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## OLD ALLEGATIONS RESULT IN FC'S CATHOLIC CHURCH'S PASTOR PUT ON LEAVE PENDING INVESTIGATION GOLTZ NAMED INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL;

### FATHER KENNETH HOESING NAMED INTERIM PASTOR

From the press release of Catholic Diocese of Lincoln: Father Thomas Dunavan, chief administrative officer of Falls City Sacred Heart Catholic School and pastor of Saints Peter and Paul Church in Falls City, has been placed on administrative leave by Bishop James Conley due to allegations of sexual misconduct dating back approximately 20 years.

These allegations do not involve any recent conduct or recent allegations. However, after consultation with the four-member independent lay task force currently reviewing past allegations of sexual misconduct within the diocese, Bishop Conley determined that these allegations warrant further investigation. The diocese has retained the services of an independent, private investigator to investigate the matter.

Consistent with the diocese's current policy and practice, Father Dunavan will remain on administrative leave pending a full investigation by the diocese. Information related to the allegations has been provided to law enforcement in connection with the Nebraska Attorney General's investigation.

No conclusions have been reached by the diocese about these allegations. The diocese said it will provide more information after the investigation has been completed. In the meantime, we ask that you pray for all of the people involved.

Father Kenneth Hoelsing has been appointed administrator of Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Falls City. Mr. Douglas Goltz has been named the interim chief administrative officer of Falls City Sacred Heart Catholic School.

The Diocese press release asks that anyone report any allegation of sexual abuse by any person in any way affiliated with the Diocese of Lincoln, it encourages you to contact your local law enforcement agency or the Nebraska Child Abuse Hotline: (800) 652-1999. In addition, you may report an allegation of sexual abuse to the Diocese of Lincoln's Safe Environment Office at (402) 314-2899 or through the diocese's misconduct hotline: (844) 527-0596.

Sunday afternoon an e-mail was sent to the families of Sacred Heart students and parishioners concerning Fr. Dunavan. The e-mail stated that earlier in the day, the Diocese of Lincoln issued the statement below. The e-mail said that Fr. Dunavan had been placed on administrative leave by Bishop Conley.

"This decision relates to a difficult situation, outside of our school and parish community, that occurred approximately twenty years ago," said the e-mail sent by the school. The e-mail concluded by saying the school would be visiting with students on Monday to make sure they understand, in an age-appropriate way, why this change had been made at the school. They also asked everyone to be patient with limited information.



Noala Fritz pictured above shares the same smile as her son, 1st Lt. Jacob Fritz who is pictured at her elbow.

## REMEMBERING OUR FALLEN

Story & photos by Lori Gottula

On Monday night, March 4th, an estimated 300 people gathered at Prichard Auditorium in Falls City to recognize nearly 5,000 individuals. Each of the 5,000 had belonged to one of the four divisions of the U.S. military, and had given the ultimate sacrifice for this country. Every one of them had given his or her life.

The heroes were recognized at a ceremony for the national war memorial titled "Remembering Our Fallen." Created by the non-profit organization, Patriotic Productions, the memorial was the brainchild of the association's founders, Bill and Evonne Williams of Omaha. (The couple also started the Nebraska honor flights, and have flown more than 3500 veterans to Washington, D.C. to view the memorials for the wars in which they served.)

Remembering Our Fallen specifically recognizes the soldiers and marines who have been killed in America's War on Terror—in other words, since 9/11/2001. The majority of those who are represented were killed on foreign soil. Others lost their lives during training procedures in the U.S., and some took their own lives either during their service or when they returned home, as a result of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

The display itself consists of 31 stainless steel towers, each of which holds six parchment banners. Those banners serve as the background for pictures of each of the servicemen and women. There's one picture of the soldier or marine in military dress or fatigues, and one showing him or her enjoying every day life as a civilian.

The memorial has traveled the country from coast to coast, and has stopped at special places in between. Falls City was one of those places last Monday night.

The ceremony to honor the fallen was emceed by city administrator Gary Jörn. After a brief welcome, he introduced the Falls City American Legion color guard, who presented colors. Mayor Shawna Bindle followed with the mayor's welcome, and encouraged those in the audience to take time to view

the pictures, and to learn some of the names of those represented.

"Say their names out loud," Mayor Bindle said. "Their families need to know we won't forget."

Veteran Larry Whalen gave a brief recitation in which he acknowledged the sacrifices of every fallen veteran. Then, Pastor Dan Gifford offered the invocation, asking God to "grant the gift of peace to our land and to the world."

After the prayer, Anne Crofford sang a powerful rendition of the national anthem. Falls City High School music instructor, Alissa Sutton, then directed the high school band and the chorus, in a medley of patriotic songs.

One of the highlights of the evening was the second presentation of colors, conducted by five girl scouts who are members of the Spirit of Nebraska honor guard. The girls were trained by Bellevue resident Maria Reiter, (retired Air Force).

"The girls' commands mirrored those of the soldiers at Offutt Air Force base who are trained on presenting, posting and retiring the colors," Reiter said. At Monday night's service, the girls' movements were synchronized and precise. They clearly understood the reverence of the evening, and performed accordingly.

The Falls City girls who represented the Spirit of Nebraska honor guard were: Mataya Wilcox, Cayleigh Eickhoff, Miracle Swanson, and Delaney Kaster. Omaha resident Caitlyn Talkington had traveled to Falls City that night so she could participate, as well.

Another highlight of the evening was the featured speaker, Noala Fritz of Verdon.

Noala is a Gold Star mother who lost her oldest son, Jacob, in the War on Terror in January, 2007. (Noala's husband, Lyle, who was by her side in the tone, passed away in 2011 following complications from a lung transplant.)

"Lyle and I were returning home from the grand opening of the Falls City Library and Arts Center that night, when we saw an unfamiliar car in our driveway," Noala said.

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## COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE PURCHASE

By: Charlie Radatz

During their Tues., Mar. 5th meeting, Richardson County Commissioners approved two purchases proposed by Emergency Management Agency Director and Noxious Weed Control Superintendent Brian Kirkendall. During his Noxious Weed Superintendent report, Kirkendall followed up on his request for the purchase of a UTV and Commissioners voted to approve the purchase of a 2019 Polaris 900 CC UTV from Duffer's Repair & Supply in the amount of \$14,149.97.

In his capacity as EMA Director, Kirkendall discussed maintenance of the generator in the courthouse and discussed the purchase of a new trailer for use by the Emergency Management Agency. After his report on the generator, the Board instructed Kirkendall to get estimates for the purchase of a new transfer switch and the cost to have

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## CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS TWO NEW MEMBERS

By: Charlie Radatz

Following a public hearing during which no public comment was received, Falls City's City Council approved the loan of \$300,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds and \$125,000 in CDBG program income to Great West-Teuwissen Company, LLC to assist with a \$1,705,000 expansion of the company's Falls City Foods subsidiary, a processor of pet foods. The CDBG monies will be granted to Southeast Nebraska Development, Inc., a non-profit development organization that will use the funds to loan \$300,000 to the company under a conditional term loan while the additional \$125,000 will be a performance based forgivable loan. Another \$75,000 is being advanced by Falls City Economic Development & Growth Enterprise (EDGE) to assist with the project.

The project is complete and the Company has seen success with its business expansion. That project involved installation of additional refrigeration and other equipment at the Company's plant, the former Falls City Meat Company facility. All CDBG funds will be used for activities

that will meet the CDBG national objective of benefiting low-to-moderate income persons and will create 20 new full-time equivalent job positions, 51% of them to be made available to low to moderate income persons. Job creation is continuing to be monitored.

Mayor Shawna Bindle's appointments to council vacancies were approved by votes of 6-0. They are Kaylie Ratcliffe, appointed as a Ward 2 Councilperson and Carla Rhodd, appointed as a Ward 3 Councilperson. Both began assuming their duties after being sworn in.

John Mabry of the Lincoln Food Bank reported to the Council that an estimated 1,100 County residents don't always know where their next meal is coming from including 390 children. Mabry congratulated the community on what he described as "a wonderful backpack program" that assists with feeding children.

Mabry said while Falls City is the community farthest from the Food Bank's offices it is considered no less important. He said an effort is underway to change the name of his organization to the "Southeast Nebraska Food



Ratcliffe



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# NEBRASKA KEEPS WINNING

By Governor Pete Ricketts

First in the nation for fiscal condition according to George Mason University's Mercatus Center. Second best for regulatory environment by Forbes' measure and second best for cost of doing business in CNBC's rankings. Third best in the nation for wage growth. Fourth best for workforce participation. And the fifth on Forbes' "Best States for Business" list.



These rankings reflect Nebraska's pro-growth climate, which continues to lead the nation in new investment, job creation, and business expansions. This week, Nebraska won Site Selection Magazine's Governor's Cup for the most economic development projects per capita of any state in the nation - for the third year in a row!

This recognition by Site Selection Magazine is great news for Nebraska. Site Selection Magazine is a top-tier economic development publication with a readership that makes decisions about where new investments are made. These projects help to create jobs and grow our communities. The Site Selection award is based on projects that include:

A minimum capital investment of \$1 million; 20 or more new jobs created; or 20,000 or more square feet of new space.

In 2016, Nebraska had 101 such projects, and 110 in 2017. We improved on those performances with 118 in 2018. For the third year in a row, we had more projects than North Dakota, South Dakota, and Kansas combined!

We cannot let up now if we are going to keep growing Nebraska in 2019. To do so, we are working on our four pillars of prosperity: Developing our people, running government like a business, cutting taxes, and promoting Nebraska. Here's a few highlights from our recent efforts.

We have been working to develop our people in many ways. I will highlight two new initiatives here. Last week, I joined CLAA's Omaha and Graepel to launch the first two ICATT apprenticeship programs in Nebraska. These are great opportunities that will help Nebraskans take great careers that allow them to earn an income while learning new skills. The second initiative is called Nebraska Talent Scholarships. It's a legislative proposal that, if approved, will provide 2,100 scholarships in targeted majors to connect Nebraskans to high-paying careers. We are targeting fields where businesses have many open jobs including math, engineering, healthcare, computer information systems, and agriculture among others.

Over the past couple years, we have been working to run state government more like a business by making it more effective, more efficient, and more customer-focused. We've already merged various agencies to better serve our veterans and to deliver a 21st-century transportation system. This legislative session, I have been working with Senators to move three inspection programs from the Department of Labor to the Fire Marshal to better align with their public safety focus. The Legislature and I are also working to bring together the Energy Office and Department of Environmental Quality to form a more unified vision and strategic plan for our work in these related areas.

Property tax relief is another key to growing our state. Right now, I have two major proposals in the Legislature that will help control spending and give direct relief. The first proposal is LR 8 CA from Senator Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn, a constitutional amendment to cap property tax increases by local governments. Since 1980, property taxes have increased on average at the rate of five percent annually. Right now, there is no limit on how much your property taxes can go up each year. LR 8 CA would fix that. The second proposal is LB 303 from Senator Brett Lindstrom of Omaha, which ensures that Nebraska's property owners receive at least \$275 million of relief annually through the Property Tax Credit Relief Fund. This relief would bring the amount of direct property tax relief to nearly double what Nebraskans were receiving five years ago.

Finally, we are promoting Nebraska to build markets for our quality products and attract new investment. Just a few weeks ago, I returned from a trade mission to Mexico where we focused on strengthening our connections with businesses that are active in Nebraska and relationships with Mexican public officials. This was my second trade mission to Mexico. Over the years, I have also led trade missions to Canada, Japan twice, China twice, and the European Union. This year, I plan to lead two more missions, which will be announced at a later date.

While Nebraska keeps winning national awards, we should not take this for granted. The success of our third Governor's Cup award is a reflection of the team spirit Nebraskans take when growing our state. Most importantly, these investments mean great job opportunities for our state. If you have suggestions on how we can grow Nebraska, please email me at [pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov](mailto:pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov) or call 402-471-2244.



## INCENTIVES NEED TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN TAX REFORM DISCUSSION BEGINS

**Capitol View Commentary**  
by J.L. Schmidt Statehouse Correspondent  
The Nebraska Press Association

Some brave lawmakers are taking another run at changing tax incentives, those decades-old attempts at attracting new businesses to Nebraska while hanging on to others that are already here.

Yes, the discussion needs to happen as the state looks at not only how to provide property tax relief but how to overhaul the entire tax structure. Nearly everybody - but especially farmers and ranchers - wants property tax relief. Chambers of Commerce and big business interests seem to favor the incentives.

The pejorative pall over the whole discussion comes from the state's first attempt, 32 years ago, at such incentives. Enter LB775 of 1987, the Employment and Investment Growth Act. It was a measure largely aimed at keeping agri-business giant Conagra from moving its operations from Omaha to the state of Tennessee. It worked, although the company finally left the state a couple years ago.

That measure provided a three-tiered tax credit for businesses with projects promising at least \$3 million of investment and 30 new employees. More investment and more employees brought larger incentives. Property tax exemptions were also provided at certain levels for mainframe computers and aircraft (with 100 new jobs and more than \$10 million investment). Then - Governor Kay Orr thought the hard-fought measure would keep Conagra and bring in new business. It also cost her a re-election bid.

Nebraska's current popular incentive, the 14-year-old Advantage Act, sunsets at the end of 2020. A panel of state lawmakers has recommended action now to adopt a simpler batch of incentives that would target higher-paying jobs and emerging industries. A Nebraska Chamber of Commerce official cautions that the state can't wait until next year to adopt a new economic incentive program. Program vice president Jamie Karl said that waiting would be like hanging up a "closed for business" sign.

Seward Senator Mark Kolterman is sponsoring (LB720) which is known as ImagiNE Nebraska, to replace the Advantage Act. He has 23 co-sponsors on his bill aimed at improving the state's economic growth, which has ranked - according to the state's gross domestic product - no better than 25th and 41st in the past two years. He said property tax relief would be difficult without growth in other sectors of the economy. Lincoln Senator Kate Bolz said her measure (LB419) reflects concerns by consultants that Nebraska's current tax incentives create unanticipated budget problems and don't target high-enough-paying jobs. She sees no urgency in replacing the Advantage Act and cautions that said urgency should not override the discussion about a long-term policy for attracting new and better jobs.

Bolz and others support the opinion of the legislative panel that Nebraska isn't getting its bang for the buck. In 2017, an estimated \$144 million was diverted for tax breaks under the Advantage Act. A 2016 legislative audit estimated each full-time-equivalent job created cost between \$24,500 and \$320,000 in tax breaks. Only nine businesses relocated to the state from 2006 to 2014 because of the act.

The act hasn't led to high-wage jobs. Companies that pay as little as \$12.36 an hour can now qualify for credits, compared with the minimum in ImagiNE Nebraska, which is \$19.53, Kolterman said.

Former State Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus, who was among the legislators who studied the state's economic incentives, said the Advantage Act hasn't produced what it was hyped up to do.

Businesses also complained that it was too difficult to understand all the requirements and that the application process was complicated.

Chamber of Commerce officials have said the state invests the second-lowest amount in tax credits among neighboring states. State figures indicate that more than 400 agreements have been signed to increase jobs and investment and

more than 16,000 jobs have been created. The chamber said all 93 counties have benefited.

Senator Steve Erdman of Bayard isn't convinced and said he has seen little benefit in his Panhandle district, adding he thinks that economic growth would happen if government reduced its spending and lowered property taxes. "If we fix our tax system, people will want to move here," he said.

There's the rub. "If we fix our tax system?" How about, "when we fix our tax system?"

That's the challenge. Get it all on the table. Dissect it, discuss it. Then fix it!

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

## STATEPOINT CROSSWORD

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## From the Journal Files

By Charlie Radatz

50-25-15 Years Ago

**50 Years Ago - Mar. 13, 1969 - Mar. 19, 1969**  
 Falls City High School teacher Paul Weinert was elected president of the Falls City Rotary Club.

An organizational meeting was held to form a new unit of the National Guard, Company D of the Second Security Battalion.

For the second year in a row Tom Hill of Sacred Heart was named to the all conference team of the Southeast Border Conference. Two Humboldt players, Allen Wateck and Kent Sherburne, also made the all conference squad.

The Falls City Chamber of Commerce was co-sponsoring a clinic on the new Nebraska-Missouri Reciprocal Sales and Use Tax Collection Agreement.

Authorities were seeking more information about an itinerant whose frozen body was found under the west approach of the Verdon viaduct on Hwy. 73.

Members of Company B, 134th Infantry, Falls City responded to a 4:30 p.m. alert and by 10:45 p.m., 125 men had been contacted and 123 had reported to the Army.

Midshipman Dan Weaver, formerly of Falls City, ranked 8th in his 1,168 member class at the Naval Academy with a 3.82 grade point average.

Bob Bruhn of Verdon was elected president of the Dawson-Verdon Saddle Club.

The "Horse in the Gray Flannel Suit" was being shown at the Rivoli. "The Tiers" were providing dance music on Sat. night at Prichard Auditorium. Ron Keller was the manager at Farm Feeds and the "Homer Sez" became "New Sez".

A new state law lowered the age of adulthood from 21 to 20, but law enforcement agencies had not been notified if the change applied to the sale of beer and liquor.

Kansas City Chiefs offensive tackle, Jim Tyrer, was the speaker for the Rotary Club when it was to entertain the lettermen of Falls City and Sacred Heart high schools.

The new Falls City Federal Saving & Loan building (now Great Western Bank) was nearing completion.

Vernette Handley, a 7th grader from District 88, near Shubert, and Cathie Dunn, a 6th grader from District 58, west of Rulo, were the top spellers in the county spelling bee.

Bids were being received for repairs to the Brownville toll bridge, work required before the states of Nebraska and Missouri were willing to take ownership and make it a free bridge.

A high in the 60's was forecast for St. Patrick's Day.

**25 Years Ago - Mar. 13, 1969 - Mar. 19, 1969**  
 After failure of a \$3.75 mil. bond issue, the District 56 School Board decided to resubmit a bond proposal to voters in a special election.

Mommy and Me had a style show at the Cobblestone Center and the Journal published a photo of one of the models, Hannah Thompson.

Florence Abbott was presented the "I've Heard it All" award during a "Ladies at the Table" event hosted by members of the local Masonic Lodge.

Falls City Middle School Students of the Month were Ben Simpson, 6th grade, Sara Roland, 7th grade, and Lindsey Borg, 8th grade.

Prater's Place was advertising a performance by saxophonist Abb Locke and His Band.

Galaxy All-Conference basketball teams included on the boys' squad Jake Simon and Matt O'Grady of Sacred Heart and Kris Shubert of Southeast, and on the girls' team Jenny Findlay and Cheryl Patchen of Southeast and Celeste Nolte of Sacred Heart.

Missy McLaughlin of Dawson-Verdon was named to the Homesteader Conference all conference basketball team.

Falls City Middle School wrestlers won the Open and Novice divisions of the Nebraska City Invitational junior high tournament.

Brad Oberling won a gold medal and Jeremy Vice and Dusty Oberling won third place medals at an AAU wrestling tournament at Kearney.

Ken Kunc was the emcee for a style show sponsored by Falls City merchants.

New Dawson-Verdon National Honor Society members included Mara Fritz, Shae Ketselen, Ryan Schutte, and Dawn Taylor.

Farm and City Supply made its big move from 1423 Stone Street to its present location at 25th and Hanlon.

County Commissioners received bids for the Salem South Project.

Davis D. Beekman of Falls City High School and Scott W. Stehlik, a student at Table Rock High School were among seniors awarded Regents Scholarships by UNL.

A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit filed by Forrest Binder and his son, Michael, seeking a settlement of a dispute between Richardson County and neighboring Holt County, MO both of whom were seeking to collect property taxes on Binder Island.

Sacred Heart dominated the Doane Invitational track meet with first place finishes by both the boys' and girls' teams.

Think we have had a lot of snow this year? Mrs. Charles (Janice) Hoffman of Waterville, ME, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ernie McNeely, Falls City, reported Maine had well over 100 inches.

**15 Years Ago - Mar. 13, 1969 - Mar. 19, 2004**  
 Falls City Sacred Heart won its 7th State Boys Basketball State Championship by defeating Shelby 54-49 in the Class D1 title game completing a 25-3 season.

Brian Huppert was named Team Captain of the All-Tournament Team and was the tournament MVP in both state papers. Justin Vonderschmidt and Adam Gruber also won All-Tournament honors.

Accepting the NSAA State Tournament Sportsmanship Trophy on behalf of Sacred Heart were the basketball cheerleaders Kaam Nicholson, Michelle Mound, Jenni Choate, Jenna Howard and Sarah Davis.

Elizabeth Hoy, FCSH senior, was honored at halftime of the championship game for her selection as the winner of the March NSAA Believers and Achievers award.

The original Falls City collage created by Tom Palmerton of Brownville and commissioned by Richardson County Bank and Trust was donated to the Library by the Bank.

Judge Heartless (Francis Seid) dealt out a little "justice" sentencing donors to a photo behind bars during a Heart Association fundraiser at the Elks Lodge.

Qualifying for the state speech contest following district competition were Sacred Heart in nine events, Dawson-Verdon in eight, and HTRS in five.

A group called "Citizens for Progress" was formed to inform the community about the benefits that could be realized from passage of a 1 1/2-cent Falls City sales tax to provide funding for a new library, aquatic center, and ongoing city operations.

A "Neighborhood Watch" program was being organized in Falls City with captains recruited to distribute signs and educational materials in each of 31 sectors of the community.

The Jaycees were sponsoring a fundraising Comedy Club event at Country Catering.

A goal of \$3,000 was set by the Falls City High student council for a Make-a-Wish fundraiser.

Three hundred young people were signed up for the 2004 Falls City Recreation Soccer League.

Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Champions were Darcy Stice (12-year-old division), Alicia Goltz (13), and Rachel Shubert (10).

## Remembering Our Fallen

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"When we got to the house, we saw a soldier and a chaplain through our front window. We didn't want to open the door because we knew what that meant."

Their son, a first lieutenant who was training Iraqi soldiers, had been abducted by Shiite militia, tortured, and used for bargaining. Jacob and three others who had been kidnapped with him were executed when U.S. troops closed in.

"The Gold Star family is a club that no one ever wants to join," Noala said. "Having your son's or daughter's picture on one of these banners is not what we as parents want. But no amount of wishing, praying, begging or hoping can change it. I finally had to choose to survive, so now, instead of thinking about how my son died, I think about how he lived."

"Jacob loved life," she said. "The things I want people to remember most are his smile, and his bear hugs. Everybody he knew got both."

His smile and bear hugs were two of the reasons why the retired teacher agreed to travel with the Remembering Our Fallen exhibit, and to serve as its official spokesperson. She wanted people to know and remember her son.

"Talk about him," she said. "Let me talk about him. Say his name out loud. Yes, he and all of the others on the banners died way too soon. But look at what they did while they were here. They were amazing people. I am so proud of my son. Remember him. Remember all of them."

The other Gold Star parents in attendance that night included Anita Nolte of Falls City, whose son Nicholas was killed in 2004, at the age of 25, and Jerry and Candy Cole of Hixwatha, Kansas, whose son, Scotty (Jeremiah Scott), gave his life in August of 2006. He was 26.

Mel Alexander, a Gold Star father who drove to the ceremony from Gretna Monday night, along with his wife, Monica, said, "Our son, Matthew, was 21 years old when he was killed by an IED (improvised explosive device). Most people don't know what to say to us, so they don't say anything for fear of upsetting us. We're already upset. I tell family members and friends that, if they have a story about Matthew, bring it on. Memories are all we have left."

Actually, remembering was the entire reason that Bill and Evonne Williams created the memorial.

One day, in 2010, Bill was reading an article in the Omaha World Herald, and the story quoted Lonnie Ford, the father of fallen soldier, Joshua Ford.

"My biggest fear is that my son will be forgotten," Lonnie had told the reporter.

Bill and Evonne, who had four sons serving in the military, were mortified.

"We have to do something," Evonne said.

The couple quickly raised the funds for and pulled together a traveling exhibit that recognized Nebraska-raised soldiers or marines who had lost their lives during or after the War on Terror. The two soon discovered, however, that compiling the information state-by-state could take decades, so they opted for one national memorial, and started requesting information from Gold Star families across the nation.

At the ceremony last Monday night, Noala Fritz said, "We have

about 70% represented here. We still have another 2500 who need to be added."

When asked how long she intended to travel with the memorial, Noala replied, "My fiancé, Rick Ward, travels with me. We consider it a privilege to escort the towers. We'll continue doing so until all of the heroes from the War on Terror are recognized, and everyone who wants to see it has had the chance."

In other words, until everyone remembers.

Upcoming dates and stops for the memorial can be viewed on the company's website at rememberingourfallen.org. Donations can also be made on the website, or by sending a check to: Remembering Our Fallen, Patrice Productions, 16213 Lamp Street, Omaha, NE 68118.

(Look for a feature article about Noala and her travels with the exhibit in an upcoming edition of the Journal.)

The following Richardson County heroes gave their lives during the War on Terror. Read their names out loud. Jacob Fritz and Nicholas Nolte.

Gentlemen, we are forever grateful for your sacrifices. And we will never forget.

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### Falls City's new bowling hall of fame

Falls City bowling as part of Southeast USBC has initiated a new Bowling Hall of Fame. The qualifications are: 298 game or better, or 800 series for men; a 279 game or 750 series for women. These are the nine inductees: James Herling, Robbie Craig, Richard Craig, Minnie Johnson, Harry Arnold, Tim Campbell, Jim Hoy, Larry Munn, and Paul Rieger.

### Free food for seniors in Humboldt

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) distribution clinic will be held in Humboldt at 624 3rd Street on Tuesday, March 19, 2019. An appointment is suggested. CSFP provides nutritious foods to seniors who are age 60 or greater who live in Nebraska and are under the program income guidelines. Income guidelines have recently been increased, so those persons who were previously determined ineligible are encouraged to re-apply. Foods given through CSFP include canned fruits and vegetables; bottled juice; one percent liquid and non-fat dry milk; hot and cold cereals; canned meat; peanut butter and dried beans; cheese; pasta or rice. To schedule an appointment or obtain information on how to qualify for CSFP, please call Blue Valley Community Action at 402-729-2278.

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### SOCIETY

**St. Peter's ELCA**

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church ELCA met Monday, March 4 with three members present.

Lesson leader, Nelle Pfister led lesson #8, "Abigail a Level Headed Woman" from the book, "Women of the old Testament," by Gladys Hunt. Lesson closed with Missionary Benediction and Lord's Prayer.

President, Roxann Stitzer opened business meeting. Lois Cameron called roll and read minutes from February meeting. Bank transactions were given. No old business, no new business. Next meeting April 1st.

Lesson leader, Roxann Stitzer, with Chapter #9 "The Shunammite Woman" taking the initiative and Becky Runyan as hostess at close of meeting Roxann Stitzer served refreshments.

### BUILDING PERMITS

- Ron and Deloris Young, 316 East 25th Street; generator, \$9,711.00.
- Southeast Community College, 3200 Bill Schock Boulevard; new learning center, \$3,400,000.00.
- Wilfred and Peggy Gildersleeve, 2407 Abbott Street; generator, \$14,586.00.
- Bethany Godemann, 2403 Towle Street; foundation walls, \$24,998.00.
- Bethany Godemann, 2403 Towle Street; egress window approved by Board of Adjustments, \$2,200.00.
- Brian Kirkendall, 1816 Crook Street; basement wall repair, \$8,000.00.
- John Meyer, 2105 Wilson Street; water heater, \$700.00.
- Michael Binder, 2104 Chase Street; carport - approved by Board of Adjustments, \$7,000.00.
- Poppe Realty, 1810 Harlan Street; sign, \$3,200.00.
- Sts Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1820 Fulton Street; interior remodel, \$7,000.00.
- Amy Olberding, 1515 Nema-ha Avenue; interior remodel, \$50,000.00.
- Stamar L.L.C., 2902 Old Hwy 73; pole building approved by Board of Adjustments, \$2,000.00.
- Brian Poppe, 1810 Harlan Street; interior remodel, offices, \$48,000.00.
- Edward Jones, 1810 Harlan Street; sign, \$3,600.00.
- Glenn and Carlene Cudney, 803 East 17th Street; covered patio, \$1,000.00.
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- Ben and Melissa Moore, 1311 Fulton Street; basement remodel, \$17,500.00.

### Helena announces scholarship winner

Helena Falls City Branch is excited to announce the recipient of the Helena HomeGrown Scholarship. Dylan Frederick of Falls City Public High School is the winner of a \$1,000 scholarship dedicated by Alan Kreifels.

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### The La Flesche Sisters

The La Flesche sisters—Susette, Rosalie, Marguerite, and Susan—were the daughters of Joseph La Flesche, an Omaha chief. Susette became known as a public speaker and advocate for Native American rights. (She traveled with and translated for the Ponca Chief Standing Bear.) Susan was the first Native American to become a medical doctor.

When the sisters were young, St. Nicholas Magazine was perhaps the best known and one of the most highly regarded juvenile publications of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. It was established in 1873 by the Scribner Company of Boston under the editorship of Mary Mapes Dodge. During St. Nicholas's "golden age," 1873 to 1905, the thirty years under editor Dodge, the magazine attracted the most respected authors of the day, and boasted a juvenile readership which spanned the nation geographically and culturally.

One of its regular features was the St. Nicholas Letter-Box, which included children's letters to the magazine. One group of four, published in St. Nicholas in September 1880, was written by four La Flesche sisters, then living at Nebraska's Omaha agency.

The letters were written in 1877, judging by the declared ages of two of the girls, yet they did not appear in the magazine until three years later. What prompted the sisters to write to St. Nicholas in the first place, and why the Letter-Box chose to publish them in the fall of 1880, are matters for speculation. It's possible that Helen Hunt Jackson, a longtime contributor and friend of St. Nicholas, who had befriended Susette "Bright Eyes" La Flesche in November of 1879 during Susette's speaking tour of the East, conveyed them to the magazine. That Mary Mapes Dodge knew of Susette and her cause is undeniable. The fact that, though in theory the Letter-Box was for children, the editor allowed a letter from Susette, then in her twenties, to accompany the letters of her younger sisters, shows a social consciousness on the part of the editor and her periodical.

Perhaps the darkest letter was written by fifteen-year-old Marguerite, who declared frankly, "Sometimes I am sorry that the white people ever came to America. What nice times we used to have before we were old enough to go to school, for then father [Joseph La Flesche] used to take us on the buffalo hunt. How glad we used to be when the men were bringing in the buffaloes they had killed! I do wish we could go again. Whatever the white men take away from us, they cannot take away the love of roaming. I cannot write anything exciting, as nothing hardly ever happens, unless a number of Senators and Congressmen happen to come along and stir us up."

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### Sipple going to State competition of the National Geographic Bee

Kamden Sipple, the son of Robbie and Amanda Sipple and an 8th grader at Falls City Sacred Heart, has qualified for the state competition of the National Geographic Bee.

Kamden won at the school level at Sacred Heart competing against sixth through eighth graders. He then took a multiple-choice qualifying test to qualify for the state level competition.

The state Bee will be held on Friday, March 29, 2019, at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. One winner from each state and territory will advance to the national competition in Washington D.C.



Kaitlyn Kirkendall Jordan Wilcox Alexis Miller

### Falls City February Students of the Month

The students of the month for February at the Falls City Middle School were: sixth grade. Each student received a T-shirt printed with the Student of the Month logo. The shirts are compliments of Stripes and Signs. The Elks Club will sponsor a complimentary meal during Youth Week for all of this year's student of the month recipients and their parents.

To receive student of the month, students must first be nominated by one of their teachers. The criteria for nomination this year once again focuses on the 212 degree message. The teachers are continuously looking for the students that give the extra degree. This is a student that demonstrates extra effort by being an exemplary student. Someone who internalizes the truth that is "Not enough to be good when you have the ability to be BETTER!" Each month the teachers choose an individual from each grade that were identified as a 212 degree student and met the criteria. This includes: turning work in on time, exemplary behavior everywhere, goes out of their way to help peers, good grades and/or improvement; always showing effort, active and/or involved in the community, leadership accomplishments; academic, athletic, or in the community, school attendance, positive attitude toward others, honest and trustworthy, cooperative and dependable, helpful to teachers, positive attitude toward school, and considerate of other people's feelings.

Teachers vote by private balloting. To win student of the month, one student must receive a majority of the votes. Those students who don't win are given honorable mention and are eligible in future months. Kaitlyn is the sixth grade student of the month for February. She is the daughter of Laura and Jeremy Kirkendall. Kaitlyn is described as having a strong

personality that shows she is confident in herself and stands up for what is right. She works hard academically to complete assignments on time and is eager to participate in class discussions. Kaitlyn has been on the honor roll and is a member of the middle school band and chorus. Outside of school, she participates in church activities, club volleyball, Falls City Travelers Softball and basketball.

Jordan is the seventh grade student of the month for February. She is the daughter of Michelle and Matt Wilcox. Jordan is described as a model student that is always prepared for class. She is on the honor roll, and is a member of the middle school band, chorus, show choir, volleyball, basketball, and track. As well as a member of the Circle of Friends. Outside of school, Jordan participates in Falls City Travelers Softball, summer

league volleyball and basketball, and her church youth group. Alexis is the eighth grade student of the month for February. She is the daughter of Deidra Kirkendall and Drue Miller. Alexis is described as a polite, respectful young lady that is hard working and wants to do a quality job. She is an excellent role model for ROAR. Alexis is a regular on the honor roll. She also participates in chorus, show choir, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Outside of school, Alexis is an active member of her church youth group.

The students who received honorable mention for February: Bryson Butrick, Hannah Collier, Elyse Poppe, Joe Vriska, Silas Amanullah, Lucas Schuetz, Elizabeth Saul, Ella Kobza, Nevada West, Talon Anderson, Paige Young, Mason Dovel, Mylie Crawford, and Isabelle Armbruster.

### ACCIDENTS

On March 4, 2019, Marcia Harmon, of Falls City backed out of a parking spot at Community Medical Center and started to drive forward and struck a light pole. An estimated \$3,000 in damage was done to the light pole; an estimated \$3,500 in damage was done to the Harmon vehicle. No citation was issued.



Jessi Allan Dean of Falls City graduated from Southeast Community College with a diploma in Motorcycle, ATV and Personal Watercraft Technology.

Graduation was held Dec. 18, 2018 at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln. He is currently employed full time at Frontner Harley Davidson in Lincoln, NE.

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### RICHARDSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHARED MEDIA REPORT

On March 4, 2019, Nina Travis, 23, of Humboldt was arrested by Richardson County Deputies in Humboldt, on a warrant for fines and costs, and was booked into the Richardson County Law Enforcement Center.

On March 6, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. John F. McNeely, 66, was arrested for violation of protection order.

On March 7, 2019 at 2:27 p.m. Matthew A. Koenke, 30, of Falls City, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.

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

COUNTY COURT

Jeffrey Moyer, 54, count one, weeds and grasses over 12" plead not guilty, found guilty and fined a city fine of \$25; count two, maintaining a nuisance, plead not guilty, found guilty and fined a city fine of \$35; count three, weeds and grasses over 12" plead not guilty, found guilty and fined a city fine of \$25; count four, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicle, plead not guilty, found guilty and fined a city fine of \$50; count five, maintaining a nuisance, plead not guilty, found guilty and fined \$35; count six, unregistered, wrecked or junked vehicles, plead not guilty, found

guilty and fined a city fine of \$35 and court costs of \$49.

Jeff Moyer, 54, count one maintaining a nuisance, plead not guilty. Trial is scheduled for April 1, 2019.

Brian Zentner, 42, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500/second, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for April 8, 2019.

Hunter Bickle, 18, count one, possess marijuana one ounce or less-second offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$400; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count three, careless driving, plead guilty and found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs of \$49.

Cynthia Worthington, 30, count one, rubbish on highways-first offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, no license on person, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Jane Nioce, 30, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty, pretrial is scheduled for

March 25, 2019.

Juan C Osio-Sanchez, 27, count one, acts declared unlawful-license/driving, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50; count two, speeding 06-10, plead guilty and found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Brian Zentner, 42, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500/second offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and probation for a term of nine months starting on March 4, 2019, drug testing fee of \$5, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, probation fee of \$225 and restitution of \$16.99 and court costs of \$49.

Paul Harmon, 24, count one, drive under suspended before reinstated-state, plead no contest, found guilty, fined \$85 and court costs of \$49.

Jane Nioce, 30, count one, dom asst-intl cause body injury/int ptnr, plead not guilty, pretrial is scheduled for March 25, 2019.

Samantha Schippert, 35, count one, littering, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Jennifer Young, 40, count one, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plead not guilty; count two, unlawful/fict display of plate/renew tab, plead not guilty; count three, fail to title vehicle within 30 days; count four, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for April 15, 2019.

Chase Ramer, 31, count one, issue bad check \$0-\$500, plead not guilty, entry of plea is scheduled for April 1, 2019.

Everett Loper, 31, count one, drive under suspended before reinstated state, plead not guilty; count two, disobey stop lights, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for April 1, 2019.

Jacob Lee, 27, count one, resist arrest, second/subsequent offense, amended to resist arrest-first offense, plead not contest, found guilty; count two, domestic assault-third degree, amended to count dropped/dismitted; count three, obstruct government operations, plead no contest, found guilty. Case continued.

Julia Sprouse, 28, count one, assault-third degree, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$200 and sentenced to a term of five days in jail starting March 11, 2019.

DISTRICT COURT

Taryn Rice, 21, count one, Del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, amended to, count dropped/dismitted; count two, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty; count three, del/dsp/dst/man/pos cntrl subsch. 1,2,3, amended to, attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for May 14, 2019.

Jessica Sweetwater, 23, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for April 9, 2019.

Chase Ramer, 31, count one, criminal trespass-second degree, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for April 2, 2019.

David Alexander was granted a dissolution of marriage from Terry Alexander.

CITATIONS

Brett Black, of Falls City, count one, excess windshield and or window tinting, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Bryce Fetterolf, of Tecumseh, count one no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Patrick Kerrigan, of North Barrington, IL, count one, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plead guilty, found guilty and

fined \$25; count two, speeding 21-35, plead guilty and found guilty, fined \$200 and court costs of \$49.

Levi Lambing, of Tulsa, OK, count one, speeding 11-15, plead guilty and fined \$75 and court costs of \$49.

Eric Morgenstern, of Falls City,

count one, excess windshield and or window tinting, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Michael Wise, of Tulsa, OK, count one, speeding 6-10, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

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## Lady Tigers season full of ups and downs

By Brian McKim

The Falls City Tigers girls saw their season come to an end at the hands of their rival the Auburn Bulldogs in Nebraska City in the sub-district tournament on February 13. It was the Tigers second loss of the season to Auburn, a season that saw Falls City finish with an 8-13 overall record. FC finished the home slate with a 3-6 record, and they were 5-7 on the opponent's courts.

FC got off to a slow start to begin the year, dropping their first five games of the season before getting a win at Nebraska City on December 15. FC then went on to drop their next two contests before bouncing back with consecutive wins in the LeBlond Holiday Tournament. The Lady Tigers put back to back wins together again in mid-January against LeBlond and Atchison before dropping a pair to Jackson Heights and St. Mary's in the Hiawatha Tourney. Falls City finished the season winning three of their final five games but ultimately fell short of their goals.

For the season the Lady Tigers made 37 percent of their shot attempts, sinking 310-820 shots while opponents were slightly better at 38 percent, making 337-874. Falls City drained 57 three-point attempts for the year and made 159-305 free throw attempts for a 52% average. FC was tough under the boards with 664 rebounds compared to just 472 by their foes. FC also finished the season with 228 team assists, 179 steals, and 48 blocked shots. The Tigers did turn the ball over 370 times throughout the season compared to 288 by opponents.

Individually for FC Hannah Clary led the offensive attack with 177 points for the year for an 8.4 ppg average. Hannah Kirkendall was right behind Clary with 170 points, Brynna Bruxellas had 166, and Michelle Beer added 138. Bruxellas was the leading three-point shooter for FC making 25-70 shots while Ellicyn Gilkerson finished with 21-60 from behind the arc. Kirkendall led the team under the glass with 140 rebounds, while Beer added 131 and Clary finished with 111. Clary was also the top playmaker dishing out 55 assists while Gilkerson added 42 and Kirkendall had 30. Clary also swiped 57 steals to lead the team and had 22 blocked shots for the season.

FC loses three seniors, Jessica Burns, Ellicyn Gilkerson, and Hannah Kirkendall but returners include Bruxellas, Clary, and Beer for Coach Milam's squad next



Nebraska Wesleyan freshman Rudy Vrtiska of Falls City received American Rivers All Conference Honors this weekend with his second place finish in the Heptathlon at the Conference Indoor Track Championships at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. Vrtiska's Heptathlon score of 4037 points is the third highest score in NWU history.



The 2019 Sacred Heart junior high girls basketball team captured the Gold Division of the Falls City Middle School Basketball Tournament on Monday, March 4th held at Falls City High. The Irish defeated Auburn in the first round of play and Falls City "A" team to claim the Championship. These wins allowed the Lady Irish to finish the season with a record of 10-1. Back Row L-R: Zakayyah Muhammed, Jessica Werthenberger, Kacy Brewer, Macy Keller, Mackenzie Dougherty, Elle Faulk, Leila Frederick, and Coach Bryce Ebel. Front Row L-R: Grace Malcolm, London Nachtigal, DeLanie Witt, Saylor Hutfles, and Caylee Ewers. Not pictured: Coach Emma Ebel.



With basketball season now over, I feel the need to get some things off my chest. First off, congratulations to all state tournament teams and champions. Secondly, congrats to the NSAA for getting the top teams to the state tournament. Now let's find a way to make the sub-state finals better. After the sub-districts are over the NSAA takes the 12 winners and then the four next best teams based on wild card points and re-seeds the teams. The Irish girls (22-3) reward for being the top overall seed was a trip to Grand Island to take on Arthur County, and the Sacred Heart boys (23-1) earned the right to travel to Cozad to take on the 7-16 Crawford Rams.

In the NFL, NBA, MLB top seeds are rewarded with home games. In the NCAA tournament the #1 seeds are kept in a region close to home, so why does the NSAA not give the higher seeds home games? For example, Johnson-Brock the #5 seed traveled 40 miles to Palmyra to take on the #12 seed Mead while Sacred Heart drove 281 miles. Not exactly a reward for only losing one game throughout the regular season. Also, the cost of travel and lack of gate money (small crowds) and low concession sales must factor into the process. At least the best teams are getting to the state tourney now, but let's find a better way to go about it. Historically, the top seed will come from the East, and the #16 seed will come from the far West. A team would play closer to home if they are the 2 or 3 seed, so hopefully, something can be done to address the issue.

Spring football practice started last week in case anyone missed that. The spring game is 33 days away if anyone is counting. Jobs not on the list of requiring help is quarterback. Adrian Martinez can only improve upon his standout freshman year. The Huskers will need to replace receiver Stanley Morgan, but a stable of young athletes should make that easier. Nebraska may need help at the running back position. Maurice Washington who had 455 yards on 77 carries last season was in the position to take over for Devine Ozigbo. However, possible legal trouble in California involving an ex-girlfriend could cost him a spot on the team by the time the season rolls around. Look for JUCO running back Dedrick Mills to take over the ball carrying duties for the Huskers this fall. At 5'11 and over 215 pounds, Mills has the size to go up the middle and the speed to get around the corner. Also, look out for Wandale Robinson from Kentucky to make a splash. Robinson was the #2 all-purpose back in the country and accounted for almost 2,700 yards of total offense and 41 touchdowns his senior year. Look for Robinson to get touches on the ground, through the air, and on special teams.

Finally, on to baseball. The season-opener is getting closer, and I still don't know what to think about the Royals. Now, to add insult to injury, the Royals will be without perennial all-star and fan favorite Salvador Perez. Salvy, just went under the knife for "Tommy John" surgery to fix his elbow. Now, a depleted team has even fewer weapons. The Royals seem to have gone away from power at the plate and gone after speed in the off-season, much like they did when they made their first playoff run in 2014. If the Royals can get on base, it could get exciting with the speed they now possess. Maybe it's just been a long winter, but I can't wait to hear the crack of the bat again.

## Middle school wrestlers keep busy on the mat

By Brian McKim

The Falls City middle school wrestlers have been busy on the mat as of late. On February 21 at the Falls City Tournament Stephan Fields, an eighth-grader went a perfect 5-0 with four pins. Kellen McAfee, another eighth-grader, finished with three pins, going 3-2. Zane Ebel and Kemper Foster, both seventh-graders went 0-4 and 0-5 respectively. Fellow seventh graders Wyatt Karpinski and Daniel Hollens both with 2-2 with each of them getting a

pair of pins. Seventh-grader Wyatt Olberding finished 3-1 with one pin, and Kaleb Zulkoski went 1-2 in the tournament.

On February 25 the young Tiger wrestlers headed to Missouri for the Rockport Invite. Three Tigers brought home first place finishes. Stephan Fields improved to a perfect 8-0 on the season with a 3-0 record at the tourney, including a pair of pins. Daniel Hollens and Wyatt Olberding were both a perfect 3-0 at Rockport as well, with each getting two pins. Hollens

improved to 5-2 while Olberding is now 6-1. Kellen McAfee picked up a second-place finish going 2-1, and his record now sits at 4-3. Zane Ebel was 1-3 on the mat in Rockport, finishing in fourth-place. Wyatt Karpinski and Kaleb Zulkoski each finished 0-3 on the day and finished in fourth-place.

Falls City next participated in the Auburn Invite on February 28. Kellen McAfee earned the lone first place medal for FC, finishing 3-0 with three pins. His season record now sits at 10-3. Wyatt Karpinski got a pin and finished 2-1 for a silver medal. Kaleb Zulkoski also took second-place, getting a pair of wins against one loss. Daniel Hollens went 1-2 and took third while Zane Ebel and Kemper Foster were each winless and finished in fourth place. Fields and Olberding did not participate in the invite.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$8,725.56
BRAD GRIFFIN CONSULTING, EX... \$3,600.51
CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$23.00
CLUNE & COMPANY L.C. INC., EX... \$157.29
DEARBORN NATIONAL, EX... \$68.40
FC ECONOMIC DEVELOPT, EX \$10,000.00
FALLS CITY JOURNAL, EX... \$4,137.45
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$314.37
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$2,329.99
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, SR... \$4,040.30
KC STAINED GLASS, EX... \$1,195.00
MILLER MONROE COMPANY, EX... \$517.00
NE MUNICIPAL POWER POOL, EX... \$3,117.91
PEST CONTROL SERV OF SE NE, SR... \$200.00
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, EX... \$78,022.00
PRO SERV, EX... \$441.83
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$58.81
RICHARDSON CO CLERK, EX... \$424.92
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$1,329.66
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, EX... \$64.99
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$927.48
WOLVES PRINTING, SU... \$177.93
TOTAL... \$30,953.42

POLICE DEPARTMENT

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$44,223.78
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING - CENTRAL FINANCE, EX... \$1,118.00
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$1,102.58
GENERAL PETTY CASH, EX... \$850.00
HACH CHEMICAL CO, EX... \$4,541.91
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$411.12
POLICE DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$545.13
PRO SERV, EX... \$565.63
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$28.45
RICHARDSON COUNTY COURT, EX... \$354.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$51,329.66
TOTAL... \$101,329.66

FIRE

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$3,801.76
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA, EX... \$570.93
DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT CO, EX... \$1,910.89
DEARBORN NATIONAL, EX... \$2,420.30
FC VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT, EX... \$1,050.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$3,929.92
FELD FERG, EX... \$44.99
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$544.99
GENERAL PETTY CASH, EX... \$850.00
HAUG COMMUNICATIONS, EX... \$2,300.00
INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER, EX... \$135.30
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$58.69
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$5.69
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$97.11
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, EX... \$204.68
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$3,804.68
TOTAL... \$10,139.67

STREET DEPARTMENT

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$23,230.26
CONCRETE INDUSTRIES INC, EX... \$64.98
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$39.43
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$1,329.99
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$2,299.79
MARTIN MARIETTA AGGREGATES, EX... \$158.58
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$284.79
MR AUTOMOTIVE, EX... \$6,910.28
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$96.10
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$1,329.66
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$5,441.01
TOTAL... \$38,550.91

PARKS

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$9,386.62
DRILL WELL, LLC EX... \$1,179.99
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$118.18
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$2,158.58
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$2,627.50
HOME LUMBER CO, EX... \$1,199.99
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$233.60
RYAN BENTLEY, EX... \$500.00
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$521.18
TOTAL... \$15,375.64

AUDITORIUM

CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$20.60
ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING COMPANY, EX... \$480.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$75.00
JONES AIR CONDITIONING, EX... \$134.50
NEST CONTROL SERVICES OF SE NE, SR... \$1,850.00
RAY MARTIN COMPANY, EX... \$2,281.40
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$1,122.22
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, EX... \$28.75
UNIFIRST CORPORATION, EX... \$4,022.00
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$158.58
TOTAL... \$6,410.07

ANIMAL CONTROL

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$3,265.86
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$1.08
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$790.91
HOME LUMBER CO, EX... \$92.89
OPPD, EX... \$44.49
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$116.16
TOTAL... \$3,811.30

SENIOR CENTER BUILDI

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$65.00
JONES AIR CONDITIONING, EX... \$65.00
TOTAL... \$130.00

911 EMERGENCY SERVICE

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$19,125.00
BCBS OF NEBRASKA, EX... \$739.20
CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$27.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$20,344.03
TOTAL... \$39,275.23

LIBRARY

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$14,028.79
CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$245.75
EL CAMINO ELECTRIC, LLC, EX... \$487.50
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$1,643.93
FULLER CLEANING COMPANY, EX... \$70.00
INGRAM, EX... \$1,989.55
LIBRARY - PETTY CASH, EX... \$2,360.90
OCLC INC, EX... \$149.56
RICHARDSON COUNTY COURT, EX... \$150.00
SHOPO, EX... \$60.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$290.98
THE LIBRARY STORE INC, EX... \$198.20
THE SHOPPER, INC NATIONAL, EX... \$141.76
ULINE, EX... \$1,618.91
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$1,723.79
WOLVES PRINTING, SU... \$10.30
TOTAL... \$20,134.47

LIBRARY GRANT

LIBRARY - PETTY CASH, EX... \$86.55
TOTAL... \$86.55

CEMETERY

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$4,702.76
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$16.99
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$288.65
JONES & JONES, EX... \$975.00
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$68.76
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$49.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$447.11
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$857.71
TOTAL... \$6,190.65

AIRPORT

BENNETT REFRIGERATION, EX... \$3,227.00
SUE BUCKMINSTER, EX... \$2,300.00
CONN CONSTRUCTION, EX... \$21,500.00
DAWN BENNETT, EX... \$75.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$47.96
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, EX... \$1,175.00
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$65.50
PHILIP CHAFFEE, EX... \$2,300.00
RICHARDSON CO CLERK, EX... \$141.74
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$139.16
STATELINE PROPANE SERVICE INC, EX... \$371.00
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$25,500.00
TOTAL... \$52,600.26

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FALLS CITY JOURNAL, EX... \$4,137.45
FALLS CITY POST OFFICE, EX... \$403.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$617.43
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, LLC, SR... \$1,920.50
HOME LUMBER, EX... \$1,195.00
HUSKER ELCTRIC SUPPLY, EX... \$1,175.92
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$1,315.43
MIDWEST SERVICES, EX... \$259.84
MID-KS CYLINDER HEAD, INC, EX... \$5,910.20
MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NEB EX... \$27,579.59
NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER POOL, EX... \$1,456.00
NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC, EX... \$1,859.69
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$99.59
SNC, SR... \$3,077.79
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, EX... \$204.68
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$13,282.74
UTILITY DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$281.00
WOLVES PRINTING, SU... \$44.12
TOTAL... \$159,607.18

WATER DEPARTMENT

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$32,371.51
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPT SU, \$1,108
ARCMAY CORPORATION, EX... \$259.45
BACHELOR CONTROLS INC, EX... \$1,361.48
CLUNE & COMPANY L.C, EX... \$17.50
EDWARDS CHEMICALS, EX... \$118.00
FALLS CITY JOURNAL, EX... \$1,118.00
FALLS CITY POST OFFICE, SU... \$80.54
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$149.79
HACH CHEMICAL CO, EX... \$4,541.91
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, LLC, SR... \$335.00
HECTO, INC, EX... \$1,120.11
KAWRES, EX... \$195.38
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$150.46
NE MUNICIPAL POWER POOL, EX... \$320.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH, EX... \$78.00
NEW TOWN VALVE SERVICE DIVISION, EX... \$127.66
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$35.53
SNC, SR... \$159.52
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$7,302.91
UTILITY DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$69.95
UTILITY SERVICE CO INC, EX... \$2,300.00
TOTAL... \$179,109.36

MECHANIC SHOP

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$4,981.76
AGCO PLUS, EX... \$111.70
ARMBRUSTER MOTOR CO, EX... \$181.27
FALLS CITY AUTO SUPPLY, EX... \$181.27
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$1,666.75
FARMERS REPAIR & MACHINE SHOP, EX... \$58.69
HARMON'S O.K. TIRE STORE, EX... \$405.82
HAWK COMMUNICATIONS, EX... \$2,300.00
HECTO, INC, EX... \$74.79
HUSKER ELECTRIC, EX... \$2,627.50
MID TOWN SERVICE CENTER, EX... \$59.98
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MR AUTOMOTIVE, EX... \$778.10
QUILL CORPORATION, SU... \$25.69
TRICRATE TRUCK & TRACTOR REPAIR, EX... \$35.95
TOTAL... \$9,720.40

GAS DEPARTMENT

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$46,902.38
ADMIN DEPARTMENT, SU... \$12.00
CLUNE & COMPANY L.C, EX... \$12.00
CONCRETE INDUSTRIES, INC, EX... \$341.88
CONSOLIDATED PIPE & SUPPLY CO INC, EX... \$192.33
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$112.00
FALLS CITY POST OFFICE, EX... \$323.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$1,616.02
FARMERS REPAIR & MACHINE SHOP, EX... \$93.71
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES, INC, EX... \$1,210.11
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, LLC, SR... \$1,155.00
INDUSTRIAL SALES CO INC, EX... \$20.00
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$84.53
MR AUTOMOTIVE, EX... \$58.10
NE MUNICIPAL POWER POOL, EX... \$1,166.00
ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC, EX... \$92.07
SNC, SR... \$249.95
TD WILLIAMSON, INC, EX... \$259.60
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$719.21
UTILITY DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$226.00
WOLVES PRINTING, SU... \$258.11
TOTAL... \$59,181.19

GAS DEPARTMENT

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ADMINISTRATIVE DEPT, EX... \$6.08
BROWN CO TRANS STATION, EX... \$119.43
CLUMMINS SALES & SERVICE, EX... \$1,206.05
DORR & GREER, EX... \$90.00
FALLS CITY SANITATION, SR... \$90.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$175.47
FLEET FUELING, EX... \$334.04
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, L.L.C., SR... \$245.00
HARMON'S O.K. TIRE STORE, EX... \$640.40
KAWRES, EX... \$113.76
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$113.76
MIDWEST LABS, INC, EX... \$122.79
NE MUNICIPAL POWER POOL, EX... \$324.00
PERCIN, CULLIGAN WATER, EX... \$90.00
QUILL, SU... \$28.45
SOKKA'S PLUMBING, EX... \$163.01
SNC, SR... \$163.01
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$1,140.79
UTILITY DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$114.93
TOTAL... \$37,968.59

SEWER CLAIMS

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UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$1,140.79
UTILITY DEPT PETTY CASH, EX... \$114.93
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BROWN CO TRANS STATION, EX... \$119.43
CLUMMINS SALES & SERVICE, EX... \$1,206.05
DORR & GREER, EX... \$90.00
FALLS CITY SANITATION, SR... \$90.00
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$175.47
FLEET FUELING, EX... \$334.04
HALBERT, DUNN & HALBERT, L.L.C., SR... \$245.00
HARMON'S O.K. TIRE STORE, EX... \$640.40
KAWRES, EX... \$113.76
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GENERAL PETTY CASH, EX... \$1,000.00
GIS WORKSHOP, EX... \$1,150.00
HUSKER ELECTRIC SUPPLY, EX... \$1,175.92
OLD DOMINION BRUSH CO, EX... \$2,475.88
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$55.14
TITLE DEPARTMENT, EX... \$5,675.30
TOTAL... \$338,257.27

PARKS

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$9,386.62
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$3,929.92
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$2,627.50
JAMES MURPHY CONST, EX... \$28,000.00
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$3,189.25
TOTAL... \$40,666.77

AUDITORIUM

FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$289.99
MECHANIC SHOP, EX... \$171.66
PEST CONTROL SERV SE NE, SR... \$55.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$143.87
UNIFIRST CORPORATION, EX... \$126.07
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$3,328.03
TOTAL... \$3,853.62

ANIMAL CONTROL

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$3,265.86
FARM AND CITY SUPPLY, EX... \$1.08
FLEET SERVICES, EX... \$790.91
OPPD, EX... \$44.49
UTILITY DEPARTMENT, EX... \$116.16
TOTAL... \$3,811.30

SENIOR CENTER BUILDI

JONES AIR CONDITIONING, EX... \$65.00
TOTAL... \$65.00
911 EMERGENCY SERVICE
PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$19,125.00
BCBS OF NEBRASKA, EX... \$739.20
CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$27.00
SNC SENCOT NET LLC, SR... \$20,344.03
TOTAL... \$39,275.23

LIBRARY

PAYROLL ACCOUNT, SA... \$14,028.79
CITY OF FC DEBIT CARD, EX... \$245.75
EL CAMINO ELECTRIC, LLC, EX... \$487.50
FALLS CITY MERCANTILE, EX... \$1,643.93
FULLER CLEANING COMPANY, EX... \$70.00
INGRAM, EX... \$1,989.55
LIBRARY - PETTY CASH, EX... \$2,360.90
OCLC INC, EX... \$149.56
RICHARDSON COUNTY COURT, EX... \$150.00
SHOPO, EX... \$60.00
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# OBITUARIES

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## Rose Ann Sheets

Rose Ann Sheets, 82, of Lincoln passed away on March 6, 2019. She was born November 28, 1936, to Joseph and Mabel (Mooney) Friedell in Elgin, NE. She was raised in Elgin, NE. In 1956 she married James Sheets. She attended the University of Nebraska School of Pharmacy and graduated in 1968. She and Jim purchased Sheets Pharmacy in 1969 in Falls City, NE. She later was the Falls City Community Hospital pharmacist for several years. Rose Ann was awarded National Pharmacy Family of the Year in 1972 (along with her husband, father-in-law, mother-in-law and Jim's twin brother Jerry, who were all pharmacists). Along with Jim, she was a charter member of the Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad in 1974. She also served as president of the Nebraska Pharmacists Association. Jim and Rose Ann moved to Lincoln in 1996 to proudly cheer on their



grandchildren at all their sports and music events. Survived by her sisters Janice (Allen) Dozler of Lincoln, Kathy (Steve) Farnham of Memphis, Tennessee; daughter, Carol Richmond; sons, Don (Pam Vandenberg) and Steve (Johanna Lorenzka) all of Lincoln; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband James and her parents. Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Monday, March 11, 2019, at Roper and Sons South Lincoln Chapel, 3950 Hohense Dr. No visitation. Private family burial at Lincoln Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be directed toward the American Diabetes Association. (www.diabetes.org) or Clinic with a Heart (a free healthcare clinic in Lincoln), 1701 S 17th St Ste 4g, Lincoln, NE 68502. Condolences may be left online at Roperandsons.com.

## Iola Leafy

Iola Leafy, 87, of Hiawatha, passed away March 9, 2019, in Hiawatha. She was born September 29, 1931, in Rulo, to Thomas and Minnie (Frederick) Wallace. Iola was raised in Falls City and attended Falls City Public Schools. She married Lenard Leafy on August 10, 1950, in Hiawatha. He passed away on June 19, 2007. When married the couple established their home at Falls City. She helped her husband operate Leafy's Disposal Service for 32 years. They moved to Hiawatha in 1978, and she has lived there since, retiring in 1990. She was a member of The Church of Christ of Latter Day Saints at Hiawatha. Iola is survived by her sons, Lloyd and his wife Sue of Skidmore, TX, Terry and his wife Cindy of Robinson, KS, Carl of Tecumseh, NE, daughters, Pam Leafy of Hiawatha, Inna Pokorny and her husband James of Liberal, KS, Susan McCartney and her husband Jim of Falls City, Rita Houtz of Hiawatha, Sheri Leafy of Robinson sister, Sharon Zimmerman of Brunell, FL, twenty-six grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, several great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, grandson, David, brother, Clarence Wallace and a sister, Becky Lynch. Her funeral will be held on Friday, March 15, 2019, at 10:30 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Ryan Larsen officiating. Interment will be in Steele Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 7-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

## Orlee Schacht

Orlee J. Schacht, 90, of Falls City, passed away March 5, 2019, in Falls City. She was born April 4, 1928, in Rulo, to Vernon and Mable (Spicer) Prater. She married William Titus on October 26, 1948, in Hiawatha, KS. He passed away on November 9, 1996. She then married LaMar Schacht on November 6, 1999, in Falls City. Orlee attended the Rulo School through the 10th grade. At the age of 15, she went to work in the kitchen at Camp Rulo and later at Sid's Café. Orlee married Mr. Titus, and in their 48 years of marriage, they lived in several towns and even a couple different states. They raised four children. In the time of their retirement, they were working at Farmland Foods in Crete, NE. Once retired they were able to move back to their home town of Falls City in 1991. In May of 1996, Mr. Titus was diagnosed with bone cancer and lost his battle in November of that same year. When she married Mr. Schacht, she gained four step-children and led a very active life, dancing, cycling, bowling, and shuffling — leaving Nebraska every winter to enjoy the warmer Texas weather. They also got to go to Hawaii and to take a cruise in Alaska. In 2006 Orlee was diagnosed with lung cancer. Lamar and Orlee now had to slow down. Although the radiation and chemo

had their effects, they continued their winter trips to Texas and enjoyed every day that God blessed them with. In later years Orlee called the Assembly of God Church home. However, she gave her life to God around 1956 and was baptized in the Nemaha River just south of Rulo. At that time she was going to the Nazarene Church in Falls City. Orlee is survived by her husband, LaMar of Falls City, son, Bruce Titus and his wife Adeline of Portland, OR, daughters, Bobbie Townsend of Gadsden, AL, Tina Tietjen and her partner Glenn Palmer of Wingam, MO, step-children, Gary Schacht and his wife Cherry of Troy, KS, Carol Zimmerman, Charlotte Gentry and Cindy Sailors all of Falls City, eight grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, many step-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, five brothers, two sisters and a son, Tim Titus. Services were on Monday, March 11, 2019, at 10:30 AM at Good News Assembly of God Church with Pastors Tim Boatright and Bill Campbell officiating. Interment was in Steele Cemetery. The family received friends on Sunday at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

## Kenneth Kunce

Kenneth J. Kunce, Sr., 84, of Falls City, passed away March 7, 2019 in Lincoln. His services are currently pending at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

## SHARED MEDIA POLICE REPORT

On March 7, 2019 at 2:27 p.m., Matthew A. Koenke, 30, of Falls City, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a fines and cost warrant.

On March 9, 2019, Christian Hermosillo, 23, of Pawnee City was booked into Richardson County Law Enforcement Center on the following charges of Strangulation, Domestic Assault, 3rd Degree Assault, Child Abuse, and Criminal Mischief.

On March 10, 2019, Buckley Auxier, 49, of Dawson was arrested by Richardson County Deputies and booked into Richardson County Law Enforcement Center for Violation of a Protection Order.

On March 10, 2019, Leo Moore, 33, of Falls City was booked into Richardson County Law Enforcement Center on Failure To Pay Fines and Costs.

On March 10, 2019, Mark Gaede,

33 of Falls City was arrested by Richardson County Deputies in Falls City and booked into Richardson County Law Enforcement Center on Failure To Pay Fines and Costs.

## FCPD STATISTICS

March 4, 2019: four misc. calls; one call referred to other agency; one fire call; one ambulance call; two welfare check calls; one accident call; five 911 calls; two citations for third degree domestic assault; one citation second degree false imprisonment; one citation for possession of drug paraphernalia; one citation for possession of marijuana less than one ounce.

March 5, 2019: seven misc. calls; three ambulance calls; one HHS intake/referral; one investigation call; one noise disturbance call; nine 911 calls; one citation for stop sign/light; one warning for speeding.

March 6, 2019: four misc. calls; two animal complaint calls; one 911 hang up; two calls referred to another agency; three ambulance calls; five 911 calls; one citation for speeding; three speeding warnings; one warning for failure to use turn signal; one warning for no license on person; one warning for improper use of headlights.

March 7, 2019: one accident call; one ambulance call; one call referred to other agency two nuisance calls; one warrant arrest; one welfare check call; one 911 call and hang up; one loitering call; four misc. calls; two fire calls; one information only call; one suspicious subject or vehicle; one 911

call; one citation for speeding; one citation as per warrant.

March 8, 2019: two suspicious subject or vehicle; four misc. calls; two accident calls; two animal complaints; one ambulance call; one records check; one information check; one referred to other agency; one 911 call.

March 9, 2019: three referred to other agency; seven misc. calls; two investigation calls; one motorist assist; three ambulance calls; one call for information only; 12 911 calls; one citation for invalid registration, plates not clear, no proof of insurance, no proof of ownership, fictitious display, one citation for invalid registration, no proof of ownership, no proof of ownership; one citation of negligent driving, failure to yield and R.O.W. vehicle.

## Farm Service Agency reminds livestock producers of assistance for those impacted by winter-related weather in Richardson County

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Richardson County Executive Director CED Brenda Fields today announced producers who suffered livestock losses due to natural disasters, including extreme cold, blizzards or other severe winter weather, may be eligible for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP).

"The Livestock Indemnity Program provides producers with a vital safety net to help them overcome the financial impact of extreme or abnormal weather," said Fields. "We've had some harsh winter weather this season that may have had a significant impact on livestock. We encourage producers who suffered losses to reach out to our office for more information about LIP."

LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to an adverse weather event, includ-

ing blizzards and extreme cold. The payment rate is based on 75 percent of the average fair market value of the livestock.

A livestock producer must file a notice of loss with FSA within 30 calendar days of when the loss of livestock is first apparent. Livestock producers must provide evidence that the death of livestock was due to an eligible adverse weather event or loss condition. In addition, livestock producers should bring supporting death documentation, including documentation of the

number and kind of livestock that died, dated photographs or video records to document the loss, purchase records, veterinarian records, production records or other similar documents. For more information on LIP, to submit a notice of loss or to submit an application for payment, please contact the Richardson County FSA office at 402-245-2401. To learn more about LIP click here or visit [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov) and scroll to "Fact Sheets" under "Popular Topics."

The Council voted to accept a proposal from the Summer Rec program that it be allowed to rent the former 4-H building at Stanton Lake for the maintenance and the value of any improvements they would make to the building. Councilman Derrick Leyden who is also a Summer Rec board member said the organization would use the building to store equipment necessary for its various programs. Leyden said Jim Hills Paint & Glass has offered to donate paint required to spruce up the building and that Frank Killingsworth has agreed to assist Summer Rec board members with a painting project.

The Council voted to advertise for bids for the repair of the Prichard Auditorium roof, a project that would be funded from the city's Capital Improvement Budget. City Administrator Gary Jom reported that it had been over ten years since the roof was replaced and the roof has begun to leak in several places.

The Council was scheduled to act on bids received for the demolition of dilapidated housing at 1203 Lane, 915 Wilson, and 2215 Lane Street, but action was tabled on a motion made by Councilman Don Ferguson who said he felt more time should be allowed for the possible sale and updating of the property at 2215 Lane Street.

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**2019 ORRIS C. HATCH MEMORIAL FALLS CITY LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP GRANT-IN-AID AWARDS**

Two \$1,000 awards will be awarded to a Falls City HS and Sacred Heart HS Student following graduation who plans to attend an accredited and recognized schools of the following types (not academic universities or colleges of higher education, with the exception of 4-year nursing schools; Vocational or trade schools; Commercial schools; Technical schools or Nursing schools.

Application forms must be completed by those graduating seniors desiring consideration.

Final date for submitting your application to your guidance counselor is Friday, April 19, 2019.

See your school Counselor for an application

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# AREA CHURCHES

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
LCMS  
(6 miles North)  
402-245-4643  
[www.stpaulsfallscty.org](http://www.stpaulsfallscty.org)  
Holy Communion celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays.  
Sunday: Bible study, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; worship service, 10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: Second Tuesday of the month, Dorcas Circle.  
Wednesday: 9 a.m., Sew 'n Sew; Adult choir, 7:30 p.m.; first Wednesday of the month, LWML.  
Wednesday Evening, 5:00 p.m. Midweek Class, 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Christ Lutheran, September through April.  
Dan Gifford, pastor

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) 12 miles Northeast of Falls City (Williamsville)**  
Sunday: Worship 9:15 a.m., first, third and fifth Sundays with communion on the first Sunday. We worship on the second and fourth Sundays at Barada United Methodist Church in Barada, Nebraska. Fellowship and Sunday school following worship.  
WELCA 1:30 first Monday Church Council, 7:30 p.m. on third Tuesdays  
Pastor Jerry Yount

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church - ELCA**  
(23th and Towle Streets)  
402-245-3828  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School (pre-school thru adult, during school year); 10 a.m. Worship; Communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month;  
Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. Men's coffee; 6:30 p.m. Confirmation; 7:30 p.m. choir practice.  
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Communion Worship before the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.  
Call for youth, Bible studies and women's group schedules.  
God's Work, Our Hands.  
Andrew Chavanak, pastor

**St. Mary's (Arango)**  
Sunday: Confessions, 10:00 a.m.; Mass, 10:30 a.m.  
Fr. David Oldham, pastor

**Grace Bible Fellowship**  
(Highway 62, east of Stella)  
Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; church service, 10:15 a.m.  
Web page: [www.gbfcchurch.com](http://www.gbfcchurch.com)  
Office: 883-2110  
pastor Dave Lockard

**Lighthouse Church of God**  
(2202 330th, White Cloud, KS)  
One quarter mile west of Iowa Tribal Complex  
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; church service, 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. Charles J. Haney, pastor  
785-862-1107

**Stella Community Church**  
Sunday: Church service with children's Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; adults Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor John Stiles

**First United Methodist Church**  
(1700 Harlan Street)  
funic@sentco.net  
402-245-3281  
Sunday: Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Broadcast live on KTVB AM 1230. Adult Bible Study, 9:15 a.m., Children's Sunday school during this service during the school year.  
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors.  
Rev. Young Je Kim

**First Presbyterian Church**  
(20th and Harlan)  
Sunday: Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. (During the school year) Fellowship and cookies 10:15 a.m. on second or third Sunday of the month.  
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  
First Friday of each month: Group breakfast with speaker at 7:00 a.m.  
Pastor Richard Kent Martin  
402-245-2650  
[www.fallsccyppres.org/](http://www.fallsccyppres.org/)

**Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
LCMS  
(23rd and Barada)  
402-245-3324  
[www.stpaulsfallscty.org](http://www.stpaulsfallscty.org)  
Holy Communion celebrated 2nd and 4th Sundays.  
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.  
Dan Gifford, pastor

**First Brethren Church**  
(1902 Lane Street)  
Sunday: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, nursery (or pre-school), adult, 10:45 a.m.; Fellowship Hour, 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Bible study, 6:30 p.m.  
Victor Haworth, pastor  
245-5287  
Don Shafer, moderator  
245-5209

**Good News Assembly of God**  
(600 Reavis Street)  
402-245-3999  
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; wor-ship, 10:40 a.m.  
Wednesday: Good News Kids, 6:30 p.m.  
A variety of small group Bible studies are available for adults throughout the year. Listen to sermons online, [www.mysmg.com](http://www.mysmg.com)  
Tim Boaright, Pastor

**Corner Stone Baptist Church**  
(Independent & Fundamental)  
N. Highway 73 to Prosser & Campbell PC, turn east (or right)  
Sunday: Sunday School Bible Hour, 9:30 a.m.; worship hours, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Bible study and prayer time, 7 p.m. Lively Stone Kids Klub, (ages K-6 grade). We welcome you and your family to come worship the Lord with us.  
Pastor Mike Dunleavy  
402-245-2049 (home)  
402-245-4245 (church)  
<http://www.csbccvpxeb.com>

**First Church of Nazarene**  
(1812 Wilson)  
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:00-10:15 a.m.; morning worship, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; Sunday evening Bible study, 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.; teens and children's program.  
Stephen Floyd, pastor  
402-245-3755

**Christ Church of Falls City**  
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District #70

**Board of Education Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM.**  
**Music Room, Humboldt**  
 Attendance: Takers at 5:00 PM: Mike Bredemeier, Absent: Rock Herr, Present: Neal Kanel, Present: Scott Ogle, Present: Tim Schardt, Present: Sandy Stalder, Present.

1. OPEN MEETING NOTICE - CALL MEETING TO ORDER- ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE\*

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA. Motion to approve agenda passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

3. WELCOME PATRONS AND GUESTS

4. UNI Cooperative Extension Presentation  
 Jamie Anstrom and Kaytlyn Kennedy presented on the projects they have worked on with HTRS students.

5. PATRON COMMENT: None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

7. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA. Approve the consent agenda passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

7.1. Regular Meeting Minutes

7.2. Approve bills for payment

7.3. Review Treasurer's report

8. REPORTS

8.1. Principal Othmer. The report mentioned standards based instruction, curriculum, parent teacher conferences, and professional development.

8.2. Assistant Principal Lottman. The report focused on assessments and a Title I update.

8.3. NASB Updates. Neal had a handout with current NASB information.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1. N-UMIP Contract. The contract begins June 1st and should reflect a savings in building fuel costs.

9.2. After-School Program. A committee has been formed to investigate before and after school programs.

9.3. Extra-curricular Student Drug Testing Policy. A committee is working on this new policy.

9.4. Kitchen Renovations. The building and grounds committee will look into proposals for changes in the kitchen in addition to the required renovations.

9.5. Stage Renovations. Jason Guenther presented the proposal for suggested stage updates for lighting and sound.

9.6. SRO Agreement. A School Resource Officer will be placed at HTRS once the Richardson County Sheriff's Department is fully staffed.

9.7. Strategic Plan. Discussion concerning special meeting scheduled for the 21st, consensus determined it was not necessary.

10. ACTION ITEMS

10.1. Approve board member's leave of absence. Motion to approve board member's leave of absence, Mike Bredemeier passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.2. Approve Policy 4029. Salary Schedule for Certificated Employees 4029 passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Rock Herr. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.3. Appoint member to Community Foundation Board. Rock will be appointed passed with a motion by Sandy Stalder and a second by Neal Kanel. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.4. Appoint member to HTRS Schools Foundation Board. Retain Neal on board passed with a motion by Sandy Stalder and a second by Scott Ogle. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.5. Approve Dr. Ed Fees. Raise fees to \$200 for all students passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.6. Approve Dr. Ed. Instructor. Taylor Dasekack with 40 cent per hour raise passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

10.7. Approve HTRS football co-op with Pawnee City effective 2019-2020 school year. Accept Pawnee City's request to join a one year high school football coop pending NSA application for petition for coop for 2019 passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Scott Ogle. Year: 5, Nay: 0

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel. Motion to approve entering into executive session to discuss personnel at 6:25 pm passed with a motion by Sandy Stalder and a second by Rock Herr. Year: 5, Nay: 0. Motion to exit executive session at 6:30 pm passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

11.1. Approve Administrative Contract Renewals. Approve a one-year extension to the administrative contracts for Sherri Edmondson, Superintendent; Lisa Othmer, Principal; and Karl Lottman, Assistant Principal passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

11.2. Approve Negotiations Committee Recommendation on Wages. Approve recommendation on classified wages \$1.50 per hour raise on the base for paraprofessionals, and fifty cents per hour raise on the base for food service, bus drivers and the remaining classified staff as proposed passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Year: 5, Nay: 0

11.3. Approve Insurance Committee Recommendations. Approve recommended raises for administrators, \$5,600 each for Sherri Edmondson and Lisa Othmer, \$1,727 for Karl Lottman passed with a motion by Sandy Stalder and a second by Scott Ogle. Year: 5, Nay: 0

12. SUPERINTENDENT EDMUNDSON REPORT. Provided the board with a comparison of test scores with other D1 and C2 schools; those with similar demographics did have similar test results.

13. ADJOURN. President Kanel declared the meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kellie Workman

We're trying to decide between...  ...Stew or Corned Beef and Cabbage.  Kids: color stuff in! 

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1. people may wear their family tartan (plaid) or this color to remind them of the Emerald Isle known as Ireland  
 2. banners, bands, floats and even "St. Patrick" himself may march down the street  
 3. looking for little gifts for the special day: shamrock plants, handcrafted Irish jewelry, T-shirts  
 4. an Irish cultural \_\_\_\_\_ has displays/talks about the history, language, arts of the Irish people  
 5. lessons in Irish \_\_\_\_\_ will have your family eating well  
 6. may join in some steps to do this: usually the upper part of the body is still while the feet move quickly  
 7. fun \_\_\_\_\_ and walks; athletes go as fast as they can; families walk; sometimes people dress in costumes  
 8. festivals and band competitions - bands, singers, fiddlers, bagpipers, bodhran drummers, harpists  
 9. a get-together with family and friends to eat, sing, dance  
 10. people gather at these to greet, eat, watch a sports event

11. a religious \_\_\_\_\_ may be attended  
 12. pass on tales of Irish life and folktales

1. How are best friends like 4-leaf clovers? They are hard to find and lucky to have.  
 2. Where can you always find gold? In the dictionary!

1. many Irish came to America to avoid this  
 2. tallest breed of dog - Irish \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. the \_\_\_\_\_ ancestry is in many fun fairy tales; not very friendly; known to outwit humans

4. an Irish-American dinner of corned beef and \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Henry \_\_\_\_\_; father born in Ireland, started company that used an assembly line to build more cars in less time for a lower cost  
 6. Saint \_\_\_\_\_ is the patron saint of Ireland  
 7. this crop fed everyone, especially the poorest people  
 8. the \_\_\_\_\_ is a 3-leaf clover; national symbol of Ireland  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ Pie - traditional dish of lamb, onion, carrots, potatoes  
 10. Irish have given a lot to the arts in America - especially in dance and \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. largest population with Irish ancestry is in state of \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. U.S. President John F. \_\_\_\_\_ was of Irish heritage

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## Even with losses, Irish still cream of the crop

Story and photos by Brian McKim

The Falls City Sacred Heart Irish boys' basketball team entered the state tournament as the odds on favorite to repeat as the Class D-2 state champions. At 25-1 the Irish were the top seed and had walked through the competition this season. All that came to an end this weekend as an injury to the Irish's leading scorer, Tyler Witt, evened the playing field. The Irish still went on to win the opening game and took eventual state champion, Johnson-Brock to the wire, before falling to 24-1 Riverside in the consolation game on Saturday. Even without their top scorer and rebounder, the Irish were able to hang with, and almost beat this year's champion and last year's runner up, not bad Irish!

In the opener, on Thursday morning at Lincoln Northeast High School, the Irish faced off against the 18-8 Bobcats from Blue Hill. The game was tied at four early; howev-

er, the Irish used a 9-0 run to jump out to a 13-4 lead with just over 3:00 to go in the first quarter. Blue Hill scored the final four points of the quarter to draw within four at 17-13 after one period. Again, in the second quarter, the Irish used a run, this time a 5-0 run, to grow the lead to 24-16. Back to back treys by the Bobcats made it 24-22. With 3:25 on the clock before the half, Tyler Witt got a driving layup to drop but injured his left ankle on the play. With Witt out of the game, Sr. Drew Bippes took over. Bippes finished the half with a game-high 15 points, as the Irish held on to a 33-28 halftime lead.

Blue Hill began the second quarter with a three to get with three, but Bippes came right back with a layup. A pair of free throws and a 10-foot jumper by Jake Hoy made it 39-34 but the Bobcats wouldn't go away getting to within one point before a Bippes jumper with 2:30 to go made it 41-38. A steal and layup by Jamie Stice gave SH a five-point lead and the quarter ended with SH leading 45-40.

Another three by Blue Hill to start the fourth got the Bobcats within two points at 45-43. With just over four and a half minutes to go the Irish got on the board with a hoop by Del Casteel, but as was the case all morning Blue Hill answered with a three. After a Jarrot Simon layup and a Casteel hoop, SH held on to a 51-48 lead. With :21 seconds to go the Irish called timeout with the game knotted at 54. After working the ball around the perimeter, Jamie Stice heaved a trey from the left elbow that hit the rim, then the backboard and went through the net as the buzzer sounded, giving the Irish the exciting 57-54 opening round win.

Blue Hill connected on nine threes in the game, Stice's game-winner was the only trey for the Irish. Bippes led all scorers with 23 points, Simon had eight, Witt finished with seven before his injury. Jake Hoy added seven, Casteel had five, and Jakob Jordan added two. Stice finished with five points, none bigger than his game-winning three-pointer.

In game two of the state tournament, the Irish faced the Johnson-Brock Eagles for the fourth time this season. With Witt in the lineup, the Irish were 3-0 against the Eagles, defeating them by an average of 18 points per contest, including a 67-43 win in sub-districts. The Irish trailed early in the game after Johnson scored eight straight to take an 8-2 lead. A Bippes three at the buzzer got the Irish within four at 14-10 after one quar-

ter. SH kept chipping away and tied the game at 18 on a Hoy trifecta with 4:09 to go in the half. Another three, this time by Simon followed by an offensive rebound and score by Kyle Bauman made it 23-20 SH with 2:14 to go. SH went into the half holding on to a 25-23 lead, in a game that no one thought would be close.

The third period began with a steal and layup by Bippes with 5:00 to go to make it 27-23. Johnson tied it up at 29 with 2:38 to go then the Irish outscored the Eagles 12-4 in the final two minutes to take a 39-33 lead into the last quarter as Simon hit a three from the top of the key with :05 to go.

The Irish stormed out in the fourth quarter to stake a 10-point lead, 44-34, with 4:38 to go after a Bippes pull up jumper. The Eagles then outscored the Irish 14-1 in the final four minutes to get the win. Ty Hahn of Johnson hit a pair of threes, and SH hit just 1-4 free throws down the stretch as Johnson escaped the game with a 48-45 win.

Bippes again led the attack for SH with 19 points. Simon had nine; Hoy added seven; Jordan had four; Bauman added three; Casteel had two and Stice finished with one. Many would agree, with Witt in the lineup the Irish would have proceeded to the state championship. In the three previous games, Witt averaged 20 points and 14 rebounds against the Eagles.

With the loss, the Irish took on Riverside in the Consolation game Saturday afternoon at Lincoln Southwest High School. This was a rematch of last season's state title game and a matchup many expected to take place again at Pinnacle Bank Arena.

The Chargers took a 10-point lead early and led the Irish 21-9 after one quarter. The Irish, after coming out of the gate slowly, looked better to begin quarter num-

ber two. Jack Fiegenger hit a free throw, followed by a long trey by Bippes made it 21-13. A Bippes layup got the Irish with six at 21-15. Each time the Irish made a run, Riverside had an answer throughout the contest. A three-point shot at the buzzer by Riverside made it 32-21 heading into the locker rooms.

On the opening possession of the second half Hoy hit a three to make it 32-24. A hoop by Bippes followed by a trey by Stice got the Irish rolling. Bippes then hit 2-2 free throws to make it 35-31 with just over 4:00 to go. Riverside finished the quarter with a 7-2 run to take a 42-33 lead into the final eight minutes. The Irish chipped away in the fourth quarter, getting within three points at 51-48 after a Simon layup with 2:15 to go. The Chargers pulled away down the stretch leading by nine with :23 to go. Anthony Froeschl came off the bench and hit a three and Austin Sells nailed a trey at the buzzer to make the final 59-54.

Again, it was Bippes leading the way with 23 points for the Irish. Bippes finished his Irish career with 1071

points, eighth on the all-time Irish scoring list. Simon had 13 points; Hoy added five; Sells and Froeschl each had three; Bauman added two and Fiegenger and Jordan each had one. Tredyn Prosocki had 20 to lead Riverside.

With the loss, the Irish fell to 25-3 for the season. "This year's team will be remembered as one of the best teams I've had that didn't win a championship," said Coach Doug Goltz. "Injuries are part of the game, but the timing couldn't have been worse. I'm very proud that we were able to beat a good Blue Hill team after Tyler went down. The Johnson-Brock game will be a difficult one to get over. I don't know if I've ever been prouder of a team with how hard they competed and how well they played for three and a half quarters. We just weren't able to finish it. Without Tyler on the court yet playing ourselves to be in a position to win that game, I'll never forget that. It just wasn't meant to be for our team this year. This one will hurt for a long, long time," said Goltz.

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