

COMMISSIONERS APPROVE DISASTER DECLARATION

By: Charlie Radatz
 During their Tues. Dec. 18th, meeting, the Richardson County Board of Commissioners voted to approve a Declaration of Disaster for the flood damage that occurred during the summer and fall of 2018 within the Village of Rulo. The action, which is necessary for the County to qualify for federal and state financial assistance, was taken following their receipt of a report from Emergency Management Agency Director Brian Kirkendall. Kirkendall described the damages that have occurred within the Village of Rulo and requested that the County Board make the Declaration of Disaster.

Sheriff Don Pounds updated the Board on the business within in the Sheriff's Office and the Law Enforcement Center this week. Sheriff Pounds presented the draft agreement with the Community Medical Center to provide health services for inmates at the Richardson County Law Enforcement Center and possibility of county employing a part-time nurse. The County Attorney will be asked to review the agreement before action is taken.

Rita Fisher and Shannon Roberts representing the "Take Back Our Community" organization requested to meet with the Board regarding questions on the fiscal year end audit report of June 30, 2018 and the housing of inmates from other counties in particular Sarpy County which had been discussed during the construction of the Law Enforcement Center.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this week. He reported that an employee had recently resigned and that the position will be filled according to the union guidelines.

The Board suggested the ladies address their questions regarding the audit to the Sheriff at his office. With regards to the housing of inmates from Sarpy County, Commissioners pointed out that an agreement

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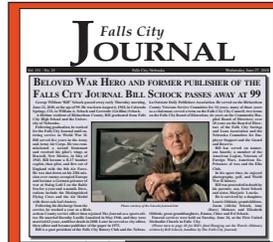
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Newsmakers of 2018 has been split into two sections. The second section of stories will run in next week's paper.



'Bill Schock passes away'
 Falls City Journal — June 27, 2018

Falls City and the *Journal* lost a staple of the community and a beloved friend when Bill Schock passed away on June 21, 2018, at the age of 99. Schock served in World War II before coming back to Falls City and working as the sports editor, city editor, editor, then publisher of the *Journal*. Schock remained active in the community rarely missing a lunch at One-Stop Cafe, attending Veterans events and writing articles for the *Journal* until his death.



'Why I stood for Freedom of the Press'
 Falls City Journal — August 22, 2018

The week of August 13, 2018 hundreds of newspapers, large and small stood together as one and stressed the importance of Free Press. The *Journal* was one of three newspapers in Nebraska that stood with the *Boston Globe* and the *New York Times* and declared that are not an enemy of the American people and if those freedoms are taken away, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, there is no democracy in this country and there for no freedom.



'Irish Boys win State title'
 Falls City Journal — March 14, 2018

The Falls City Sacred Heart number one seed 24-3, took on the number two seed Riverside Chargers 25-2 at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, for the Class D2 State Championship. Sacred Heart was looking for their first state title since 2008 and got it with a 59-42 win. This was the schools ninth state title. "We thought we had the caliber of team this year to make it to Lincoln," said Coach Doug Goltz.



'FC explosion being investigation'
 Falls City Journal — September 26, 2018

Falls City was rocked when a loud explosion woke residents early September 18. The incident, investigation by the NE Fire Marshal, caused damage to the Spirit Shoppe at 1123 Harlan St. April Feighner was later arrested on a felony warrant, but faced charges of use of explosive to commit a felony and second degree arson. According to documents, the Spirit Shoppe is owned by Gary Foster.



'Courthouse tree removal sparks concern'
 Falls City Journal — March 28, 2018

The removal of trees on the Richardson County Courthouse lawn prompted questions and backlash from citizens. The decision to remove the trees came on the heels of the county commissioners' discussion over courthouse security. County commissioners discussed the tree removal during their March 13 meeting, when they accepted a bid for tree removal that would be in the way of new sidewalks.



'New security measures in effect at RC Courthouse'
 Falls City Journal — July 11, 2018

The Richardson Co. Courthouse put new security measures into effect as of July 10, 2018. No firearms or other weapons including pocket knives are allowed by members of the public. Individuals were to walk through a metal detector placed at the south entrance, and it is the only point of entry. All other doors were to remain locked.

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KEEPING TREE LIMBS OUT OF CITY ELECTRICAL LINES PROVES TO BE COSTLY

By: Charlie Radatz
 By a 6-0 vote Falls City's City Council, during their Dec. 17th meeting, accepted a bid of \$199,375 of a Ralston tree trimming firm to clear out trees and tree branches damaging or threatening to damage city power lines especially during times of severe weather. Approval of the contract with the Ralston firm, Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC, was recommended by the Board of Public Works.

Utility Superintendent Ray Luhring told council members

the Utility received no bids the first time the project was advertised and that Asplundh submitted the only bid when bids were sought for a second time. That bid came in at \$267,200 for the four quadrants of the Utility system and that only after negotiating with the bidder and significantly reducing work in Section 4 was the Utility able to keep the project cost below its \$200,000 budget.

City Councilman Mitch Merz asked why city workers, assisted possibly by summer helpers, and using city bucket trucks,

could not do the tree trimming. Luhring responded that only a firm like Asplundh had workers trained in working within energized fields. City Administrator Gary Jorn said it had been a number of years since tree trimming had been done, and Luhring said it was the utilities intention to get on a three year rotation of having tree trimming done.

Mayor Shawna Bindle said after having been on the job for only a few weeks she had toured most of the city's facilities, had

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JOURNAL NEW YEAR'S PRINT AND MAIL SCHEDULE

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.

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From the Journal Files
By Charlie Radatz
50-25-15 Years Ago

50 Years Ago - Dec. 26, 1968 - Jan. 1, 1969
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fehse, who had operated the Falls City Dry Cleaners, 1608 Stone Street for 28 years, announced they would be closing their business and retiring Dec. 31st.

Boyd J. Engleman, Falls City, NE, was promoted to technical sergeant in the U.S. Air Force and was decorated with the Bronze Star medal for meritorious service.

Irving M. Wiltse, son of State Sen. and Mrs. Irving F. Wiltse, Falls City, was promoted to the rank of commander in the U.S. Navy.

Some 700,000 Nebraskans were about to receive their first individual income tax booklets from the Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, the largest single mailing in the history of Nebraska state government.

Nebraska farmers produced crops worth \$756 mil. in 1968, at the time the fourth highest total ever according to federal crop experts.

The Rivoli was showing "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter" starring Alan Arkin to be followed by Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau in "The Odd Couple".

Berton W. Williamson, authorized Baldwin dealer of Dawson, NE, ran an ad congratulating the City of Falls City on the purchase of the Baldwin Grand Piano for Prichard Auditorium and encouraging citizens to attend the dedication program for the new instrument.

A photo of Dennis Finner, Falls City, was published showing him crouched beside an artificial Christmas Tree shipped to him by his wife and daughter while he was stationed in Vietnam.

A couple from St. Joseph, Mo., was united in marriage in the safety deposit box inspection room at the Richardson County Bank (17th & Stone) by Justice of Peace Harold Prichard who escorted the couple to the bank where two bank employees served as witnesses to the exchange of vows.

County Attorney Harold Gurske was named to the board of directors of the Southeast Nebraska Community Action Council.

New York Jets Quarterback Joe Namath was named the American Football League's "Player of the Year" and his Jets team defeated the Oakland Raiders 27-23 to earn the right to face-off with the Baltimore Colts in the Super Bowl.

A Shestak Drug ad proclaimed "the oldest known prescription was found carved on a stone, written sometime before the birth of Christ."

This week's Homer Sez included this goodie: "Ideas are like children.... your own are wonderful".

John Caverzagie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caverzagie, Rulo, was promoted from specialist 4th Class to Sergeant while serving with the 9th Infantry Division in Vietnam.

Communist China announced the successful test of a hydrogen bomb.

Among the recommendations coming from a group of scientists was a elimination of DDT as a herbicide and cessation of chemical warfare by the U.S. in Vietnam.

The former home of Charlie Smith's Ford on 18th Street between Harlan and Stone Street was demolished to provide off-street parking for Hotel Stephenson.

Sacred Heart was defeated in the first round of the Nehawka Christmas tournament by Weeping Water, 64-62 and then lost 66-64 in its battle for third place with Nebraska City Lourdes Central.

The Falls City Lions Club had a Father-Son Noon Luncheon meeting Dec 30.

There were 142 births in Richardson County in 1968 compared to 160 in 1967 and 171 deaths compared to 185 in the previous year.

The Falls City Volunteer Fire Department responded to 46 fires resulting in \$14,257 in loss, well under the \$33,500 in fire loss during 1967.

The Falls City Elks Midgets baseball team sparked community pride in 1968 when they moved up from Class B to Class A baseball and advanced to the state tournament semifinals where they were defeated 8-4 by Columbus.

Jim Hills Paint, Glass, and Wallpaper was celebrating its 15th Anniversary and announced that it had purchased the building south of their retail store to provide additional display space.

25 Years Ago - Dec. 26, 1993 - Jan. 1, 1994
Christmas came a bit early for Mrs. Jerry Hatman who won \$5,000 on a Nebraska Lottery ticket she bought at the Spirit Shoppe.

It was a lump of coal in the stockings of John David Andreas, 40, and James Haverkamp, 34, serving prison terms for their roles in the Rulo cut murders, when the Nebraska Parole Board rejected their requests for parole.

Christmas is a day for miracles and so it was for a 59-year-old British woman who gave birth to twins on this special day and became the oldest woman on record to have a child.

To reduce littering along East 14th Street, Leland Harmon put a 50-gallon barrel in his yard labeled for "Papers, Bottles, Cans, Money". It didn't catch much money but did its job nonetheless.

Celeste Nolte (Jones) was the leading scorer for the Lady Irish with 24 points in a decisive 61-34 victory over Valley in the first round of the Elmwood-Murlock basketball tournament.

Lloyd C. Hayes, Humboldt, was presented a plaque recognizing his nine years as an ASCS committeeman.

Jake Simon scored 35 points in a Sacred Heart 70-52 victory over Elgin in the Nebraska Holiday Prep Classic in Lincoln.

Todd Liberty of Falls City High School was Del Sutherland's pick for Richardson County Athlete of the Week after he scored 24 points in a Tiger victory in double overtime over highly rated Lincoln Christian.

Celeste Nolte (Jones) scored 27 of Sacred Heart's points as the Lady Irish captured the championship of the four-team Elmwood-Murlock Holiday Tournament with a 66-39 victory over Wilcox in the championship game.

The Falls City Tiger boys basketball team won their fourth consecutive championship of the St. Joseph LeBlond Holiday Tournament defeating Lathrop 60-45.

The Tiger girls took the consolation crown of the LeBlond tournament defeating Plattsburg 32-28.

Keeping tree limbs out of city electrical lines proves to be costly

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visited with many of its employees, and that everybody in the various city departments had made her feel very welcome. Mrs. Bindle said the community should feel blessed to have the experience and knowledge possessed by the city's workforce. She also expressed pride in the quality of the many outdoor holiday light displays of city residents.

Approved on first reading was an ordinance updating the city's Electrical Code. Approved on second reading was an ordinance creating a special paving district for an 86 foot extension of 8th Street, the \$18,902 cost of which will be assessed to the abutting property owners, Falls City Mercantile and Brian and Morgen Vice. The meeting was adjourned after the Council adjusted its calendar of meetings in conflict with federal holidays. The Mon., Feb. 18. Meeting was moved to Tue., Feb. 19, and the Mon., Sept. 2 meeting was moved to Wed., Sept. 4.

FCPD CALL STATISTICS

December 17, 2018: One accident call; one alarm call; four ambulance calls; one animal call; three investigation calls; five misc. calls; one motorist asst./unlock calls; one open door call; three referred calls; seven 911 calls; one citation for shoplifting; one citation for invalid registration.

December 18, 2018: one accident call; four ambulance calls; four investigation calls; seven misc. calls; one motorist asst./unlock calls; one noise disturbance call; one parking complaint; three referred calls; three 911 calls; one citation for possession of marijuana less than one ounce, possession paraphernalia; one citation for possession of marijuana less than one ounce, possession paraphernalia; one citation for possession of drug paraphernalia; one citation for driving while suspended.

December 19, 2018: one alarm

call; four ambulance calls; one investigation call; six misc. calls; six 911 calls; one citation for stoplight/signals; one citation for driving while suspended.
December 20, 2018: one alarm call; one ambulance call; one animal call; three investigation calls; three misc. calls; one motorist

asst./unlock; one noise disturbance call; one referred call; one 911 call.
Dec. 24-25: one accident calls; five ambulance calls; seven misc. calls; one investigation call; one parking complaint; two referred calls; ten 911 calls and one citation for speeding, no seat belt.

Commissioners approve disaster declaration

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by Sarpy County. They said other counties in the surrounding area have been utilizing the space at the Law Enforcement Center, however inmates from Richardson County have been keeping the facility close to capacity for the past year.

Chairman Sickle presented the proof of publication for a public hearing to be held and declared that the public hearing be opened at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving public input to vacate a portion of road beginning at a point approximately 33 feet south of the Southeast corner of Section 18, Township 2 North, Range 17 East or approximately thirty-three (33) feet north of the Northeast corner of Section 19, Township 2, Range 17 East of the 6 P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska and running west

to the East bank of "Half Breed Creek"; also known as a portion of 711 Road running west of 655 Avenue to the East bank of the "Half Breed Creek". No comments were made from the public in opposition or support to closure of the road and Chairman Sickle declared the public hearing closed at 10:05 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned after the board voted to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted for the week including the one held from the previous week that had been submitted by Verizon in the amount of \$370.23.

Commissioners convened as a Board of Equalization prior to their regular meeting and during that session they approved two motor vehicle tax exemption requests submitted by Assessor Vice.

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JANUARY SPECIALTY CLINIC CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2 DERMATOLOGY BRIAN HERBIN, PA-C SURGERY CONSULTS DR. WARREN SURGERY- DR. SAMANI	3 RADIOLOGY	4 WOUND CARE VASCULAR DR. FITSCH
7 PAIN MANAGEMENT DR. HAMILTON	8 SURGERY & CONSULTS DR. WARREN ORTHOPEDIC- DR. SAMANI PHI CARDIAC DR. NASS/DR. NETZ EAR, NOSE & THROAT DR. PFLUG	9 DERMATOLOGY BRIAN HERBIN, PA-C NEBRASKA HEART INSTITUTE - DR. KHALID SURGERY- DR. SAMANI	10 RADIOLOGY EYE - DR. GREENAN PODIATRY D.P.M. MEINHOLD AUDIOLOGY - DR. MATT	11 NEUROSURGERY DR. TOMES
14 PAIN MANAGEMENT DR. HAMILTON ONCOLOGY DR. PETERSON ORTHOPEDIC STEVE GABRIEL	15 PHI CARDIAC DR. NASS/DR. NETZ ORTHOPEDIC- DR. SAMANI OB/GYN- DR. HODGE	16 DERMATOLOGY BRIAN HERBIN, PA-C SURGERY CONSULTS DR. WARREN SURGERY- DR. SAMANI	17 RADIOLOGY WOUND CARE VASCULAR DR. FITSCH UROLOGY DR. CRUINBERRY	18 TELEMED. NEPHROLOGY DR. LUND
21 PHI CARDIAC DR. NASS	22 PHI CARDIAC DR. NASS/DR. NETZ SURGERY & CONSULTS DR. WARREN EAR, NOSE & THROAT DR. PFLUG ORTHOPEDIC- DR. SAMANI	23 NEBRASKA HEART INSTITUTE - DR. KHALID SURGERY- DR. SAMANI	24 RADIOLOGY - D.P.M. DR. MEINHOLD UROLOGY - DR. SIREF	25 A cartoon character in a top hat.
28 RHEUMATOLOGY DR. ERICKSON PAIN MANAGEMENT DR. HAMILTON	29 PHI CARDIAC DR. NASS/DR. NETZ ORTHOPEDIC- DR. SAMANI SURGERY- DR. WARREN	30 SURGERY CONSULTS DR. WARREN SURGERY- DR. SAMANI	31 A cartoon character in a top hat.	

John W. Pflug, M.D. is at Community Medical Center Specialty Clinic the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month.
Dr. Pflug specializes in conditions of the ear, nose and throat. As an ENT, Dr. Pflug provides family-friendly services in a compassionate environment.
Call the CMC Specialty Clinic at 402-245-6521 for more information.

SOCIETY



Sun Mart of Falls City recently donated \$1,000 to Falls City South School as part of its "Direct Your Dollars" campaign. Direct Your Dollars was launched in 2016 as part of Sun Mart's commitment to support the communities they serve. The year-round program replaces Support Our Schools in select locations. SpartanNash also owns and operates more than 135 grocery stores in eight states, including Sun Mart. Today's donation is a direct result of our retail scan to end hunger. This is a testament to the generosity of our store guests. Between October 24 and November 4, we ask customers to donate between \$1-10 as they checked out and all proceeds went to support local food pantries. Between all of our stores in eight states, we raised an impressive \$278,105 and we are excited to be supporting organizations like this one as a result. The store's general manager, Angie Phroper (left) recently presented a \$1,150 check to Brooke Taylor (right) for the SENCA Food Pantry. Families from schools participating in the "Direct Your Dollars" campaign collect Sun Mart cash register receipts and the company makes a \$1,000 donation for every \$150,000 returned. (Photo by Chelsie Alexander)

Shubert America Legion Auxiliary Unit 222

The Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Unit 222 met 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2018 with cookies, candy and punch served for the holiday season at the Legion building. President Tana Brown called the meeting to order and was followed with prayer by Tana Brown in absent of Chaplain Sharon Howard. Everyone pledged allegiance to the flag sang God Bless America and repeated the American Legion Auxiliary Preamble. Roll call was taken by Elizabeth Ketter in absent of Secretary Doris Erickson, followed with the minutes of the previous meeting. Treasurer Lana Willman gave the monthly treasure report.

President Tana Brown reported our membership is 94.74 percentage. Reminder of the District 13 Convention to be February 16, 2019 at Shubert.

Communications: Thank you was read from Steve and Nancy Ramer for the Veterans dinner held on Veterans Day. A thank you was read from the VA NWHCS, Lincoln Division for the donation of magazines, food items, hygiene items, cleaning supplies, bags and personal care bags.

Linda Patchen hosts the community potluck luncheon together at the Legion building in December with a good attendance. Linda will be the host the January potluck at noon. This is for anyone in the community to come for lunch and fellowship.

President Tana Brown read the meaning of the five Christmas candles followed with everyone singing Silent Night.

Closing prayer was given by Tana Brown, meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at the Legion Building.

Tri-State Corners Genealogical Society

Ten members of the Tri-State Corners Genealogical Society met at the Richardson County Historical Society Museum on Thursday, December 6, for their annual Christmas party. After everyone helped themselves to goodies, Norma Thompson called the meeting to order, Jorene Herr took roll call and read the minutes, and Richard Zentner gave the treasurer's report. It was mentioned that January not only begins the new year, but is also

time to pay dues.

All projects remain unchanged. Correspondence included a newsletter from the Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society. Queries were received for the Rame/Henderson and Scholl families, and about the 1917 Richardson County History. One member is researching Falls City Hospitals.

There was no old or new business.

The program was an heirloom show 'n' tell, with members bringing items to share. Items included a conductor hat and bell, a chanter from a bagpipe, a springerle rolling pin, a baby plate and back brace, and a diploma, picture and report card from 1935.

The meeting was adjourned, with the next meeting scheduled for 7:00 on Thursday, January 3, in the same location.

Falls City Does

Members of the Falls City Benevolent Patriotic Order of the Does held their annual Christmas dinner on Dec. 10 at the Falls City Elks Lodge. Social hour was from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dinner was served at 7:00 p.m.

Following the dinner, Dessi Scholl introduced the local Girl Scouts. They sung several Christmas songs. Members are working hard to earn money for their trip to Japan in May. Three adults and three scouts are planning to go. Some of their money making projects are, collecting used shoes, selling pizza cards from Casey's Store, punch cards for bowling, selling homemade cookies and other foods.

Questions can be made to Gerri Elwonger at 402-245-3679. Linda Frost, Nancy McKim and Marlene McKim had perfect attendance for this year. Their dinners were paid for by the Drove. Dorothy Karst was presented a Poinsetta from the Drove. She became a member of the Does when the Falls City Drove was organized in 1950. A gift was presented to President Nancy McKim. She presented each officer a gift. Committee in charge were, Dessie Scholl, Cathy Gutshall, Joyce Buck, Julie Bauman. They were assisted by Karen Ramsey.

Next meeting will be January 14. Officers need to wear their white formals for installation. Hostesses will be Phyllis Kreuzer, Mary Wiltse, and Dianne King.

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as the Prophets foretold.
"I can hardly believe it," said Jolly St. Nick,
as he pondered God's message,
it cut to the quick.
"I thought I was Christmas!"
I made presents each fall.
But! God sent the world the best gift of all.
He sent his son, "Jesus,"
to die for my sins.
I'm really not Christmas —
for Christmas — is — HIM."*

HOTEL BARBER SHOP
Teresa McQueen

Medicare Advantage directories are full of outdated, incorrect information

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

The other day came a lengthy https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Health-Plans/ManagedCareMarketing/Downloads/Provider_Directory_Review_Industry_Report_Round_3_11-28-2018.pdf report from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announcing worrisome findings for anyone with a Medicare Advantage plan and anyone thinking about buying one in the future. The findings are also relevant to anyone buying any kind of health insurance this year.

The ominous takeaway? The information given to consumers in the provider directories is deeply flawed, often misleading, inaccurate, and says CMS, "can create a barrier to care." Imagine choosing a plan based on the information that your doctor is in the plan's network only to find he or she is not, and you have to find a new doctor, perhaps in an inconvenient location.

Actually, finding any provider at all may be hard. CMS said that listed providers were not located at one-third of the locations indicated in the provider directories. That meant if a beneficiary tried to make an appointment with the doctor at a particular location, they'd be out of luck. Government researchers noted that sometimes providers did not work or accept the health plan at any of the locations listed in the directory.

Had the provider ever been part of the health plan's network? Good question! CMS said this was a "concern."

About half of the online directories the agency sampled had at least one inaccuracy. They included incorrect phone numbers, indications that a provider was accepting new patients when that wasn't the case, and claims that providers were practicing at locations where they were not.

All these findings, of course, raise the question: Why so many mistakes given how detrimental this bad information can be to seniors? CMS investigated that, too, and found a "general lack of internal audit and testing of directory accuracy among many Medicare Advantage organizations." The health plans apparently rely on credentialing services and vendor support to ensure directory adequacy, not exactly a reliable method, the agency concluded.

What's worse is that when CMS researchers called doctors' offices, they found directory information had been out of date for a long time, and some of the doctors listed in the networks had been retired or dead for years.

Medicare Advantage members aren't the only ones facing the dilemma of inaccurate directories complicating their choices for the coming year. The consulting firm Avalere Health just reported that 72 percent of the plans offered on HealthCare.gov, the Affordable Care Act shopping exchange, are what's called narrow network plans. "This is a trend we're seeing not just in this market but in traditional employer-sponsored insurance, and this is going to continue," says Chris Sloan, a director at Avalere. Such narrow network plans often provide no coverage for visits to doctors or hospitals that are not part of the network. That means you pay out of pocket if you use one of those providers.

Consumers are not only being hit with fewer choices and narrow networks but the information about providers may be as inaccurate for shoppers as it is for Medicare beneficiaries.

Narrow networks are a way to control costs because the insurer covers only those practitioners it's able to reach a financial agreement with. In other words, the insurer wants lower prices, and the providers want higher ones. The two sides negotiate until they arrive at a price for a service that both parties find acceptable. Each side plays a lot of games, and the final contracts are not available for public inspection.

We keep hearing that continuity of care is important, and patients in the U.S. have always valued choosing their own physicians. Remember, maintaining that choice was a big selling point for the Affordable Care Act. But rhetoric that sells legislation is not the same as actual practice.

On the other hand, fewer choices are "not necessarily a negative thing so long as consumers understand what they are buying," Sloan says.

But even that may be hard if the CMS revelations about Medicare Advantage plans are any guide.

What's been your experience with directories from Medicare Advantage plans? Write to Trudy at trudy.lieberman@gmail.com.



Jack Findlay, Maggie McNeely, Lindsey McNeely, Kyle Eickhoff

November FC High School Students of the Month

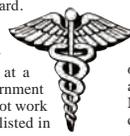
The staff and administration of Falls City High School have announced the selections for November High School Students of the Month. The honors go to the following students:

Upperclassmen- Jack Findlay, a junior, is the son of Jeff and Susan Findlay. Maggie McNeely, a junior, is the daughter of Eric and Sandra McNeely. Underclassmen- Kyle Eickhoff, a freshman, is the son of Darren and Donna Eickhoff.

Lindsey McNeely, a freshman, is the daughter of Eric and Sandra McNeely.

The students were nominated by high school staff and are being recognized for being innovative, responsible, resilient, and resourceful. Each of the students was praised in nomination comments for "academic excellence, going above and beyond what was asked of them, their helpfulness, and their leader-

ship, and serving as excellent role models for their peers," according to high school principal Gale Dunkhas.



Journal 2019 subscription prices

The Falls City Journal will increase the home-delivery and E-Edition prices for the newspaper at the beginning of the year, January 1, 2019. The increases for the home-delivery will be \$5 per six-month subscription and \$5 per yearly subscription.

Within 50 Miles of Falls City, \$27 for six months; Within 50 Miles of Falls City, \$45 for one year; 50-150 Miles from Falls City, \$29 for six months; 50-150 Miles from Falls City, \$50 for one year; Over 150 Miles from Falls City, \$32 for six months; Over 150 Miles from Falls City, \$55 for one year; E-Edition Only (No Print Subscription) - \$40 for one year; Yearly Subscription to Our Online E-Edition of the

Falls City Journal content in pdf form.

Many newspaper publishers are seeking ways to help their businesses after the price of newsprint jumped to its highest level in a decade. This summer Canadian Newsprint tariffs imposed by the Trump administration caused the price to jump on imports from Canada, causing U.S. newspapers to cut down print offerings and staff. Costs of paper have risen almost one-fifth in the past year. The newsprint tariffs were overturned, but the price on newsprint has yet to fall and unfortunately, most likely won't.

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DISTRICT COURT
 Helmut Benno Shafer, of Falls City was granted a dissolution of marriage from Jean Draney, of Falls City.
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 Joshua Carpenter, 33, count

one del/dsp/dst/man/pos cntrl subs-sch 1,2,3, plead not guilty; count two, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count three, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, plead not guilty; count four, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty; count five, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 8, 2019.

City of Falls City vs. Joshua Darden. Property located at 1203 Lane St., Falls City, NE: Lots 11 and 12, block 133, original town of Falls City, Richardson Co, NE, is a nuisance as defined in sections 6-402 and 6-402 of the Falls City Municipal Code and the house and garage constituting a nuisance and said property should be removed. Darden shall remove the nuisance within thirty (30) days of Dec. 18, 2018. It is further ordered that \$101 are taxed to Darden.

COUNTY COURT
 Nich Schuetz, 33, count one, unauthorized use propelled vehicle-first offense, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count two, drive under suspended before reinstated state, plead guilty, found guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed. Case continued to January 2, 2019 for sentencing.

Julia Sprouse, 28, count one, possess controlled substance, probable cause found. Case bound over to District court for trial; count two, resist arrest-first offense; count three, obstruct government operations. Case continued to District court on January 15, 2019 for arraignment.

Kevin Gaudette, 32, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, no valid registration-car/pickup/step; count three, plates not clear or visible. Case continued to January 14, 2019 for entry of plea.

Richard Blecha, 48, count one, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead guilty, found guilty, sentence includes state fine of \$100 and court costs of \$49.

Cassandra Wilcox, 27, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, nonresident violate susp/rev order, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count three, fail to yield ROW-entering roadway, plead guilty and found guilty, and fined \$75 and court costs of \$50. Hearing scheduled for January 14, 2019.

Brandon Rose, 30, count one, dom. Assault-third degree, plead no contest, found guilty. Case continued to January 23, 2019 for sentencing.

Tyler Brown, 33, count one, unauthorized use propelled vehicle-second offense, plead not guilty; count two, theft-unlawful taking \$0-500, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 2, 2019.

Nicole Harkendorff, 40, count one, violate protection order, plead not guilty. Jury trial is scheduled for February 11, 2019.

Brian McFeeters, 30, count one, cruelly mistreat animal-first offense, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 2, 2019.

Shawn Creamer, 22, count one. Theft-unlawful taking \$501-\$1,499, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for January 2, 2019.

Brian Mackey, 43, count one, dropped/dismissed; count two, drive under suspended/before reinstated, fined \$200, drivers license is revoked for one year; count three, dropped/dismissed. Ordered to pay court costs of \$50 and Sheriff fees of \$14.

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Jarrot Simon beats the Trojan defender for two points in the Irish win



McKenzie Witt drops in a layup against Tri-County.

Irish survive scares, still unbeaten

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The Class D-2 number two ranked Sacred Heart Irish boys survived a pair of close calls this past week as they improved to 8-0 for the season.

First off for the Irish were the 4-2 Tri-County Trojans. The Trojans came out and led the Irish 15-10 after the first quarter. SH hit just 4-11 in the first quarter and were led by Tyler Witt with six points. The second period went a little better for the home squad as the Irish left the court at the half with a 23-21 lead. Seven of the Irish's eight turnovers came in the first half, and six of those were bad passes.

The third period saw the Trojans retake the lead, 36-34 with just eight minutes left in the contest — the Irish shot a dismal 4-18 in the quarter, including just 1-8 from the three-point line. The Irish defense secured the win in the final quarter, as the Irish won the fourth quarter 11-5 and took the game 45-41. SH converted 5-6 free throws in the quarter to get the win. Jarrot Simon

hit a pair of free throws and then a hoop on successive possessions to give SH the lead for good with just over 7:00 to play.

The Irish shot just 33 percent from the field in the game (17-52) and made just 2-22 from behind the arc. Tri-County hit 17-39 shots, including 4-14 from behind the three-point line. The Irish secured the win making 9-10 from the foul line.

SH was led by Tyler Witt who picked up a double/double with 14 points, 16 rebounds, five assists, and five blocked shots. Simon was next for the Irish with 10 points and six rebounds. Evan Larson led the Trojans with 18 points, and Creighton Niemeyer added 11.

On Friday night the Irish took on the 3-3 Elmwood-Murdock Knights. SH came out of the gates quickly, leading 17-13 after the first quarter. The Irish continued to lead 26-24 as they teams heading into halftime.

Witt took over in the third period, hitting 5-6 from the field for all 10 of the Irish's points. However, the Knights

took a 39-36 lead with just one period left. SH came back in the fourth quarter and tied the game, hitting three from downtown, to send the game to overtime tied at 46. Free throws sealed the win for the Irish in overtime as they hit all eight attempts on their way to the come from behind win 58-55. Witt and Jake Hoy each hit four free throws in the overtime. Hoy and Drew Bippes each added a field goal to outscore the Knights 12-9 in the extra period.

Tyler Witt led all scorers with 27 points on 9-12 shooting, and he made 6-8 free throws. Drew Bippes added 13 points, and Jake Hoy had 10 points, with six coming in OT. The Irish hit 22-43 shot attempts while holding the Knights to 21-48 from the floor. Free throws won the game for the Irish as they hit 11-14 in the game. Noah Willey led the Knights with 15 points, and Nolan Langfeldt added 13.

The Irish will be in action over the holidays when they take on Lourdes Central at 5:00 on Friday, December 28 in the Freeman Holiday Tourney. A win would set up a matchup vs. either Freeman or Syracuse on Saturday at 6:30. With a loss, the Irish will play at 3:30 on Saturday.

Irish girls head into Christmas break on high note

Story and photos by Brian McKim

The Sacred Heart Irish girls basketball team picked up a pair of wins this past week. First, the Irish got a 54-23 win at home on Tuesday evening, and then they got a road win vs. Elmwood-Murdock, 44-27 on Friday night.

In the first game of the week, the Irish hosted the Tri-County Trojans. The Lady Irish led 14-5 after the first period with Erison Vonderschmidt, Danielle Bippes, and Rachel Magdanz each scoring four points in the quarter. The second period saw the Irish cool off on offense, hitting just 3-19 attempts, but holding on for a 21-7 advantage at the half.

SH came out in the aggressive in the second half as they outscored the Trojans 33-16 over the final sixteen minutes as they ran away with their seventh win of the year, 54-23. The Irish had three players hit double digits in points with Magdanz leading the way with 14. McKenzie Witt and Vonderschmidt each added 10 points. As a team, the Irish connected on 22-63 shot attempts while the defense held

the Trojans to just 10 makes on 38 attempts. SH also converted 10-13 from the charity stripe in the game and held a very decisive 42-19 rebounding advantage.

Under the basket, Vonderschmidt hauled in 12 boards, while Magdanz had nine and Bippes added eight. McKenzie Witt led the playmaking with seven assists for the Irish. The loss dropped the Trojans to 2-5 for the season. Shaylee Niemeyer led Tri-County with six points.

In the JV game, the Irish picked up the three-quarter win 28-17. Claire Niemeyer and Emily Wertenberger each had six points.

In the finale of the week for SH, they hit the road to take on the Elmwood-Murdock Knights. The game was close early on as the Irish clung to an 8-7 first-quarter lead and 19-15 halftime lead. Rande Witt and Rachel Magdanz each had six first-half points.

The Irish defense came to play in the second half, holding the home team to just three third-quarter points as they took a 27-18 lead into the final period. The SH offense came to life in the final eight minutes making 8-11 shot attempts, led by Bippes with eight points, and a perfect 4-4 from the floor in the quarter as they finished the game with a 44-27 win.

The Lady Irish shot better, making 18-40 attempts for 45 percent while holding the Knights to 9-45 for 20 percent from the floor. Magdanz led the Irish scoring attack with 11 points while Bippes added 10. Bippes also pulled down ten rebounds and had a blocked shot for the Irish. Sydney Anderson had 10 points for Elmwood, who fell to 1-7.

The Sacred Heart JV team picked up the win in an overtime thriller, 34-31. Emma Littler scored a team-high 12 points, while Ella Simon added 10.

With the win the Irish head into Christmas break with an 8-1 record. The Irish will play in the Freeman Holiday Tournament with a rematch vs. Lourdes Central at 6:30 on Friday as the Irish look to avenge their only loss of the season. With a win the Irish will face either Freeman or Syracuse at 5:00 on Saturday and with a loss the Irish will play at 2:00 on Saturday.

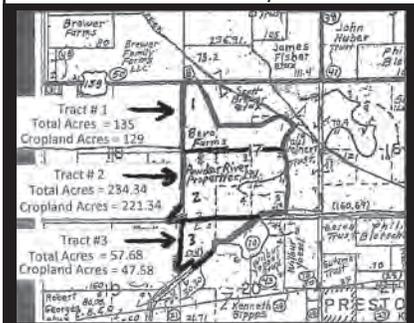
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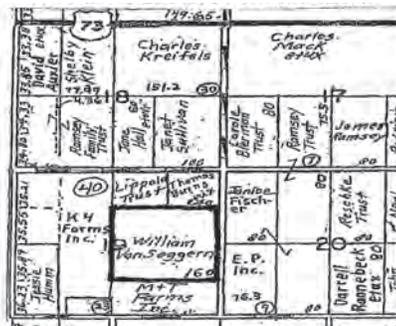
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Sr. Collin Cook picks up an easy hoop versus Lourdes Central on Friday night.

Tiger girls basketball pick up a win

Story by Brian McKim; photo by Deena Beer

After a rough start to the season, the Falls City Lady Tigers picked up their first win of the season on Tuesday night as Coach Max Milam's squad held on for a thrilling 29-28 win over the Nebraska City Pioneers. The score was close throughout the entire contest with FC trailing 9-8 after the first quarter and 14-13 at the half. Trailing by one point entering the second half, Falls City outscored the Pioneers 7-5 in the third period, and that proved to be all the difference. The two teams were even at nine apiece in the final eight minutes, and FC held on for the one-point win 29-28.

Neither team shot well from the field as the Tigers made 11-43 for 25 percent and the Pioneers were a little better at 11-39 for 28 percent. Falls City owned a rebounding edge 35-22, including 16 big offensive boards. The Tigers were led by 5'8 guard, Brynna Bruxellas, who finished with a team-high 11 points. Junior Michelle Beer added eight points and nine rebounds. Hannah Clary added five points, and four blocked shots and Eliclyn Gilkerson led the playmaking for FC with six assists to go along with three points and five boards.

The win, the first of the season for Falls City, improved them to 1-5 for the year. The loss dropped

the Pioneers 1-6 for the season.

On Friday night the Tigers traveled up highway 75 for the second time in the week, this time to take on Lourdes Central. The Tigers got off to a good start, leading 10-8 after the opening eight minutes; however, Lourdes used a big second quarter to pull away and take a 24-17 lead into the halftime break. The Tigers clawed back in the third, trailed 30-25 with one period to go, however, the home team pulled away down the stretch and sent the Tigers home with their seventh loss of the season, 46-36.

FC shot 36 percent from the floor (13-36) including 8-12 from behind the three-point line. The Tiger defense held Lourdes to 19-43 from the field, and 2-10 from behind the arc. Nebraska City made 6-12 free throws while the Tigers didn't attempt a foul shot.

Again, it was Bruxellas who had a big game for FC as she hit for 16 points, going 4-6 from behind the arc. Clary was next with six points, and three rebounds and Gilkerson added six points and five assists. Hannah Kirkendall led the team with six rebounds and a blocked shot.

The Tiger girls will be in action again on Thursday, December 27 as they take on East Buchanan at 4:00 p.m. in the LeBlond Holiday Tournament.

Tiger boys split a pair in Nebraska City

Story by Brian McKim; photo by Deena Beer

The Tiger boys basketball team lost their third game in a row on Tuesday, December 18, when they traveled north to take on the Pioneers from Nebraska City. Falls City got off to a slow start on offense, trailing 17-8 after the first period and saw the deficit grow to 29-14 by the time halftime arrived.

The Tigers came out of the locker room a different team, outscoring the home team 16-8 in the third quarter to cut the lead to 37-30, but could not get any closer as the Pioneers hung on for the 54-43 win.

"We played a very poor 1st half defensively. We have played so well defensively so far this year. Our intensity improved 2nd half, and we had cut their lead from 15-4 late in the third. We spent so much energy getting back we couldn't get the job done," said Head Coach Don Hogue.

The loss dropped the Tigers to 1-4 for the season while the Pi-

oneers earned their first win of the season and improved to 1-6. Falls City made 19-51 shot attempts, including 4-16 from downtown, while allowing Nebraska City to shoot 21-43 from the floor. The Tigers were out-rebounded 25-21.

Caden Simon led the Tiger attack, hitting 7-9 shots for a team-high 16 points and four steals. Kade Bredemeier was next with eight points (2-5) from behind the arc and five rebounds. Collin Cook, Mason Crawford, and Cade Schawang each added seven points for FC.

On Friday night the Tigers again traveled North up highway 75 to Nebraska City, this time to take on Lourdes Central. The two teams played the first quarter even as the score was tied at 11. Again, the second period came and went without either team showing an advantage with the teams tied at 19 heading into halftime. Falls City used a big third quarter to set the tone for the rest of the

game as the Tigers outscored Lourdes Central 14-3 to take an 11-point lead into the final eight minutes of action. Both teams put up points in the final period, but FC held on for the eight-point win, 48-40.

Falls City shot a light's out 55 percent from the field, making 15-27 shot attempts, including draining 5-10 from behind the three-point line. FC also converted 13-19 shots from the foul line in the contest.

The Tigers were led by Sr. Collin Cook who made 7-10 shots for a team-high 18 points. Cook also added two blocked shots and a pair of rebounds. 6'0 Mason Crawford added 10 points, three rebounds and two steals and Kade Bredemeier hit a pair of three-pointers and finished with nine points and two assists.

The win improved the Tigers to 2-4 for the season, while the loss dropped Class D-1 defending state champs Lourdes Central to 1-6.

FC will hit the court again on Thursday, December 27 vs. Chillicothe at 2:30 in the LeBlond Holiday Tournament.



Back row, L - R: Coach McCampbell, Charlie McNeely, Jon Craig, Jaxyn Strauss, Tyler Frederick, Stiephan Fields, Coach Jansen. Front Bryson Butrick, Joe Vrtiska, Everett McCullough, Alijah Hernandez, Cayden Dunkhas

Falls City MS boys finish season

December 13, the boys traveled to Nebraska City. The C team lost 39-7. Kayden Strecker had three points. The B team also lost 27-14. Cayden Dunkhas had eight points. The A team had the only Tiger win of the night, 41-30. Everett McCullough had 12 points.

On December 15, the boys won the Syracuse Tournament. In the first round they beat Auburn, 31-9. Jaxyn Strauss had 11 points. In the championship game the boys won, 37-19. Jaxyn Strauss had 13 points.

The Falls City Middle School boys finished the season on December 17 against the Nebraska City Lourdes. The B team won, 46-3. Charlie McNeely had 12 points.

The A team beat the Lourdes 41-12, Jon Craig had 14 points.

Falls City reserve boys basketball

The Falls City Tigers Reserve boys basketball team has started its season at 2-2. The Tigers beat LeBlond 63-36 at home. Sophomore Tyler Uhri scored 19 points to go along with his nine rebounds. Freshmen Carson Bredemeier and Carson Simon each had 11 points and four assists in the game.

Sophomore Stephen Acton chipped in eight points and seven rebounds in the win. Earlier in the season, the Reserves played at a tournament in Beatrice where they beat the Orangemen 39-22 for the third-place game. Bredemeier led all scorers with 12 points. Freshman Kyle Eickhoff scored 10 points and hauled in eight rebounds. The Tigers lost to Waverly in the first round 48-19.

Bredemeier had six points, and Simon and Acton each chipped in four points. In the first game of the season, the Reserves went on the road and lost to Auburn 50-37. Uhri had a double-double with 16 points and 12 rebounds. Bredemeier and Simon scored 11 points and eight points respectively.

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Ike Pekarek

Ike Pekarek, 80, of rural Reserve, KS, with family by his side, died early Saturday morning, December 22, 2018, at his home.

He was born at Ellsworth, KS, September 10, 1938, the older of two children born to Louis and Eunice Wild Pekarek and moved with his family at the age of 3 to the Padonia/Reserve area where his Dad managed the Bartlett Elevator. Ike attended schools in Reserve, graduating from high school with the class of 1956. During his high school years, he was very active in sports: basketball, football, and was a sprinter in track. He attended two years at Emporia State University before volunteering to serve in the U.S. Army where he spent most of his career at Ft. Sam Houston, TX. He returned to northeast Kansas where he worked for his Dad a few years at the elevator before working at White Cloud Grain Co., for a career that spanned 35 years before retiring. He started work in White Cloud, later became the manager of the Reserve Branch.

Ike enjoyed his spare time by enjoying being out of doors on the farm, gardening, and his

family. He attended the Reserve Christian Church through the years before it disbanded.

He was married to Patricia Kee June 7, 1964, at Oregon, MO. They lived nearly all their married life near Reserve. She survives of the home.

Other survivors include two daughters: Susan Pekarek Overland Park, KS, Sara Smith (Shawn) of Hiawatha; a sister Karen Olson of Reserve; two grandchildren: Sydney and Cooper.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of Ike's life is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, December 29, at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hiawatha. Shane Spangler will officiate. Cremation to follow services with private family inurnment at a later date at Cornelson Cemetery, Reserve.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Friday. The family will meet with friends one hour prior to services.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Cornelson Cemetery, sent in care of the funeral home, 124 S 7th St., Hiawatha 66434.



Carol Johnson (Tubach)

Carol Johnson (Tubach) passed away at the age of 78 on December 21, 2018, at Bryan Memorial West in Lincoln due to complications of a stroke. She was born January 6, 1940 in Falls City to Ramona and Earl Tubach.

Carol was a real estate agent in Florida, Wisconsin, and California for many years. She was a member of the Methodist Church and Presbyterian Church of Falls City and enjoyed services and education at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She enjoyed traveling extensively around the world and volunteered at the Library and Falter Museum. She enjoyed and cherished the many friends she made throughout her life.

As a giving person who cherished education, she donated her body to Nebraska's Anatomical Board for medical research. She was married to her loving husband Ted Johnson for six years prior to his passing in 2011.

Her remains will be interred in Zion Cemetery with her late husband's cremains together at one time.

She was also preceded in death by her mother and father, Earl and Ramona Tubach.

Carol is survived by her Sister Linda Balsamo (Robert) Anaheim Hills CA, three children, Jeff Hooper (Gale) Palm Beach, FL, Lynn Hooper (Sue) Deephaven, MN, and Gina Hooper (Mick) Saugerties NY; two granddaughters, Britta Hooper, and Isabel Hooper and one great-grandson, Cody. She is also survived by many cousins on each side of the Tubach and Gatz families.

The family wishes all who knew her to remember her in prayers at any church as it would bring her joy and peace celebrating her life.

Alice Marie Crouch

Alice Marie was born on January 23, 1941, the seventh of twelve children born to Elias and Marguerite (Homewood) Bachman at their farm home two miles south of Rulo, Nebraska.

As a child, Alice attended a one-room country school, District 91 (The "Y" School) through the 8th grade. Alice excelled academically and was the top 8th-grade student in Richardson County in 1954. She continued her academic

excellence graduating as class valedictorian from Falls City High School with the class of 1958. In the spring of 1959, Alice attended Airline School in Minneapolis, MN. Upon completion of her studies, she was flown to Washington D.C. to interview for Capitol Airlines (now known as United Airlines). Due to her outstanding school performance, Alice was given the opportunity to select what job she wanted, and she chose to be a radio operator (ground-to-air communications) known today as an air traffic controller. Alice was proud to be the first woman to serve in this role for Capitol Airlines and was affectionately called "Sam" by her male colleagues. This job took her to Birmingham, AL; Detroit, MI; Charleston NC; and finally, Washington D.C.

In the spring of 1961, Alice met the love of her life, James William Crouch, who was also employed with Capitol Airlines. They were married on January 21, 1962, at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Alexandria, VA. In the fall of 1965, Jim was transferred to Aurora, CO, where Alice and Jim built a new home and lived there until the present time. After the move to Aurora, Alice continued her role as homemaker rather than working outside the home. She continued her education by taking classes at a local college in Denver. Alice said she raised a multitude of children as she and Jim were loved by all the neighborhood children. She loved working in her flower gardens, reading, genealogy, and doing research. Much like her mother, Alice had beautiful penmanship and enjoyed writing cherished letters and notes to family. Alice enjoyed traveling with Jim, and

their favorite destination was to the Hawaiian Islands with Alice's folks. Despite living in Colorado, Alice loved her parent's homeplace in Nebraska

and until she was too ill to do so, traveled home regularly to be with family. Alice and Jim loved and cared deeply for one another with Jim never leaving Alice's side throughout their almost 57 years of marriage.

Alice waged a valiant fight for nine years against cancer, but on December 19, 2018, at the age of 77, she left her earthly home for her eternal home in Heaven. She passed away at the University of Colorado Hospital in Aurora.

Alice was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Thomas Homewood and Dr. Ronald Bachman.

Alice is survived by her husband Jim of Aurora, brothers: Ben (Sandy) Bachman, Bob (Joyce) Bachman of Rulo, Gary (Cindy) Bachman; sisters: Bernice Adams of Falls City, Louise Pfankuche and Wauneta (Jim) Catlett of Kansas City MO; Marjorie Surman, Marlene McKim, Rita (Steve) Johansen all of Rulo; Ruth Lieneman of Robinson KS. Alice is also survived by her husband's siblings: Mary Wimberly and Minnie Crouch of Ft. Meyers, FL, Dorothy Rabenold of Whitehall PA, Pat Lightfoot of Bluefield WV, Sherry Miller and Joette (Fred) Dotson of Somerfield FL, Bill Crouch, Sierra Vista AZ, Denny Crouch of Roanoke VA, and Sandy (Lud) Domaratzki of Williamsburg VA. Other survivors include a close family friend, David Osborne of Falls Church VA as well as dozens of loving nieces, nephews, and their children. Alice also leaves behind her adopted family at Anschutz Medical Campus lead by Dr. Madeleine Kane, MD, PhD. The doctors, nurses, and staff surrounded Alice with not only exceptional care but also a great love, becoming a family to her.

A memorial service will be held at a later date with inurnment in the Rulo Cemetery.

Look for Alice beyond the rainbow. Her beautiful smile will never be diminished, and her name will always be spoken.



SHARED MEDIA POLICE REPORT

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office assisted in the arrest of Jeremy S. Rudder, 34, on December 19, 2018 in Salem. Jeremy S. Rudder was booked into the Richardson County Jail for visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct.

On December 23, 2018, at approx. 3:34 p.m. Richardson County Deputies were dispatched to a call involving witnesses who had stopped a supposed hit and run suspect.

At approx. 5:00 p.m. Richardson County Deputies arrested Jesper T. Winsea, 21, for driving under the influence liquor, no operators license, drivers duty, and willful reckless driving.

December 22, 2018 at approx. 11:53 p.m. Everett A. Loper, 30, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.

December 21, 2018 at approx. 9:40 p.m. Shawn D. Luginbill, 33, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.



Community Medical Center Ground Breakers

The history of Community Medical Center continues with recognizing another individual that pioneered health care in our community and made a difference in our medical history – people we call Ground Breakers.



Charles Theodore Burchard
- Son of Frederick W. Burchard (1825-1911), and the father of Harry Dana Burchard, M.D. (1882-1941).

- 1876 – Age 19 – matriculated to Rush Medical School in Chicago
- July 4, 1977 – returned to Arago for vacation
- Widespread diphtheria epidemic prevented his return to medical school until October 1878.
- February 1879 graduated from Medical school
- Practiced in Arago until 1884 when he moved to Falls City.
- Served as County Physician, City Physician for Falls City and County Insanity Commissioner
- Remained in Falls City until his death in 1920.

Dr. C.T. Burchard brought the first fever thermometer, hypodermic syringe, obstetric forceps to the area and performed the first tracheotomy in the county.

He and his wife, Caroline, had three children, Harry Dana Burchard, MD. Clarence, who died in 1908, and Helen Burchard Phillips, who lived in Falls City until her death in 1983. They lived at 2005 Stone Street

1903 – One of the founding members of the Richardson County Medical Society (RCMS), affiliated with the Nebraska State Medical Association and was a long time chairman.

1910 –The RCMS was allowed to "die a natural death" via non-payment of dues.

1912 – New Charter was established to have members of good character.

NYE Traditions

Each Dec. 31, people anxiously await and count down to the arrival of the new year. Jan. 1 often is a time for reflection and for making future plans. New Year's Eve and New Year's Day traditions vary across the globe. Filipinos embrace round fruits for the new year. The custom includes gathering 12 different round fruits for each month of the year. The round shape symbolizes wealth and prosperity. Chilean families celebrate the arrival of the new year by commemorating deceased friends and family members. It is common for those in Chile to set up chairs next to graves in the cemetery. In Denmark, residents break old dishes on the doorsteps of family and friends on New Year's Day. The bigger the

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Wednesday Evening, 5:00 p.m., Midweek Class, 6:30 p.m., Confirmation at Christ Lutheran, September through April.
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Pastor Jerry Yount

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Second Monday of month: Women's Circle, 7 p.m.
Every Monday of month: Prayer Shawl Group; 4:00 pm at the Church
Every Monday: Community Diaper Closet, 4-6PM in Basement-use east side door
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Sunday: Divine service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.
First Tuesday Care & Outreach - 6:30 PM. L.L.L. - 7:30 PM
Wednesday: Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. (after Ash Wednesday, 6 p.m.) 5 p.m., Midweek, Third Thursday of every month: Lutheran Women's Missionary League, 7:00 p.m.
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 ~ Radiology Technologist. Nemaha County Hospital has a full-time opening for a Radiology Technologist willing to be crossed trained in CT, evening shift, (2pm-10:30pm) rotating on call duties. Must have ARRT and NE license. For an application, please contact Susie Shupp at Nemaha County Hospital 402-274-6121 or go to www.nchmet.org.
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JOB OPENING

The Nemaha County Hospital has the following open position:
 ~ Patient Accounts Representative. This position will perform a variety of duties within the Business Office, working 40 hours per week, Monday thru Friday. Strong customer service and computer skills are essential for this position. Hospital billing and collections experience is preferred. For application go to www.nchmet.org or call 402-274-6121. Will accept applications through December 31, 2018
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LOCAL DRIVERS NEEDED

Lortscher Logistics Inc. are looking for skilled drivers to add to our Driving Team. Our drivers are home every day. We haul pet food flour and feed mill ingredients for the milling operation in Bern, KS. CDL Class A required. We have day & night positions available & offer a \$3 night shift differential. Give us a call!

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JOB OPENINGS

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Sabetha Health and Wellness Center
 managed by Sabetha Community Hospital is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Part-Time Kids Zone Attendant: 2-2.5 hour shifts; weekdays and/or weekends. Responsible for routine childcare duties to ensure a safe, clean and fun environment for children ages 2-11 years of age.

Part-Time Receptionist: 4 or 5 hour shifts; weekdays and/or weekends. Responsible for clerical duties and customer service.

Contracted Group Exercise Instructor: Flexible hours; weekdays and/or weekends. Responsible for developing and instructing fun, energetic and highly motivational group fitness classes for all fitness and skill levels.

Excellent wages are offered for these positions with Part-Time employees receiving vacation, holiday, sick pay and pension.
 Positions will begin in approximately May/June of 2019.
 If interested apply online at www.sabethahospital.com or contact Greta Heiman, Sabetha Health and Wellness Director at 785-284-1538. 50-1

Sac and Fox Housing Authority Has the Following Positions Available: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/OCCUPANCY CLERK: Full time position with benefits after a probationary period. Perform general administrative duties such as answer phones, Microsoft Word and Excel, handle mail, faxes, scanning, filing, copying, order supplies, and schedule meetings in addition to more specific Housing needs, such as inspections, determine eligibility and recertification, A/P and A/R. Computer proficiency, excellent skills in oral and written communication and organizational skills required. Prefer at least 2 years administrative assistant/clerical experience and possess at a minimum a GED. Native American preference does apply. Starting salary depending upon qualifications between \$10-12 per hour. Submit applications/resumes to Sac and Fox Housing Authority 106 W. 4th St. Apt. 12 Reserve, KS 66434, or tepple@sacandfoxcasoinc.com or call 785-742-7471 ext. 2500 and speak with HR/Julie Stumrums. Submissions of application and resume must be received by 12/27/2018 to be considered. Job open only until filled. 50-51

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NEWSMAKERS OF 2018...A LAST LOOK

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'Gatherings Market: new attraction on Stone'
Falls City Journal
July 4, 2018

A ribbon cutting was held on Friday, June 22, to highlight and establish Falls City's freshest location, Gatherings Market Falls City at 1524 Stone St. Inside the old Nebraska State Bank is now an allotment of product and service varying from modern farmhouse decor, gifts and fresh flowers to Starbucks brand coffee. Owner, Sarah Ahern, cut the ribbon with her family, friends and community to celebrate.



'PSC names locker room after Jerry Joy'
Falls City Journal
May 2, 2018

On April 20, 2018, Jerry Joy of Stella officially joined the ranks of the legendary on the Peru State College campus. The newly-remodeled home locker room in the college's football fieldhouse was named the Jerry Joy Home Locker room. Jerry was the head coach of the Bobcat football team in the mid 70s and early 80s. He took a struggling program and turned it around. Joy has been active in Richardson County.



'FC explosion being investigation'
Falls City Journal
September 26, 2018

Falls City was rocked when a loud explosion woke residents early September 18. The incident, investigation by the NE Fire Marshal, caused damage to the Spirit Shoppe at 1123 Harlan St. April Feighner was later arrested on a felony warrant, but faced charges of use of explosive to commit a felony and second degree arson. According to documents, the Spirit Shoppe is owned by Gary Foster.



'The greatest game that never was'
Falls City Journal
September 6, 2018

All the hype, all the lead-up, the fans, especially the Boneyard, were whipped into a frenzy and optimism was in the air and across the state, something that had been missing for a while in Nebraska. Minutes after kick-off lightning filled the sky and Husker Nation had to wait one more week to see what the Frost era would bring us. It was the first regular season Husker game to be cancelled due to weather since 1943.



'Glaser greets crowd at hotel lounge ribbon cutting'
Falls City Journal
February 14, 2018

Mitch Glaser, owner of the Grand Weaver Hotel, cut the ribbon for the in-hotel lounge, The Den. Glaser praised the community for its progressiveness and thanked the individuals who worked on the construction of the project. Glaser pointed out that the hotel had historically been the center of activities in Falls City for nearly 100 years, and that the addition of The Den was another step in restoring it to its former greatness.

BUILDING PERMITS

- Andrew Strasil, 2624 Barada St.; garage, \$20,000.
- Burbank Apartments, 2708 Chase St.; replace concrete driveway and curb, \$14,800.
- Falls City Elks Club 963, 1417 Stone St.; covered deck and storage, \$19,222.
- Tom and Leecia Hillyard, 2723 Abbott St.; windows, \$9,000.
- R.L. Burghart, 2602 Hiland Ave.; driveway and garage floor repair, \$9,848.
- Colleen Bahr, 2201 Harlan St.; re-roof, \$10,100.
- Bin Bindrum, 901 Morton St.; garage with foundation and driveway, \$10,000.
- Avis Bailey, 1413 Fulton St.; deck, \$900.
- Dorothy Vollmer, 1902 Abbott St.; sidewalk, \$172.
- Spartan Nash, 1900 Harlan St.; interior remodel, \$45,000.
- Steve Stoller, 1313 Harlan St.; interior remodel, electric, framing walls, drywall, \$35,000.
- Falls City Nursing and Rehab, 1720 Burton Dr.; roof, \$165,000.
- Barbara Watlington, 815 East 18th St.; sidewalk, \$1,000.
- Lowell and Mary Eickhoff, 1915 Nemaha Ave.; extension of garage

- 3200 Bill Schock Blvd.; signage, \$770.
- Airlanco, Inc., 312 South HWY 73; remodel of conference room, \$30,000.
- Montana Schulenberg, 2121 Lane St.; garage-approved by board of public works, \$15,000.
- Bob Campbell, 2516 Towle St.; add attached garage to house and convert existing garage to living space-approved by board of public works, \$15,000.
- Jennifer Willman, 1601 Crook St.; kitchen remodel, \$15,000.
- Everett and Michelle Bice, 1102 Lane St.; doors, \$50.
- William and JoLana Randall, 1014 Wilson St.; carport-approved by board of adjustment,

- \$2,500.
- Nicole Mason, 1509 Chase St.; furnace, \$1,250.
- Jason and Teresa Mackey, 710

- West 14th St.; water heater, \$750.
- Josh Wamsley, 2401 Chase St.; sewer line repair, \$100.
- Falls City Housing Author-

- ity, 1820 Barada St., #101, #203, #308; furnace and A/C, \$9,000.
- Neil Rumbaugh, 2619 Schoenheit St.; gas line repair, \$1,200.



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6 	7 VFW Auxiliary 6:30PM FC City Council 6 PM Wellness Brunch at FCFC 10:30AM	8 FCHS BB &G vs Auburn 4:30 American Legion Aux. at Shubert-4:30PM	9 FC Jaycees 6:30 PM FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers FCFC 5PM	10 Rotary Noon	11 FCHS BB &G vs Maryville, MO 4:30 FCHS B&G BB 2:30	12
13 	14 FC Vol. Fire Dept. 7 PM BPO DOES 7 PM	15 FCHS Girl BB vs LeBlond 5:30 Parents Night VFW-7PM Humane Society at Sun Mart - 7:30 PM	16 FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers at FCFC 5 PM	17 Rotary Noon	18 	19 Shubert Christian Church Pancake & Sausage Supper 5-7 p.m.
20 	21 FC City Council 6 PM	22 FCHS B&G BB vs Southern 4 PM	23 FC Lions Noon Weight Watchers at FCFC 5 PM Blood Drive at Pritchard 12-6 PM	24 Blood Drive at Pritchard 9-3 PM Rotary Noon	25 FC no school Teacher In-service	26
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