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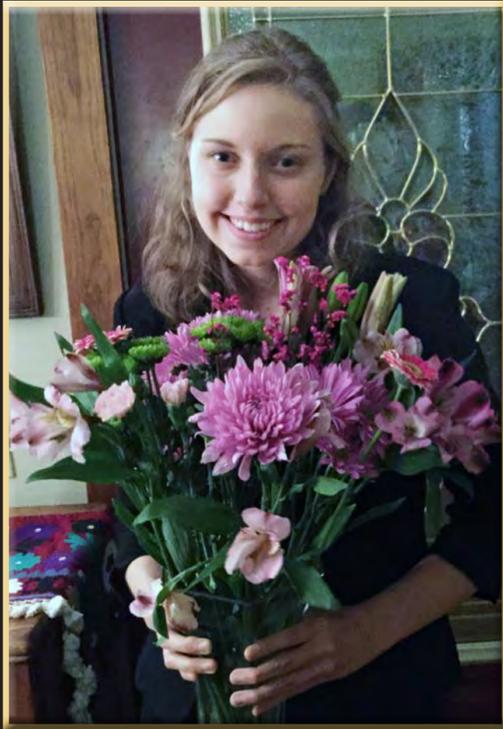
"...the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudices of the people until all wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the Republic is destroyed."

-Abraham Lincoln

## BOCH FESTIVAL 2017



### Concert Master



Nora Barker, a senior at Falls City Sacred Heart School, was chosen to play First Violin and be Concert Master for the orchestra at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln's BOCH Festival for the second consecutive year.

Students were led by UNO faculty in ensembles for Band, Orchestra, and Choir, and then performed the finale at the Holland Performing Arts Center. While most institutions hold separate honors events for each ensemble, the three-day BOCH Festival, started by UNO in 2007, combines these groups to host an event that brings more than 350 high school students from across Nebraska and the Midwest to work with nationally renowned clinicians.

Though a rigorous audition process, high school musicians from across Nebraska and surrounding states are selected to come together and perform

with other musicians at one of Omaha's premiere performance venues. Students have the opportunity to work with UNO Music faculty and students as well as guest clinicians in both masterclass and rehearsal settings. It is a fun-filled weekend of music making and learning with other talented musicians.

Nora won this honor by sending an audition video to UNO, and then was chosen one of the top four violinists and selected to give a live audition. She began her violin studies with her grandmother, Mildred Weber, and now studies with Lisa Nielsen at the Omaha Conservatory of Music. She performed at the Orpheum Theater last fall with the Piano Guys and is a member of the Omaha Area Youth Orchestra, as well as the string quartet, "Airborne." Nora is the daughter of Jeff and Mary Barker of Shubert.



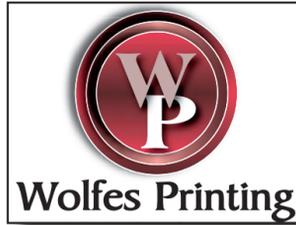
## Wolfe's named Main Street Business of the Year

Wolfe's Printing & Office Supplies, Falls City, was named the Main Street Business of the Year, Falter Museum was the Outstanding Commercial Interior Award winner and Penny Caudle was Main Street Volunteer of the Year at the Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce and Main Street annual banquet held last Wednesday night at the FC Elk's Lodge.

Wolfe's is owned by Todd and Martha Chapple, who purchased the store in late 2011 from founders Dave and Martha Wolfe. Martha Chapple, a long-time employee of the Wolfe's, operates the custom printing and office supplies retail store located at 1607 Stone St. She is also a member of the Falls City Chamber of Commerce & Main Street Falls City Board of Directors. The store opened in 1992.

The John P. Falter Museum, located at 1622 Stone St., was created by Curator Janet "Dobey" (Falter) Haws, who's father, the late John C. Falter, was a first cousin to the famous Falls City artist. It opened in 2015 in the former Richardson County Bank building and features displays of Falter's

129 Saturday Evening Post covers and examples of his illustrations and paintings,



The John Philip Falter MUSEUM

as well as a re-creation of his Philadelphia art studio (on loan from the Nebraska State Historical Society Museum). Other artwork also is featured, loaned by local col-

lectors, the Nebraska History Museum in Lincoln and the Museum of Nebraska Art in Kearney.

Caudle, Insurance Clerk at Community Medical Center, is a member of the Falls City Chamber of Commerce & Main Street Falls City Board of Directors and a graduate of the Lane Leadership Program, a community development-based program made up of engaged community leaders with a passion for Falls City. The group is currently raising funds to create a "splash pad" at the location of the former municipal swimming pool at Dallas Jones Park. Plans are to create a zero-depth water play area for children as a free alternative to the FC Aquatic Center and benefit to visitors of the Fiedler Family Ball Complex.

Penelope and her husband, Chris, have twin sons, Brock and Cade, third graders at Falls City South Elementary School. Penny, the former Penny Kelly, graduated from Falls City Sacred Heart School and Chadron State College.

At the beginning of the meeting portion of the event, 2016 Executive Commit-

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## CONTENT

Photo by Angie Hunziker



152-pound Brett Black and the Tiger wrestlers competed Saturday at the Raymond Central Invite - Falls City brought home a trio of medals

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## FC man accused of strangulation to make first appearance Feb. 13

A 31-year-old Falls City man will make a Felony first appearance in Richardson County Court Feb. 13 on several charges, including strangulation and theft.

During an altercation the afternoon of Monday, Jan. 16, at 1722 Crook St., Jeremy J. Vice allegedly punched Matthew Hanesworth, 34, also of Falls City, knocking Hanesworth to the ground, and then jumped on top of him and choked the man into unconsciousness. According to Richardson County Court documents, the fight started over a girlfriend.

Strangulation is a Class IIIA Felony and carries a penalty of up to five years in prison. Vice is

also charged with third degree assault.

A week later, while still in custody on the strangulation charge, Vice was re-arrested after a police investigation of a burglary reported four days after the altercation with Hanesworth. Vice is alleged to have taken a security camera and digital video recorder belonging to Hanesworth from a home in the 1200 block of Lane Street. He faces misdemeanor charges of theft and criminal mischief.

Vice was released from the Nebraska Dept. of Corrections in March of last year after serving 20 months for his role in an April 2014 Falls City burglary.



Jeremy Vice



FCMS National Geographic Bee runner-up Stiephan Fields, left, and School Champion Wade Wason.

## Wade Wason is FCMS Geography Bee Champion

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

Falls City Middle School students participated in the program for the fifth year. A preliminary written qualifying test was given to all social studies students to find the top students to participate in the school bee and determine a school champion. The FCMS Bee was held on Jan. 23, with 31 students in the final school competition round.

Those qualifying for the school-level bee were: David Kuker, Garriden Brandt, Peter Gifford, Silas Amanullah, Nathaniel Hogue, Aiden Ebel, Grace Holys, Thomas Fields, Abigail Boatright, Gracie Frederick, Court-

ney Rumbaugh, Jared Hawley, Stiephan Fields, Wade Wason, Sarah Gifford, Elyse Poppe, Steven Riggs, Brock Hogue, Abby Fritz, Stephen Acton, Gwenyth Olberding, Jace Heckenlively, Leighton Vice, William Vitosh, Spencer Forsyth, Jonathon Craig, Trey Carter, Pressler Bruxellas, Grayson Gibson, Joseph Spinner and Delainey Kaster.

Wade Wason was School Champion, Stiephan Fields, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and David Kuker, Silas Amanullah, Sarah Gifford, Elyse Poppe, Stephen Acton, Trey Carter and Grayson Gibson all tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Jack Munford will administer the written state test to Wade, who will be notified in March whether or not he qualifies to represent FCMS at the state level. The top 100 students (based on test scores) qualify to compete at the state level. State qualifiers compete in an oral competition, and winners are invited to National Geographic headquarters in May to compete in the national finals for scholarships in the amounts of \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000.



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# Major changes may be coming to Medicare

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

What's going to happen to Medicare?

That's not an insignificant question given the political shift in Washington. Now, with Republicans controlling the presidency and both houses of Congress, some ideas they've been pushing for years have a chance of passing. Those ideas would drastically change the way Medicare works for those already on it and those joining in the next few years.



Medicare is wildly popular, but that popularity doesn't necessarily translate into understanding of a very complex program, what's happened to it, and what may happen. Writing about Medicare for nearly 30 years and watching it evolve, I've seen how easily Congress has already made big changes with hardly a peep from the press or the public. The same could happen again. In this column I discuss a few of those possible changes gleaned from my decades of experience covering the program.

Since the election, there's been talk of "voucherizing" or privatizing Medicare, an idea Republicans have been pushing for 20 years. Under a fully privatized arrangement Medicare would no longer be social insurance like Social Security but more like Obamacare with everyone eventually buying their coverage from private insurance companies.

Beneficiaries would receive a sum of money, likely to be called "premium support" instead of the more dire-sounding "voucher," to help buy their coverage. The amount of support and how well it would keep pace with medical inflation would be buried in the details Congress would hash out.

Today, the government provides the benefits for hospital and physician care for most Medicare beneficiaries, but that could change with more privatization. There already is a lot of privatization in Medicare, and it came about step-by-step - usually with both political parties in agreement and lots of buzz words like "consumer choice" to sell changes to the public.

The long steady march toward Medicare Advantage (MA) plans now used by about one-third of all beneficiaries and the prescription drug benefit are privatized insurance programs within Medicare. Seniors in MA plans give up their traditional, standardized Medicare benefits for doctor and hospital services and buy them from insurers that receive subsidies from the government.

In a totally privatized arrangement, there may be no standardized benefits, and seniors would choose from a menu of insurance company options much the way drug plans are sold today.

It's too early to say whether Congress will push for premium support this year. Democrats have already signaled they will fight back. It's more likely that other changes could slip through that would radically alter Medicare and force beneficiaries to pay a lot more for their care.

One of them is a change in the rules on balance billing: physicians charging seniors and disabled people on the program more than what Medicare will pay. Most doctors accept Medicare's payment as payment in full. Those who don't can charge patients only 15 percent more than Medicare's payment. This limit offers protection against the high balance billing charges patients with other kinds of insurance are facing.

The nominee for Secretary of Health and Human Services Tom Price is no fan of the 15 percent rule and once proposed eliminating it, which may explain why he has gotten such a strong endorsement from the American Medical Association. The AMA has called Price a leader in developing public policy to advance patient choice and "reduce excessive regulatory burdens." Many doctors who work with Medicare patients would like to charge as much as they want.

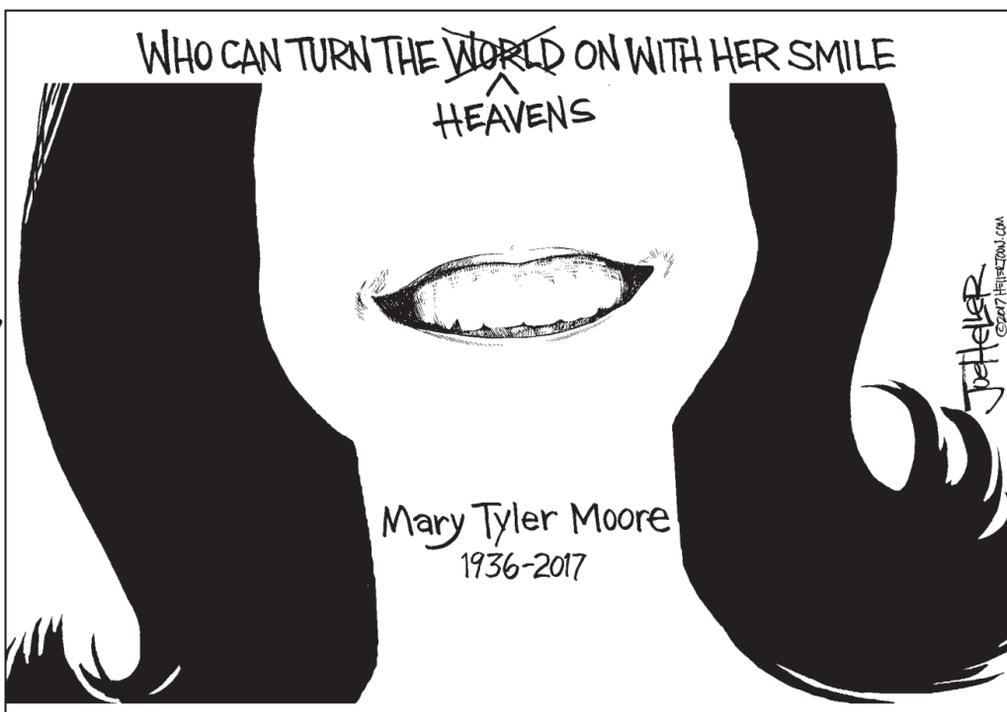
Congress may try to shift costs another way. The objective is to reduce what the government pays for beneficiaries' care by making them pay more themselves. One solution is to combine the deductibles for hospital and physician care into one, and impose an out-of-pocket spending cap for beneficiaries still enrolled in traditional Medicare. Two-thirds of beneficiaries are. Currently no such cap exists. (Seniors in MA plans do face such caps - last year as high as \$6,700.)

If seniors in the traditional program also buy a Medigap plan, it's possible they have what's called "first dollar coverage." That means medical expenses are covered from the beginning.

Congress has already begun to take that protection away. Beginning in 2020 insurers can no longer sell certain Medigap plans that provide for the first dollar coverage beneficiaries want. However, if you have such a policy, you can keep it.

Medicare does face some long-term funding shortfalls, and so far the acceptable solution is to require that seniors pay more rather than raise taxes for everyone or impose cost controls with teeth, which doctors, hospitals, drug companies, and other healthcare providers don't want. I will explore all that, including negotiating pharmaceutical prices, in a future column.

How do you think Medicare should change? Write to Trudy at [trudy.lieberman@gmail.com](mailto:trudy.lieberman@gmail.com).



## Tyranny of the urgent could shape some unsustainable policies

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

Cutting, it's a popular option as lawmakers head into state budget considerations. Sadly, it also represents the tyranny of the urgent.

In case the term tyranny of the urgent is unfamiliar, the meaning lies in its distortion of priorities. One definition explains that one of the measures of a manager is the ability to distinguish the important from the urgent, to refuse to be tyrannized by the urgent, to refuse to manage by crisis.

While the battle of the think tanks mounts: the OpenSky Policy Institute points out that Nebraska relied on more than just budget cuts and fund transfers to get through the last two major budget shortfalls. The Platte Institute for Economic Research touts the fact that liberals in both parties are not running the Nebraska Legislature and a tax-reform majority now sits on the Revenue Committee and will likely advance reform proposals on income and property taxes.

Times like these cause me to take a break and look at history for some perspective. Consider Nebraska Governor Norbert Tiemann, the 42-year-old Republican banker from Wausa (1967-1971) who has been cited by scholars as the most significant governor in the modern era.

He was a progressive who oversaw the creation of a state sales-income tax system, state aid to schools, the University of Nebraska at Omaha, the state Department of Economic Development and collective bargaining for public employees.

His decisions caused division in the Republican Party - sound familiar? - and he was defeated for re-election in 1970 by Democratic nominee Jim Exon who was more of a centrist.

When Tiemann took office in 1967, Nebraska had no visible means of support because voters had wiped out the state's property tax support system in the 1966 election. Faced with the choice of replacing the property tax with a state sales tax only or a combination sales-income tax system, Tiemann chose the sales-income tax option.

"If it had just been a sales tax, it would have been unfair to lower-income people," Tiemann said years later. The combination of taxes created a revenue stream large enough to launch state aid to schools. It also cleared the path for advances at the University of Nebraska by allowing it to transform the financially troubled Municipal University of Omaha - often called West Dodge High -- into the University of Nebraska Omaha.

Tiemann was finally undone by conservatives in his own party who had opposed establishment of a state income tax and who wanted a limited state government constricted by a smaller revenue base.

Wow, does any of this sound familiar yet?

In the last 50 years, Democrats in Nebraska are usually elected to the Governor's office or the U.S. Senate only after the Republicans have bloodied their own candidate during a messy primary. That's how Exon, Kerrey and Nelson were elected to their first terms in those offices. It's interesting to note that all three men served as governor first and then became U.S. Senators.

But, back to the pending budget debate, an issue that incumbent Republican Governor Pete Ricketts says is the number one priority this session. Tax receipts have been lagging for months. The revenue shortfall is creeping toward \$1 billion by the end

of the next fiscal biennium. Low farm commodity prices are contributing to the shortfall. Those who favor smaller government say cuts are the best way to balance income and expenses. That makes sense in a personal budget. If you want to save money on utilities, turn the thermostat back.

But how do you apply that to government, the unwieldy beast that provides the services to which we have become accustomed? In July, Ricketts urged his cabinet and all state agencies to exercise fiscal restraint. In October, he placed a freeze on non-mission critical hires and a ban on non-essential travel.

So, lawmakers are faced with

making adjustments to the remainder of this fiscal year's budget which ends June 30 and hammering out a new two-year spending plan which begins July 1.

That's important stuff. I want to see the budget balanced too. It would be nice to think that state government is going to be as fiscally responsible as we are.

That addresses the spending side. Revenue from taxes addresses the income side.

Explain to me again why we are even considering cutting taxes?

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered independent for 18 years.

## STATEPOINT CROSSWORD

### THEME: BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**ACROSS**

1. a.m. slice
6. "\_\_\_ humbug!"
9. French Sudan, today
13. Opposite of bonjour
14. \*Jesse Owens' team
15. Take exception to
16. Brightest star in Cygnus
17. Snowmobile runner
18. On the rocks
19. Highest level
21. \*"Hidden \_\_\_" movie (2016)
23. \_\_\_ Luis Obispo
24. Goes with rave
25. Scepter's partner
28. Heat in a microwave
30. Greek poet from Lesbos
35. Road shoulder
37. Irritate
39. Lively olden-day dance
40. Diva's delivery
41. \*Public \_\_\_ hip hop group
43. Wild ox of India
44. Tropical smoothie flavor
46. Charades, e.g.
47. \_\_\_ Pound, poet
48. Chest pain
50. Pop group "N \_\_\_"
52. Mary Kay's last name
53. A long walk
55. To boot
57. \*Emancipation Proclamation President
61. \*Dodgers' Rookie of the Year in 1947
64. Perfect
65. Lennon's wife
67. Hop-drying kilns
69. Facial growth
70. "Is," no longer
71. Express a thought
72. Fill beyond full
73. Indefinite degree
74. Seventh month of Hebrew calendar

**DOWN**

1. Little bit
2. Lyric poem, pl.
3. Hokkaido native
4. "\_\_\_ Like Old Times"
5. \*Railroad conductor
6. Portrait sculpture
7. Pose a question
8. Israeli port
9. Carte du jour
10. Gulf V.I.P.
11. Playwright Clare Booth \_\_\_
12. Wraths
15. Soldier's ID
20. Habituate
22. Opposite of outs
24. News announcement to the press
25. \*44th President
26. Was rebroadcast
27. Carry something
29. \*Espoused civil disobedience
31. 1950s pin-up Bettie
32. Eloise's residence
33. Meryl Streep's "The \_\_\_" (2002)
34. \*Philanthropist Winfrey
36. Gaspar, Balthasar and Melchior
38. \*Harry Belafonte, first African-American to win one (1960)
42. Gossipmonger
45. Wait on a phone
49. Be unwell
51. Pupa's shelter
54. "Little \_\_\_ fact"
56. Giraffe's cousin
57. "Mad \_\_\_" word game
58. Lightbulb over head?
59. Whiskey without water
60. Nurse's attention
61. \* \_\_\_ Gibson, "the black Babe Ruth"
62. a.k.a. The Islamic State
63. Europe's highest volcano
66. \*1831 slave rebellion leader
68. \*Obama before becoming President

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**SEZ-I**

**Overcoming Our Divisions**

What an inspiring message we heard at the Area Fellowship of Churches Unity Service held on Jan. 22 at the St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Eleven pastors from 11 area churches participated in the worldwide week of prayer for Christian unity. The theme "Reconciliation-The Love of Christ Compels us," based on 2 Cor. 5:14-20 addressed the divisions/walls between Christians and demonstrations. The stones we have used to build these walls are: Lack of Love, Hate and Contempt, False Accusations, Discrimination, Persecution, Intolerance, Broken Communion, Religious Wars, Division, Isolation, Pride and Abuse of Power. God has reconciled us through Jesus Christ and the love of Christ should compel us to be minorities of reconciliation. After confessing these sins the congregation was led in prayer for forgiveness and for healing for the wounds which have caused our divisions.

Each of us are called to be ambassadors for Christ and to become living offerings dedicated to love, compassion and justice. To further impact these words the pastors build a wall of the start and of the end they disassembled them and built a cross. Then using lighted candles proceeded out to symbolize Christ the light of the world.

If you weren't there you missed a truly moving service. However, I urge you to meditate on overcoming our divisions and praying for the unity of Christians all over the world.

Glenda Degase, Secretary, Area Fellowship of Churches



F&M Bank's Second Annual 'Giving Tree.' From left, SENCA Family Development Specialist Melissa Hardenberger, and F&M employees Carla Rhodd, Pat Weaver, Keia Frederick and Kevin Malone collected baby items such as formula, baby food, wipes and diapers through the month of December. Overall, approximately \$600 worth of items that were collected and donated to the local SENCA organization for families in need.



The Falls City Special Olympics Bowling Team competed Sunday, Jan. 22, in Lincoln. For the boys, Kenny Rider and Michael Hamilton each placed third, and Alex Vollan came in fifth. For the girls, Megan Vice, Gina Hamilton and Becky O'Grady each finished first, and Sydney Prichard and Mary Bieker were each runner-up. Those bowlers will all compete at state April 2 in Lincoln. (ABOVE) From left, Becky O'Grady, Megan Vice, Sydney Prichard, Mary Bieker and Gina Hamilton. (BELOW) Kenny Rider, Michael Hamilton and Alex Vollan.

**Ricketts calls for cuts in top income tax rate**

Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts and small business representatives from across the state Monday unveiled a coalition in support of income tax relief. The Governor's proposal, introduced by Revenue Committee Chairman Jim Smith, would provide income tax relief to hardworking Nebraska families and small business owners.

"We are fighting for income tax relief for the hardworking families and business owners of Nebraska this legislative session," Ricketts said. "Their stories are why Sen. Smith and I have prioritized income tax relief. High taxes are a barrier to growth and expansion. From Main Street in Valentine to the Silicon Prairie in Lincoln and in Omaha, income tax relief will help grow Nebraska. I look forward to testifying in front of the Revenue Committee to advocate for this plan, and working with the full Legislature to make tax relief a reality this year."

Under LB337, Nebraska would take the top tax rate for individuals with taxable income as low as \$29,831 down roughly one-tenth of one percent per year, starting in 2020, as long as the state's revenue growth exceeds 3.5 percent. In effect, Nebraska will have a trigger when the state hits 3.5 percent growth to take the top income tax rate from 6.84 percent down a little each year until it's under six percent.

"Thank you to the organizations who are throwing their support behind LB337 today," said Revenue Committee Chairman Smith. "For Nebraska, income tax relief is one of the keys to growing our state. It's no secret that high income taxes are a major hurdle for job growth and investment. I look

forward to working with the Revenue Committee and full Legislature this session to deliver meaningful income tax relief with LB337 for hardworking Nebraska families and business owners."

At the news conference, small business voices from Fremont, Hastings, Lincoln, Omaha and Valentine highlighted the impact income tax relief would have on their businesses, communities, and families.

According to the Governor, income tax relief would:

- Allow small business to reinvest and expand hiring.

- Support talent attraction by making Nebraska more competitive with surrounding states.

- Provide relief to the over 50 percent of married couples who fall in the highest tax bracket.

- Provide relief for many of the 90 percent of businesses in Nebraska that pay individual income tax.

"This is a great step to make Nebraska's business climate more competitive with other states," said attorney and

small businessman Kurt Arganbright of Valentine. "The current top income tax rate impacts solidly middle class single and married taxpayers. This plan will keep more money in the pockets of the small businesses, many of which are small family businesses or sole proprietorships. Even incremental changes to make Nebraska more competitive can make a big difference for communities like Valentine looking to grow Main Street and expand opportunities for the next generation."

"Our policy team in solidarity with both the Omaha and Nebraska Chambers believe the best way to accomplish growth in tax revenue is to do a better job of growing business. We are advocating a significant reduction of state income tax rates. A reduction in tax rates will help with the transfer of businesses and farms, will encourage our retirees to stay in Nebraska and attract more young people our cities and state," Lincoln Chamber President Wendy Birdsall said, on behalf of the organization's 1,800 members.

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The Falls City Elks Lodge #963 hosted the Falls City Sixpence parent meeting. Families enjoyed chili and cinnamon rolls and a special visit from Santa and his elf, (L-R): Kathy Martin, Shelly Thompson, Santa (Ethan Froeschl), Elf (Joe Froeschl), Susan Johnson, Susan Witt, and Amber Ramer.

### HTRS Speech begins

Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer Speech began the 2017 season by competing in two invitational's. On Jan. 14 the team traveled to Ashland Greenwood to compete at the Oxbow Invite. The team finished fourth overall with 44 points in the 20 plus team behind champion Omaha Skutt with 65 points, Runner up Douglas County West with 50 points and third place, Auburn with 50 points. Medaling for HTRS were Chloe Workman, second place Interpretation of Serious Prose; Lauren Patzel, their place Interpretation of Serious Prose, Trenton Plager, second place Extemporaneous Speaking; Kendall Werts fourth place, Poetry; John Kanel fifth place, Entertainment; Camille Frey fourth place, Novice Informative; and Aliesha Walker fourth place, Novice Entertainment.

On Jan. 21, the HTRS team competed at the Thayer Central Invite. No sweepstakes trophies were awarded only individual competi-

tions were held. Medalists were Chloe Workman, first in Serious Prose and third in Humorous Prose; Lauren Patzel, second in Informative Speaking and third in Serious Prose; Kendall Werts, second in Poetry; Camille Frey, second place in Novice Informative; Aliesha Walker, third place in Novice Entertainment Katie Frey, fourth place in Novice Serious Prose. The team competed at the MUDECAS Conference Speech Contest held on the SCC campus at Beatrice. The team is coached by Carl Linnerson.

### FCMS Honor Roll

Falls City Middle School has announced the following Honor Roll for second quarter of the 2016-17 school year:

**FCMS High Honor Roll**  
**8th Grade** – Thayer Armbruster, Lukas Butler, Abby Harms, Jared Hawley, Brock Hogue, Brenna Leyden, Shaylee Mackey, Courtney Rumbaugh, Eryn Snethen, Ashlynn

Strauss and Tyler Uhri.

**7th Grade**- Abigail Boatright, Carson Bredemeier, Justin Brewer, Pressler Bruxsllas, Taryn Coronado, Nia Crawford, Aiden Ebel, Kyle Eickhoff, Rayce Farmer, Thomas Fields, Spencer Forsyth, Abby Fritz, Dalton Helmick, Grace Holys, Emma Killingsworth, Makayla Mason, Lindsey McNeely, Chase Nottle, Jaden Nolte, Josie Riggs, Madllyn Scholl, Jolee Schulenberg, Carson Simon, and Piper Sutton.

**6th Grade** – Kaydence Cattrell, Jonathon Craig, Stiephan Fields, Christina Gilkerson, Delaine Kaster, Kellen McAfee, Everett McCullough, Reece McNeely, Ellyse Poppe and Jodie Uhri.

**FCMS Honor Roll**  
**8th Grade** – Lukas Aldana, Sara Black, Pacer Chapple, Zoe Ebel, Jace Heckenlively, Jayden Kreifels, David Kuker, Jaxon Lunsford, Ava Morgan-Schorn, Gwenty Olberding, Kaylee Tackett, Leighton Vice, William Vitosh, Michael Wickham.

**7th Grade** – Abigail Dougherty, William Ewers, Isabella Franzen, Brylee Gilkerson, Eliza Kuker, Courtney McClintock, Jocelyn O'Grady, Mackenzie Richbourg, Piper Scarberry, Wade Wason.

**6th Grade** – Silas Amanullah, Bryson Butrick, Hannah Collier, Alexis Miller, Gaby Niefeldt, Carly Romo, Chelssa Sells, Jaxyn Strauss, Emily Thrash, Joseph Vrtiska.

## Radon test kits available at local Extension office

January is National Radon Action Month. According to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, over 74% of homes tested in Richardson County have levels of radon in the indoor air that exceed EPA's action level.

Radon is a colorless, odorless gas that is a naturally occurring by-product of the radioactive decay of Uranium in the soil. It enters homes through cracks and crevices in the foundation or through crawl spaces below the structure. Radon can get into any type of building – houses, offices, schools, etc. – but researchers suggest that people are most likely to receive their greatest exposure to radon at home, simply because that's where they spend the greatest amount of their time.

Radon is of concern to health because studies have linked radon to an increased risk for the development of lung cancer. Behind smoking radon is considered the second leading cause of lung cancer and is the leading cause of lung cancer in people who have never smoked.

There is no "safe" level when it comes to radon, but generally speaking the lower the amount of radon in indoor air, the lower the risk. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has set an action level of 4.0 pCi/L. Due to the soil types in southeast Nebraska most counties have an average level that exceed the action level, in Richardson County the average radon level is 8.2 pCi/L. Fortunately, with today's mitigation technologies radon levels in homes can be brought down to well below this action level.

Radon's entry into the home is driven by air pressure fluctuations that are unique to each structure. Because of this two houses next door to each other can have completely different levels. The only way to know if your home has elevated levels of radon is to test for it.

Testing is inexpensive and you can do it yourself. Since January is National Radon Action Month, Nebraska Extension in Richardson County is encouraging homeowners to test their homes. To make testing easier Nebraska Extension in Johnson County has secured a grant from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to provide free radon test kits to residents in the area (limited supplies are available).

This is a great opportunity to find out if your home is a healthy home. Nebraska Extension in Richardson County encourages homeowners who have not yet tested for radon to stop in and pick up a kit. Nebraska Extension in Richardson County is located in the basement of the Courthouse at 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355. Out regular office hours are 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. If you have questions please call us at: 402-245-4324.

### STUDENTS

**President's lists released at Northeast Community College**  
Northeast Community College in Norfolk has released the President's Honor List for both full and part-time students for the Fall 2016 Semester. To be named to the President's Honor List, students must earn a perfect grade point average of 4.0 and be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours. Some 185 students made the President's Full-time Honor List this fall semester.

The following is the local student, named to the President's Honor List for full-time students for the Fall 2016 Semester at Northeast Community College. She earned a 4.0 grade point for at least 12 hours. Emily Gonnella of Dawson.

### Public Service Announcement

*Narconon reminds families that an intervention can be the difference between life and death. To learn more about how to conduct an intervention for your loved one and save their life go to [www.narconon-suncoast.org/blog/the-power-of-an-intervention.html](http://www.narconon-suncoast.org/blog/the-power-of-an-intervention.html)*

### BUSINESS



Mark Joy

The State Bank of Table Rock is pleased to announce Mark S. Joy as President and CEO effective Jan. 12, 2017. Former President and CEO, Rick Kunze will take on the role of Chief Financial Officer, and will remain Chairman of the Board. Prior to his promotion, Mark has been Senior Vice President and Branch Manager at our Humboldt location for the past 12 years.

Mark is a graduate of the Colorado Graduate School of Banking in Boulder, CO, and a graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, majoring in Ag Economics and Ag Education. Mark has extensive experience in the banking field where he worked at the American National Bank for 17 years, the Farm Credit Services for two years, and was a teacher of Vocational Agriculture at the Lewiston Consolidated Schools for two years. Mark has resided in the Humboldt community for the past 30 years, and is a life long resident of Richardson County. He has been active in many organizations and with his church. Mark and his wife, Susan, have three grown children, Spenser, Marshall, and Sierra. "I have been very fortunate to be a part of a financial organization, which focus's on taking care of their customers", Joy said. He also said, "Our employees are the secret to our success".

Mark will continue to be the Branch Manager at the Humboldt location and continue to serve his clients as he always has in the past.

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**Janet (Young) & David Joseph Schawang** (formerly of Rulo) of Hastings will celebrate their 50th wedding Anniversary on February 4, 2017. They were married at St. Cecilia Church in Hastings in 1967. They are the parents of Kimberly Schawang Smith of Ainsworth and Kevin Schawang of Hastings. They have three grandchildren: Elizabeth Smith of Ainsworth and Arthur and Henry Schawang of Hastings. In honor of them, their family asks that cards and well wishes be sent to them at 2025 Boyce, Hastings, NE 68901.

**FALLS CITY RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT PANCAKE & SAUSAGE FEED**  
**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY - FEB. 5**  
**7:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.**  
At the Falls City Rural Fire Station (on old Highway 73 North)  
**Free Will Donation**

**FEBRUARY 2017**

**VALENTINE'S DAY- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY FROM CASINO WHITE CLOUD!!!**  
The first Customers through the Casino front doors get a piece of Jewelry while supplies last!! "Hot Seat Box of Chocolate" Drawings to win \$100 in Promo Cash plus Chocolate every ½ hour 1pm-11pm.  
Jewelry Giveaway Drawings every ½ hour 6:30pm-11pm.

**MARDI GRAS-TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>**  
**CASH GIVEAWAY**  
Drawings to win up to \$500 in CASH every ½ hour 3pm-11:30pm.  
\$1,000 CASH Drawing at Midnight.

**NEW MEMBERS GET \$25 IN PROMO CASH FOR SIGNING UP!!**

**SUNDAYS & MONDAYS** -TRIPLE POINTS 9AM – NOON!! "Hot Seat" Drawings to win \$50 in Promo Cash every ½ hour Noon-5pm. "Hot Seat Spin the Wheel" Drawings to win up to \$75 in Promo Cash every ½ hour 7pm-11pm. If you land on a heart, you get coupon for \$50 extra in Promo Cash for March!!

**TUESDAYS** – Prime Time Tuesday!! \$2 off lunch and dinner buffets (\$5 & over). "Hot Seat" Drawings to win \$50 in Promo Cash every ½ hour Noon-5pm. "Heart Box" Drawings to win up to \$100 in Promo Cash every ½ hour 7pm-11pm. (Excludes Tuesdays, February 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>)

**WEDNESDAYS** - "Hot Seat" Drawings every ½ hour Noon-5pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash plus a coupon for \$50 in Promo Cash for March. **LADIES NIGHT!!** Ladies Only Drawings every ½ hour 7pm-11pm to win a surprise gift plus up to \$150 in CASH or Promo Cash.

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

**FRIDAYS** - "Hot Seat" Drawings every ½ hour 2pm-5pm to win \$50 in Promo Cash. "Heart or No Heart" Drawings every ½ hour 6pm-1am to win up to \$150 in Promo Cash. Winner picks 3 hearts from 12. They have the choice to take a deal or no deal with the third heart being their final deal.

**SATURDAYS**- "Minute to Win It" Drawings to win Promo Cash every ½ hour 6pm-1am. Winner will pick out as many candy balls as they can hold. You can only pick out one at a time and must remain holding them all until the timer goes off. If you drop any, they will not be counted. Add them up and that is the Promo Cash you have won. If the winner total is less than \$50 in Promo Cash, they will automatically get \$50 in Promo Cash.

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**COUNTY COURT**

-Jessie E. Luginbill, 35, of Falls City, sentencing for count one, assault in the third degree; count two, disturbing the peace; placed on probation for one year, ordered to successfully complete inpatient treatment for chemical dependency, serve 45 days in Richardson County Jail beginning July 31 (unless waived by the Court), and pay \$60 in Court costs and \$90 in probation fees.

-Chelsea M. Gordon, 23, of Auburn, sentencing for DUI - first offense; placed on probation for nine months, driver's license revoked for three months (ignition interlock permit), must successfully complete outpatient treatment for chemical dependency; fined \$500, plus Court costs of \$50 and probation fees of \$280.

-Matthew W. Hanesworth, 34, of Falls City, probation violation hearing regarding convictions for leaving the scene of an accident and willful reckless driving - first offense; case continued to Feb. 6 for entry of plea.

-Brian K. Zentner, 40, of Falls City, hearing held on motion to revoke deferred jail term on DUI (-.15-plus) conviction; pretrial hearing scheduled for Feb. 8.

-Christopher K. Jones, 52, of Humboldt, DUI - first offense, amended to reckless driving - first offense; pled no contest to amended charge; fined \$500, plus Court costs of \$50; placed on probation for six months, must complete alcohol education class within 90 days.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls

City, count one, maintaining a nuisance; count two, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle; pled no contest to both counts; fined \$125, plus Court costs of \$58.50.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, maintaining a nuisance; pled no contest; fined \$25, plus Court costs of \$65.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, count one, maintaining a nuisance; count two, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle; pled no contest to both counts; fined \$85, plus Court costs of \$58.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, maintaining a nuisance; pled no contest; fined \$40, plus Court costs of \$50.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, weeds/grasses over 12 inches tall; case continued to Feb. 8 for entry of plea.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, count one, weeds/grasses over 12 inches tall; count two, maintaining a nuisance; case continued to Feb. 8 for entry of plea.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, weeds/grasses over 12 inches tall; case continued to Feb. 8 for entry of plea.

-Joshua M. Darden, 38, of Falls City, count one, weeds/grasses over 12 inches tall; case continued to Feb. 8 for entry of plea.

-Jeffrey M. McNeely, 37, of Falls City, driving under suspension; pled guilty; fined \$50, plus Court costs of \$50.

-April M. Feighner, 37, of Falls City, driving under suspension; pled no contest; sentencing set for Feb. 22.

-Drue T. Miller, 29, of Falls City, count one, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; count two, driving under suspension; count three, possession of marijuana (less than one ounce); count four, possession of drug paraphernalia; preliminary hearing scheduled for Feb. 13.

-Paige N. Frederick, 32, of Omaha, count one, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; count two, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; preliminary hearing scheduled for Feb. 13.

-Paige N. Frederick, 32, of Omaha, count one, resisting arrest; count two, possession of drug para-

phernalia; pled not guilty; pretrial hearing scheduled for Feb. 13.

-Lance C. White, 18, of Falls City, sentencing for theft by unlawful taking (\$500-\$1,500); placed on probation for one year and successfully complete inpatient treatment for chemical dependency; ordered to pay restitution of \$800 to Alice Troncin, plus Court costs of \$60 and probation fees of \$335.

-Joshua L. Carpenter, 31, of Falls City, count one, manufacture, distribute or delivery of a controlled substance, a Class IIA Felony; count two, possession of a controlled substance, a Class IV Felony; count three, no operator's license; count four, possession of drug paraphernalia; preliminary hearing scheduled for Feb. 13.

-Nathan S. Moore, 28, of Verdon, maintaining a nuisance; show cause hearing regarding failure to pay fines/costs; case continued to Feb. 27.

**ACCIDENT**

-4:12 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26; 9<sup>th</sup> and Harlan Streets. Drivers: Jeffrey L. Minard, 55, of Falls City; Cynthia M. Bachman, 62, of Falls City. Estimated damage when Minard, southbound on Harlan Street in his 2008 Toyota Tundra pickup, attempting to turn east onto 9<sup>th</sup> street, and Bachman, in her 2007 Pontiac G6, facing west on 9<sup>th</sup> Street and stopped at the intersection, collided: \$2,500 to Minard vehicle; \$3,500 to Bachman car. According to the accident report filed by investigating officer Charles DiGiacomo, of the FCPD, the "point of impact reveals (Bachman car) was stopped beyond the Stop sign and (Minard truck) cut the corner short, turning through a portion of the westbound lane." No citations were issued, nor were any injuries reported.



*Keep Sunday's Super Bowl parties super safe*

Super Bowl Sunday usually means having a good time, but people need to watch out for potential food safety dangers.

The second highest amount of food is consumed in the U.S. on Super Bowl Sunday, second only to Thanksgiving, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. For that reason, hosts and partygoers must be mindful of food safety practices.

Foodborne illnesses may occur when potentially hazardous food has been left out for more than two hours at room temperature, 70 degrees. As a guest, potentially hazardous foods left out at room temperature for over two hours should be avoided.

As a host, you need to keep yourself and your guests safe. To be safe, keep cold foods cold and hot foods hot. Cold foods should be kept at 40 degrees or lower and hot foods should be kept at 140 or higher. Both of these temperatures are outside the food safety temperature danger zone.

Chips and dip are commonly provided at Super Bowl parties. While the chips are not potentially hazardous foods and are safe, dip can provide a problem when not kept hot or cold. Cream cheese, sour cream, and bean dips are potentially dangerous if they are left at room temperature for longer than

**AMERICAN HEART MONTH**  
**Nine out of 10 women at risk of heart disease or stroke**

Heart Disease is the number one killer in women. With a death rate of one in three deaths per year and fewer women than men surviving their first heart attack, it is time for women to take control of their heart health and learn about their risks and how to prevent heart disease and stroke. According to the American Heart Association, 90 percent of women have at least one or more risk factors for heart disease or stroke.

To raise awareness, SE District Health Dept. encourages everyone to take part in the "Go Red for Women" movement led by the American Heart Association. There are many ways that individuals can take part in this movement. One simple way is to wear red in support of women's heart health. Join SDHD and "Go Red for Women" on Feb. 3 for National Wear Red Day! Wear your red and post your pics to our Facebook page with the tag #GoRedWearRed!



Another great way to be part of the movement is to talk with your healthcare provider about your risk and know your numbers. Not doing anything gives heart disease the advantage, take control of your health now! If you have any risk factors for heart disease, start making changes now to reduce your risk and prevent heart disease or stroke.

- Risk factors for heart disease and stroke are:
- Lack of physical activity – be moderately active for at least 150 minutes each week!
  - High Cholesterol – changes in diet can help to reduce your cholesterol intake and maintain healthy numbers.
  - High Blood Pressure – self-monitoring is a great way to help keep your blood pressure in check. Know what your blood pressure is and maintain a healthy diet to keep your blood pressure within a normal range.
  - Smoking – if you are a smoker, now is the time to quit! There are many free resources available to help.
  - Diabetes – if you are diabetic, it is important to keep your blood glucose levels under control. If you are at risk for diabetes, there are programs to help you prevent or delay Type 2 Diabetes.
  - Weight – if you are overweight, losing 5-7% of your body weight can help to prevent many chronic conditions.

If you would like more info on programs that can help you to reduce your risk, visit [www.sedhd.org](http://www.sedhd.org) or call 402-274-3993 (toll-free 877-777-0424).

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Travis Keller takes down his opponent during the Raymond Central Mustang Invite

## Raymond Central Mustang Invite results for Falls City

145 - Shane Campbell (5-13) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Shane Campbell (Falls City) 5-13 received a bye ( ) (Bye) Quarterfinal - Grant Albrecht (Raymond Central) 37-1 won by fall over Shane Campbell (Falls City) 5-13 (Fall 1:21) Cons. Round 2 - Fabian Chacon (Cozad) 4-15 won by decision over Shane Campbell (Falls City) 5-13 (Dec 7-0).

152 - Brett Black (12-8) place is unknown and scored 1.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Brett Black (Falls City) 12-8 received a bye ( ) (Bye). Quarterfinal - Garrett Walla (Raymond Central) 26-11 won by fall over Brett Black (Falls City) 12-8 (Fall 2:40). Cons. Round 2 - Brett Black (Falls City) 12-8 won by decision over Roberto Pedraza (Nebraska City) 6-19 (Dec 8-4). Cons. Round 3 - Riley Lake (Fort Calhoun) 10-12 won by fall over Brett Black (Falls City) 12-8 (Fall 3:50)

170 - Keegan Hunzeker (14-15) placed 4th and scored 16.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 received a bye ( ) (Bye). Quarterfinal

- Alex Flynn (Humboldt-TR-ST) 22-19 won by decision over Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 (Dec 11-8). Cons. Round 2 - Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 won by fall over Blake Langmack (Columbus Lakeview) 8-15 (Fall 2:36). Cons. Round 3 - Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 won by fall over Troy Teeter (Fort Calhoun) 9-12 (Fall 2:24). Cons. Semi - Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 won by disqualification over Tucker Bassinger (Beatrice) 25-9 (DQ). Third Place Match - Taylor Yancy (Cozad) 18-21 won by forfeit over Keegan Hunzeker (Falls City) 14-15 (For.)

195 - Carter Hunzeker (18-5) placed 5th and scored 10.00 team points. Quarterfinal - Carter Hunzeker (Falls City) 18-5 won by fall over Cade Stott (Cozad) 8-24 (Fall 4:52). Semifinal - Austin Jensen (Syracuse) 8-4 won by fall over Carter Hunzeker (Falls City) 18-5 (Fall 3:22). Cons. Semi - Logan Schuelke (Waverly) 16-18 won by decision over Carter Hunzeker (Falls City) 18-5 (Dec 8-6). Fifth Place Match - Carter Hunzeker (Falls City) 18-5 won by major decision over Cade Stott (Cozad) 8-24 (MD 12-0)

220 - Travis Keller (2-3) placed 6th and scored 7.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 received a bye ( ) (Bye). Quarterfinal - Jesus Maganda (Schuyler) 29-4 won by fall over Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 (Fall 5:18). Cons. Round 2 - Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 received a bye ( ) (Bye). Cons. Round 3 - Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 won by fall over Joe Garcia (Fort Calhoun) 19-16 (Fall 1:33). Cons. Semi - Damien Wylder (Waverly) 22-13 won by fall over Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 (Fall 0:49). Fifth Place Match - Robbie Fisher (Cozad) 14-21 won by fall over Travis Keller (Falls City) 2-3 (Fall 3:32)

285 - Dalton Kennel (11-8) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Dalton Kennel (Falls City) 11-8 received a bye ( ) (Bye). Quarterfinal - Cody Thompson (Columbus Lakeview) 21-13 won by fall over Dalton Kennel (Falls City) 11-8 (Fall 0:56). Cons. Round 2 - Brenden Simpson (Beatrice) 16-22 won by decision over Dalton Kennel (Falls City) 11-8 (Dec 6-5)

## Raymond Central JV Invite results for Falls City

126 - Kyle Black (6-3) placed 2nd and scored 12.00 team points. Round 2 - Kyle Black (Falls City) 6-3 won by fall over Jack Vlahos (Nebraska City) 1-3 (Fall 0:39). Round 3 - Kyle Black (Falls City) 6-3 won by fall over Tyler Sorenson (Norris) 2-17 (Fall 2:53). Round 4 - Kyle Black (Falls City) 6-3 won by fall over Cameron Shaner (Fort Calhoun) 10-16 (Fall 1:20). Round 5 - Trent Hydo (Beatrice) 11-6 won by fall over Kyle Black (Falls City) 6-3 (Fall 3:46)

138 - Lane Burns (6-4) placed 3rd and scored 7.00 team points. Round 1 - Zach Danner (Syracuse) 8-16 won

by fall over Lane Burns (Falls City) 6-4 (Fall 1:48). Round 2 - Lane Burns (Falls City) 6-4 won by fall over William Howell (Nebraska City) 3-1 (Fall 0:25). Round 4 - Tyler Nelson (Norris) 2-2 won by fall over Lane Burns (Falls City) 6-4 (Fall 2:32). Round 5 - Lane Burns (Falls City) 6-4 won by fall over Chase Hall (Raymond Central) 7-6 (Fall 2:36)

160 - Dakota Fisher (7-4) placed 2nd and scored 12.00 team points. Round 1 - Dakota Fisher (Falls City) 7-4 won by forfeit over Dylan Stolzer (Norris) 5-8 (For.). Round 2 - Dakota Fisher (Falls City) 7-4 won by deci-

sion over Noah Sealock (Auburn) 7-7 (Dec 7-5). Round 3 - William Marxsen (Schuyler) 18-12 won by decision over Dakota Fisher (Falls City) 7-4 (Dec 5-0)

195 - Ed Fritz (10-2) placed 2nd and scored 14.00 team points. Round 1 - Ed Fritz (Falls City) 10-2 won by fall over Austin Youngquist (Auburn) 5-6 (Fall 0:30). Round 2 - Ed Fritz (Falls City) 10-2 won by fall over Sam Schneider (Waverly) 10-7 (Fall 3:28). Round 3 - Bryce Christensen (Waverly) 20-4 won by fall over Ed Fritz (Falls City) 10-2 (Fall 2:00).



In the couple of weeks since my last column much has happened in the Husker/Royals sports world, so let just dive right into it. Sunday, Jan. 22, as I was enjoying my coffee, I got an alert to a possible car accident involving Royals pitcher Yordano Ventura. I frantically searched all media outlets thinking it was probably just a hoax, but minutes later the story was being confirmed by many different news outlets. All of a sudden the hope and joy of a nice Sunday was washed away as utter sadness crept in. I didn't know this man but after watching him the last three years in Kansas City, I felt a bond with him. He was fiery on the field, almost controversial. He threw every pitch like it was the final pitch in game seven of the World Series. So how, at just 25 years of age was his fire extinguished? I along with many fans still wonder the same thing. Why was he on a dangerous road where the speed limit was just 15 mph, in the fog, at 4:00 in the morning? We may never know the answer to these questions, but what we do know is how much of an impact he had in just his 25 years. Every offseason he went home to the Dominican Republic, not only to see his family but to help the youth of his country. He often volunteered, helping the local baseball leagues where he grew up playing. Royals fans loved him, his fire, his smile, his desire to win. As much as he was adored here, he was a national hero in the Dominican. He was a World Series champion who still lived among the people there. I've read so much about him in the last week and my opinion of him just keeps going up. According to Royals coaches and players he was always smiling. That is what I will miss about Yordano, his huge smile. I was very fortunate to see Ventura pitch in Game Two of the 2014 World Series. While walking off the mound after six innings and the score tied at two, the crowd gave him a standing ovation and with a tip of the hat and that gracious smile, Yordano disappeared into the dugout. I will never forget that moment as long as I live. "Ace" may you continue throwing 100 mph fastballs in heaven and in Royals fans hearts you will be Forever Royal.

Last Friday we were lucky enough to attend the Royals Fanfest in Kansas City. We had never been to one before, but we had received tickets for Christmas. Not knowing for sure what to expect, but feeling very excited we headed South. First thing we did once the gates opened was split up and get in autograph lines. Alex and I patiently waited to see who we randomly drew, then Mike MacFarlane and Dennis Leonard show up. Not exactly who we were hoping for but oh well. After we got our baseballs signed we met Nikki at the memorial set up for Yordano Ventura. It was beautifully set up, and a fitting tribute to him. Alex and I stood in silence at the pitchers mound that had been constructed and said a short prayer. All three of us were visibly shaken so we decided to seek out more autographs to lighten the mood. We went back to the same line we were just in hoping after a let down we would be rewarded with a superstar. Minutes passed when a roar went up, we had gotten in the line for Mike Moustakas, the third basemen for the Royals. I couldn't believe it, I was going to get my Moustakas World Series jersey signed. When we reached the front of the line he visited with Alex for quite some time. He shook his hand, took a selfie with him, and encouraged him to do his best in school. What a role model for kids, you couldn't have asked for more. So now on cloud nine we met up with our friend Jason and his daughter Chloe. Immediately Alex and Chloe decided they were after more signatures. After some clever maneuvers they ended up in line for not only Lorenzo Cain, but also Eric Hosmer. By the time the day was over they had really scored big with signatures, not to mention some pretty great pics with these amazing athletes. We ended up with hats, jerseys, bats and balls signed. Definitely top ten kind of day. Just as we were about to leave Salvador Perez strolled by, so we followed along with hundreds of other fans. This is the moment I was so proud to be a Royals fan. As he entered the memorial to Ventura everyone stopped following. He stood at the mound wiping away tears and everyone left him alone. No autograph seekers, no talking, nothing. Fans let him say his peace and move on. It was a somber moment but one I was glad to be part of.

As I write this, I received word the Royals signed DH Brandon Moss to a two year deal. Many Royals fans will remember Moss for hitting two home runs against us in the 2014 Wild Card game. Last season Moss hit 28 home runs for the Cardinals. Sounds to me like a great pickup, he should fill the void that the departure of Kendrys Morales left. Now lets hope Dayton Moore can get some starting pitching to help us out. With Yordano gone the Royals have a huge hole to fill in an already suspect rotation.

Official signing day for the Huskers is this Wednesday and Mike Riley and his staff have been busy as of late. On Friday, receiver Jamire Calvin switched his commitment from Oregon State to the Huskers. Calvin, a four star WR was thought of as a lock before choosing the Beavers over the Huskers two weeks ago, but claimed he never felt comfortable with that decision and re-committed to Nebraska. Currently the Huskers recruiting class ranks as high as 22 by some publications but are still in the hunt for some big time additions. That list includes four star CB Elijah Blades, who recently recommitted from Florida. Right now it seems it will come down to the Huskers and USC. Lately he seems to be warming up to Nebraska so lets hope he chooses the Huskers on Wednesday. Another big name on the radar is five star WR Joseph Lewis from LA. From what I hear he loves coach Keith Williams but I'm not that will be enough to take him away from USC. What an addition he would make to an already great wide receiver class. Nebraska seems to also be close to landing Damion Daniels, a defensive tackle from Dallas. At 315 lbs he could sure eat up blockers in the middle of the defense.

A lot goes into signing day but what do all the rankings really mean. We know especially here in Nebraska that "stars" don't mean everything. Just because you have the ability doesn't mean you possess the heart to succeed. Too many of the highly rated athletes of today have been told forever that they are the best, so in turn they don't always have the best work ethic. Maybe they care more about personal stats than their team. Lets hope this isn't the case with the young men Coach Riley has recruited. I feel like this staff is working hard at upgrading our talent level, which lets be honest has been mediocre at best. In order to compete with the Ohio States of the world we must get athletes capable of competing with their superior players. I'm not sure what to think but Mike Riley has made it known by his actions that he wants to win and he wants to win now. He has fired longtime friends/assistants and made upgrades in those areas, at least thats my opinion. Will Nebraska ever be like we were in the 90's? The answer to that is simple. No! But can we continue to claw back out of obscurity and be a voice to be reckoned with again? Sure we can, and it all starts February 1. We just need the right pieces of the puzzle to fall into place with our coaching staff.

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Sacred Heart Freshman Tyler Witt had a big game Tuesday night adding nine points and six rebounds.



Elizabeth Keithley goes up for a strong two points

## Irish boys go five hundred on the week

By Brian McKim

The Falls City Sacred Heart Irish boys played host to the Southern Raiders on Tuesday night and they found out early they had a fight on their hands. The Raiders came out quick and raced to a 13-8 lead after one quarter. The second quarter was a draw as each team dropped in 13 points, but the Irish left the floor for halftime trailing 26-21. The Irish started the third quarter the way they finished the first half and took a one point lead heading into the deciding quarter. Sacred Heart had the lead late, up by three with just 37 seconds remaining. After missing the second of two free throws the Irish got the rebound and Tristan Keithley was fouled. He connected on both attempts extending the leads to five. After a big board on defense the Irish were again at the line but missed the front end of a one and one and the Raiders drove the court and got a lay-up making it a three point game with just eight seconds remaining. Sean Arnold took the in bounds pass and drove to the hoop but missed a lay-up giving the Raiders one final attempt, but the desperation three point attempt was just off the rim and the Irish survived for a 44-41 win. With the win the Irish improved to 15-2 on the year.

Theo Rohrer paced the Irish attack with 10 points, seven boards and two steals. Freshman Tyler Witt had a big game also adding nine points and six rebounds. As a team the Irish hit on 40 percent of their shots and hit eight out of 11 from the foul line. Sacred Heart also pulled down 27 rebounds, eleven of those on the offensive end, to just 19 for the Raiders.

Thursday evening the Irish traveled to Johnson to take on the 10-4 Eagles. Johnson went out quick in the first quarter and staked a 12-6 lead after the opening period. However the Irish jumped right back into it outscoring the Eagles 12-8 in the second quarter to get within two points at the half. The third and fourth quarters were almost identical with Johnson hitting for 16, 12 coming from behind the three point line, to the Irish 15 in the third quarter and each team dropping in 14 points to close out the fourth quarter. In the end the Irish came out just a little short falling to the Eagles 50-47 and dropping to a still impressive 15-3 record on the year.

The big difference in the game was the ability to drop in threes from Johnson. The Eagles hit on eight of 18 attempts from behind the arc while the Irish connected on

just two of 14 attempts. The Eagles attempted just 14 shots from inside the three point line hitting on nine of those shots, while the Irish hit on 17 of 30 shots inside the arc. The Irish were out rebounded by the Eagles 24-20 but had 12 takeaways to just two by Johnson. Drew Bippes led the Irish scoring connecting for 18 points in the contest. Noah Keller added 10 points of his own and pulled down four rebounds.

The Irish will be in action Tuesday afternoon in the Pioneer Conference Tournament taking on the winner of the Tri. County vs. Southern game.

## Falls City MS girls basketball

On Tuesday, Jan. 24 the Middle School girls basketball teams played at home against Savannah.

The B team lost to Savannah by a score of 20-26. High scorers for the game were: Abby Harms - 10 points; Emma Killingsworth and Courtney McClintock each had four points.

The A team lost to Savannah by a score of 2-41. High scorer for the game was: Eryn Snethen with two points.



Mckenzie Witt breaks free leaving everyone behind as she goes in for an easy lay-up

## Irish girls remain perfect at 17-0

By Brian McKim

The Falls City Sacred Heart girls basketball team cruised through a couple of tune up games last week getting ready for the Pioneer Conference that begins on Tuesday for the Lady Irish. The #1 seeded Irish will take on the winner of the Lewiston vs. Southern game on Tuesday afternoon.

Last Tuesday night the Irish played the Southern Raiders in the friendly confines at Prichard Auditorium. The Irish jumped out to an early 15-6 lead after the first quarter and never looked back. Sacred Heart didn't slow down any entering the second quarter as they outscored Southern 17-5 in the second frame to take a commanding 32-11 lead into intermission. The third frame proved to be much the same as the Irish continued their tear taking a 47-17 lead with just one period to play. Coach Santo was able to get his starters some good rest down the stretch as the reserves took the court for much of the final quarter. In the end the Irish girls walked away with a 53-21 victory and improved to 16-0 on the season.

The Irish connected on 49 percent of their field goal attempts

while holding the Raiders to just 24 percent on the night. The Irish also forced 22 turnovers while committing 13 of their own. Haylee Heits led the Irish attack dropping in 16 points, pulling down eight boards and taking five steals away from the Raiders. Alexis Barnes also had a good night for the Irish chipping in 12 points, all from behind the arc.

On Thursday the Irish traveled to Johnson to take on the Eagles. Once again the Lady Irish jumped out early and put it on cruise control on their way to a 58-30 win. The Irish opened the contest with a 15-7 lead after one period, but really got things going in the second quarter outscoring the Eagles 20-3 on their way to a convincing 35-10 lead at the half. Johnson came out with a little pep in their step to begin the second half and actually outscored the Lady Irish 9-8 in the third frame. The Irish put it away in the fourth quarter and finished with the easy road win. The Irish were on fire from the charity stripe hitting 11 out of 13 attempts while the Eagles connected on just two of nine. The Irish doubled up the Eagles from the field hitting 46 percent of their shots while holding Johnson to just 28 percent on their field goal attempts. The Irish also owned the boards with a 33-18 edge. Sacred Heart also made it tough on the Eagles finishing the game with 16 steals while allowing just four.

Jade Hill led the Irish with 14 points and six rebounds. Sara Wertenberger added another 10 points and five rebounds. Haylee Heits led the Irish under the boards pulling down 10 rebounds.

The Irish JV team were also in action with the Irish defeating Southern by a final score of 27-21 in three quarters of action. Leading the way for the Irish were Claire Niemeyer and Elizabeth Keithley with eight points apiece.

On Thursday evening the Irish JV defeated Johnson Brock in just two periods of play. The Irish were led once again by Elizabeth Keithley with nine points and Ahren Ebel with five.

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# Days of Yore...



By:  
Scott Schock

50 Years Ago  
Feb. 1-7, 1967

Headline: "Communist China Calls Kremlin 'Pen of Swine.'" Tensions were rising between the two Communist giants. (UPI story)

Penneys advertised a "Savings Blizzard" of buys, including men's long-tail flannel work shirts, 2 for \$3.

The Journal announced new subscriber rates, effective immediately: in town by carrier, \$14 per year; by mail within 75 miles, \$7.50 yearly; by mail over 75 miles, \$12 a year. The increases were the first in nine years and were designed to meet steadily rising production and delivery costs. They got a lot bigger.

Telephone subscribers at Humboldt were to change to the seven-digit numbers system. The new prefix for Humboldt: 862.

At the Rivoli Theatre: "Hold Your Breath for the Biggest Undersea Adventure of All." Lloyd Bridges was starring in "Around the World Under the Sea."

In the Classifieds under For Sale: "Indigestion? Painful gas? Get new Ph5 Tablets. ONLY 98 cents. Shestak Drugs.

Wichita, KS (UPI) — Mrs. Mary Megn was taking her test for a driver's license. Ordered to stop the car, she hit the gas pedal instead of the brake. The car smashed into a parked vehicle and crashed through the wall of the examiner's office. Mrs. Megn did not want to find out her test scores. "I just assumed I flunked," she said. She was right.

The FCHS girls concluded their aerial tennis tournament. The champs were Pam Rogers' team. Members included Pat Graves, Vicki Yost, Karen Scribner, Kris Heinzelman, Ellen Veigel, Janet Zentner and Pam Rogers. The runners-up: Norma Schatz, Carol Spargur, Charlotte Veigel, Linda McKim, Laurie Schock and Patty Humm.

Robert Miller of FC won fourth place in the Nebraska Elks Association's Leadership Contest for 1967.

First Christian Church announced a chicken pie dinner to be held Feb. 7. The menu: chicken pie, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, pickled beets, carrot salad, rolls and cherry pie. Adults, \$1.25; kids under 12, 60 cents.

Headline: "U.S. Defoliating Vietnam Jungles." It was not known at the time the health risks those defoliants posed for the soldiers who came in contact with them. (UPI)

A delegation of faculty members from the salary committee of the Falls City Education Association appeared before the board of education and requested a \$600 "across the board" pay increase, effective in 1968. Alvin Tubach was elected board president. The board voted to expand the special education program.

Leaders of the 4-H Clubs were honored at a banquet in Humboldt. The list included Meredith Huebner, Mrs. Alvin Comer Jr., Mrs. Leroy Auxier, Mrs. Alvin Tubach, Mrs. Osmer Herr, Mrs. Sterling Wittwer, Duane Merz, Jerry Fankhauser, Clifford Snoke and Gerald Kean.

The Falter's Clothing team led after the first round in the Men's Bowling Tournament at Falls City Bowl. John Falter had the high series for the team, a 478.

"Big Bob Dougherty," a "recording star from Kansas City," and his combo were to entertain at Camp Rulo.

25 Years Ago

Chloe Prater Erwin celebrated her 100th birthday at Falls City Care Center and the Wright Place restaurant. She had lived through 18 presidents. She was the mother of George "Pee Wee" Erwin, a premier trumpet player. In his "ear," Bill Schock noted: "Minnesota relatives of Chloe Erwin said they knew they were getting close to Falls City when people in cars they met started waving at them." Some things just never change.

Loyal Parsons and David Schwartz, seniors at UNL, had returned from tours and travels in Europe.

Trev Alberts, who earned the attention of running backs and quarterbacks around the Big Eight and beyond during the football season, signed autographs and spoke at South School's "Honors Breakfast," held in a jam-packed school multi-purpose room. His topic was education and its value. He is now the AD at UNO.

Details of a proposed public golf course at Kirkman's Cove recreation area, NW of Humboldt, were outlined to a crowd of about 60 persons at the Legion Club in Humboldt.

Coach Tom Osborne said recruit signing day "makes everybody a little bit uneasy." (AP) One of the guys who signed with NU: Tommy Frazier.

The FC Fine Arts Association was organized. Board members were Pam Frost, Marshall and Connie Nelson, Steve and B.K. Brott, Jill Meyer, Beverly Jones, Patty Kiekhaefer, Jan Zinn and Bill Schock.

Jim Bauman, FCHS, and Matt Bletscher, FCSH, signed letters for football scholarships at Wayne State.

Hospital Administrator Vic Lee presented a certificate of appreciation to Maxine Horn, who retired after a long career at the local hospital (30 years, 8 months and 20 days).

15 Years Ago

Youngsters were pictured having sledding fun at Grandview Park after an 8-inch snow afforded them a day off from school.

Southeast Consolidated school board members met to discuss future financial decisions and directions, reported Jan McMullen.

Elizabeth Hoy, Ashley Howard, Carolyn Froeschl, Nicole Smith, Nicole Simon, Lucas Vollmer, Chris Fischer, Cody Witt and Adam Gruber were inducted into the Thomas More Chapter of National Honor Society at Sacred Heart.

Air Force Cadet Angela Weber of Humboldt received national recognition for her superior accomplishments at UNL. She was one of four cadets in the U.S. to receive the Air Force Association's W. Randolph Lovelace Memorial Award.

Jason Schock's Athletes of the Week were Erica Flynn, FCSH, and Kory Huppert, FCHS.

On Super Bowl Sunday, a fire at Dino's Italian Restaurant, 1817 Stone, kept more than 40 firefighters on the scene for hours — into the early morning. The fire threatened the entire block. Journal reporter Jason Schock also missed the game.

County schools were grappling with a loss of state funding.

Tighe and Barb Gilkerson of FC welcomed twins born at Bryan LGH Hospital in Lincoln: Emily Marie and Trey Anthony.

From Blue Valley Mental Health: "Meth use causes brain damage."

# OBITUARIES

## Ruth A. Titus

Ruth Amelia Niemeyer Titus, 92, of Falls City, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2017 at Falls City Care Center. She was born Feb. 4, 1924 in Falls City, the daughter of Ernest and Edna Gible Niemeyer, and was a lifelong resident of the Falls City area.

She was raised on the family farm southeast of town; they farmed, ran a weekend popcorn business, as well as the local dairy creamery.

She married Frank Titus on Jan. 1, 1940 and together they raised three children. While Frank worked for the U.S. Postal Service, Ruth did gardening and canning. She took in laundry for many years and was active with the Nemaha Valley Rabbit Breeders Association. Ruth also spent several years working at the local nursing home prior to taking care of the local laundromat. Frank died on De. 17, 1991.

Ruth enjoyed yard sales, as well as being a talented seamstress and quilter. She collected glassware, bells, oil lamps, glass paperweights and rabbit figurines.

She was a long time member of Grace Baptist Church.

In 1998, Ruth and Vernon Moorhead, of Robinson, KS, exchanged vows and made their home in Falls City until his death on March 23, 2002.

Ruth is survived by her children, Jeraldine McDonald, James (Joyce) Titus, and Julie (Randy) Houser, all of Falls City; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren; stepchildren, Vernon Moorhead, Jean Soden, Vernetta McDonald, Verna K. Talbot, and Frances Schoolcraft; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; and her brother, Robert.

A celebration of Ruth's life will be held on her birthday, 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017 at the Christ Church, 705 Stone St., Falls City, with Dan Farley officiating. Private inurnment will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Richardson County Humane Society, which may be sent in care of Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, Hiawatha, KS. A special message may be sent to the family at [www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com](http://www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com)

## Carolyn 'Cookie' Strasil

Carolyn 'Cookie' Strasil, 73, of Falls City passed away on Jan. 13, 2017. She was born Dec. 16, 1943 at Fort Lauderdale, FL, to the late Weldon and Ortella (Franklin) Cook.

Cookie was raised in Kansas City, MO, and graduated from Ruskin High School in 1961; she then attended college and earned an Associate's Degree in Medical Records. Cookie married Harry Strasil Jr. on March 12, 2005 at Falls City. He passed away on Feb. 18, 2016. She lived in Kansas City until 2005 when she married Harry then the couple established their home in Falls City. She lived here the remainder of her life.

She is survived by her daughters, Carrie Simpson, of Overland Park, KS, and Stephanie (Jeff) Otis, of Independence, MO; step-daughters, Melissa (Sam) Morgan, Falls City, June (Aaron) Tilton, Converse, TX, and Dee (Adam) Blankenship, Great Bend, KS; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017 at the First United Methodist Church in Falls City, with Pastor John Hogue officiating. There was also a Memorial Service held at Stephanie's house in Independence, MO, on Jan. 28. Inurnment will be held at a later date.

### DID YOU KNOW?

On 5th October 1974, four years, three months and sixteen days after Dave Kunste set out from Minnesota, he became the first man to walk around the world, having taken more than 20 million steps.

## Betty LaVerna Stukenholtz

Betty LaVerna Stukenholtz, 78, of Nebraska City, passed away on Jan. 14, 2017 at Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs, IA. Betty was born March 12, 1938 in Nebraska City, the daughter of Vernon A. and Alice (Otto) Stukenholtz.

Betty formerly lived in Virginia and Lincoln before returning to the Nebraska City area in 2003. She worked as a secretary in various government offices, including the Department of the Navy and Congressman Phil Weaver in Washington, D.C. and served as Nebraska Deputy State Treasurer under Frank Marsh. She also worked at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln for a time. Upon her return to Nebraska City, she purchased Harmony Rural School and opened Monkey Business.

She was a member of Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Lincoln, Questers, Otoe County Genealogical Society and the Lincoln Mayor's Friendship Committee. Betty started the Nebraska Country School Association and the Annual Country School Conference, which

is still ongoing.

Survivors include her brother, Alan (Carol) Stukenholtz, of Auburn; niece and nephews, Elaine Karel of Johnson; Bill (Cari) Stukenholtz, of Lincoln; Ty (Beth) Stukenholtz, of Auburn; Jay (Mary) Stukenholtz, of Nebraska City; Rod (Julie) Stukenholtz, of Merrill, IA; sister-in-law, Joyce Stukenholtz of Pharr, TX; many other relatives and friends.



She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Wayne Stukenholtz; infant sister, Mary Alice Stukenholtz; and nephew, Mitchell Stukenholtz.

A joint memorial service for Betty and her brother, Wayne Stukenholtz, was held Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017 at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Lincoln. Private burial of ashes will take place at a later date.

Memorials are suggested to Peru State College Foundation, c/o Betty Stukenholtz Memorial Scholarship, P.O. Box 10, Peru, NE 68421 or The Nebraska Country School Association, 1704 "N" St., Auburn, NE 68305.

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## Shirley Duran

Shirley R. Duran, 83, of Highland, KS, passed away, Jan. 28, 2017, at Highland Healthcare Center. Shirley was born at Horton, Aug. 17, 1933, one of two children born to Francis Murray and Goldie Elizabeth Huber Coleman.

Shirley grew up at Troy, KS. She graduated at Highland High School in 1951; then attended and graduated Highland Junior College. Shirley later graduated from Emporia State University with a master's degree in English literature. She returned to the area where she taught in Doniphan Co. schools, Sydney, IA, and Southeast NE schools including Rulo until 1964. In 1965, she moved to Las Vegas, NV where she worked for the Environmental Protection Agency until 1996, when she retired and shortly thereafter, returned to Highland to make her home.

Shirley loved to raise a garden, especially digging in the dirt for her pretty flowers.

She married Robert C. Jones, Aug.

23, 1956 before they divorced. She married Nick Duran Dec. 7, 1974 which also ended in divorce.

Survivors include her children: Michael (Robin) Jones of Highland, daughter Teresa Price of White Cloud; grandchildren: Mike (Mindy) Jones, Caicey (Che) Jones, Sean (Nadia) Price; four nieces Michelle (Glenn) Wyatt, Valerie Coleman, Rhonda Roland, Leslie Coleman; four great-grandchildren: Conner, Lexi, Lane, and Wyatt.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Lester, sister-in-law Helen and a niece, Ruth.

A Celebration of Shirley's life is planned for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Highland. Interment will follow at Olive Branch Cemetery, White Cloud.

Memorials suggested to the Alzheimer's Assoc., which may be sent in care of the funeral home, PO Box 33, 66035.

## John B. Nixon

John Barton Nixon, 71, passed away at Immanuel Medical Center in Omaha on Friday, Jan. 20, 2017. He was born on Dec. 30, 1945, in Auburn, to Church Howe and Helen Maxine (Wheeler) Nixon.

He attended school in Auburn, where he graduated from high school in 1964. John then went on to attend business school in Omaha.

On Dec. 30, 1966, John married Suzanne Swanson at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Omaha. Three daughters: Jill, Tara, and Cindi, were born to this union. The couple later divorced.

John worked for many years in the printing department of two different architectural firms in Omaha. He first worked for HDR, and later with Gibbs & Hill. John retired in 1988 after suffering a heart attack. At one time he also owned and operated a two way radio sales and service business and a paper recycling business.

John was very active in the Dodge County REACT organization in Fremont and with Heartland REACT in Omaha. He was a member for over 30 years, and had served as state president. He had many other interests, including working with leather and selling his products at craft fairs, ham radios, traveling, and the Huskers.

In his earlier years, Boy Scouting was an important part of John's life. As a young Scout he attended Jamborees in Colorado and Wyoming, and became an Eagle Scout.

He served as a Scoutmaster later in life. John had also been named King of the March of Dimes, and was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Auburn.

John was preceded in death by his parents Church and Helen.

Those left to remember John's life with special memories include his daughters and sons-in-law, Jill (Timothy) Thompson of Irving, TX, (Raina, Andria, and Gabrielle); Tara (Mark) Holmes of Omaha, (Matthew Jennings, Damion Holmes, Allie Richards); Cindi (Charles) LaFournaise of Omaha, (Michael LaFournaise); three great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law Janet (Bruce) Kirkendall of Auburn; niece Kari Anne (James) Nickman, their children Emma and Logan; nephew Kody (Christen) Kirkendall, their children Harper and Rex; special friends Marilyn McGuire and Kim Johnson, both of Omaha; other relatives and friends.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017 at First Presbyterian Church in Auburn, officiated by Rev. Carla Patterson. Steve Smallfoot was organist and accompanist for a solo by Debbie Meyer and congregational singing. Casket bearers were Matthew Jennings, Michael LaFournaise, Damion Holmes, Raina Thompson, Andria Thompson, Gabrielle Thompson, Kody Kirkendall, and James Nickman. Burial was in Bedford Cemetery at Howe.



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# How to tell if you have flu, cold or stomach flu, what to know

(StatePoint) While each year millions in the U.S. are sickened during flu season, many can't distinguish between symptoms of the seasonal strain of the flu, a cold and the "stomach flu." Knowing the difference, and how to properly treat each virus, can speed recovery.

**Similar Yet Different:** While cold symptoms come on slowly and are limited to the head and upper respiratory system, flu symptoms affect the whole body and come on quickly. Telltale signs of the flu are fever and body aches. However, these are also symptoms of stomach flu, which isn't related to a flu virus at all. Common viruses that wreak havoc on the digestive system include the norovirus and the rotavirus. Ironically, an immune system weakened by seasonal flu can leave you vulnerable to these so-called stomach flu viruses.

**What You Need to Know:** Although high fever and body aches occur with both seasonal flu and viruses that attack the gastrointestinal system, these symptoms are more prevalent and severe in seasonal flu cases, and are accompanied by fatigue and headache. The norovirus and the rotavirus both get the misnomer "stomach flu" from primary symptoms being watery diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and nausea or vomiting. Fever and body aches can also occur but are milder.

No matter what the cause of a fever, it's best to monitor your temperature. See a healthcare professional if a fever is too high or lingers for days.

**Treatment:** For seasonal flu, the homeopathic medicine Oscillococcinum has been clinically shown to shorten both the severity and duration of symptoms. When patients took it within 24 hours of the onset of symptoms, nearly 63 percent showed "clear improvement" or "complete resolution" within 48 hours. The key is to act quickly when symptoms surface, nipping them in the bud in a way that won't interact with other medications or cause unwanted side effects like drowsiness.

For stomach flu, stop eating solid food for a few hours. This will help settle your stomach. Then -- stick to foods that are easy to digest, such as toast, gelatin, bananas, rice and chicken -- avoiding fatty or spicy options. Stop eating if nausea occurs. Additionally, ibuprofen may upset the stomach, and anti-diarrheal medications may slow down the elimination of the virus. Trust the body's natural process.

No matter what ails you, Vitamins D and C are important when you are recovering, helping to boost immunity. Remember, antibiotics do not treat viruses and their overuse contribute to the spread of the superbug, a strain of bacteria that becomes resistant to antibiotic drugs.

More information and tips about the flu can be found at [Oscillo.com](http://Oscillo.com).

Seasonal illnesses such as the flu, cold and gastrointestinal viruses are not only painful and unpleasant, they can be dangerous. Take precautions to stay healthy, and remember to treat symptoms right away.

We're going ice skating now... ...and bowling or roller skating tonight.

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So, what is your excuse for just sitting there like a lumpy pillow? *Whaaaaat?*

"It's cold outside"? Yes, of course it is. It is wintertime. In areas of the country where it snows a lot or ponds freeze over, kids can get exercise outdoors skiing or ice skating. In areas where it's colder, but there's no snow, kids can still hike, walk, and play a bit of basketball! During the winter we can find many things to do inside to keep physically active. Bowling and dancing are two of my favorite indoor pastimes. I hope my puzzles help you to think of things that will get you up and keep you moving all winter long.

## Cool Winter Action!

Move It! Move It!

Read the clues below to fill in the crossword:

In the northern parts of our country (and once in a while down south) we have snow to play with, in or on! Sledding and building snow forts and igloos is a blast. Sometimes, there is a thick layer of ice on the ponds and lakes. That can be great for skating and playing hockey.

1. gliding on ice using metal blades

2. coasting down a snowy hill on a long, flat-bottomed, wooden sled that's curved up in the front

3. cheering and watching trained sled dogs

4. warmly lined child's winter wear

5. pressing snow together to form

6. twirling down a snowy hill on a round

7. putting on special footwear and walking across deep snow without sinking

8. sliding down snowy hills on a small, steerable wooden and metal "coaster"

9. sliding downhill, with a long, narrow board on each foot

10. building and dressing

11. riding a motorized vehicle on snow

12. riding in a horse-drawn

**No Snow? Keep on the Go!**

If it's cooler where you live, but there is no snow, there are lots of activities to keep you on the go! My friend in North Carolina rides his bike when the roads are dry. My cousin in Texas plays basketball. If the weather is lousy, think about places that have indoor rinks, gyms or rooms for playing sports and exercising. Your local recreation department might have a list of fun activities in which you can take part.

The activities below have 2 of the same letter missing. Can you study the words to fill in the missing letters?

1. basketba \_ \_

2. ex \_ rcise vid \_ os

3. inli \_ e skati \_ g

4. vid \_ o game

5. dance le \_ ons

6. vo \_ \_ eyball

7. swi \_ \_ ing

8. dru \_ \_ ing

9. te \_ \_ is

10. k \_ r \_ te

11. so \_ \_ er

12. bowli \_ g ten pi \_

**Master of Disguise!**

1. When the air cools and I become a "cloud on the ground," I am

O G F \_ \_ \_

I can't see!

2. When I pass through very cold air and fall gently to the earth, I am

S O \_ \_ \_

W N \_ \_ \_

3. The air warms and I disappear or

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City Council

DECEMBER 19, 2016

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 19th day of December, 2016, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorm recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. Absent: Murphy, Robidoux, Wisdom. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Nussbaum and seconded by Council person Vaughn to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the minutes from the December 5, 2016 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the agenda for December 19, 2016 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Police Report for November 2016 is hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Treasurer Report for November 2016 is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Consent Resolution for December 19, 2016 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

FINAL READING - ORDINANCE 2016-111 - THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCES WITHIN THE ZONING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY

A motion was made by Council person Vaughn and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the final reading of Ordinance #2016-111 as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried. REQUEST - RELEASE LIEN ON HOUSE - 2206 HARLAN STREET - TO MAKE PAYMENTS ON REMAINING BALANCE DUE

A motion was made by Council member Dougherty and seconded by Council member Nussbaum to remove from the table the request to release the lien on the house at 2206 Harlan Street as requested by Jeremy Richey. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried. A motion was then made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Dougherty to authorize the City Attorney to draft a contract and to have the Mayor sign the contract with Jeremy Richey to release the lien on the Home Owner Occupied Grant with the City if the house is sold at market rate with any money received from the sale above the first liens and closing costs will be paid to the City to satisfy his loan with the City. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SET MEETING DATES FOR 2017 DUE TO HOLIDAYS ON REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATES

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Dougherty to approve changing Council meeting dates as follows: January 2, 2016 to January 3, 2016, February 20, 2016 to February 21, 2016 and September 4, 2016 to September 6, 2016. All meetings will start at the regular meeting time of 6:00pm.

Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

IUOE UNION CONTRACT AGREEMENT 2016-2019

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Vaughn to approve the IUOE Union Contract Agreement as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

IBEW UNION CONTRACT AGREEMENT 2016-2019

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the IBEW Union Contract Agreement as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

FIRST READING - ORDINANCE #2016-113 - TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2016-112 - TO SET FORTH REVISIONS TO THE NET METERING RIDER, TO RESTATE THE CURRENT ELECTRICAL RATES, FEES AND CHARGES

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2016-113 as follows: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2016-112 AND TO SET FORTH REVISIONS TO THE NET METERING RIDER, TO RESTATE THE CORRECT ELECTRICAL RATES, FEES AND CHARGES, AND COLLECTION FOR ELECTRICITY FROM AND IN THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA; REPEALING ANY PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM AND PROVIDE FOR EFFECTIVE DATE. Utility Superintendent Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

PURCHASE LIGHT FUEL OIL FEEDER PUMP MODULE AND LIGHT FUEL OIL FILTER FROM WARTSILA

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the purchase of light fuel oil feeder pump module and light fuel oil filter from Wartsila as recommended by the Board of Public Works. Utility Superintendent Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Bentley, Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Vaughn. "NAY" None. Motion carried. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:40P.M.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on December 19, 2016; that all of the subjects included in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting;

that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorm, City Clerk  
Jerry Oliver, Mayor

City Council

NOVEMBER 21, 2016

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 21st day of November, 2016, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorm recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: Nolte. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Oliver stated his report to the city council by congratulating the Sacred Heart Irish for their Class D State Championship win today. Next, the Mayor told the council that the restrooms at Stanton Lake Park should be completed on Wednesday of this week. With the renovation he stated the restrooms should last a while before needing repairs. Lastly, the Mayor said the Christmas Lights were all installed and said that he had received many compliments on how nice they look.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Vaughn and seconded by Council person Murphy to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the minutes from the November 7, 2016 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the agenda for November 21, 2016 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Police Report for October 2016 is hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Treasurer Report for October 2016 is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE Council that the Consent Resolution for November 21, 2016 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SECOND READING - ORDINANCE 2016-110 - TO ALLOW PET GROOMING AND PET TRAINING AS A PERMITTED USES IN THE II DISTRICT

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Dougherty to approve the second reading on Ordinance 2016-110 as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn. "NAY" Wisdom. Motion carried. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2016-111 TO DELETE PERMIT REQUIREMENT IF CONSTRUCTED IN CONFORMANCE OF SECTION 9.04 OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 6:04 P.M. for the purpose of obtaining input on Ordinance 2016-111 of fences within the zoning jurisdiction of the City of Falls City. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Ordinance. Since no one wished to be recognized, Mayor Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 6:05 P.M. A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2016-111 for the construction of fences within the zoning jurisdiction of the City of Falls City as follows: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.04 OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCES WITHIN THE ZONING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY AND TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING - REQUEST FOR A PERMANENT CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE USE OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM AT 70767-652 AVENUE

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 6:07 P.M. for the purpose of obtaining input on the request for a Permanent Conditional Use Permit for the use of Solar Energy System at 70767-652 Avenue. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said request. Since no one wished to be recognized, Mayor Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 6:08 P.M. A motion was made by Council person Robidoux and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve the Conditional Use Permit for the use of Solar Energy System at 70767-652 Avenue as recommended by the Planning Commission. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

REQUEST - USE STREETS FOR CHRISTMAS WINDOW OPENING FOR SLEIGH RIDES - NOVEMBER 25, 2016

A motion was made by Council member Wisdom and seconded by Council member Dougherty to approve the request to use streets for the Home for the Holidays Christmas Window Opening for sleigh rides. David Branch, Chamber/Mainstreet Director spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CONSTRUCTION - PARKING LOT ON THE SOUTH END OF DALLAS JONES PARK

A discussion was held on constructing a parking lot on the South end of Dallas Jones Park. John Vaughn, Third Ward Council Person introduced this item to the Mayor and City Council. No Action was taken. This item will be taken to the Park Board for their recommendations.

FORGIVENESS OF DEBT OF THE HUD EDI LOAN TO GRAND WEAVER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$121,730.27

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Murphy to approve the forgiveness of debt of the HUD EDI Loan to Grand Weaver in the amount of \$121,730.27 as recommended by the Citizen's Advisory Review Committee. Mitch Glaeser spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO DTR GRANT FOR 1801 STONE ST. FROM \$18,825 TO \$28,807.50

A motion was made by Council person Robidoux

and seconded by Council person Vaughn to amend the DTR Grant for 1801 Stone Street from \$18,825 to \$28,807.50 as recommended by the DTR Committee. David Branch, Chamber/Mainstreet Director spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Nussbaum. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO USE STREETS AND PARKS FOR TURKEY TROT - NOV. 26, 2016

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Robidoux to use streets and parks for a Turkey Trot on November 26, 2016. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT - FALLS CITY FIRE CHIEF - C. KEN SIMPSON, FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF - MATT BEER AND SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF - J.R. VERNON WISDOM

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Vaughn to approve the appointment of Fire Chief Ken Simpson, First Assistant Chief Matt Beer and Second Assistant Chief J.R. Vernon Wisdom. Ken Simpson, Fire Chief spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT - MIKE R. MIRELEZ AND TRAVIS WADE RASMUSSEN - FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Council person Robidoux and seconded by Council person Murphy to approve the appointments of Mike Mirelez and Travis Wade Rasmussen to the Falls City Volunteer Fire Department. Ken Simpson, Fire Chief spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL - HARKENDORF EVENT CENTER - DECEMBER 9, 2016

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, at Harkendorf Event Center, 3423 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska on December 9, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL - PRICHARD AUDITORIUM - JANUARY 14, 2017

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Dougherty to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Banquet at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on January 14, 2017, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Eric D. Froeschl is required to file a Certificate of Insurance with the City showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nussbaum, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF REAL ESTATE FROM FALLS CITY RECREATION INC.

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve the acceptance of real estate at 14th and Barada Street from Falls City Recreation Inc. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

TIME MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

A motion was made by Council person Wisdom and seconded by Council person Nussbaum to ap-

prove the purchase of the Time Management Program. Sandra Ferris, Assistance City Clerk spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Robidoux, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:35P.M.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on November 21, 2016; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorm, City Clerk  
Jerry Oliver, Mayor

Board of Equalization

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION JANUARY 17, 2017 CALL TO ORDER

The Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Sickle at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. Roll call was answered by Commissioners Frank, Davidson and Sickle; Assessor, Pam Vice and Clerk Eickhoff.

Chairman Sickle announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Sickle. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Courthouse in the Lower Level Lobby, 1st Floor Lobby and on the Meeting Room door on the 2nd floor and on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

TAX LIST CORRECTION

Motion was made by Sickle to approve 2 tax list corrections as presented by Assessor Vice. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Sickle to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

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

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Attention Parents And Grandparents Of 2016 Babies:

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We will publish a special section in the edition on **Tuesday, February 14, 2017**. The Rules are simple:

- Your baby must have been born in the year 2016.
- The baby does not have to be a resident or have been born in Falls City.
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Falls City, NE

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**Macaulay Connor**  
September 15 - 6 lbs. 5 oz.  
Parents:  
George & Mary Bailey  
Grandparents:  
Stephen & Mary Haines  
Bert & Mildred Pierce

**1x3 1/2 - \$35**

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**Scarlett Katharine**  
January 1 - 8 lbs. 10 oz.  
Parents:  
Scarlett & Rhett Butler  
Falls City, NE  
Grandparents:  
Nick & Nora Charles  
Prof. & Mrs. Bertram Potts  
Great-Grandparents:  
Rick & Isla Blaine

**2x2 or 1x4 - \$40**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF FROST-TEC WELDING, MANUFACTURING & FABRICATION, LLC

1. The name of the organization is Frost-Tec Welding, Manufacturing & Fabrication, LLC.
2. The street address of the initial Registered Office of the organization is: 2819 Old Highway 73, Falls City, Nebraska 68355 and the Registered Agent at that address is Joel B. Frost.
3. The purposes for which the organization is organized are to engage in any and all lawful businesses for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, including but not limited to the ownership, management and leasing of real property.
4. The organization commenced on December 16, 2016.
5. The management of the organization shall be vested in the members. The names and addresses of the initial members are as follows:

Joel B. Frost, 2819 Old Highway 73, Falls City, NE 68355

Frost-Tec Welding, Manufacturing & Fabrication, LLC
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE DOWNTOWN DEN, LLC

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §21-193 notice is given that The Downtown Den, LLC, a limited liability company, was organized on January 6, 2017 by filing a Certificate of Organization with the Nebraska Secretary of State setting forth the following:

- 1. The name of the company is The Downtown Den, LLC.
2. The period of duration of the company is perpetual.
3. The address of the initial designated office of the company in Nebraska is: 1800 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355, and the company's initial registered agent for service of process in Nebraska is Richard L. Halbert, 111 East 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355.
4. The general nature of its business is to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

Its Attorneys:
Richard L. Halbert, #11659
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Christopher C. Halbert, #22609
Ryan C. Dorsey, #25748
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, L.L.C.
111 East 17th Street
Post Office Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486

17-24-31

NOTICE In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the matter of the Estate of Thomas C. Matter, Deceased. Case No. PR17-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of January, 2017, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Neal E. Parsons, whose address is 217 East 18th Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 17, 2017 or forever barred.

Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk-Magistrate

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

17-24-31

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION THE BIG STINK, LLC

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §21-193 notice is given that The Big Stink, LLC, a limited liability company, was organized on January 10, 2017 by filing a Certificate of Organization with the Nebraska Secretary of State setting forth the following:

- 1. The name of the company is The Big Stink, LLC.
2. The period of duration of the company is perpetual.
3. The address of the initial designated office of the company in Nebraska is: 7238 S. 97th Court, Lincoln, 68526, 68355, and the company's initial agent for service of process in Nebraska is Richard L. Halbert, 111 E. 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355.
4. The general nature of its business is to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska

Its Attorney:
Richard L. Halbert, #11659
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24-31-7

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF A & B ANTIQUES, LLC

Notice is hereby given that A & B Antiques, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its registered office located at 1719 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska. The Limited Liability Company is organized to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. Said Limited Liability Company was organized on December 30, 2016 and shall have perpetual existence. The affairs of the Limited Liability Company are to be conducted by one or more managers as provided in the Operating Agreement and the initial manager is Abrey C. Trail.

Abrey C. Trail, Manager

WEAVER & MERZ
Douglas E. Merz #12807
Zachary L. Blackman #24921
1719 Stone Street
P. O. Box 569
Falls City, NE 68355
402-245-3015

17-24-31

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES C. THOMAS, Deceased.

Estate No. PR17-4 NOTICE OF FORMAL PROBATE AND FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Formal Probate of Will of said deceased, Determination of Heirs, and Appointment of Antonette Thomas as Personal Representative has been filed and is set for hearing in the Richardson County Court on February 15, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk of the County Court
Christopher C. Halbert, #22609
Richard L. Halbert, #11659
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Ryan C. Dorsey, #25748
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, L.L.C.
111 East 17th Street
Post Office Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486

24-31-7

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF ROLAND L. GRAVES, DECEASED PR17-6

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of January, 2017, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the will of said Decedent and that Anna E. DeBolt, whose address is 1809 Chase Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 24, 2017 or forever barred.

Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk-Magistrate
Neal E. Parsons, #13228
Attorney at Law
217 East 18th Street
Falls City, Nebraska 68355
402/245-3088

24-31-7

NOTICE In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the matter of the Estate of Edwin J. Nutzman, Deceased. Case No. PR16-53

Notice is hereby given that Rick Nutzman whose address is 71318 657 Avenue, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, has been formally appointed Personal Representative of this Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with the County Court of Richardson County Nebraska, on or before March 17, 2017, or be forever barred.

Curtis Maschman
County Judge
Weaver & Merz
Douglas E. Merz, No. 12807
Zachary L. Blackman, No. 24921
1719 Stone Street, P.O. Box 569
Falls City, NE 68355
(402) 245-3015

17-24-31

NOTICE Amanda M. Barron Attorney at Law Box 597 Fremont, Nebraska 68056

To the Defendant(s), Jeffrey W. Colgrove
Christie N. Colgrove

You are hereby notified that Credit Bureau Services, Inc., a corporation, filed its complaint in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska on 08/31/2016 on Case Number C116-168, the object and prayer of which is to recover the sum of \$160.92, plus interest, attorney fees and court costs. You are required to answer the complaint of the Plaintiff on or before 02/28/2017 or the allegations in said complaint will be taken as true and judgment entered accordingly.

Credit Bureau Services, Inc., A Corporation
By: A.M. Barron, #238108
Its Attorney
P.O. Box 597
525 N. 'D' St.
Fremont, NE 68026
402-721-1850

17-24-31

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Proposals, in duplicate, addressed to Lutz, Daily & Brain, LLC Consulting Engineers, will be received until 2:00 o'clock p.m. on the 6 day of February , 2017, publically opened and read aloud in the Lutz, Daily & Brain West Conference Room, for furnishing to the City of Falls City, Nebraska Municipal Power Plant and completing construction for the following:

DUAL FUEL FIRED ENGINE GENERATING UNIT #9 FOUNDATION, RELATED EQUIPMENT FOUNDATIONS AND DEMOLITION WORK CONTRACT NO. 30215-3

Bids received after the above specified time for opening will be returned unopened to the sender.

Specifications are obtainable from Lutz, Daily & Brain, LLC, Consulting Engineers. Specifications are available for review only at the Falls City, Nebraska utility offices.

Alan Romine
Thomas C. Clapham, P.E.
Utility Superintendent
Project Civil
Falls City Utilities
Structural Engineer
2307 Barada Street
Lutz, Daily & Brain, LLC,
Falls City, Ne 68355
Consulting Engineers
a.romine@fallsctyutilities.com
6400 Glenwood, Ste. 200
Office: 402-245-2533
Overland Park, KS 66202
Fax: 402-245-2741
tclapham@ldbeng.com
Office: 913-831-0833
Fax: 913-831-1569

Each bidder shall submit with his bid a certified check or a cashier's check on a solvent Nebraska bank, or a bidder's bond payable to the City Treasurer of the City of Falls City, Nebraska the amount of which is not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price, and which shall guarantee good faith on the part of the bidder, and the entering into Contract within 20 days after notification of acceptance at the price bid, if accepted by the Purchaser. Bids shall remain in effect for 60 days from the bid date.
A Performance Bond in an amount of not less than one hundred percent of the Contract price, conditioned upon faithful performance of the Contract and payment of all persons supplying labor and/or furnishing materials will be required of the successful bidder.

Proposals will be evaluated by both the Owner (City of Falls City, Nebraska) and the Engineer (Lutz, Daily & Brain, LLC, Consulting Engineers). The evaluation will be based on quality, time required for completion and experience of the contractor. The Owner reserves the right to select the proposal which best suits its needs whether the price is the lowest or not, and also reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive irregularities therein. All companies submitting proposals must agree that such rejection shall be without liability on the part of the Engineer or the Owner for any penalty brought by any company submitting a proposal because of such rejections, nor shall the companies submitting proposals seek recourse of any kind against the Engineer or the Owner because of such rejections; and the filing of any proposal in response to this invitation shall constitute an agreement of the company submitting a proposal to these conditions.

CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA
24-31

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA Estate of MARILYN R. MURPHY, Deceased Estate No. PR17-7

Notice is hereby given that on January 19, 2017, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Ruth Ann Huppert, whose address is 65692 706 Road, Falls City, Nebraska 68355 was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 24, 2017 or be forever barred.

Nancy A. DeKlotz
Clerk of the County Court
1700 Stone Street
Falls City, NE 68355

Prepared By:
Jerrod M. Gregg #22658
Blazek & Gregg, P.C., L.L.O.
11580 West Dodge Road
Omaha, Nebraska 68154

24-31-7

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA ESTATE OF MONTA ADELE MACKEY, DECEASED PR17-5

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of January 2017, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written Statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Terrance R. Willtze, whose address is 65524 710 Rd., Falls City, NE 68355, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 24, 2017 or be forever barred.

Nancy DeKlotz
Clerk-Magistrate

Neal E. Parsons, #13228
Attorney at Law
217 E. 18th St.
Falls City, NE 68355
402/245-3088

31-7-14

STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS A-19489 AND A-19490

Richardson County Water Division 1-F

On December 27, 2016, Franklin Rist, on behalf of FTR Farms Inc., filed in the Department of Natural Resources (Department) application A-19490 for a permit to impound water and application A-19489 to appropriate stored water.

Summary of Application A-19490 for a permit to impound water:

Type: On channel storage above ground
Source: Tributary to the North Fork of the Big Nemaha River
Quantity of Water to be Impounded: 9.6 acre-feet
Name of Existing Reservoir: Rist Pond
Location of Existing Reservoir: S E 1/4 N W 1/4 S16 T02 R13E

Summary of Application A-19489 for a permit to appropriate water:

Type: Storage use (out-of-stream use)
Purpose: Irrigation
Source: Rist Pond (A-19490)
Point of Diversion: SE1/4NW1/4 S16 T02 R13E
Location of Use: NW1/4 S16 T02 R13E
Amount: 9.6 acre-feet per annum

Procedures to respond to this notice may be obtained by contacting the Surface Water Permits section of the Department at (402) 471-2363 or through the Department's website at http://dnr.nebraska.gov/ opportunities-for-participation-in-the-permitting-process. Additional project information may be obtained by contacting the Department at the phone number indicated above.

Objections must be received by the Department at 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509 by 5:00 p.m. on February 15, 2017.

Date of Notice January 31, 2017.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION SANTO LAWN SERVICE, LLC

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §21-193 notice is given that Santo Lawn Service, LLC, a limited liability company, was organized on January 18, 2017 by filing a Certificate of Organization with the Nebraska Secretary of State setting forth the following:

- 1. The name of the company is Santo Lawn Service, LLC.
2. The period of duration of the company is perpetual.
3. The address of the initial designated office of the company in Nebraska is: 1624 Schoenherr Street, P.O. Box 102, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355, and the company's initial agent for service of process in Nebraska is John C. Santo, 1624 Schoenherr Street, P.O. Box 102, Falls City, Nebraska, 68355.
4. The general nature of its business is to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

John C. Santo, Registered Agent

Its Attorney:
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Richard L. Halbert, #11659
Christopher C. Halbert, #22609
Ryan C. Dorsey, #25748
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, L.L.C.
111 East 17th Street
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31-7-14

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, Gary Jom, City Clerk, at the City Building, 2307 Barada Street, until 2:00 P.M. on Feb. 15, 2017, at which time and place all bids will be opened and read in the presence of the bidders for the purchase of the following item:

South Bend Gas Oven / South Bend Gas Stove (Sold as set)

To make arrangements, please contact the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska, at (402) 245-2851. The item may be viewed Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Prichard Auditorium.

\*Oven must be removed from Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, within two weeks of awarded bid.

The City reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to the City, and to reject any or all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of thirty (30) days after bids are open.

Gary Jom, City Clerk

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VILLAGE OF RULO NOTICE OF ONE AND SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN HEARING

Public notice is hereby given in compliance with the revised statutes of Nebraska and the minimum requirements as adopted by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, that the Village Board will meet at 8:00 p.m. on the 13th Day of February 2017 at the Village Hall, for the purpose of hearing comment relating to the proposed One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for 2017.

Julie Vollmer
City Street Superintendent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc. (SENCA) is requesting financial assistance from the Federal Transit Administration, pursuant to the Federal Transit Act, generally described below.

Description of Project: Purpose of the project is operating assistance to provide general public transportation in Richardson County. The estimated cost of the project is \$34983-Federal, \$11690 -State and \$11692 from Richardson County.

A copy of the financial assistance application is available for public inspection at the SENCA Central Office, 802 4th Street, Humboldt, NE. Written comments for consideration by SENCA will be accepted at the SENCA Central Office, 802 4th Street, Humboldt, NE for a period of 10 days ending February 15, 2017. Connie Baum, Chairperson, SENCA Board of Directors.

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

To: All Participating Members:

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the participating members of Rural Water District No. 2, Richardson County, Nebraska, will be held at 2:00 o'clock P.M. on February 9, 2017, at F&M Bank, 1701 Stone St., Falls City, Nebraska. At said meeting there will be the annual reports of the officers and an election of two (2) board members for the term of three (3) years. A copy of the agenda for said meeting is on file with Secretary, Joseph Fischer, 65644 709 Rd., Falls City, Nebraska.

Dated this 31st of January
Rural Water District No. 2
Richardson County, Nebraska
By Joseph Fischer, Secretary

Neal E. Parsons
Attorney at Law

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NOTICE OF MEETING RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 RICHARDSON COUNTY, NE FEBRUARY 9, 2017 -2P.M.

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

The following business will come before the Board:
-Call the meeting to order
-Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting
-Election of Officers
-Election of Voting Delegate

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

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County Commissioners

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JANUARY 17, 2017 - CALL TO ORDER
The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickle at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. Roll call was answered by Frank, Davidson and Sickle. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickle and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Davidson. Chairman Sickle announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the Board of Equalization minutes of the January 3, 2017, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Sickle. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the Board of Equalization minutes of the January 10, 2017, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

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

SHERIFF, DON POUNDS

Sheriff, Don Pounds updated the Board on the business within the Sheriff's Department and Jail this past week. Repairs to patrol units was reviewed. Maintenance items with the Law Enforcement Center were also reviewed.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent was unable to meet with the Board this week.

R.J. HAMILTON, HAMILTON RECYCLING

R.J. Hamilton of Hamilton Recycling requested to meet with the Board regarding the opportunity to provide sanitation services to the County. The Board agreed that sealed informal quotes should be requested from both local services and should be received by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at which time the County Board will then open and consider the quotes.

Mr. Hamilton also explained to the Board the services he also provides for confidential shredding and would like to provide this service to the County as well.

BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR
Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director met with the Board to discuss the possibility of renting space at Humboldt that is currently being used by the Humboldt Rural Fire Department. The space would be used to house the EMA trailers and other equipment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Sickle to recess the regular meeting agenda and go into an executive session at 10:45 a.m. with Merle Bachman, Lyle Bachman and Mark Jones regarding pending litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

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

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Cost Allocation Plan
Motion was made by Sickle to approve and accept the Cost Allocation Plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 as prepared by Robert W. Aitken, CPA PC. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Salary Increases
Motion was made by Frank to approve, effective January 1, 2017, a 2% increase for the clerical positions in the offices of the Treasurer, Assessor, Veterans Service Office, Emergency Management Agency, Cooperative Extension Service and to increase the salary of the custodial position of Courthouse Maintenance to \$13.10/hour. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

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

GENERAL FUND

Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance.....\$4831.88
Brown County Sheriff, fee..... 25.00
Canon Financial Serv., Inc., equip..... 1738.09
DeLage Landen, serv..... 138.59
Nancy DeKlotz, reimb..... 42.76
DesMoines Stamp Mfg, supp..... 50.50
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey, fee 1840.00
JV16-15, JV16-17, JV16-28, JV16-39, JV16-40

JV16-30, JV16-31, CR16-503 Wilson.....
Frontier Bank, supp..... 56.29
Galls/Quartermaster, supp..... 539.27
Hullmans Ford, serv/parts..... 4843.47
Brian Kirkendall, reimb..... 38.52
Madison Nat'l Life, insur..... 8.64
Lyle McMann, reimb..... 32.55
Midwest Mobile Radio, rent..... 60.00
Midwest Radar & Equip., supp..... 40.00
OPPD, serv..... 49.38
Don Pounds, reimb..... 151.99
Ameritas, retire..... 7409.19
Richardson County Vendor, FICA..... 7802.89
Sapp Bros., fuel..... 2060.43
SE NE Communications, serv..... 480.95
William VonSeggern, contract..... 4000.00
Tyleno Windle, reimb..... 39.59
Windstream, serv..... 69.02
Wolfes, supp..... 268.46
Payroll Expense..... 69329.47
TOTAL GENERAL FUND.....\$155,946.93

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Ageo Finance, supp..... 856.77
Black Hills Utility Holdings, serv..... 116.71
Canon Financial Serv., equip..... 1738.09
FC Journal, adv..... 48.00
Farm & City Supply, supp..... 1093.79
Lewis Implement, parts..... 13.50
NPPD, serv..... 121.53
Operation & Expense Acct., reimb..... 716.00
Village of Rulo, serv..... 25.00
Sapp Bros., fuel..... 206.25
Stateline propane, fuel..... 1020.00
Payroll Expense..... 38801.57
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND.....\$44,757.21

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 11:48 a.m. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

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

Village of Rulo

Village of Rulo Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, December 2016 7:00 P.M. Rulo Library

Present: Glen Kelley, Norman Thompson, Lee Smith, Dion Grier, Ellen Coburn and Jane Zentner/Village Clerk. New Electives to be sworn Melissa Coonce and Becky Parker Simmonds. Guests: Kraig Coonce,

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.

# CLASSIFIEDS

**CLASSIFIED RATES**  
 Line Classified - \$1.50 per line  
 Cards of Thanks - .60¢ per line  
 Call office for Boxed Ad pricing

## HELP WANTED

**CNC MILL OPERATORS**  
**1ST SHIFT - MINIMUM \$14.00/HOUR**  
 Excellent opportunity for individuals who take pride in their work and are willing to accept responsibility. No experience necessary. We are willing to train individuals with a good work record. Excellent fringe benefits including group health and life insurance, monthly bonus, 401k and deferred profit sharing.  
 Now taking applications M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
**MAGNOLIA METAL CORP., AUBURN, NE**  
**402-274-3152 - EEOC/AAP** 3-4

**The Falls City Library & Arts Center has an opening for:**  
**PART TIME CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN 20-25 HOURS PER WEEK**  
**The job hours include some mornings, afternoons, evenings and rotating Saturday mornings. The job description is available at the Library: Monday - Thursday 10-8PM, Saturday 9am to noon**  
**www.fallscitylibrary.org - Like us on Facebook!**  
**The deadline for applications is Tuesday Feb. 7, 2017 at 6PM**  
**402-245-2913** 3-4

**SPECIALIZED PROBATION OFFICER (JUVENILE)**  
**DISTRICT #1-FALLS CITY**  
 This position serves under the authority of the Chief Probation Officer and is responsible for the supervision of the highest risk to re-offend clients. This position provides case management and supervises the activities of probationers in the community, collaborates with providers and stakeholders important to a client's success and requires flexible, individualized work scheduling that is caseload driven. Is connected to the community by way of field work in the form of regular and on-going visits to probationer's home, treatment, school, employment, support group, 12-step, group home, and team meetings.  
**REQUIREMENTS:** This position shall meet the basic requirements as a Probation Officer. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a Bachelor's degree in the social sciences, criminal justice, or related fields with at least two years of experience providing case management and/or completion of investigations in a community corrections based program or agency.  
 Hiring rate is \$3,965.46 per month. This position opens January 27th and closes February 8th.  
 Please visit [www.statejobs.nebraska.gov](http://www.statejobs.nebraska.gov) to view the complete job description and requirements as well as fill out the State application. The State of Nebraska complies with Nebraska's Veterans Preference Laws. 4

**CJ FOODS, INC HAS PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE!**

- ▶ Production Shift Supervisors
- ▶ QA Manager
- ▶ Warehouse Manager
- ▶ IT Business Analyst
- ▶ Accounting Manager
- ▶ Sr. Cost Accountant

**CJ Foods is a leading manufacturer of super-premium pet foods located in Bern, KS and Pawnee City, NE.**  
**Open positions vary per location.**  
 Details and on-line application available at:  
[www.cjfoodsinc.com](http://www.cjfoodsinc.com)  
**APPLY TODAY to join CJ Foods' Growing Business!**



C.J. Foods, Inc. is a drug free work environment & EOE. 4

**FOR RENT/LEASE**

One bedroom/1 bathroom updated apartment in downtown Falls City available beginning of March. Dishwasher, microwave, W/D included. \$375 Call 402-855-6190. 4-6

Pack Rat Storage, Units Available. 402-245-7236. 24-TF



2BD house, no smoking, references and deposit required. M&T Building, 402-245-7029. 1-TF

**Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri Housing Authority**  
 The Sac and Fox Housing Authority currently has several one bedroom apartments available in our Yellow Earth Village located in Reserve, KS between Hiawatha and Falls City. The Yellow Earth Village Apartments offer quiet small community living with transportation services available for seniors as well as single low income persons. The apartments are newly renovated inside and feature all appliances with the exception of washer and dryer. Please contact the housing office at (785) 742-2210 for applications and further details. References are required as well as deposits and first and last month's rent prior to move in date. 4-5

**Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri Housing Authority**  
 The Sac and Fox Housing Authority currently has several three bedroom homes available in our Red Earth Village located just outside of Reserve, KS between Hiawatha and Falls City. The red Earth Village Apartments offer spacious homes in a rural country setting with the conveniences of a small community. The homes feature appliances, two bathrooms, carport, and a new water source heat pumps making the homes environmentally friendly. Please contact the housing office at (785) 742-2210 for applications and further details. References are required as well as deposits and first and last month's rent prior to move in date. 4-5

Drivers: Sign-on Bonus, Vacation, 401K & MORE! Regional & OTR. CDL-A. [universetruck.com](http://universetruck.com). 866-958-7825. 1-4

**Prairie Union Cemetery is taking bids for the 2017 mowing season. Deadline is Feb. 2. Contact Max Shafer III 402-883-2227** 2-4P

**SERVICES**  
**REPLACEMENT WINDOWS & DOORS**  
 Call Roger Druba Construction 402-245-3888 1-4P



### CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you, for your support of our Pancake & Sausage Supper. It was very much appreciated. Shubert Christian Church. 4

The family of the late Ernie Werner wish to extend our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses, and for the condolences and support that we have received. We also send our gratitude and appreciation to the staff of The Falls City Healthcare Community for the care and friendship during his time there. Special thanks to Pastor Paul Weinert for his comforting words at the service and also to Eastview Apartments staff for the lovely meal. We are confident Ernie is handing out buckeyes in heaven. Ernie Werner Family 4

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**District #56**

**Agenda for the Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 PM, Monday, February 13, 2017 at the Central Office at Falls City Middle School**  
 The agenda sequence is provided as a courtesy. The board reserves the right to consider items in the sequence it deems appropriate. Therefore, we encourage patrons to attend the meeting from the beginning.

- 1.0 Business Items:
  - 1.1 Roll Call, Open Meetings Act Notice, and Pledge of Allegiance
  - 1.2 Approval of Absences
  - 1.3 Verification of Advanced Publication
  - 1.4 Approval of Agenda
  - 1.5 Approval of Previous Minutes
  - 1.6 Audiences
  - 1.7 Approval of Treasurer's Report
  - 1.8 Approval of Claims
- 2.0 Informational Items/Reports:
  - 2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Report:
  - 2.2 Principal's Reports:
  - 2.3 Board President's Report:
  - 2.4 Superintendent's Report:
  - 2.4a Legislative & Organization Update
  - 2.4b Building and Grounds Update
  - 2.4c Continuous School Improvement & District Goals
  - 2.4d Policy Planning
  - 2.4e School Calendar 2017-2018
  - 2.4f HLC Dual-Credit Instructor Credentials
  - 2.4g Superintendent Meetings
  - 2.4h Board Member Meetings
  - 2.4i Other
  - 2.5 Board Committee/Member Reports:
- 3.0 Old/New Action Items:
  - 3.1 First Reading on Policy Revisions
  - 3.2 Second Reading on Policy Revisions
  - 3.3 School Calendar 2017-2018
  - 3.4 Projects List for 2017
  - 3.5 2017-2018 Certified Faculty Master Contract
  - 3.6 2017-2018 Principal Contracts
  - 3.7 Other
- 4.0 Executive Session: Requested by member, approved by majority, as per statute.
- 5.0 Adjournment and Next Meetings: The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent. Board Committee meetings TBD.



The Area Fellowship of Churches held a service of Christian Unity, Jan. 22, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church. Pastors from the Falls City Area Ministerial Association participating in the service were, from left: Pastor Tim Boatright (Good News Assembly of God), Fr. Thomas Dunavan (Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church), Pastor Andrew Chavanak (St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, ELCA), Pastor Nancy Tuma (First Presbyterian Church), Pastor Fay Ann Blaylock (Zion United Church of Christ and First Christian Church -DOC), Pastor Jerry Yount (Barada and Bethel United Methodist Churches), Wanda Biel, PMA (St. Peter's Lutheran Church, ELCA, Barada), Pastor Victor Haworth (First Brethren Church), Fr. David Oldham (Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Rulo and St. Mary's Catholic Church, Arago), Pastor Steven Floyd (First Church of the Nazarene), and Fr. Larry Parrish (St. Thomas Episcopal Church).



Photo by Deena Beer

Falls City High junior Rylee Scholl follows through on her shot attempt in the Lady Tigers' 50-32 loss to Hiawatha, KS, last Tuesday in the first round of the Hiawatha Invite. The Tigers, 5-11, then fell to Marysville, KS, 64-36, Thursday and were set to return to Hiawatha yet again Monday for a regular season game.

**Chamber/Main Street**

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-tee Chairperson Sarah Ahern announced that David Branch is no longer administrator of the organization. New Executive Board Chairman Chuck Whitney said the group is looking to fill the position and anybody interested in taking the job is urged to stop by the Chamber Office or call him.



Caudle

In addition to Whitney, Paulo Bruxellas was named the First Vice Chairman and new board members include Caudle, Trevor Godemann, Angie Phroper, Matt Kirkendall, R.J. Hamilton, Chapple and John Hogue. Outgoing Board members honored were Dr. Steve Severin, Gary Jorn, Kaytlyn Kennedy and Rachel Witt.

**Falls City Journal**  
**READER PHOTO OF THE WEEK**

This week our photo was submitted by Rudy Vrtiska. The topic was "Fog"



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Next week...  
**Water Tower**

**STUDENTS**

Wayne State College included more than 900 students on the Dean's List for exemplary academic achievement during the past semester.

Included on that list was Falls City native and FC Sacred Heart graduate **Matthew Mullins**.

Students listed on the dean's list are full-time undergraduate students who have achieved a GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

More than 3,900 students have been recognized for their academic achievements at the University of Nebraska at Omaha during the Fall

2016 semester with inclusion on the Chancellor's and/or Dean's List.

Among them, Humboldt's **Kaleb Knudson** was included on the Chancellor's List, and **Abby Magdanz**, of Falls City, and **Jacob Herr** and **Haley Workman**, both of Humboldt, made the Dean's List.

Every semester, first-time undergraduate students are selected for inclusion on the Chancellor's List or Dean's List at UNO due to their high academic performance. For the Fall 2016 semester, 869 were named to the Chancellor's List and 3,037 students were named to the Dean's List.

To qualify for the Chancellor's List, students must earn a grade point average of 4.0 for courses taken at UNO during the semester, provided 12 or more quality hours were completed.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a GPAs of 3.5 or better for courses taken at UNO during the semester, provided a minimum of 12 quality hours were completed.

**FEBRUARY 2017 COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

•Events •Club Meetings •School & Chamber Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers at FCFC 5PM	<b>2</b> Rotary Noon FCHS B&G BB vs Beatrice 6PM SH BB Pioneer Tourney at PC	<b>3</b> Wrestling at Ashland Greenwood SH BB Pioneer Tourney at JB/Sterling	<b>4</b> FCHS B&G BB vs Crete 1PM SH BB Pioneer Tourney at PC
<b>5</b> Super Bowl Sunday Rural Fire Dept. Pancake Feed FCHS Vocal Music Pops Concert 2PM	<b>6</b> City Council 6 PM Wellness Brunch at FCPC-10:30 VFW Aux. @ Legion Club 6:30PM	<b>7</b> SH B&G BB at North Andrew 4PM FCHS G&B BB Home R/C Spelling Bee 6:30 at O'Connor Hall Blood Pressure Clinic 12-1PM	<b>8</b> FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers at FC FC 5PM	<b>9</b> SH Boys BB @ Don. West 4PM FCHS B&G BB @ HTRS Rotary Noon Jaycees @ CMC 6:30	<b>10</b> FCHS Wrestling - TBD	<b>11</b> SH JH Girls BB K of C Tourney
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> SH G BB Subdist. @ TBA FCHS G BB Subdist. TBA FC No School-In Service FC Vol. Fire Dept. 7PM BPO Does 7PM	<b>14</b> SH G BB Subdist. @ TBA FCHS G BB Subdist. TBA Am. Legion Aux. 7PM Chamber Board-Noon	<b>15</b> FC Lions Noon SH Early Dismiss - PT Conference 6-8PM Weight Watchers at FC FC 5PM	<b>16</b> Rotary Noon SH G BB Subdist. @ TBA FCHS G BB Subdist. TBA	<b>17</b> SH No School FC No School FCHS BB Boys at Fairbury 6PM	<b>18</b> Shubert Area Churches Soup Cook-Off 5-7PM at Shubert Com. Building SH Boys BB vs. NCL at 5:00 PM
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> FC City Council 6PM FCHS Boys Sub. Dist. TBA FFA Week at FCHS	<b>21</b> SH Boys BB Sub. Dist. TBA FCHS Boys Sub. Dist. TBA Am. Legion Aux. 6:30 Humane Society 7:30 at SunMart	<b>22</b> FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers at FCFC 5PM	<b>23</b> Take Shape for Life at FCFC 6:40PM SH Boys BB sub. Dist. TBA FCHS Boys BB Sub. Dist. TBA Rotary Noon	<b>24</b> SH Girls BB Dist. Final TBA FCHS Girls BB Dist. Final TBA	<b>25</b> SH Booster Auction/Fun
<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b> FCHS Boys BB Dist. Final TBA	<b>28</b> SH Boys BB Dist. Final at TBA				

**'NIGHTTIME FARM SCENE'**  
January 12, 1946

In John Falter's memory-evoking painting of milking time at sundown, when lights gleam in the barn and kitchen, and supper is on the stove, there is a devil trap, if you know where to look. The decorations on the barn are traditional in Falter's neighborhood, which is Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and date back to the days when a gloomy belief in "hexing," or witchcraft, was general.

The stars came into favor as an anti-hex mark, or witch repellent, a kind of countermeasure, like carrying a rabbit's foot. They jinxed the hex, if you follow. The arches painted over the barn window represent a foxy scheme to give the devil a headache. Seeing the arches-it was originally believed-the devil would

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