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Pursuing his dream-his way

By Lori Gottula

Colton Martin felt the goosebumps on the back of his neck as the conductor held his hands in the air and passionately cued the choir for the final note of "Abide," a new beautiful choral piece by Dan Forrest. As the chord came to an end, Colton and his fellow singers held their collective breath. Tears streamed down their cheeks and welled in Colton's eyes. This was it. This was the last time that this particular group of people would ever sing together. Emotions ran the gamut from bittersweet to magical. And peaceful. The kind of peace that brings absolute joy. The kind of peace that only comes from doing something you love, something that takes you places that you never dreamed you would go. The kind of peace that Colton has followed since high school.

"Find your inner peace and follow it," Colton said during a recent interview, "And you will always do what you are meant to do."

Colton is one of those people who not only practices what he preaches, but does so on a grand scale. You see, the concert that was just described was held two weeks ago at St. Stephen's House on Oxford University's campus in the United Kingdom. It was the final concert of the year for the fifty amazing singers who make up a choir called the Westminster Williamson Voices. The choir hails from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, which is an affiliate of Rider University. And Colton is one of its members.

The Williamson Voices, a GRAMMY-nominated choir, composed of students who also regularly perform with the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the New York Philharmonic, spends two weeks every summer at Oxford as the choir-in-residence for the Choral Institute at Oxford. The institute is a seminar during which twenty-some conducting students from around the world learn to become better conductors by working with three or four of the most-recognized professors/conductors in the world. To do so, they need a choir. The Westminster Williamson Voices is that choir. The group performs the music that the conductors lead. It's an opportunity for every person involved to become a better musician, and better person.



Colton Martin
Simon Pick of Simon Photography

But how did a small-town boy like Colton become part of a GRAMMY-nominated choir that performs at places like Oxford University, a world-renowned university half-way around the world?

By following his peace.

The son of John and Mary Sue Martin of Falls City, Colton was reared in the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic church, and attended Falls City Sacred Heart. A passionate Christ-follower, he thought he might someday become a priest. But music kept poking at him, trying to gain his attention. He had studied piano since the second grade, and always felt peaceful and joyful when he played, so he decided that the music ministry was his calling.

After graduating from Sacred Heart in 2010, he enrolled at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas. A Catholic liberal arts college in a small rural community, Benedictine was far enough away to allow Colton to explore his independence, but close enough that he could come home anytime he wanted.

He majored in music, theology, and philosophy, took piano lessons, and practiced two to three hours a day. He also started taking organ lessons because he hoped to be the Director of Music at a large parish someday, and knew he would need experience on

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CMC FOUNDATION SAVES SPECIALITY CLINIC

By Nikki McKim

When Community Medical Center in Falls City celebrated its sixth birthday late last year, they realized that they had outgrown their 68,000 square feet of living space. CMC's Board of Directors gave their stamp of approval on a multi-million dollar upgrade that would give the facility the space to ensure there was room for the doctors and practitioners.

CMC announced earlier this year-a \$9 million project to add a new primary care clinic, expand and renovate surgery, add in-house MRI, and expand and renovate the clinic area for visiting out-of-town specialists. The project was to be funded from hospital reserves, set aside for that purpose, and ground broke on the project in May.

Unfortunately, as final bids came in for the project, along

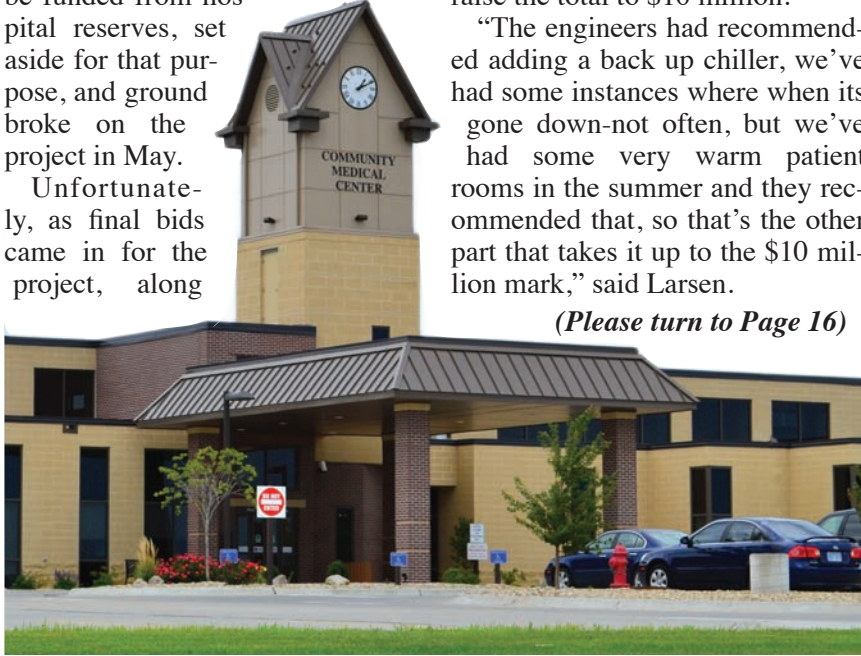
with unexpected engineering needs, project costs rose to just over \$10 million.

Faced with this overrun, hospital administration prepared a plan eliminating the Speciality Clinic renovation, costing \$778,000, from the project. The Board's Construction Committee did not like the recommendation, however, as Committee Members, made up of Board, Medical Staff, and community members, felt that Speciality Care improvements were an essential part of the project. The Committee recognized, however, that financial issues were also important. The issue was taken to the full Hospital Board.

The Specialty Clinic alone didn't raise the total to \$10 million.

"The engineers had recommended adding a back up chiller, we've had some instances where when its gone down-not often, but we've had some very warm patient rooms in the summer and they recommended that, so that's the other part that takes it up to the \$10 million mark," said Larsen.

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Lori Gottula presents Francis Seid and Beverly Seid Grand Marshal flowers.

2016 Cobblestone Grand Marshal-Francis Seid

By Lori Gottula

Sometimes, actually too often, when a man has passed his prime and has been absent from the business and volunteer community for years or even decades, we forget about the many contributions that he made. Then, years later, we remember him fondly as he's carried out of a church or chapel by six of his closest relatives and friends. Not this time. This time, the committee that selected the Grand Marshal of the

Falls City Cobblestone Parade made sure that one of Falls City's past leaders received the recognition that he deserves. And when presented with the honor, Francis Seid—a man's man, a farmer and former owner of a John Deere dealership here in town—cried. He thought that people had forgotten him long ago. Now, he knows they haven't. (And he is thrilled that the woman who rode beside him on all of his endeavors will ride beside him in the Cobblestone parade, too. His

wife, Bev, was a huge part of his success.) The nomination form, submitted by his children and grandchildren, states that "Francis is proud to say that he has been a farmer for the past 84 years, farming in Nemaha and Richardson Counties." And that's just scratching the surface!

"Francis became a Falls City businessman in 1963 when he purchased the failing John Deere Implement store, which was located where the

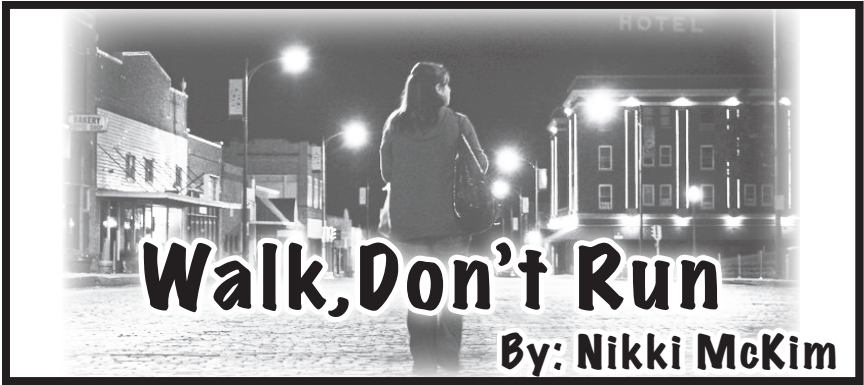
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Last week I had an experience that was so upsetting, but because so many people have told me that I’m a bit depressing lately, I will wait to share that story another day on down the road. I have had a really bad 2016, but last weekend was a good one a top ten weekend if you will.

Brian and I were invited by his parents to join them for a weekend in Osage Beach, MO. At first Brian and I decided it just wasn’t going to be possible. We had just driven to Colorado and our funds were low. All week last week we discussed and went back and forth until my mom offered to watch the dogs and told us we would be crazy not to go.

Some of my favorite memories as a kid are meeting my aunt, uncle and cousins at my grandparents house in Belton, TX. We would play, swim and bond. They lived in Lamesa, TX at the time and we lived in Dawson, NE, so these weekends were really our chance to get to know each other again. Alex and my nieces all live in the same town but life is busy and we all don’t get to spend as much time together as we would like, so a weekend away in a beautiful house on a beautiful lake was exactly what we all needed. I don’t get to spend nearly enough time with my nieces and nephews anymore and the chance to have two nights playing games and having fun sounded perfect.

After work on Friday, Brian, Alex and I loaded up and hit the road-again. After some crazy roads, a few stops for bathrooms and food, we made it to our destination.

I haven’t been to Osage Beach since I was in school and I had forgotten how gorgeous it was. I tend to fall in love with places rather easily, but this place was magical. We dropped our bags and walked to the back deck to talk to everyone and there we were greeted by several deer playing on the hill next to the house. It was the perfect start to our mini-getaway.

The next morning we went out to check out the town. We did some shopping for school and ended up in the middle of the city’s 50 year celebration. They had food, old cars, and music up and down the streets. We decided to spend some time just enjoying what the town had to offer. That included some old fashioned photos. I’m a sucker when it comes to anything photo related but dressing up in old fashioned clothes and posing in a saloon setting is almost too much for me. The three nieces and Alex had a blast as they chose their outfits and posed wildly-making sure to get their money’s worth. We left with several wonderful pictures and a lot of memories.

We made our way back to our house to get in the lake. I love water, I love swimming and I had been yearning for that free feeling that water gives a person. For me there is nothing like the silence of being under water, weightless and away from it all. I jumped in the water and didn’t get out for hours. We placed with Alex and the girls for hours and one by one we lost each person to hunger, showers and boredom. But I was in my element and knew that I only had one day to spend in the water, so I was taking full advantage of it. It came down to one adult (me), a teenager and two kids. Maddie fished as I played with Rylee (6), and Alex. They played on a mat trying to push each other down as I floated next to them watching. I was using my chin to hold myself above water when the next thing I knew, POW, I took a knee to the eye. I turned to look at Brian and tell him how much pain I was in when - POW again, I was hit in the same eye with a pool noodle. At this point I knew my eye was bleeding. I could feel the warm fluid pouring out. I asked Brian how bad it was and that’s when he broke the news, it was fine.

I was going to swim to shore and call it a day when the hits kept on coming. POW, someone jumped off the large mat and that hit me in the same eye. At this point I was choking on water and had tears running down my cheek. It hurt but I didn’t want to let on how bad it actually hurt. I swam over to the steps to get out and put on my ‘ha ha, no big deal’ face. We gathered our stuff and made our way back to the house for dinner.

While in the shower I had to laugh at how insane that must have looked from Brian’s view on the dock. It was truly a Three Stooges kind of situation. After dinner we played games and watched a few Olympic events. We didn’t do a lot, but it was such a great weekend and I loved spending time with Brian’s family. This was the first time we were able to do something like this and I hope it isn’t the last.

Sunday we made it home after our whirlwind getaway and were about to drop. I did some work to wrap up the day and couldn’t wait to get to bed. As soon as I dozed off, Brian and I were jarred awake by Alex screaming at the top of his lungs. I tell you, I knew the world was ending in that moment. Alex has never awaken us by screaming so we knew something was bad.

Before we could get out of bed, Alex was standing in our doorway telling us that a bat was in his room. So I comforted Alex while Brian chased a bat out of our house. I wish I could say this was the first time this had happened but it isn’t. Bats get in our house often but they usually go for Brian and I, not Alex.

Alex decided to stay in our room for the night and we had all finally calmed down when the smoke alarms went off. Alex jumped up and yelled fire in the most dramatic fashion. Thank God there was no fire but our house of horrors kept us up most of the night and now we’re all tired and ready for another vacation-one where we can catch up on sleep.



Newbies and a shortfall = toxic mix in next Legislature

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

“I’ve lived through some terrible things in my life, some of which actually happened.” – Mark Twain

Let’s hope that the coming session of the Nebraska Legislature isn’t one of those terrible things, real or perceived. With new faces and a projected budget shortfall, things could get interesting.

Speaker of the Legislature Galen Hadley of Kearney won’t be there. He has been term-limited. But, as a member of the Tax Rate Review Committee, he told the Lincoln Journal Star newspaper he is concerned that the Legislature could potentially have 32 members next year who have two years or less experience. That, he cautioned, can be difficult as the next two-year budget is created, debated and voted on.

They did not go through those “very, very, very painful years” during the most recent recession when the Legislature had hard decisions to make about any bill with a price tag attached.

“We have people that don’t understand that we killed bills for a \$1,000 fiscal note during those years,” he told the newspaper.

The review committee – known for years as the “no name committee” – includes the speaker, the chair of the Legislature’s Executive Board and the chairs of Appropriations and Revenue as well as the state tax commissioner. This group recently announced that the state’s financial status shows a projected shortfall of \$113.7 million in the current two-year budget and \$352.7 million in the next. The 2017-19 budget shortfall has grown from the projected \$234 million when lawmakers left town three months ago.

The shortfall wasn’t enough to warrant a special session of the Legislature this fall, but it is enough to cause the governor and tax officials to keep a close eye on things. The Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board meets in October to release new predictions. The tax rate review group based its opinion on the forecasting board projections in April and a trend based on the months that followed.

Why is this important? The projected receipts give the governor and lawmakers an idea of how much money they’ll have to work with in the coming session. The state is sitting on a nest egg -- its constitutionally mandated cash reserve -- of \$617.2 million. But even that is \$17 million less than estimated at the end of the 2016 legislative session.

Veteran lawmakers and the governor recognize that the cash reserve is NOT fair game for funding new ideas. But it’s easy for the new or inexperienced lawmaker to think of it as an untapped piggy bank to use on a whim.

Hadley and Revenue Committee Chair Mike Gloor of Grand Island point to the cumulative effects of previous tax cuts, particularly income tax rate adjustments that have grown over time. A simple adjustment for inflation in 2014

could cost the state \$12.9 million in taxes in each of the next two years, Gloor said.

While the Legislature’s Fiscal Office pays attention to the impact of such measures well into the out years, Hadley said he thinks senators often forget about them once they are passed. Politically, some senators have been known to push the impact far enough out that they don’t show up on fiscal notes.

Appropriations Committee Chair Heath Mello of Omaha sees a big revenue loss coming from on-line sales without sales tax collection. He estimated that loss eight years ago at \$25 million to \$40 million. He said it’s probably \$100 million to \$150 million now.

Governor Pete Ricketts said part of the revenue

lag comes from lower commodity prices and a slowdown in the state’s number one industry, agriculture. That is why he has directed state agencies to tighten their budgets through a hiring freeze, travel limits and delayed purchases of some items such as computer hardware and software.

Mello said the forecasting board’s October report would be a significant harbinger of the Legislature’s behavior over the next two to four years.

If Hadley is correct about the 32 inexperienced senators, let’s hope they’re quick learners. The state’s fiscal health depends on it.

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 17 years.

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New hospital safety ratings available to the public

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The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently signaled to the nation’s hospitals that it was getting serious-and tough-about patient safety and the quality of care hospitals provide. The government’s rating system-five stars for the best hospitals and one star for the worst-sends a message that patients have a right to know what’s going on inside the hospitals they entrust with their lives or those of their family members.

The overall star ratings, the first for CMS, are a composite of 64 measures the government has used the past few years to rate hospital performance. They include factors such as complication rates for patients who’ve had knee and hip replacement surgery, urinary tract infections associated with catheter use, death rates among patients with serious but treatable complications after surgery, and patients’ reported experience with their care.

Only 102 hospitals out of the 3,600 rated received five stars, and they included less well-known specialty facilities such as Lincoln Surgical Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska, and the Orthopaedic Hospital of Lutheran Health Network in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Medicare gave 129 hospitals one star. They included two prominent hospitals in Washington D.C. - MedStar Georgetown University Hospital and George Washington University Hospital - as well as several hospitals in New York City. Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, Pennsylvania, that health policy experts and politicians cite for exemplary quality involving new ways of delivering and coordinating care, received a below-average two-star rating.

The ratings reveal a contradiction between scientifically measured evidence and the advertising hospitals use to build their brand. Hospitals like to tell their communities about new cancer treatments or new children’s wings, not mediocre ratings. In my neighborhood New York City’s Mt Sinai Hospital has used banner ads on the street to create an awareness of the hospital, which received only a mediocre three-star rating.

Those of us who have written about hospitals know that smart patients need to look way beyond the nightly advertising on TV.

Medicare often caves in to healthcare industry demands and has backed off many proposed rules that powerful doctors, hospitals, and drug companies opposed. But it isn’t pulling any punches on this one despite attempted roadblocks. Last April some 200 members of the House of Representatives and 60 U.S. senators sent letters to CMS urging delay in releasing the star ratings.

They argued that the ratings may not take into account that many hospitals treat low-income patients with complex conditions and, thus, may not be fair to providers. “The star system is an irresponsible slap in the face to America’s most essential hospitals, those that take in the sickest patients,” Dr. Eric Dickson, the chief executive of UMass Memorial Health Care, told the Boston Globe. His flagship teaching hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts, received one star.

But as Leah Binder who heads The Leapfrog Group, which advocates for patient safety, has noted on Forbes.com, the letter sent by the senators did not mention responsibility to patients who may suffer harm in a hospital. The British Medical Journal reported in May that researchers who examined the scientific evidence concluded that in 2013 medical errors were the third-leading cause of death in the U.S. behind heart disease and cancer.

That’s cause for alarm and may be a reason why CMS didn’t bow to political pressure this time.

Jordan Rau, a staffer at Kaiser Health News who has written about the evolution of hospital ratings, told me the stars may influence low-rated hospitals to improve their scores.

Hospitals may also fear that consumers will see the stars, which are easy to understand, dig into the numbers behind them, ask questions, and perhaps choose other facilities if they can. If that happens, CEOs may feel mighty uncomfortable going before their boards and explaining why they received only one or two stars.

Medicare has also just released the names of hospitals required to pay monetary penalties for having more patients than expected return to the hospital. About one-third of readmissions, considered a marker of quality, are preventable. The government looks at readmissions for such conditions as heart attacks, pneumonia, and hip and knee replacements.

Clearly, if you’re planning a hospital stay for major surgery or any reason, check both CMS sites for the star ratings (<https://kaiserhealthnews.files.wordpress.com/2016/07/hospital-stars-july-2016-pdf1.pdf>) and the readmissions penalties (https://kaiserhealthnews.files.wordpress.com/2016/08/medicareadmissionpenaltiesyear5_pdf_final1.pdf). Examining the ratings for facilities you are considering should either give you peace of mind-although nothing is guaranteed in the patient safety business-or cause for concern.

My advice: see how the “stars” align before you’re a patient at any hospital.

What’s been your experience finding a good hospital or with hospitals where you or a family member have experienced a medical error? Write to Trudy at trudy.lieberman@gmail.com.

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Foreign persons must report U.S. Ag land holdings

Richardson County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Brenda Fields reminds foreign persons with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States that they are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

“Any foreign person who acquires, transfers or holds any interest, other than a security interest, including leaseholds of 10 years or more, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction,” said Fields.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports with the FSA county office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

“Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land,” said Fields.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more. Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural. Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as the owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign.

Data gained from these disclosures is used to prepare an annual report to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, contact the Richardson County FSA office at 402-245-2401 or visit the USDA Web site at <http://www.usda.gov>.

SOCIETY
Area Bridge
Jackie Donoghue, Holdredge, NE; Della Meyer, Loma Simon, Merry VonSeggern won the prizes when Falls City Area Bridge met August 9. Four tables of bridge were played. The hostesses were Merry VonSeggern and Dennie Dixon Merry VonSeggern and Sandy Boatman will host the next session on Aug. 23.

Pursuing his dream-his way

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the organ. However, when he had papers to write, or needed to practice, he found himself procrastinating by searching for and listening to choral music. Before long, sacred choral music became his passion. He couldn’t get enough.

It surprised him, too.

“I didn’t even like to sing,” Colton said. “It was too personal, too emotional. I didn’t want to be that vulnerable. And conducting? That scared me to death. Standing on a box in front of incredible performers, and knowing that you’re their leader, is daunting.”

However, he couldn’t ignore the amazing inner peace and contentment that he felt while listening to choral music. In addition, he knew that a degree in choral conducting would make him a better musician, so he decided to face his fears and step out in faith. When he did, it led him to one of the biggest and brightest places in his chosen field. Westminster Choir College is one of the oldest and most-respected colleges for sacred music in America, and employs some of the best instructors in the world. One of those is James Jordan, author of more than 30 textbooks that are used in university music departments worldwide. “We actually used some of his textbooks at Benedictine,” Colton said. “He was a major reason why I chose Westminster in the end.”

During Colton’s first year, he participated in a choir called the Westminster Symphonic Choir, which performed Beethoven’s 9th Symphony at Carnegie Hall in 2015, with the Berliner Philharmoniker, led by world-renowned conductor Sir Simon Rattle.

Since then, life has been a whirlwind. Colton’s schedule is grueling. His major in sacred music, with an emphasis in choral conducting, requires much more than music classes. One must know how the body moves (kinesthesiology), different theories of teaching (pedagogy), how the vocal mechanisms work, and how to bring out the best in others. Colton has to be a master at the piano (he still takes lessons), and the organ (ditto). All of those things require time.

However, the things that take most of his time don’t even involve classes.

Colton has to be able to pay his bills while attending school, so he teaches piano lessons, and at times

has seven to eight students each week. He also serves as the principal organist and accompanist for Thompson Memorial Presbyterian Church in New Hope, Pennsylvania, so his Sundays are occupied. Whenever he needs extra money, he plays piano or organ for weddings and funerals. (This next year, he will begin serving as the rehearsal accompanist for the Westminster Williamson Voices, which will again take him to Oxford in the summer of 2017.) In addition, the multiple

academic choirs in which he sings rehearse for five to six hours a day. One group performs a new concert with a different student conductor every two weeks. “I know that seems impossible,” Colton said, “But it’s not because the choir is really like a family, so we love our time together. I know a lot of groups say that, but we really do. In fields like choral conducting, particularly in sacred music, the people are mostly Christ followers, so most are genuine and kind, and encourage others to be themselves. Being vulnerable is accepted. Expressing your emotions is accepted. When people are allowed to be who they are, they feel at home.”

That’s one of the reasons that Colton has been able to venture so far away, and reach for his dreams. Most people want to do that, but fear holds them back. Fear of failure, fear of rejection, fear of losing loved ones. Fear.

“People are often their own biggest obstacles,” Colton said, “So I encourage every person I meet to create the life that he or she wants to live.” And how do you do that?

By doing the things that make you strong. The things that fulfill you. The things that you would do without ever receiving a paycheck. Or, as in Colton’s case, by stepping out in faith, because if you’re doing what you are meant to do, then inner peace will follow YOU.

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Olberding-Kreifels to wed in Sept.

Skylar Paige Olberding of Falls City and Eric Eugene Kreifels of Verdon are excited to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding. Paige is the daughter of Patrick and Teresa Olberding of Falls City. Eric is the son of Scott and Rita Kreifels of Verdon. The bride to be is a graduate of Falls City High School 2011; undergraduate degree in Business Management and Marketing from Northwest Missouri State University 2015; Master’s in Business Administration from Northwest Missouri State University 2016. She is currently employed as the Director of Technology with Falls City Public Schools. The groom to be is a graduate of Falls City High School 2007; earned Journeyman’s Electrician License from IBEW apprenticeship in Lincoln 2012 and is employed as a lineman with the City of Falls City. The couple are planning a September 10, 2016 wedding.

Society

Shubert AL Unit 222

The Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Unit 222 met Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at the Legion building. President Tana Brown called the meeting to order and was followed with prayer by Eleanor Last in absence of Chaplain Sharon Howard. Everyone pledged allegiance to the flag, sang My Country ‘Tis Of Thee and repeated the American Legion Auxiliary Preamble. Roll call was taken by Secretary, Elizabeth Ketner with 8 members and 1 guest present followed with the minutes of the previous meeting. Treasurer Lana Willman gave the monthly report. Correspondence was read from the VA thanking us for items given to them on their need list. Vice President, Linda Patchen reported Fall Round Up will be October 22, 2016 in Tecumseh. Cards were signed for an Auxiliary member’s birthday and get well card for a member of the Falls City Unit. It was suggested to have the two Legion Members give a talk on their trip with the Vietnam Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. President, Tana Brown reported member ship goal for September 1st is 50% and goal for November

11th is 75%. VA&R report, none for this month. Dona Hall met with junior members in July when they made tray favors for the VA. They will meet again this month. It was voted to buy paperback books for our 10 for education. The unit will start saving the box tops for the school. Elizabeth Ketner was the hostess for the community potluck luncheon get-together at the Legion building on August 2. Linda Patchen will host the next one at noon Tuesday, September 6. This is for anyone in the community to come for lunch and fellowship. Plans are being made to have a retiring flag ceremony in September with Elizabeth Ketner as chairman. Following the meeting a potluck meal was served followed by the Boys State and Girls State presenting their experience during the Annual Cornhusker Girls and Boys State held June 5-11 on the University of Nebraska Lincoln Campus. The next meeting will be at Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Legion Building.

DID YOU KNOW?

The very first bomb that the Allies dropped on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.

Main Street city’s to benefit from refreshed methodology

The National Main Street Center, Inc., in partnership with its network of Coordinating Programs, has launched a new brand and a refreshed methodology that will bring new resources, branding and energy to Nebraska’s ongoing effort to revitalize its older and historic downtowns and commercial districts. These changes, including a new name for the Main Street network, Main Street America, build on the critical role that Main Streets have played, and will continue to play in the return to the city movement sweeping urban areas and small towns alike all across the United States. “For more than three decades, the Main Street Approach has helped communities identify their distinctive assets and capitalize on them to breathe new life in our country’s historic downtowns and commercial districts,” said Patrice Frey, President and CEO of the National Main Streets Center, Inc. “This revised framework and fresh look will ensure that Main Streets are equipped to deal with new challenges facing downtowns and commercial districts today, and will help our network take advantage of the social, economic, and cultural changes that will continue to favor vibrant downtowns in the future.” The Nebraska Main Street Network has partnered with the National Main Street Center since 1994 to stimulate the revitalization of communities statewide. Nebraska has seen an investment of over \$144.6 million in Main Street communities over the 22-years the program has been in existence in Nebraska. This equates to a return of \$16.35 for every dollar invested in a local Main Street program and its activities.

Designated Main Street communities in Nebraska include: Beatrice, Falls City, Fremont, Grand Island, Plattsmouth, Sidney and Wayne. Associate and Rural Associate Members include: Bassett, Hastings, Lexington, McCook, Milford, Minden, Neligh, Schuyler, Taylor and York. Co-Op Partners include Milligan and Plymouth. Membership is open to any community regardless of size or organizational capacity. Contact the Nebraska Main Street Network for more information on how your community can join. Launched as a program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1980, the National Main Street Center pioneered an incremental, volunteer-driven strategy to help communities counteract the economic decline of downtowns. More information about the Nebraska Main Street Network can be found at www.nebraskamainstreet.org and information about Main Street America can be found <http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/>.

Students

Rachel Slagle named to Creighton University Dean’s List

Rachel Slagle of Falls City, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences was named to the Creighton University Dean’s List for spring 2016. Full-time students who earn a 3.5 grade-point average or better on a 4.0 scale are eligible for the Dean’s List. About Creighton University: Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., enrolls 4,000 undergraduates and 4,200 graduate and professional students among nine schools and colleges. Creighton has been top-ranked by U.S. News & World Report for 20 years. For more information, visit our website at: www.creighton.edu.

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Though her Thirty-One business, Cindy Wisdom of Falls City was able to purchase 74 thermal tote’s to donate to them to Falls City South school third, fourth and fifth graders. Cindy filled each bag with notebooks, pocket folders, pencils, erasers, Crayons and Kleenex that were purchased from the commission her sales. In total over 75 people donated to the cause.

American Landscapes: Plein Air Paintings Gallery Talk: August 19 at 7:00 p.m.

An exhibition, American Landscapes: Plein Air Paintings, is open to the public in the Stalder Gallery, Falls City Library and Art Center until September 3rd. This special selection of paintings has been drawn from a private collection, courtesy of the Flatwater Folk Art Museum in Brownville, Nebraska. Plein air painting is a 19th century practice of painting finished pictures out-of-doors that are inspired directly by nature. During the mid-19th century, the invention of the paint-tube and the small “French Box Easel” allowed artists to work out doors with greater ease-- enabling them to carry their studio art supplies to a wide variety of out-door locations-- thus began the era of small “en plein air” paintings. These intimate “field studies” were usually spontaneously painted, gestural and expressive, resulting in fresh direct intuitive response to nature and the ambiance of the out-door environment. The French impressionists and painters of the Barbizon School made plein air painting an important dimension of their landscape work. The popularity of plein air painting has endured throughout the 20th and 21st century. This exhibition, American Landscapes: Plein Air Paintings, a collection of thirty small paintings (primarily measuring 10 inches x 12 inches) span 100 years dating from 1910 to 2015. Landscape scenes painted from various regions and locals of the United States are represented from the Midwest-heartland, southwest, New England, New York and California. Among the artists represented in this exhibition are historic works by the legendary and renowned California painters, Charles Rollo Peters and Xavier Martinez; East coast artists, Elsie Howald and Robert A. Graham; Texas painters, Janice Hines and Noe Perez and Nebraska artists Robert Gilder, Tom Palmerton, Keith Jacobshagen and Steven Dinsmore. A gallery talk on the exhibition will be present by George W. Neubert, Director of the Flatwater Folk Art Museum, on Friday August 19th at 7:00 p.m. Gallery doors will open at 6:00 p.m. for viewing. Questions concerning the exhibition can be directed to curator, Christina Wertenberger. The Stalder Gallery is located inside the Falls City Library and Arts Center.

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Little Mr. and Miss Cobblestone final six

First round voting has come to an end for Little Mr. and Miss Cobblestone 2016. There were 29 contestants this year and with their help PIE was able to raise funds for computer software, class field trips, annual scholarships, playground necessities, the spring and winter programs, and fun classroom activities not budgeted by teachers for the North & South School. Partners In Education (PIE) would like to say a special thanks to all the participants who signed up for Little Mr. Miss Cobblestone this year.

And now for the top six contestants: Boys: Xavier James Gildersleeve, son of Katelin Lunsford and Colton Gildersleeve; Garrett Rieger,

son of Jake and Melanie Rieger; Gabriel Dale Goff, son of Luke and Megan Goff.

Girls: Autumn Rayne Baumgartner, daughter of Danielle Nichols and Nick Baumgartner; Berkely Catherine Liberty, daughter of Brandon and Brianna Liberty; Lettie Kearney, daughter of Jeremy and Taylor Kearney.

Second round voting has now begun. You may place a vote for the top six at Wolfes Printing. All votes have started over for this round and at the end whoever has the most money-votes will be crowned Lil Mr. and Miss Cobblestone 2016. Every cent counts.

Runza to hold Annual Great Books for Great Kids fundraiser

Runza® Restaurants will conduct the 14th annual Great Books for Great Kids fundraiser. The funds will benefit local libraries, schools and literacy organizations and be used to purchase children’s books. Last year, over \$45,000 was raised to benefit children in communities with Runza® locations and in the last thirteen years, over \$405,000 has been donated.

Ten percent of sales on August 23rd from all locations all day will be donated to this effort. The list of beneficiaries is attached.

Runza® Restaurants has been a longtime supporter of reading & literacy efforts. “Reading is vital to lifelong success and provides an excellent opportunity for families to spend time together,” stated Becky Perrett, Director of Marketing for Runza® National. “Donating funds for books and promoting literacy is an important endeavor for children and the community.”

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(ABOVE, L-R) Girls State representatives, Savannah Davis, Josie Nolte. (BELOW) Boys State representative, Logan Bredemeier

Falls City American Legion Auxiliary Girls and Boys State

Logan Bredemeier, son of Mike and Chris Bredemeier of Stella who is student at HTRS was selected for Boys State and sponsored by the Shubert American Legion Post #222 gave a very informative and interesting talk of his week in Lincoln after a potluck meal attended by 25 members of the American Legion, Auxiliary and guest on Tuesday, August 9, at the Shubert American Legion Building.

Alexandria Bangert, daughter of Tom and Lana Bangert, student of FC Sacred Heart who was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary Post #222 for Girls State

was unable to present her speech, a letter was read by her grandmother Eleanor Last of her experience for Girls State week in Lincoln.

Josie Nolte, daughter of Crystal and Ben Howard and Savannah Davis, daughter of Mark Davis, both of Falls City were invited and presented a very informative speech of their week at Girls State. These girls were sponsored by the Falls City American Legion Auxiliary.

They all were impressed by the speakers during the week and they all ran for an office and won. They would encourage those who will be juniors this year to try out for it.

REUNIONS

Graduates and friends of Bratton Union had much to celebrate at their Aug. 7 reunion. From the organization of the school district in 1916 (100 years) to the anniversary of the first reunion in 1956 (60 years) to the graduation of the last group of seniors in 1966 (50 years), the milestones were noted. Forty-four alumni and three former teachers were part of the group of 70 that gathered at the HTRS cafeteria on Sunday.

The group enjoyed a meal catered by the Wooden Spoon before recognizing all alumni and some special guests. Special focus was on the Class of 1966. Celma Koehler Higgins, Maureen Stutheit Marshall, and Carol Wilkinson attended and welcomed special guest Loren Herr who was a classmate until his transfer to Humboldt as a senior. The Class of 1956 (60 years) brought all its surviving members: Ted Whitfield, Bill Erisman, Richard Boeck, Joan Johnson Sullwold, Lorna Koehler McMurray. The Class of 1951 (65 years) was represented by Virginia Frerichs Gerdes and Willa Jean Sodman Stutheit. Shirley Phillips Lucke, Bill Usher, Betty Blecha came from the Class of 1946 (70 years).

Jean Rears Kuhlmann from the Class of 1939 was the earliest graduate present. Other alumni attending were Ina May Phillips Rouse (1944); LeAnna Sodman Frank

(1945); Mervin Geyer (1947); Vivian Alberts Oestmann (1948); Sterling Lampe, ElDonna Sodman Jaeger (1949); Don Whitten (1950); Marilyn Sodman Gobber, Henry Sullwold (1952);

Junior Erisman (1953); Jerry Erisman, Merlin Phillips, Jerry Mayer (1955); Verna Frerichs Whitfield (1957); Janice Shurtleff Phillips, Eldon Kistner (1958); Elaine Kuhlmann Schendt (1959); Carol Koehler Oestmann (1960); Karen Behrends, Sonia Gilliland Kistner, Bob Leech, Tom Howe (1962); Kathy Glathar Kanel, Elaine Avery Croston (1963); Sonja Herr Pennington, Wayne Koehler (1964); Dan Avery, Gary Gerdes, John Howe, Jean Wilkinson Castle (1965).

Former teachers present were Mary Allgood, Richard Arington, Vivian Alberts Oestmann.

President Wayne Koehler presided at the business meeting. Sterling Lampe talked about the first BU graduate Lelah Hartzell Lampe, his mother. Special mention was made that the three Sodman sisters were present: LeAnna, ElDonna, and Willa Jean. The group agreed to continue the \$200 gift to an HTRS senior in 2017 using the same criteria that was used in 2016. John Howe was elected to serve as vice president for the 2017 reunion. The other officers are Jean Wilkinson Castle, president; Merlin Phillips, treasurer; Elaine Avery Croston, secretary.

There was a display of newsletters, commencement programs, yearbooks. Following the reunion several took the opportunity to visit the Quad County Museum.

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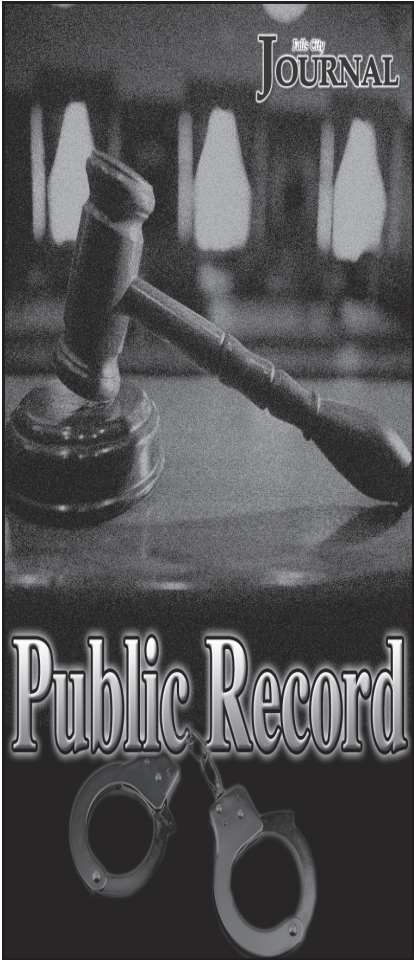
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(Editor’s Note - dismissal *with prejudice* bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge).

DISTRICT COURT

Gary L. Cochran, Verdon, has been granted dissolution of his marriage to Tina L. Cochran, Jackson, MN.

COUNTY COURT

Steven Svoboda, 44, count one, disturbing the peace; fined \$125.00; plus Court costs of \$49.00.

Jose Rodriguez, 47, count one, no proof of insurance, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count two, no operator’s license, plead guilty, fined \$75.00; count three, speeding (11-15), plead guilty, fined \$75.00, plus Court costs of \$50.00.

Justin Mattox, 24, count one,

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driving under suspended/before reinstated, fined \$100.00, plus Court costs of \$50.00 and 12 months probation.

Sydney Lavigne, count one, minor in possession, plead guilty; fined \$250.00 plus \$49.00 in Court costs.

CIVIL COURT

Judgement entered in favor of Credit Management Services and against Randi Chandler, in the amount of \$151.05; prejudgement interest of \$4.02; attorney fees of \$20.10; plus Court Costs of \$70.18. Post-judgement interest of 2.3450 percent.

Judgement entered in favor of Professional Choice Recovery, Inc. and against Ashley M. Pohlman and Matthew L. Pohlman, in the amount of \$404.54; attorney fees of \$45.00 plus Court Costs of \$72.50. Post-judgement interest of 2.3910 percent.

Judgement entered in favor of Credit Management Services and against Jason Richardson in the amount of \$1,340.08, plus costs of \$70.46; prejudgement interest of \$79.52; attorney fees of \$139.00. Post-judgement interest of 2.3450 percent.

COUNTY COURT WAIVERS (Court costs not included)

Cara Cudney, stop sign violation, \$75.00.

Mark Gaede, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00.

Andrew Hall, weeds and grasses over 12”, \$25.00.

Michelle Bice, maintaining a nuisance, \$30.00.

Michael Seager, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00; unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, \$25.00; unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, \$25.00.

Barry Handley, weeds and grasses over 12”, \$25.00.

Jedidiah Reed, parking: curb violation, \$10.00.

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Gregory Folsom, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00.

Samantha Jean Birdsley, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00; unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, \$25.00; weeds and grasses

over 12”, \$25.00.

Jeffrey Ogden, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00; unregistered, junked or wrecked vehicle, \$25.00.

Mark Gaede, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00.

James Scarberry, maintaining a nuisance, \$25.00.

Mark Gaede, theft, \$10.00.

Jordan Marx, no operator’s license on person, \$25.00.

Shelby Wright, animal running at large, \$25.00.

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Christopher Stubbs, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Ssang Ye Wilber, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Allyson Claire Marick, speeding (16-20), \$125.00.

Kathryn Raydeane Martin, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Gavin Staton, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

April Rath, speeding (11-15), \$75.00; failure to use seat belt, \$25.00.

Carol Rudziensky, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

John Waggoner, excess windshield or window, \$25.00; failure to use seat belt, \$25.00.

Bradford Smith, speeding (16-20), \$125.00.

Sarah Elizabeth Graber, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Kendra Eve Fowlkes, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Stephanie Gerdes, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Omar Herrera, speeding (21-35), \$200.00.

Jordan Marx, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Yese Longoria De Villegas, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Grace Bossert, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Edward Ceaser, speeding (21-35), \$200.00.

Marvin Strait, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Jason Resseguie, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Matthew Oakley, speeding (16-20), \$125.00.

Aaron Terrill, speeding (16-20), \$125.00.

Austin Rascon, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Jacob Courter, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Whitney Scott, speeding (6-10), \$25.00.

Jose Bueno Hernandez, speed-

ing (21-35), \$200.00.

Paul Rodriguez Jr., speeding (6-10), \$25.00; no license on person, \$25.00.

Brian Libel, speeding (11-15), \$75.00.

Christian Tollefson, no brake lights/turn signals, \$25.00.

Dennis Rader, no valid registration-car/pick-up, \$25.00.

Jedidiah Reed, no operator’s license, \$75.00.

Renee Elledge, no license on person, \$25.00; Nonresident violate 30-day, \$25.00.

Building Permits

Jessica Santo, 2410 Chase St; kitchen remodel, cabinets, dry-wall, flooring, electrical, plumbing, \$10,000.00.

Dr. Charles James, 2109 Stone St.; replace heating and A/C, \$5,000.00.

Steve Brott, 2123 Stone St.; siding, soffit, windows, \$20,000.00.

Charles Kreifels, 817 East 21 St.; replace porch with deck-Approved by Board of Adjustments, \$2,000.00.

Rachel Rankin, 2621 Schoenhait, St.; replace water heater, \$600.00.

Lacey Fischer, 2506 Barada St.; deck, \$1,500.00.

Falls City Housing, 1820 Barada St.; replace water heater, \$5,700.00.

Rachel Witt, 2716 Towle St.; deck-approved by Board of Adjustments, \$3,500.00.

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SPORTS BAR

BLAST FROM THE PAST

This Tiger Heavyweight scored one of two Tiger victories in the dual at Wymore Southern gaining a 9-6 decision over rugged Larry Schmidt.

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

Lacey Karpinski, 217 West 15 St.; sidewalk replaced, \$2,100.00.

Loretta Severin, 1309 Morton St.; irrigation system, \$2,000.00.

David and Cindy Orcutt, 1002 Chase St.; foundation wall repair, \$10,739.00.

Carolyn Kirkendall, 1602 Lane St.; windows replaced, \$14,000.00.

Falls City Public Schools, 1400 Fulton St.; sign, \$200.00.

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SPECIAL OLYMPIC ATHLETES from Falls City were, L-R: Michael Hamilton, Kenny Rider, Mary Bieker and Gina Hamilton.

Falls City's own Special Olympic Athletes compete in Lincoln

Four local Special Olympics athletes participated in the bocce competition at Lincoln's Abbot Sports Complex on Sunday, August 7. Competing in bocce singles were, Michael Hamilton, Kenny Rider, Mary Bieker and Gina Hamilton.

The Falls City Delegation of Special Olympics was formed in 2015, and area athletes have participated in bowling and bocce events. Special Olympics provides opportunities for children and adults with intellectual disabilities to participate in a supportive community, develop physical and social skills, and experience the joy and courage of athletic competition.

The cost of training and competition is covered by Special Olympics so athletes may participate without incurring expenses.

Special Olympics Nebraska is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that relies on donations from individuals, businesses, foundations and community events. All the money raised by Falls City Special Olympics goes towards support of our delegation in the areas of competition, sports training, development, outreach, and family and public education.

To donate or for more information call Sue Bieker at 402-245-3414 or email sfallscity@gmail.com.

Two FC students named to PSC cheerleader squad

Come on Bobcats let's go! Get tough and fight. Go Blue. Go White. Bobcats win tonight!

Well, that might not be a cheer you will hear in the future, but you will be getting plenty of spirit and pep from the 2016-17 Peru State cheerleading squad starting this fall. Recently, Bobcat head cheer coach Brooke Earnest announced the team members for the upcoming year.

Cheering for the 'Cats will be Brittany Ritter – junior elementary and K-6 special education major from Falls City and Allyson Scholl – junior exercise science, K-12 special education, and psychology major from Falls City.

The PSC Squad will be representing the Bobcats in parades in Wilber, Falls City, Humboldt, Tecumseh, Cass County and Nebraska City in the near future.

Prior to school starting the team will be participating in the National Cheerleaders Association college cheer camp at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Mo.

Their first cheering appearance will be on Saturday, Sept. 3, when the Bobcat football team hosts Evangel University at 6 p.m. in the Oak Bowl.

Falls City Journal READER PHOTO OF THE WEEK

This week our photo was submitted by Traci Aberle of Sabetha. The topic was 'Dogs'



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Winners of the Falls City Ladies Golf Association's 2016 club tournament. L-R: Connie Taft, Mary Jo Huettner, Dina Sells, Corky Towle, Joyce Borg, Lynne Davis, and Megan Goff.

Falls City Ladies Annual Golf Association Tournament

The field may have been small, but the wins were big this weekend as Corky Towle and Dina Sells claimed the scratch champion and handicap champion titles at the Falls City Ladies Golf Association's annual club tournament. Corky won the scratch portion of the tourney for the ninth time in her golfing career, beating a field of 15 contenders by 13 strokes or more. Her Saturday scores of 42-43 were just five strokes better than the next comer, but the lead proved to be too much as Corky finished with a 46-41 on Sunday, and a two-day gross score of 172.

The rest of the tournament was based on handicapped scores. Dina Sells had no close competition as she finished with a net 145, which was seven strokes better than anyone else in the field. The first-time winner, who has an 18-hole handicap of 32, finished with Saturday-Sunday scores of 55-52 and 52-50.

In the championship flight of the handicap tourney,

Joyce Borg (16) finished in first place with a pair of 47s on Saturday and scores of 49-43 on Sunday. Her total net of 154 was two strokes better than second place finisher Lynne Davis's 156. Lynne (22) shot a 53-49 on Saturday, and a 50-48 on Sunday. Third place finisher Megan Goff (14) shot a pair of 45s on Saturday, and a 47-48 on Sunday to end the tourney with a net score of 157.

Dina Sells, the handicap champ, also won the first flight. Mary Jo Huettner finished in second place with scores of 55-50-54-49. Holding a 28 handicap, she finished with a net score of 152. In third place was Connie Taft, who has an 18-hold handicap of 32. Connie shot a 56-54 on Saturday and a 59-51 on Sunday to finish the tourney with a net 156.

Megan Goff, who is a board member with the Ladies Golf Association, and is also a Falls City Golf Course board member, was in charge of the tournament.

Steve Simon named FC Golf Course 2016 Club Champion



2016 men's club champion, Steve Simon. who won this year for the seventh time since 2002.

Steve Simon added another notch to his golf belt this weekend when he beat a field of 34 men at the Falls City Golf Course for the title of 2016 club champion. The seven-time winner of the club's individual tourney shot a pair of 37s on Saturday and a 35-41 on Sunday for a scratch score of 150, fending off never-say-die opponent, Joe Dunn, and serious contender Jeremy Kirkendall. Dunn finished the two-day contest with a scratch 152, and Kirkendall a 156, giving Simon a run for his money, but coming out on the short end of the putter.

When asked about his win, the club champion said, "This is really the only sport that most of us guys play anymore, so we really have a lot of fun this weekend. I have a great time in this tournament, but it's nice to win, too."

The rest of the tourney was based on handicap scores, which evens the play for all comers. First-time handicap champ Tom Kopf took his 18-hole handicap of 26 and whipped up on all of the competition across four flights. He finished with an overall net of 131 on scores of 43-46-46-48.

In the championship flight, Brandon Liberty finished in first place with a 140 net on scores of 40-41-39-40 (and a handicap of 10). Matt Gillsdorf, an eight-handicapper, placed second after firing 39-43-39-37.

Steve Simon finished the handicapped portion of the tourney in third place with a 37-37-35-41 finish, and a handicap of four.

The first flight was led by Bob Aitken (16), who finished with a net 138. His scores were 47-38-43-42. Brian Daake (14) came in second with a 143 after shooting 42-45-44-40. Third place was a tie between 16-handicappers Denny Heinzelman and Thomas Gist, who both netted out at 146. Denny shot a 43-44 on Saturday and a 44-47 on Sunday while Thomas finished with scores of 44-44, and 45-45.

Don Ferguson (18) finished in the lead in the second flight with scores of 39-46-48-47 for a net 144. Tying for second and third were 24-handicappers Mike Gilmore and Andy Armbruster. "Happy" shot a 44-46 on Saturday and a 47-57 on Sunday for a net 146. Andy had the same net on scores of 42-50 and 56-46.

Tom Kopf, who was the handicap champ, won the third flight by two strokes over serious contender Harry Kirkendall (30). Harry finished with scores of 49-46-46-52, for a net 133. Dennis Hullman (28) earned third place honors after shooting 46-50 on Saturday and 49-51 on Sunday, for a net score of 140.

Mike Simon was in charge of the tournament.

8th ANNUAL

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Saturday, AUGUST 27, 2016

Location: Stanton Lake, Falls City, NE

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Saturday, Aug. 27th
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Sunday, Aug. 28th
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THURSDAY, AUG. 25TH

5pm **Free Firemen's Fishing Contest** Pop, Hotdogs & Ice Cream-Stanton Lake
7pm **Volleyball Tournament** Organized by the Jaycees at Stanton Lake

FRIDAY, AUG. 26TH

8:30pm **Prize Give Away** 1700 Block of Stone Street
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SATURDAY, AUG. 27TH

7am **CMC Fun Run** Entries available <http://fallscityareachamber.com/cobblestone/>
9am-1pm **Car Show** 18th and Stone Street
9am **Frog Jumping Contest** 1700 Block of Stone Street
9:45am **Little Mr. & Miss Cobblestone** F&M Bank Stage
10:15am **Bagpipe Concert** The Buchanan Highlanders from St. Joe, MO
First Presbyterian Church, 20th and Harlan
11am **Cobblestone Parade** Harlan Street
12pm **First United Methodist Church Lunch** 17th and Harlan
12pm **First Christian Church Lunch** 1322 Stone Street
1pm **McCoy Dancers** 1700 Block of Stone Street
1pm **Life Net Helicopter** 1400 Block of Chase Street
1:30-4pm **Dodge Ball** Prichard Auditorium
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1:30-3pm **70 X Forgiven Band**
3-4pm **Head in the Sand Band**
4-5:30pm **Sparrowsong Band**
5:30-6:30pm **Magician Dewayne Hill** Prichard Auditorium
At Dark **Outdoor Big Screen Movie** Court House Lawn

SUNDAY, AUG. 28TH

1pm **Little Tuggers Pedal Tractor Pull** 18th Street
2:30pm **Charlotte Endorf** Prichard Auditorium
3pm **Family Feud** 1700 Block of Stone Street
6:30pm **Vesper Service, Josh Kollitz** First Christian Church

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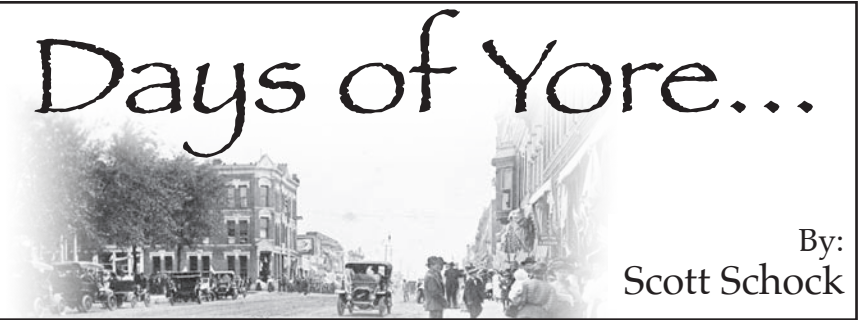
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50 Years Ago
(August 15-23, 1966)

Five fire trucks and three fire departments fought a blaze at the Falls City Mercantile. The long-time local business was completely destroyed and damage was estimated at \$300,000 or more. As firefighters fought the blaze, cans of foodstuffs and aerosol sprays exploded, sending some sky-high. A temporary Merc office was opened at 1508 Stone.

Headline: “LBJ: Reds Can’t Win, We’ll Need More Men.”
A wildcat oil test had been started at the Miles Ranch, southwest of Dawson.

A U.S. Senate committee recommended that the federal minimum wage be increased to \$1.80 an hour. (UPI)

A show business trade paper printed, for the first time, the vitriolic letter then-President Harry Truman sent to a music critic who panned Truman’s daughter, Margaret. “Some day I hope to meet you,” Truman wrote. “When that happens you’ll need a new nose, a lot of beef steak for black eyes, and perhaps a supporter below.” (UPI)

H.J. Prichard & Son, Inc., advertised a demonstrator 1966 Plymouth Fury H V-8 for sale.

Actress Liz Taylor was set to establish a \$1 million heart disease research foundation in memory of her friend and frequent co-star, Montgomery Clift. (UPI)

“Born Free” was playing at the Rivoli; at Breezy Hill Drive-In, Frank Sinatra was headlining “Come Blow Your Horn.”

“The Shambles,” a local teenage band, performed at the FC Sidewalk Bazaar. Members were Dick Gist, Tom Dunbar, Joe Schroedl and Rocky Massin.

Following tonsillectomies, Beth and Hope Huber were dismissed from Community Hospital.

A ground-breaking was scheduled, marking the construction of the \$550,000 Humboldt Memorial Community Hospital.

There was speculation that Major League pitcher Gaylord Perry was throwing a “spitter.”

The FCHS Tiger band performed at Shrine Bowl festivities in Lincoln.

Harmon’s OK Tire Store at 19th and Harlan was holding a three-day grand opening. The business ran a full-page ad in the Journal.

Teachers for the new school year at Salem Public were Edna Schuler, Anna Marie Albrecht and Velma Albin. Hot lunches at the school were 35 cents.

25 Years Ago

The FC Area Jaycees were tabbed No. 7 in the state for the first quarter of the year in the “Parade of Chapters” at the state convention.

Stella was awarded a \$160,000 Community Development Block Grant. The grant was to be used for streets, housing rehab and administration.

School openings at all county schools were announced.

Cornhusker Coach Tom Osborne vowed to call more pass plays during the upcoming season — a different look for the team. He cautioned that didn’t mean the Huskers would fill the field with throws. (AP).

Cobblestone would feature 100 year of history in a display from the 7th and 8th graders at FC Sacred Heart. The 30-foot display was to be seen in the window at Chaney Furniture. Patty Kiekhaefer was the teacher.

Andrew Rieschick, four-year-old son of Roy and Kathy Rieschick, was pictured casting his line at the annual Volunteer Firemen’s Cobblestone Fishing Contest. Nearly 150 young fishing enthusiasts lined Stanton Lake.

At Jug Brown Stadium Thursday evening, Kevin Rieger and Jacob Bartek were pictured in a high speed Big Wheel race. The Jaycees sponsored.

Headline: “U.N. okays a plan for relief for Iraq.”
At both Humboldt and Southeast, the first day of school lunch menu included hot dogs.

Always a favorite, the Journal included young frog jump fans at Cobblestone. Weather for the festival was near-perfect. Two full pages of pictures were published in the paper.

Mayor Steve Kottich began his anniversary celebration with an ace on No. 5 at the golf course.

Jared Wittwer shared Desert Storm experiences at an event at St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

The announcement of the wedding of Nancy Brown and Don Lyons appeared in the paper.

One of the earliest corn harvests ever was underway in Richardson County.

15 Years Ago

Attorneys for death row inmate Michael Ryan raised new questions about his mental state as the appeals process continued. He had been sentenced to death for cult murders at a farm north of Rulo. Ryan was never executed, but died in prison.

SE Consolidated educator and coach, Vicki Beilke, received a 25-year coaching award from the NSAA.

The Falls City Travelers and their coaches were honored as Class C Champions during the City Council meeting at City Hall. Mayor Marshall Maddox read a proclamation declaring FC Travelers Day.

Record crowds attended the Cobblestone Festival, held on another ideal weekend.

The Richardson County Military Museum was dedicated. The *Journal’s* Bill Schock, a WWII B-17 pilot and prisoner of war, snipped the ribbon.

Dr. Peter Gott, in his syndicated column, advised: “Don’t swallow chewing gum.” Not good for your health.

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Sharon Kay Mackey

A rejoice of life for Sharon Kay Mackey will take place on September 10, 2016, 1:00 p.m. at The Cabin at Stanton’s Lake.

Dunn re-elected SAAC Leader

At their final meeting of the academic year, the members of Peru State’s Student Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC), which represent the eight sports and cheerleading on campus, elected their 2016-17 officers.

Re-elected to serve as president for the 2016-17 year was Chaz Dunn, a junior-to-be from Falls City. Meg Grose, a junior-to-be from Peoria, Ariz., was elected to serve as the vice president. Chosen as the communications director/secretary for a second-straight year was Marisa Pribnow, a senior-to-be from Lincoln. SAAC is a liaison group charged with facilitating communication and support for all the Bobcat athletic teams.

Dunn is a market and graphic design major and is a member of the Bobcat baseball team. He has participated in several community service activities with the baseball team including the Kids Against Hunger, Christmas Cards for Vets, Feeding 44, and working at the Applejack Festival. Dunn worked with the sports information department and served as the interviewer for the Bobcat Buzzes and Senior Profiles which were part of the Peru State football game broadcasts. In addition, Dunn became a member of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) as a freshman and competed in the Nebraska PBL State Leadership Conference in 2015. He has earned dean’s list status three times. This summer, Dunn played with the Sabetha (Kan.) Lobos baseball team in a wood-bat league.

Grose is an early childhood education major and is on the Peru State volleyball team. She is a two-time letter winner and started as a setter in a 6-2 offense last year for the Bobcats. Grose has been very involved in community service activities with her teammates as she has participated in the City of Peru City-Wide Clean-up, the Auburn elementary reading, Feeding 44, and was a Make-A-Difference Day participant. She has also served as a Code Blue Youth volleyball coach.

An English teaching and coaching major, Pribnow is three-year letter winner on the Bobcat golf team. Pribnow has been a seven-time Heart of America Athletic Conference Golfer of the Week and has medaled in 15 tournaments in the past three years. A Board of Trustees Scholar, Pribnow has been on the dean’s list five times. She is a member of the Peru State Education Association, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Sigma Tau Delta, and the Morgan Hall Awareness Community. In addition, Pribnow is an ambassador for the Admissions Office and has been on the Student Senate. Last year, she was selected as the Heart’s Dr. LeRoy Walker Award winner. This past year, Pribnow was a Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete.

Athletic director Steve Schneider, the College’s First Lady Elaine Hanson, and associate athletic director/sports information director Ted L. Harshbarger are the co-advisers for the group.

Schneider commented on the newly-elected officers. He stated, “SAAC was formed seven years ago and we have been fortunate to have some good officers over the period of time. I anticipate Chaz and Marisa will continue the leadership they provided last year while Meg steps up to the plate and also do a good job as reflected by their participation in the group thus far.”

Hanson will be taking more of a leadership role with the group this coming year and has already been working with the new leaders to help chart a course for SAAC for 2016-17. The group plans on continuing several of its projects which includes the Make-A-Difference-Day and the new It’s On Us project.

Several bats test positive for rabies avoid bats and other wild animals

Southeast District Health Department would like to remind residents that bats are very active this time of year, which means the possibility of exposure to rabies increases.

“We are receiving reports from the Department of Health and Human Services of Nebraska that several bats have tested positive over the past few months and are expected to see many more in the coming months,” said Kevin Cluskey, Director of SEDHD. “We want to remind our community members to be careful around bats and other wild animals like skunks, foxes, coyotes and raccoons or domestic stray animals like cats and dogs which are less likely to be vaccinated. These animals could potentially have rabies and transmit it to people.”

Rabies is caused by a virus that affects the nervous system and is transmitted by the bite of an infected animal or if saliva from a rabid animal gets directly into an open wound or a person’s eyes, nose, or mouth. Rabies is generally fatal without preventive treatment.

Help prevent the spread of rabies by following these recommendations: Be a responsible animal owner. Keep rabies vaccinations up-to-date for all dogs, cats, ferrets, and other animals you own. Seek immediate veterinary assistance for your pet if it’s bitten by a wild animal or exposed to a bat.

Call your local animal control agency about removing stray animals in your neighborhood. Do not touch, feed, or unintentionally attract wild animals with open garbage cans or litter. Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home. Do not try to nurse sick, wild animals to health. Call animal control or an animal rescue agency for assistance. Teach children never

to handle unfamiliar animals, wild or domestic, even if they appear friendly. “Love your own, leave other animals alone” is a good principle for children to reduce the risk of contact with rabid animals.

Maintain homes and other buildings so bats can’t get inside.

If a bat is in your house, don’t let it outside until you talk to animal control or public health officials. If you can do it without putting yourself at risk for physical contact or being bitten, try to cover the bat with a large can or bucket, and close the door to the room.

If you think you’ve been bitten by a bat: Seek immediate medical attention if you’ve been in direct contact with or bitten by a bat. If you wake up and find a bat in your room, you should try to safely capture the bat and have it tested. The same precautions should be used if you see a bat in a room with an unattended child. If you or a family member has been in close proximity to a bat, consult your doctor or local health department for assistance to determine if you might have been exposed to rabies and need preventive treatment. People often know when they’ve been bitten by a bat but its small teeth can make a bite mark difficult to find. It’s better to be safe than sorry. Try to safely capture the bat or call animal control, have the bat tested and seek medical advice.

Animal Rabies Cases in NE:
2016: 10 animals have tested positive for rabies so far; 2015: 28 cases; 2014: 21 cases; 2013: 33 cases; 2012: 59 cases; 2011: 35 cases; 2010: 53 cases; 2009: 90 cases.

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USDA announces safety net assistance for milk producers due to tightening dairy margins

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack recently announced approximately \$11.2 million in financial assistance to American dairy producers enrolled in the 2016 Margin Protection Program for Dairy (MPP-Dairy). The payment rate for May/June 2016 will be the largest since the program began in 2014. The narrowing margin between milk prices and the cost of feed triggered the payments, as provided for by the 2014 Farm Bill.

“We understand the nation’s dairy producers are experiencing challenges due to market conditions,” said Vilsack. “MPP-Dairy payments are part of a robust, comprehensive farm safety net that help to provide dairy producing families with greater peace of mind during tough times. Dairy operations enrolled in the 2016 MPP-Dairy program will receive approximately \$11.2 million this month. I want to urge dairy producers to use this opportunity to evaluate their enrollment options for 2017, as the enrollment period is currently scheduled to end Sept. 30, 2016. By supporting a strong farm safety net, expanding credit options and growing domestic and foreign markets, USDA is committed to helping America’s dairy operations remain successful.”

Dairy producers who enrolled at the \$6 through \$8 margin trigger coverage level will receive payments.

MPP-Dairy payments are triggered when the national average margin (the difference between the price of milk and the cost of feed) falls below a level of coverage selected by the dairy producer, ranging from \$4 to \$8, for a specified consecutive two-month period. All final USDA prices for milk and feed components required to determine the national average margin for May/June 2016 were released on July 29, 2016.

The national average margin for the May/June 2016 two-month consecutive period is \$5.76277 per hundred weight (cwt.), resulting in the following MPP payment rates:

Margin Trigger Coverage Levels and Payment Rate/cwt.

\$6.00, \$0.23723; \$6.50, \$0.73723; \$7.00, \$1.23723; \$7.50, \$1.73723; \$8.00, \$2.23723. State specific payment amounts can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov/dairy.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food they consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials.



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Sleep right: How to ensure a more restful night’s sleep

Adequate sleep is an essential element of a healthy lifestyle. But as beneficial as a good night’s rest is, restful sleep is proving elusive for millions of people across the globe.

According to the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, 10 percent of adults in the United States have a chronic insomnia disorder. That translates to roughly 32 million people in the United States. alone who struggle to fall asleep or stay asleep at least three times per week for at least three months. Sufficient sleep boosts energy levels and makes it easier to focus and concentrate, while insomnia contributes to poor memory, disturbs mood and leads to daytime sleepiness. But insomnia is not just harmful to individuals. The AASM notes that researchers estimate that insomnia costs an estimated \$63 billion in lost work performance each year in the U.S.

Combating insomnia is no small task, but the following healthy sleep habits may help men and women overcome their bouts of insomnia and get more restful sleep.

- Avoid too many beverages before bedtime. Drinking water or beverages that include caffeine or alcohol too close to bedtime can interrupt sleep or make it difficult to fall asleep. Too much water before going to bed may lead to nightly bathroom breaks that interrupt your sleep. Along those same lines, alcohol consumed too close to bedtime may make it easy to fall asleep fast, but you’re likely to wake up once the effects of the alcohol wear off, which can be very soon after your head hits the pillow. In addition, avoid caffeinated beverages in the late afternoon or evening, as caffeine stimulates the central nervous system and may compromise your ability to fall asleep. Nicotine also serves as a stimulant, so smokers fighting insomnia should avoid tobacco products in the hours before they plan to go to bed.
- Get out of bed if you can’t fall asleep. The AASM recommends getting out of bed if you haven’t fallen asleep within 20 minutes of lying down. The longer you lay in bed without falling asleep, the more likely you are to dwell on your sleeping problems. If you need to get out of bed, spend some quiet time reading a book in another room before returning to bed.
- Dim the lights inside your home. Two to three hours before bedtime, dim the lights in your home. Dim lighting signals to your brain that it should begin making melatonin, a hormone that is closely associated with sleep.
- Eliminate potentially distracting sounds. A poor sleep environment can contribute to insomnia, and distracting sounds can make it hard to fall asleep. Fix distractions such as leaky faucets and close bedroom windows if nearby traffic is compromising your ability to fall asleep at night. If necessary, use a white noise machine that blocks out distractions but contributes to a consistent sleep environment.
- Use your bed only for sleep and sex. Resist the temptation to finish watching a movie, television show or ballgame in bed, using your bed only for sleep and sex. If you grow accustomed to working in bed or watching television in bed, you may have trouble falling asleep once you turn the lights off and close your eyes.

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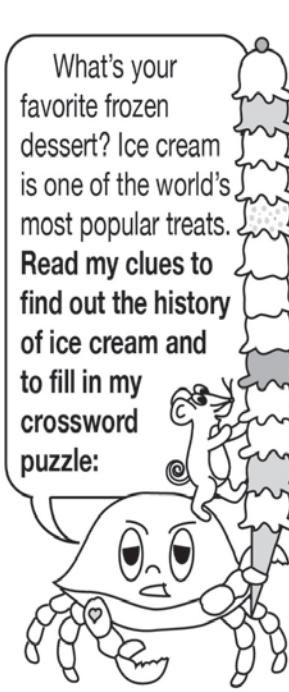
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What's your favorite frozen dessert? Ice cream is one of the world's most popular treats. Read my clues to find out the history of ice cream and to fill in my crossword puzzle:







What's the Scoop?



According to a letter written by his daughter, Mr. Marchiony started to make ice cream sandwiches so that grown-ups wouldn't have to be seen licking cones in public.



The Sweet History of Ice Cream



1. The ancient Greeks of Athens enjoyed ____ mixed with honey and fruit (400 B.C.).

2. Some people think that the Emperor Nero ordered ice to be brought back from the mountains and mixed with ____ or juice and fruit for banquets (Rome, 54–68 A.D.).

3. "Ice cream" in ____ during the Tang Dynasty (618–907 A.D.) had milk mixed into it and maybe even some rice. Some stories say Marco Polo may have brought fruit ices from China to Italy.

4. The popularity of "ice cream" moved throughout Europe with the French people adding ____ to make the ice cream richer tasting.

5. Making ice cream was simple at first – sweetened cream in a bowl or pot was put into ice to cool. The ____ it got, the more solid it became.

6. In 1843, Nancy M. Johnson of Philadelphia got the first ____ for a small hand-cranked ice cream freezer. It made smoother ice cream.

7. Some newcomers to America, like Italo Marchiony from Italy, sold lemon ices and ice cream from ____ in little glasses that people often would walk away with or break.

8. He started to make little ____ bowls by hand, which was a lot of work. He invented a machine that could make 10 waffle cups at a time and got a patent for it in 1903.

9. In 1904, Mr. Marchiony sold ice cream at the World's Fair in St. Louis. He ran out of waffle cups and began to roll up waffles from a waffle maker into ____ and filled them with ice cream, starting "walk-away" ice cream cones.





10. In 1920, Good Humor sold their ice cream from white ____ driven through neighborhoods.

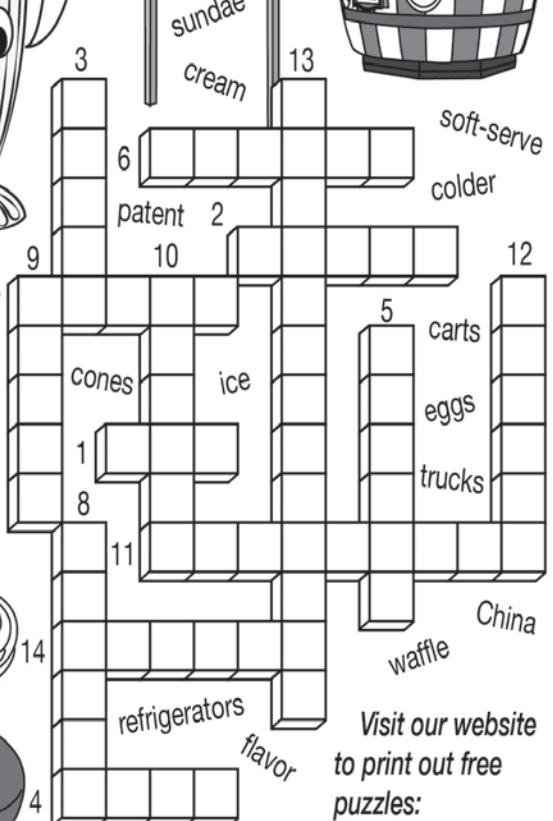
11. The ____ - ____, a favorite ice cream, was first sold by J. F. McCullough in 1938.

12. In 1983, Ben and Jerry's ice cream was used to build the world's largest ice cream ____.

13. Thanks to the invention of ____ most people have ice cream in their homes.

14. Vanilla is the most popular ____ followed by chocolate!





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During summer vacation we keep a lookout for cool treats. We ride our bikes or walk together to the stores with this sign on it.

Follow the color key to see the sign:

S = strawberry (pink) C = chocolate (brown)

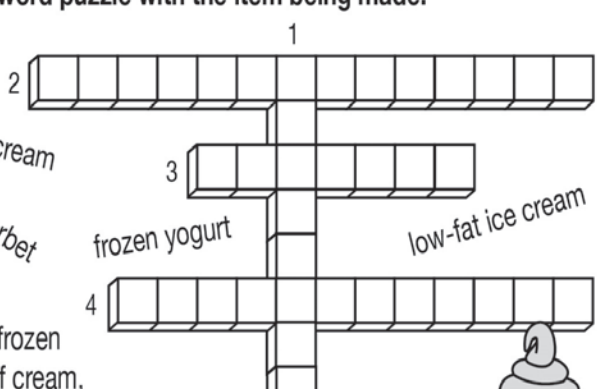
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I Scream ...
You Scream ...
We All Scream for ...



What Kind of Treat?


Today, there are a lot of different kinds of cold or frozen treats. The U.S. government has regulations that tell manufacturers what they must have in their ice cream to be able to market and sell a product as "ice cream." At home, families can make their own treats using any ingredients that they like. Read the descriptions in the clues below. Fill in the crossword puzzle with the item being made:



2
3
4

ice cream
sherbet
frozen yogurt
low-fat ice cream

1. smooth, sweet frozen dessert made of cream, sugar, eggs and flavorings
2. sweetened, frozen, has no more than 3 grams of fat per serving
3. mostly made of water, sugar, flavoring and a small amount of milk
4. like a custard, it is made from milk; it has a slight sour-sweet taste



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Scott Hollens, June Bowers
John Martin, Ed Harris
Tim Heckenlively, Superintendent

SCHOOL TIMES
High School 8:07-3:20
Middle School 8:15-3:20
Elementary 8:10-3:15



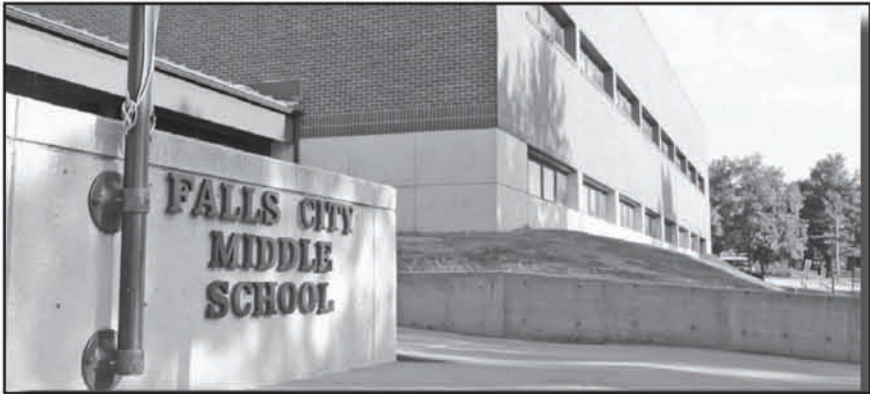
North School - Shawn Emerson, Principal



Sixpence Early Childhood/Alternative School



South School - J.P. Holys, Principal



Middle School - Rick Johnson, Principal



High School - Gale Dunkas, Principal

FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL 2016-2017 CALENDAR

New Staff Orientation	August 12
Pre-Service	August 15-16
Open House H.S. & M.S. 7-8PM.....	August 16
Open House PCC & Kindergarten 5:30–6:30PM	August 16
Open House N.S. 6:30-7:30PM	August 16
Open House S.S. 6-7PM	August 16
Students First Day-All Day	August 17
Labor Day No School	September 5
Fair Day No School	September 16
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	September 23
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	October 21
P-T Conferences 4:15PM-8:30PM	October 25
P-T Conferences 4:15PM-8:30PM	October 27
No School.....	October 28
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	November 18
2 Hour early dismissal – Thanksgiving.....	November 23
Thanksgiving Break	November 24-25
Christmas Break.....	Dec 22-Jan 3
Teacher In-Service No School	January 3
School Resumes	January 4
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	January 27
Teacher In-Service – No School	February 13
Winter Break – No School	February 17
P-T Conferences 5PM-8:30PM.....	March 14
P-T Conferences 5PM-8:30PM.....	March 16
No School.....	March 17
Spring Break – No School	March 20-21
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	March 31
Good Friday – No School	April 14
Easter Monday – No School	April 17
Teacher In-Service – 2-Hour Early Dismissal	April 28
H.S. Graduation	May 13
M.S. Promotion	May 22
Last Day of School – 2-Hour Early Dismissal.....	May 23
Teacher Work Day.....	May 24

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Falls City Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race national origin, creed, age, marital status, sex or disability in its education programs, activities, or employment policies as required by Titles VI and VII or the 1964 Civil Rights Acts, Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendment, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Nebraska Equal opportunity in Education Act.

PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Falls City Public Schools offers a preschool special education program. Contact Mr. JP Holys, Special Education Director, at South Elementary School Monday through Friday at 245-4067.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION/IMMUNIZATIONS

Nebraska Law requires evidence of physical examination by a qualified physician, physician's assistant or a nurse practitioner for children entering Kindergarten, the seventh grade and for students who have resided in another state during the past year. Students are required to be immunized against measles, mumps, rubella, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis, varicella and tetanus prior to enrollment and any student not in compliance shall not be permitted to continue in school. Two (2) doses of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) are required for all K-12 students. Hepatitis B is also required for students entering school for the first time and all transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska. All 7th grade students are required to have had one dose of Tdap (must contain pertussis booster) after 10 or 11 years of age. Exemptions shall be granted for: 1) medical exceptions for health reasons substantiated by a signed statement from a physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner; or 2) religious conflict substantiated by a signed affidavit from the student or the student's legal guardian, if the student is a minor. Students may be provisionally enrolled in a Nebraska school if they have begun the required immunizations and continue to receive the necessary immunizations as rapidly as is medically feasible. The law will apply to all students enrolled in Nebraska schools. All students participating in athletics must have a current physical on file.

LUNCH PRICES

	Breakfast	Lunch
PCC	NC	\$2.20
K-5	\$1.75	\$2.75
6-8	\$1.85	\$2.90
9-12	\$1.85	\$2.95
Adult	\$2.25	\$3.60



I-PAD FEE

User Fee - \$35.00 Per Year
(I-Pad fee must be paid before
I-Pad can be checked out.)

FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2016-2017 BUS ROUTES

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Bus #2, Driver: Kenny Blaylock: 402-245-2397; G. Cornely, M. Uhri, R. Hestermann, M. Cole, Verdon, D. Doerr, C. Scholl, D. Schawang

Bus #3, Driver: Lisa Heineman; 402-245-4051; C.Sells, B. Kopf, B. Hunzeker, B. Campbell, G. Kirkpatrick, C. Vonderschmidt, J. Rathman, T. Georges, C. Ernst, J. Frederick, R. Sipple, M. Bletscher, S. Huppert, D. Schawang, K. Bieker, C. Niemeyer, R. Chabb

Bus #4, Driver: Angel Ralph; 402-883-2218; S. Kuker, B. Kuker, F. Karpinski, S. Handley, B. Howard, K. Holliday, B. Ewers, M. Thrash, A. Mason, K. Kuker, Shubert, R. Marquez, M. Ivey, T. Malcolm

Bus #7, Driver: Tutti Baker; 402-245-5316; B. Schulenberg, Andrew Johansen, J.Kirkendall,Anthony Johansen,Rulo,T.Sells,P.Scheittel, M. Brewer,S.Brewer, N. McAfee, Keith Frederick

Bus #8, Driver: Tanya Zeigler; 402-245-2757; T. Harring, F. Fiegner, D. Kirkendall, C. Clow, A. Rieschick, D. Thompson, L. Goff, M. Beer, R. Witt, Salem, D. Clark, J. Schutte, D. Olberding, R. Schawang, Bob Witt, D. Rathje, C. Aldana, D. Nachtigal, R. Prichard, B. Kirkendall, Z. Swift, Brian Witt

Bus #9, Driver; LeAnn Bek ; 402-245-2653; J. Jackson, M. Bird, J. Bauman, J. Petro, S. Jones, D. Gossman, S. Darveau Jr., TC Tisdell, M. Bauman, D. Eickhoff, T. Bangert, B. Buckminster, S. Foster, J. Reiger, S. Frederick, Kevin Frederick

Bus #10, Driver; Susan Wiindle ; 402-245-4664; D. Jones, T. Witt, B. Hardenberger, D. Wickham, R. Frederick, L. Jones, M. Collier, C. Wilcox, B. Jackson, C. Campbell, M. Bippes, D. Schulenberg, J. Buckminster, D. Armbruster, P. Dougherty

WEATHER DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

If it is determined to dismiss school for any type of weather conditions, the following procedure will be followed: 1. The radio stations, KTNC and KLZA, will be notified to inform parents and students of an early dismissal, late start, or no school may be announced. These stations are the first to be notified. Additional media are: KOLN 10-11, KFAB, Channel 7-Omaha, KQTV, WOWT 6. 2. In addition, we will continue to use the Black Connect automated phone calling message system for emergency announcements. 3. If the weather condition continues, school may be called off for the following day.

ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

Asbestos is an issue we have been dealing with for many years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (referred to as AHERA), was enacted recently by Congress. AHERA was enacted to determine the extent of and develop solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos.

To give you some background, asbestos has been used as a building material for many years. It is a naturally occurring mineral that is mined primarily in Canada, South Africa, and the U.S.S.R. Asbestos properties made it an ideal building material for insulation, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing and a variety of miscellaneous uses. There have been over 36,000 different products made using asbestos materials. EPA began action to limit uses of asbestos products in 1973 and most uses of asbestos products as building materials were banned in 1978.

We have had our facilities inspected by a certified asbestos inspector, as required by AHERA. The inspector located, sampled and rated the condition and hazard potential of all material in our facilities suspected of containing asbestos. The inspection and laboratory analysis records were turned over to a professional certified firm to develop asbestos management plans.

An asbestos management plan was developed for our facilities which includes: this notification letter, education and training of our employees, a set of plans and procedures designed to minimize the disturbance of the asbestos containing materials (ACM) and plans for regular surveillance of the ACM.

Falls City Public School, complying to this plan, removed all of the friable asbestos from its buildings. Some floor tile containing asbestos still remain.

A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for your inspection in our administrative offices during regular office hours. Mike Kafer is our asbestos program coordinator and all inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to him.

We have implemented the asbestos management plan. We are intent on not only complying with, but exceeding federal, state and local regulations in this area. We plan on taking whatever steps are necessary to insure your children and our employees have a healthy, safe environment in which to learn and work.

MISSING CHILDREN IDENTIFICATION ACT

The law requires all new enrolling students to provide; 1) a certified birth certificate, or 2) other reliable proof of the student's identity and age accompanied by an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a birth certificate.



The Cornhusker State Games 2016 trap shoot was the first time for these cousins have shot together in a competition, and first time ever for Cody Berndt, (LEFT) son of Tina Lehmkuhler of Arnold, NE to shoot competitively. Garrett Clark (RIGHT), son of Dan and Lee Clark Salem, ended up with silver in the 16yd, shooting 50 straight then competing in a 4 way shoot off shooting 25/25 and 23/25. Cody will be a freshman in college this fall and Garrett will be a sophomore at Falls City Public.

Village of Shubert

Regular Monthly Meeting
August 1, 2016 - Shubert Library
The Village Board of Shubert, NE held the monthly board meeting on August 1, 2016 in the Shubert Library. Chairman Shafer opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with the following board members present: Peggy Oliver, Linda Patchen, and Gina Steele. Nathan Handley was absent. Clerk was present to record the meeting. Shafer announced the Posting of the Open Meetings Law. Chairman asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, hearing none, Chairman asked visitors for comments. D. Blankenau was present to discuss the current well situation. He discussed what the village's options may be. He gave the board an idea of what to expect to spend on legal counsel. There was some information that he was going to find out. The board will discuss their options and let him know what they decide. C. Shafer stated that Shubert 4Kids will be applying for a grant. The grant would be issued to the village and then dispersed to Shubert 4Kids. Motion and Second (Steele/Patchen) to assist in the grant process. Roll call votes all "Ayes". Motion carried. All other visitors were there to observe. Chairman then moved on to regular business. There was a motion and second (Shafer/Oliver), to approve the July 5, meeting minutes. Roll call vote was all "Ayes." Motion carried. There was a motion and second (Oliver/Shafer) to approve the balance and claims sheet. Roll call vote was all "Ayes"; Motion carried. General: Propane contracts: All three properties had a credit balance from last year. Motion and Second (Shafer/Steele) to purchase on contract 800 gallons for the Community building, 800 gallons for the library (from general) and 1000 gallons for the fire hall (1/2 from fire and 1/2 from streets) Roll call vote all "Ayes". Motion carried. "Jake Breaking" Ordinance: Sample copy was reviewed. Motion and Second (Oliver/Steele) to accept first reading of Ordinance #2016-08. Roll call vote was all "Ayes." Motion carried. Water & Sewer: Board reviewed delinquent water accounts. Board reviewed Tracy's water report. Well #2 is still maintaining its level. Tracy has added fans to the well building and wastewater treatment building to keep the equipment working properly. Well #3 remains below the pump. Chairman stated that he went to the last NRD meeting. He was told that Chuck from the NRD has talked to NEMA about a grant. Wood & Brush pile: Chairman has piled up the brush. Buildings and Park: Community Building: Gutters need to be cleaned. P. Oliver has heard back from the Fire Marshall. He will be letting her know what work will need to be done. Park: The butterfly garden will be planted soon. Library: Roof is leaking. P. Oliver has asked someone to look at it. Streets: Street work should be starting in August. Fire: Fire Chief Goff was present. Will Surman would like to rejoin the fire department. Motion and Second (Oliver/Shafer) to add W. Surman to fireman insurance. Roll call vote was all "Ayes." Motion carried.
The next board meeting will be Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shubert Library.
With no further business: Motion and Second (Shafer/Oliver) to adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m. Roll call votes all Ayes. Motion carried.
Jennifer Buchner
Village Clerk

Dearborne National	-20.64
NPPD - Fire Barn	0.00
Jennifer Buchner	-554.10
United States Treasury	-195.08
Municipal Code Services	-75.00
USPS Office	-47.00
Borrego, Tom	-320.00
NPPD - Community Building	0.00
NPPD - Library	0.00
NPPD - Weather Siren	22.11
NPPD - Streets	-505.65
Aaron Davis	-207.79
Tracy Milke	-415.57
One Call Concepts	-13.65
Gottula Trenching Inc.	-348.07
State of Nebraska PHEL	-81.00
Village of Stella	-15.00
USPS Office	-34.00
Falls City Sanitation Service	-951.00
Midwest Labs	-10.00
Southeast Telephone Company	-48.38
Tracy Milke	-92.63
Aaron Davis	-50.00
NPPD - Sewer	0.00
NPPD - Wells	0.00
Ace Farm & City Supply	-89.98

Village of Shubert	
Job Titles and Salaries as of August 1, 2016	
Village Clerk, (Jennifer Buchner)	600.00 per mo
Water&Sewer Operator (Tracy Milke)	450.00 per mo
Asst. Water/Sewer Operator (Aaron Davis)	225.00 per mo

N.R.D.

The Board of Educational Service Unit 4 held its regular meeting on Monday, August 8, 2016, at 5:15 p.m. at the Educational Service Unit 4 office in Auburn, Nebraska. The following were paid for the months of July and August:
General Fund -- \$51,926.31/\$49,291.75
Payroll -- \$399,440.47/\$401,793.58
NCECBVI -- \$21,763.90/\$16,183.98
Federal Programs -- \$98,968.93/\$69,428.85
The Board of Educational Service Unit 4 will hold its General Fund Budget Hearing at 5:15 p.m., its Meeting to Establish a Tax Levy Rate at 5:20 p.m., and its Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2016, in the conference room at the office of Educational Service Unit 4, 919 16th Street, Auburn, Nebraska. The Region 4 Preschool Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, at 11:30 a.m. at the office of Educational Service Unit 4, 919 16th Street, Auburn, Nebraska. Agendas for both meetings are kept current and are readily available for public inspection at the office of the Administrator during normal business hours. www.esu4.org

County Board

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 2, 2016
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, August 2, 2016. Roll call was answered by Stand-erford, 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 Sickle to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2016, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickle to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-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.

REGION V, SANDY MORRISSEY
Sandy Morrissey of Region V was scheduled to meet with the Board to present the annual report of the organization but due to other conflicts was unable to meet with them today. This meeting will be rescheduled.

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

The Verdon Northwest bridge project is completed and open to traffic. Roadside seeding will be done in the next few weeks.

AUSTIN DUERFELDT, COUNTY TREASURER

County Treasurer, Austin Duerfeldt requested approval for the forfeit and replacement of pledge securities.

Motion was made by Sickle to approve the surrender of two pledge securities from F&M Bank: 1) Dakota County, Nebraska #011 general obligation bond and 2) Dakota County, Nebraska school district general obligation unlimited; and the addition of five pledge security receipts from F&M Bank: 1) #392178362, 2) #392178365, 3) 392178364, 4) #392178363, 5) #392178366. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

CITY OF FALLS CITY

Duane Armbruster, Falls City Chief of Police and Gary Jom, City Administrator requested to meet with the Board to discuss the agreement between the City of Falls City and the Child Advocacy Center located in Nebraska City. This Center is utilized by the City of Falls City Police and the County Sheriff's Department. The County has entered into an agreement with the Child Advocacy Center so that services can be sought when needed by the Richardson County Sheriff's Office.

TOWER SPACE LEASE BIDS
At 11:00 a.m. Chairman Sickle presented the proof of publication to receive bids from the public for the lease of space on the tower North-east of Barada.

One bidder, Jeff Moyer was present and presented his bid to the Board which would be the space on the tower for his internet service in exchange for his services, Four State Service, in which he would provide mowing of the property, spraying and removal of microwave dishes and other equipment on the tower.

Motion was made by Davidson to accept the proposal and award the bid proposed from Four State Services for the lease of tower space at the Barada tower northeast of Barada in exchange for services he will provide such as mowing, spraying, removal of obsolete equipment from the antenna and other items condition upon the execution of an agreement setting forth the details of such proposal which will include the clause to hold the county harmless. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF, DON POUNDS
Sheriff, Don Pounds met with the Board to review business within the Sheriff's Office and Jail. Sheriff Pounds indicated that the Jail/Law Enforcement Center Open House plans have been finalized and that it is scheduled for this Friday, August 5 from 3-8 pm at the Jail. Plans are being made to move the Sheriff's office out to the new facility by next week with training and orientation of staff, dispatchers and jailers next week. The plan to move inmates to the facility is planned for about August 15.

Motion was made by Davidson to authorize the Sheriff to purchase needed office furniture and requested that the purchases be made if at all possible from sources such as the Federal and State Surplus Center and from other vendors that would have an inventory of used office furniture. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickle to approve change order #20 at the Jail/Law Enforcement Center for the change in a door and hardware at a cost of \$281.00. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER
FY2016-2017 Budget
The Board was presented the FY2016-2017 preliminary budget document for their review. Budget hearings with department officials will begin on August 9.

Fee Reports
Reports were approved for the following officials for fees they collected during the month of July, 2016:
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk\$325.25
Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds\$5,978.00
Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist Court\$376.50
Donald Pounds, Sheriff.....\$1,495.05

Employee Handbook
Motion was made by Sickle to adopt Resolution 2015-2016-9 regarding the change to the Richardson County Employee Handbook to allow a day for funeral leave pallbearer. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 23, Page 42)

SE NE Development District
Motion was made by Sickle that Richardson County shall continue to participate in the membership and to approve the dues in the Southeast Nebraska Development District for \$7,787.00/year and the additional housing dues of \$662.00. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Tax Levy Allocation
The Board considered the resolution to approve a tax levy allocation for the county's rural fire districts and ag society. No action was taken and will be considered further at next week's meeting.

CLAIMS
Motion was made by Davidson to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.
(The claims listed below are available for public

inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND	
Automated Systems, serv	1488.00
Clerk of Dist Court, costs	278.00
DAS State Accounting, serv	46.86
Dept of Correctional Services, serv	2589.30
FC Family Practice, serv	10.00
FC Journal, adv	96.00
Family Medicine, serv	350.00
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey, fee	850.00
JV15-26, JV16-4, JV16-17, JV14-32, JV16-2, JV16-3 Handley Law Office, fee	7330.00
Jones Air Conditioning, serv	150.00
Postmaster, postage	507.20
Don Pounds, reimb	151.20
Pitney Bowes, serv	90.00
Ameritas, retire	7143.84
County Clerk Petty Cash, reimb	7.35
Richardson County Sheriff, costs	549.48
Richardson County Vendor, FICA	7580.66
Sapp Bros., fuel	124.48
Pam Scott, reimb	7.35
Spartan Stores, jail meals	1031.59
Joseph Wittwer, reimb	254.88
Wolfe, supp	45.44
Payroll Expense	65810.47
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$89,492.21
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	
Midwest Service & Sales, supp	7834.75
Neuman Equipment Co., supp	147.72
Norris Quarries, rock	12872.41
OPPD, serv	24.33
Operation & Expense Acct., reimb	281.23
Pros Choice Concrete Products, LLC, supp	632.70
Sapp Bros., fuel	11863.59
Staneline Ag Service, serv	100.00
Payroll Expense	38557.37
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$72,314.10
CHROMATOGRAPH FUND	
NE Dept of HHS Lab, serv	525.00
TOTAL CHROMATOGRAPH FUND	\$525.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND	
Community Medical Center, serv	6393.17
Maria Oliver, rent	131.00
Shopko Pharmacy, presc	104.73
GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND	\$6,628.90
INHERITANCE TAX FUND	
Joseph Buckminster, serv	9695.00
D&D Communications, serv	24108.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$33,713.00
JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT FUND	
Laura Osborne, reimb	1171.33
Maxine Schatz, reimb & contract	1061.02
TOTAL JUVENILE SERV GRANT FUND	\$2,232.35
ADJOURNMENT	
Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 p.m. Motion seconded by Stand-erford. ROLL CALL VOTE: Stand-erford-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office. David D. Sickle, Chairman Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk	

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

CALL ORDER: 105
STATE PROJECT NO. M-75-1(1015)
LOCATION: US-75, S. FORK BIG NEMAHA RIVER BRIDGE IN COUNTY: RICHARDSON

The Nebraska Department of Roads will receive sealed bids in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Hwy. 2 in Lincoln, until 1:30 PM on September 01, 2016. At that time the bids will be opened and read.

BIDDING PROPOSAL FORMS WILL BE ISSUED AND A CONTRACT AWARDED TO A CONTRACTOR WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR: BRIDGES

START DATE: 10/31/2016
WORKING DAYS: 15 PRICE RANGE: \$0.00 to \$5,000,000.00

Plans and specifications may be seen beginning August 09, 2016 at the Lincoln Central Office and August 15, 2016 at the District Engineer's Office at LINCOLN.

Additional letting information may be found at the Nebraska Department of Roads Web Site at <http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/letting/>, 9-16-23

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids, plainly marked as "Construction Bid Proposal-Richardson County 2016 Culverts, C-74(2016-08), C-74(2016-06), C-74(2002-13)", will be received by the Richardson County Clerk, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355 until August 20, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.: C-74(2016-08) Site 1: twin 84" x 56' broken back CMP on 647 Ave. between 704 & 705 Rd; C-74(2016-06) Site 2: twin 84" x 68' broken back CMP on 647 Ave. between 704 & 705 Rd., and C-74(2002-13) Site 3: twin 108" x 69' broken back CMP on 720 Rd. between 541 & 642 Ave., all with steel headwalls and wingwalls and other related incidental work. Bid shall include all labor, materials, transportation and equipment required to fabricate and construct per design plans. All culvert materials will be supplied and delivered to the site by the County.

All Bid Proposals must be submitted on the forms furnished with the Bid Documents, Bid Bond or Certified Check must be submitted with Bid Proposal. Copies of the Bid Documents and Specifications are open to the public inspection at the office of the Richardson County Highway Superintendent, 65087 706 Trl, Falls City, NE 68355. A set of documents may be obtained from Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc. (6920 Van Dorn, Suite "A" Lincoln, NE 68506 PH: 402-421-1717.)

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any irregularities in bids received.

Scott Huppert
Richardson County Highway
9-16-23

Notice of Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit

The City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, will meet on September 6, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska, to hold a public hearing at which time interested parties and citizens have an opportunity to be heard concerning the request for a conditional use permit for a day care center use of the following described real estate, to-wit: 2121 Towle Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:

Falls City Crook and Towle Addition Block 15, Lots 1, 2, 3.

The application is made by Laura Jones for a conditional use permit for the above real estate located in the (R2) Medium Density Residential Zoning District of the City of Falls City, as provided in Article 6 of the Falls City Municipal Zoning Ordinance.

The City of Falls City
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Gary Jorn, City Clerk

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Notice of Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit

The Planning Commission of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, will meet on August 29, 2016 at 5:30 P.M. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska, to hold a public hearing at which time interested parties and citizens have an opportunity to be heard concerning the request for a conditional use permit for a day care center use of the following described real estate, to-wit: 2121 Towle Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:

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NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01 liquor licenses may be automatically renewed for one year from November 1, 2016, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

ERIC D. FROESCHL—1821 STONE STREET, FALLS CITY, NE

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the City on or before September 6, 2016, in the office of the City Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

GARY JORN, CITY CLERK

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District #70

Public Notice for District #74-0070
Notice is hereby given that a meeting conducted by HTRS #70 will take place at 9:00 AM on Monday, August 22, 2016 in the Board Conference Room in Humboldt. The purpose of the meeting will be to provide an opportunity for parents and representatives of nonpublic schools to participate in the development of a plan for providing special education services to children with disabilities who attend nonpublic schools and home schools which are within the HTRS district for the 2016-2017 school year. Parents of a homeschooled child or a child attending a non-public school who has been or may be identified with a disability and attend a nonpublic school within the boundaries of HTRS, are urged to attend. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting please contact Sherri Edmundson at 402-862-2235.

Village of Verdon

VERDON MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 3, 2016 - 7:30 P.M.- VILLAGE HALL

Chairperson Denise Koso informed the room at large that the revised Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Denise Koso at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were: Gary Cochran, James Cockerham, Denise Koso, Brenda Streit, Shannon Weinmann and Clerk Brenda Daniels. Absent: None

GUESTS: Tammie Bents, Terry Cummins, Wade Lowe, Lauren Troshynski and Raven Weinmann.

MINUTES: Motion by Koso, second by Streit to approve, all the Trustees present voted YEA.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Koso, second by Weinmann to approve, with all the Trustees present voting YEA.

AUGUST, 2016 CLAIMS: Motion by Streit, second by Cochran to approve paying the claims. All the trustees voted YEA.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. The August, 2016 shut off notices were reviewed by the Board and all had been paid.

2. Time cards and daily work sheets for July, 2016 were reviewed by the Trustees and initialed.

3. A Thank you card from Chairperson Koso was read by the Board.

4. The Emergency Management badges for the Board and employees were given out.

5. A request from R. Weinmann and L. Troshynski to close the east half of Main Street from 3rd St. to 4th St. on September 10th, 2016, from 6 p.m. - midnight for their wedding reception was granted with a motion by Streit, second by Koso, all voting YEA except S. Weinmann who abstained. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Copies of the written update reports for the Village from Maintenance Supervisor, Tammie Bents were passed out to each Board member. This included tin for the storage shed repairs, the cooling unit at the water tower storage bldg and other items.

2. Clerk was told to send some more residents in violation of weeds/grasses ordinance a notice about them after they were double checked.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clean-Up Weekend for Verdon residents only was set for September 24th & 25th, 2016.

No appliances with cooling units permitted, no tires, no liquid waste and no batteries. Do not leave items on the ground outside the dumpster. If this is not followed as stated, this may be the last year for a dumpster provided for the village.

2. Budget Hearing Meeting was set for September 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

3. A building permit for James & Donna Cockerham was approved with a motion by Koso with a second by Streit. All trustees present voting YEA except Cockerham who abstained from voting.

4. Tammie Bents will have knee scope surgery on Aug. 5th, 2016. She has arranged for someone to do the water/sewer rounds for her until she's released to go back to work.

5. A resident was on hand to inquire why the nuisance violation wasn't completed as Page 2, Verdon Minutes.

There were still a large amount of items in the back yard that hadn't been disposed of.

Besides this being an eye sore, he feels it has made the property value for the neighbors homes go down and it was causing a health hazard with rodents, etc in the items. The Board informed him they had followed the legal way to do this and will continue to pursue it.

1. Ordinance 2016-101 "WATER DEPOSIT INCREASE" was read by Streit, with a motion by Koso, second by Weinmann to pass the second reading. All the Trustees voting YEA. Second reading of Ordinance 2016-101 passed and approved.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Water and sewer tapping fees and golf carts were discussed but no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Weinmann, second by Koso to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. All the Trustees present voted YEA. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

The next regular monthly meeting for the Village of Verdon will be on September 7, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Verdon Village Hall after the Budget Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Brenda Daniels
Verdon Clerk/Treasurer.

VILLAGE OF VERDON
JULY, 2016 CLAIMS

EFTPS, EX.....	\$647.83
PETTY CASH, SE & SU.....	\$83.23
BRENDA DANIELS, MI.....	\$37.26
VERDON LIBRARY, EX.....	\$25.00
R.C.R.W.D. # 2, SU.....	\$960.22
NE ASSIGNED RISK POOL, EX.....	\$75.00
BRENDA DANIELS, RE.....	\$29.90
NE DEPT. OF REVENUE, EX.....	\$182.98
BENNETT'S HTG, CLG & REFRIG. INC., SE.....	\$100.00
SENECA SANITATION SERVICE, INC. SE.....	\$1,148.00
SNC, SE.....	\$89.49
UTILITY SERVICE CO., FE.....	\$3,660.59
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, SU.....	\$239.00
SEWER SINKING FUND, EX.....	\$400.00
US POSTAL SERVICE, SU.....	\$81.00
WATER MONEY FUND, EX.....	\$1,130.00
VEPDA, EX.....	\$20.00
NE DEPT. OF REVENUE EX.....	\$795.15
J.T. FARM SERVICE, INC., SU.....	\$57.81
CARD SERVICES, SU.....	\$44.05
N.P.P.D., SE.....	\$1,030.99
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC., FE.....	\$6.45
TAMMIE BENTS, RE.....	\$46.96
O.P.P.D., SE.....	\$96.26
BRENDA DANIELS, SA.....	\$480.00
TAMMIE BENTS, SA.....	\$812.83
TAMMIE BENTS, MI.....	\$78.30
KENNETH ARNOLD ELECTRIC, SE.....	\$604.85
AARON DAVIS, SE.....	\$30.00
BRENDA DANIELS, RE.....	\$238.66
TAMMIE BENTS, RE.....	\$97.03
NE PUBLIC HEALTH LAB, FE.....	\$30.00
MITCH'S LAWN CARE, SE.....	\$1,390.00
BRENDA DANIELS, SA.....	\$480.00
TAMMIE BENTS, SA.....	\$742.15
TAMMIE BENTS, MI.....	\$66.42

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

BRENDA DANIELS,
VERDON CLERK/TREASURER

District #56

FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes of the July 11, 2016
School Board Meeting

The Falls City Board of Education met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2016, in the Superintendent's office at the Middle School in Falls City, Nebraska.

1.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

1.1 ROLL CALL AND OPEN MEETINGS ACT NOTICE – School Board members present were: June Bowers, Ed Harris, John Martin, Richard Malcolm, Scott Huppert and Scott Hollens. President Scott Huppert presided at the meeting.

President Huppert announced that the open meetings act notice is posted on the wall of this meeting room.

1.2 APPROVAL OF ABSENCES – No absences

1.3 VERIFICATION OF ADVANCED PUBLICATION – It was moved by June Bowers and seconded by John Martin that it is hereby determined that this meeting was preceded by publicized notice at the Middle School and Falls City Post Office and is hereby declared to be duly convened in open session. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

tion was declared passed and adopted and the following proceedings were had and done at said meeting in open session.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1.4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA – It was moved by Scott Hollens and seconded by Richard Malcolm to approve the agenda. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried. The agenda is as follows:

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

1.9 Required annual hearings for the following policies: 1) 8310 Parental Involvement Policy; 2) Title 1 Parental Involvement 3) 7500 Student Fees Policy.

2.0 Informational Items/Reports:

2.1 Staff/Student/Organization: None

2.2 Principal's Reports: None

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: First Readings and Second Readings, and required public hearings and policy reviews.

2.4e Public Records Request from ACLU

2.4f Preliminary Budget Information

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 Revision

3.2 Second Reading on Policy Revisions

3.3 Required Annual Policy Review

3.4 Set Public Hearings for Budget, Property Tax Request Hearings

3.5 Set bus/van per student use rates (non-activity) Policy 5541

3.6 Classified Wages

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 Monday, August 8, 2016 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.

1.5 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by John Martin to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting with no corrections held on June 13, 2016. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

1.6 AUDIENCES: None

1.7 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT: It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by June Bowers to approve the June 30, 2016 treasurer's report which shows a balance in the General Fund of \$2,774,348.96; in the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking of \$154,914.11; in the Student Fee Fund of \$10,300; in the ICI Fund of \$28,452.02; in the Special Building Fund Investment Account of \$331,904.61; in the Special Building Fund of \$265,645.06; in the High School Bond Fund of \$385,331.90 and in the FC School Lunch Statement of \$58,102.23. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

The Board received a written High School Current Cash Balance Report, a Middle School Activity Account Report, and an Elementary Activity Account Report.

1.8 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS – It was moved by Richard Malcolm and seconded by Ed Harris to approve the claims as presented. Discussion was had by the board on various claims. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

1.9 Required annual hearings for the following policies: Board Policies on 8310 Parental Involvement, 8312 Title I Parental Involvement and 7500 Student Fees.

Procedure: 1.9 Hearings are for the purpose of receiving input from the public.

1.9a Enter Public Hearing for Policy 8310 Parental Involvement: The board held a public hearing on its parental involvement policy. After the hearing, the board must either alter and adopt the revised policy or reaffirm it as written.

Declared open by President Huppert at 7:12 P.M. After board review and input, there are no changes to policy 8310 Parental Involvement. Declared closed by President Huppert at 7:13 P.M.

1.9a Enter Public Hearing for Policy 8312 Title I Parental Involvement: The board must review the Title I Parental Involvement Policy.

Declared open by President Huppert at 7:14 P.M. After board review and input, there are no changes to policy 8312 Title I Parental Involvement. Declared closed by President Huppert at 7:15 P.M.

1.9a Enter Public Hearing for Policy 7500 Student Fee: The board must review the student fee policy annually for the following year.

Declared open by President Huppert at 7:15 P.M. After board review and input, the change was to replace the term Swing Choir to Show Choir in the Administrative regulations for policy 7500 Student Fees. Declared closed by President Huppert at 7:18 P.M.

2.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/REPORTS

2.1 STAFF/STUDENT/ORGANIZATION REPORT: None

2.2 PRINCIPAL REPORTS:

2.2a SHAWN EMERSON FOR NORTH SCHOOL: None

2.2b J.P. HOLYS FOR SOUTH SCHOOL: None

2.2c RICK JOHNSON FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL: None

2.2d GALE DUNKHAS FOR HIGH SCHOOL: None

2.3 BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None

2.4 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.4a Legislative and Organizations Report: NRCSA school district dues for the 2016-2017 school year will be \$850. Our continued membership in NRCSA helps assure NRCSA's ongoing effort to continue community rural school advocacy. NRCSA had 189-member school districts and Educational Service Units in 2015-2016, representing over 74,000 students across 89 counties and 24 legislative districts throughout Nebraska.

2.4b Building & Grounds Update: The high school Ag shop roof is complete. Mike Kafer and Kenny Arnold have the new LED lighting project completed in the Ag and welding shop. This is a much improved form of lighting. The locker room at Jug Brown Stadium has the new masonry work completed, new ceiling tiles and fans, and a fresh coat of paint on the walls and lockers. The floor and shower will be finished during mid-July and ready to go for football season. Bids are going to be collected to consider adding air condition to the locker room in addition to the existing heating system. The new carpet in the Middle School band room and the South School library has been completed and looks great. Victor Hayworth completed the gutter replacement project at South School, and the structural landscape lighting has been installed along the front of Falls City High.

2.4c Continuous School Improvement & District Goals: The School District 56 leadership team comprised of the superintendent, principals, curriculum director, and transportation supervisor will be partnering with the City of Falls City and Richardson County to participate in a Managers and Supervisors Conference on Wednesday, August 3. Additionally, the district's leadership team will be attending the NDE/NCSA Administrator Days Conference in Kearney, July 27-29.

2.4d Policy Planning: The following policies are up for first reading upon review:

1) 7146 Initiations and Hazing; LB 710 changed the criminal definition of "hazing" so that it now applies to K-12 students. LB 710 also changed the list of activities which constitute "hazing" in Nebraska. This policy also clarifies the difference between initiations and hazing. The district's legal counsel includes "initiations" because hazing occurs only if the activity poses a threat to the physical or mental health of the student. Legal counsel believes some rituals may not rise to that criminal level but may still constitute an activity a school wants to or is required to prohibit. For that reason, the policy outlaws hazing as defined in LB 710, but also makes clear that initiations are also prohibited unless expressly authorized by the superintendent.

2) 7147 Self-Management of Diabetes or Asthma / Anaphylaxis: In LB 1086 the Unicameral amended the statute that governs student self-management of asthma and severe allergies that could lead to anaphylaxis. The law now states that one of the criteria to require a school to allow a student with asthma / anaphylaxis to self-manage is the authorization of a physician "or other health care professional who prescribed the medication for the treatment of the student's condition." The Unicameral only amended the statute relating asthma/anaphylaxis. Therefore, we will continue to require the authorization of a medical doctor prior to allowing students to self-manage diabetes.

Policies to review that will be up on second and final reading are as follows:

1) 4231 Denying Access to School Premises or Activities; this policy allows the superintendent or the superintendent's designee to restrict "any person" from accessing school grounds for a variety of reasons.

2) 4232 Procurement, Suspension, and Debarment Governed by Federal Procurement Regulations: During IDEEA audits, NDE representatives have been asking to review the district's debarment and suspension policy. This policy should meet all the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.

3) 4265 Staff and District Social Media Use: In LB 821 the Unicameral has made it unlawful for employers to require or even request that employees provide their supervisors with a username and password to personal social media accounts. Complying with this prohibition is going to require school districts to think carefully about staff members who use social media both in their personal and professional capacities. This policy protects the district while not discouraging teachers from using social media.

4) 7122 Option Enrollment Program: The Department of Education's "technical cleanup" bill was adopted by the Unicameral in LB 1066. That bill made two significant changes to the option enrollment status. First, school boards are now required to have "specific" standards for acceptance or rejection for a release of a resident or option student. Second, LB 1066 states that school boards may no longer refuse to allow students to option out of the district when the application is submitted after March 15 based only on the fact that the application was submitted late.

2.4e Public Records Request from ACLU: Many Nebraska school administrators were welcomed back from the long holiday weekend by a public records request from the ACLU of Nebraska. The organization is doing a statewide survey of school practices related to sex education and pregnant or parenting students. The district has responded to the public records request as legal counsel believes it to be a valid public records request to which we are required to promptly respond. At this point, the district has responded with only a letter requesting a deposit based on a good-faith estimate of what it would cost the district to gather the requested information and to copy documents. ACLU Nebraska will now have 10 days either to narrow the scope of the request or provide the requested deposit. The district has nothing further to do at this point until we hear back from the ACLU.

2.4f Preliminary Budget Information: A preliminary budget has been built for expenditures and receipts. Now we just need to wait until August 20 for tax valuation to be certified by Richardson and Nemaha Counties to see if the drafted budget can be funded. Preliminary estimates suggest we will be able to fund the budget for the 2016-2017 school year but the major unknowns at this time are the Federal grant allocations and property valuation. We need to set a budget workshop and process timeline, which takes place after August 20 but before the September 12 BOE meeting. The corresponding date for the budget workshop would be Friday, August 26th. Meeting will be held at Middle School Central Office at 1:00 P.M.

2.4g Superintendent Meetings: NDE/NCSA Administrator Days, July 26-29, Kearney; ESU4 Advisory Council, August 25, Auburn; NASA/NASB Labor Relations Conference, September 7-8, Lincoln; NASB Area Membership Meeting, October 5, Nebraska City; NASA/NASB State Education Conference, November 16-18, La Vista.

2.4h Board Member Meetings: NASA/NASB Labor Relations Conference, September 7-8, Lincoln; NASB Area Membership Meeting, October 5, Nebraska City; NASA/NASB State Education Conference, November 16-18, La Vista.

2.4i Other

3.0 ACTION ITEMS

3.1 First reading on policy revision recommendations: 1) New -7146 Initiations and Hazing; 2) New -7147 Self-Management of Diabetes or Asthma/Anaphylaxis; A motion was made by June Bowers and seconded by Richard Malcolm to approve first reading on new policy 7146, and new policy 7147. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

3.2 Second reading on policy revision recommendations: 1) 4231 Denying Access to School Premises or Activities; 2) 4232 Procurement, Suspensions, and Debarment Governed by Federal Procurement Regulations; 3) 4265 Staff and District Social Media use; 4) 7122 Option Enrollment Program. A motion was made by Scott Hollens and seconded by Ed Harris to approve final reading on policy 4231, policy 4232, policy 4265 and policy 7122. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

3.3 Required annual policy review: 1) 7111 Attendance Policy; 2) 7142 Bullying Policy; 3) 8214 Student Assessment. A motion was made by Richard Malcolm and seconded by June Bowers to review and approve policy 7111, policy 7142, and policy 8214. The board reviewed policy 7111, policy 7142 and policy 8214. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Huppert, yes; Hollens, yes. Motion carried.

3.4. Set Public Hearings for Budget, Property Tax Request: A motion was made by John Martin and seconded by June Bowers to set the public hearings for budget and property tax request for September 12, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office at Falls City Middle School. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes. Motion carried.

3.5 Set bus/van per student use rates (non-activity): A motion was made by June Bowers and seconded by Richard Malcolm to review policy 5541 and set student use rates for bus/van at \$7.00 per student or federal mileage rate for non-scheduled activities. Discussion was held and determined to keep student use rate at \$7.00 dollars per student or federal mileage rate. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert,

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We are truly grateful for the Community support of the Braniff Flight 250 Remembrance/Gathering held Saturday, August 6, on the 50th anniversary of the crash. The 120 family and friends of the victims were so appreciative of the closure they received from the trip to the site, the lunch and visiting with each other. The author of the book written of the accident, Steve Pollock, of Nashville, TN, gave an excellent summary of the tragedy. The families came from Omaha, Pennsylvania, Sterling, Kansas City, MO, St. Louis, Phoenix, Minnesota and Georgia. There were several Braniff employees, on duty at that time, were in attendance. Our Mayor Jerry Oliver gave the welcome to Falls City and the area. Rex Jones, Head of the National Guard was acknowledged as well as Bob Zimmerman who also helped with the Rural Fire Department on the rescue. Nearly all the guests took two Sacred Heart buses to the site for the memorial and really appreciated that service. The Richardson County Historical Society was honored to help the families request for the Remembrance / Gathering. Richardson County Historical Society Board of Directors 32

A big thank you to everyone who attended or donated to the benefit for Lynn Whitten. There are benefits for important people, like stars or politicians, but the caring and meaning don't mean much to anyone, except for profit or publicity. There's nothing like small communities with good & caring people to show what a real benefit is all about. People that really do care. Even people that don't know the benefactor will show up in support. We should all be glad we live in such a community. It makes me proud.
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CMC FOUNDATION SAVES SPECIALITY CLINIC

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As the CMC Foundation Board became aware of the issue, Foundation Board President, Rodger Merz, had an idea. He felt that community support for the Specialty Clinic would be strong enough that donations could be raised to fund the clinic portion of the project while allowing the hospital not to exceed its budget capacity. The Foundation Board was polled and voted in favor of the action.

“The Governing Board said if the Foundation thinks they can do this, they have a great track record, they are willing to keep the Specialty Clinic expansion in the project,” said Ryan Larsen, CMC Administrator.

At the Community Medical Center Board meeting, as the Board weighed the recommendations of the Construction Committee and Administration, the Foundation Board’s offer was heard. After deliberation, it was accepted.

Expansion and renovation of the Specialty Clinic is scheduled to begin in the third phase of the project,

in the Fall of 2017. The Foundation Board is creating a plan to raise the amount needed by that date. Though early in the process, support has been high, with several individuals and families coming forward to make contributions. But the Foundation Board questioned what if the goal isn’t met in time to break ground?

“It’s a challenge,” said Larsen “We know they’ll hit the goal, but if its a little short is that going to be a problem? Well, the Board will meet. This part of the project beings a little over a year from now in the fall of 2017. So we can gauge how the fundraising is gone as well as the fiscal status of the hospital at that time and if we need to make a decision we can do it then.”

The CMC Specialty Clinic hosts about 4,500 patient visits each year, in areas such as cardiology, ear-nose-throat, gynecology, vein surgery, rheumatology, nephrology, podiatry, and ophthalmology, with volume increasing each year.

2016 Cobblestone Grand Marshal-Francis Seid

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current Hullman Ford dealership is today,” the nomination form said. “He ran the store for more than 30 years. He hosted the notorious John Deere Day each year, also, feeding more than 500 local patrons at the store. In the early 1970s, he also purchased the GM auto business located at the current warehouse for Harmon’s OK Tire store. He lat-



er built a new location on the north edge of town, a building that is now home to Home Lumber. Francis employed local high school students, and guaranteed jobs to area students when they returned to Falls City with degrees from trade schools such as Milford.” But Francis is possibly most noted for his community involvement and contributions. He was a member of the local

Elks chapter, an active member and former president of the Chamber of Commerce, and a former director of the very parade for which he will serve as grand marshal (although it was called “Horse Play Days” at the time). His children fondly remember him telling people where to go, while strolling around with his cane. Francis also served on the boards of American National Bank and also the Richardson Foundation. He was a 4-H leader for many years, and most notably was the director of the Farmer-Merchant Banquet (a.k.a Farmer’s Appreciation Banquet) for decades. He brought in outside entertainment, and fed more than 1000 farmers and community members each fall. The late Rod Vandenberg often told Francis’ family that Francis was a man of his word, and that he (Rod) was proud to call him a friend. So were countless others.

Today, Francis is 92 years old and still goes to the post office every day, then travels to a well-known establishment on the north side of town to shoot the breeze with long-time friends, friends who will never forget the contributions that Francis and Bev Seid made to this community.

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Friday, August 26 th , 2016	Johnson	Tecumseh	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	County Shop – 813 N. 1st Street
Saturday, August 27 th , 2016	Jefferson	Fairbury	7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	County Shop – 1415 A St (along HWY 136)
Saturday, August 27 th , 2016	Saline	Crete	10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	County Shop – Located on 16 th between Oak & Pine St (North on Main St to 17 th St-Turn left to Oak St & black)

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Big Red RECRUITING REPORT

By Sean Stevens
(Falls City native and former staff writer for HuskerIllustrated.com and Rivals.com)

Nebraska’s commitment list for 2017 continues to grow, as three-star FB Ben Miles (6-1/215) of Baton Rouge, LA and four-star DE Guy Thomas (6-3/212) of Miami, FL brought the total number up to 13. NU’s class is currently ranked No. 31 by Rivals and No. 30 in the 247Sports composite.

Miles, the son of LSU head coach Les Miles, is the nation’s No. 3-ranked full-back. He chose NU over offers from LSU, Michigan State and Boston College. He told HuskerOnline why the Huskers were his choice.

“I really, really enjoyed my trip for the spring game,” Miles said. “I really enjoy the coaching staff and really enjoyed the campus and the atmosphere. There’s nothing like it... they plan to use me similarly to the last fullback that just graduated. Just being flexible in their offense and being able to do a lot of things from H-back to fullback to protection back.”

While NU was consistently among the top contenders for Miles, Thomas’ pledge was a big surprise. He also entertained offers from Alabama, Auburn, Florida State, Georgia, LSU, Miami and Michigan. He camped at Auburn, Florida and Florida State, but said that his relationship with NU’s coaching staff made the difference in his decision.

“I have a great relationship with John Parrella, the d-line coach, we talk every day,” Thomas told HuskerOnline. “We talk about things other than football, just about life. He’s nothing but real with me and he’s a great coach.

“I believe that he can push me to that level where I’ll be NFL ready one day and I trust him...”

Thomas is long and quick and uses his hands very well for a young player. He’s excelled in Florida’s largest classification, and with NU’s need for edge rushers should have a chance to play early.

With fall camp underway, recruiting will slow down just slightly. This is not Bo Pelini’s staff, however, where they took extended breaks from recruiting. The Huskers will be hosting recruits during fall camp and are already lining up huge visit weekends for the Fresno State and Oregon games.

One of those guys scheduled for an unofficial visit is five-star WR Joseph Lewis (6-2/197) of Los Angeles, CA. Lewis was scheduled to visit in late July, but cancelled his trip after the tragic death of Husker punter Sam Foltz out of respect for the program and family. Instead he visited unofficially Aug. 12-14, and will also return officially for the Oregon game Sep. 16.

Lewis is ranked as the No. 3 receiver and No. 19 overall prospect by Rivals. He is also planning an official visit to Arizona, and is also considering Tennessee, Alabama, Oregon, Oklahoma and USC.

Long-time Husker target Darnay Holmes (5-11/185) of Calabasas, CA is Rivals’ No. 3-ranked DB and No. 15 overall prospect. He’s been to Lincoln numerous times with teammates (and Husker commits) Keyshawn Johnson, Jr. and Tristan Gebbia, and plans to make an official visit for the Fresno State game. Gebbia also will be on his official visit that weekend, and Johnson is expected as well. Holmes seems to be down to just NU, Ohio State and UCLA, although he’s not likely to commit any time soon.

Also scheduled for the Fresno State game is LB Addison Gumbs (6-4/220) of Hayward, CA. Gumbs is Rivals’ No. 4-ranked LB and No. 58 overall player nationally, and is also considering visiting UCLA. He made spring trips to USC, UCLA, Oregon, Oklahoma, Texas A&M, Mississippi State and Ole Miss. Don’t be shocked if Gumbs pulls the trigger on a commitment during the visit.

Another Fresno State visitor will be DT Damion Daniels (6-2/310) of Dallas, TX. Daniels is also considering Florida, LSU, Texas, USC, UCLA, Iowa, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Colorado, Texas-San Antonio and Michigan. NU is his only scheduled visit thus far, and the official visit follows an unofficial visit this summer with his teammate, 2018 DT Calvin Avery (6-4/302). They were impressed with NU’s facilities and are big fans of Ndamukong Suh, so his continued involvement with the program is a big positive in NU’s favor.

TE Reese Leita0 (6-4/230) of Jenks, OK recently trimmed his list to a top four of Penn State, Nebraska, Maryland and Oklahoma State, and will visit for Fresno State as well. Leita0 hopes to make a decision before his season begins in early September. He told 247Sports that he didn’t need official visits before making a decision because he’s unofficially visited all four. However he contradicted himself by telling Rivals he wanted to get his visits in early in the season to help him make a choice. Either way, this won’t drag out too much longer.

DB Gentry Bonds (6-1/193) of Murfreesboro, TN will also be in town for Fresno State. Bonds also has Clemson, Georgia Tech, Kentucky and Missouri in his top five, but thus far NU is his only scheduled official visit. He’s already eliminated Louisville, North Carolina and Tennessee from among his 20-plus offers.

For the Oregon game the list is scheduled to be huge. Along with Lewis, committed players Gebbia, Johnson and Javeon McQuitty will likely be on hand. Uncommitted prospects who plan to visit include DT Ben Hutch (6-4/315) of Nashville, TN, WR Jamire Calvin (5-10/165) of Los Angeles, DB Trajon Cotton (6-1/180) of Sacramento, CA, and DB Jaylon Redd (5-9/180) of Rancho Cucamonga, CA.

Hutch also has offers from Louisville, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Penn State, Tennessee and Texas A&M among others. Plans to visit Lincoln this summer unofficially fell through, so he will visit officially. Hutch is also considering visits to Louisville, Texas A&M and Memphis.

Calvin has been to Lincoln and also worked with NU’s staff at their California satellite camp this summer. He also plans to officially visit Alabama and Notre Dame. Arizona State, Cal, Oregon State, UCLA and Washington State are also in play, but this seems like a three-horse race right now.

Cotton also plans to visit Oregon, Arizona State, Colorado and possibly Illinois. He’s still evaluating his options, and the visits will play a big part in his decision. He told HuskerOnline what he will be looking for on his trip to Lincoln.

“At Nebraska, I want to see how they coach and their game day environment. Everybody talks about those fans, so I want to see how they really show out at games. That’s my bye week, so I may go there a day early so I can maybe go with a player to a class and see how they do that.”

Redd has a top 8 of NU, Arizona, Arizona State, Michigan, Notre Dame, Oregon, UCLA and USC. His other confirmed official visits will be to Oregon and UCLA and he recently stated that Michigan and Arizona lead for his final two trips. This one seems like a long shot, but with the number of California prospects considering the Huskers he may feel a comfort level with leaving the West Coast.

Another top target who has yet to schedule a visit is five-star DT Tyler Shelvin (6-3/360). Shelvin is committed to LSU but will visit NU, Alabama and USC to make sure of his choice. It’s another long-shot, but when a prospect visits campus anything can happen. DL coach John Parella has put the Huskers in good position with Shelvin, now it’s time to see if he can close the deal as he did with Robert Porcher IV and Guy Thomas.

NU is also in good shape with a number of other top prospects, including OT Aaron Banks (6-7/335) of El Cerrito, CA, DBs Ambry Thomas (5-11/165) and Jaylen Kelly-Powell (6-0/180) of Detroit, MI, and JUCO LB Andrew Van Ginkle (6-4/240) of Iowa Western CC.

Rivals recently released their initial top 100 list for 2018, and NU TE commit Cameron Jurgens (6-3/235) of Beatrice, NE checked in at No. 72 overall in the class.

Top NU targets included were No. 22 DT Trevor Trout (6-3/295) and No. 78 WR Kamryn Babb (6-1/175) both of St. Louis, MO, and No. 89 DB Brendan Radley-Hiles (5-10/175) of Calabasas, CA. If NU can win 9 or 10 games this fall, the 2017 and 2018 recruiting classes could be tremendously talented and could start to climb back to national prominence.

High-profile target and four-star WR Tyjon Lindsey (5-9/175) of Corona, CA is scheduled to commit Aug. 22, and although he previously looked like a Husker pledge he is now leaning towards Ohio State. Even if Lindsey makes that commitment though, NU will continue recruiting him until Signing Day.

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