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SHERIFF COMPARES SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF CITY AND COUNTY OFFICERS

By: Charlie Radatz

During the Tues., Dec. 11th meeting of the Richardson County Commissioners, Sheriff Don Pounds updated the Board on the business within the Sheriff's Office and the Law Enforcement Center during the past week. Sheriff Pounds presented to the Board an information report on the comparability between the wages and benefits of the police officers of the City of Falls City and the officers of the Richardson County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff had previously expressed concern about the ability of his department to hire and retain officers because of the disparity in the salaries and benefits offered by the City compared to those offered by the County.

Laura Osborne, 4 County Juvenile Services Grant Coordinator presented to the Board the application for the 2019 grant funding. A motion was made by Commissioner Frank to approve the grant application for the continuation of the 4 County Juvenile Services Grant for the 2019 funding from the NE

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STRAIGHT FROM SANTA'S MAILBAG

IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON, WE'RE PLEASED TO SHARE THESE HEARTWARMING LETTERS FROM SANTA'S YOUNGEST FANS.



FALLS CITY NORTH SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, I wat the sea patril. Have a holly jolly Christmas Sana. From Kreighton Huppert

Dear Santa, I want a tablet. Aleeah Mez

Dear Santa, I wat a tran for me and my brur. Kasyn Lee

Dear Santa, I want a tede bear, love Tre Robertson

Dear Santa, I want a tablet. Destiny Prater

Dear Santa, I want evl toy robot. Zachary Loper

Dear Santa, I want two LOLs 4 Hachams a alm clock. Beckett Shafer.

FALLS CITY SACRED HEART KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, How do you make all the presents? For Christmas this year I would like like 1. Connetic Sand 2. Purse for pet dog 3. Book back big enough to hold my baby doll. What does the north pole look like? Thank you for giving me presents. Love, Bryn Taft

Dear Santa, What do the elves look like? For Christmas this year. I would like 1. Bank set 2. A yo-yo 3. Moana towel. What does the north pole look like? Thank you Santa. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas. Tessa Johnson.

Dear Santa, How do you make toys? For Christmas this year I would like 1. Remote control T-Rex. 2. Bug toy t-rex. 3. Connetic sound sand. Can you have two elves come with you? I want to meet them. Thank you for the gifts. Love, John Casey

FROM THE FILES - DEC. 22, 1983

Dear Santa Claus, I want the Jubb the Hubb set, and the scat walk. Timothy.

Dear Santa Claus, Santa I want a babie Dream house for Christmas and a Rabbit Fur coat and a puppy and a kiettin. From Tammy

Dear Santa Claus, What I want for Christmas is a Care Bear. The onw with the Rainbow on it. Oh, and a little toy puppy. Well, that's all for now. Good-bye. From Melissa.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a new bike and a little dog. I want a nife that is a lock blade and it is not sharpe, and a dimene ring and weth 50 dimene. From Josh

Dear Santa Clause, I wont a three wheeler and snowmobeal a ratrace, army remote control tank and stopper trake. Yor friend Mark.

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POLICE DEPT. SEIZES WEAPONS AND DRUG PARAPHERNALIA AT FC HOME

On December 12, the Falls City Police Department served

a search warrant at 319 W. 15th Street in Falls City.

During the search, several pieces of drug paraphernalia were located. Substances found at the scene were tested and confirmed to be methamphetamine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance. Officers also located two handguns, three large machete style weapons, and a hatchet.

Tylor J. Fritts and Julia M. Sprouse were arrested at the scene on the following charges. Possession of a Controlled Substance-Methamphetamine; Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony; Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony and cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.

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Laura Redoutey, FACHE, Nebraska Hospital Association President; Ryan Larsen, CMC Administrator, and Nizar Wehbi, MD, ACHE Nebraska and Western Iowa Chapter Regent.

RYAN LARSEN - CMC ADMINISTRATOR RECEIVES ACHE SENIOR REGENT AWARD

Ryan Larsen, Administrator of Community Medical Center in Falls City, received the American College of Healthcare Executive Senior-Level Healthcare Executive Regent's Award at the Nebraska Hospital Association's Annual Conference. He is a Fellow of ACHE and demonstrates a commitment to professional excellence.

The award was bestowed to Larsen by Laura Redoutey, Nebraska Hospital Association President, and Nizar Wehbi, MD, Regent for the ACHE chapter of Nebraska and Western Iowa.

The Senior-Level Healthcare Executive Regent's award recognizes ACHE members who are experienced in the field and have made significant contributions to the advancement of healthcare management excellence and the achievement of ACHE's goals.

Members are evaluated on leadership ability; innovative and creative management; executive capability in developing their own organization and promoting its growth and stature in the community; contributions to the development of others in the healthcare profession; leadership in local, state or provincial hospital and health association activities; participation in civic/community activities and projects; participation in ACHE activities; and interest in assisting ACHE in achieving its objectives.

Larsen has served as the administrator of CMC

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A Different Christmas Poem

The embers glowed softly, and in their dim light,
I gazed round the room and I cherished the sight.
My wife was asleep, her head on my chest,
My daughter beside me, angelic in rest.
Outside the snow fell, a blanket of white,
Transforming the yard to a winter delight.

The sparkling lights in the tree I believe,
Completed the magic that was Christmas Eve.
My eyelids were heavy, my breathing was deep,
Secure and surrounded by love I would sleep.
In perfect contentment, or so it would seem,
So, I slumbered, perhaps I started to dream.

The sound wasn't loud, and it wasn't too near,
But I opened my eyes when it tickled my ear.
Perhaps just a cough, I didn't quite know,
Then the sure sound of footsteps outside in the snow.
My soul gave a tremble, I struggled to hear,
And I crept to the door just to see who was near.

Standing out in the cold and the dark of the night,
A lone figure stood, his face weary and tight.
A soldier, I puzzled, some twenty years old,
Perhaps a Marine, huddled here in the cold.
Alone in the dark, he looked up and smiled,
Standing watch over me, and wife and my child.

"What are you doing?" I asked without fear,
Come in this moment, it's freezing out here!
Put down your pack, brush the snow from your sleeve,
You should be at home on a cold Christmas Eve!
For barely a moment I saw his eyes shift,
Away from the cold and snow blown in drifts.

To the window that danced with a warm fire's light
Then he sighed, and he said, "It's really all right,
I'm out here by choice, I'm here every night.
It's my duty to stand at the front of the line,
That separates you from the darkest of time.

No one had to ask or beg or implore me,
I'm proud to stand here like my fathers before me.
My Gramps died at 'Pearl on a day in December,
Then he sighed, "That's a Christmas 'Gram always remembers.
My dad stood his watch in the jungles of 'Nam,
And now it is my turn and so, here I am.

I've not seen my own son in more than a while,
But my wife sends me pictures, he's sure got her smile.
Then he bent, and he carefully pulled from his bag,
The red, white and blue...an American Flag.
I can live through the cold and the being alone,
Away from my family, my house and my home.

I can stand at my post through the rain and the sleet,
I can sleep in a foxhole with little to eat.
I can carry the weight of killing another,
Or lay down my life with my sister and brother.
Who stand at the front against any and all,
To ensure for all time that this flag will not fall."

"So, go back inside," he said, "harbor no fright,
Your family is waiting, and I'll be all right."
"But isn't there something I can do, at the least,
Give you money, "I asked, "or prepare you a feast?"
It seems all too little for all that you've done,
For being away from your wife and your son."

Then his eye welled a tear that held no regret,
"Just tell us you love us, and never forget,
To fight for our rights back at home while we're gone,
To stand your own watch, no matter how long.
For when we come home, either standing or dead,
To know you remember we fought, and we bled,
Is payment enough, and with that we will trust,
That what mattered to you as you mattered to us."

The above poem was sent out by LCDR Jess Giles, SC, USN, 30th Naval Construction Regiment, Al Taqqadam, Iraq, and brought to the Journal's attention by a subscriber, who was very impressed with it, as were we. (Originally printed ten years ago in the Falls City Journal)



RIOT REPORT: WHO KNEW WHAT AND WHEN COULD HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE

Capitol View Commentary
by J.L. Schmidt **Statehouse Correspondent**

The Nebraska Press Association
It's that age-old question of government and politics: Who knew what and when? In the case of an independent report on the May 2015 riot at the Nebraska State Prison in Tecumseh that left two dead, that question lingers like the smell of burnt microwave popcorn. Especially since that report just surfaced. Particularly because one has to wonder if the report's findings could have helped prevent a March 2017 riot at the same institution that left two more inmates dead.

Really Governor, you're excusing the fact that the report didn't surface until November 2018 because administrators get a lot of reports and you can't publish every one? We're not talking about suggestions for a new vendor for pens and pencils, we're talking about matters of life and death and a culture that thrives on control and looking for ways to hedge on the rules.

Here's a head's up: That's dangerous business and the old saw about the inmates running the prison, that's not a good thing. The Critical Incident Re-view Team report, made public soon after the riot, concluded the riot had happened as a matter of chance. In other words, it just happened.

The controversial undisclosed report attributed the riot to conditions at the prison that primed the inmate rebellion and said it was a coordinated effort by certain inmates and gangs. That paints a more serious problem; one that I believe would require immediate action and a different strategy. As these conditions persist, the pot continues to boil. Governor Pete Ricketts has defended Corrections Director Scott Frakes saying all state directors get multiple reports and write many memorandums. This second Tecumseh report was just one of the sources of advice on how to take the Corrections agency forward, he said, adding that it probably contained information that the department wasn't going to use.

Excuse me? Then why did we pay \$20,000 in taxpayer funds for a couple experts on the subject of prison riots to do a study? That's a pretty pricey project to place on a shelf. Sadly, ignoring it will likely cause a much higher price in the long run. The lawsuits from the families of the deceased and the victims of the incident – a diabetic inmate who was left for 18 hours without food or medication – have barely started.

Ricketts says the reports are released when people ask for them. Stop. How do we ask for something we didn't know existed? I don't know whether I ought to laugh or scream at that one.

The previously undisclosed report was written by consultants Dan Pacholke, of the Washington State Department of Corrections, and Bert Useem, of Purdue University. They concluded conditions at the Tecumseh pris-on left it primed for a rebellion.

"The prison was under stress; inmates were unsettled; the 'barometric pressure' was high and rising," wrote Pacholke, formerly responsible for operations at the Washington State Department of Corrections, and Useem, a professor who has published two books on prison riots.

Their report explained that when the initial resistance took place in the prison yard on May 10, 2015, stress on the facility permitted small acts of resistance to spread quickly from the yard into two housing units and the gymnasium. The report pointed to staffing is-

...sues, apparent coordination among inmate gangs and a "somewhat disjointed" response.

Other findings: --The day of the riot, the Tecumseh prison was understaffed by four, so four program areas were closed. The shift had a high concentration of relatively new, inexperienced staff, 45 percent who were hired on or after 2013.

--Too many inmates on the yard and too few staff diminished the capacity to contain the initial assault. Once the disturbance started to grow and the need for additional staff was apparent; the facility had already maximized its response and exhausted staff resources.

--The state consider changing the population of the Tecumseh prison to lower custody inmates "who would be better suited for supervision by more junior staff," and create separate housing units for different custody levels to give inmates incentives to work toward lower security levels and more opportunities for programming and activities.

--The greater a prison's orientation toward rehabilitation through case management and programming, the safer it becomes. "Giving inmates the opportunity to engage in activities they find meaningful (e.g. treatment, education, vocational training) reduces idleness and incentivizes desistance from violent and disruptive behavior."

Go back and read those six paragraphs and let the recommendations sink in. Then look at the Governor's characterization again: This second Tecumseh report was just one of the sources of advice on how to take the Corrections agency forward, he said, adding that it probably contained information that the department wasn't going to use. That's just disgusting.

It's time for the Judiciary Committee of the Nebraska Legislature to get to the bottom of who IS running the prison. Let's just hope it's not the inmates.

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 19 years.

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: YEAR-IN-REVIEW

ACROSS

- Bundle of wheat
- Urban apartment
- Peter, South of the border
- In the manner of, French
- Photo-editing color option
- Chieftain
- Not well
- Lively
- Late McCain
- American Duchess
- "Some Kind of Wonderful" actress Thompson
- Your majesty
- Floor cleaner
- Greek portico
- Super Bowl champs
- Swear, not curse
- Place for an ace?
- Type of newspaper
- Bar order neither red nor white
- Hallfippe winner
- Toothy wheat
- Be needy
- Hindu dress
- Unfavorable prefix
- Ballpark grub
- Lion's share
- It can be red or black
- Burial reef island
- Break bread
- First North Korean to cross Demilitarized Zone
- October disaster
- Acoustic output
- In the past
- Tanzania's neighbor
- Coral reef island
69. Off of sinking ship?
- Type of closet
- Not here
- Dashboard unit
- Clear the board

DOWN

- R&R destinations
- Part of hemoglobin
- "I Dream of Jeannie" star
- "He's _____ nowhere man," Beatles
- Strong suit, pl.
- Age of Aquarius flick
- Nothing alternative
- Game ragout
- Onion's kin
- October stone
- "C'A Camp
- "Ti for _____"
- Schmear
- Often taken with a bible, pl.
- Anchit's first three
- Arabic greetings
- "For Our Lives"
- Convex molding
- Suggest
- Sounds of amazement
- Cooper's leading lady
- Property claims
- Fill with spritis
- "April missile strikes target
- Make one's way
- EU unit
- One born to Japanese immigrants
- 10 to the power of 100
- Bearred antelope
- Take on, as in a project
- Take gun away
- Not our
- Burlap fiber
- Airy emanation
- Cairo's waterway
- "Like a _____ to a flame"
- "Stared with Blake in "A Simple Favor"
- Some have them on the back of their head?
- Swimmer's row
- Follows #29 Down, sing.
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50 Years Ago - Dec. 19th to Dec. 26th, 1968
Apollo 8 headed into space to provide man's first look at the back side of the moon.

Fire gutted the residence of Mrs. Maudie Roth at 723 Chase Street. Richardson County had 25 operating school districts.

Richardson County Bank & Trust Co. began offering a new computer based record keeping service for its customers. Men had no excuse for not looking spiffy on Christmas Day as all four Falls City Barber Shops, announced they would be open Mon., Dec. 23.

Among the "Letters to Santa" published were those of Krystal Kay Schulz who wanted "a piano most of all", Terry Kratz who promised to "leave a lunch for you", and Jean Eckwert who admitted "I have been naughty sometimes and good most of the time".

Clayton Hardenberger's Imperial Service Station was providing a coupon good for a free Malt or a Coke and hamburger at Mr. Swiss with the purchase of eight or more gallons of gas.

Traffic restricted to one way on Harlan Street during construction was returned to two-way four lane traffic with completion of construction.

Tom Pritchard and Dave Kottich picked up the only victories in a wrestling match between Falls City and Nebraska City.

Homer Henke's "Homer Sez" this week included this bit of wit: "Opportunity knocks only once, but temptation bangs on the door for years."

Construction began on Rulo's \$103,000 city water system.

Journal sportswriter Del Sutherland described Nebraska City's lead over the Falls City Tigers in boys basketball "as brief as French lingerie" in a game won by the Tigers 71-51.

After 11-months in captivity the 82 survivors of the USS Pueblo "intelligence ship" were released by the North Vietnamese in time for them to return home for Christmas.

An estimated 400 persons were left stranded by a winter storm in Eastern Nebraska that blew powdery snow into huge drifts requiring the National Guard to assist motorists.

The Christmas lighting display of Roman Fleskoski at 26th & Lane was judged the overall winner in the Jaycees home Christmas lighting contest.

The Humboldt Cardinals moved into second place in the Southeast Border Conference by defeating Southeast Consolidated 91-83 in a game that saw 38 fouls whistled against the Cards and 30 against the Mustangs.

Falls City native Del Bowers was promoted to be supervisor of retail stores for the Kansas City zone of the B.F. Goodrich Tire & Rubber Co. operating out of the home office in Akron, Ohio.

Mr. & Mrs. Perry Castle were in the midst of their 12th straight season of never missing a single home game of the Falls City Tigers (and only a few away games) as they were following the games in which their sons, Tom, Mike, and Pat played.

The Falls City Lions Club was delivering bags of fruit and candy to about 100 residents of Falls City nursing homes.

The Nebraska Wesleyan Band was chosen to represent Nebraska at the Presidential Inauguration, a band that included Falls Cityans Dale Comer, Steve Holland, and Susan Dunn.

25 Years Ago - Dec. 19th to Dec. 26th, 1993
Paul O'Grady, 2420 McLean St., filed as a candidate for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket.

The Falls City Tigers lost a 61-48 see-saw battle with Nebraska City dominated by the Pioneer's senior Seth LeGrand who scored 32 of the Pioneers 61 points.

Three Falls City wrestlers finished first in their weight classes including Brad Olberding at 112 lb., Jeremy Vice at 139, and Jarrod Chapple at 152 in the nine team Auburn Invitational.

Sacred Heart Irish girls and boys picked up wins over Galaxy Conference foe Nebraska City Lourdes Central with the girls winning 77-55 and the boys 80-50.

The Humboldt Cardinals wrestling team finished fourth in the eleven team Dorchester Invitational with Eric Hunzeker at 152 lbs. getting the Cardinals' lone championship.

Falls City Middle School Students of the Month were Rachel Hundley, Katie Parsons, and Michelle Grady.

Falls City fireman Bob Martin was seen on the front page of the Journal showing off the department's new pumper truck.

Milton Brewer was recognized for 50 years of devotion and service to the Scottish Rite of the Masonic Lodge during a luncheon at the Wright Place restaurant.

Nebraska's men's basketball team was 7-2 after a 86-61 victory over Florida A&M with a starting five that included Erick Strickland and Eric Piatkowski.

Chase and Cole Hoy were pictured on the front page of the Journal telling Santa what they wanted for Christmas when he visited the Shubert Post Office.

Among wishes for gifts addressed to Santa were those of Derek Hall who asked for a train set and a "Talking Barney" and Ashley Hall who asked for a burping doll and a new Barbie.

The BPW selected as its "Girls of the Month" two Falls City High School Seniors, Amy Hemmerling and Danielle Huettner.

Del Sutherland's pick for Richardson County Athlete of the Week was Cheryl Patchen of Southeast Consolidated who scored 23 points in two games and nine steals on defense.

The Falls City Tigers delivered a Christmas gift to Coach Crawford, A double overtime 82-80 victory over Lincoln Christian.

Mike and Pat Portrey were credited with saving the life of Tom Phroper in a fire at 2212 Harlan Street and they were presented awards from the State Fire Marshal's Office and the City of Falls City.

One thousand persons expressed opposition to the possible release of David Andreas, 40, and James Haverkamp, 34, for their parts in the cult murder of James Thimm at Rulo.

A Big Bliss forging press was shipped by rail and began use in production of sledge hammers at the Woodings-Verona Tool Works plant, Falls City.

Brad Olberding was named Falls City High wrestler of the week after winning the 112 lb. championship at the Auburn Tournament.

Southeast Consolidated crowned as its Winter Royalty Juniors Rian Hall and Sheri Hochstein.

15 Years Ago - Dec. 19th to Dec. 26th, 2003
Country music singer Jolie Edwards of Papillion, NE, daughter of Dave Reavis and Nancy Foster of Falls City, announced she would be spending two weeks entertaining American troops in Iraq.

Falls City Journal Athletes of the Week were Megan O'Grady of Falls City Sacred Heart and Drue Miller of Falls City High School.

RYAN LARSEN CMC ADMINISTRATOR RECEIVES ACHE SENIOR REGENT AWARD

(Continued from Page 1) since 2005. During his tenure, the new hospital campus was constructed and opened in 2009. A major renovation adding another operating suite, upgrading specialty clinic space and building a new rural health clinic was completed in 2018.

CMC was also recognized as one of the top 100 CAH's in 2017 and 2018 and one of the Top 20 CAH's in the United States in 2018. CMC is consistently received 4 and 5 star ratings from CMS.

Larsen is a member of the Nebraska Hospital Association Board of Directors. He serves on the American Hospital Association's Regional Policy Board and is a member of the Heartland Health Alliance, having served as that group's president. At the Mid-American Hospital Alliance, he represents CMC.

RC SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHARED MEDIA REPORT December 15, 2018, at approx. 9:31 p.m. Ronald L. Rears, 55, was arrested in Humboldt, by Richardson County Sheriff's Deputy and booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.

December 13, 2018, at approx. 12:04 p.m. Derrick N. Boltz, 28, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.

FALLS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT CALL STATISTICS Week end calls: two alarm calls; five ambulance calls; one animal calls; two handgun permits; four investigation calls; 17 misc. calls; one motorist asst./unlock call; one parking complaint; three referred calls; 11 911 calls; two citations issued/one possession of controlled substance, two drug para.; two counts possession of a deadly weapon during felony (firearm); four counts possession of deadly weapon during felony (blades); one citation failure to signal; one citation invalid registration; one citation speeding; one citation shoplifting.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE Prairie Union Baptist Church 3 mi. east, 1 mile north & 1/4 mile west of Stella, NE Mon. Dec. 24 6:30 P.M.

SHERIFF COMPARES SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF CITY AND COUNTY OFFICERS

(Continued from Page 1) Crime Commission. The grant application was approved by a unanimous vote. A motion was made by Sickel to approve a subdivision for Gary L. Fisher in Section 7, Township 1, Range 18 and to adopt Resolution 2018-2019-14. Motion seconded by Davidson and the subdivision was approved 3-0. (Resolution Book 24, Page) Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this week.

JOURNAL HOLIDAY PRINT AND MAIL SCHEDULE

The week of Christmas day the Journal will be delivered by mail on Friday, December 28th with the deadline being the Friday before, December 21 by Noon. The office will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas day. The week of New Years the Journal will be delivered by mail on Friday, January 4, 2019 with the deadline being Friday, December 28, by noon. The office will be closed on New Years Eve and New Years Day. Please plan accordingly. Starting January 1, 2019, the Journal will be strictly enforcing the noon deadline on Friday, due our earlier printing schedule. We will no longer be able to accept late ads or information.

ATTENTION FALLS CITY SANITATION CUSTOMERS THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25, 2018 AND NEW YEAR'S DAY, JAN. 1, 2019. Tuesday customers will be picked up on Monday, Dec. 24th and Monday, Dec. 31st for Christmas and New Years.

JAYCEES DSA CEREMONY NOMINATION FORM Please take a few moments to nominate that outstanding someone you know that best represents one of the following categories, then ATTACH LETTER explaining his or her qualifications for the award before, January 1, 2019. Please do not nominate the same person for more than one award. Send your nominations today to: DSA NOMINATIONS C/O FALLS CITY AREA JAYCEES, P.O. BOX 202, FALLS CITY, NE 68355. Or E-mail fallscityareajaycees@gmail.com. I would like to nominate (print full name) For the following award: [] Distinguished Service Award [] Outstanding Educator Award [] Outstanding Community Leader Award [] Boss of the Year Award [] Robert J. Chab Community Service Award [] Good Neighbor Award Home Address _____ City _____ Home Phone _____ E-Mail _____ Occupation or Profession _____ Company Name _____ Business Address _____ City _____ Business Phone _____ Fax _____ Marital Status (Spouse's Name) _____ Age _____ Children (Name & Ages) _____ It is our suggestion that you present the following information in a letter to relay why this individual should be honored for the respective award: 1. Schools attended (degrees, academic honors, etc.) 2. Civic, fraternal, religious organizations and affiliations. 3. Describe career of the nominee, including some background and the scope of the nominee's work or activity. 4. Describe the nominee's exceptional achievements or contributions in the nominee's chosen field, organization, and/or community. 5. List honors and awards received which evaluate the nominee's achievements. 6. Include any other pertinent information which you feel would support your candidate and why you, the nominator, believe that your nominee should be selected. Nominator's Name _____ Address _____ City _____ Phone No. _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____ Signature of Nominator _____ All entries must be received no later than Thursday, Jan. 1, 2019. The awards ceremony will be held at Seid's Event Center on Monday January 21, 2019. Award winners will receive a plaque during the program that will commemorate their achievements. Individuals who have excelled in one of the above mentioned fields might be nominated for recognition judged in the following areas: Personal improvement or accomplishment, Social improvement, Philanthropic contribution or voluntary service, Cultural achievement, Academic leadership or accomplishment and Success in the influence of public opinion. Nomination Deadline: January 1, 2019



Angela K. Antholz named 2018 administrator of the year

The Nebraska Head Start Association has named Angela Antholz, SENCA's Head Start Director, as the 2018 Administrator of the Year. Angela received her award during the annual NeHSA held November 7-9 in Grand Island. She was nominated by SENCA Executive Director, Vicki McNealy, for her extensive work on improving multiple internal processes which have strengthened the Head Start program overall.

As part of the nomination process Executive Director McNealy was asked to provide three traits that stand out regarding her nominee. "Dedicated, organized, and reliable." Was her response. Director Mc-

Nealy included: "Angela has been dedicated to helping children and families for the past 23 years through her service with SENCA. She is one of the most organized individuals you will ever meet. Her organization skills are what has allowed her accomplish so much within the program over the past three years as Head Start Director. Angela always accomplishes her goals and gets the job done, no matter what is asked of her. Her reliability has made her an invaluable asset to SENCA."

In addition to the role of Head Start Director that Angela has held since 2015, she also serves as the agency Deputy Director. Angela previously served as a

Southeast District Health Department reminds community to receive the flu vaccine

With influenza season currently underway, the Southeast District Health Department would like to remind you to take steps to protect your health and the health of those around you.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends all persons aged 6 months and older receive the flu vaccine. Vaccination is considered the best protection against the flu, and frequently decreases the severity and duration of symptoms for those exposed to the influenza virus. Symptoms generally include fever, body aches, cough, and sore throat, and can prog-

ress to hospitalization and death in more severe cases. The CDC reported that as many as 80,000 influenza-related deaths were recorded across the United States during the 2017-2018 flu season.

The health department provides the following recommendations for individuals to help decrease the spread of influenza in our communities:

Avoid close contact with people who are displaying symptoms. Stay home when you are ill to avoid exposing others.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or

sneezing. Wash your hands often, and use hand sanitizer as appropriate.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth to limit exposure to contagious pathogens.

Practice good disinfection habits in your environment. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work, or school, especially when someone is ill.

For more information on influenza and vaccination, contact the Southeast District Health Department at 1-877-777-0424 or visit www.sedhd.org.

Health/Mental Health/Nutrition/Disabilities Coordinator and Early Childhood Development Coordinator within the Head Start Program as well as holding management position within the agency's Community Services and Housing Department.

A graduate of Peru State College, Angela holds a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Elementary Education. She has taken additional graduate courses which include: Parent and Family Counseling; Human Growth and Development; Methods of Early Childhood Education; Principles of Early Childhood Education; and Current Issues in Education. Angela has attended numerous Head Start Education and Coordinator trainings, Head Start Phase III Management Training, Head Start STAR Institute Training, and Grantsmanship Training. She was also employed as consultant with Community Development Institute.

Each year SENCA shares important information about the outcomes achieved by economically challenged residents of southeast Nebraska who utilize agency programs and services. Those accomplishments would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of employees like Angela. Employees who hold great passion for the work and dedication of employees like Angela. Employees who hold great passion for the work they do and are fully engaged to go above and beyond in providing solutions to top identified challenges facing low-income households within our communities

The Christmas story

From the Book of Luke, Chapter 2

AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

2 (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with Child.

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7 And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And, lo, the angel of the LORD came upon them, and the glory of the LORD shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the LORD.

12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into Heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the LORD hath made known unto us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this Child.

18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Christmas Open House

Thursday, December 20th & Friday, December 21st
8:30AM-4:30PM

Stop in to enjoy some homemade goodies, coffee and hot cider! Also sign up to win one of our gift baskets!

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\$5,000 SLOTFREEPLAY Giveaway

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1
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Receive 1 entry ticket for every 10 Slot Points earned.
***5,000 IN SLOT FREE PLAY** will be awarded!
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 31
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First 1,000 participants will receive ***25 SLOT FREE PLAY** and a ticket entry for the Sac and Fox Casino Game Show Giveaway.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 31
10PM - MIDNIGHT

Enjoy hot seat drawings with 2 winners every 15 minutes.
18 Winners will share ***10,000 IN SLOT FREE PLAY!**

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10PM (2) \$500 - 10:15PM (2) \$500 - 10:30PM (2) \$500
10:45PM (2) \$500 - 11:00PM (2) \$500 - 11:15PM (2) \$500
11:30PM (2) \$500 - 11:45PM (2) \$500 - Midnight (2) \$1,000

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Verdon Vol. Fire Dept.

SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE CLOSED

For Christmas on
MONDAY, DEC. 24, TUESDAY, DEC. 25 & WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26

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For New Year's on
MONDAY, DEC. 31 AND TUESDAY, JAN. 1

Happy Holidays and New Year to all of our customers and we thank you for your business!

Falls City Public Schools Superintendent's District Update – Dec. 2018

The Falls City Public Schools held its regular monthly meeting on December 10, 2018. Here are the highlights of the meeting.

District 56 Audit Completed - The meeting opened with a presentation on the School District 56 Audit Report – The Audit Report for 2017-2018 was presented by Julie Bauman, CPA, P.C. The report included the Auditor's report, a statement of financial position, a statement of activities, and a review of the expenditures of federal awards.

The 2019 Legislative Session official kicks off on Wednesday, January 9th for the 90-day session. Key information from the election last month reveal 19 of 49 (39%) seats were a contested race, 13 seats will be new in 2019 (Up to 12 rookie Senators), 6 Senators were term-limited out, and our District 1 Senator Dan Watermeier was elected to the Public Service Commission. Beginning in the January Session, 88% of the body will have 4 years or less experience - (43 of 49 are new as of 2014).

School Board Facility Planning Workshop Scheduled for Monday, January 14. The Board of Education will meet with architects from BVH Architecture for a review of the Master Plan drawings and discussion on initial ideas for the facility improvements at Falls City High. This will help narrow which options the school district will consider and establish a preliminary timeline for estimates as well as phasing options.

The District 56 Board of Education acted on several items before concluding the regular meeting. 1) Approved the final reading on Board Policy Reviews and Revisions: 1) Separation Incentive Program 6120; 2) Substitute Teachers 6140; 3) Student Records 7114; 4) Student Directory Information 7132. 2) Accepted the August 31, 2018 Audit and Financial Report. 3) Authorized the Superintendent to Enter into a Rental Agreement for Managed Copier Services. 4) Amended Teacher Employment Contract of Pam Joy to .40 FTE. Pam Joy will lead and facilitate the school district's visual impairment instructional program, starting January 2, 2019. Ginger Feek will serve in the capacity of long-term substitute teacher in the Special Education department, beginning January 2, 2019.

Prior to concluding the Board of Education meeting, the Board met in closed session with the Superintendent to review the Superintendent's annual performance evaluation and to discuss the upcoming teacher negotiations and bargaining session.

The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. A Special Planning Workshop is scheduled for January 14, at 5:30 P.M., in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent.

Falls City Public School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, age, genetic information, citizenship status or economic status in its programs, activities and employment.

SOCIETY

Humboldt Chapter #234 Order of the Eastern Star members started their Dec. 6, 2018 activity with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. at The Meeting Place. Twelve members enjoyed the bounteous meal. At 7:30 p.m. Worthy Matron Nancy Nemechek presided in the East for their stated business meeting. All sang "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by Secretary Donna Monnette.

She read communications from the Masonic-Eastern Star

Home for Children in Fremont. This included thank you's from donations given for Thanksgiving Ingathering and the Purple Ribbon 4-H Club program. An original Christmas card made by one of the children was included. A thank you was also received from the director of the Masonic-Eastern Home Foundation for a Thanksgiving donation.

Information was received concerning remembering our Youth organizations by the Masonic Youth Foundation, Inc. Copies of the OES News were distributed to all members. A quilt has been donated for the Nebraska Grand Chapter OES Service and Therapy Dog Project and raffle tickets will be sold for \$2 each. They will be available until May 1. The top 10 chapters selling tickets and the individual with most sales of tickets will be given special recognition at the Grand Chapter Session next May. The quilt will be awarded at that time. A memorial service was held for our Past Grand Matron of Nebraska Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star from 1975-1976 and passed away Oct. 31, 2018. The charter was draped in her memory.

Worthy Matron Nemechek announced installation of 2019 officers will be held at the Jan. 3, 2019 stated meeting. Annual reports will be due at that time also.



The Fifth graders at Falls City South School recently made a generous donation to the local food bank. L-R: Mr. Wentz, Maddox McCullough, Ryker Jones, Gavin Bauer, Miss Taylor.

Kriefels wins Helena Acre HomeGrown Scholarship

Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC is proud to announce our Helena Acre HomeGrown Scholarship Program. This program is designed to encourage and support local families who share our goal of improving the agriculture industry. Through this program, Helena will invest over \$60,000 into the next generation of ag professionals by awarding approximately 60 high school seniors across the Midwest pursuing a degree in agriculture or science with a \$1,000 Helena Acre HomeGrown Scholarship.

Helena Falls City Branch is excited to announce the recipient of the Helena HomeGrown Scholarship. Alan Kriefels is the winner of a \$1,000 scholarship dedicated

in their name to an eligible student currently residing in a qualified county. To view qualified counties, visit helenahomegrown.com. The Helena HomeGrown Scholarship will be awarded to a 2019 graduating high school senior who will pursue a degree in agriculture or science.

Helena is committed to supporting the next generation of agriculture through the Helena HomeGrown Scholarship. We want to help our local customers and communities grow more than crops. Whether through the

HomeGrown Scholarship or our industry-leading intern program, Helena is committed to growing the future generation of ag leaders and professionals.

Qualifying graduating seniors can apply for the HomeGrown Scholarship by visiting www.helenahomegrown.com. Applications are due January 31, 2019 and winners will be announced by March 1, 2019.

We would like to congratulate Alan Kriefels commitment to Helena and thank them for his commitment to Helena.

FOR SALE BY OWNER RICHARDSON COUNTY FARM

Dry Branch Trust is offering for sale approximately 200 acres located in the Northeast Quarter AND the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, Township 1 North, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska.

Private bids will be accepted at Smith Schafer Davis Gaerlig LLC Law Office, 609 Elk Street, Beatrice, NE 68310, until 5 p.m. on Friday, December 28, 2018.

For a bid form and additional information contact Attorney Robert M. Schafer at 402-228-3443 or email rms@ssdglaw.com

Chapter closed in form with prayer by Chaplain Joan Wheeler and singing of "Joy To The World."

All enjoyed refreshments of assorted cookies during the social hour.

Donna Monnette, Secretary



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Editor's Note - dismissal without prejudice means the government did not waive its right to litigate the matter in a subsequent action.

Editor's Note - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge.

DISTRICT COURT

Stephanie Corliss, 30, count one, theft-unlawful taking \$5,000+, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count two, forgery-second degree/\$5,000 or more, amended to forgery-second degree/\$1,500-5,000, plead no contest, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered; count three, criminal possessed inst./\$5,000+, charged dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to February 19, 2019 for sentencing.

Tobias P. Jochum, 30, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 8, 2019 for

hearing-settlement conference.

Scott J. Bachman, Jr. 22, count one, burglary, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count two, criminal mischief-\$1,500-\$4,999, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice.

Cherish Lovell, 27, count one, escape when under arrest, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for January 8, 2019.

Tara Prater, 35, count one possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead no contest, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered. Case continued to February 19, 2019.

Scott J. Bachman Jr., 22, count one, del/dsp.man/pos. except haz drug, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered; count two, del/dsp.man/pos. except haz drug, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered. Case continued to February 19, 2019.

Scott J. Bachman Jr., 22, ac-

cessory to class 2 or 2A felony, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice.

Tara Prater, 35, count one, possess controlled substance, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice.

Reginald E. Newman, 53, count one, possess firearm by prohibited person, plead not guilty; count two, carry concealed weapon-first offense, plead not guilty; count three, speeding 11-15, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 5, 2019 for pretrial.

Taryn Rice, 21, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty; count two, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty; count three, del/dsp/dst/man/pos cntrl sub-sch 1, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 5, 2018 for pretrial.

Troy Liberty, 43, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 5, 2018 for pretrial.

COUNTY COURT

Derrick Boltz, 28, count one, trespass-second degree/defy order to leave, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs of \$36.

Jamison Frenzel, 27, count one, DUI-.08 breath-first offense, plead not guilty, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count two, refuse to submit to test-first offense, plead no contest, found guilty; count three, refuse to submit to pretest, plead not guilty, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count four, possess/consume open alcohol container, plead not guilty, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count five, careless driving, plead not guilty, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to January 16, 2019 for sentencing.

Rebecca Fouraker, 27, count one, fail to display proper number of plates, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$39.

Forrest Fitzgerald Jr., 25, count one, possess K2 or marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300, Sheriff fees of \$8.50 and court costs of \$48.00.

Shianne Uitts, 22, count one, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, maintaining a nuisance, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$50.

Jeffrey Moyer, 54, weeds and grasses over 12", plead not guilty; count two, maintaining a nuisance, plead not guilty; count three, weeds and grasses over 12", plead not guilty; count four, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, plead not guilty; count five, maintaining a nuisance, plead not guilty; count six, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 7, 2019 for pretrial.

Shianne Uitts, 22, count one, maintain a nuisance, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$40; count two, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$40 and court costs of \$50.

Amy Paxson, 50, count one, no proof of insurance, plead guilty, found guilty, fined \$100; count two, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count three, no license on person, plead not guilty. Ordered to pay court costs of \$50. Case continued to January 7, 2019 for pretrial.

Jefferson Pfohl, 37, count one, terrorist threats, waived-bound over; count two, domestic assault-third degree, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count three, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count four, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count five, disturbing the peace, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without

prejudice. Case continued to District court on January 8, 2019 for arraignment.

Alexis Payne, 22, count one, disturbing the peace, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs of \$50.

Charles Liberty, count one failure to license dog; count two, count dropped/dismissed; count three, count dropped/dismissed. Case continued to December 17 for pretrial.

Noah Hall, 28, count one, assault - third degree, plead no contest, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered; count two, DUI-.08 breath-first offense, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to January 30, 2019 for sentencing.

Jeffrey Moyer, 54, count one, violate protection order, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 2, 2019 for pretrial.

Kyle Johnson, 33, count one, DUI-alcohol first offense, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, nonresident violate susp/rev order, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count three, speeding 21-35, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to January 16, 2019 for sentencing.

Rhonda Cooper, 57, count one, failure to license dog, found guilty; count two, failure to license dog, found guilty. Case continued to January 2, 2019 for sentencing.

Rhonda Cooper, 57, count one, failure to license dog, found guilty; count two, failure to license dog, found guilty. Case continued to January 2, 2019 for sentencing.

April Rath, 33, count one, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty; count two, operate vehicle without proof of ownership, plead not guilty; count three, unlawful/fict. Display of plate/renew tab., plead not guilty; no

license on person, plead no contest. Case continued to January 16, 2019 for entry of plead and further scheduling.

Jefferson Pfohl, 37, count one, disturbing the peace, plead guilty. Case continued for hearing-review for dismissal.

April Feighner, 39, count one, use explosive to commit felony-first offense, probable cause found. Case bound over to District court for trial; count two, arson-second degree, probable cause found, case bound over to district court for trial. Case continued to District court on January 8, 2019 for arraignment.

Tyler Wintz, 26, count one, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead guilty, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered; count two, driving during revocation/impound-second, amended to drive during revocation-impound-first, plead guilty, found guilty, full pre-sentence investigation ordered; count three, careless driving, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to January 30, 2019 for sentencing.

Joseph Jarred has been granted a dissolution of marriage from Nichole Jarred.

CORRECTION

Retraction and Correction of Untrue Statement: The following statement in the December 5, 2018 edition of the Falls City Journal was incorrect, untrue and hereby is retracted:

Kent Cooper, 59, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead is no contest, found guilty; count two, drive under suspended before reinstated state license, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 8, 2019 for sentencing.

The Editor apologizes for this error.

Business Services directory including Pest Control Services, Tichy Land Survey Company, James Murphy Construction, Bletscher Trucking, Kobza Dental, J. Travis Kobza, D.D.S., Jim Hill's Glass, J&F Contracting, and RAM Exterminators.

Christmas Special advertisement for Tracy L. O'Brien, offering massages, facials, and skin care services.

Seasonal Sensations advertisement for Carole James, featuring jams, salsas, and fruitcakes available at Schulenberg Bakery.

Crossword puzzle grid with words like SHEAF, HAS, LOFT, PEDRO, ALA, SEPIA, AMEER, ILL, PEART, SENATOR, MARKLE, LEA, SIRE, MOP, STO, A, EAGLES, AVOW, HOLE, DAILY, ROSE, SHAUN, GEAR, CLING, SARI, ANTI, HOTDOG, MOST, SEA, ONUS, EAT, JONGUN, MICHAEL, AUDIO, AGO, KENYA, ATOLL, RAT, LINEN, HERE, MPH, ERASE.



Jarrot Simon drops in two points versus HTRS on Friday night.

Irish cap off a perfect week

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The Falls City Sacred Heart Irish boys basketball team improved to 6-0 for the season with three wins this past week. First off, on Tuesday, December 11 the Irish hosted the Lewiston Tigers. The Irish dominated the game from the tip, leading 18-8 after one quarter and 38-11 at the half. The Irish continued the pressure in the second half outscoring the Tigers 34-16 over the final two periods as they cruised to a 72-27 win. SH shot 53 percent from the field (31-58) while holding Lewiston to just 30 percent (10-33). The Irish outrebounded the foe 28-21 and forced 22 turnovers to only three by the Irish offense. SH playmakers also dishied out 21 assists in the con-

test. Tyler Witt had a big offensive night, netting 22 points (10-14) from the field, pulled down four boards and had three blocked shots. Jake Hoy added 13 points and four steals while Jakob Jordan and Drew Bippes each had nine points. Bippes added a game-high eight assists for the Irish. The win improved the Irish to 4-0, and the loss dropped the Tigers to 1-3. On Friday night the Irish traveled to Humboldt to take on the Titans. HTRS kept it close the first quarter, trailing 20-13 but the Irish pulled away in the second period to take a 43-20 halftime lead. SH continued to lead 54-34 after three and pulled away in the final eight minutes for the 73-44 win. The win gave



Ranee Witt looks for an open teammate while the Titan girls apply the pressure.

Lady Irish basketball team rolling

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The Irish girl's basketball team got off to a good start on Tuesday night when they hosted the Lewiston Tigers, leading 16-5 after the first quarter and 27-8 at the half. The Irish outscored Lewiston 32-7 in the second half to earn the 59-15 win.

The Irish a 5-0 start to the season while the loss dropped the Titans to 3-2.

The Irish shot an unbelievable 75 percent from two-point range making 27-36 shots and 60 percent total from the floor while HTRS hit 40 percent for the game 18-45. SH held a decisive advantage under the glass pulling down 29 rebounds to 18 for the Titans.

Witt again had a big game hitting for 22 points, ten rebounds, three blocks, and eight assists. Hoy also had a big night for the Irish netting 20 points and adding two blocks. Jarrot Simon added 13 points and three rebounds. Connor Bredemeier led the Titans with 15 points while Hunter Hain added 14.

On Saturday afternoon the Irish host Bishop LeBlond at the RAC. LeBlond hung tight for the first period, with the Irish leading 17-13, but a 20-6 second quarter blew the game open at 37-19 heading into half-time. The Irish came out of the locker room on fire, outscoring the visitors 21-6 in the third as they cruised to a 77-40 win. The loss dropped the Eagles to 2-5 while the Irish improved to a perfect 6-0.

SH missed just four shots from two-point range in the contest, hitting 29-33 shots for 88 percent. The Irish also outrebounded the Eagles 26-9 in the game. Witt finished the game with 24 points (66 for the week) and had five rebounds. Hoy added 12 points, and four rebounds and Simon had 10 points and six rebounds. Drew Bippes added 10 points, four rebounds, and a team-high seven assists.

The Irish will host Tri-County on Tuesday, December 18 when girls JV action set for 4:30. Then on Friday, December 21 the Irish will hit the road for a game vs. Elmwood-Murdock.

The Lady Irish shot just 32 percent from the field (21-65) but converted 14 of 18 free throw attempts. The Tigers made only six of 34 shots (17.6 percent) and missed all four free throw attempts. SH held a 27-5 advantage on offensive rebounds and a 48-18 total rebound edge.

Erison Vonderschmidt led the Irish with 14 points and six rebounds. Rachel Magdanz added 13 points, eight boards, and two steals. McKenzie Witt added nine points, three boards, three steals, and five assists. Dana Christen led the Tigers with eight points.

On Friday night the Irish hit the road for a match-up against the Titans from HTRS. The game was tight for most of the first half with the Irish leading 9-5 after one quarter and 21-14 at the half. With about two minutes to go in the first half, the Irish caught fire and didn't look back as they cruised in the second half on the way to a 61-26 win.

The Irish made just 26 of 75 shot attempts for 35 percent but held the Titans to 11 of 36 for 31 percent. SH also made nine of 13 foul shots, while the Titans converted just three of 17. The Irish also forced 27 turnovers in the game and committed only seven.

Magdanz again led the Irish with 12 points, six rebounds, and three assists. Rane Witt

added 11 points, and two steals and Danielle Bippes had eight points and 11 rebounds. Carissa Allen led the Titans with six points.

The Irish also won a three quarter JV game 35-16. Lauren Malone led the scoring for SH with nine points, while Claire Niemeier had seven and Taylor Frederick and Emma Littrel each added six.

On Saturday the Lady Irish improved to 6-1 with a 65-15 drubbing of the Bishop LeBlond Eagles. The Irish led 30-6 at the half and 53-10 after three periods. The Irish shot better, hitting on 48 percent of their shot attempts while limiting the Eagles to just five of 40 from the floor. The Irish defense forced 20 turnovers, and the offense had 23 team assists to just one by the Eagles.

Magdanz again led the Irish with 14 points and three rebounds. McKenzie Witt added eleven points, three steals and five assists and Elizabeth Keithley added nine points and six rebounds. Juliann Smith led Bishop LeBlond with nine points. The win improved the Irish to 6-1 for the year, while the loss dropped the Eagles to 1-4.

The Irish will be in action on Tuesday, December 18, when they host Tri-County and then will hit the road on Friday for a match-up against Elmwood-Murdock.



Ahren Ebel and Danielle Bippes fight for a rebound Friday in Humboldt.

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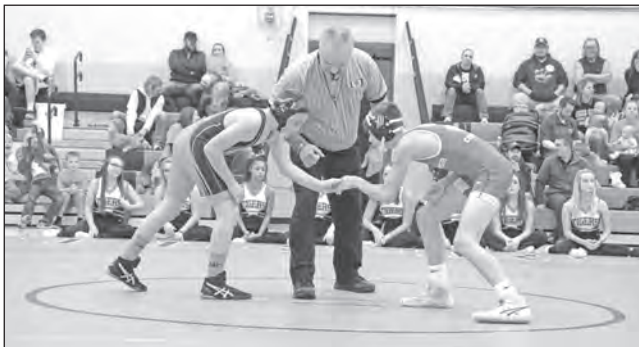
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Ray Feek takes on the Conestoga wrestler at 106 lbs.



Thomas Fields looked to have the upper hand but eventually fell to Owen Snipes at 182.



Michelle Beer pushes the ball up court against the Lady Blue Devils. The Tigers dropped a pair of games last week, first they fell 34-19 at Southern on Thursday and dropped a close game, 50-46 at Plattsmouth on Saturday. Stats were not submitted in time for publication. (Photo by Deena Beer)



Drake Butler goes up strong against the Plattsmouth defender. The Tigers fell to Plattsmouth on Saturday, 44-34. Stats were not submitted in time for publication. (Photo by Deena Beer)

Tiger wrestlers have busy week You Drink and You Lose.

Photos by Brian McKim, Story submitted

The Falls City Tiger Wrestling team had a busy week. On Tuesday, Dec. 11, the Tigers hosted Conestoga for their first and only home wrestling dual. The Tigers would only wrestle five matches on the night and got a big win from Chris Verdinez at 170 lbs. Some tough matches at 182 lbs. and 195 lbs. would help Conestoga claim victory in the dual (42-36).

The Tigers would travel to Nebraska City on Thursday, Dec. 13, to take on the Nebraska City Pioneers. The Tigers did some things well on the mat and definitely got some great experience against an always tough Nebraska City squad. The Tigers would win three out of four exhibition matches before the varsity dual, with Thomas Fields, Jon Garcia, and Steven Riggs all pinning their opponents. The Pioneer varsity squad was too overwhelming for the Tigers in the long run with the Tigers only winning two matches they wrestled with pins

from Lane Burns at 138 lbs. and Jaden Nolte at HWT. The Pioneers would claim victory (65-18).

The Tigers traveled to Auburn this past Saturday for their second Wrestling Tournament of the year.

The Tigers would have some great matches and some real positives heading into their last week of wrestling before the end of the semester. The Tigers had three wrestlers place at the Auburn Tournament (Jaden Nolte 2nd at HWT, Kyle Black 3rd at 160 lbs., and Dakota Fisher 4th at 182 lbs.)

"We definitely got some great experience this week and some quality mat time on Saturday. A lot of our guys are starting to turn the corner in terms of competing better on the mat. We just need to eliminate some silly mistakes that get us caught in bad situations. We have gotten better every week, hopefully we can get everyone healthy over the break and keep our program moving in the right direction."

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Santa came to Stella on December 15. He saw 55 children, parents, and grandparents. Pictured above, Grandma Rhonda Joy with her grandchildren, children of Megan and Cade Herr of Humboldt.



Partners In Education accepted a \$600 Shopko Grant for their organization. The money helps with funds for the students and staff of The Falls City Public Schools. Pictured above is Anna Thompson, PIE member, Sheila Hamilton, Manager Falls City Shopko, Kelli Kennel, PIE Treasurer, and Molly Richey from Shopko.

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Mike Meyerkorth

Mike Meyerkorth, 64, of Paxico, Kansas passed away December 12, 2018 in Manhattan, KS. He was born October 22, 1954 at Humboldt, to Lavern and Lila (Vice) Meyerkorth.

Mike was raised in the rural Shubert area and graduated Peoples Bible College at Colorado Springs. He returned home to partner in the family farm and started his hay business. Once married, the couple established their home on a farm near Shubert.

He married Rebecca Ganger on March 1, 1977 in Alliance, Ohio. They were later divorced.

In 1984, they moved to Wamego, Kansas, and he joined a roofing company and then joined the Wamego Police Department as a law enforcement officer. He then sold insurance and did estate planning, all while continuing the hay and livestock business. He then became employed in the transport business in Alaska and North Dakota, continued trucking in Kansas, and then drove a taxi in Manhattan until the time of his death. He was a member of the American Quarter Horse Association and National Hay Association.

Mike is survived by his children Lincoln Meyerkorth (Tracy), Wheaton; Dorlan Meyerkorth (Casio Laumann), Westmoreland; and Heather Hurla (Steven), Paxico; mother, Lila Meyerkorth, Shubert, brother, Greg Meyerkorth (Mary Nelsen), Verdon; sisters, Pam Pickard and Judith Jeffrey, both of Verdon; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father.

His funeral will be held on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 10:30 AM at Mt. Zion Brick Church, east of Shubert with Pastor Tim Pearson officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Zion Brick Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 7-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Area Bridge

Nancy Wittwer, Judy Munn and Merry von Seggern won the prizes when Falls City Area Bridge met Dec. 11 when three tables of bridge were played.

The hostess was Nancy Wittwer. Della Meyer will host the next session on January 8, 2019, 12:30 p.m. at the Elks.

Jeffrey Ogden

Jeffrey "Jeff" Ogden, 50, of Rulo, passed away December 12, 2018 at Rulo. He was born October 8, 1968 in Falls City to Louis and Shirley (Nitzsche) Ogden.

Jeff was raised in Rulo and graduated Falls City High School in 1986. After graduation he attended the Police Academy at Hutchinson, KS and then worked as an Iowa Tribal Officer. He then took employment at Wilde Tool in Hiawatha, KS and then Armstrong Cabinet Factory in Auburn and finally at Van Tech Industries at Falls City.

He married Linda Petersen on July 4, 2007 in Lincoln.

He was forced to retire due to his health in 2012. He was a member of the Prairie Band Po-

tawatomi Nation.

Jeff is survived by his wife, Linda of Rulo, sons, Stephen and his fiancé Sydney Tisdell of Dawson, Ty and his fiancé Natasha Rowland of Falls City, Tomee Ogden of Rulo, two sisters, and grandchildren, Zachery, Kenleigh, Carter and Megan. He was preceded in death by his parents and twin siblings in infancy.

His funeral was held on Monday, December 17, 2018 at 3:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Pastor Shwalter officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to service time at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home. Cremation to follow with private inurnment at a later date at Rulo Cemetery.

Maxine Workman

Maxine Louise Workman, 87, of Humboldt was born March 7, 1931 during a blizzard on the family farm near Alma, Nebraska to Herman Bernhard Wiemers, Jr. and Hermina Johanna (Gossman) Wiemers.

Her parents moved to Humboldt in 1948, but Maxine stayed behind in Alma and lived with her grandmother Margaret Wiemers so that she could finish high school there and graduate with the class of 1948.

She attended Hastings College in Hastings, NE from 1948-1950, where she majored in nursing. She attended Immanuel Hospital School of Nursing in Omaha, Nebraska and graduated in 1953 as a Registered Nurse. After graduation, Maxine first worked as a nurse at Brewsters Hospital in Holdrege, NE then moved to Humboldt and went to work for Dr. Harlan Heim at the Humboldt Hospital. She married Robert E. Workman on June 6, 1954 at the United Methodist Church in Humboldt. They were married for an amazing 62 years until Bob's death in 2016.

Maxine was a Registered Nurse for over 40 years. She worked at the Community Memorial Hospital and at the Colonial Acres Nursing Home until she retired in 1994.

Maxine was a devoted and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She loved to grow flowers in her garden, go on camping trips with her family, travel on bus trips with Bob, and cherished spending time with her children and grandchildren. Maxine was an active member of the United Methodist Church and sang in the church choir and a former member of the Humboldt Crescent Rebekah's Lodge #100. She and her husband Bob lived on

their family farm northwest of Humboldt for 59 years. Maxine passed away on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Pawnee County Memorial Hospital in Pawnee City.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Robert "Bob", beloved granddaughter Chloe Louise Workman, step-father Charlie Workman, brothers Duane Wiemers and Eugene (Jane) Wiemers, nephews David John Wiemers and Michael Wiemers, niece Jeanne Van Volkenburgh-Post, and brother-in-law Ron Workman.

Maxine is survived by her sons: Stuart Workman and his wife Ginger of Enterprise, KS; Doug Workman and his wife Kellie of Humboldt; daughter Susan Eagan and husband Louie of Lexington, MO; granddaughters: Rachel Workman of Lincoln; Haley Workman of Omaha; Katelyn Eagan of Rolla, MO; sisters-in-law Shirley Workman of Lincoln; Jeanne Workman of St. James City, FL; Karen (Haney) Milstead of Lincoln; brother-in-law Russel (Judy) Workman of Lincoln; many nieces and nephews who will miss their "Auntie Max", and many relatives and friends.

Funeral Services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 15, 2018, at the United Methodist Church in Humboldt, Nebraska with Pastor Dorothy Smith officiating.

Visitation was from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. on December 14, 2018, at The Wherry Mortuary in Humboldt. Family gathered from 6-8 p.m. at the mortuary. Interment was at the Humboldt Cemetery.

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Don't get snowed under this Christmas: tips to spend wisely

(StatePoint) Even after setting a holiday budget, the most wonderful time of year is often the most expensive. Experts say that this Christmas, there are new ways to make your dollar go further.

"The days of clipping coupons may be out of style, but finding ways to save money never is," says Michael McAuliffe, president of Family Credit Management. "From in-store apps to price trackers, new tech tools can help."

The experts at Family Credit Management are encouraging consumers to research their money-saving options, as technology is always evolving. To get you started, they have narrowed down a few tech-savvy ways to streamline and save this season.

- **Browser Extensions:** Forty-six percent of all holiday shopping occurs online, according to WeAreTop10, so, do your share of it wisely. Whether you use Google Chrome, Internet Explorer, Safari or Firefox as your internet browser, there are sites you can visit to add an extension to your searching power. It's like adding an additional search box which will look to look for the best deals out there whenever you are shopping online and compare prices side-by-side, cutting out some of the legwork for you. Some well-known examples are PriceBlink, The Camelizer and InvisibleHand.

- **Coupon Apps:** Mobile apps such as Coupon Sherpa, Snip-Snap and Yowza, enable you to scan items while you're in-store and find the best value coupons on the spot.

- **Price Drop Alert Trackers:** Eighty-four percent of Americans plan to check Amazon before looking or buying elsewhere, according to the Accenture Holiday Shopping Survey. Don't make the mistake of assuming Amazon is the be-all-and-end-all for saving. Prices drop all the time, especially around Christmas. But, how can you keep track of who is dropping them and when? With a tracker app, you can tell the app what to look for and it will notify you when your wanted items drop in price. IFTTT (If This Then That), camelcamelcamel and Price Tracker for Amazon will keep an eye on prices for you to make sure you're the first to see the best deals.

- **Credit Card Points/Discounts:** Credit cards can encourage overspending, but when used carefully and within budget, offer certain advantages. For example, store-specific credit cards often offer special discounts, kickbacks and coupons for cardholders. Just think how you could double up on the savings by using some of the above tools, as well as by purchasing with a card with added bonuses. Remember though, that any savings you earn will quickly be eaten up if you pay interest charges. To avoid this trap, never use a credit card unless you can pay the entire balance in full each month. Also, think very carefully about opening a new account, as this can negatively affect your credit.

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All About Santa

Ho Ho Ho Santa chimney

Read the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle:

- said to be Santa's favorite treat on Christmas Eve
- Santa writes this to remember each child's behavior
- where Santa enters the house to deliver presents
- they build the toys and help Santa with all chores
- Santa Claus' cheerful wife; keeps Santa organized
- night Santa flies around the world in his sleigh
- jolly phrase that Santa shouts from his sleigh
- if you misbehave, expect a lump of _____ in your stocking
- Santa might leave sweet treats like _____ canes in stockings
- also known as Saint Nicholas, Kris Kringle or Father Christmas (Russia)
- where Santa lives - it's very cold, but Mrs. Claus keeps the house cozy
- Santa carries the perfect gift for every good boy and girl in his _____
- to get to every house in one night, Santa flies in a big red _____
- wild _____ are still found in Siberia, Greenland, Alaska and Canada
- where all the toys are made and the elves work their magic

Who Brings the Gifts?

Hint: this puzzle is a little hard, so I put name of a major city in each clue. If you need help, just ask Mom or Dad!

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- La Befana
- Hotel-oshu
- Papai Noel
- Jultomten
- Ded Moroz
- Santa Claus

In North America, Santa Claus brings the Christmas presents while children sleep. **Who brings the gifts in other countries? Do this 3-way match to find out (one is done for you):**

- Rides in a sleigh pulled by reindeer. Lives at the North Pole. Children leave milk and cookies for him. (Washington, D.C.)
- Christmas gnome who lives under the floorboards. Rides a straw goat named Juboeken. (Stockholm)
- Buddhist monk who delivers gifts. Children believe he has eyes in the back of his head, and that he's always watching. (Tokyo)
- Grandfather Frost. Delivers toys and gifts in person. Rides in a sled pulled by three horses called a Troika. (Moscow)
- Comes to visit in January. Flies around on a broom and enters homes through the chimney. Children leave morsels out for her to eat. (Rome)
- Wears lightweight silk clothing and lives in Greenland. He puts treats in shoes of the children. (Rio de Janeiro)
- Visits children on Dec. 6th (St. Nicholas Day). He brings an angel who carries a big book that tells who's naughty or nice. But, Baby Jesus brings the gifts on Christmas Eve. (Prague)

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Table of financial statements for the City of Falls City, including sections for Animal Control, Sewer, and various utility services.

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For a gambling problem, call 24/7 GAP helpline at 1-800-522-4700 to take action now. Call to the helpline is taking action. A counselor will help you identify the problem and find the best available resource to overcome that problem. This phone call is your first, best step to get your life back. The Nebraska Gamblers Assistance Program (GAP) Problem Gambling, nebraska.gov

Part-Time Work NASDA is looking for motivated individuals to collect data from farmers and ranchers in Nebraska on behalf of USDA/NASS. Paid Training and Mileage Reimbursement Included! Applicant Requirements NASDA logo and contact information.

Table of financial reports for various departments including Airport, Municipal Finance, C.B.G.G. Grants, Electric, Water, Gas, Sewer, and S.E.U. #4.

Board of Equalization

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
DECEMBER 4, 2018
CALL TO ORDER
The Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2018.

E.S.U. #4

The Board of Educational Service Unit #4 held its regular meeting on Monday, December 10, 2018, at 5:15 p.m. at the Educational Service Unit #4 in Auburn, Nebraska.

Village of Rulo

Village of Rulo Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
November, 2018 - 7:00 pm - Rulo Library
Present: Lee Smith, Norman Thompson, Dion Grier, Becky Simmons, Melissa Coonce & Jane Zentner, Clerk/Sec.

Village of Verdun

VERDUN MINUTES
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
DECEMBER 5, 2018: 7:00 PM
VILLAGE HALL
Chairperson pro-tempore Shannon Weinnann informed the meeting room at large that the revised Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall.

Tell the DOL to put American workers first and save the print requirement for temporary job listings

By David Chavern, President and CEO, News Media Alliance, Dec. 5, 2018

Print newspapers are still the primary way that tens of millions of Americans receive information about their communities and the world. They are also the way that many people find out about job opportunities.

But if the Department of Labor (DOL) has its way, these communities may soon be out of luck. On November 8, the DOL proposed to change the way temporary job openings are shared with potential workers.

The purpose of the existing policy is to ensure that job opportunities are made known to U.S. workers before they can be offered to foreign workers. By publishing announcements in the print newspaper, employers are able to reach an extremely wide audience.

Without the print requirement, job seekers will not only have a harder time finding job listings in their local newspapers, but online as well.

The proposed alternative of simply posting an ad on a website would make it too easy for employers to just "check the box" and by-pass available US workers.



Pictured from left to right: Ashley Robertson, Project Response Executive Director, Sheriff Brent Lottman, Dr. Darolyn Sey, Dr. Anthony C. Tritt, Project Response Board of Directors President

Project Response honors Sheriff Brent Lottman and Dr. Sey

Project Response held its December Board of Directors Meeting on Monday, December 3rd at El Portal. After the monthly meeting, the Board was joined by Project Response staff as well as former board members Sheriff Brent Lottman and Dr. Darolyn Sey for the annual supper.

Sheriff Lottman served on the Project Response Board of Directors for 11 years and Dr. Sey served nine years. Throughout the years, their volunteering of time and dedication to the agency's mission did not go unnoticed.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The opiate crisis is continuing to get worse in the United States and is now being considered a "syndemic," after graduating from being an epidemic. A syndemic is when 2 or three epidemics start playing off of each other.

For more information on the opiate syndemic, visit http://www.narconon-suncoast.org/blog/opioid-crisis-now-considered-a-syndemic.html

Address: 1390 Sunset Point Road, Clearwater, FL, 33755

FFA attends live stock judging

On November 7, 2018, the Falls City FFA Chapter attended district live stock judging. At competition they had to determine which animals out of a group were best for their market.

Advertisement for Recovery Rock featuring a logo with a rock and text: 'Monday's at 8:00 p.m. First Brethren Church • 1902 Lane St. TURN THE PAGE'

Advertisement for Humane Society featuring a photo of a dog and text: 'SAVE A PET Sponsored by the Richardson County Humane Society Meet Lee Daisy, older (10 yrs) lap kitty, and very laid back He needs a home asap, due to losing his owner. Please call us 402-245-2338 to adopt. SPONSORED BY THE HUMANE SOCIETY, 245-2779'

STRAIGHT FROM SANTA'S MAILBAG

IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON, WE'RE PLEASED TO SHARE THESE HEARTWARMING LETTERS FROM SANTA'S YOUNGEST FANS.
(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)



Falls City Sacred Heart
Dear Santa, How many reindeer are in the North Pole? For Christmas this year I would like the horse Bullseye from Toy Story. Thank you Santa. Have a Merry Christmas. Love Alan Auxier

Dear Santa, How is the weather in the North Pole? For Christmas this year I would like a baby brother. Thank you. Kendel McQueen

Dear Santa, How many elves are in the North Pole? For Christmas this year I would like a huge black panther and a fidget spinner. I would also like a little trex. Thank you Santa. I hope you have a nice Christmas. Gavin Shubert.

Dear Santa, how is Mrs. Claus doing? For Christmas this year I would like sparkling belts and blue fidget spinner. Thank you Santa. Have a nice day. Love Lily Anderson.

Dear Santa, Do you have any extra clothes in the North Pole? For Christmas this year I would like an LOL doll. I also want a new phone and an Ipad. Thank you Santa. Love Kyla Bletcher.

Dear Santa, Can you send me a picture of the elves? For Christmas this year I would like a Barbie car 2. Connetic sande. Barbie that comes with a horse that can walk. Santa can I have a funny elf? What does the North Pole look? I am so excited to have a baby brother or sister! Thank you for giving me presents. Love Ashlyn Ahern

Dear Santa, what does it look

like in the North Pole? For Christmas this year I would like 1 waikie talkie. 2 Chevy Coiorado. 3 LOL Biggevsse. Santa do you really have a Santa. I wish I could have a prank stev elf. Thank you for all the presents you gave me. My elf has been in some funny places. Hadlee Georges.

Dear Santa, Can you show me what the inside of your house looks like For Christmas this year I would like LOL Dolls and House. 2. Chmunks. 3. Toy Kit-ten. Can you send me a picture of all the elves. Thanks, Mad-elynn Cluskey

Dear Santa, Can you me send me a picture of Mrs. Claus? For Christmas I would like 1. Barbie dream house. 2 Kitty. 3. Toy Horse. How much show do you get in the North Pole. My friend Kyla has an elf that couldn't come to her house this year. Is he okay? I love you very much. Cassie Tisdell.

Dear Santa, Can you send me a picture of all the elves? For Christmas I like 1. I PhoneX. 2. Barbie Dream House. 3. Puppy. Do you have a phone that kids can call and talk to you. I love you Santa! Olivia Santo.

Dear Santa, Can you make me some presents? For Christmas this year I would like 1. Barbie Dream House. 2. Puppy. 3. IphoneX

How many elves do you have? Thank you, you are the best! Love, Marion Bristol.

Dear Santa, What does the North Pole look like? For Christmas this year I would like

1. Pink marshmallow duck. 2. A rainbow duck. 3. A rainbow pillow to match my blanket. I hope you have a good time making presents. Love, Mia Lemerond.

Dear Santa, What do the elves do? For Christmas this year I would like 1. Movies 2. Toy 3. Pick me pop. How long does it take to wrap presents. Thank you so much for my presents. Love Charlotte Cotezee

Falls City North School
Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! Garrett Jackson

Dear Santa, I want a tran that lis up in the drc. Love Tatum Russell Hall

Dear Santa, I want a elf and a sonic and tals. Love Asher McCullick

Dear Santa, I want a toy trke and a drum. I want a raskor. Love Kylie Ramsey.

Dear Santa, I want a hachml. Love Kaylor Karst

Dear Santa, I want a paw patrol and a pop out truck. Easton McAndrew

Dear Santa, Daz the elf have a Christmas tre? I love you santa. Oakley O'Grady

Dear Santa, I want a pop out monster boccs. Domink Hull.

Dear Santa, Wy do you have 8 rander? Ho ho ho. Alivia Seeba.

Dear Santa, I want 2 brides and 3 boris and 5 ink machines. From Mason Simpson

Dec. 22, 1983

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a 4x4 rig and trailer. And I would like to have you come to my house and have milk and cookies whith my family and I. Love Randy.

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a fire truck. Not a real one I like fire trucks. Would you give one to me. I do know I have a dad for a chef of the firemen. Your friend Steve.

Dear Santa, I would like to have Jabbe Hut and Y-wing fighter to. And I want C-3PO and Han Solo. I would like an airplnat to. How are your funny little elves. How are you up there Santa. Craig.

Dear Santa, I love you very much. When you come to my house I will lay out some cookies and milk. I want some ice skates and a ballet suit. I wish you a Merry Christmas. I wish you a Merry Christmas. And a happy new years. Dear Santa

Claus! Nicole Lynne.

Dear Santa Claus, Would you get me a bike and a football uniform Santa Claus. Santa Claus, I have been good. Santa Claus, would you get me a Atari for Christmas Eve. Are you fine Santa Claus? I am fine Santa Claus. Your friend Paul.

Dear Santa, Thank you for the letter I will be a good boy and thank the elves and your wife. Your friend Brian.

December 21, 1970

Dear Santa Claus, I want a baby go by by. And a record player. If my borther ask to have a record player do not give him one. Because we have to share it because my father do not want us to have two. From Dena Bogle

Dear Santa Claus, I want a pool table and two pool stick and it coust 588. Your friend Kirby Oliver.

Dear Santa, I want a doll that drinks and wet or baby fender love. And a burnet wig. How is Mrs. Santa and the elves? Hope fine. I have brothers and 4 sisters counting me. Ill go down the line from oldest Linda, Marcell, Diana, Cindy, fred, Ed. That all I got to say. Cindy Ann Cavanaugh

Dear Santa, Billy and me have been pretty good. Heres what we would like for Christmas. Billy would like a train and some racing cars. And I want rings and things and another nice thing. Bobby would like a stuffed toy. Daddy needs some shirts. Mommy wants some new sheets. And we would like a new record player if you have one. Our friend Brenda Rahe.

"POST OFFICE SORTING ROOM" December 8, 1945



When Artist John Falter set out to paint a picture of the Christmas-mail rush, he made his sketches in the busiest post office in the world, the one properly known as the New York, New York, Post Office, at 33rd Street and 8th Avenue. In spite of all the urging to mail early--did you?--the rush never gets fully under way until about this date. Then it's a torrent. In the first nineteen days of last December, this post office handled more than 12,000,000 parcels. The biggest day for mailing is December nineteenth, ordinarily, but the mailman's worst day, for deliveries, is December twenty-third. That is the day he staggers around under a sack of gifts that would discourage Santa Claus himself. Postmaster Albert Goldman and his brother postmasters would appreciate it if you would mail early this year--but they don't expect it. johnphilipfaltermuseum.com

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RICHARDSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE HOLIDAY HOURS
The office of the Courthouse will close at noon on Christmas Eve and will be CLOSED on Tuesday, December 25, in observance of Christmas and will be CLOSED on Tuesday, January 1, for New Year's Day.

HOLIDAY HOURS

CHRISTMAS

Monday, December 24 Close at Noon	Tuesday, December 25 CLOSED
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NEW YEAR'S

Monday, December 31 Close at 3PM	Tuesday, January 1 CLOSED
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All of us at F&M Bank wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Falls City and Stella, Nebraska

HOLIDAY HOURS

We will close at noon on Christmas Eve on Monday, December 24 and we will be closed on Christmas Day, December 25.

We will close at 4:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve we will be closed on New Year's Day.

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

From All of Us at F&M Bank