

Bowl game after bowl game after bowl game. Politician after politician after politician. Oh, for a few re-runs of 'I Love Lucy.'

County agrees to Armory lease

The Richardson County Commissioners, meeting in regular session at the Courthouse on Tuesday, Dec. 27, approved an agreement to lease part of the Armory building to a Minnesota firm.

Effective Jan. 1, Telecom Construction will lease office space on the south side of the Armory, as well as two large storage areas in the building. Monthly rent will be \$800. The building is leased on a month-to-month basis. The county will retain use of non-leased parts of the Armory.

Telecom Construction crews have been installing fiber optic cable in Falls City and Richardson County in Southeast Nebraska Communication's major Fiber To The Home project.

Commissioners Dave Sickel, Bill Ely and Jim Davidson were unanimous in approving the agreement, signed by Chairman Sickel.

After a review with Highway Supt. Scott Huppert, the commissioners voted to award the bid for tires to Harmon's OK Tire of Falls City. Harmon's submitted the low bid of \$19,965.04 for 12 grader tires, 16 drive tires and 10 steer/trailer tires, all to be used by the Roads Department. Bids were also received from Topeka, Omaha and Lincoln businesses.

A bridge abutment/wing repair bid was also opened, accepted for review and then tabled after a discussion with the county's

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Two Thousand Eleven 'Under water'

"Under water"

was a much-used term in 2011, describing homeowners whose mortgages far exceeded the value of their homes. It took on a much more literal meaning in much of Nebraska, western Iowa and northwest Missouri in 2011, as a record-breaking flood inundated the region for much of the spring, summer and into the fall.

Locally, the effects were experienced most drastically at Rulo, where the floodwaters continued to rise and spread, eventually causing the closure of the Missouri River Bridge on June 23. Because of serious and extended flooding on the Missouri side, the bridge did not reopen until Dec. 18.

Residents — and bottom ground farmers — knew they were in for a tough summer early in June. By June 9, the Big Lake area had been largely abandoned and travel was threatened for those hoping to get to I-29. Just a few weeks later, that route, and many others from northeast Nebraska to southeast Nebraska

Flooding delays bridge project

By the time the bridge project was set to begin, the area was already flooded. The project was delayed for several weeks. The bridge was finally opened on Dec. 18.

Ballpark pledges bid \$1.125 million

Ground breaks at housing development

No trivial pursuit

17-year-old taken at gunpoint following hour-long police chase



Escapes appears in Court

Mighty Mo locks down entire region

God Bless the people of Joplin



and beyond, was closed — and not just for days but for months.

The unprecedented amount of water, blamed on huge snowmelt and excessive rainfall, prompted a tremendous release of water from upper Missouri River dams. Corps of Engineers managers were the targets of lots of criticism, but were later found to have been largely powerless in staving off the floodwaters.

For Richardson County, damage to farm ground was in the millions. Commerce to and from Missouri was virtually im-

possible for six months, directly and negatively impacting local merchants. Work on the new bridge at Rulo was halted, setting the project back by untold months.

When the floodwaters finally receded, the damage to roads on the Missouri side of the river was immense. Swirling waters scrubbed scour holes that took tons of rock to fill, not only on Hwy. 159 east of Rulo, but also east of Brownville, too.

The economic impact of the never-ending flood is still being

calculated.

Ease of travel had received a boost in January, when Highway 73, north of Falls City, reopened after 10 months of reconstruction. Difficult detour routes had made travel dangerous and expensive, as area drivers experienced more than a few flat tires and damage to suspension systems on their cars and trucks.

In late spring, the Ballpark Improvement Committee held public meetings before launching

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Three traffic fatalities in county in '11

Traffic accidents on Richardson County roads and highways took the lives of three persons in 2011.

One of the fatalities was in a tractor accident northeast of Falls City, a motorcyclist was killed in a traffic accident on Highway 73 south of Falls City and the third was in a traffic accident on Highway 75 at the north edge of the county.

No other violent deaths were reported in 2011.

Following is the list of countyans and former countyans who passed away during the year and whose obituaries appeared in the Journal:

January

1. Carrol E. Noa, 87, Stella native, Nemaha.
2. Eva A. "Tiny" Wittwer, 91, Salem.
4. Helen A. Moore, 93.
5. Lawrence J. Clancy, 58, Humboldt.
6. Sherry L. Huppert, 54.
7. Barbara S. Jones, 69, former Falls Cityan, Gering.
10. Esther M. Wittrock-Breden, 80, Falls City native, La Follette, TN.
11. David W Joy, 71, Falls City native, Lee's Summit, MO; Frances M. Werner, 84, Humboldt native, Lincoln.
14. Everett A. Niemeyer, 81, Falls City native, Lincoln.
15. Lorraine Albert, 90, Falls City native, Ft. Collins, CO.
17. Judith Ann Stephenson, 78,

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Pretty in Pink



Falls City Sacred Heart's "Pink Out" event to raise money and awareness for the Richardson County Cancer Fund was a big success, generating \$373 for the Fund (Chair Peggy Davidson is shown at the right receiving the money from FCSH Superintendent Msgr. Robert Roh), as well as much enthusiasm from the youngsters, particularly these ladies photographed at the top, from left: Taylor Frederick, Rachel Magdanz, Emma Frederick, Lainey Ebel and Lauren Malone. Mrs. Davidson reported that the Cancer Fund has contributed a total of \$82,400 to 94 cancer patients in the county the past two years.



Photos by Randy Gottula

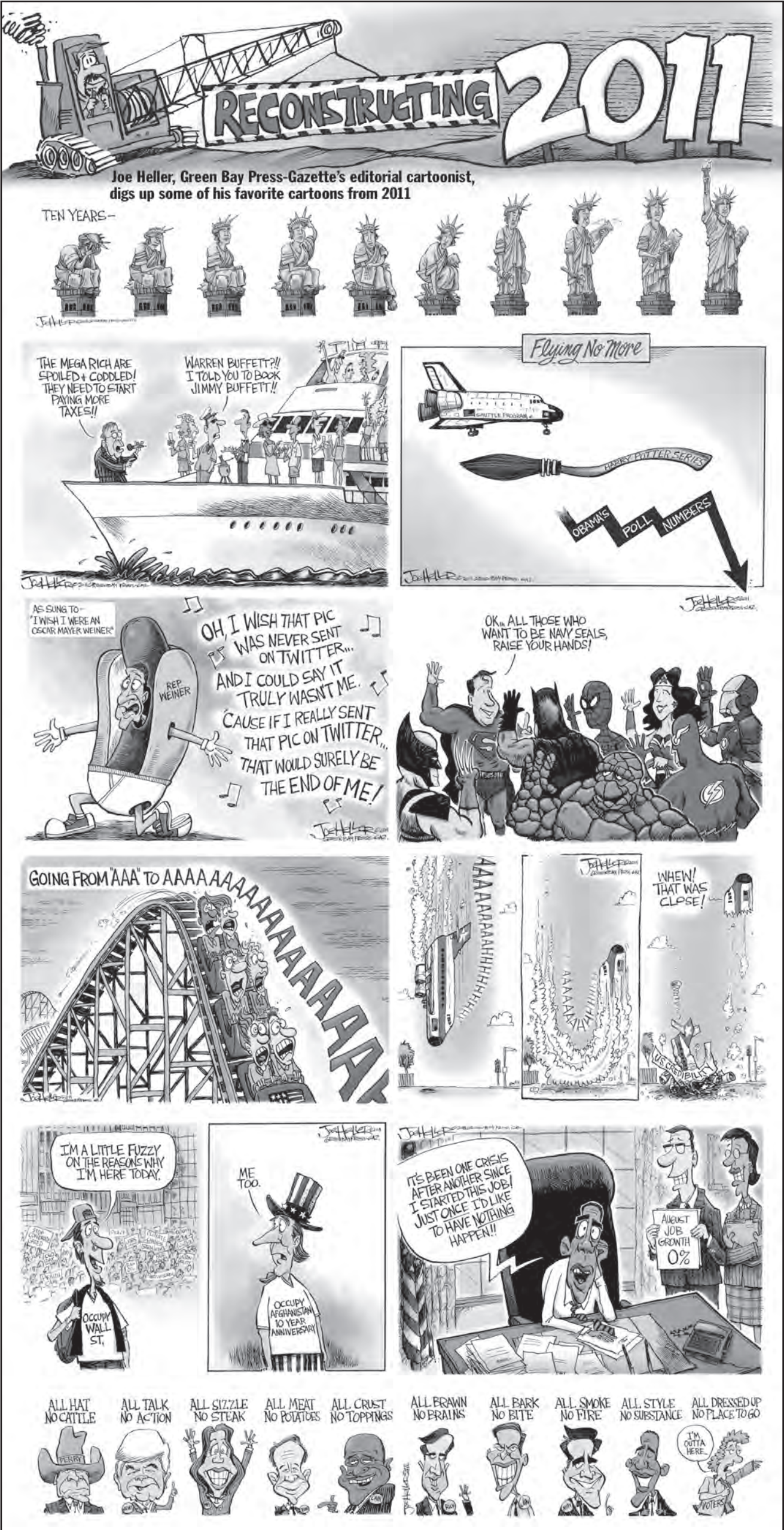
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I'm not one to make a bunch of New Year's resolutions, thus avoiding the guilt from not keeping them. But a thought's been brewing in my mind in recent days. It's time to finally show some gumption and put personal declarations out there for all Journal readers to see. All of the following may not fall into the "resolution" category, but hopefully you'll get the drift. Starting Jan. 1, 2012, I promise myself to:

- Overcome my addiction to hip-hop music. By New Year's Day, I will have hopped my last hip and hipped my final hop.
- Form a new club: the over-60-male late-night, early-morning indoor short walk group. Guys over 60 will know what I'm talking about here. John Weaver of Santa Barbara, CA, will be installed as president during a 4:30 a.m. conference call linking restrooms nationwide.
- Discontinue daily swim workouts in the Missouri River until the Corps of Engineers is relieved of its water-flow responsibilities.
- Do everything in my power to make Triscuits the No. 1 cracker in the Midwest.
- Learn how to pronounce misogamy and find out what the word means.
- Find one network TV show, in addition to "60 Minutes," I can actually watch.
- Encourage the "Healthy Choice" frozen dinner people to replace broccoli with any other vegetable in just a few of their meals.
- Urge Bob Kerrey to move back to Nebraska for obvious (to me) reasons.
- Stop using the term "far out," in respect to a recent column by the Omaha World-Herald's Bob Nelson. Or whatever.
- Put a stop to my personal foreign aid contributions to Pakistan.
- Study the finer points of taxidermy, then stuff a squirrel.
- Compare and contrast Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Rick Santorum, Michelle Bachmann, Herman (The Hermanater) Cain and Jon Huntsman and settle, once and for all, who is the true conservative.
- Develop a list that rates the top five brands of bottled water. Then always carry around my top choice.
- Find out how to send a signal to outer space that pleads with all the aliens to stop bugging me.
- Expand my coveted collection of Gary Busey movies. The man can act.
- Work tirelessly to remove "The Apprentice" and its host from our air.
- Rake leaves and clean out the garage BEFORE winter.
- Buy a pair of leather pants and hang them in my closet as a reminder of what might have been but now will never be.
- Cut my intake of Starbucks Caff  Verona  in half, to 25 cups a day, except on weekends.
- Write a "Sez I" reminding readers that the Journal welcomes their signed opinions.
- Put a large note on the steering wheel of my car pointing out the urgency of raising the garage door before backing out. So far, not a problem, but you never know and what's another note, anyway?
- Find a dishwasher detergent I can live with.
- Re-read and re-watch "To Kill a Mockingbird," hoping that Tom doesn't die at the end.
- Practice, practice, practice until every remote I own can be operated in complete darkness.
- Purchase the "Book of Football Humor" and send it to Coach Bo.
- Never vote for anyone who refuses to negotiate with the other side.
- Require that Journal carriers who are not accompanied by their parents on routes learn how to read house numbers.
- Clean off my desk. Wonder what's under there?
- Realize that the "missing link" just might live in Richardson County.
- Wish all Journal readers and advertisers a Happy and Prosperous New Year and pledge to do a better job in 2012.



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THEME: Winter Fun

ACROSS

- Found on a necklace
- Cul de ____
- Loads
- Furry coats
- Make a mistake
- *Snow impression
- Nets basketball coach
- Major record label
- Bogart's "Key ____"
- *Dripped shape
- *Like cleanest snow?
- Sigma ____ Epsilon
- Never wave the white one?
- Bayerische Motoren Werke
- Somebody ____
- *It means more winter?
- Paper unit
- One of many on a list
- Pro teams do this all the time
- Therefore
- *"The Bear Who ____ Through Christmas"
- Algonquian people
- Sour in taste
- Dunking treat
- Retained
- Often done for ransom
- "Eternal life" character
- ____ & the Family Stone"
- It's projected in frames
- Long time
- *Popular sculpture
- Result of audience demand
- Hades river with magic water
- Cause annoyance in or disturb
- Native of American Great Plains
- Worry
- Female reproductive cell, pl.
- Ruhr's industrial center
- Between stop and roll
- Type of sweet potato
- Used in fermenting

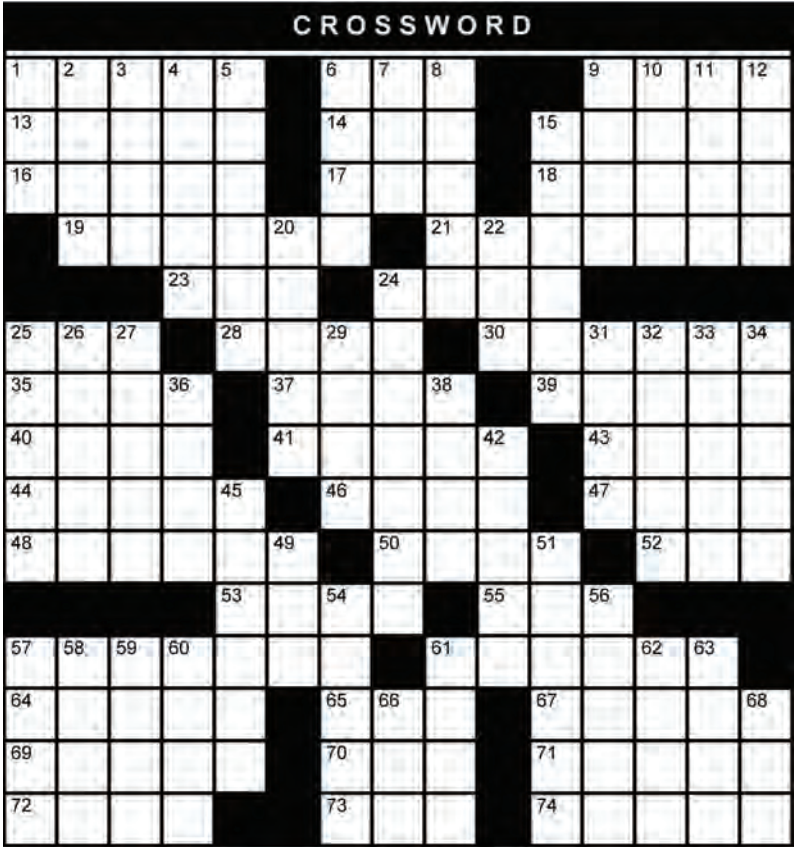
DOWN

- Accounting degree
- ____ Strauss
- Actor recently kicked off airplane
- Used for landing
- Psychologist's domain
- Withered
- Part of a circle
- Front ____ in swimming
- Annoying biter
- Mike Myers animated character
- What panhandler does
- Vegas bandit
- Abilize

- Jaunty rhythms
- Possesses
- F in FBI
- *No school
- Sarkozy's thank you
- Engaged, as in war
- Unaccompanied
- St. Louis monument
- Challenges
- Nancy ____ of "Entertainment Tonight"
- Like untended garden
- Between dawn and noon
- Welcoming sign
- ____ of appreciation
- Male mixologists

- Princess tester?
- *It features six on six
- Diplomat on a mission
- It can be loud or white
- *Pulled ride
- Not far
- Von Bismarck or Hahn, e.g.
- Wallop
- Ophthalmologist's check-up, e.g.
- Civil Rights icon
- Female sheep, pl.
- Actress Longoria
- The little one "stopped to tie his shoe"

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*A Capitol Commentary
By Mary Kay Quinlan,
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Nebraska political junkies got a new fix this week when Democratic Sen. Ben Nelson announced he would not seek reelection, setting off speculation about who the state's Democrats might find to run for the open seat against a field of well-heeled and long-running Republicans.

One of the possibilities, former Lt. Gov. Kim Robak, was quoted as saying she'd consider running, but that the political divisiveness in Washington, D.C., was a less than attractive feature of the job.

Think about that for a minute.

Robak, like all political figures, no doubt has supporters and detractors. But she is an intelligent, respected Lincoln attorney, and surely is an example of the type of people whose credentials plausibly fit them for public office.

But if the intensely partisan atmosphere in Washington turns off too many such potential candidates, who do we have left to choose from? Just the people who like to hear themselves talk? The people who just like to argue in front of television cameras? The people who are gifted at crafting sound bites—or hiring staff who can do so?

Current events watchers who pay attention to government, especially at the national level, have been treated in recent months to a seemingly never-ending display of line-in-the-sand partisan stand-offs on jobs, taxes, Social Security, spending cuts, you name it. The rhetoric inevitably features one side or the other adamantly rejecting the mere notion of compromise on the issue du jour.

When did compromise become a four-letter word?

Perhaps our elected officials would do well to return to their local high school's American history class. Most Nebraska youth take it in 11th grade. That's where they learn that our very system of government was born in compromise and is predicated on the notion that people with intensely held views can find common ground.

It was at the Constitutional Convention of 1787 in Philadelphia when representatives from Connecticut proposed what became known as the Great Compromise, breaking a deadlock that threatened to derail the entire process. Under the proposal, each state would be assigned a number of votes in House of Representatives proportional to its population while all states would have an equal voice in the Senate.

The Great Compromise passed by just one vote. But it passed. And the blueprint laid out in 1787 has kept us going for more than two centuries.

American history is full of such compromises, of greater and lesser magnitude. Indeed, most Nebraskans are familiar with, if not always satisfied with, compromises in all aspects of community—and family—life.

Civic clubs, Scout organizations, student councils, garden clubs, church groups, merchants' associations and all manner of other groups in every Nebraska community survive because their members know how to find compromises on the issues they face.

The ones that refuse to compromise and routinely freeze out people with new ideas eventually wither and lose effectiveness. So why have we allowed political agenda setters to decry compromise when we all know from our firsthand experience that it takes compromise to make things work?

Perhaps if more voters let their elected officials know they care about solutions to problems facing the nation, and not just rhetoric that panders to political extremes, policy makers would be inclined to reconsider the value of compromise and thereby change the nature of discourse on Capitol Hill.

A lot to hope for? Perhaps. But if the delegates to the Continental Congress managed to craft a compromise when the formation of a nation was at stake, surely we can expect no less from our 21st century lawmakers—and ourselves.

Cross Winds to remain open

Richard Martin, Executive Director of the Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce, has recently been advised by the Falls City Country Club and has confirmed with the management of CrossWinds Restaurant, the public dining room located at the County Club, that CrossWinds will not be closing at the end of the year.

As stated by John Martin, President of the Country Club, "I am pleased to report that Greg Strickland will continue with the CrossWinds Restaurant at the Falls City Country Club. As before, the restaurant will be open to the public with a great menu and a tremendous chef and staff. Greg and Lloyd were very touched by the very sincere outpouring of support for them and the disappointment members and the general public expressed at the thought of CrossWinds closing.

"We have come close to losing a valuable asset of the community and a fun place to obtain great food. Each board member singularly and together as an organization sincerely asks each of the members to patronize CrossWinds as much as you can."

Richard Martin reiterated: "The Chamber appreciates the efforts of everyone when keeping our city assets alive and committed to staying in Falls City. We look forward to celebrating and bringing in the New Year with all our Falls City merchants and encourage the public to remember them in the months ahead and to visit our local assets first and give them the last opportunity before making a purchase decision. It takes each and every one of us to keep our city strong and prosperous. Please remember to visit our local merchants and help keep Falls City strong."

He continued: "As we approach the eve of the 2012 New Year, it is important to reflect on the good and the not so good of the past 12 months. More than

ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have impacted our lives in a positive way and who have challenged us to raise the performance bar of progress. On behalf of the Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce I want to thank each and every one of you for making the Chamber's progress possible. We value our relationship and look forward to working with you, our merchants and the wonderful individuals who make up this membership in the exciting year to come.

"Falls City is a unique com-

munity and it is this uniqueness that makes our city stand above the rest. I am so proud of our town and the many things it has accomplished. Our success is a testament to working together for a common goal to benefit our community, our friends and our neighbors. Through the hearts and the vision of our membership we will surely have a prosperous, wonderful and fun year.

"I wish you a very Happy New Year, a year filled with peace, prosperity and the best of success for 2012."

Sez 'I'

The SENCA office provided help to families and individuals in need this holiday season with food baskets and new gifts for children. This year, 113 food baskets were provided and 275 children received gifts in the Richardson County area. This would not have been possible without the generous donations from individuals and organizations in our community.

Thank you to those of you that adopted a family through our office, the Pamida tree, the American National Bank of Humboldt tree, Northridge Church or Cooper Nuclear Station and those of you that donated to the Jingle Bell Ride or to the toy barrel at Dollar General.

Thank you to all of the organizations that did food and toy drives this year. I would also like to thank Randy Gottula and the Sun Mart staff who worked with me to provide food for over \$600 cheaper than it was valued. You all touched the hearts of a child this holiday season and made their holiday a memorable one. Thank you to those of you who have donated to the Food Pantry. Whether it was a monetary donation, food items or a donation of hats and gloves

or socks, we greatly appreciate your support. Your donations and support make it possible for SENCA to help so many families in our community.

The SENCA office is also in charge of The Salvation Army Bell Ringing campaign. This year, the bell ringing brought in over \$2500. Ninety percent of that will come back to Richardson County to help those in need. Thank you to all of the volunteers that donated their time for this project and to those of you that made a donation to the kettles.

Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped with the holiday distribution and Northridge Church for allowing us to use their building.

And finally, a very special thank you to Sherry Huddleston and her family who spent hours organizing and assembling baskets, gathering volunteers, distributing, and anything else that needed to get done for the Holiday event. Words cannot express how thankful I am to everyone in the community for all of your help this holiday season.

Melissa Hardenberger

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Elizabeth Hilgenfeld of Dawson was among Richardson County Farm Bureau members who attended the 2011 Nebraska Farm Bureau Convention in Kearney, Dec. 5 and 6, at which delegates elected Steve Nelson of Axtell as the new president for the state's largest farm organization. The delegates also adopted policies on state issues and made recommendations on national issues to the American Farm Bureau.

‘Locks of Love’ – It’s a family thing!

On Dec. 26, in keeping with the Christmas Giving spirit, Melanie Selleck, wife of Michael Selleck Jr., of Fortescue, Mo., along with their two daughters Kaite and Morgann, made a special trip to Bec’s Chair for Hair, 1617 McLean St., in Falls City. Together the three gals donated over 30 inches of hair to “Locks of Love,” a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. Locks of Love’s mission is to return a sense of self, confidence and normalcy to children suffering

from hair loss by utilizing donated ponytails to provide the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children. The children receive hair prostheses free of charge or on a sliding scale, based on financial need. To learn more visit their web site at: <http://www.locksoflove.org/mission.html>. This was Kaite’s second donation, and all three gals plan on re-growing their hair and doing this again in two years. For information on how you can donate hair contact Becky at Bec’s Chair for Hair at 402-245-6003.

Milford campuses.

To be recognized on SCC’s Dean’s List, a student must complete at least six quarter credit hours of the term with a minimum grade-point average of 3.5. Classes with a grade of “P” (Pass) do not count toward the six-hour minimum.

Local students recognized:

Dawson — Allison Marie Glathar, Associate of Arts;

Falls City — Desirae Marie Bennett, Associate of Arts; Casey A. Gerdes, Ag Business & Management Technology - AAS; Brandon J. Keithley, Parts Marketing & Management - AAS; Emily Elizabeth Pierson, Radiologic Technology - AAS.

Lincoln — Ashley Marie Lewis, Early Childhood Education - AAS.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A Card Shower
is being held for
Jane Weaver
who is celebrating her
Birthday on
Tues., Jan. 3
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Falls City Care Center
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Society

Reavis-Ashley DAR
The Reavis-Ashley Chapter DAR, Falls City, met Dec. 9 at Anne Moser’s home.
Joann Freeborn gave the program, “Women in the American Revolution War in Uniform and Out.” It detailed the life of Deborah Bradford Sampson, who fought in the Revolutionary War as a man, and her life afterward. In 1802 Paul Reeve encouraged her to give speeches and she became

the first woman lecturer. In 1805, George Washington wrote a letter to Congress to put her on the pension roll, which paid \$4. The service of other notable women was included in the presentation, as was an account of the Edenton Tea Party, in which 51 North Carolina women staged a protest similar to that of the Boston Tea Party.

Lola Droge called the meeting to order. Catherine Knapp read the President General’s message on the importance of voting in every election. Glenda Nelson gave the National Defense on the first place entry from the NSDAR contest Best Letter to Editor. Susan E. McCrobie wrote about the news coverage of two individuals’ return from Afghanistan in the final days of 2010.

During the meeting it was noted that Elma Ruth Yaussi, a member of the chapter for 20 years, had passed away in Kansas City Dec. 2, 2011.

The next meeting is Jan. 13 at the Bern Cafe.

Fairview Club

Mrs. Lewis Zentner was hostess when the Fairview Club met at her home for their Christmas meeting.

Mrs. Zentner was in charge of the business meeting. Roll was called with members responding with a favorite Christmas carol. Thanks were received from Southeast Nebraska Community Action and Principal Ernie Valentine, North Elementary School. The group gave gas cards to several families for their Christmas. Plans were made for the January meeting with husbands and other guests to be invited. Mrs. Zentner had several Christmas games and the rest of the afternoon was spent visiting and to close the hostess served refreshments.

The Jan. 19 meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zentner at 12 noon.

Students

Southeast Community College has released its Dean’s List for the quarter recently completed on the Beatrice, Lincoln and

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2011 Deaths

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Humboldt.
19. Brian Schuetz, 45.
2. Eleanor Nichols, 88; Albert W. Gruber Jr.
22. Harold R. Clark, 89.
27. Harold A. Schmidt, 89, county native, Lincoln.
29. Kenneth E. Snider, 61, Falls City native, Bloomfield, CO.

February

3. Raymond J. Darveau 81, Rulo native, Bartlesville, OK.
5. Norma D. Jensen, 77, formerly of Humboldt and Dawson, Lewes, Del.
7. Mary R. Radke, 91, Falls City native, Northlake, IL.
11. Lynette C. Wood, 50, Falls City native; Velma M. Shaffer, 89.
13. Lillian L. Jones, 89.
16. Allen L. English, 64.
17. Glenna F. Gibbs, 79, Rulo native, Hiawatha.
18. Lowell G. Stitzer, 65, Falls City native, Whittier, CA.
23. Norma G. Thackeray, 87, Princeton, MO.
24. Helen B. Iliff, 82, Falls City native, Tecumseh.
26. Charles E. Baker Sr., ex-countyan, Sabetha.
27. Norman L. Campbell, 69, Rulo native, Eureka Springs, AR.

March

7. Charles "Ray" Cromer, 90, Falls City native, Lincoln.
8. Denner I. Gibbs, 64, Humboldt native, Hawthorne, CA.
9. Michael J. Pagnano Jr., 47, Verdon.
10. Barbara Simmonds, 74, formerly of Rulo, Rockford, IL.
12. Donald B. Keyser, 92, Shubert native, Omaha.
15. Margaret Davis, 90, Humboldt.
17. Lester F. Ebel, 91, Rulo; Lela E. Peck, 99, Falls City native, Hastings.
21. Gilbert A. Thomas, 93.
23. Harry A. Swenson, 93.
30. Gladys E. Belden, 93, Stella native, Lincoln.

April

1. Mary Frances Hessler, 87, Humboldt.
5. Nora Marie Kinghorn, 91, formerly of Dawson, Lincoln.
6. Dale B. Darnell Jr., 62, Dawson; Carl V. Puallin, 62, Humboldt.
7. Virginia Katherine Marie Huettner, 97, Rulo native, Ellensburg, WA.
9. Everett M. Rieger, 96, Falls City native, San Diego, CA; Doris Jean Sherburne, 88, formerly of Humboldt, Issaquak, WA.
10. James W. Cartier, 62, rural Dawson.
11. Annamarie M. Mueller, 74, Falls City native, Hiawatha; Thomas W. Fee, 92, former Falls Cityan, Topeka, KS.
17. Helen C. Austin, 76, formerly of Dawson, Tarkio, MO; Terry L. Vonderschmidt, 76, Rulo native, Beatrice.
17. Scot Knudson, 45, Humboldt.
20. William J. Quinlan, 88, formerly of Dawson, Sabetha; John F. Gruber, 66.
23. Aaron O'Grady, 31; Ellen B. Goodloe, 98; Joan J. Chism, 29, Lincoln.
24. Harlan J. Morris, 69; Charles W. Sawyer, 82, Falls City native, Fayetteville, AR.
25. Dr. Robert E. Huettner, Falls City native, Omaha.
27. Blake W. Stitzer, 58, Falls City native, Denver.
28. Kenneth Capps, 63; Thelma M. Thomas, 100, Humboldt.
30. Mark J. Kreifels, 75; Charles W. Bauman, 85.

May

2. Charles D. Rock Sr., 69; Ralph German, 71, Verdon native, Urbandale, IA.
3. Judy A. Neal, 67, Falls City native, Sabetha.

5. Ronald F. White, 70, ex-Falls City, Baton Rouge, LA.
6. Charles W. Malcolm, 73.
7. Richard L. Oliver, 71, Falls City native, Beatrice; Helen Fehr, 83, Falls City native, Ponca.
10. Jean W. Bowers, 88; Laurence "Red" LeRoy Massy, 97, Humboldt.
21. Colleen Marx Hussenoder, 78.
23. Jo Ann Kalina, 72, ex-Falls City, Lincoln; Loretta B. Baxter, 95.
26. William F. "Bill" Kopetzky, 86.

June

2. Jason Ray Chandler Eickhoff, 47, Falls City native, King City, MO.
5. Robert L. Hoy, 90, Humboldt native, Eagle.
11. Lyle Fritz, 61, Verdon.
13. Rose Marie Burda, 64, Falls City native, Primrose.
14. Susie Elliott, 57, Dawson.
19. Phyllis Krause, 76; Edwin F. Carlson, 65, ex-Falls City, Paola, KS.
20. Robert G. Werner, 89, Preston native, White Beak Lake, MN ; Leo E. Carpenter, 62, Falls City native, Chickasha, OK.
21. Evelyn Virginia Marburger, 96, Humboldt; Bob K. Heineman, 76, Verdon native, Lee's Summit, MO.
24. Merle E. Byrom, 84, ex-Falls City, Greeley, CO.
25. William J. Judd, 26, ex-Falls City, Auburn.
26. Mary Beth Gilsdorf, 45; Doris Nolte, 90.
27. Gladys Lucille Hansen, 90, formerly of Shubert, Lincoln.

July

2. Jeffery Scott Mackey, 46, ex-Falls City, Gardner, KS.
4. Corine Brinkmeyer, 97.
7. Vera E. Roesch, 92, ex-Falls City, Hastings.
9. Harriet R. Falter, 92.
10. Mary M. Spaulding, 88, Hiawatha.
12. Hazel M. Buckminster, 90.
13. Jack K. Schock, 94, Falls City native, rural Hiawatha; James L. Dishong, 63, ex-Falls City, Beatrice.
16. John D. Rescke, 80, ex-Falls City, Valley Falls, KS.
17. Herbert L. Klemme, 85, ex-Dawson, Lincoln.
18. Edwin J. Brecht, 89, Falls City native, Edmond, OK; Arnold D. Phillips, 80, Salem.
19. Donald J. Milburn, 82.
20. Donald L. Coupe, 71.
22. George A. Hamilton, 89, Salem native, White Cloud, KS; Muriel B. Taylor, 97, ex-Verdon, Gladstone, MO.
25. Verna Fisher Stump; Shirley J. Dettmann, 75, Salem.
29. Joyce W. Richardson 65; Marguerite McInter, 94.

August

4. Alma G. "Gracie" Posey, 81, ex-Falls City, North Bend.
5. Edward Packard, 64, Cleves, OH, killed in traffic accident south of Falls City.
10. Jessie E. Vonderschmidt, 94.
11. Edward S. Gill, 48, Falls City native, Parker, SD.
12. Connie Rae Workman, 72, ex-Humboldt, Tulsa, OK.
13. Fred Petersen, 79, ex-Falls City, Torrance, CA; Carole S. Smith, 71.
14. Donna J. Lape, 77.
15. Ellen Stewart, 72.
17. Linda Perkins, ex-Falls City, Robinson, KS.
18. Carl A. Killingsworth, 36, Falls City native, Lincoln.
21. Violet Dunn, 89, ex-Falls City and Rulo, Clinton, OK.
23. Jeannette Schuler, 90, Humboldt.
24. Ida M. "Tiny" Ogle, 93, ex-Dawson area, Auburn.
25. Nicholas Lee, 24, Lee's Summit, MO, killed in traffic accident west of Stella; Ronnie D. Rimpley, 63, Humboldt; James B. Hodge, 87, Rulo native, Hiawatha.
26. Betty Kathryn Cole Cooper, 90, ex-Falls City, West Burlington, IA.
27. Dorothy J. Stevens, 93; Glen

Hughes Ray, 87, Falls City native, Omaha; Gary D. Simpson, 71.
31. Luci Vivian Antoinette Patzel, 44, Humboldt; Norma Harmon, 72, Falls City native, Craig, CO.

September

1. Floretta I. Karsten, 91, Falls City native, Mound City, MO.
3. Lois M. Schlicker, 77, ex-Falls City, Sabetha.
4. Donna B. Bright, 83, ex-Falls City, Milford.
6. Betty L. Vogele, 76, Stella.
12. John E. Snider, 56, Falls City native, Lincoln.
14. Sterling "Curly" C. Van Vleck, 86, ex-Dawson, Lincoln; Judy Byrom Franke, 63, ex-Falls City, Centennial, CO.
18. Kenneth "Wayne" Burow Sr., 85, Humboldt; Mary E. Carr, 90.
19. Gerald L. Dean, 77, ex-Falls City, Lincoln.
21. Gwena Garrett, 77.
23. Richard Liberty, 89.
27. Dennis L. Kiekhaefer, 68, ex-Falls City, Kansas City.
28. LeonardDettmann, 75, Shubert; Ina Z. Hudson, 98, Humboldt; Caleb Cochran, 91, Verdon.
30. Louis DeRoin, 91.

October

3. Patty Jean Plasters, 62, Stella.
5. Norma L. Halloway, 65, county native, Hiawatha.
7. Kenneth E. Welch, 78, Salem.
8. Judith Cooper Leech, formerly of Humboldt, Lincoln.
13. Fred L. Blevins Jr., 84; The Rev. Lawrence D. Fruhling, 76, ex-Falls City, Wilber; Rodney "Keith" Oaks, 95, Falls City native, Sun City West, AZ.
14. Karen L. Ledbetter, 74.
19. Jean O. Eiguren, 90, formerly of Stella, Boise, ID.
9. Margaret E. Shaffer, 95.
22. Carol A. Kirtley, 88, ex-Falls City, Clay Center, KS.
24. Wilda Vice Halligan, 93, Shubert native, Fort Dodge, IA.
25. Ronald E. Williams, 87, Stella.
29. Luella F. McIntire, 95, ex-Falls City, Maryville, IL; Robert E. Gibson, 68.
30. Aleene E. Sailors, 87.
31. Robert Frederick, 68.

November

1. Lena Mae Von Seggern, 89.
3. Sherry Lee Vaughan, 65, Humboldt.
5. William I. Lundy, 96, Stella native, Hiawatha.
6. Betty Jean Glathar, 88, rural Dawson.
8. John R. Meier, 78, Salem.
13. Ruth Elva Foley, 101, ex-Falls City, Rose Hill, KS.
14. Janet Sailors, 79.
16. Alvin D. Smith, 72, ex-Falls City, Topeka, KS.
18. Helen Irene Moritz, 77, Hum-



Will celebrate 50th Anniversary

Joyce and Larry Kirkendall of Lincoln and Mesa, AZ, will commemorate their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 8 with a family celebration in Lincoln.
The Kirkendalls were married on Jan. 8, 1962, in Hiawatha, KS. They are the parents of three children, Kristina Russell and Amy Kirkendall, both of Lincoln, and Rebecca Williams, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, as well as several grandchildren.
Cards may be sent to 5500 S. 88th Street, Lincoln, NE 68526.

Students

Victoria Vollmer, rural Falls City, has been named to the Midland University Dean's List for the Fall/211 semester.
The Dean's List acknowledges students who achieve a 3.5-3.99 grade point average, complete all course requirements and complete at least 12 credit hours on the A-F grading scale during the term.
Victoria is a 2010 graduate of Falls City High School.

On this day in 1990, Panama's leader General Manuel Noriega surrenders to U.S. authorities

THE BABIES OF 2011

Attention Parents And Grandparents Of 2011 Babies:

Whether You Live Near Or Far,
The Falls City Journal would like to take this opportunity to show off your new baby of 2011. We will publish a special section in the edition on Tuesday, January 31st
The Rules are simple:
1. Your baby must have been born in the year 2011.
2. The baby does not have to be a resident or have been born in Falls City.
3. Send or bring in the form below along with a recent picture of the baby to: **The Babies Of 2011; 1810 Harlan St., P.O. Box 128, Falls City, NE 68355. Or email to nikkifcjournal@sentco.net or fcjournalads@sentco.net**
4. Deadline to receive pictures is **FRI., JANUARY 20, 2012.**
5. Please contact The Journal for additional questions or information at 402-245-2431.
6. If the provided information does not fit the required space, an additional charge will be added.

Please Print Legibly **The Babies Of 2011** *Per Baby

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Parents _____
Parents Residence _____
Grandparents Names (Living Only) _____

Great-Grandparents Names (Living Only) _____

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YOUR PAYMENT PER BABY MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER & PHOTOGRAPH. Must be received by FRI., JANUARY 20, 2012. After the edition has run, pictures may be picked up at The Journal or include a self-addressed stamped envelope.



Scarlett Harper

January 10 – 8 lbs. 10 oz.
Parents:
John and Mary Doe
Any Town, USA
Grandparents:
Jim and Joan Doe
Bob and Sue Smith
Great-Grandparents:
Betty Doe and Joe Smith

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Leslie JoAnn

August 8 – 7 lbs. 8 oz.
Parents:
John and Mary Doe
Any Town, USA

1x3 – \$20

Information will only include Parents name and residence.



Payten Blair

May 15 – 6 lbs. 5 oz.
Parents:
Jesse and Charla Roller
Grandparents:
Dan & Kathy Phillips, Elaine Roller and Tom & Sally Roller

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Public Record

County Court
Jacob M. Mahnke, Falls City, theft by unlawful taking over \$1,500; continued to Jan. 11 for preliminary hearing.
District Court
Samuel L. Waters, Falls City, has been granted dissolution of marriage to Shirley J. Waters, Cedar Rapids, IA.
Rebecca A. Wittwer, FC, has been granted dissolution of marriage to Timothy L. Wittwer, FC.
Marc A. Pagnano, Dawson, has been granted dissolution of marriage to Terri J. Pagnano, Humboldt.

Civil Court
Capital One Bank vs. Gary W. Hestermann, Humboldt, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$667.73, prejudgment interest of \$113.56, costs of \$74.70 and post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.061 percent.
Credit Management Services vs. Justin Jamison, Humboldt, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$1,620.80, prejudgment interest of \$596.51, costs of \$50.79 and post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.061 percent.
Credit Management Services vs. Jason Hall, FC, judgment entered against the defendant in the amount of \$412.66, prejudgment interest of \$18.68, fees of \$46.27, costs of \$69.29 and

post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.061 percent.
Collection Associates vs. Jonathan Winters, Humboldt, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$240.00, prejudgment interest of \$.766, fees of \$29.00, costs of \$95.76 and post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.061 percent.
Capital One Bank vs. Bruce Demmel and Nancy K. Demmel, Kearney, judgment entered against defendants in the amount of \$24,572.72, prejudgment interest of \$2,071.68, costs of \$85.00 and post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.061 percent.

County Court Waivers (Court costs not included)
Patrice M. Chandler, maintaining a nuisance, fined \$25; maintaining a nuisance, fined \$25.
Forrest D. Rosenberger, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.
Andrew T. Hemenway, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.
Joshua A. Peterson, speeding (16-20), fined \$125.
Rolando Garcia, speeding (16-20), fined \$125.
Daryl K. Barker, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.
Kevin W. Ward, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.
Dennis J. McAndrew, no operator's license, fined \$75.
Marc A. Dewall, speeding (16-20), fined \$125.
Cassandra A. Munoz, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.
Tony V. Vodicka, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Peter A. Niedzielski, violate stop or yield sign, fined \$75.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SPECIAL PURCHASE
Pursuant to Section 23-3109(3) of the Nebraska Revised State Statutes, the Richardson County Board of Commissioners hereby gives public notice of its intention to make a determination for a special purchase that is of significant savings and is only available for a limited time of the following item:

2009 Caterpillar 120M motor grader serial number B9N00260, with 256 hours, with a full machine warranty for a period of 5 years or 7500 operating hours, an additional value of a customer service agreement included which provides for all regularly scheduled maintenance fluid filters for the first 5 years or 7500 operating hours, and an additional value of a \$5,000 parts account credit.

The purchase price is \$165,000.00 and the County will offer as a trade-in a 1988 140G Caterpillar motor grader, serial number 72V11368 for an allowance of \$46,000, making the net purchase price \$119,000.00.
The Richardson County Board of Commissioners will accept and consider informal quotes for equipment that meets the specifications as stated.
Informal quotes may be submitted to the Office of the Richardson County Clerk, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355 by 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012.
The Richardson County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all quotes and to waive any irregularities.

David D. Sickel, Chairman
Richardson County Board of Commissioners

NOTICE:
The Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors will hold their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, January 12, 2012, at the NRD headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska. Individual committee meetings begin at 6 p.m. An agenda is being kept current at the office – 62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh, NE 68450.

Lisa Bartels, Secretary
Nemaha NRD

SENCA offers free tax filing help

By Susan Phillips,
SENCA
Southeast Nebraska Community Action (SENCA) has certified volunteers available to assist qualifying individuals that are low-to-moderate income (generally \$50,000 and below) who cannot prepare their own tax returns.
This is a FREE service in conjunction with the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, also known as VITA.
Certified volunteers sponsored by SENCA receive training to help prepared and e-file basic tax returns in communities across southeast Nebraska. Individuals taking advantage of the e-file program will receive their refunds in half the time compared to returns filed on paper — even faster when tax

NOTICE OF HEARING MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTIONS
Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of January, 2012, at 8:45 a.m. the Richardson County Board of Equalization will hold a hearing to consider applications from the following organizations seeking tax exemption on motor vehicles:

Faith Baptist Church, Falls City;
First Church of the Nazarene, Falls City; Boy Scout Troop #387, Humboldt; Community Medical Center, Falls City; First Baptist Church, Falls City; Falls City Sacred Heart School, Falls City; First Christian Church, Falls City; Good News Assembly of God Church, Falls City; Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Stella.

The recommendations of the Richardson County Treasurer are available at the Office of the County Treasurer located in the Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska.

David D. Sickel, Chairman
Richardson County Board of Commissioners

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk

refunds are deposited directly into a savings or checking account at a bank or financial institution.
SENCA will prepare taxes for people residing within the service area of Cass, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee and Richardson counties by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, please call 402-296-4477 for Cass and Otoe counties; 402-862-2411, ext. 105, for Johnson, Pawnee and Richardson counties; and 402-274-4666 for Nemaha and Otoe counties.
Tax preparation is scheduled to begin Jan. 25, 2012.


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La Nina back for 2nd winter in a row

The state is entering its second straight winter with La Nina conditions in the Equatorial Pacific, but the Nebraska state climatologist said that won't necessarily mean the same kind of winter in 2012.

With the redevelopment of La Nina conditions this fall, there was considerable discussion among climatologists as to whether 2011 winter trends would return in force during this upcoming winter, said Al Dutcher, Nebraska state climatologist.

So far the answer is no, he said. First and foremost, equatorial sea surface temps are averaging about 1.5 degrees Celsius below normal, while last year at this time the basin was nearly 3 degrees Celsius below normal, Dutcher said.

"In layman terms, the current La Nina is rated as a weak to moderate event, compared to last year's rating of exceptionally strong," he said.

In addition, since La Nina was so strong last year, the northern jet stream was especially active and winter storm activity was concentrated across the northern and north central Rockies eastward through the Great Lakes and northeast.

Seasonal snowfall across the southern Rockies during the 2011 winter was less than 60 percent of normal as the primary storm track remained north of this area.

Also, the jet stream pattern during the past 30 to 45 days has exhibited a tendency toward a split flow pattern once systems move into the Pacific Northwest.

"A portion of the energy moves into the northern Rockies, then shifts into the northern Plains," Dutcher said. "The remaining energy dives down into the southwestern U.S., then the subsequent cutoff upper air low slowly drifts around the southern Great Basin region. Only when another trough approaches the Pacific Northwest is there enough energy to kick the low eastward toward Texas."

What does this really mean? Essentially, the upper air lows moving across Texas are robbing the northward transport of moisture into the northern Plains, he said. As a result, the upper Plains trough moisture patterns are dependent on Pacific Ocean moisture instead of the Gulf of Mexico.

"Unfortunately, this Pacific moisture is intercepted by the northern Rockies and Cascades before it reaches the northern plains," Dutcher said. "During the past 30 to 45 days, more moisture has fallen across portions of south central Kansas, eastern Oklahoma, and north central through northeast than fell in the previous 12 month period."

"Nebraska has been caught dead center between these two pieces of energy," Dutcher said.

*From the
Richardson County
Humane Society*










Iggy is a young adult female boxer. She is at the City Pound and available for adoption. Call the PD to adopt 245-4422. Missing from the Shubert area is a female Daschund/beagle mix, recently spayed. Roxy is black and white. Please call the Humane Society 245-2338. Also a long haired black cat has been found in the area of Frosty Queen, please call the Humane Society 245-2338.

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Falls City Journal Weather Report

Seven-day Forecast for Falls City

TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
 Clear and breezy Low: 26°	 Mostly sunny 43° 27°	 Mostly sunny and mild 53° 31°	 Mostly sunny and mild 50° 28°	 Mostly sunny 44° 25°	 Clearing 41° 21°	 Partly sunny 43° 28°

Almanac Data

Falls City for the week ending Sunday

Temperature	
High for the week	63°
Low for the week	1°
Normal high	36°
Normal low	18°
Average temperature	37.4°
Precipitation	
Total for the week	0.02"
Total for the month	0.00"
Normal for the month	0.02"
Snowfall (estimated)	
Snowfall for the week	0.0"

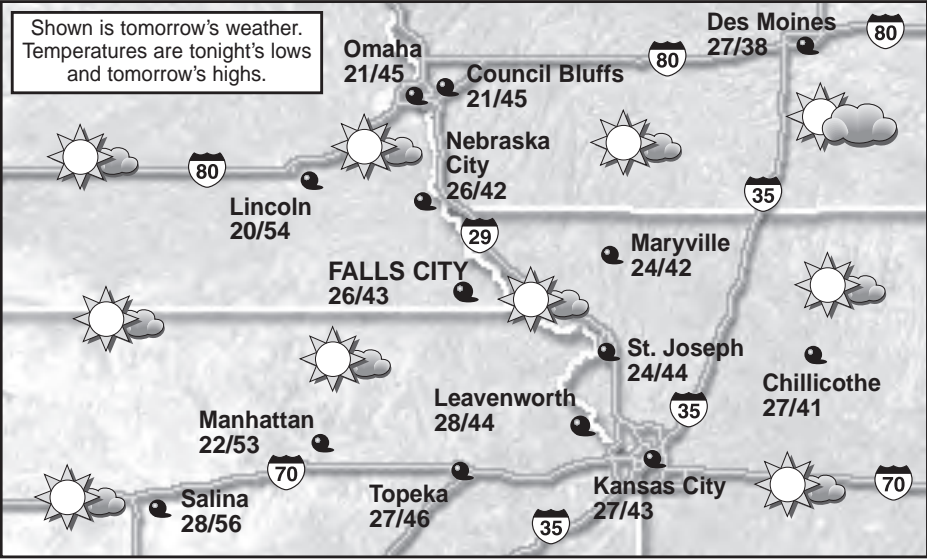
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Wednesday	39°
Thursday	48°
Friday	44°
Saturday	39°
Sunday	32°
Monday	40°
Tuesday	46°

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Regional Forecast Tomorrow



River Stages Yesterday

	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change		Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change
Big Nemaha River Falls City	23'	4.12'	-0.07'	Missouri River Rulo	17'	9.23'	-0.03'

Sun and Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	7:45 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
Thursday	7:45 a.m.	5:11 p.m.
Friday	7:45 a.m.	5:11 p.m.
Saturday	7:45 a.m.	5:12 p.m.
Sunday	7:44 a.m.	5:13 p.m.
Monday	7:44 a.m.	5:14 p.m.
Tuesday	7:44 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Day	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	1:33 p.m.	3:34 a.m.
Thursday	2:15 p.m.	4:31 a.m.
Friday	3:03 p.m.	5:25 a.m.
Saturday	3:58 p.m.	6:17 a.m.
Sunday	4:58 p.m.	7:04 a.m.
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Tuesday	7:09 p.m.	8:23 a.m.

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How to form a good character

by D. Bowman

Character is the accumulation of qualities that distinguishes one person from another. Character is not just one single trait, but the accumulation of all a person is, the sum total of all his traits. Someone has suggested that reputation is what others think us to be, character is what God knows us to be. How does a person develop and maintain a good character?

Get in touch with yourself. Aristotle was not far off the mark when he suggested that one should "know thyself." Personal integrity is the key to developing a good character. We have to ascertain and admit to what we need in order to form a good character. In order to know where you're going, you must first realize where you are. "He that speaketh truth in his heart"—that's necessary to the development of a good character (see Psalm 15:1-2).

Be in constant contact with God. It is He who defines what is a good character, for it

is He who has defined what is good in the first place. His word is not only an expression of Who and What He is, but a revelation of how we can become like Him, or be a "partaker of the divine nature" (II Peter 1:4). His word tells us which way to go. A man of character does not walk just anywhere, but "his delight is in the law of the Lord and in His law doth he meditate both day and night" (Psalm 1:2). "Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to Thy word" (Psalm 119:9). A man's character is developed by paying due attention to where he is going, to his path of pursuit, and that means a constant contact with the Father.

Accumulate—a little at a time—the right pieces of holiness. Holiness is not some huge characteristic (notice the word, please) that a person somehow suddenly develops, but rather the piecing together of small bits and pieces of goodness and piety. Small habits—those little acts of kindness and goodness—are what define a person's character. Holiness helps to define a man's character by setting him apart from the trivial dross of life; it is observed in his habitual acts of goodness. Holiness

illustrates in one's life the character of God. "But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation" (I Peter 1:15).

Have regular exposure to right influences. One of the ways we develop good character is by observing and associating with people whom we know to be of good character. Time spent with a good person will increase your chances of having being good yourself. "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." (Hebrews 10:24). We need each other. What one man lacks, another man has. What another has, one man lacks. "Be thou an example of the believers" is good advice, and to find and follow those who set good examples helps to formulate right courses and plan right avenues of pursuit. Character is helped considerably by associating with those who have it.

Look forward to the reward. Character and hope run on the same track. One who has an abiding trust in God and His word will build the kind of character that assures for him an eventual heavenly home. "Who shall dwell in Thy holy hill? He that worketh

righteousness," we are told (Psalm 15:2). Those who have placed a high value and importance on a well-orchestrated life are fit for an entrance "into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?" (2 Peter 1:11). Our hope helps us see the need for a holy character by connecting us to that which has the highest quality and value—eternal life.

Please be advised—the absence of these things in our lives will result in our having a distorted view of what is important in life, and cause us to place emphasis and enthusiasm on the wrong things.

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Council enacts pay increases

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FCS's National Blue Ribbon School

The U.S. Department of Education has named Falls City High School a National Blue Ribbon School. This is the first time in the school's history that it has received this honor. The school is one of only 1,000 schools nationwide to receive this distinction. The school is one of only 1,000 schools nationwide to receive this distinction.

Falls City High Homecoming Friday night

Falls City High School is hosting its annual Homecoming Friday night. The event will feature a football game, a pep assembly, and a homecoming dance. The event will be held at the school's gymnasium. The event will be held at the school's gymnasium.

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And, finally, on Aug. 11, 2011, the Journal published a photo that included Marty Froeschl. It is believed a picture of Mr. Froeschl has been featured in at least one Journal for the past several decades (plus).

Local athletes in Omaha Battle this weekend

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Students and adults at a school assembly or sports event.

Diplomas for 52 Falls City High grads

Students and families gathered at the Falls City High School graduation ceremony on Thursday night, May 13, to celebrate the accomplishments of 52 graduates. The ceremony was held at the Falls City High School gymnasium, which was filled with students, families, and friends. The graduates were presented with their diplomas by the principal and other school officials. The ceremony was a memorable event for all involved.

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Event Preview

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FCSH graduates 102 Tuesday

The Falls City High School (FCSH) graduates 102 students on Tuesday, May 13, 2010. The ceremony was held at the Falls City High School gymnasium, which was filled with students, families, and friends. The graduates were presented with their diplomas by the principal and other school officials. The ceremony was a memorable event for all involved.

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Tigers 8-2 entering 2012

By Jim Langan

A bittersweet finish to the Leblond Holiday Tournament had to leave the Falls City High boys' basketball team wondering, "What if?"

Falls City High, now 8-2, dropped a heartbreaker, 59-55, in the opening round to eventual champion University Academy, but responded nicely with two wins to claim the consolation trophy. Thursday the Tigers defeated St. Joseph Christian 58-45, then Friday knocked off Chillicothe 67-47.

In the two wins FC got after their opponents big time in the fourth quarter and coasted to victory outscoring their opponents 39-10.

"We really got after it defensively at the start of the fourth quarters," Head Coach Don Hogue said. "We are in good shape and we have a tremendous amount of mental toughness."

Against Chillicothe the Tigers aggressive play was rewarded by easy buckets and 33 free throws. Falls City knocked down 26 (79%) of those free throws, which helped turn a two-point game into a rout.

Junior Cord Huettner led the Tigers against Chillicothe with 16 points and 10 rebounds. For Huettner, who averaged 15.6 points in the tournament, it was his second double-double in as many days. Huettner had 14 points and 11 boards against SJ Christian.

It wasn't a one-man show, however. Sophomore Mitchell



FC High sophomore guard Mitchell Harling struggled offensively most of December, but broke out for 20 in the Tigers' semifinal win last week at St. Joseph, Mo.

Harling, who had been struggling offensively, poured in a season-high 20 points against SJC, then added 14 in the win over Chillicothe. Junior Wade Witt had 13 against Chillicothe while also grabbing seven rebounds.

The "What if?" comes from knowing that if they could have escaped with a victory Wednesday against UA, then a championship in the always-competitive holiday tournament would have been theirs for the taking. Falls City would have played Mid Buchanan in the second round – a team with a similar style to Falls City's – and then Bishop Leblond in the championship, who the Tigers

already defeated 53-44 back on Dec. 13.

Lady Tigers drop two by total of seven points

The Falls City High Lady Tigers went 1-2 in St. Joseph last week in the Bishop Leblond Holiday Tournament finishing in sixth place. The two losses came in tough fashion as FCHS was defeated by a combined seven points.

Falls City fell 39-36 Wednesday afternoon to Mid Buchanan, then defeated University Academy 45-12 before losing to East Buchanan 51-46 in the consolation final.

In the victory over UA, the Lady Tigers held the Lady Gryphons to one point in the second half. Yes, you read that correctly. UA made one free throw in the fourth quarter. Junior Tressa Chandler, who had a great tournament for FC, led the Lady Tigers with nine points. Jessica Yoesel also scored nine in the win against UA.

In the loss to EBHS, three Tigers scored in double figures as Claire Poppe and Ashley Sickel scored 12 and Chandler added 10. Ashleigh Jordening contributed nine in the loss.

In the opening round loss to Mid Buchanan FCHS played three pretty good quarters of basketball, but failed to finish in the fourth and let a would-be win slip away.

The Lady Tigers, now 3-7, scored only four field goals after halftime and were just 17-32 from the free-throw line for the game. Mid Buchanan wasn't much better knocking down just 13-24 free throws, but made them down the stretch – 9-12 in fourth quarter – to

hold off the Tigers.

In two previous games this season, Falls City had fourth quarter leads but couldn't put their opponents away. The first, on Dec. 12 in Falls City, Falls City played well enough for three quarters to get a win, but eventually fell in overtime to Wymore Southern. In that game FCHS was outscored 29-14 after the intermission, including overtime. It happened again just five days later when Plattsmouth came to town. A back-and-forth game ended in favor of the visitors and the Lady Tigers fell 51-49. FCHS led 25-19 at half, 39-38 after three, but couldn't make the plays in the final minutes to escape with a victory.

Senior Ashleigh Jordening led FCHS with nine points. Sophomore Madison Olberding, who has seen her varsity minutes increase in the last few games, played well and finished with seven points.

Scoring
FCHS, 39 – Mid Buch, 36
FCHS – Lyons, 6; Scheitel, 1; Olberding, 7; Jordening, 9; Sickel, 3; Lewis, 4; Chandler, 6.
MB – Moppin, 16; Matthews, 2; Kh. Rowland, 4; Henningsen, 7; Phillips, 10.
FCHS, 45 – Univ. Academy, 12
FCHS – Poppe, 6; Jordening, 8; Schwarting, 2; Stice, 2; Lewis, 2; Yoesel, 9; Chandler, 9.
UA – Smith, 7; Williams, 1; Bryant, 3; Council, 1.

FCHS, 46 – East Buch, 51
FCHS – Claire Poppe 12, Ashley Sickel 12, Tressa Chandler 10, Jordening 9, Lewis 2, Olberking 1.
EB – Jessica Crouse 17, Chelsea Dewey 16, Plackmeier 10, Abersold 3, McDonald 3, Holdsworth 2.

Falls City led the UA Gryphons 41-30 with just over five minutes to play in the third quarter, but were outscored 29-14 the rest of the game and eventually lost 59-55. Huettner scored 17 against the Gryphons and Josh Stoller added 16.

Academy's Martez Harrison, a senior point guard, scored 32 points in the win and averaged over 30 ppg in the tournament.

Falls City will get another chance at Harrison and the Gryphons this Saturday when they travel to Kansas City.

Scoring

FCHS, 67 – Chillicothe, 47
FCHS – Huettner, 16; Harling, 14; Witt, 13; Campbell, 6; Frederick, 6; Josh Stoller, 5; Jordy Stoller, 4; Vice, 3.

CHS – Voorheis, 13; Matthew, 13; McKiddy, 10; Clappitt, 6; Midgyette, 3; Hershberger, 2.

FCHS, 58 – SJ Christian, 48
FCHS – Harling, 20; Huettner, 14; Witt, 8; Josh Stoller, 7; Jordy Stoller, 4; Frederick, 3; Mount, 2.

SJC – Hicks, 18; Shank, 11; Dahlgren, 5; Morrison, 4; Kaufman, 4; Beard, 3.

FCHS, 55 – Univ. Academy, 59
FCHS – Huettner, 17; Josh Stoller, 16; Witt, 7; Harling, 5; Jordy Stoller, 5; Frederick, 5.

UA – Harrison, 32; Sanders, 9; Winfrey, 7; Hill, 4; McGee, 3; Douglas, 3.



The 3-7 FC Lady Tigers have struggled down the stretch, losing leads and games in the fourth quarter. Pictured here for FCHS, from left: Erin Lyons, Jacy Lewis and Ashleigh Jordening.

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For what it’s worth...

A Year to Be Forgotten

By Jim Langan

Jerry Sandusky. Jim Tressel. Suh’s “Stomp Heard ‘Round the World”, Tebow, “Mr. 3000” Derek Jeter, Japan’s women’s World Cup team, Joe Pa, R.E.M. broke up. 2011, another year in the books, gone like a thief in the night. Truly, the end of the world as we knew it. Bitter? Maybe a little.

2011 was supposed to be so much more. Nebraska was supposed to win the Big 10. Husker volleyball surely would breeze through Kansas State, right?! Wrong. The Royals young talent wasn’t good enough to carry the team to a would-be respectable .500 record and your Chiefs and my Eagles had more struggles than Nucky Thompson in season two of “Boardwalk Empire.”

A disappointing home loss (again...when will those stop happening?) to Northwestern and another lopsided defeat on the road, this time to Michigan, spoiled the Big Red’s chances of getting to Indianapolis for a rematch with the Badgers and a shot at a landmark inaugural-season Big 10 championship.

The home loss stung me the most because with what Ohio State went through and what would unfold in Happy Valley seven days after the loss to NW, Nebraska squandered a great opportunity to get to the Rose Bowl. Sure, the folks in charge of scheduling threw the kitchen sink at us this year. But, it ain’t getting any easier Husker Nation. We take care of business against the Wildcats, then who knows, maybe we carry that momentum and roll through the rest of the regular season. We’ll never know.

Without question, the scandal at Penn State coupled with Nebraska being thrust into a game that many folks thought shouldn’t have been played, was the story of the year in these parts, and probably nationally. Ron Brown showed the rest of the country what we Nebraskan’s have known for years by doing what he’s always done. Brown, in a moment I’ll never forget, provided some reprieve, in the form of a pregame prayer, for a fractured university that is still unsure of what its future holds. Hats off to Coach Ron Brown. That was the moment of the year for me.

Another was the fight and spirit of the Japanese women’s World Cup team. Just a few months after the tsunami tragedy ripped their country to shreds, the team put together an unbelievable run on the biggest stage and defeated the highly favored United States team in the World Cup final, and like sports so often do, provided some much needed joy for the country.

There were lockouts in two of our most popular sports. Yeah, millionaire players arguing with billionaire owners over who gets more cake after dinner. Fortunately, the NFL got their act together and no games were missed, and actually it has been an entertaining regular season. Let’s hope Kevin Durant’s incredible buzzer-beater last Thursday night is just a precursor of what’s to come in a shortened NBA season. Derek Jeter’s 3000th hit was the “Would You Expect It Any Other Way” moment of the year. Love him or hate him, dude’s incredible.

The NCAA tournament disappointed most with an anticlimactic final that saw the two teams – Butler, an eight seed and UCONN, a three – shoot a combined 31-119 (26%) from the floor for a total of 94 points in a game that had the thrill factor of a Sunday quilting party. I fell asleep...in the first half. Shame on you 2011 March “Madness!”

Sure, it’s frowned upon to say a year should be forgotten. So many things good and bad happened and remembering them is a tribute and a learning tool, but with sports old, bad memories are quickly replaced with newer, fonder ones. In today’s world we consume information like a herd of starved wildebeests. Casual sports fans chew it up without really considering its significance, then quickly look for more. We remember what we choose to. So here’s to 2012 being chock-full of good memories. May all of you have a happy, healthy and prosperous 2012.



The 4th grade boy’s basketball team from Falls City, coached by Jason Bredemeier, recently won the Humboldt tournament. The team went 3-0, beating Humboldt and two Lincoln squads. The thriller came in the semifinals when the Tigers battled from behind to force overtime against Lincoln Thunder before going on to victory. Front row, from left: Braydon Frederick, James Eickhoff, Brock Hogue, Kyle Black, Kade Bredemeier, Caden Simon and Jack Findlay; back row, Hunter Arnold, Trey McAfee, Justin Reiss, Cole Kirkendall, Keldon Campbell, Braden Oliver and Mason Crawford.

Irish teams go 1-1 at Doane

Falls City Sacred Heart traditionally isn’t receptive to the notion of “moral victories,” but both the girls’ and boys’ basketball teams will gladly accept their 1-1 records taken away from the Doane Holiday Tournament, where the Class D2 Irish teams were joined by a trio of Class B schools.

The Irish guys, now 6-3, opened with a suffocating 37-21 win over winless Elkhorn Mt. Michael last Thursday to advance to Friday’s final against powerful Elkhorn High, a 6-1 team that opened the season in the Class B Top 10. Sacred Heart lost 62-36, but gained much in terms of experience and wildcard points, where they currently sit at No. 7 in their class. FCSH, which beat 7-2 Elmwood-Murdock in the final game before Christmas break, is in excellent shape as it tackles a January schedule that includes a trip to Mound City tonight and the MUDECAS Tournament in Beatrice next week.

The Irish have yet to click offensively, but they haven’t re-

ally needed to, considering opponents, with the exception of Elkhorn, haven’t produced 40 points in a single game. Mt. Michael, for instance, made 9-of-46 field goals and the Irish owned a commanding 32-22 rebounding edge. Sophomores Matt Goltz and Jared Fiegenger each pulled down six boards in the game and senior David Bangert had five to go with his team-high 14 points. Bangert, who keyed the victory over Elmwood-Murdock with his timely perimeter shooting, made a pair of threes in the holiday tourney opener. Goltz, meanwhile, was efficient, hitting 4-of-6 of his shots for 11 points. Sophomores Chaz Dunn (six assists) and Colin Niemeyer (four assists) were the team’s top playmakers.

Elkhorn, though, brought too much firepower. They led 31-12 at half and were never threatened. Goltz finished with 13 points and five rebounds. Dunn had five assists and five points, but the Irish turned it over 18 times, lost the battle of the boards and attempted just 23

two-point field goals.

Scoring
FCSH vs. Elkhorn
FCSH — Niemeyer, 2; Dunn, 5; Finck, 3; Goltz, 13; Bangert, 3; Fiegenger, 2; Cromer, 8.
Elkhorn — Rankin, 7; Johnson, 2; Fieckert, 18; Giesselman, 16; Weber, 6; Cowger, 2; Michael, 7; Cameron, 4.
FCSH vs. Elkhorn MM
FCSH — Niemeyer, 3; Goltz, 11; Bangert, 14; Scheitel, 2; Fiegenger, 2; Cromer, 5.
MM — Loeffelholz, 2; Ernst, 4; Morris, 5; Jewell, 2; Rautericus, 5.

MUDECAS

The FC Sacred Heart boys earned the eighth seed in the “A” Division of the MUDECAS Tournament in Beatrice next week and open against top-seeded and still unbeaten Johnson County Central at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, at the City Auditorium.

The winner will face NC Lourdes or Sterling at 7 p.m. Thursday. The championship is set for 7:45 p.m. Saturday. Tuesday’s losers will play at 11 a.m. Saturday, also in the Auditorium.

On the other side of the bracket is Freeman, Exeter-Milligan, Pawnee City and Bruning-Davenport.

The Lady Irish have the fifth seed in the “A” Division and they play Freeman at 8:45 p.m. Monday in the Auditorium. FCSH beat Freeman 50-42 back on Dec. 9 in Adams.

Monday’s winner will face either top-seeded Exeter-Milligan (8-0) or Palmyra at 5:15 p.m. Thursday. The championship is set for 8:45 p.m. Friday at the Auditorium.

Monday’s losers play at 7 p.m. Friday at Southeast CC.

On the other side of the bracket is Diller-Odell, Bruning-Davenport, Sterling and Johnson CC.

As noted in the article above, Sacred Heart’s Lady Irish basketball team was also 1-1 last week in the Doane Holiday Tournament in Crete. Sacred Heart fell in the opening round game to Omaha Duchesne Academy, 51-36, then eeked out a one-point, overtime thriller, 36-35, against Elkhorn High.

Sara Landis, the senior Irish center, had a stellar tournament against the class B competition as she recorded double-doubles in both games. Thursday Landis scored 16 and had 15 rebounds, then Friday she scored 14 while again pulling down 15 boards. Her stamina was also impressive as she played all but two minutes in the two games.

Freshman Elizabeth Magdanz knocked down 3-4 three point field goals and finished the game against EHS with 12 points.

Magdanz’s twin sister Abby dished out six assists against ODA while playing every minute of the game.

After leading 13-6 after the first quarter against EHS, FCSH scored just one field goal - a Landis two - in the second and went to halftime tied 15-15. The two teams traded field goals in the third and fourth quarters before eventually ending regulation tied at 33.

Then in overtime it was Landis again who scored the Lady Irish’s only field goal and sophomore Ashli Jordan knocked down a free throw to finish off

the upset.

FCSH played great defense in both games holding EHS to just 28.3 percent shooting and ODA to just 31.8 percent, but it was the 25 turnovers FCSH committed that doomed them in Thursday’s loss.

Sacred Heart travels to Mound City tonight, then to Diller Friday night.

Scoring
FCSH, 36 — Oma. Duchesne, 51
FCSH — A. Magdanz, 3; E. Magdanz, 9; Schawang, 8; Landis, 16.
ODA — Kerins, 9; Rodgers, 11; Dworak, 10; Podjenski, 8; A. Schulte, 2; Everson, 2; K. Hillmer, 2; K. Schulte, 7.
FCSH, 36 — Elkhorn, 35
FCSH — Jordan, 3; A. Magdanz, 3; E. Magdanz, 12; Schawang, 4; Landis, 14.
EHS — Mountain, 3; Martin, 2; Foster, 10; Willer, 16; Roecker, 2; Lange, 2.

FALLS CITY LANES

Monday Night Mixed
Dec. 19
Ladies’ Hi-10 and Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel, 210-526.
Men’s Hi-10, Larry Munn, 214;

Falls City High School CHILI/SOUP FEED

Thurs., Jan. 12
Starting at 5:00 P.M.
During the Wrestling Duel.

Hi-30, Jim Hoy, 588.
Dec. 26
Ladies’ Hi-10 and Hi-30, Terri Jo Ansel, 198-515.
Men’s Hi-10 and Hi-30, Larry Munn, 246-641.
Ladies’ Major
Dec. 20
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Deb Rieger, 202-483.
Dec. 27
Hi-10, Cassandra Goff, 212; Hi-30, Cindy Witt, 468.
Wednesday Night Men’s
Dec. 21
Hi-10 and Hi-30, Larry Munn, 244-658.
Dec. 28
Hi-10, Anthony Shafer, 240; Hi-30, Nick Campbell, 637.
Thur. Night Short Timers
Dec. 22
Ladies’ Hi-10 and Hi-30, Lacey Acton, 159-449.
Men’s Hi-10 and Hi-30, Tom Acton, 209-549.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION
Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 21-19,173(b), notice is hereby given of the voluntary dissolution of TeamMates of Falls City. The name and title of the person who managed the final company affairs are Terri Hogue, President. All liabilities of the corporation have been paid and all assets have been distributed to governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations.

CLINE, WILLIAMS, WRIGHT,
JOHNSON & OLDFATHER, L.L.P.
233 South 13th Street
Suite 1900
Lincoln, NE 68508 20-27-3

Village of Rulo
The Rulo Village Board will hold a hearing at their regular meeting Monday January 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Rulo Library. The hearing will be held to consider the request for a liquor license for Bill and Jeannette Schulenberg dba as Wild Bill’s Bar and Grill at 118 N. Main Street Rulo, NE
Jan Price
Village Clerk 3

Notice of Sheriff’s Sale
By virtue of an Execution issued by the Clerk of the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska in an action wherein Natalie Helmick is Plaintiff and Denny Schlund is the Defendant, Case # SC11-11 Docket 19483, I will sell at 10:00 A.M. on the 26th day of January 2012 at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Richardson County Armory Building on West 21st St. Hwy 8 Falls City, Nebraska in said county and state, the following described personal property, to-wit:

- 1 Grasshopper 618-218 Riding Mower
- 2 Green Weedeater lawnmowers
- 1 Orange Weedeater-gas
- 1 Green Rolling Toolbox
- Miscellaneous Tools
- 3 Printers
- 1 Samsung 50” Flat Screen TV

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

NOTICE
In compliance with State Statute Section 23-1609, Richardson County has undergone a governmental audit performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States on the combined cash basis financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2011. This audit report is dated December 9, 2011. A copy of the report is on file in the office of the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts. Copies are available for inspection at the Richardson County Clerk’s Office located in the County Courthouse,

Falls City, Nebraska.
David D. Sickel
Chairman
Richardson County Board
of Commissioners 3

Public Meeting Notice
Board of Education District #70
Notice is hereby given that a regular board meeting of the Board of Education of the Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer School District #70 will be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday, January 12, 2012 in the 2nd Floor Math Room at the Humboldt site, which meeting will be open to the public. The purpose of such meeting is to do regular business. A current agenda is available at the Superintendent’s Office.

Neal Kanel, President

NOTICE
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
RICHARDSON COUNTY,
NEBRASKA
Estate of Corinne E. Brinkmeyer, Deceased
Estate No. PR11-21
Notice is hereby given that the Personal Representative has filed a final account and report of her administration, a formal closing petition for complete settlement, determination of Personal Representative’s fee and attorney’s fee, and a petition for determination of inheritance tax which have been set for hearing in the Richardson County, Nebraska Court on January 23, 2012, at 9:45 a.m.
Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk of the County Court
1700 Stone Street
Falls City, Nebraska
68355
Richard L. Halbert, #11659
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Christopher C. Halbert, #22609
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, LLC
111E. 17th St., P.O. Box 447
Falls City, NE 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4488 3-10-17

County Board

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 6, 2011
CALL TO ORDER
The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011. Roll call was answered by Ely, Davidson and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance

was led by Commissioner Ely. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Sickel to approve the minutes of the Nov. 29, 2011 meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse on the First Floor Lobby, the Commissioner’s Meeting Room and on the Third Floor of the Sheriff’s Office.

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

Motion was made by Sickel to advertise for sealed bids to be accepted for the repairs to be made to certain bridge structures to be received on Dec. 27, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Davidson to authorize the Highway Superintendent to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of motor grader and truck tires to be received and opened on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

SAC & FOX NATION OF MO
IN KS & NE

Members of the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas & Nebraska, Chris Halbert, Tribal Attorney; Tribal Chairman, Mike Dougherty and Tribal Council Member, James Jensen presented to the Board a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Preston Road.

Grant funding is being sought by the Tribe from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the funding to hard surface this road. The tribe is requesting to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the Preston Road in accordance with the requirements for an award of this grant funding.

County Attorney, Bob Meyer and Attorney for the Tribe, Chris Halbert will meet this week to review and finalize a few of the questions and/or concerns of both the County and the Tribe to complete this Memorandum of Understanding.

CONNIE KENNEDY, COUNTY
TREASURER

Connie Kennedy, County Treasurer updated the Board on the activity within the County Treasurer’s Office this past week. The State Auditor’s office will visit the office tomorrow to make a final review to finalize the County’s Fiscal Year End June 30, 2011 audit.

RANDY HOUSER, SHERIFF
Sheriff Houser updated the Board this week on the routine business within the Sheriff’s Department and Jail.

A discussion was held regarding the county radio system and reception. A recommendation from an independent firm, noted that an antenna should be moved in the west end of the County.

A discussion was held on the costs of the Jail inmate meals and the cost of supplies and that price comparison was being done in an effort to save on the costs.

Sheriff Houser also informed the Board that he has established a disciplinary review board to handle the appeals of the Sheriff’s disciplinary action of jail inmates. Members of the disciplinary review board are non-elected county employees.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
Representatives from Cooperative Extension were unable to meet with the Board this week.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER
Courthouse Roof

The Board discussed the maintenance needed on the upper building of the Courthouse roof. Repairs are being made to the upper building on the roof to eliminate water leaks coming into the main building. Monthly Operating Statement

The Board reviewed the November, 2011 monthly operating statement.

Fee Reports

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees they collected during the month of November, 2011:
Mary L. Eickhoff,
County Clerk fees\$233.75
Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds filing fees.....\$10,917.00
Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist. Court, fees\$1,225.32

Contract for Public Defender

The Board reviewed a draft contract for the appointment of the Richardson County Public Defender. This contract will be considered for approval at a later date.

CLAIMS

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

(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)
GENERAL FUND

- Alamar Uniforms, supp.....161.97
- Ameritas, retire2,394.20
- Culligan Water Cond., serv93.70
- DARE, supp29.13
- Darnell Glass Co., serv1,200.00
- FC Auto Supply, supp26.96
- FC Journal, adv703.27
- FC Mercantile, supp794.10
- FC Sanitation, serv120.18
- FC Utility Dept., serv2,755.96

- First Nat’l Bank, supp.....35.00
- Amy Hector, fee.....400.00
- Humboldt Standard, adv52.00
- Kochs Auto Service, serv629.56
- Linsali, Inc., fee1,075.00
- Meyer Home Center, serv90.32
- Microfilm Imaging Sys., serv.....75.00
- MIPS, serv427.98
- NACO, reg fee535.00
- Pitney Bowes, supp.....73.60
- Postmaster, postage288.00
- RCB&T, supp.....44.94
- County Clerk, plates.....96.00
- Richardson County Vendor, FICA.....2787.43
- SE NE Communications, serv.968.00
- US Cellular, serv465.07
- Wolfe, supp.....259.09
- Payroll Expense6,028.72
- Total General Fund\$22,610.18

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

- Aspen Equipment Co., supp.....79.06
- Crane Sales & Serv., supp.....767.08
- Darnell Glass, serv557.99
- FC Sanitation, serv50.60
- FC Utility Dept., serv481.78
- Humboldt Auto, supp33.50
- NPPD, serv40.00
- NE State Fire Marshal, fee.....240.00
- OPPD, serv.....16.87
- County Clerk petty cash.....10.00
- Village of Rulo, serv21.00
- Village of Salem, serv20.00
- SE NE Comm., serv176.85
- Village of Stella, serv28.80
- Unifirst Corp., serv64.89
- Village of Verdon, serv.....20.00
- Windstream Corp., serv47.77
- Payroll Expense30,729.69
- Total Road & Bridge.....\$33,385.88

ROAD/BRIDGE CONSTR HWY
ALLOC FUND

- Felsburg Holt & Ullevig, serv.337.61
- Kirkham & Michael & Assoc., fee.....10,960.00
- Total Road/Bridge Const. HWY Alloc Fund.....\$11,297.61
- CHROMATOGRAPH FUND**
- NE Dept. of HHS Env Lab, fee.....168.00
- Total Chromatograph Fund...\$168.00

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Sickel to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 p.m. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, at 9 a.m. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk’s Office.

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

DECEMBER 20, 2011
CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2011. Roll call was answered by Ely, Davidson and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Ely. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the Dec. 13, 2011, meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the Board of Equalization minutes of Dec. 6, 2011. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ely to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse on the First Floor Lobby, the Commissioner’s Meeting Room and on the Third Floor of the Sheriff’s Office.

ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPT.

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

Snow removal and equipment maintenance was discussed. Future equipment purchases were discussed. Notification was received from Martin-Marietta that a price increase for rock will take effect January 1, 2012.

Mr. Huppert also reported that the heater in the bridge shop at the County Yard has quit working and a replacement is being made.

Motion was made by Sickel to enter into a contract with Commercial Construction Inc. for bridge project CO07452410 located between Sections 26 and 35 in Township 2, Range 16, also known as the structure on 709 Road between 652 and 653 Avenues. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

SAC & FOX NATION OF MO
IN KS & NE

Members of the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas & Nebraska, Chris Halbert, Tribal Attorney; Michael Dougherty, Tribal Chairman and James Jensen, Tribal Council Member met with the Board to discuss the proposed Memorandum of Understanding regarding the maintenance on the Preston Road. County Attorney, Bob Meyer was also in attendance for this meeting.

Two persons from the public and one from the media were in the audience during this meeting.

The grant funding that the Tribe is seeking from the Bureau of Indian Affairs would be considered a secondary option for the project funding and that the County should proceed to move forward with their current plans for the project funding.

The Tribe informed the Board that with other Memorandums of Understanding regarding road

maintenance with government entities that they establish an agreement with the governmental entity to perform the maintenance work with the expenses being incurred by the governmental entity being reimbursed from the Tribe. Discussion was held on the shoulder work for the hard surfaced road and the possibility of making gravel shoulders as opposed to dirt. It was also noted that if the Tribe received funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs that the Responsible Charge Person would be from the Tribe

Motion was made by Davidson to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas & Nebraska which will transfer the maintenance on the Preston Road to the Nation upon written notice to the County. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 18, Page 111)

RANDY HOUSER, SHERIFF

Sheriff Houser updated the Board this week on the routine business within the Sheriff’s Department and Jail.

He reported that Mike Howell resigned from his position as a sergeant effective Dec. 16, 2011, and that the position will be advertised.

A vacancy position as a temporary matron was discussed and after advertising the position open, Sheriff Houser informed the Board that he has hired someone to fill the position.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Jami Rutt, representing the Cooperative Extension Service presented to the Board the nominations for the positions on the Richardson County Extension Board whose terms expire on Dec. 31, 2011. Neal Frost was nominated to fill the vacancy for the expired term of Mark Jones. Request was also made for the Board to reappoint Bernard Burenheide for an additional four years.

Motion was made by Sickel to appoint Neal Frost and to reappoint Bernard Burenheide to the Cooperative Extension Board. Motion seconded by Davidson. Roll call vote: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Motion was made by Sickel to go into an executive session at 11 a.m. with members of the Veterans Service Committee, Brian Palmer, Larry Whalen, Ken Coonce and James Beckner and County Attorney, Bob Meyer to discuss personnel matters and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to close the executive session at 11:35 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

No action was taken after the executive session.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER
Contract for Public Defender

Motion was made by Sickel to enter into a contract with O. William VonSeggern to serve as the Richardson County Public Defender effective Jan. 1, 2012 for a period of two years. Motion seconded by Davidson. Ely-abstain, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 18, Page 112)

Other

Motion was made by Ely to authorize the Chairman to sign the completion certification for the boiler project. Motion seconded by Davidson. Roll call vote: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

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

(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)
GENERAL FUND

- Dorr & Clark, serv375.00
- Mary L. Eickhoff, exp reimb443.84
- Extreme Tactical Dynamics, supp339.95
- Inglis Repair, serv200.00
- Kawres, serv1,340.16
- Kochs Auto Service, serv264.60
- Linsali, Inc., serv3865.00
- Matthew Bender & Co., serv83.89
- Midtown Service Center, serv..201.16
- Joshua Nincehelter, reimb exp.209.79
- Pitney Bowes, serv177.30
- Postmaster, postage476.00
- Pro Serv Business Sys., equip2,025.00
- Quill Corp., supp68.73
- Pam Scott, reimb exp271.62
- Jacqueline Smith, exp/serv.....297.23
- David Tackett, serv200.00
- Veterinary Supply Co., supp54.99
- Wells Fargo, Sheriff exp271.10
- Total General Fund\$11,165.36

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

- Barco Municipal Prod.,supp .3,210.00
- Bennett Heating, Cooling & Refrig., equip2,775.00
- Black Hills Utility, serv40.11
- Mainelli Wagner & Associates, serv5,740.00
- Martin-Marietta, rock.....31,752.72
- NPPD, serv70.85
- Northern Safety Co., supp.....162.01
- Operation & Expense Acct., reimb15.00
- Pavers, Inc., serv665.70
- Quill Corp., supp95.38
- Rockmount Research & Alloys, supp853.36
- Safety Kleen, supp221.45
- Sapp Bros., fuel29,034.50
- Unifirst Corp., serv64.89
- Total Road & Bridge Fund..\$74,700.97

ROAD/BRIDGE CONSTR HWY
ALLOC FUND

- Mainelli Wagner & Assoc., fee.....5,525.65
- Total Road/Bridge Constr. HWY Alloc. Fund\$5,525.65

CHROMATOGRAPH FUND

- Community Med. Center, serv48.00
- Total Chromatograph Fund\$48.00

COUNTY VISITOR’S PROMO
FUND

- Falls City Journal, adv8.10
- Humboldt Standard, adv9.84
- Total Visitor’s Promo Fund \$17.94

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

- Falls City EDGE, Inc., match funds.....10,000.00
- Total Inheritance Tax Fund, \$10,000.00

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Sickel to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 p.m. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2011, at 9 a.m. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk’s Office.

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

Village of Shubert

Regular Monthly Meeting
Dec. 5, 2011, Shubert Library

The Village Board of Shubert held the monthly board meeting on Dec. 5, 2011 in the Shubert Library. Chairman Haynes opened the regular meeting at 7 p.m., with the following Board Members present: Todd Hendrickson, Peggy Oliver, and Adam Maddox. Heath Davis was absent. Clerk was present to record the meeting. Haynes announced the Posting of the Open Meetings Law. Chairman asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, adding form from Peggy Kuser, he opened the meeting up for comments from the visitors.

Mr. Splichal had some questions in regards to his property. Ms. Howard was present to discuss charges on her water bill. The board had some discussion and then made a Motion and a Second (Maddox/Haynes) not to waive the sewer and trash fees. Roll call vote was Hendrickson Yes and Oliver No. Motion Carried. The subject will also be placed on next month’s agenda.

There was a motion and second (Maddox/Oliver), to approve the Nov. 7 Meeting minutes. Roll call vote was all “Ayes,” Motion carried. There was a motion and second (Maddox/Oliver) to approve the balance and claims sheets. Roll call vote was all “Ayes,” Motion carried. The Delinquent Utility Report was reviewed. Water/Sewer: Board reviewed water report from George. Discussion about well #3. Waiting for report from Sergeant Drilling. Wood & Brush pile: The pile needs to be burned. General: Christmas Lights: NPPD has hung the Christmas Lights. Village Board Reorganization for 2012. Maddox nominated Kym Haynes as Chairman. Hearing no other nominations. Roll Call vote was all “Ayes,” Kym Haynes will serve as Board Chairman for 2012. Chairman then proposed all same appointments as last year with the addition of Maddox in charge of the brush pile. Motion and Second (Haynes/Oliver) to keep same as last year. Roll call votes all “Ayes,” Motion carried. The appointed duties are as follows:

Chairman (Kym Haynes); Chairman Pro Tempore (Heath Davis); Streets (Heath Davis); Brush & Wood pile (Adam Maddox); Buildings & Park (Peggy Oliver); Fire Chief (Scott Shubert); Clerk & Treasurer (Jennifer Buchner); Water&WastewaterOperator (George Ketner); Attorney (Halbert & Dunn); Street Superintendent (JEO Consulting Group); Budget Advisor (Peggy Kuser); Bonded Plumber & Electrician (Davis HPE).

Building & Parks: Community Building is still having electrical problems. Maddox will contact Davis PHE. Oliver also mentioned that the flooring needs to be replaced. Park: The well house door still needs to be repaired. Streets: Repairs to 8th and Main should begin soon. Snow Removal Bids: Two bids were opened and discussed. Motion and Second (Hendrickson/Haynes) to accept Cody Meyerkorth bid for \$10/hour with town equipment. Roll call vote was Oliver “Aye” and Maddox “Abstain.” Motion Carried.

The next meeting will be moved to Jan. 9, 2012 at 7 p.m. Motion and Second (Haynes/Maddox) to change meeting date. Roll call vote was all “Ayes,” Motion carried. With no further business: Motion and Second (Oliver/ Hendrickson) to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. Roll call votes all “Ayes,” Motion carried. Next meeting will be Jan. 9, 2012, at 7 p.m. in the Shubert Library.

Jennifer Buchner
Village Clerk

Monthly Claims Sheet
Dec. 2011

George Ketner, Nov. Salary, 425; George Ketner, Nov. Expenses, 248.82; State of NE Public Health Environmental Laboratory, 559; SE Communications, well house, 47.84; FC Sanitation, trash pickup, 1,043.05; NPPD, Pending; W/S/G transfer to USDA Loan, 906; Great Plains One Call Service, 2.85; Nebraska Rural Water Association, 100; Jennifer Buchner, Nov. Payroll, 600; Jennifer Buchner, Nov. Expenses, 29.95; RCB&T, 941 tax deposit to IRS, 156.83; FC Journal, Publications, Pending; Fort Dearborn, firemen’s Ins. prem., 68.80; Vice Propane, Library Tank Rent, 40; Anderson One Stop, 78.61; Doug Wheeler, Rootx Treatment, 260; Orkin, Library Termite Treatment, 1,266; NMPP Phone Support, 292.50; Paul Platter, Sludge Haul, 125.

Area Churches

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
LCMS
(23rd and Barada)
402-245-3324
www.fallscitylcms.com
Holy Communion celebrated 2nd and 4th Sundays.
Sunday: Divine service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.
LLL First Tuesday: 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. (after Ash Wednesday, 6 p.m.); 5 p.m., Midweek.
Thursday: 6:30 a.m., Adult Bible Study.
Third Thursday of every month: Lutheran Women's Missionary League, 7:30 p.m.
Dan Gifford, pastor

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
LCMS
(6 miles North)
402-245-4643
www.fallscitylcms.com
Holy Communion celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays.
Adult Bible Study every Monday, 7 p.m.; every Wednesday, 5 p.m.
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Tuesday: Second Tuesday of the month, Dorcas Circle.
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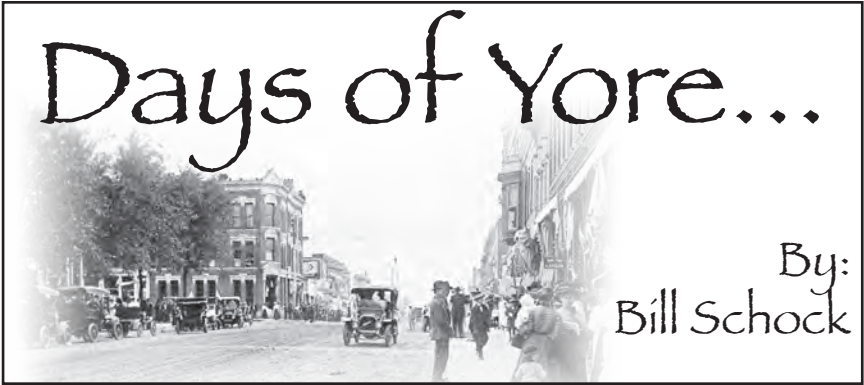
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**50 Years Ago
(Jan. 2-6, 1962)**

Over 800 well behaved (so the Journal said) persons attended the annual Firemen’s Ball at Prichard Auditorium. James Richey was the chairman.

Richardson Countyans had 60 days to get new license plates at the treasurer’s office--over 500 got them the first day.

Jack McIntire, former Falls City High coach, head football and basketball coach at Peru State College, was named the Omaha World-Herald’s “Nebraska College Coach of the Year.”

Navy recruits Louis Roth and Richard Rue, Falls City, were in training at San Diego.

Debbie Reynolds was starring in “The Second Time Around” at the Rivoli.

Army Pvt. Kenneth Smith, Falls City, was stationed in Germany.

The stork report: son Dec. 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meinzer, Falls City; daughter Jan. 1 to Mr. and Mrs. Max Shafer, Shubert; daughter Dec. 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Georges, Falls City; daughter Jan. 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wilhelm, Verdon.

Kenneth Gardner, superintendent of schools, was the new Falls City Jaycees’ president.

James O’Grady, Falls City, was serving as an engineman on the USS Outagamie County LST.

The School Board re-elected school principals: C. A. Weddel, high school; Lowell Lewis, Junior High; Mrs. Dwayne Wamsley, North, and Mrs. Willard Lewis, South.

The Journal noted in its “15 Years Ago” column that on Jan. 4, 1947, it was 28 below zero in Falls City.

Bill Boose rustled the nets for 17 points as FCHS swamped Hiawatha 51-29; Dick Workman scored 20 for Humboldt as the Cards downed Tecumseh 57-48.

Enlisting in the Air Force were Edward J. Hartman and David M. Elliott, both of Falls City, and Melvin Voegele, rural Rulo.

Harriett Hunker, a Falls City High senior, had been awarded a Regents Scholarship.

The Nebraska Railway Commission granted the Falls City-Lincoln Stage Lines a 10 percent increase in fares.

A couple of items from the United Press:

Erie, PA--A burlesque show had to hit the road before it opened when a city official charged the Regent theater with the lack of flame-proof drapes.

Tampa, FL--The City Recreation Department put a stop to dancing the twist at community centers. A department official said the nation’s newest dance craze was unwholesome for children and teenagers.

25 Years Ago

Kay Orr was sworn in as Nebraska’s first woman governor.

Regina Hager, Falls City, was one of 14 freshman nursing students capped at the Beatrice Southeast Nebraska Community College; on the honor roll at Milford Southeast Community College were David Aitken and Thomas Feighner, Falls City, and Tony Woods, Salem.

Gregg Slominski, Sacred Heart senior, was the Junior Rotarian of the Month.

Robert L. Carpenter, Humboldt, was promoted to first sergeant in the Marine Corps at Camp Le Jeune, NC.

A son was born Dec. 29 to Dr. and Mrs. Joe Williams, rural Dawson.

Ted Huber was the Journal’s Richardson County Athlete of the Week. In the Tigers’ 62-50 win over Hiawatha Ted scored 11 points, snared 11 rebounds and had five steals.

On Jan. 6 the Journal was 120 years old.

At Howell’s Jack & Jill you could buy a five-pound bag of red grapefruit for \$1.29.

The year just concluded had been a wet one for this area. The year’s moisture totaled 52.07 inches. The annual average was 34.32 inches.

Esther Stevens

Esther Stevens, 82, of Falls City, passed away Dec. 31, 2011, at Falls City. She was born May 19, 1929, at Sterling, KS, to the late Amos and Faye (Bogey) Fox.

She married Leslie Stevens and they were later divorced.

Esther graduated from Sterling High School in 1947. Following graduation she became employed at Farmers State Bank at Sterling. In 1969 she moved to Falls City and worked for the telephone company as an operator. She then worked for the hospital in the cafeteria and was currently working as the desk clerk for the Grand Weaver Hotel. She was a member of First United Methodist Church at Falls City.

Esther is survived by her daughters, Carla Ann Marx and her husband Mike, of Falls City, Paula Sue Pipkin and her husband Jim, of Albuquerque, NM; son, L. Craig Stevens and his wife Katy of Oshkosh, WI; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Viola “Sis” Tilton, Clarice Caywood, brothers, Chester, Jasper

and Earl “Bub” Fox. Esther’s body has been donated to the Nebraska Anatomical Board. A Memorial service will be held at a later date.

Students

Falls City High School freshman Baylee Vrtiska has been awarded first place in the “Voice of Democracy” contest.

The contest was sponsored by the local Ladies’ Auxiliary. After winning first place in the district contest, Baylee’s recorded essay will go on to compete against other Nebraska district winners in the state contest.

Twelve students from Falls City High School competed in the “Voice of Democracy” contest.

Baylee is the daughter of Kim and Kris Vrtiska, Falls City.



Fred D. Humm



Fred D. Humm, 67, Auburn, died Dec. 17, 2011, at home.

He was born at home to Robert “Pete” and Alma Marie Hey Humm on Feb. 6, 1944. Fred graduated from Falls City Sacred Heart High School.

He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1963 to 1967, serving one year in Vietnam.

Fred was united in marriage to Connie Scott Griffin on March 6, 1970. The couple made their home in Humboldt. He worked as a farmer, truck driver and with the City of Humboldt and the Richardson County Sheriff’s Department. Fred retired from NPPD, where he was a security officer.

He was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Auburn.

Everyone who knew Fred knew of his love for John Deere two-cylinder tractors. He was a member of the Humboldt Harvey-Mann American Legion Post #269 for 40 years. He also belonged to the VFW and Vietnam Veterans of America and was a member of the Humboldt Volunteer Fire Department for many years.

Fred is survived by his wife, Connie; two sons, Shawn Humm, Humboldt, and David Humm and his wife Kayla, Lincoln; daughter, Holly Riley and her husband Ken, Auburn; six grandchildren; brothers, Robert (June) Humm, Tacoma, WA, John Humm, Falls City, Charles Humm, Fargo, James Humm, Dawson; sisters, Katherine (Monte) Cox, Papillion, Margie (Larry) Cook, Plattsmouth, Mary (Leon) Wenz and Patty (Francis) Simmonds, all of Falls City; brother-in-law, Myron Whitten, Falls City. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Richard Humm, and sisters, Carol Marteny, Sister Mary Alma Humm and Betty Whitten.

A funeral service was held Dec. 21 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Auburn with Fr. Greg Pawloski officiating. A rosary was held Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery, Auburn with military honors conducted by the Harvey-Mann American Legion Post #269 of Humboldt and Offutt Ceremonial Honor Guard.

Memorials contributions may be given to the family’s choice.

Virgil ‘Rick’ Kottich



Virgil “Rick” Kottich, 79, of Omaha, died Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2011.

He was born Oct. 19, 1932.

Mr. Kottich is survived by his wife, Janet Kottich, sons, Paul (Janet) Kottich, Kevin Kottich, Richard (Sarah) Kottich and Brian (Stephanie) Kottich, daughters, Debra (Terry) Bergman, Karen (Jack) Walker, and Sheri (Jeff) Schmitt, step-daughter, Tressa (Bob) Hronek, step-son, Robert (Doris) Wolken, 33 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, two brothers, two sisters and numerous relatives and friends.

His parents, a brother and his first wife, Arleen B. Kottich, preceded him in death.

A memorial service was held Friday morning, Dec. 30, at First Baptist Church in Omaha. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Josie Harper Hospice House or First Baptist Church.

Westlawn Hillcrest Funeral Home, 5701 Center St., Omaha, NE 68106 was in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries

Geraldine Faye French

Geraldine Faye French, age 90, of Greybull, Wyoming passed away Saturday, Dec. 24, 2011, at the West Park Hospital in Cody, Wyo.

Geraldine was born Sept. 8, 1921, in Verdon to Bertha Margaret (Taylor) Burns and Harry Thomas Burns. Geraldine grew up and received her schooling in Verdon. She went on to Peru State College, where she received her teaching degree.

She married James Wayne French on July 20, 1940, in Marysville, Kan. She taught school one year in Nebraska and moved to Greybull, Wyo., and taught school at Emblem Bench. She later worked at Bluejacket Guest Ranch and managed Bluejacket Restaurant and Lounge in Greybull.

Geraldine was a member of the St. Andrews Episcopal Church at Basin, Wyo., was a life member of the Carnation Rebekah #26 Lodge at Greybull, and was a 60-years member of the B.P.O. Does Greybull Drove #30.

She is preceded in death by

her parents; her husband, James Wayne French; a son, James Walter French; two brothers, Walter Burns and David Burns; two sisters, Ruth Helmick and Rachel McCreery.

Geraldine is survived by her children, Gerald French, John French, and Jan French, all of Greybull, Barbara (Bruce) Flyr, of Virginia Beach, Va., Joyce Krogman of Gillette, Wyo., David (Debbie) French of Wright, Wyo., and Norma French of Las Vegas; a sister-in-law, Evelyn Burns, of Falls City; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two nieces; and one nephew.

Per Geraldine’s wishes, cremation has taken place and a private burial of cremains at the Donald J. Ruhl Memorial Cemetery in Greybull will take place at a later date.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution in Geraldine’s name be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

Mildred ‘Babe’ McGinnis

Mildred “Babe” McGinnis, 86, of Falls City, passed away Dec. 25, 2011, at Falls City. She was born July 17, 1925 at Falls City to the late Irvin and Agnes (Mackey) Cornford.

On September 14, 1944 she married Qualls McGinnis at Falls City. He passed away Jan. 4, 1984.

Babe was raised in Falls City and was a member of Falls City High School Class of 1943. When married the couple established their home in Hastings. They returned and lived on a farm south of Falls City, where she was a homemaker and farm wife. They moved into Falls City in 1971, where she became employed as a cook at South School and was known for her cinnamon rolls. She enjoyed bowling. She was a member of VFW Auxiliary of Falls City.

Babe is survived to her son,

Patrick and William, both of Falls City; daughters, Barbara Voegele and her husband Doug, Sarah Smith and her husband Jim, all of Falls City; sisters, Thelma Kelley and Winifred Schulenberg both of Falls City, LaVerna Greenley of Rock Port, MO; 12 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a daughter, Amy Beth McGinnis, brother, Irvin Cornford, Jr, great-grandson Timothy Meinzer, grandsons-in-law, Tyrone Popejoy and Bobby Olberding.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home, with Rev. Paul Weinert officiating. Inurnment will be in Steele Cemetery.

No viewing or visitation.

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engineer. Commercial Construction, Inc., of Lincoln was the only bidder on the project that involves four different sites. Their total bid for the four sites was \$298,795.50.

The board discussed with Huppert billings that were recently sent to landowners for tube installation/repair. Revisions to the billing were made and revised statements will be sent. During this portion of the meeting, the board moved to enter into agreement with Mainelli Wagner & Associates to design a bridge replacement project for the structure between 709 and 710 Road on 649 Avenue. The fee is \$8,800, plus construction inspection services at \$65 and hour (plus mileage).

In other developments, the commissioners:

—Received an update from Sheriff Randy Houser. A purchase order was presented for miscellaneous equipment for

duty gear and restraints in the amount of \$1,006.

—Met with Russ Newton of Nebraska Machinery, who presented information about a special purchase of a 2009 Caterpillar 120M motor grader. The board approved the special purchase at a cost of \$165,000 — \$119,000 with the trade-in of an older grader. Since this was a special purchase, bids were not required.

—Accepted the letter request from Jackie Smith to terminate her agreement to provide professional services to the County Treasurer’s office.

—Authorized Sickel to sign a letter of support for a grant application to the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality for a regional scrap tire collection in southeast

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ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:
Painting, Drywall repair, Weather stripping, Wood refinishing, Cleaning light fixtures, Carpet cleaning, Furniture moving, Assists the librarians as directed.

NON-ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:
Interacts with the public, other employees, and supervisors in a polite, calm and professional manner; acts properly to obey all orders given by supervisor(s).

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
Knowledge of library organization services and procedures; skill in computer operation; ability to interact and provide service to public who may be seeking assistance; communicate effectively with co-workers, trainees, the public, and supervisor(s). Ability to lift moderately heavy objects, move furniture, and climb a 12' ladder.

WORKING CONDITIONS: Work performed primarily indoors, and outdoors seasonally. Evening and weekend hours .

CLEANING SCHEDULE

Daily:	Clean & stock 3 public restrooms and water fountains, Empty trash receptacles, Entry doors, Computer room tables, chairs, vacuum
3X week:	Clean entrance and lobby floor, All tables and shelf tops, Interior doors,
2X week:	Vacuum all carpets (spot clean as needed)
1X week:	Genealogy room, 3 Study rooms, Children's program room, Art gallery, Gift Shop, 2 Book return rooms, Window seats, Soft furniture, Staff restroom, Conference room
1X month:	Walls, Kickboards, Woodwork, Bookshelf end panels
1X Year:	Light fixtures, Ceiling vents

OUTDOOR SCHEDULE:

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Mon., Jan. 9: Stuffed Cabbage, Salisbury Steak, Chicken Noodles

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The Falls City Journal assumes no responsibility for Employment Opportunity, earn-at-home or other similar ads which are placed in our paper by firms outside our trade area. This newspaper has neither the resources nor the time to investigate the reliability of such offers.

Miscellaneous

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WANTED: Recycling aluminum cans, M-W-Sat., 9:30-2:30. Old N. Hwy 73 south of swimming pool, Falls City, NE. 31-tf

Consignments needed : Yesterday's Closet and annex etc. both are in need of home décor items, dishes, pans, small furniture pieces, TV, VCR, DVD and Game Players. 53-8

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Words cannot express how much we appreciate our "family" in Falls City. We thank everyone for all their words of concern throughout Bob's hospitalization here and at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln. We thank the Doctors, nurses, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, and staff at Community Medical Center. Bob appreciated all the calls, visits and cards while he was ill. Your thoughtfulness carried us through this difficult journey. A special thank you to my sisters and brother, my library co-workers, my friends, Betsy and Bob, for offering me a room while I was in Lincoln, Pastor Chavanak for his visits, prayers, and comforting words, Hall Funeral Home for all the arrangements, Doug Kirkendall & Elysia McGill for their beautiful music, and The Women of the ELCA for the dinner following the memorial service. We thank you all and God Bless. Pat Deckinger Dawn May and family Tom and Kara Rudnick and family Steve and Mitzi Luedtke and family

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Have a Coke - make someone smile!

By Jason Schock

Would you like to buy the world a coke?

If so, save the caps. Because with a Coke – actually, it takes many Cokes – you’ll wear the proverbial smile, and so can the youngsters at your school and/or community, polar bears, military families, and other people in need at homeless shelters, crisis relief centers and food banks.

They’ve learned that in a good way at Falls City Sacred Heart, where Coke Reward codes from bucket loads of soda bottle caps and cardboard 12- and 24-pack cases have turned into a plentiful array of school supplies. In physical education, children are playing with new scooters, hula hoops, jump ropes, balls, hot potatoes and a 24-foot brightly colored parachute – all sans price tag, thanks to Coke Rewards. The school has a new stereo, too, and plans on getting new art supplies, learning tools and other electronic devices. If the caps come in, they can get about anything imaginable, from camcorders to crayons, to Scotch tape and TVs.

It’s all free of charge, though that’s not to suggest it doesn’t involve some elbow grease. The caps are collected at school and athletic events, then gathered up by Sacred Heart school volunteer extraordinaire Kerry Tramp, who one-by-one enters the 12-digit codes into the computer.

Just how many codes has she punched in? It’s impossible to know for sure, since Coke periodically offers double points during promotions, but each cap is worth three points and FCSH generated some 64,000 points in about 14 months. If you do



Sacred Heart Kindergartners are shown here with items the school has obtained through Coke Rewards, including the 25-foot parachute in the background. Bottle caps are collected and volunteer Kerry Tramp enters the 12-digit codes into the computer. Students photographed, from left: James Froeschl, Leila Frederick, Vaughn Lenard, Mrs. Tramp, Jack Stice, Saylor Huffles (seated), Madison Dougherty, Alex McKim, Elle Falk, and Joe Simon.

the math (you can get a calculator for 7,999 points), that’s as many as 21,333 caps/codes or, taken a step further, 255,996 strokes of the keyboard (by the way, hand sanitizer is 600 points). The number isn’t surely not quite that large, but it’s still labor-intensive work for the “retired” Home & School Treasurer. Mrs. Tramp, a 1977 graduate of FC Sacred Heart, is also the volunteer who collects all the SunMart cash register receipts, Campbell’s Soup Labels for Education and Box Tops for Education.

Of the 64,000 points (and counting), some 22,000 remain unused. That’s enough for two complete art center kits, each containing 4,200 art essentials. After the codes are entered and points accumulated, school librarian Linda Barnhill works with faculty members to determine the school “wish list.”

Codes can be found on 15 brands, including: Coca-Cola, Coke Zero, Diet Coke, Sprite, DASANI, POWERADE, Minute Maid, Fanta, VAULT, Barq’s, Fresca, Pibb, Mello Yello, NESTEA and Seagram’s. There are a

lot of points out there: Consider, according to Business Insider, 1.7 billion Coca-Cola drinks are consumed worldwide *every day* and around the world, the average person consumes a Coke product every four days.

Schools aren’t the only potential beneficiaries of Coke Rewards. Arctic Home is a program that raises awareness and funds to help create a safe haven for polar bears and their habitats; points can be donated to the United Service Organizations, Inc., to support military families; there’s a Hispanic Scholarship Fund; Round It Up America helps to aid local non-profit agencies; and the Simon Youth Foundation, a not-for-profit organization that serves high school students who are homeless, battling illness, forced to work to support impoverished families, or are otherwise at risk of dropping out of high school.

By donating Coke Reward points, you can help others in the community. In that sense, as they said in the 80s, “Coke is it!”

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Main Street project making progress

By Stephanie Hartley

*Executive Director
Main Street Falls City*

Main Street Falls City representatives, committee members and City officials met with engineering firm representatives in two separate progress meetings to make the decisions needed to stay on the timeline for construction to begin.

The first progress meeting was on Nov. 16 and all attendees were given a great presentation regarding the types and colors of signs they could use for the way-finding system, several different models of benches, planters, shrubs, trees, flowers and the like.

The concept of changing the parking on 17th Street between Harlan and Stone Street to have diagonal on the north side and parallel on the south side was discussed, along with the ornamental acorn lighting. The engineers also brought to the table a new picture to represent Falls City on the signs and those in attendance unanimously agreed that the picture they chose represented Falls City well.

All left the Nov. 16 meeting with loads of information and then voted via email on the items

discussed. Those vote results were then sent to the engineers and were discussed in the following progress meeting on Dec. 14. With the results for the type and color of signs, the type of benches, chairs, tables and trash receptacles and the types of trees and shrubbery, along with the types of flowers and planters, the plan was almost complete and nearly ready to go to the bid packets to contractors.

During the last progress meeting, a few details were fine-tuned and some kinks worked out. The engineers found that there are three small, old coal chutes and one large vault under the sidewalks that are to be replaced. Due to budget restrictions, only the south side of 17th Street and the west side of Stone Street between 17th and 18th Streets will be done at this time.

Main Street Falls City has many plans already underway for obtaining the funding needed to complete this part and the rest of the Downtown Revitalization Project.

We are still very excited about the project getting so close! Before you know it, we will be breaking ground! Keep watching for further updates!

Photos by Jason Schock