.

Governor Ben Nelson said a clerical error led to his proclaiming March 20 a Great American Meatout day in Nebraska. The Governor immediately revoked the proclamation and proclaimed instead that he was a confirmed meat-eater and knew how important the meat industry was to Nebraska.

Bo Jackson's grand experiment as a two-sport athlete ended — for the time being, when the Kansas City Royals released him due to the hip injury he suffered playing football for the L.A. Raiders. Bo came back with the White Sox, homering in his first at-bat.

15 Years

Falls City Middle School student Amanda Weaver was selected as the winner of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars 'Youth Essay' contest.

Falls City saw a decline of 406 residents from 1990 to 2000, according to the U.S. Census.

The Knights of Columbus State Free Throw Contest featured four local youths: Darcy Stice, Alicia Goltz, Hayley Milam and Jordan Faller. All four won the local, district and regional competitions.

Brandon Bonk, a senior offensive and defensive lineman and kicker for Falls City Sacred Heart, was named to the Shrine Bowl roster.

Two Richardson County towns had population gains in the 2000 Census: Dawson increased in population by 52 people hitting a total of 209; and Rulo increased by 35, reaching a total population of 226.

The Humboldt High speech team finished third in the State Speech Contest, while Dawson-Verdon finished 10th and Sacred Heart, 11th.

Susie Vonderschmidt

Susie (Mock) Vonderschmidt, 67, of Osage Beach, MO, passed away on March 5, 2016 surrounded by her loving family.

Survivors include her husband, Leonard; son, Steven (Amie); daughter, Gena Lee (Daniel); mother, Cecelia (Milton); sister, Cindy; grandsons, Deric, Dustin, Stevie, Mason; and great-grandson, Kyler.

A memorial ceremony of close friends and family will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Good New Assembly Of God Church in Falls City.

The service will be officiated by Susie's nephew by marriage, Pastor Tim Boatright.

Making It Right

In "Gifts enable PD to buy tasers, cameras," which appeared in the March 8, 2016 edition of *The Falls City Journal*, the largest donor to make the purchases possible — WASP, which donated \$1,000 — was omitted.

What should women know about cervical cancer screenings?

Cervical cancer screenings are an important component of preventative healthcare for women. Such screenings are often conducted at the same time as other routine checks performed by a woman's primary care physician or gynecologist.

Cervical cancer screenings are two-fold. A doctor or nurse will examine the cervix to visually look for any indications of change, and he or she also will take a sampling of cervical cells to conduct a Pap test. These screenings are some of the most effective cancer screening tests available. Some women also get tested for the human papillomavirus, or HPV, a common sexually transmitted disease, during the same visit. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention state cervical cancer is the easiest gynecologic cancer to prevent, noting that screening is highly effective at detecting the presence of cervical cancer, even if it is in its early stages. While cervical examinations are recommended every year, in 2012 the American Cancer Society changed the rate of frequency for Pap tests. That's because cervical cancer is a slow-developing cancer (sometimes taking 10 to 20 years to appear), and frequent testing is not always necessary.

Today, women should get their first Pap tests at age 21. Patients who have never had a positive cervical cancer result and are between ages 21 and 29 should get a Pap test every three years. An HPV test is not necessary unless there is an abnormal Pap test result. Women between the ages of 30 and 65 should receive both a Pap and HPV test every five years. Women also can receive a Pap test every three years. According to The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, women who have had their uterus and cervix removed in hysterectomy procedures who have no history of cervical cancer do not require screening. Also, after a woman reaches age 65 and has had no abnormal results, she no longer needs to be screened for cervical cancer.

Women who are at a high risk for cervical cancer are individuals who have HIV, have undergone organ transplants or have had abnormal results from past screenings.

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Walter Albert 'Bud' Marx, Jr.

Walter Albert "Bud" Marx, Jr., 89, of Falls City, passed away Sunday morning, March 13, 2016 at Community Medical Center.



He was born in Falls City on Jan. 3, 1927, the son of Walter A., Sr., and Hazel M. (Ridley) Marx.

Bud was raised in Falls City and graduated from Falls City Sacred Heart School in 1945. Shortly thereafter, on June 18, 1945, he enlisted in the U.S. Army at Fort Leavenworth, KS. Training in jungle combat to join American forces engaged in the invasion of Japan, perhaps the most brutal warfare of all of WWII, he was just days away from assignment when Japan surrendered in August. Bud earned a World War II Victory Medal, as well as the Army of Occupation Medal, which recognized those who performed occupation service in Germany, Italy, Austria or Japan following the war. He was honorably discharged on Nov. 20, 1946 at Fort Dix, NJ.

He then attended the University of Nebraska at Lincoln for one year before returning home to work at Falls City Auto Supply, where he remained for many years. He retired at the age of 70.

Bud married Phyllis Melendez on June 17, 1960 at Falls City. She passed away on Dec. 20, 1997.

He was a member of Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Falls City Elks Lodge #963 and American Legion Post #102. An avid golfer, he was also a member of the Falls City Country Club; Bud was also one of the rare golfers capable of carding a number lower than his age. A big sports fan, Bud liked following Sacred Heart athletics, Nebraska football, the PGA Tour and Kansas City

Royals baseball. He attended the 1985 World Series, went to his last Royals game at the age of 88, and hardly missed a televised inning of the past two seasons.

Most of all, though, he loved being with family; the Marx Family Reunion was by far Bud's favorite holiday.

He's survived by daughters, Kathy A. Marx, of Lincoln, and Susan Elizabeth "Betsy" (Steve) Sinner, of Elkhorn; and a son, Joseph E. Marx, of Omaha; granddaughters, Megan Sinner, of Dallas, TX, and Jenni Sinner, of Elkhorn; nieces, Deborah Lemerond and Teresa Kearney, of Falls City, Joyce (Joe) Smith, of Liberty, MO, Sue (Steve) Huston, of Topeka, KS, and Pat Bottenberg, of Perry, KS; and neph-



ews, Michael (Carla) and Patrick Marx, of Falls City, Jim (Connie) and John (Diane) Marx, of Los Angeles, Bill Marx, of Norwalk, CA, and Steve (Lynn) and John (Diane) Gibbs, of Santa Fe, NM.

Bud was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Phyllis; a grandson, Steven Joseph Sinner; brothers, Charles J. "Chico" and Warren W. "Barney" Marx; sister, Maxine H. Gibbs; sisters-in-law, Betty Coleen Marx Hussenoeder and Margaret Marx; brother-in-law, Don Gibbs; and a niece, Janie Basil.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 18, 2016 at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, with Fr. Thomas Dunavan officiating. Interment will be at the Falls City Catholic Cemetery. Military graveside honors by the Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard. A rosary will be read at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Dorr & Clark Funeral Home, Falls City, followed by visitation with the family.

www.dorrclark.com

Harry L. Strasil Jr.

A memorial service for Falls City business owner and former Fire Chief Harry L. Strasil, Jr., will be held at 5 p.m.



Saturday, March 19, 2016 at Prichard Auditorium, with Pastor Ben Moore

and Rev. John Hogue officiating.

Interment at Steele Cemetery will be held at a later date. Friends may sign a guest book at Dorr & Clark Funeral Home, Falls City, during regular business hours.

"Junior," 72, passed away on Feb. 18, 2016 at Falls City Healthcare Community.

He attended Falls City High School and joined the Navy in 1962. Junior later owned his own businesses, Jr's Portable Welding, and Strasil Bros. Blacksmithing and Welding. He was a past president of the National Blacksmiths and Welders Association, Nebraska

Blacksmiths, Welders and Machinist Association and the Southeast Nebraska Blacksmiths Association.

Junior married Sylvia Colleen (Braman) Strasil on Feb. 26, 1968 and they were married 36 years until her passing in 2004. He married Carolyn Cook on March 12, 2005.

He was a member of the FC Fire Dept. for over 25 years and was Fire Chief for 11.

He is survived by his wife; daughters, Melissa (Sam) Morgan, of FC, June (Aaron) Tilton, of San Antonio, TX, and Dee (Adam) Blankenship, of Great Bend, KS; step-daughters, Carrie Simpson, of Bonner Springs, KS, and Stephanie (Jeff) Otis, of Independence, MO; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Junior was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Sylvia; and son, Jeff, in 1987.

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READER PHOTO OF THE WEEK

This week our photo was submitted by Larry Cook of Plattsmouth, NE. The topic was 'Signs of Spring'



Readers can enter a new photo every week, one photo per week with the photographers name and location. No logo's or copyrighted work. Each week we will give you a new topic.

Submit photos to: journalpotw@gmail.com before Noon on Monday. Each weeks winner can come by the Journal office at 1810 Harlan St., to receive their prize!

Next week... **Where do you read your Falls City Journal?**

Golf carts takin' it to the streets

'We got that going for us, which is nice'

The Falls City Council on Monday, March 7, approved an ordinance to allow golf carts to be driven on city streets, as long as the sun is shining, the operator is in possession of a driver's license and insurance, he/she obeys the rules of the road and for the most part steers clear of the downtown area.

There are two additional provisions included in the ordinance — one has zero potential in creating scofflaws out of this brave new Deceleration Nation, and the other shouldn't be an issue, either.

1. Golf carts may not exceed 35 miles per hour; and 2. The golf cart must be equipped with a big safety flag extending no less than five feet above the ground .

First, golf carts top out at 25 miles per hour; and, second, while affixing a yellow flag to your ride might not win you the girl, lets face it, that E-Z-Go only has one seat, and it's all yours.

In other news:

- The City approved of a contract amendment for \$29,500 with Olsson Associates, which is making a master plan and designing



a substation for Falls City's electrical distribution system. costing \$29,500.

- A bid of \$195,000 from AHR Construction, of Bern, KS, was approved for a new Gas Dept. building at the public works area on south Crook Street. The company has 120 days to complete the project.

- City Administrator Gary Jom alerted Council members to the possibility of the need to free up funding on the next City budget in order to tear down dilapidated buildings.

- The Aquatic Park will receive

a new paint job thanks to \$38,516 left over from the construction of the pool. The total cost of the project is \$39,900, with the additional monies coming out of the Parks Dept. budget. Torrey Brothers Construction will clean the pool and remove mold and other contaminants before epoxy will be applied.

- Council members voted unanimously to approve a contract for the demolition of the former City Hall Building at 18th and Towle Streets. The winning bid of \$12,350 came from Brown Construction. The Fire Station will remain untouched and operational.

EMPTY BOWLS SOUP SUPPER

Donations totaling \$4,784.00 were donated for the 7th Annual Empty Bowls Soup Supper event. Donations that evening were \$2,657.75 and prior donations from the community totaled \$2,126.25.

- One Stop Café - Posole Soup
- Kobza Dental - Chili Soup
- Breezy Hill - Chicken Noodle
- Ms. Beasley's - Beef & Noodle
- Frontier Bank - Minestrone
- Falls City Lanes - White Chicken Chili
- FC Healthcare Community - Chicken Noodle
- SNC - Jim Wisdom - Wizz's Tator Surprise
- Better Halves Club - White Chicken Chili
- Community Medical Center - Minestrone
- Robert Zeigler - Baked Potato Soup
- Falls City Travel - Savory Beef & Rice
- SNC - Barb Brunette - Taco Soup
- Wild Bill's - Minestrone
- Sportin' Falls City - Grannies Chicken & Dumplings
- FC Booster Club - Potato Soup
- FC Nursing & Rehabilitation - Chicken Noodle
- A&G Steakhouse - Hamburger Vegetable Soup
- Pizza Hut - Broccoli & Cheese
- SunMart - Loaded Baked Potato

We would like to show our appreciation to the following individuals and organizations for their contributions to this event:

- FC Public Schools - Cinannon Rolls • Runza - Cookies
- Subway - Cookies • Quilting Club - Cookies/Bars
- Sacred Heart Booster Club - Bars • Angie Muckey - 15 Pottery Bowls
- SENCA/Melissa Hardenberger - Volunteer
- Great Western Bank - Volunteers • FC Public Schools - Volunteers



This year's winner is Robert Zeigler who made Baked Potato Soup. He received \$25.00 in Chamber Bucks for his winning soup.



We were also awarded the \$500 Shopko Hometown Foundation Grant from the Foundation. Pictured, Ray Joy, Barb Sailors, Debbie Witt, Sheila Hamilton, Chuck Whitney and Gary Brown.



The Great Western employees volunteered the night of the Soup Supper to help clean tables and serve. Great Western Bank also donated \$280.00 to the Empty Bowls Soup Supper by choosing to wear blue jeans in their organization. According to Branch Manager, Joleen Stoller approximately 20 area branches donated to this fund! Chuck Whitney, Tammy Shefferd, Joleen Stoller, Kara Ewing, Lori Thompson was absent from the picture.



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Popular Irish baby names

It has been said that everyone becomes Irish on St. Patrick's Day, when scores of people celebrate St. Patrick in parades and pubs while decked out in their best ensembles of Kelly green.

But Irish culture and pride extends beyond St. Patrick. Whether people actually can trace their lineage back to the Emerald Isle or not, Irish names are popular when naming newborns. According to BabyCenter.com, a trusted online parenting resource, the Irish male names Liam, Logan, Aidan, and Ryan all made the list of the top 25 baby names of 2015. Irish girl names were not as popular.

Expectant parents who are inspired by the whimsy and magic of Irish namesakes can consider these ever-popular Irish boy and girl names as they await their new arrivals, courtesy of Irish Central.

Boys: Ryan: Derived from the Irish surname Ó Ríain and meaning "descendant of the little king."

Logan: Often mistranslated from O'Loughan to mean "duck."

Connor (Conor): A modern form of Conchobhar, meaning "dog lover."

Aidan: A name said to mean "little fire."

Sean: An Irish form of John, which means "gift from God."

Kevin: Anglicization of the Irish name Caoimhín to mean "beautiful birth."

Brandon: Possible derivative of Bréanainn; this name may mean "sword."

Colin: This name may be an Irish short form of Nicholas.

Patrick: A popular name based on Ireland's patron saint.

Girls: Brianna: A modern and feminine form of Brian, meaning "noble."

Caitlin: An Irish version of Catherine.

Riley: An Anglicization of the Irish surname O'Reilly.

Molly: A derivative of Mary or Mallaídh, which means "star of the sea."

Alana: A feminine form of Alan, which means "handsome."

Cara (Kara): The Irish word for "friend."

Fiona: An Irish name actually pronounced as Feena, which means "vine."

Tara: Anglicization of the old Irish name Teamhair, which means "eminence" or "distinction."

Prices for Medical Airlifts hit the stratosphere

"Thinking About Health," is part of the Nebraska Press Association's partnership with Rural Health News Service, which will provide Nebraskans with unbiased health-related information, designed to help better understand the health issues facing our communities, state and nation.

By Trudy Liberman

Not many of us think about needing air ambulances. We don't dwell on that possibility, but for people hurt in car accidents or who in smaller or rural communities without medical care being airlifted to a hospital can mean the difference between getting well at a price you can afford or that could push you over a financial cliff. Air ambulances have become the centerpiece of a nationwide dispute over balance billing, a practice that requires unsuspecting families, even those with good insurance, to pay a large part of the bill. In Nebraska a woman who was injured when her van rolled on a gravel road found herself with a \$44,000 air ambulance bill. Her insurance paid most of the bill. A North Dakota man who got a \$67,300 bill from a company that transported his wife to the Mayo Clinic had to pay more than \$50,000 out of pocket. In Ohio, a man filed for bankruptcy because he owed \$22,000 to an air ambulance company, which had placed a lien on his home.

And so it goes in other states where patients have complained about balance billing, this particularly dark side of the medical marketplace, which affects all healthcare services, not just air ambulances. It works like this. You have health coverage, incur a medical bill, and assume the service is covered by your insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid. Then comes the surprise! The bill isn't covered because the provider is not in your insurer's network. You're on the hook for the entire amount. Sometimes it's impossible to tell if a provider belongs to a network or not. When you are wheeled into the operating room, are you going to ask the anesthesiologist if he or she belongs to the hospital's network? How many accident victims suffering from trauma are going to direct EMS workers to check if the air service is in or out of network before they're lifted to a hospital?

You can also get stuck even if the ambulance company is in the network. An insurance payment may not come close to covering the cost. "Rates ambulance companies charge private patients are much more than they are charging to Medicare or Medicaid patients," says Chuck Bell programs director at Consumers Union, the non-profit publisher of Consumer Reports. The industry argues that Medicare rates are too low and some patients have no insurance so only by charging insured patients higher fees can they stay in business, Bell told me. "The air ambulance industry has grown rapidly, and prices have shot up a lot with some companies trying to make a quick buck." For one large company the average bill went from about \$17,200 in 2009 to \$40,000 in 2014.

The problem with air ambulances is an example of the disorderly introduction of medical technology without any planning or regulation. Patients are trapped in the middle of a tug of war between insurers that want to keep payments low and air ambulance companies that are eager for profits. To collect more revenue from privately insured patients, ambulance companies sometimes resort to aggressive collection practices asking for financial information from privately insured patients to assess which ones have assets they can go after, Bell explained.

One solution is to ban balance billing for the air ambulance industry and create a fee schedule for the entire marketplace, but that seems unlikely because of a 1978 federal law that deregulated the airlines and prohibited the federal government from regulating prices and schedules in the states. North Dakota passed a law requiring those needing air ambulances to use a list of providers that are part of insurers' networks. One company sued, and the issue is tied up in court. Other federal laws may also inadvertently prevent a national solution that would apply to all consumers no matter what kind of insurance they had. The usual shopping advice doesn't apply here. But you can check your insurance benefits and at least know if you are covered for these services. You can look at a chart from the Kaiser Family Foundation that offers guidance about your state's rules on balance billing. And, you can make a lot of noise with state officials if you face one of these bills.

Some companies offer membership programs for a nominal fee that will pay some portion of the bills. These cards, which are not insurance, may not cover the full cost, and you may be picked up by a service that doesn't honor your card. And in an emergency are you going to look for your card and tell the EMS worker, "Hey, call this one?"

Have you had experience with balance billing? Write to Trudy at trudy.lieberman@gmail.com.



Corday Sims carries 26 ppg., PSC into NAIA D-I National Tournament

For the first time since 1996-97, the Peru State men's basketball team will be participating in an NAIA basketball championship tournament.

The Bobcats will take on Carroll College in the Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division I opening round at 2:15 p.m. Thursday at Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium. The entire event will be held at Municipal for the 52nd overall time and 15th consecutive year. Tickets are as low as \$4 per person per game (NAIA-Hoops.com/tickets).

Nineteen years ago, the Bobcats competed in the NAIA Division II Tournament in Nampa, ID.

This year, the 'Cats are an at-large No. 5 selection and enter the 32-team National Championship ranked 15th in the coaches' poll with a 22-10 record. Carroll is the at-large No. 8 pick at 21-9, and the Saints finished the regular season rated 19th.

Peru State has made 15 appearances in either the NAIA D-I or NAIA D-II tournaments, but has not been in the tournament since 1997 when under the tutelage of John Gibbs. PSC made one final four appearance, in 1939, in just the third year of the tournament. This year's team is led by second-year head coach Eric Behrens.

Carroll makes its first tournament appearance since 2011 and the first under third-year coach Carson Cunningham.

The Peru State Foundation and athletic department hosted a "Watch Party" last Wednesday night to see the unveiling of the brackets and teams. The Foundation's alumni relations director, Deborah Solie, coordinated the event. President Dr. Dan Hanson kicked things off with a welcome and was followed by athletic director Steve Schneider. Both praised the team and coaches for their efforts.

Behrens offered thanks to many in support of getting the program to where it is today and encouraged as many as possible to attend Thursday's opening game.

The field is comprised of 14 automatic berths and 18 at-large selections. Automatic qualification is given to conference regular-season champions or tourney champions, depending on the league. At-large teams were determined using the final regular-season Coaches' Top 25 Poll.

The NAIA Network – the association's official video streaming home – will broadcast all 30 games, live, leading up to the championship final on ESPN3. The video platform, powered by Stretch Internet, allows users access to live video, statistics, and social interaction on a number of devices, including mobile. Single day passes can be purchased for \$9.95, while an all-tournament package is available at \$29.95. For more information, visit goo.gl/OSDh0u

Qualifier Highlights

- No. 1 overall seed Georgetown (KY) – ranked No. 1 in the latest Top 25 Coaches' Poll – checks in with a 28-3 season record. The Tigers own three NAIA championship all-time records for most wins (61), appearances (35) and consecutive appearances (25).

- The Eagles also own the most wins among the qualifiers with a 29-3 mark.

- Oklahoma City, which punched its 22nd overall ticket to the championship, boasts the most national championship rings in NAIA history, with six. The Stars last banner year came in 2008.

- The other qualifiers with at least one previous national championship hardware: Georgetown (2), Faulkner (Ala.) (1), Pikeville (Ky.) and Texas Wesleyan (1).

- Trailing Georgetown for the most appearances, Cumberlands (KY) is next in line as the Patriots will compete in their 24th overall event and third-straight. Oklahoma City (22), Biola (20) and Columbia (MO) (20) are the other teams with 20-or-more trips.

- The host conference – the Heart of America athletic Conference (Heart) – will send three teams to Municipal: MidAmerica Nazarene (KS), Peru State and William Penn.

- Two programs are making their first-ever national championship appearance: William Jessup (CA) and William Penn.

- Within the group of 30 teams making a previous appearance, Peru State is snapping the longest drought. The Bobcats last competed in the 1966 national championship.

- The Golden State Athletic Conference and the Sooner Athletic Conference each boast five programs in the 2016 field, the most of any league. The Mid-South Conference and Red River Athletic Conference each landed four teams.

- The top three winningest active head coaches will be on the sidelines in Kansas City. Biola coach Dave Holmquist is No. 1 on the list with 920 victories heading into next week. Columbia coach Bob Burchard is ranked second with 715, followed by Rocky Lamar of MidAmerica Nazarene who has 701 wins.

Final Player of the Week Award: Corday Sims

Who else?! PSC star Corday Sims was named NAIA Division I Men's Basketball National Player of the Week for his play the final week of February. It was the third time this season he took the honor. Sims was selected for his play during the week of Feb. 22-28 and was chosen out of the conference and Association of Independent Institutions award winners. It was the final award of the 2016 season.



For Sims, a 6-5 guard out of Chicago, this is his second consecutive week of earning the top recognition in NAIA D-I.

Sims scored 33 in a 90-81 win over Baker, KS, Feb. 24, and then three days later recorded his 11th double-double on the season with 32 points and 14 boards in a 91-67 victory over Evangel (MO); the win secured Peru a share of the Heart of America Conference regular season title. For the week, Sims hit 8-of-18 from three-point land and was 21-of-23 (91 percent) from the foul line.

Sims is Peru State's all-time single-season scoring record holder and leads all of D-I with 831 total points. The PSC single season record was held by Hall of Famer Danny Shouse (771 points) since 1979.

Sims topped 30 points in six-straight games and averages 26 per game. He's made 110 threes on the year, which is second-most in all of NAIA D-I.



REMINDER: The General Federation of Women's Club K-12 Art Contest inside the Stalder Gallery at the Falls City Library & Arts Center closes Thursday, March 17. The competition attracted a record 709 entries from area schools, including Falls City High, FC Sacred Heart, Humboldt-TR-S, FC Middle School, and North and South Elementaries. Drop by during library hours to view the work done by the community's talented students. For more information, contact Rita Seid at 402-245-7237. **(Above)** 'Watercolor Monocholor' by Sara Wertenberger, Best of Category in Print Making.

County Clerk readies for primary

Preparation is underway at the Office of the Richardson County Clerk for the Tuesday, May 10, 2016, Primary Election. Approaching deadlines for candidates and voters to remember are detailed below.

5 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2016, is the non-incumbent filing deadline.

A complete list of candidate filings on record at the Richardson County Clerk's Office who will be considered for nomination at the Primary Election are listed below, with incumbents denoted with an *

-County Commissioner District 2 seat is up for a 4-year term. District 2 serves the following precincts: Arago/Barada, FC Rural/Ohio, Falls City Ward I, part of Falls City Ward II lying north of 21st Street, Jefferson/Rulo and Salem.

*David D. Sickel is the incumbent and has filed on the Republican ticket.

-County Commissioner District 3 seat is up for a 4-year term. District 3 serves the following precincts: Franklin/Humboldt Rural/Speiser, Grant/Nemaha, Humboldt Wards I and II, Liberty, East Muddy and West Muddy/Porter.

*James Standerford is the incumbent and has filed on the Republican ticket. Other candidates who have filed include: Terry Frank, Republican and Rick Martin, Democrat.

-School Districts 56 and 70 all have 3 positions up for election this year with up to 6 candidates being considered for nomination at the May 10 Primary Election to be voted upon at the November General Election. Persons who have filed for these positions are: School District 56, 4-year term—Scott Hollens*, Eddie Joe Harris* and June Bowers*; School District 70, 4 year term—Rock Herr*, Sandra Stalder*, Mike Bredemeier*, Carmen Mendenhall and Todd L. Binder.

The City of Falls City and the City of Humboldt have Council Member seats up for election to a 4-year term in each of their voting wards. Those persons filing for these positions are as follows: City of Falls City, Ward I—Mike Dougherty*, Ward II—no candidate filings, Ward III—Kirby Robidoux, Ward IV—James Wisdom*; City of Humboldt, Ward I—Patrick Hatfield, Ward II—Stacey Edmundson.

The Airport Authority in the City of Falls City has 2 members up for election for a 6-year term. Persons who have filed for these positions are: Robert L. Ferguson* and Marc A. Merz*.

Other offices to be nominated at the Primary Election are: District 1 Legislature—Dan Watermeier*; SCC Board Members for District 2—Kathy Boellstorff; At-Large—Steve Ottmann; Nemaha Natural Resource District 8—no filings; District 9—Jon Keithley; District 10—James D. Gerweck, 4 year-term; District 10—Alan Romine, 2 year term; At Large—no filings.

Representative in Congress District 3—Adrian Smith.

The candidate filing deadline for Village Board of Trustees, and ESU #4 is July 15 for incumbents and Aug. 1 for non-incumbents.

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Community safety what to know in today's world

(StatePoint) Older generations may recall a time when doors were left unlocked. While that practice may no longer seem wise alongside today's headline news, you should have an expectation of safety and security in your community.

In these changing times, here are some things to know and consider about your family's safety.

Work and School Safety - Does your place of work have a safety plan? Does your child's school? No one wants to live in fear of the day that a worst case scenario will occur, but thinking about these matters can help protect workers and students in the event of emergency. Consider being part of efforts to create or amend actionable safety plans for the places your family spends time.

The Department of Homeland Security offers free safety resources and tips for employers, workers, schools, parents and students.

Neighborhood Safety - If you're not already friendly with your neighbors, it's a good idea to develop a rapport with those who live nearby. Beyond the social benefits of having friends a stone's throw from your front door, neighbors are a natural safety net. They can keep an eye on your home when you're not home, noticing any unfamiliar vehicles or people on your property.

On a more formal level, consider forming or joining a neighborhood watch organization. A collective stake in the community can serve as an effective crime deterrent.

National and Global Safety - Individuals may not feel like they have strong roles when it comes to safety at the national and global level, but having a deeper understanding of the associated issues can alleviate anxieties and provide a nuanced look at the factors behind such threats.

For example, those interested in global terrorism can seek out new books like "Demand by Terror," the second book by Abayomi Nurain Mumuni, a fellow at the American Society of Criminology. Mumuni's second book focuses on terrorist demands. He uses case studies to build an argument in favor of negotiation strategies.

More broadly, Mumuni's books seek to raise awareness and understanding of what terrorism is and the extent of its existence. "Terrorism will not stay away from any part of the world simply because prospective victims do not know about it," he says.

Your family's safety is likely of the utmost importance to you. Take time to consider the ways you can stay safe at home and wherever you go.

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Strong wind can blow a flying bird off its course, so I like to stay on the ground and have fun on days when there are powerful wind gusts.

I like wind. Gentle breezes cool us and carry sounds of laughter. Ocean breezes smell so good! "Picnic" breezes lift our kites high into the air.

When strong storm winds blow, they howl and shake the house.

But, while the winds wrap around homes, people curl up with good books and families slow down to play board games together. Have you ever heard the saying that "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb"? That means that the month starts off windy, but at the end it is calm. **Let's see if you can do my "windy" puzzles!**

March Winds Blow!

March:

- the month named after _____, the Roman God of war
- has a full _____ on the twenty-third
- birthstone
- the first day of this season is on the twentieth
- Saint _____ Day is on the seventeenth
- is the _____ month of the year
- a month of breezy or _____ days
- Pisces and Aries are the _____ signs
- jonquils and daffodils are its special _____
- has thirty-one _____

The wind **ROARS** into March!

windy

March!

March!

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

zodiac

Mars

third

aquamarine

moon

days

Patrick's flowers

spring

Match these expressions to what they mean:

- in the wind
- get wind of
- take the wind out of one's sails
- throw caution to the wind
- gone with the wind

A. is gone forever
B. make a risky move
C. is about to happen
D. to find out about something secret
E. to surprise someone by doing something better than them or by finding they made a mistake

Blowing in the Wind

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Here are twelve things that blow in the wind. Only six of these are hidden in the puzzle. **Can you find and circle them?**

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|-------------|-----------------|---------|--------|
| pinwheels | tumbleweeds | flags | clouds |
| windsocks | drying clothes | bubbles | chimes |
| ocean waves | paper airplanes | kites | seeds |

Tornadoes are the most violent storms. Their whirling winds can reach 200-300 mph!

In 1806, a Rear Admiral in the Royal Navy, Sir Francis Beaufort, created a table of wind speeds and how they would affect ocean waves and the use of a ship's sails. The **Beaufort Wind Scale** is a table of wind speed. It has been changed a little bit over the years, but is still the table that weather forecasters and sailors use today.

Match the wind speed to the effect it has:

- calm day (0 up to 1 mph)
- light breeze (4-7 mph)
- near gale (32-38 mph)
- violent storm (64-72 mph)
- hurricane (72-82 mph)

A. leaves rustle
B. smoke rises straight up
C. widespread damage
D. extreme damage
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Society

District 13 Convention

The 86th Annual southeast Nebraska District 13 convention was well attended by Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and Freedom Riders on Saturday, Feb. 13, in Pawnee City, Ne. The Legionnaires met at the Legion Hall while the Auxiliary met at the Poteet Fellowship Hall. Units represented at 2016 District 13 Convention were from Auburn, Burchard, Cook, Crab Orchard, DuBois, Humboldt, Johnson, Pawnee City, Shubert, Sterling, and Table Rock.

Auxiliary President, Kay Ebeler, introduced Department guests President, Barb Washburn Vice-President, Deb Albers NEC woman, Barb Skillman Junior Activities Chairman, Amanda Washburn and the one St. Lady of the American Legion, Mrs. Michael Reimers, wife of the Department Commander. Pages were Chylene Eden and Sharon Albers. President Kay then introduced her officers present Secretary and Treasurer, Do-

ris DeJonge Chaplain, Jean Burns and Parliamentarian, Norma Arington.

The Auxiliary meeting was called to order with a hand salute as the colors were already posted. Invocation was given by Chaplain, Jean Burns followed by a moment of silence as "Taps" was played by pianist, Shari Karjala of Pawnee City. The POW/MIA presentation was read by Norma Arington as page Sharon Albers draped the empty chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The National Anthem led by Laura Osborne of Auburn. The Preamble was recited. Welcome was given by Pawnee City Unit #168 President, Glee Price with response by Norma Arington. Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of last years minutes and the current financial report. A roll call of units was performed. President Kay recognized past District 13 presidents in attendance. District 13 Vice President, Ruth Hietbrink, was unable to attend due to illness so President Kay read the combined reports of the District President and Vice President. Junior District President, Sharon Al-

bers, gave her report. Unit Presidents also gave their reports followed by the County Presidents reports. It was reported that there are eligibility changes in the wording of the Constitution & By-Laws. If there are any Standing Rule changes, these refer to just your unit. The four counties in District 13 broke up to caucus for the nominations of a new President and Vice President for 2016-2017.

A Joint Meeting of the Legion and Auxiliary began with a Memorial Service performed by members of the Table Rock, Shubert, and Cook units. 61 combined members of the legion and auxiliary have passed away since last year's convention.

District Chaplin, Jim Reid gave invocation prior to the very delicious meal prepared by Marj Wenzel and her helpers of the Kooking Kettle. Greetings were given by District Commander, Rick Gyhra, and District Auxiliary President, Kay Ebeler.

The Auxiliary reconvened at 1 p.m. A Gold Star Program was performed by Auburn Unit #23. Candidates for Department Office gave their reports. Department Vice President, Deb Albers will be running for Department President. This past year Deb has helped the membership chairman and reminds us to "recruit, renew, and retain". NEC & National Security woman, Barb Skillman, will be meeting with Senators and Congressmen in Washington D. C. Current Department President, Barb Washburn, will be running of National Executive Committee woman. Barb reported that Girl and Boy State applications are out. Always remember our mission is to serve our Veterans and communities.

The LRSB and VA&R coin march was held. The Registration Report was read by Glee Price with 39 seniors, three juniors, 11 units represented, three Department Officers, one Department Chairman, and one non-member attending for a total of 47. Juniors, Chylene and Sharon presented a monetary contribution to President Kay's "Uniting for our Veterans" project. Awards and door prizes were presented.

The County Caucus report was given by Shubert's Linda Patchen. Nominated and elected for District President was Ruth Hietbrink and District Vice President, Linda Patchen. A motion was made and seconded to purchase two new flag poles and eagle toppers.

Installation of the 2016-2017 new officers was performed by Department officers, Barb Washburn and Deb Albers. Installed were: Vice President, Linda Patchen, Secretary & Treasurer, Doris DeJonge and Chaplain, Kay Ebeler. President Ruth Hietbrink will be installed at the Department Convention in June. Lois Blinde read the Courtesy Resolutions. A closing prayer was read, hand salute to the posted flags, and the singing of 'America the Beautiful' was done before the meeting was adjourned. Doris DeJonge, Secretary Awards for locals District 13 Convention-2016; Finger Gavel-Best Americanism Program, Humboldt Unit #269. Murphy Gavel-Community Service, Shubert Unit #222. Wagenknecht Gavel-2nd place VA&R, Humboldt Unit #269. History Book-2nd to Humboldt Unit #269, 3rd to Shubert Unit #222. Prayer Book-1st to Humboldt Publicity Book-1st to Cook Unit #360, 2nd to Shubert Unit #222, 3rd to Humboldt Unit #269. Program Book-3rd to Humboldt Unit #269. Poppy Centerpiece- 2nd to Humboldt Unit #269.

HTRS Speech team wins Pioneer Conference

Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer Speech Team won the 2016 Pioneer Conference Speech Meet held at the Wymore Southern High School building on Monday, March 7. They captured the championship plaque with 240 points over runner up Pawnee City's 210 points. Nebraska City Lourdes Central Catholic was third with 184 points and Falls City Sacred Heart placed fourth with 94 points. Medalists for HTRS were in Extemporaneous Speaking: Trenton Plager, first place; Clarence Schuler, sixth place. Persuasive: Lauren Patzel, first place; Tanner Merwin, third. Poetry: Chase Merwin, first place; Kendall Werts, second place. Entertainment: Kendall Werts, second place; John Kanel, third place. Humorous Prose: Chloe Workman, third place; Kaleb Knudson, fifth. Informative: Emily Gonella, fourth place; Camille Svoboda fifth. Oral Interpretation of Drama group of Alex Fairchild, Flynn, Allie Binder, Becca Watson, Mati Stalder and Grace Kanel, placed fifth.

HTRS also competed the previous Saturday at the Waverly Forensic Classic and finished sixth overall at the 23-team tournament. Medalist at that tournament were Lauren Patzel, second in Persuasive and sixth in Serious; John Kanel, third in Entertainment; Kaleb Knudson, fourth in Humorous Prose; Emily Gonella, fifth in Informative; Trenton Plager, sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking and Mati Stalder placed fourth in Novice Poetry.

The team will conclude the season with Districts hosted at the Humboldt site on March 15. The public is invited to a public performance of the student speeches on March 21, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the old band room at the Humboldt High School building.

Society

Town and Country 4-H Club

The Town and Country 4-H Club met on Sunday, March 6, at 2:00 at the home of Steve and Vicky Yoesel. The meeting was called to order by president Sarah Thiltges. Roll was taken with members naming their favorite candy bar. There were six members and six adults present.

Upcoming events were announced and discussed. The club baked cookies for the "Bake and Take" project. The next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 2:00 at the Community Medical Center in Falls City. Sarah Thiltges motioned to adjourn the meeting and Abby Boatright seconded it. The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served by Steve and Vicky Yoesel.

FARM & CITY SUPPLY

Bridal Registry

We congratulate these couples on their upcoming wedding.

Keerun Kamble & Jeff Huppert
April 2, 2016

Kacie Olberding & Logan Kopf
April 30, 2016

Kari Kreifels & Taylor Cook
June 4, 2016

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City of Falls City

FEBRUARY 1, 2016

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 1st day of February, 2016, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jom recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: Scholl. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Murphy and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the January 18, 2016 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for February 1, 2016 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Claims for January 2016 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for February 1, 2016 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Nolte. Motion carried.

REMOVE FROM TABLE - REQUEST FOR 2016 FUNDING OF \$15,000 BY THE FALLS CITY AREA CHAMBER

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to remove from the table the request to for 2016 dues of \$15,000.00 by the Falls City Chamber. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried. A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve \$3,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Sinking Fund. Executive Director David Branch spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

2015 EDGE 4TH QUARTER REPORT

Executive Director, Beckie Cromer presented the 2015 Edge 4th Quarter Report to the Mayor and City Council. FIRST READING - ORDINANCE 2016-100 - TO ALLOW GOLF CAR TO BE DRIVEN WITHIN CITY LIMITS A motion was made by Council person Nolte and seconded by Council person Ferguson to amend the first reading of Ordinance #2016-100 as follows: AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF GOLF CAR VEHICLES ON STREETS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF FALLS CITY UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; TO SET RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SUCH USE; TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO OPERATE SUCH VEHICLES CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING SERVICES - 2015-2016 SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION IMPROVEMENTS FOR \$30,600

A motion was made by Council member Vaughn and seconded by Council member Murphy to approve engineering service from Kirkham Michael for \$30,600 for 2015-2016 sewer rehabilitation improvements as recommended by the Board of Public Works. Utility Superintendent Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

2015 LIBRARY REPORT

A motion was then made by Council person Murphy and seconded by Council person Nolte to approve 2015 Library Report as presented by Librarian Hope Schawang. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT - CASSIE WHALEN, ROB GERWECK AND STEVE SIMON - CITIZEN'S ADVISORY REVIEW COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Council person Nolte and seconded by Council person Dougherty to approve the appointment of Cassie Whalen, Rob Gerweck and Steve Simon to the Citizen's Advisory Review Committee. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR 14-DTR-106 PHASE II GRANT

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the DTR Guidelines for 14-DTR-106 Phase II Grant. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:43P.M.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on February 1, 2016; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jom, City Clerk Jerry Oliver, Mayor

FEBRUARY 16, 2016

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 16th day of February, 2016, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jom recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: None. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Nolte and seconded by Council person Murphy to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the February 1, 2016 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for February 16, 2016 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Police Report for January 2016 is hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Treasurer Report for January 2016 is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for February 16, 2016 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Oliver began his report by telling the Council that the contractor should be working on the well project next week. The well relocation needed approved by the drainage district and city prior to the start of construction. Next, Mayor Oliver told the Council that the bids for the new generator for the Power Plant was opened on February 15, 2016. The city only received one bid. The Mayor went on to say that the bid would be reviewed by the engineer and a recommendation will be made to the Board of Public Works who would then make a recommendation to the City Council for approval.

SECOND READING - ORDINANCE 2016-100 - TO ALLOW GOLF CAR TO BE DRIVEN WITHIN CITY LIMITS

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Vaughn to approve the second reading of Ordinance #2016-100 as read. Council Person Murphy asked that Ordinance 2016-100 be amended to add the requirement that all Golf Cars have a 5' bicycle flag attached to the rear of the car. A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Vaughn to recede their motion. A motion was made by Council person Murphy to approve as amended Ordinance #2016-100. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING - ONE YEAR & SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Patrick Malcolm from Olsson Associates presented the 1 & 6 Year Street Improvement Program. Mayor Oliver then declared a public hearing open at 7:08 P.M. for the purpose of obtaining input on the resolution for the 1 & 6 Year Street Improvement Plan. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said resolution as submitted. Since no one wished to be recognized, Mayor Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:13 P.M. A motion was made by Council member Murphy and seconded by Council member Nolte to approve the resolution for the 1 and 6 Year Street Improvement Program. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION BY THE CARC TO FORGIVE THE \$500,000 LB840 LOAN AS OUTLINED IN THE MOU BETWEEN THE CITY AND CONSOLIDATED GRAIN AND BARGE CO.

AS ALL THE REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY SATISFIED

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the forgiveness of the loan between the City and Consolidated Grain and Barge for \$500,000 from the Program Income LB840 Funds as recommended by the Community Advisory Review Committee. Executive EDGE Director, Beckie Cromer spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION BY THE CARC TO FORGIVE THE \$200,000 CDBG ED REUSE LOAN AS OUTLINED IN THE MOU BETWEEN THE CITY AND CONSOLIDATED GRAIN AND BARGE CO. AS ALL THE REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY SATISFIED

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Scholl to approve the forgiveness of the loan between the City and Consolidated Grain and Barge for \$200,000 from the CDBG ED Reuse Program Income Fund as recommended by the Community Advisory Review Committee. Executive EDGE Director, Beckie Cromer spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT - BRIAN POPPE, BECKIE CROMER AND PAM HOLLE - HOUSING BOARD

A motion was made by Council person Scholl and seconded by Council person Dougherty to approve the appointment of Brian Poppe, Beckie Cromer and Pam Holle to the Housing Board. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Nussbaum. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM - WEDDING RECEPTION - ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD - JULY 30, 2016

A motion was made by Council person Nolte and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a Wedding Reception on July 30, 2016 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL - PRICHARD AUDITORIUM - JULY 30, 2016

A motion was made by Council person Nussbaum and seconded by Council person Wisdom to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Wedding Reception at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on July 30, 2016, as presented and

to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Eric D. Froeschl is required to file a Certificate of Insurance with the City showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

2016 AUTOMATIC LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

A motion was made by Council member Nussbaum and seconded by Council member Wisdom to approve the 2016 Automatic Liquor License Renewals. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

ADDENDUM AGREEMENT WITH DRAINAGE DISTRICT #7

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Scholl to approve the Addendum agreement between the City and Drainage District #7 to change the location of the collector well and laterals. Utility Superintendent Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

LITIGATION UPDATE

City Attorney Mike Dunn addressed the Mayor and City Council on the different litigation cases the City is involved with. His summary is as follows. The case filed by David Leon Frederick against the City and Economic Development and Growth Enterprise, which stem from a public records request to EDGE by David Leon Frederick. This case was previously heard by the Nebraska Supreme Court, which ruled EDGE was not a public entity. Frederick made a motion to ask the district court to reopen this case. The District Court denied his motion. The next case is an action filed by Salem Grain, David Leon Frederick and William Lester against the City, Community Redevelopment Authority and Consolidated Grain & Barge, Co. which is an injunction case filed over 3 year ago. Plaintiffs filed a motion for leave to amend their complaint. The District Court denied their motion and set a trial date for the week of June 26, 2016. The Plaintiffs also filed a motion to revive the claim of William Lester in his estate in this injunction case, which the District Court did grant. The next case involved DH1 - vs City of Falls City. This case is where former City Attorney Doug Merz and the law firm of Dave Houghton assigned their attorney fees to an LLC called DH-1. These fees are based on a contingency fee contract relating to a lawsuit which the Houghton firm and Doug Merz pursued and won in Lancaster County District Court against the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool and Central Plains Energy Agency, which was lost on appeal. The City's position on this case is that no fees are owed as a result of the loss on appeal. Attorney Dunn said this case is moving slow and he had filed last week a motion to compel discovery which has since been resolved. He stated discovery will continue in this case.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:25P.M.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on February 16, 2016; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jom, City Clerk Jerry Oliver, Mayor

County Board

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MARCH 1, 2016 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, March 1, 2016. Roll call was answered by Standerford, Davidson and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Davidson. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse on the First Floor Lobby, the Commissioner's Meeting Room, the Third Floor of the Sheriff's Office and on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

SHERIFF, DON POUNDS

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the purchase order for the quote to purchase the equipment necessary for the implementation of modern information technology for the Jail/Law Enforcement Center estimated at \$17,016.00. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the proposal from Sheriff Pounds to contract with Joe Buckminster as the lead information technology professional for the installation and set-up of the equipment at the Richardson County Jail/Law Enforcement Center. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

ONE & SIX YEAR ROAD PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Sichel presented the proof of publication for a public hearing to be held to receive comment from the public regarding the County's 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Chairman Sichel declared the hearing open at 9:40 a.m. No one from the public appeared at the hearing.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 1 & 6 YEAR ROAD PLAN

Motion was made by Sichel to adopt Resolution 2015-2016-41 to approve the Richardson County 1 & 6 Year Road Plan as presented at the public hearing. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 23, Page 9)

Mr. Huppert also gave a report on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve an oversize/overweight vehicle permit on county roads and bridges from Baroff Heavy Hauling, LLC to operate an oversize/overweight vehicle or load over county roads and bridges between March 4 and March 7, 2016 following this route: 657 Avenue south on 716 Trail to west 4 miles, west to 715 Road, north to 652 Road, west 4 miles to 717 road to NE Hwy 67. Motion seconded by Standerford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-

aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER Monthly Operating Statement

The Board reviewed the February, 2016 monthly operating statement.

Insurance Bid

The Board will be meeting with Joe Miller of Miller-Monroe Insurance Agency at next week's meeting to review the County's insurance.

NE Equal Opportunity Commission Notice

Notice of determinations were received from the NE Equal Opportunity Commission on the following complaints that were filed against Richardson County by the following: Julie A. Houser, NE Age Discrimination in Employment Act, no reasonable cause was determined; Julie A. Houser, NE Fair Employment Practice Act, no reasonable cause was determined; David L. Clark, NE Fair Employment Practice Act, no reasonable cause was determined.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sichel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

Table with 2 columns: Item Name and Amount. Includes C&D Construction, James Cain, James Cockerham, Community Medical Center, etc.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Table with 2 columns: Item Name and Amount. Includes FC Journal, Haag Communications, Mainelli Wagner & Assoc., etc.

JUVENILE SERV GRANT FUND

Laura Osborne, reimb 37.80 TOTAL JUVENILE SERV GRANT FUND 37.80

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Payroll Expense 380.80 TOTAL NOX. WEED CONTROL FUND 380.80

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Standerford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

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

Village of Stella

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

Present: Chasity Davis, Heath Stanley, Jim Owings & Jerry Joy. Absent: Adam Stanley. Guests: Tracy Milke, Andy McMullen and Ty Wendle.

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. and Joy noted the posting of the open meeting act.

Motion by J Owings and second by H Stanley to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yea.

Motion by H Stanley and second by Owings to approve the treasurers report as presented. All voted yea.

Motion by Owings and second by H Stanley to pay the claims and payroll. All voted yea.

Richardson County Local Emergency Operations Plan - Ty Wendle explained the plan to the board members and presented a resolution #2016-11 which was passed and accepted by the board on a motion by Joy and a second by Owings. All voted yea. She also updated the status of the storm siren plan with the board.

Communications: Approval of audit waiver by Auditor of Public Accounts. Joy noted the success of the recent fish fry held by the local Firemen.

Committees: Streets - Owings noted that some alleys need some work. Lights - OK Park - OK. W&S: Written report by Milke. Tracy went over the sanitary survey with the board, noting items he has completed. Library - Written report by James. Maintenance Man - None. Planning - None. Tree - None. Health - None. Community Building - Will see about spraying for the flies and wasps. Main Street Improvement - None.

Playground - Plan to move the big slipper slide up to north park and get some new smaller equipment for the mini-park. Owings is working on getting the donor board done.

NPPD - Ely Building - NPPD will be moving the electric line from beside the building to 1 block south.

Water Billing Procedure - The ordinance was reviewed. Motion by Davis and second by H Stanley to send certified letter and shut off in two weeks. This will be their only notice as no one will go knock on the door, so bills need to be paid monthly to avoid shut-off with a charge to reconnect. Bills need to be paid in full. All present voted yea.

Tree in the mini-park is hollow and needs taken down. Wing will drop the tree for \$175 and then we will clean it up. Motion by Owings and second by H Stanley to have Wing drop the tree with all voting yea.

Clean Up Day - The date has been set for April 9 with the dumpsters in town from approximately the 6th through the 12th. One dumpster by the station and one by the brush pile.

Speed Bumps and Sign have been put on Vine due to people driving too fast with several children in the area.

Joy proposed an honor of some sort for Jim Morris and his success as a coach, possibly tying it in with the park open house. Motion by Owings and second by Davis to have Joy check into details. All voted yea.

Nemaha NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan - Will table until we get copy of plan.

Water shut-offs were signed.

Motion by Davis and second by Owings to adjourn at 8:15 P.M. All voted yea.

Vicki Owings, Clerk

March Claims and Payroll

Zac Vice, \$40.00; Ne Public Health Environmental Labs, \$15.00; OPPD, \$490.61; USA BlueBook, \$111.35; Midwest Labs, \$76.62; Vice Oil, \$10.72; Falls City Journal, \$55.53; Vicki Owings, \$525.00; Tracy Milke, \$250.00; American Recycling & Sanitation, \$1040.00; Aaron Davis, \$225.00; Sue James, \$130.00; NPPD, \$1251.36; SE NE Communications, \$204.63; Tracy Milke, \$212.23; Vicki Owings, \$136.31; Internal Revenue Service, \$185.90; Noah Vice, \$297.50.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Julie LaRae Wilcox, dated November 13, 2009, and recorded on November 16, 2009, in Book No. 238, at Page 219 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Richardson County, Nebraska, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on April 14, 2016, at 10:00 AM, at the main lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash:

LOT 7 AND 8 AND NORTH HALF OF LOT 9, BLOCK 129, ORIGINAL TOWN OF FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, commonly known as 1209 Fulton Street, Falls City, NE, 68355

subject to all prior easements, restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs.

Edward E. Brink, Successor Trustee

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose (No. 187052). For more information, visit www.Southlaw.com

1-8-15-22-29

STATE OF NEBRASKA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

SEEBA COMMODITIES, LLC

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is SEEBA COMMODITIES, LLC

SECOND: The street and mailing address of its designated office in the state of Nebraska is 2307 Chase St. Falls City, Nebraska 68355.

THIRD: The street and mailing address of its agent for service of process in the state of Nebraska is 2307 Chase St., Falls City, Nebraska 68355. The name of its agent for service of process is Ryan J. Seeba.

FOURTH: The personal liability of the members and managers of the company for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty shall be eliminated to the fullest extent permissible under Nebraska law. The company is authorized to indemnify its members and managers to the fullest extent permissible under Nebraska law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Organization on the date below.

Date: November 23, 2015

Ryan J. Seeba
2307 Chase St.
Falls City, NE 68355
Phone (402) 245-0155

1-8-15

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Richardson County Board of Commissioners will be accepting bids from a Certified Public Accountant for the purpose of conducting and completing an audit report of County Records for Fiscal Year End June 30, 2016. The audit report must be acceptable to the State of Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts. The review and all other fees and expenses will be at the expense of the bidder. The audit is to be completed by December 31, 2016.

The Board will also accept bids to consider a multiyear agreement of up to three years in which each year the audit is to be completed by December 31.

Bids must be submitted or mailed in a sealed envelope clearly marked "AUDIT BID" to the County Clerk's Office on or before 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 29, 2016, at which time they will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for public opening and review.

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Richardson County Board of Commissioners

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids, sealed and clearly labeled, "Mowing Bid" will be accepted at the County Clerk's Office, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at which time bids will be publicly opened for the mowing and trimming of the Courthouse lawn.

Specifications for the bid may be obtained at the Office of the Richardson County Clerk or on the Richardson County website at www.co.richardson.ne.us.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Richardson County Board of Commissioners

Mary L. Eickhoff, Richardson County Clerk

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NOTICE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7, RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Notice is hereby given that an election for the purpose of electing one director for Drainage District No. 7 of Richardson County, Nebraska for a term of five years will be held on April 12, 2016 at the Office of the County Clerk in the Courthouse at Falls City, Nebraska. Polls will be open on said date from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m.

The director whose term is currently expiring is Bob Morehead. Any person or the officer or representative of any corporation owning or controlling any land assessed for benefits may be a director.

The legal voters in said District shall have one vote for each unit of benefit apportioned against the land owned by the voter.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2016.

Paul H. Benitz, President
DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7 of
Richardson County, Nebraska

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NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS

TO: Defendants Spouse of Timothy O'Leary Boles, real name unknown, and John Doe and Jane Doe, real names and marital status unknown.

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of January, 2016, Matrix Financial Services Corporation, as the plaintiff, filed its Complaint in the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, Case No. CI 16-9, against Timothy O'Leary Boles; Spouse of Timothy O'Leary Boles, real name unknown; and John Doe and Jane Doe, real names and marital status unknown, the object and prayer of which is to foreclose a certain deed of trust for \$88,516.00 on the property described as:

Tract No. 1: Lots Four (4) and Five (5), Block Twenty-five (25), A.R. Luther Nim's Addition to the City of Humboldt, Richardson County, Nebraska. (Commonly known as 119 South Nema-ha Street, Humboldt, Nebraska 68376)

Tract No. 2: Beginning 16 1/2 Feet West of the Northwest corner of Lot Six (6), Block Twenty-Five (25), A.R. & Luther Nim's Addition to the City of Humboldt, Richardson County, Nebraska, thence running East a distance of 66.5 Feet; Thence South 98 Feet; thence West 66.5 Feet; thence North 98 Feet to the place of beginning, all in said Block Twenty-Five (25), except covenants, restrictions and easements of record, if any. (Commonly known as 914 Mechanic Street, Humboldt, Nebraska 68376),

which was executed on November 27, 2012, by Timothy O'Leary Boles, and delivered to Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, Beneficiary, and which was duly recorded on November 28, 2012 in Book 251 at Page 007 of the Mortgage Records in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Richardson County, Nebraska. Such deed of trust was given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in writing dated November 27, 2012.

The plaintiff alleges in its Complaint that there is now due the plaintiff on said note the principal sum of \$83,970.48, together with interest thereon from June 1, 2015 at the rate of 3.260% per annum. The plaintiff is the owner of the beneficial interest under such deed of trust, and is the holder of the indebtedness secured thereby.

The plaintiff prays that in default of payment by the defendants of the amount due the plaintiff as aforesaid, such mortgaged premises be decreed to be sold according to law to satisfy the sums found due the plaintiff, with interest and costs of suit, and that such defendants be forever barred and foreclosed of all right, title, lien, equity of redemption or other interest in, to and upon such mortgaged premises.

You are required to answer such Complaint on or before the 22 day of April, 2016.

MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

By: ERIC H. LINDQUIST, P.C., L.L.O.
8712 WEST DODGE ROAD, #260
OMAHA, NEBRASKA 68114
TELEPHONE (402) 829-0400
Its Attorney
elindquist@elindquistlaw.com
8-15-22

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF F & F FIREARMS, LLC

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have formed a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Nebraska as follows:

- The name of the company is F & F Firearms, LLC.
- The address of the initial registered office is 2205 North 6th Street, Suite 10A, Beatrice, NE 68310, and the initial registered agent at that address is Andrew K. Carothers.
- The limited liability company commenced existence on the filing and recording of its Certificate of Organization with the Secretary of State on January 11, 2016, and shall be perpetual.
- The affairs of the limited liability company shall be conducted by its managing members, Shawn M. Fouraker and Ryan J. Fee.
Dated this 23rd day of February, 2016.

/s/ Shawn M. Fouraker
/s/ Ryan J. Fee

Andrew K. Carothers, #19032
Willett & Carothers
2205 North 6th Street, Suite 10A
P.O. Box 218
Beatrice, NE 68310
(402) 228-3424

1-8-15

NOTICE TO CULVERT SUPPLIERS

Sealed bids, clearly marked "SEALED CULVERT BID" will be received at the office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355, until 11:30 a.m. on March 29, 2016 and at that time publicly opened and read.

Bidding documents are available at www.co.richardson.ne.us/ or may be obtained by calling 402-245-2614.
Richardson County reserves the right to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

Scott Huppert
Richardson County Highway Superintendent

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NOTICE TO STEEL SUPPLIERS

Sealed bids, clearly marked "SEALED STEEL BID" will be received at the office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, until 11:15 a.m. on March 29, 2016 and at that time publicly opened and read, for furnishing structural steel per specifications, United States milled only.
Bidding documents are available at www.co.richardson.ne.us/ or may be obtained by calling 402-245-2614.

Richardson County reserves the right to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

Scott Huppert
Richardson County Highway Superintendent

15-22

NOTICE

Estate of Robert W. Hinks, Deceased
Estate No. PR 15-47

Notice is hereby given that a final account and report of administration and a Petition for complete settlement, adjudication of intestacy, determination of heirs, and determination of inheritance tax have been filed and are set for hearing in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska located at Falls City, Nebraska on March 30, 2016 at or after 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Roger Goos
222 Ridge St.
Dawson, NE 68337

Allen Fankhauser, #11239
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey, & Merwin
PC, LLO
Box 126, 713 Fourth Street
Humboldt, NE 68376
402-862-2321

8-15-22

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-100

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF GOLF CAR VEHICLES ON STREETS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF FALLS CITY UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; TO SET RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SUCH USE; TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO OPERATE SUCH VEHICLES CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-635 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-635 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; DEFINED AS A MOTOR VEHICLE.

Every golf car vehicle as defined by the statutes of the State of Nebraska or this Code, which are operated within the jurisdiction of the city, are hereby declared to be a motor vehicle and subject to all of the motor vehicle rules of the road and traffic laws.

Section 2. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-636 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-636 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; OPERATION.

A golf car vehicle may be operated on streets and alleys within the corporate limits of the city only if the operator and the vehicle comply with the provisions of this article.

When operated on a city street, roadway or alley, the golf car shall be equipped with a bicycle safety flag which extends not less than five feet (5') above the ground and attached to the rear of the vehicle. The bicycle safety flag shall be triangular in shape with an area of not less than thirty (30) square inches and shall be day-glow in color.

Section 3. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-637 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-637 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; OPERATORS LICENSE REQUIRED.

Any person operating a golf car vehicle on the streets and alleys within the corporate limits of the city shall have a valid Class O operator's license.

Section 4. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-638 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-638 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; INSURANCE AND PERMIT FEE.

(a) The owner of the golf car vehicle shall have liability insurance coverage for the golf car vehicle. The person operating the golf car vehicle shall provide proof of such insurance coverage to any peace officer requesting such proof within five days after such a request. The liability insurance coverage shall be subject to limits, exclusive of interest and costs, be at least in the amounts as follows: Twenty-five thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to such limit for one person, fifty thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and twenty-five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any golf car vehicle on the city streets or alleys in the city until the owner has demonstrated proof of insurance to the city police department and obtained an insurance decal for the current year. The city police department will issue a decal for the current year that must be affixed to the golf car vehicle in a conspicuous place where visible from the rear of the vehicle. The city will charge a fee for the issuance of the permit in the amount of \$60.00 dollars.

(c) The certificate shall be an annual permit from January 1 through December 31 of each year. The operator shall have until January 31 of the following year to re-new the certificate without being charged with a violation of this section. During the first year that a certificate is purchased the fee will be prorated from the month that the certificate is obtained through December in the manner established by the city.

(d) Any permit purchased by a person for the same vehicle in a subsequent year shall not be prorated.

Section 5. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-639 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-639 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; HOURS OF OPERATION.

A golf car vehicle may only be operated upon the streets and alleys of the city between sunrise and sunset.

Section 6. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-640 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-640 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; STREET POSTED SPEED LIMIT AND SPEED OF VEHLICE.

A golf car vehicle may only be operated upon the streets and alleys of the city on streets with a posted speed limit of thirty-five miles per hour or less. When operating a golf car vehicle as authorized under this subsection, the operator shall not operate such vehicle at a speed in excess of twenty miles per hour.

Section 7. That Chapter 5, Article 6, Section 5-641 be added to the Municipal Code of the City of Falls City as follows:

§ 5-641 GOLF CAR VEHICLE; USE ON HIGHWAYS AND PORTION OF STONE STREET PROHIBITED.

A golf car vehicle may not be operated upon the streets of the City which are a state or federal highway or on that portion of Stone Street from 14th Street to 19th Street, except to cross the same. Crossing of a highway or that portion of Stone Street from 14th Street to 19th Street shall be permitted by a golf car vehicle only if:

(a) The crossing is made at an angle of approximately ninety degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;

(b) The golf car vehicle is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or roadway of the highway;

(c) The operator yields the right-of-way to all oncoming traffic that constitutes an immediate potential hazard; and

(d) In crossing a divided highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such highway with a street or road, as applicable.

For purposes of this section:

(a) Road means a public way for the purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire area within the right-of-way; and

(b) Street means a public way for the purposes of vehicular travel in a city or village and includes the entire area within the right-of-way.

Section 8. That persons violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to the Penalties as set out in Section 5-701 of the Falls City Municipal Code.

Section 9. That all ordinances passed and approved prior to the passage, approval and publication or posting of this ordinance and in conflict with its provisions, are hereby repealed.

Section 10. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed and approved this 7 day of March, 2016.

Gary Jom, City Clerk
Jerry Oliver, Mayor
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B.O.P.W.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

February 18, 2016

2307 Barada Street - Falls City, Nebraska

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street in said City on the 18th day of February, 2016, at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: Board Members: Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. Absent: Murphy. Alan Romine recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Bartek to approve the minutes for the February 4, 2016 meeting with the correction of the second for claims. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to approve the February 18, 2016 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

OLSSON ASSOCIATES - LETTER

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT #1

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to recommend Olsson Associates letter agreement amendment #1 for \$29,500.00 to the City Council for approval. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

NEW GENERATION - BIDS

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Nelson to table new generation bids until the next meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

REPLACEMENT OF BIOLACK SYSTEM

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Albu to authorize the Utility Superintendent to obtain bids for the replacement of Aerator Basin #1 aeration system. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board on February 18, 2016; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jom, City Clerk
Marshall Nelson, Secretary
Merle Veigel, Chairman

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

February 4, 2016

2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street in said City on the 4th day of February, 2016, at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: Board Members: Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. Absent: Albu, Murphy. Alan Romine recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Bartek to approve the minutes for the January 21, 2016 meeting as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to approve the February 4, 2016 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Bartek to approve the Superintendent's report as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

RATE STUDY

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to accept an agreement letter from JK Consulting for a 3 year rate study at a cost of \$18,000 subject to legal review. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Bartek to approve participating in the National Night Out event. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to approve the claims for February, 2016 as follows: Electric Department - \$215,604.00, Water Department - \$52,320.50; Mechanic Shop - \$5,798.83; Gas Department - \$70,605.43; Sewer - \$34,357.47. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board on February 4, 2016; that all of the subjects includ-

ed in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jom, City Clerk
Marshall Nelson, Secretary
Merle Veigel, Chairman

City Council

**Falls City Council Agenda
City Council Chambers, 2307 Barada Street
Falls City, NE 68355
Phone (402) 245-2707
March 21, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.**

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NOTICE - CEMETERY LABOR JOB OPENINGS
 Applications will be received at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska, until 4:00 P.M., April 1, 2016, for the positions of Temporary Laborers at the Steele Cemetery, Falls City, Nebraska. The individuals hired will be scheduled to work the months of May 2, 2016 through September 2016. Pre-employment drug testing is mandatory. The job description and qualifications for the position are at the City Hall or on the web at www.dol.nebraska.gov. The City of Falls City is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 10-11

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A big thank you to all my family and friends who remembered me on my 90th birthday with cards and calls.
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SEZ-I

‘What Rule Of Law?’

Two principles form the bedrock of a fecund society – freedom of expression and the rule of law. In their absence, society degenerates into unrestrained plutocracy where wealthy elites control every institution of government whether that be the executive, legislative, or judicial branch. Here, I examine the machinations of the judicial branch of government with an eye toward its faltering legitimacy.

It's argued that an independent judicial system free from the turpitude of political influence is important for the operation of a free society. Yet, this is not what we have in Nebraska. My experience with the Nebraska legal system lends credence to the notion that something is indeed rotten in Denmark. One need look no further than the behavior of judges like the "honorable" Timothy P. Burns and their partners in ignominy such as Douglas County Court Clerk John Friend.

Here's an example that I'm sure you'll get a real kick out of. A vindictive political subdivision (the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District), needing to cover up its exposed illegalities, hired a politically-connected law firm (Husch-Blackwell), led by a University of Nebraska Regent (Hal Daub), to do its dirty work and silence me. After wasting the court's precious time with years of harassment, the PMRNRD had no choice but to voluntarily dismiss their own proposed court injunction to prevent me from speaking to my constituents. And, on September 21, 2015, the judge in the case, Judge Timothy P. Burns, much as it had to

pain him, issued a Dismissal Order with no damages.

After lining the pockets of Husch-Blackwell to the tune of over \$100,000 in this frivolous lawsuit, the PMRNRD, in cooperation with Judge Timothy P. Burns and Douglas County Court Clerk John Friend, could not let it go. They had to devise a scheme to justify Husch-Blackwell's taxpayer-funded kickback. So, what happened? Why, Judge Timothy P. Burns and Douglas County District Court Clerk John Friend started backdating and filing illegitimate court documents, of course! Judge Burns even met with Husch-Blackwell attorneys, alone, in his private chambers without opposing counsel present – a direct violation of the court's ex parte rules. I know; as, coincidentally, I happened to be at the courthouse that day and observed the judge and the Husch-Blackwell attorney slink away together.

In their zeal to cover up the whole sordid mess, Judge Timothy P. Burns, on February 3, 2016, issued a Writ of Execution Order in a closed case! This illegal order was then followed by a second illegal order for salary garnishment, which has subsequently been applied to a joint bank account held by a private business no less! Moreover, the illegal Writ of Execution Order names one, K.C. Engdahl, as being responsible for the salary garnishment. Yet, the court has only attempted to extort money from me. Perhaps Mr. Engdahl himself cut a deal with Husch-Blackwell, the unscrupulous Judge, and the Court Clerk? Could it be that he was being blackmailed?

What skeletons are in Judge Timothy P. Burns' and District Court Clerk John Friend's closet that they would illegally seek damages in a closed case? Any competent judge, after all, is familiar with the precedent of Schroeder v. Schroeder, 233 Neb. 684, 392 N.W.2d 787 (1986), which states: "Once the petition was dismissed, there was nothing invoking the court's jurisdiction over the parties. The order(s) of the court perished at the moment the suit ceased to exist."

In response to the gross injustices perpetrated by Judge Timothy P. Burns, I am filing a formal complaint with the Administrative Dep-



Photos by Chelsie Alexander

(TOP) Sun Mart of Falls City recently donated \$1,000 to Sacred Heart School as part of its "Support Our Schools" campaign. The store's general manager, Angie Phroper, presented the check to Sacred Heart School Superintendent Fr. Tom Dunavan (photographed, far right) and others, from left: Volunteer Kerry Tramp and students Blake Dougherty, Jack Fiegenger, Morgan Mattan, Dalton Fouraker, Del Casteel, Calvin Crouse, Danielle Bippes and Elle Froeschl. Families from schools participating in the "Support Our Schools" campaign collect Sun Mart cash register receipts and the company makes a \$1,000 donation for every \$150,000 returned. Sun Mart also donated 58 coats to both Sacred Heart and FC Public Schools (RIGHT) to give to needy area children. FCPS Supt. Tim Heckenlively is shown here accepting the donated coats from Phroper.



uty State Court of Administrator of Court Programs and Services Administrative Offices of the Courts & Probation. Unfortunately, I am not alone in exposing judicial injustice. In the last year alone, nearly 60 cases of impropriety were filed against judges. As an interesting side note, I also recently attempted to lodge a formal complaint against the Douglas County Court Clerk, John Friend. However, I was told that he was above the law and that nothing could be done. "Above." "The." "Law." Thought-provoking, isn't it?

It's no wonder that newly-minted politicians like Donald Trump are attracting such great interest in this presidential election cycle. With "public servants" like Timothy P. Burns and John Friend, is it any real surprise why people are so exasperated. Nevertheless, I've got some news for those establishment types who would seek to impugn the common man. A populist revolution is brewing on the horizon, and it's only a matter of time before citizens unite and take back their freedoms. In the end, one would hate to be on the losing side of that coin.

Scott Japp, Arlington, NE 402-639-6653

Society

Area Bridge

Nancy Wittwer, Nancy Demmel, Dennie Dixon and Myrt Arnold won the prizes when Falls City Area Bridge met March 8. Four tables of bridge were played. The hostesses were Renie Gerweck and Lorna Simon. Judy Munn and Della Meyer will host the next session on March 22.

Egg season upon us

The Stella Research Club will be having its annual egg hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 26, at the city park. In case of rain, it will be held at the Stella Fire Hall.

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