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KANSAS MAN ARRESTED AFTER PURSUIT

On December 4, 2019 the Richardson County Sheriff's Office, along with the assistance Falls City Police Dept, conducted a controlled buy of methamphetamine and firearms in Falls City. As deputies attempted to apprehend the suspect, the suspect fled in a 2006 Cadillac.

The pursuit ended south of Hwy Eight and Hwy 105, where the suspect wrecked. The suspect then fled a quarter of a mile on foot through a cornfield and was apprehended. During an inventory of the suspect's vehicle, a nine mm handgun was located, a large amount of methamphetamine

(approximately 11 ounces) along with other controlled substances and paraphernalia with an estimated street value of \$25,000 and \$2,300 in cash.

Cody Rhyne, 31, of Hiawatha, Kansas was arrested by Richardson County Sheriff's Deputies and booked into the Richardson County Jail the following charges: Possession of a deadly weapon by a prohibited person (times two); Possession of money while violating drug statute; Possession of Marijuana; Possession of drug paraphernalia; Possession with intent to deliver; Deliver exceptional hazardous drug

within 1000 ft of a school; possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony (times two); No Drug tax stamp; Possession of a Legend Drug (times three). *(A Legend drug means drugs that are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and that are required by federal or state law to be dispensed to the public only on prescription of a licensed physician or other licensed providers.)* Possession of a controlled substance; No operator's license; Carry a concealed weapon; and Felony-operate motor vehicle to avoid arrest.

CITY APPROVES CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN ENERGY CONSORTIUM

By Charlie Radatz

With City Council members Don Ferguson, Amber Holle, and Jim Wisdom absent, all six items on the agenda for their Mon., Dec. 2, meeting were approved by 5-0 votes during a session that lasted only nine minutes.

Among items approved was an interlocal agreement with the American Public Energy Agency created to buy and sell electrical and natural gas energy for member public utilities. The agreement is a 50-year extension of an agreement approved in 2007. It becomes effective upon execution by at least two member utilities, and the Agency it creates will continue in operation until all members terminate it. However, individual

member utilities may terminate their membership one year after providing written notice of their desire to do so. The Agency intends to obtain the best possible cost for the electrical and natural gas they purchase and the best possible price they might receive for the excess capacity they wish to sell.

Following a public hearing on a replat of Industrial Park Tracts 2 and 7 and Lot 4 as recommended by the City Planning Commission, the Council voted to approve the replat.

Council approval was given to the appointments of Matt Beer as Fire Chief, Vernon Wisdom as First Assistant Fire Chief, and Brian Vice as Second Fire Chief as recommended by the Falls *(Continued on Page 5)*



SENATOR JULIE SLAMA NAMED TO FORBES' 30 UNDER 30 LIST FOR LAW AND POLICY

Senator Julie Slama was named to Forbes' 30 under 30 list for Law and Policy. The Forbes 30 Under 30 lists recognize 600 young innovators across 20 different industries every year, identifying business and industry leaders on the rise.

Senator Slama, 23, represents District 1 consisting of Johnson, Otoe, Nemaha, Pawnee, and Richardson counties in Southeast Nebraska. She grew up outside Peru and graduated from Auburn High School, and Yale University, where she majored in political science. She is currently enrolled at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Law. Senator Slama is the youngest woman to serve in the Nebraska Legislature and is the youngest Republican woman serving as a state lawmaker nationwide.

During her first legislative session earlier this year four of her five bills introduced or prioritized were passed, making her one of the most effective Nebraska Senators. Her bills this past session included comprehensive bills to crack down on human trafficking and strengthening Nebraska's civics education standards. Since the historic flooding that caused devastation across the state this spring, Slama has been fighting tirelessly for flood relief to help Nebraskans get back on their feet.

"I am honored and humbled to be named to Forbes' 30 under 30 list for Law and Policy," said Slama. "However, there is still much more work to be done as we prepare for the upcoming legislative session. I will continue to fight for major property tax relief, fair state funding for our schools and roads, improved rural broadband access across the district, and more economic opportunity across the First District. It is a privilege to represent the hard working people of Southeast Nebraska every day and I look forward to continue to fight for our shared values in Lincoln."

FCHS BAND TO PERFORM AT ALAMO BOWL

Typically, this time of year, the FCHS band is preparing holiday music for their dessert concert. The sounds of traditional holiday tunes are usually leaking out into the hallways of the high school to give students some Christmas cheer. However, this year is different. Instead, they are preparing the music for a parade, a "battle of the bands" type pep rally, and a halftime show.

On midnight December 27, the 33 students from the Falls City High School band will embark on a journey to San Antonio, Texas, to be a part of the Alamo Bowl festivities. The band will participate in a parade contest, perform at the pep rally for the Alamo Bowl game, a "battle of the bands" for who has the most

pep, and perform with approx. Nine hundred other students from across the country at halftime of the Alamo Bowl.

Along with all of the performance opportunities, the band will also get to experience some educational and tourist attractions such as the Alamo, the Riverwalk, and the Six Flags Theme park. The trip is five nights and six days long.

"There is so much excitement for this trip and the opportunities it brings for the band students at Falls City High School," says director of bands for Falls City Public Schools, John Furrow.

"The opportunity to take our students somewhere that they may not have the chance to go" is why Mrs. Susan Findlay, Flag Corps instructor, is excited for the students.

"I am excited about the battle of the bands to see if we can bring home an award for most pep," said Drum major Caden Simon. Other students are excited about visiting the town and getting to see what they have to offer like Maggie McNeely, who is most excited about experiencing the Riverwalk.

"I wanted to give students an experience that they will remember, but I wanted to bring some excitement to our school, band program, and community. It's not every year our students get this type of experience, but I hope it is one we can continue to

offer students every four years!" says John Furrow.

The half time show will not be televised; however, the FCHS band will put on a special "bowl preview show" at halftime of the boys' basketball game on Friday, December 20 versus Plattsmouth.

The band will be taking donations to purchase each student/adult on the trip a clear bag to meet the clear bag policy of the Alamodome. If you are interested in helping the band with this expense, please feel free to contact Mr. John Furrow at the high school.

COMMISSIONERS REVIEW BRIDGE MATCH PROPOSALS AND ROAD OVERLAY PROJECT

By: Charlie Radatz

Following his update on the routine maintenance being done on county roads, County Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr. reviewed with County Commissioners during their Tues., Dec. 3 meeting, two county bridge match proposals being submitted for state funding. The Highway Superintendent reported engineers are preparing estimates for the overlay

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THE STATE OF AGRICULTURE

By Governor Pete Ricketts

It's no secret that 2019 has been a tough year for Nebraska due to historic flooding. For our farmers and ranchers, damage from the floods was compounded by additional hardships. Commodity prices remain low. A major canal failed along the Nebraska-Wyoming border. And the Green New Deal and "meat is murder" movements pose a looming threat to our way of life.



Agriculture is Nebraska's number one industry. One in four jobs is tied to farming and ranching in our state. If we want to grow Nebraska, it's critically important that we grow agriculture. Even under tough circumstances this year, we have partnered with Nebraskans across our state to do just that. Over the past several months, my team and I have worked to expand opportunities in value-added agriculture, open new international markets to our ag products, and deliver property tax relief.

From biotechnology to livestock, value-added agriculture is a growing opportunity and helping bring the next generation home to the family farm.

This summer, Veramaris, a Dutch-German joint venture, cut the ribbon on a brand-new production plant in Blair. The plant is producing omega-3 fatty acids using fermented algae and dextrose from Nebraska-grown corn. The omega-3's will be used by fish farmers to give salmon the nutrition they need without having to use wild fish as feed.

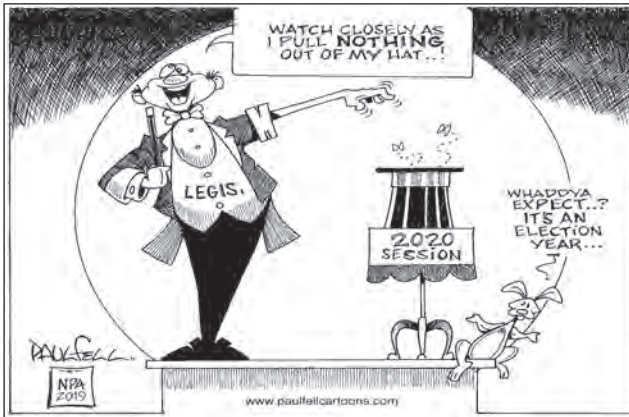
In October, we celebrated the launch of Costco's historic investment in Nebraska's poultry industry. Costco sells 90 million rotisserie chickens at its stores annually, and the plant in Fremont will help meet this demand. At full capacity, the facility will process over 2 million chickens each week. In addition to the 1000 jobs at the plant in Fremont, this new poultry operation is creating opportunities for many farm families. Costco is partnering with about 100 farm families to build new chicken barns in Nebraska. This has allowed next-generation farmers, like Hannah Borg of Wakefield and Joe Schulz of Seward, to return home to carry on their family's legacy in agriculture.

With 95 percent of the world's population outside our borders, trade is key to growing demand for our quality ag products. This year, I led trade missions to Mexico, Vietnam, Japan, and Germany to promote Nebraska's ag products and to encourage investment in our state. Throughout our missions, we promoted Nebraska beef. We have seen tremendous growth in beef sales to these markets recently. In fact, 2018 was a record year for Nebraska beef exports. Exports to Japan, our largest market for beef, grew 11 percent to \$412.1 million, and exports to Vietnam jumped 127 percent in the last year. Nebraska has expanded our share of American beef exported to the European Union (EU) from five percent in 2005 to 53 percent in 2018. President Trump recently struck a new deal with the EU that will allow the U.S. to more than double the amount of beef we export there in the coming years—a big win for Nebraska!

Finally, property tax relief is a top concern for Nebraskans, and it remains my number one priority. This year, the Legislature and I worked together to increase the Property Tax Credit Relief Fund by \$50 million to \$275 million annually, an increase of over 20 percent. When you receive your local property tax bill, be sure to look for the increased property tax credit on the line that says "credit from the state." We know that there's more to do to deliver significant relief for Nebraskans. That is why I am working with Senators on new property tax relief plans as we head into the 2020 legislative session.

Over the summer and fall, state revenues exceeded projections. In October, the Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board raised the revenue forecast by \$161 million for the current fiscal year and \$105 million next year. This \$266 million of extra revenues will allow property tax relief to move full steam ahead during the upcoming legislative session. However, we cannot take for granted that the surplus revenues will go toward tax relief. Some special interests would rather spend the money on big government. This doesn't need to happen. The state's two-year budget has been set. With the exception of a couple urgently needed priorities, such as flood recovery funding, growth in revenue should go towards property tax relief. We will need the united support of families, farmers, ranchers, businesses, and other like-minded Nebraskans to make sure the Unicameral delivers property tax relief in 2020.

While 2019 has been a tough year, the state of agriculture in Nebraska is strong because of the grit and tenacity of our people. This legislative session, we will fight for property tax relief for you, and we will continue to create opportunities in value-added agriculture and trade. If you have thoughts on how we can grow agriculture in 2020, I hope you will email me at pete.ricketts@nebraska.gov or call 402-471-2244. We look forward to hearing from you.



Get ready for the drama and gamesmanship of the Short Session

Capitol View Nebraska Press Association By: J.J. Schmidt

Yes friends, the Nebraska Legislature meets on a regular basis again in less than a month (January 8, 2020). It's a short session (60 days from January 8 to April 23) with full plates. It's also an election year for half of the senators; so don't expect anything earth shattering from them.

Or, maybe there will be too much election rhetoric and nuance to allow any real work to get done. Let's hope not.

As you well know, but should be reminded, the legislature is officially unicameral (one house) and nonpartisan (some days not so much). That makes Nebraska unique among U.S. states. With 49 members, it is also the smallest legislature of any state.

The odd numbered districts, all 25 of them, will be electing new senators in the November 2020 election. The short session with its April adjournment is designed to avoid conflict with the May primary from which the top two vote getters advance to the general election. There are less than a handful of incumbents who are facing term limits and their last session before a required four-year hiatus.

Chief among that group is the venerable Ernie Chambers, who faces term limits for the second time after serving eight years since his last four-year time-out. The 82-year-old from North Omaha will have 46 years of legislative experience under his belt when he is forced to step down.

Would he come back after another four-year time-out? I wouldn't put it past him. Have you seen the guy lately? He still works out. He still wears blue jeans and short-sleeve sweatshirts and dark brown boots. He still drives from Omaha to the Capitol nearly every day, even when lawmakers are not in session.

I know the mere mention of his name is polarizing. Just stop and think what your reaction was a couple paragraphs ago. Ernie claims to be the reason that we have term limits. People wanted to get rid of him, but he keeps coming back.

Term limits has ruined the institutional memory of the place and Ernie has actually been the beneficiary of that. He remembers.

A 2013 New York Times article once called him "the legislative chamber's most passionate and peskiest member. A master of process and procedure, he will do whatever is necessary to derail a bill he does not like. His candor can leave a trail of hurt feelings."

I prefer the description offered by a late colleague who once said "Ernie plays the rule book like a piano." That's what allows him to hijack the agenda. A favorite tactic is to debate a bill that comes before one he opposes so as to run the clock and delay consideration of the measure he dislikes.

His use of amendments, many quickly and accurately drafted during debate, is the stuff of legend. His ability to chase rabbits within the bounds of relevancy to the subject is well known among the press corps and his fellow senators.

The bottom line here, think what he might have up his sleeve if he thinks this might be his last hurrah in the legislature, at least for four years.

Couple the Ernie factor with partisan quibbling, which seems all

too popular on the national stage. The Nebraska Legislature has not been immune from the divisiveness and ill will that characterize so much political discussion today. With 30 registered Republicans, 18 Democrats and one Independent (Chambers), the polarization has become a significant problem at the State Capitol too.

Success in getting legislation passed depends on support from outside the bill sponsor's "tribe." Regardless of party or philosophy, it is important for lawmakers to build relations with their colleagues in order to be effective.

Given the crisis level concerns with property tax relief, the crowding and staffing crises in the state's prison system and challenges with youth rehabilitation centers and financially troubled rural nursing homes, relationships across party

lines are of the utmost importance. It is also important that the issues are dealt with in spite of the size of the workload and the length of time to address it. In fact, it's imperative.

Speaker of the Legislature Sen. Jim Scheer of Norfolk said his colleagues would hit the ground running to address some of the more than 80 bills that are leftover on first reading from last session. There will be the customary 10 days of new bill introduction and full-day debate begins after committee hearings are done, about March 3.

Stay tuned for the drama.

J.J. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 20 years.

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THEME: THE 1950s

ACROSS

- Bottomless pit
- Banned insecticide
- Exclamation of contempt
- Start with a clean one?
- Lennon's lady
- Eating command
- Feudal lord's property
- Dunce
- Arn Rand's "Shrugged"
- Record-breaking Oscar-winner
- TV's Jim Anderson
- Immeasurable period
- Editor's oversight
- Fugitive's get-away
- Vegas cube
- Even smaller
- Rock of ...
- Cleopatra's necklace
- Saddam Hussein's Islam
- Surrender
- Young Atlantic cod
- Eastern
- Work the dough
- Diamond Head island
- Quarterback's downfall
- Pollen producer
- Charged particles
- "... must I be a teenager in love?"
- Sound of pain or pleasure
- U.S. in Mexico
- Levitown, e.g.
- Like one born in '50s
- Like a private circle
- Highest card in "War"
- Sea near Australia
- "The ... Runner," pt.
- "Cuban syllable
- Musician's exercise
- Heroic poem
- Boy toy
- Sterilize

DOWN

- Cigar residue
- Blisters
- New Haven Ivy
- Kidney problem
- Modus operandi
- Point of entry
- "Crick/Watson/Franklin discovery
- Toffee, alt. sp.
- Trodden track
- "Cast Away" setting
- "... is Born" with Judy Garland
- "For ... a jolly ..."
- Jamaican vernacular
- Yards and miles, e.g.
- Address abbreviation
- T in ATV
- Source of immortal Hela cells
- Occupation of Ian Fleming's protagonist
- Mythological princess of Colchis
- Fashion designer who made a comeback in 1954
- Small pieces
- Rose to Jackie
- Methuselah's father
- Tenant of Fred Mertz
- Clothing line
- Type of salmon
- "Beats me!"
- Formal objections, in court
- And not
- Like Santa after coming down the chimney
- Taken follower
- Inflict a blow
- Barber shop sound
- To, in the olden days
- Swarm members
- Pinto or black
- Outback birds
- Was a passenger
- "We'll take ... to Washington"
- Guevara's nickname
- Tyrannosaurus follower



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50 Years Ago - Dec. 11, 1969 to Dec. 17, 1969
 A Grand Opening Celebration was underway at the new addition to Jim Hill's, Dean A. Marshall purchased an interest in the Chaney-Hodgens-Sharrar funeral home.
 Richardson County decided it did not need a special conciliation court.
 The quarterly payroll of the local National Guard unit was reported as \$17,047.
 Falls City Tiger wrestlers were defeated by Maryville, MO 39-1 and by Plattsmouth 25-19.
 Movies at the Rivoli included: "Guns of the Magnificent," "The Lost Man" and "Track of Thunder."
 Southeast Consolidated's first ever wrestling team had 17 members.
 In high school basketball: Sacred Heart defeated Johnson-Brock 58-57, Auburn defeated Falls City 65-33 (in a game at Peru State).
 William L. Hull was the new worshipful master of the Falls City Masonic Lodge.
 Falls City's new sewage treatment plant was up and running.
 The City was urged to reclaim 33 acres no longer used by the Missouri Pacific Railroad.
 Humboldt cheerleaders were Sue Ann Stevens, Carla France, Cathy Douglas, Sherry Volker, and Becky Stevens.
 The Falls City Investment Club was honored as the No. 1 investment club in Nebraska.

25 Years Ago - Dec. 11, 1994 to Dec. 17, 1994
 Tom Wissman was Richardson County Athlete of the week after opening his career by pinning Bill Creek of Nebraska City in 4:31.
 Falls City Supt. Dr. Duane Stehlik accepted a three year extension of his contract.
 The Cantata "God So Loved" directed by Mildred Appleoff featured 140 singers from area churches.
 Citizens attended a County Board meeting to find out when construction was to begin on the Michel bridge northeast of Falls City and to object to closing of a bridge northwest of Verdon.
 Murder suspect Thomas Nissen was hospitalized after taking a large quantity of medication while in a jail cell at Auburn.
 1994 Falls City High graduate Chris Vice won the state Conservation Poster Contest.
 FCHS senior Richard Waggoner was Rep. Doug Bereuter's nominee to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy.
 The Nebraska Masonic Lodge's Humanitarian Award was presented to Elsworth L. Abbott.

Future Coach Chad Kelsay scored 24 points for Auburn in a 70-36 whipping of the Falls City Tiger boys basketball team.
 In girls basketball: Sacred Heart, 63-Midway-Denton, 31; Pawnee City 44-Southeast, 38; Adams, 67-Humboldt, 32; and D-V, 47-Table Rock 14.
 In boys games: Sacred Heart 63 Midway-Denton 41; Pawnee City 82 Southeast 76; Humboldt 54 Adams 51; and Table Rock 72 Dawson-Verdon 42.
 The Falls City High wrestling team finished fourth in the eight team Crete Invitational. Brad Olberding was named the outstanding wrestler of the invite.
 Mayor Bill Farmer presided at the ribbon-cutting for the River Twin Cinema.
 The City and Chamber of Commerce honored the Sacred Heart Football team for its state and national record 77 straight wins and their sixth straight state football championship.
 The Nuclear Regulatory Commission proposed a \$300,000 fine for Cooper Nuclear Station.
 The Falls City Tiger wrestling team swept a wrestling double dual, defeating Holton 60-13 and Sabetha 52-18.
 In girls basketball: Johnson-Brock 51 FCHS 45; Southeast 48 Rock Port 40; Sterling 54 Dawson-Verdon 37; Humboldt 49, Table Rock 24.
 In boys basketball: Southeast 77 Rock Port 40; Sterling 91 Dawson-Verdon 31; Table Rock 68 Humboldt 42.
 Brad Olberding remained undefeated in wrestling and was recognized as the Richardson County Athlete of the Week.

15 Years Ago - Dec. 11, 2004 to Dec. 17, 2004
 Army National Guard First Sgt. Kevin Myers, Verdon, was honored as the U.S. Air Force Soldier of the Year.
 Falls City High School junior Kevin Rieger and sophomore Brian Niedfeldt were among singers selected as members of the All State Choir.
 Timothy von Behren was selected the local and district winner of the "Patriot's Pen" contest essay contest sponsored by VFW Post 1765 and its Auxiliary.
 The Verdon Congregational Church delivered 158 shoeboxes to Nebraska City filled with toys, school supplies, candy, and other gifts for poverty-stricken and war-torn countries.

The Board of Directors of Falls City Community Medical Center appointed Rod Vandenberg to form a committee to find an independent mediator to resolve issues that developed between hospital administration and the hospital's medical staff.
 Bill Schock, owner and longtime publisher of the Falls City Journal, was presented the "Seven Seals Award" for his "meritorious leadership and initiative in support of the men and women who serve America in the National Guard and Reserve".

Bids were scheduled to be received for the Thomas Field project at Jug Brown Stadium.
 An 85-voice chorus was assembled for the Community Carol Sing to observe its 40th Anniversary.

The Falls City Lady Tigers retained possession of "The Plate" trophy with a 49-44 victory over the Auburn Lady Bulldogs.
 In other girls basketball: D1 third-ranked Sacred Heart 56 Farragut 48; Sacred Heart 70 Nemaha Valley 14; Sacred Heart 72 Lewistown 44; Hiawatha 43 Falls City 40; Falls City 53 Johnson-Brock 46; Wynmore 45 Falls City 28; HTRS 43 Lewistown 36; HTRS 76 Lourdes 34; Adams 68 HTRS 39.
 In boys basketball: Sacred Heart 57 Nemaha Valley 31; D1 No. 1 Irish 58 Lewistown 52; Falls City suffered back-to-back losses to Hiawatha 57-47 and Auburn 60-55; Southeast 48 Brownell-Talbot 47; Southeast 55 Pawnee City 48; Rock Port 59 Southeast 50; Adams 47 HTRS 46; Lewistown 65 HTRS 59.
 The Tiger wrestling team finished last in the six team Crete Invite despite a first place finish by Blake Milke in the 103 pound class after pinning two opponents. Falls City won a dual with Marysville, KS 39-33. It lost matches with Sabetha 42-27 and Holton 45-33.

County Commissioners were dissatisfied with armor coating of hard surfaced county roads and voted to pay Monarch Oil \$145,000 rather than the \$180,000 the County was being billed.

COUNTRY JAMBOREE
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Local input needed for community wildfire protection plan

Local counties are working with the Nebraska Forest Service to create a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) to enhance collaboration and communication among the various agencies and organizations who manage fire in southeast Nebraska, and to help them effectively prepare for and respond to wildfire. Everyone who works with land management, fire, and community preparedness has an opportunity to provide input.

The CWPP area includes Butler, Cass, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson, Sarpy, Saunders, and Seward Counties. Landowners in counties that adopt the plan will be eligible to apply for federal and state cost-share funds for vegetative fuels reduction and other hazard mitigation efforts in at-risk areas within the CWPP boundary. The plan may also provide increased opportunities for counties, municipalities, and rural fire districts to seek grant funding for activities related to fire protection. The plan, part of a statewide network of Community Wildfire Protection Plans, provides information useful to local emergency responders and those from outside the area who provide mutual aid. The CWPP consolidates and relays critical information needed for responders in unfamiliar terrain. Each county can include details vital to protecting its first responders, residents, and property.

A CWPP is a tool for fire departments, agencies, emergency managers, public officials, and land managers to use when addressing wildfire concerns. It contains a fire mitigation plan for each county that includes:

- Community profile (area description, roads, land use, location of at-risk areas)
 - Wildfire risk assessment (fire history, fire hazard, protection capabilities, infrastructure)
 - Structure analysis (fire risk rating and ignitability)
 - Hazardous fuels reduction recommendations
 - Emergency operations (responsibilities, capabilities, partners, mutual aid agreements)
 - Recommendations for improving community preparedness
 - Contact information and equipment lists for rural fire departments
- Feedback from local residents may include topics such as identification of ingress/egress routes and safe zones for citizens, structures and critical infrastructure (highways, cell towers, bridges, schools, etc.), areas with homes or developments in high-risk areas, and high-risk ignition sources.
- People may have additional concerns or suggestions. All ideas are welcome. For further information or to provide comments, call 402-684-2290 or email sbenson4@unl.edu

Commissioners review bridge match proposals and road overlay project

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on the hard surfaced road south of Rulo. He also informed the Board that there have been quite a few areas where field terraces are being made that divert water into the County Road right-of-way ditches. Future bridge replacement projects were also briefly reviewed.

Commissioners met in executive session with Emergency Management Agency Director Brian Kirkendall for ten minutes to discuss personnel matters.

During his regular report, Kirkendall presented to the Board quotes for the replacement of radio equipment. The Emergency Management director explained that it is likely that Richardson County could join in on the statewide radio system in the near future so he said his department will delay any purchase of radio equipment at this time.

Also presented were quotes that Kirkendall received for the purchase of a generator system for the whole Courthouse. The quotes received thus far were: Generators for Sale, Omaha, 70kw for \$34,300; IAO Electric of Hiawatha, KS for a used 150kw with 123 hours for \$47,000. Both quotes included

installation and any wiring updates. Additional quotes will be sought and this matter will be discussed further at a later meeting.

Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin reviewed with the Board the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center. Topics discussed included the statewide radio system and the Regional 911 Dispatch for Southeast Nebraska.

Reports were approved for the following officials of fees they collected during the month of November, 2019: Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk \$71.40, Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds \$8,769.75, and Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist Court \$671.00.

Board members reviewed the November, 2019 monthly operating statement and they adjourned their Commissioners session after voting to allow payment of all claims that had been submitted prior to their meeting.

Prior to their Board of Commissioners meeting, the supervisors convened briefly as a Board of Equalization to approve two tax list corrections as presented by Assessor Vice.

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- If your radio receiver is not operating correctly, or does not activate when tested by the National Weather Service every Wednesday morning, or
- You have not received a Midland NOAA/EAS Radio receiver,

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Sherryn Rist, RCCF Coordinator; Ann Claymiller, RCCF Treasurer; Beth Vonderschmidt, RCCF President; Ron Rist, Peach Fundraiser Chairman.

Humboldt Lions present check to Richardson County Cancer fund

By Ron Rist

The Humboldt Lions Club met at the Meeting Place on November 14th with Lion President Ron Rist calling the meeting to order. There were 15 members and four guests in attendance. A meal was served. President Rist stated that the club donated funds to the Lions Club International Foundation, the Nebraska Lions Foundation, Leader Dogs for the Blind and International Hearing Dog, Inc. Thanks were extended to those who assisted with planting trees at the Humboldt Lake Park and near the softball field. The Lions Club, Humboldt community Thrift Store and the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Christmas Lighting Contest in Humboldt. Prizes of \$125, \$75 and \$50, and a free subscription to the Humboldt Standard will be awarded to the winners. Judging will take place on December 19 at 7:30. The Lions Christmas Party was held at the Titan Diner on December 5. The Humboldt Lions Pancake/Sausage Feed was held on December 9 at the former Fire Hall. They were serving from 5-7. A

freewill offering was taken with the proceeds going to the local Red Cross Bloodmobile canteen.

The Lions and Humboldt Community Thrift Store each donated \$50 to the Auburn Schools for helping needy people this Christmas. President Rist will be working on a Lions grant for the trail project which will be placed in the Humboldt Lake Park. It was a privilege for Lions Ron and Sherryn Rist to present a check from the Humboldt Lions Club for \$500 to the Richardson County Cancer Fund, Inc. This funding is possible by the people in the Falls City area who order peaches during the Humboldt Lions Peach Fundraiser. The RCCF has helped and is continuing to help residents in Richardson County who have contracted cancer. Five hundred dollars is given to those who travel outside the county for treatment. The meeting was adjourned.

STUDENTS

Summer dean's list announced for accelerated bachelor's degree nursing students at UNMC

The summer semester dean's list for the accelerated bachelor's degree in nursing program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Nursing has been announced. To qualify for the dean's list, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours and have a grade point average of 3.75 or above.

The dean's list honorees from our area: UNMC College of Nursing Kearney Division: Ashleigh Jordening, of Falls City.

Carol Kean is celebrating her 90th Birthday on December 14, 2019. Cards may be sent to her at: FC Nursing & Rehab, room 218 1720 Burton Drive. Falls City, Ne 68355

TSCI moved to twelve hour staffing schedule

Scott R. Frakes, director of the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS), has announced that the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution has made the transition to 12-hour shifts. The new schedule officially started last week, December 4, 2019.

"The contract with the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) and NAPE requires that I declare a staffing emergency in order to make the shift from eight hour to 12-hour days," explained Director Frakes. "This is the same procedure that we followed last month when the staffing schedule was changed at the Nebraska State Penitentiary (NSP)."

Once the new schedule is finalized, it will be communicated to those who live and work at the facility, as well as volunteers and others who conduct various activities there. Director Frakes said it would not be necessary to place TSCI in lockdown as a prelude to announcing the new schedule, as happened at the penitentiary.

"There were many factors contributing to the need to place NSP on lockdown while the schedules were revised and implemented."

The schedules and approaches developed by NSP will be utilized to shape the implementation at TSCI. "By capitalizing on the lessons learned, we will not need the same level of staff resources focused on creating the required changes," said Director Frakes.

The new schedule will run from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Shift staff will work four consecutive 12 hour days with three days off. Evening activities will be canceled. Visitation at TSCI will move to daytime hours.

"We will make accommodations where possible," said Director Frakes. "It is unfortunate to disrupt the current routine, but this move is absolutely necessary to ensure that a reliable number of staff are available to operate TSCI in a safe and secure manner."

Director Frakes would not venture to guess when TSCI would be able to resume its normal schedule.

"The staffing challenges at TSCI are different than those at the state penitentiary, or even Omaha for that matter. TSCI and NSP are certainly the focus of our hiring and retention efforts right now. If we can address those shortages, the entire system will be in a much healthier state."

Last month, NDCS launched several new initiatives including a \$10,000 hiring bonus for new corporals hired at NSP, TSCI and at the Lincoln Correctional Center/Diagnostic and Evaluation Center (LCC/DEC). Teammates can also earn up to \$10,000 by referring corporals for hire, if they remain on the job for three years. Director Frakes announced today that staff members at TSCI who are still employed as of January 31, 2020 will receive an automatic \$500 bonus.

"People are taking advantage of these offers and we expect that others will moving forward. Conversations with FOP began several weeks ago, and I'm confident we can find additional solutions to address our staffing shortages."



Congratulations to Sacred Heart senior Paige Stamer on being selected to the All State Choir. There were over 1,900 auditions from across the state with only 440 chosen for this honor. Paige spent Thursday and Friday, November 21 and 22nd, practicing with the choir and director Brady Allred. The performance was held on Saturday, November 23rd in Lincoln.



The Happy Go Lucky Club received a Purple ribbon for Herdsmanship at the fair. Excellent job to the Nebraska State fair exhibitors. These were the pumpkins decorated by the 4-H members. Submitted by Jessica Sells

ACCIDENTS

On November 18, 2019, according to police reports, Jeffery Ebel, of Falls City was stopped waiting to turn. Silas Garlington, of White Cloud, KS, hit the Ebel's car causing minor damage to the vehicle. An estimated \$500 in damage was done to Ebel's vehicle and no damage was done to Garlington's vehicle. No citations were issued.

On December 2, 2019, according to police reports, Tara Luginbill, of Falls City was traveling north on Chase Street. Julie Phroper, of Falls City was traveling east on 22nd Street. Phroper stated she was turning south onto Chase Street when she hit Luginbill's vehicle. Phroper said she did not

see Luginbill due to frost on her windshield. An estimated \$800 in damage was done to the Phroper vehicle, an estimated \$900 in damage was done to the Luginbill vehicle. Phroper received a citation.

On December 5th, 2019 at approximately 5:47 p.m. Richardson County Sheriff's Office along with Humboldt Volunteer Fire and Rescue responded to a one vehicle accident with injuries. The accident occurred approximately 2 miles East of Humboldt on Highway 4, which closed the highway for about one and half hours. The accident consisted of one vehicle that had hit a cow and then rolled with 2 occupants. Both occupants of the vehicle were minors and were transported to Nemaha County Hospital to be treated for their injuries.

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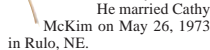
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John O'Grady

John O'Grady, 67, of Falls City, NE, passed away December 6, 2019 in Falls City. He was born December 10, 1951 in Falls City to Leon and Phyllis (Darveau) O'Grady.



He married Cathy McKim on May 26, 1973 in Rulo, NE.

John served in the Nebraska National Guard, Company B for six years at Falls City.

John was raised in rural Falls City, attended rural grade school and started Sacred Heart High School as a freshman, graduating in 1970. Following graduation he went to basic training and when he returned he started farming with his father. When married the couple made their home northeast of Falls City. John also worked part-time laying carpet for Chaney Furniture and was also the custodian and maintenance man at Sacred Heart High School. He retired from farming due to his health. He was a kind and gentle man who you wouldn't want to be behind if you were in a hurry while driving. He was a member of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus.

John is survived by his wife, Cathy of Falls City, children, Matt and his wife Brenna of Omaha, Nate of Falls City, Katie O'Grady and her partner Kiley Boynton of Desert Springs, CA, Megan O'Grady of Falls City, brother, Michael and his wife Mary Kay of Pandora, IA, sisters, Ann Shafer of Falls City, Mary Jo Stuve and her husband Jeff of Albuquerque, NM, grandchildren, Bryant Jorn, Sloane O'Grady, Nolan O'Grady, Brooks O'Grady, Oakley O'Grady and Cayden Raney.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a son, Aaron O'Grady.

A Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 2:00 PM at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church with Father Lawrence Stoley officiating. Inurnment was in Falls City Catholic Cemetery.

A Parish Rosary was recited on Monday at 7:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with family receiving friends following the rosary.

In lieu of flowers the family prefers memorials be made to Sacred Heart School or Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

James 'Smitty' Smith

James H. "Smitty" Smith, 70, of Falls City, NE, passed away December 5, 2019. He was born August 11, 1949 to Harold and Ruby (Scholz) Smith.

Smitty was raised in Falls City and graduated Falls City High School 1969. He worked as an usher at the Rivoli Theater, J. C. Penny's and also at Armbruster Motor Company. He retired in 1995 due to his health. Jim loved his hometown of Falls City. He served faithfully on Falls City Council. Loved the local high school sports teams like Falls City High and Sacred Heart and was an avid fan of Nebraska football, Royals baseball and Chiefs football. He loved spending time with friends up-town especially Sefreids Barbershop, Bindle's Barbershop and Ken's Pharmacy. Jim loved his high school classmates as he faithfully attended the Falls City High School Alumni dinners. He was a member of First Christian Church, Falls City Elks Lodge, where he served as Tiler for over 25 years, and the Jim Smith Society.

He is survived by his brother, Clint of Kearney, NE, nephew, David Smith and his wife Jennie and their son Timothy of Modesto, CA, adopted sister, Kellee (Jon) Kean of Salem, NE. He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM at First Christian Church with Reverend Fay Ann Blaylock officiating. Interment will be in Lancaster Cemetery at Lancaster, KS.

Open visitation and viewing will begin Thursday afternoon at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Dixie Pethoud

Dixie Pethoud, 61, of Falls City, NE, passed away December 2, 2019, in Omaha, NE. She was born on October 17, 1958, in Hot Springs, SD, to Richard and Dessie (Baer) Adair.



She married Michael Pethoud on September 17, 1977, in Falls City. They divorced in 1994.

Dixie was raised at Hot Springs and graduated Hot Springs High School in 1976.

She then attended the University of South Dakota. The couple moved to Falls City in 1978. She worked various jobs in Falls City, including the Falls City Clothing Store, until returning to college to get her teaching degree. She was a long-time teacher at Hiawatha Middle School. She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (20th and Towle St.) and also the NEA.

Dixie is survived by her daughter, Vicki Bangert and her husband Jack of Falls City, brothers, Stan (Nina Moen) Adair of Fernaldale, WA, Duane Adair and his wife Sue of Sioux Falls, SD, Les Adair and his wife Kay of Reno, NV, sister, Sherry Solomon and her husband David of Loveland, CO, grandchildren, Jacoby, Josslyn and Evelyn Bangert.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service was held on Friday, December 6, 2019, at 10:30 AM at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (20th and Towle) with Reverend Andrew Chavanak officiating. Inurnment was in Fricke Cemetery.

The family received friends on Thursday from 7-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials be made to Falls City Library and Arts Center.

Edwin Collins

Edwin Lee Collins, 74, of Maryville, Missouri passed away on Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at the Village Care Center in Maryville.



Edwin was born on December 20, 1944 in Maryville, Missouri to Edward L. and Virginia (Whitehead) Collins. He was a 1963 graduate of the Maryville High School.

Edwin served in the United States Air Force and worked as a butcher and meat cutter. He was a member of the Barnard American Legion Post #102.

He married Margie McCormick on June 11, 1997 in Hiawatha, Kansas. She preceded him in death. He was also preceded by his parents and brother Michael Collins.

Survivors include his brother, Wayne (Bonnie) Collins, Bar-

nard, Missouri; step-daughter, Shon Collins, Pickering, Missouri; step-grandson, Dexter Partridge; niece, Jaime Collins, Maryville, Missouri and great-nephew, Jaren Dombek, Maryville, Missouri.

Mr. Collins has been cremated under the care of Price Funeral Home, Maryville, Missouri. There will be no visitation or services held. Online condolences can be made to the family at www.pricefuneralhome-maryville.com.

Audrey Kennedy Hoylman

Audrey Ann Kennedy Hoylman, 89, of Roanoke, Virginia died peacefully on Friday, October 25, 2019. She was surrounded by her family.

Audrey was born on January 16, 1930 in Falls City, Nebraska. She was the daughter of George B. and Margaret A. Kennedy. Audrey was preceded in death by her parents George and Margaret Kennedy; her brothers, Donald and his wife Vera Kennedy, Robert and his wife Betty Kennedy; her favorite aunt Rosella Ahern; and her husband of sixty years, James Hoylman.

She is survived by her sister Marilyn Dornor of Springfield NE; six children; Bryan (Jill) Hoylman of Littleton Co, Bruce (Fran) Hoylman of Rio Rancho NM, Elizabeth (Andrew) Lawryszak of Roanoke Va, Rebecca (Harry) Morford of Roanoke VA, Dr. Anne (Dr. Matt Gompper) Hoylman of Las Cruces, NM and Senator Brad (David Sigal) Hoylman of New York NY; twelve grandchildren- Lauren Hoylman Ramos and her husband Dmitry, Lindsay Hoylman, Jay Hoylman and his wife Corrine, Kathryn and Sarah Lawryszak, Rachel and Claire Morford, Alex and Isabel Gompper, and Silvia and Lucy Hoylman Sigal.

Audrey graduated from the University of Nebraska where she received her Bachelors in Education. She was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. After graduation, she began her teaching career in Atchison, Kansas. She retired from teaching in Greenbrier county WV in 1995 but continued to substitute until she was 71. She was loved by her students and colleagues.

Audrey was an avid reader belonging to many book clubs. It was not surprising to find out that she had more than one book she was reading. One of her great joys was to read the same genres as her grandchildren, enjoying long conversations about the books. Audrey possessed a sharp wit and sense of humor. She was an avid gardener and consummate listener, providing guidance and assurance. Audrey was a conqueror of hardship and difficulty, always determined to lead her family with love and understanding. Audrey loved to travel and visited her son in Oxford, England while he was completing his degree for the Rhodes Scholarship. Audrey also traveled to Ireland with her sister Marilyn and niece Patty to visit the birth place of her grandparents. The family enjoyed a week-long reunion in Roanoke, VA this summer. Her children, grandchildren, sister, nephew and nieces traveled from seven states to enjoy the company of this incredible person. Memories were made listening to stories between our dear mother and her sister.

Audrey was a strong believer in her faith. A member of St. Catherine's Catholic church in Roncycerte, WV for 42 years working in various parish guilds. She joined St. Andrew's Catholic Church upon moving to Roanoke, VA in 2014. A funeral mass was held at St. Andrew's November 5, 2019.

The family will hold a memorial this summer in Nebraska to celebrate her remarkable life. Donations may be made in Audrey's name to the American Lung Association or the Companions of Saint Anthony.

City approves continued participation in energy consortium

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City Volunteer Fire Department. Other officers of the Fire Department did not require Council approval. They are President Mike Mirelez, Vice President Trevor Wisdom, Secretary Tim Daniels, and Treasurer Jon McQueen.

The Council voted to provide favorable comments on a Special Designated Liquor License for Stonebridge Vineyard, Inc., Pawnee City, NE, to serve alcoholic beverages at Merz Farm Equipment Co., an event planned Dec. 16, 2019.

Tabled after a brief discussion was a deadline proposed by 4th Ward Councilman Derrick Leyden for the installation of four school zone signs with flashing lights approved by the Council on Nov. 16, 2017, but not yet put into place.



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

COUNTY COURT

Brian K. Mackey, of Dawson, count one, criminal trespass-second degree, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Trial is scheduled for January 22, 2020.

Bruce C. Larsen, of Dawson, count one, drive during revocation/impound-first, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for December 23, 2019.

Rebecca Fouraker, of Salem, count one, issue no account check-less than \$500, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for December 30, 2019.

Joshua E. Murphy, of Falls City, count one, intimidation-phone call/electronic comm, plead not guilty; count two, intimidation-phone call/electronic comm., plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for December 16, 2019.

Ryan M. Arnold, of Falls City, count one, assault-third degree, plead not guilty; count three, willful reckless driving-first offense. Plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for December 18, 2019.

Caleb S. Cannon, of Falls City, count one, dom asst-third degree, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, amended to count dropped/dissm-

three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty.

Tia L. Hall, of Falls City, count one, commit child abuse negligently/injury, amended to commit child abuse negligently/no injury, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$200, probation for a term of nine months starting on December 2, 2019, evaluation treatment drug testing fee of \$5, jail for a term of 15 days starting on June 30, 2020.

DISTRICT COURT

Jessica L. Popejoy Hayes, of Rulo, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled.

Terrie K. Beckner, of Rulo, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled.

Jeremy J. Butrick, of Falls City, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Mason W. Corliss, of Stella, count one, forgery-second degree/\$5,000 or more, amended to count dropped/dissm; count two, certificate of title violations, plea changed to guilty, found guilty; count three, certificate of title violations, amended to count dropped/dissm; count four, make false statement under oath, plea changed to guilty, found guilty; count five, false registration, plea changed to guilty, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for December 17, 2019.

Ashley N. Twitty, of Falls City, count one, possess con-

trolled substance, amended to attempt of a class 4 felony, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, amended to count dropped/dissm; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dissm. Sentencing is scheduled for January 28, 2020.

Julia M. Sprouse, of Stella, count one, possess firearm while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count two, possess firearm while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count three, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count four, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count five, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count six, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissm, plead not guilty; count seven, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count eight, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled.

Rebecca L. Fouraker, of Salem, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled.

Lucy E. Ezell, count one, criminal impersonation (1) (c) first, plead not guilty; count two, criminal impersonation (1) (c) first, plead not guilty; count three, criminal impersonation (1) (c) first, plead not guilty; count four, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty; count five, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty; count six, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty; count seven, obstruct government operations, plead not guilty; count eight, obstruct government operations, plead not guilty; count nine, obstruct government operations, plead not guilty; count ten, drive under susp/before reinstated-state, plead not guilty; count eleven,

drive under susp/before reinstated-state, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Noah J. Hall, of Falls City, count one, violate protection order/prior P.O. conv, plead not guilty; count two, willful reckless driving-first offense, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Leann R. Willits, of Morrill, KS, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Travis G. Sherman, of Wahoo, count one, sexual assault-first degree, plead not guilty; count two, burglary, plead not guilty; count three, false imprisonment-first degree, plead not guilty; count four, sexual assault-w/o consent-third degree, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Mendell P. Rulla, of Tecumseh, count one, strangulation, plead not guilty; count two, dom asst-third degree, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Holly M. Pfohl, of Hiawatha, KS, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled.

Julia M. Sprouse, of Stella, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, resist arrest-first offense, plead not guilty; count three, obstruct government operations, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled.



On November 30, 2019, Richardson County Sheriffs Office Deputies arrested Cody Naber, 26, of Humboldt, NE for Driving Under Suspension. Naber was booked into the Richardson County Sheriffs Office.



On December 3, 2019, Richardson County Sheriffs Office Deputies arrested Matthew Oetjen, 50, of Falls City, NE on a warrant for Failure to Pay Fines and Costs. Oetjen was booked into the Richardson County Jail.



On November 29, 2019, Richardson County Sheriff Deputies arrested Brian Stoddard, 45, of Humboldt, NE on a Fugitive From Justice Warrant. Stoddard was booked into the Richardson County Sheriffs Office.

RC SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT RETRIEVED FROM SOCIAL MEDIA



On November 29, 2019, Richardson County Sheriff Deputies arrested Kristy Smith, 44, of Humboldt, NE on a Fugitive From Justice Warrant. Smith was booked into the Richardson County Sheriffs Office.



On December 3, 2019, Richardson County Sheriffs Office Deputies arrested Tonya Miller, 39, of Falls City, NE for Driving Under Suspension. Miller was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

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Erison Vonderschmidt beats two defenders for a hoop vs. Sterling.



Bryna Bruxellas gets an easy layup vs. Syracuse on Friday.



Jake Hoy skies for the rebound last Friday night vs. the Jets.

Irish girls leave Sterling in their dust

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The fourth-ranked Sacred Heart Irish girls basketball team wasted little time in dismantling the pre-season seventh-ranked Sterling Jets on Friday night at Prichard Auditorium. The Lady Irish raced out to a 16-6 lead after one quarter and held a comfortable 27-14 halftime lead. The Irish keep their foot on the gas the second half, outscoring the Jets 38-15 as they cruised to the season-opening 65-29 win.

The Irish defense, known for being stingy, held the Jets to just 28% shooting from the floor and forced 28 turnovers. Last season the Irish held opponents to 30 points for fewer than 17 times. The Irish made 27 of 57 shot attempts for 47% for the game. Sterling outrebounded the Irish 29-26, but the Irish finished with five blocked shots and 20 steals. The Jets had three blocks and just two steals. SH converted 9-15 shot opportunities from the foul line and finished the game with 16 assists and only ten turnovers.

Erison Vonderschmidt just missed a double/double to start the season. Vonderschmidt had a team-high 17 points on seven of thirteen shooting, eight rebounds, and two blocked shots. Sr. guard McKenzie Witt had a solid game hitting double digits with 12 points, ten assists, six steals, and four rebounds. Danielle Bippes finished with 10 points and three rebounds.

The Jets were led by Kaitlyn Wusk with 10 points while Colby Thies, a 6'2" sr. made just two of nine shots for five points.

The Irish JV also defeated the Jets, 37-10 in four quarters. The Irish were led by Macy Keller with 10 points, while Jessica Wertemberger and Lainey Ebel each had eight.

The Irish girls played at Lourdes Central on Tuesday, then will stay on the road Thursday, December 12 as they head to Doniphan West (Highland Ks) with JV tipping off at 4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart will then play at home on Friday as they host Friend with the game beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Irish will be on the road next Tuesday, December 17, as they travel to Lewiston with boys JV action set for 5:00 p.m.

Final scoring for SH. Magdanz 8, D. Witt 2, Niemeyer 2, Simon 5, M. Witt 12, Littrel 8, Vonderschmidt 17, Eickhoff 1, Bippes 10.

Tiger girls drop season-opener

Story by Brian McKim; photo by Deena Beer

The Falls City Tiger girls basketball team hit the road last Friday night, traveling to Syracuse to take on the Rockets to open the 2019-20 season. Falls City was looking to avenge last year's season-opening 58-37 loss. The contest was close after one period with the home team leading 8-5. Falls City was outscored 47-23 over the next three quarters, falling to the Rockets 55-28.

Falls City was led out of the gate by senior Hannah Clary. Clary accounted for all five of the Tigers points in the opening quarter, sinking two shots, including one from beyond the arc. The Rockets began to pull away in the second quarter, outscoring FC 19-8 to take a 27-13 halftime lead. Clary again led the scoring in the quarter finishing the half with a team-high eight points.

Bryna Bruxelles came out of the locker room on fire to open the third frame for Falls City. The senior guard hit four shots from the field to account for eight of the nine points for FC in the quarter.

The Lady Tigers entered the final period trailing 40-22. Falls City got buckets from Madison Jones, Clary, and Reece McNeely in the last quarter to make the final score 55-28.

For the game, the Lady Tigers made 12 total shots from the field, 11 two-pointers and one three. FC also converted just three of nine free-throw attempts. Seven different Tigers got into the scoring column for Coach Milam. Syracuse made 21 shot attempts and converted 12/17 shots from the charity stripe. L. Vollersten led the scoring for Syracuse with 21 points, 15 coming in the second half. G. Damme added nine points, making 7/8 shots from the foul line.

The Lady Tigers played on the road Tuesday night versus Class D1 fifth-ranked Diller-Odell and will be on the road Friday, December 13 at Johnson-Brock with JV action set for 4:00 p.m. FC will then hit the road again on Tuesday, December 17 to take on Southern with JV action set for 6:00 p.m.

Final scoring for FC. Bruxellas 8, Leyden 2, Sneathen 3, Jones 2, Clary 10, McNeely 2, Beer 1.

Irish boys fly past Jets

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The second-ranked Sacred Heart Irish jumped all over the Sterling Jets early, en route to a season-opening 69-29 win. The Irish got out quickly, and the Jets had a hard time figuring out the Irish full-court pressure. Sacred Heart led 27-0 after the first quarter, and 35-0 before Sam Boldt of Sterling hit a three with 6:02 to play in the half to make it 35-3. The Irish led comfortably 49-9 as the teams headed to the locker rooms.

The Irish reserves saw a lot of action in the second half as the two teams played evenly, each scoring 20 second-half points.

The SH stifling defense forced 22 turnovers, including 16 steals, while committing just seven of their own. The Irish made 14 of 28 two-point shots and drained 10 of 22 from behind the arc for a total of 24 of 50 (48%). Sterling meanwhile couldn't get the lid off the basket, making just 10 of 34 shot attempts (29%). The Irish outrebounded the Jets 24-13 and made 11-15 free throw attempts.

Tyler Witt scored 14 of his game-high 16 points in the first half. Witt finished five of ten from the field and made six of eight free throws. He added four rebounds, two blocked shots, and three steals. Jake Froeschl added 11 points, draining three from beyond the arc. Jakob Jordan added nine points, all from behind the three-point line, and Jarrot Simon had nine points and three rebounds. Jack Fiegenger had a team-high five assists and two blocks, and Del Casteel led the team with six rebounds.

Sam Boldt led the Jets with 15 points on six of 11 shooting, and Diego Sterkel and Garrett Hier each had five points.

The Irish JV team also won on Friday night 27-11. The game was tied at three early on, but SH outscored Sterling 25-8 down the stretch to get the win. Sam Dunn and Jake Froeschl each had five points to lead the Irish.

Sacred Heart will be in action again on Thursday, December 12, at Doniphan West. The Irish will then host Friend on Friday, December 13, with the girl's varsity game set for 6:00 p.m. SH will later play at Lewiston on Tuesday, December 17.

Final scoring for SH. Jordan 9, Stice 8, Froeschl 11, Hoy 6, Casteel 5, Witt 16, Simon 9, Fiegenger 5.



Mason Crawford beats the defenders down the court in Falls City's season opening 47-36 win over Syracuse. (Photo by Deena Beer)

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I have such a busy schedule for the holidays. This week I made little doughnuts and honey-covered puffs to take to my classmate's Hanukkah celebration. Next week, one of our teachers is going to tell us about the holiday season of Kwanzaa and some of his traditions. Then, I'm going to help Forest and Glade decorate their home with greens for Christmas. Chatter will bake cookies, breads and a Bûche de Noël - a delicious Christmas log cake - and I'll help! What are you and your family doing to celebrate the holidays?

Holiday Fun & Feasts



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1. Festival of Lights, an 8-day Jewish holiday, honoring the Maccabees' victory over their enemies and the miracle of a small amount of oil that kept burning for 8 days in their temple.
2. Jewish families use this to arrange candles.
3. Families find their recipes for sugared jelly doughnuts, honey-covered puffs and these delicious potato pancakes.
4. Las _____ is a celebration in Mexico for 9 days before Christmas. People act out the journey of Joseph and Mary trying to find shelter.
5. Families make these special treats from a corn dough and a spicy pork or beef filling, all wrapped in corn husks for cooking.
6. Families set up these scenes in their homes; a stable for shelter, the figure of the Christ child in the center with Joseph and Mary looking on, three kings (the Magi), angels, shepherds and townspeople, and some animals.
7. Christian holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus.
8. On Christmas Eve, delivers gifts to good children; fills their stockings too!
9. Families _____ their houses, mantels and halls with lights, greens and a tree.
10. A 7-day festival celebrated by African-Americans; a time to think about their lives and families; how they can help to create strong communities.
11. People decorate, set a nice table for a dinner, light _____ and give gifts.
12. Peanut soup, sweet potatoes, rice or chicken dishes are made for a _____

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It's that time of year when there are many choices for family holiday fun and entertainment: movies, plays, television shows, cartoons, books, poetry, stories, and music. Here is a list of some family favorites. Match each title to its description:

1. Lights: *The Miracle of Chanukah*
2. *Just Enough is Plenty*
3. *The Legend of the Poinsettia*
4. *Miracle on 34th Street*
5. *The Nutcracker Ballet*
6. *A Charlie Brown Christmas*
7. *A Christmas Story*
8. *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*
9. *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*
10. *It's Kwanzaa Time!*

A. folktale by Tomie dePaola about a girl in Mexico whose gift to Baby Jesus turns into beautiful poinsettias

B. dance and musical performance based on storybook; music was written by a famous composer-Tchaikovsky; first shown in Russia

C. money is tight for the family in this Hanukkah tale; but when a stranger visits they share what little they have

D. movie that makes everyone want to write to Santa Claus

E. cartoon that shows the story of Hanukkah (Chanukah) and the family traditions of this holiday

F. story, song, TV show about reindeer whose bright red nose helps Santa find his way through bad weather to deliver gifts

G. TV special based on the comic strip Peanuts; Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus and other characters talk about the meaning of Christmas

H. poem by Clement Clarke Moore describing Santa Claus' trip to deliver gifts: "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"

I. movie about 9-year-old Ralphie who can only think about the Red Ryder air rifle he wants for Christmas

J. book by Linda and Clay Goss full of stories, songs, recipes, games and crafts for celebrating Kwanzaa



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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA... IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GARL EDLON SPALDING TO CHANGE HIS NAME...

To Whom It May Concern: You are hereby notified that the undersigned filed his Petition in the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska on the 8th day of November, 2019...

Richard L. Halbert, #11625... IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA... IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST CREATED BY WILLIAM H. SCHAWANG, JR., Settlor...

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Trust Administration Proceeding Pursuant to NEBRASKA UNIFORM TRUST ACT CODE §30-3814 and §30-3819 has been filed in the above entitled matter...

Richard L. Halbert, #11625... CHRISTOPHER C. HALBERT, #22609... WILLIAM H. SCHAWANG, JR. #245-4486

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION 2019-2020-20

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Richardson County, Nebraska have deemed it necessary to consider the vacation or for the abandonment of the following described road:

a 66 feet wide road to be vacated by Richardson County, being located in the SE1/4 of SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 18 East of the 6th PM, Richardson County, Nebraska...

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have received a report dated October 29, 2019 from the Richardson County Highway Superintendent finding no reason that the portion of 709 Road described above should not be vacated and/or abandoned, and

WHEREAS, State of Nebraska, Statute No. 39-1724 states that the Board of Commissioners shall adopt a resolution fixing the time, date and place for public hearing to hear input from the public pertaining to a vacation of said road.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that on December 17, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners Meeting Room, Richardson County Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska, a public hearing will be held to hear input from the public pertaining to the closure and vacation of the above described road.

ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.

David D. Sichel, Chairman Terry Frank John Caverzgie Mary L. Eckhoff, County Clerk 27-41

NOTICE

A total of 149 cases will be heard by the Board in December, 2019. The following cases) sentenced in Richardson County will be seen by the Board of Parole.

December 23, 2019 - 8:30 a.m. Nebraska State Penitentiary, Lincoln, Nebraska Dawson, Jonathan 894399Mans/Dist/Dep/ or Poss W/1

December 27, 2019 - 8:30 a.m. Community Correctional Center - Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska, Schirmer, Clint 88167 Man/Dist/Dep/ or Poss W/1 Pos Cont/Sn/Excp/Marjuana

ROSALYN COTTON, CHAIR NEBRASKA BOARD OF PAROLE 11

NOTICE

In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, In the Matter of the Estate of Joyce L. McCartney, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held on the 6th day of January, 2020 at 9:45 a.m. in the Richardson County Court located at 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, to approve a wrongful death claim against Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Johnson & Johnson Company and Bayer Corporation in the above-captioned matter. Any objection to said proposed settlement shall be filed with the Court on or before the hearing date.

DAIED THIS 2nd day of December, 2019.

Curtis L. Maschman County Judge WEAVER & MERZ Douglas E. Merz, No. 12807 Samantha K. Schelke, No. 26389 1719 Stone Street, P.O. Box 569 Falls City, NE 68555 (402)245-3015 11-18-24

County Commissioners

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 26, 2019 CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 26, 2019. Roll call was answered by Frank, Caverzgie and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Frank. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2019, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

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

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Hardsy, Jr., Highway Superintendent did not meet with the Board as he was assisting the crews in preparing equipment and supplies for the winter main and snow removal.

LAURA OSBORNE, 4 COUNTY JUVENILE GRANT

Laura Osborne, Grant Administrator of the 4 County Juvenile Grant program requested the Board consider entering into revised contracts with her and Maxine Schatz to implement the County Juvenile program and diversion program in Nemaha, Johnson, Pawnee and Richardson counties. The agreements are revised to change some minor wording changes and more detail on payment for services provided to youth who are served.

Motion was made by Sichel to enter into a revised contract with Laura Osborne to implement a four-county juvenile service plan. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzgie to enter into a revised contract with Maxine Schatz to implement a four-county juvenile service diversion education program. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF DEPT.

Sheriff Hardsy and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin reviewed with the Board the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week.

Clayton Hardenberger, Jail Administrator informed the Board that they had met with the Community Medical Center staff and he reported that some problems have been reviewed and will be addressed to keep the current health services for inmates contract in effect. They also reported that they would be meeting with the Falls City Police Department and Richardson County Emergency Management regarding radio systems and the possibility of joining the statewide radio dispatch system.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

County Board Meeting Dates Motion was made by Sichel to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-21 to change the meeting dates of the County Board for the year 2020 to every 2 weeks beginning January 14, 2020 with the Annual Reorganization Meeting. Motion seconded by Caverzgie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM

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

(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Auditor of Public Accounts, Blue Valley Behavioral Health, Cash-Wa Distributing, Consolidated Management, Falls City Journal, Family Medicine, Farm & City Supply, Galls, General Reporting Service, Goltz, Holiday Inn Express, Kawres, Kennedy, Kollasch Law, McGr, Douglas, Miller-Monroe, NE Assn. of County Officials, Pierce County Sheriff's Office, Postmaster, Richardson Co EMA Petty Cash, Richardson Co EMA Petty Cash, Sapp Bros, Spartan Nash, SummerOne, Sunset Law Enforcement, Verizon, Wolfe's Printing, TOTAL GENERAL FUND, ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, Hamm Inc, Midwest Fence, NFPD, Norris Quarries, Sapp Bros, TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzgie to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sichel, Vice-Chairman Mary L. Eckhoff, County Clerk

County Commissioners

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Motion was made by Sichel to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

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

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Hardsy, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine maintenance on county roads and bridges this past week.

Motion was made by Sichel to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-20 to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, to receive public input on the abandonment or vacation of a 66 feet wide county road to be vacated by Richardson County, being located in the SE1/4 of SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 18 East of the 6th PM, Richardson County, Nebraska, the center line of which is described as follows: Commencing at the SE corner of said Section 30, Thence S87 31'21" W (assumed bearing) on the south line of SE1/4 of Section 30 840.28 feet; thence N02 28'39" W, 112.18 feet to the point of beginning, said point also being the intersection of a driveway with the SE1/4 of SE1/4 of 149.12 feet; thence S72 13'12" E, 156.05 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left; thence along a curve having a radius of 96.92 feet, an arc length of 59.02 feet; a chord bearing S89 39'55" E, 58.11 feet; thence N07 27'51" E, 20.00 feet to the westerly end of a bridge; also known as a portion of 709 Road beginning at a point approximately 1795.67 feet east of 661 Avenue and then running east approximately 362.28 feet to the west approach of a closed bridge on 709 Road in which said bridge and that portion of 709 Road in which said bridge and that portion of 709 Road in which said bridge was vacated on September 10, 2019. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

DISTRICT 1 PROBATION

Ashley Groesbeck, District 1 Probation Officer updated the Board on the activity of District 1 Probation in Richardson County. She offered statistical information on the services provided to Richardson County parolees and what services are available to assist those who need treatment or drug and alcohol abuse, anger management.

SHERIFF DEPT.

Sheriff Hardsy and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin reviewed with the Board the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. Clayton Hardenberger, Jail Administrator and Tyler Cooper, County Building Maintenance Technician were also in attendance at the meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the medical services that make available to inmates currently through the Community Medical Center and the possibility of entering into an agreement with Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc.

A review was also held on the equipment purchase for the in-car video and body camera system. Motion was made by Caverzgie to approve an amended quote with Britte to include an November 19, 2019 SHERIFF unlisted data storage cloud that can be utilized by all County Departments. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

QUARTERLY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Chairman Sichel declared that the quarterly safety committee meeting be opened at 11:33 a.m. Those present were Commissioners Frank, Caverzgie and Sichel, Tyler Cooper, Building Maintenance Technician, Tammie Beckner, Courthouse Maintenance and Sheriff Hardsy. Those absent were Elizabeth Frederick representing the Jail, Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director, Wyatt Martin representing the Road Department employees and Highway Superintendent, Steve Dawson, Jr.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve Clayton Hardenberger, Jail Administrator to the Safety Committee to replace Elizabeth Annie Frederick. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Tyler Cooper reported that he will address a problem with a joint seal on the sidewalk north of the Courthouse.

Tammie Beckner reported no problems but did mention that the Drug Take Back Box needed to be watched and emptied more often.

Chairman Sichel declared the Safety Committee meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for February 4, 2020.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Designated Official County Newspaper Motion was made by Sichel to designate the Falls City Journal as the Official County Newspaper for 2020. Motion seconded by Caverzgie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Meeting Schedule for 2020

The Board held a discussion to consider meeting every 2 weeks beginning January 1, 2020. No action was taken.

Public Defender Contract

Motion was made by Sichel to enter into a contract with Steve Mercure to serve as the Richardson County Public Defender for a period of 4

years: 2020-\$68,000; 2021-\$69,000; 2022-\$70,000; and 2023-\$71,000. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM

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

(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

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Motion was made by Caverzgie to adjourn the meeting at 12:25 p.m. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzgie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sichel, Vice-Chairman Mary L. Eckhoff, County Clerk

CLASSIFIEDS HELP WANTED

White Cloud Health Center is looking for a Clinic Manager to oversee the day-to-day activities of the clinic. This position is located in the executive administrative division at the White Cloud Health Center (WHCC) in White Cloud, KS. The Clinic Manager position is to oversee the well functioning of the medical facility, including its staffing, financing, policy making, quality, and patient care activities.

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Part-Time Night RN - Shifts are 5pm-5am every rotating 3rd weekend. Responsible for total patient care within assigned nursing unit.

An excellent base salary is offered for these positions including vacation, holiday, sick time and pension. If interested in these opportunities visit the hospital's website at www.sabethahospital.com or call Julie Holthaus, Human Resource Director at 785-284-1584. 48-49

JOB OPENING

The Nemaha County Hospital has the following open position:

~ Staff RN - Nemaha County Hospital has an opening for a full-time Registered Nurse, 12-hour shifts, 7pm-7am, working every third weekend. Must have a Nebraska license. Competitive benefit package included. Please apply online at <https://nemahacountyhospital.com/careers/>.

Contact Susie Shupp, CHRO at 402-274-6121 with questions. EEO Employer/Disabled



Southeast District Health Department is seeking detail-oriented, self-motivated individuals, who enjoy making a difference in the lives of others, to fill the positions of Family Support Specialists and Program Supervisor with the Growing Great Kids in Southeast Nebraska program. For more information on these positions, please visit our website at www.sedhd.org. Resumes and 3 references can be submitted to amanda@sedhd.org or to 2511 Schneider Avenue| Auburn, NE 68305. 49-52

KANZA MENTAL HEALTH IS SEEKING A QUALIFIED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL TO FILL THE POSITION OF CLINICAL DIRECTOR

Candidate must be licensed by the BSRB in Kansas at the master's level or higher. This position is responsible for the supervision and daily oversight of the Outpatient Department which also include Medical and Crisis services. Previous leadership and supervision experience are preferred. This position is full time Monday through Friday and might include some weekend on-call work.

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The White Cloud Health Center has an opening for a Health Insurance Benefits Coordinator/Biller. This position is located in the Business Office at the White Cloud Health Center (WCHS) in White Cloud, KS. The purpose of this position is to function as the biller for the facility and patient health benefits coordinator by identifying patients with eligibility for alternate resources, assisting them with enrollment process, serving as advocate for Native American and Non-Beneficiary patients in the effective utilization of alternate resources, and acts as a liaison between the Business Office and non-WCHC providers and facilities. The benefit coordinator assists in all billing of patient care services at the clinic as well as providing relief for patient registration services such as greeting patients, checking patients and out of appointments for dental and clinic, schedules appointments, and answering the phone.

• Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30 • 13 paid holidays
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Qualifications: High School graduate or GED equivalent, Technical Trade School, bachelor's degree preferred. 1 year in a medical office practice, previous experience with patient check-in and out, coding and billing, and ACA Market Place plans.

Applications must be received at the Iowa Tribal Office 3345 B Thrasher Road, White Cloud, KS no later than 4:30 P.M. on Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

For more information, contact Brenda Lunsford at 785-595-3258. Application is found at <https://www.iowatribeofkansasandnebraska.com/job-openings>. 49

White Cloud Health Center is looking for someone to fill the position as the Purchased Referred Care (PRC) Coordinator.

This position will provide administration of the White Cloud Health Care Purchased Referred Care (PRC) program. The incumbent is under the direct supervision of the Business Office Manager. Work is comprised of administering of Direct Patient care and the use of alternative health care and alternative health care resources in order to provide total comprehensive health services for the eligible Indian beneficiaries. Incumbent works closely with other employees at the WCHS and outside entities to provide access and service to improve the health of the communities served.

• Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30 p.m. • 13 paid holidays
• Health, Vision, and Dental Benefits • Retirement
• Sick leave and vacation leave • 401K

Qualifications: Bachelor Degree or equivalent; Previous experience in Purchased Referred Care preferred; Knowledge of health care plans; Knowledge of Medicare and Medicaid; Knowledge of JIPAA; Accounts receivable and payable; Experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, etc.; Experience using and documenting in electronic health records; Ability to make medical appointments; Ability to build relationships with patients and vendors; CPR-BLS; Requires the ability to pass a background check.

Applications must be received at the Iowa Tribal Office 3345 B Thrasher Road, White Cloud, KS no later than 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, December 19, 2019.

For more information, contact Brenda Lunsford at 785-595-3258. Application is found at <https://www.iowatribeofkansasandnebraska.com/job-openings> 49-50

The White Cloud Health Center has an opening for a RN Case Manager to provide case management services and care coordination in the Purchased Referred Care Department.

The RN Case Manager will serve as primary contact/clinical liaison between referral hospitals, treatment facilities, and patients and their families to ensure delivery and appropriate treatment in accordance with established plan of care. Contacts patients for follow-up diagnostic tests, referrals, appointments, or other medical issues as appropriate in collaboration with the provider. Interacts with the patient/family/caregiver and primary care provider to develop and discuss the patients plan of care, understanding of disease process, and coordination of services based on patients clinical needs and available resources.

• Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30 • 13 paid holidays
• Health, Vision, and Dental Benefits • 401k
• Retirement Plan • Sick leave and vacation.

Qualifications: Bachelor of Science of Nursing Preferred; Current and Unrestricted Registered Nurse License; 2 years as a case manager; Previous experience in ambulatory care health setting; Knowledge of health insurance plans; Current BLS; Indian preference applies. Applications must be received at the Iowa Tribal Office 3345 B Thrasher Road, White Cloud, KS no later than 4:30 P.M. on, December 19, 2019.

For more information, contact Brenda Lunsford at 785-595-3258. Application is found at <https://www.iowatribeofkansasandnebraska.com/job-openings> 49-50

The White Cloud Health Center has an opening for a Community Health Representative/Patient Transport position.

This position is located in the Public Health Division and provides community-based services that delivers health promotion and disease prevention activities to communities within our service area. Services include but not limited to out reaches in the community, health fairs, health education and counseling, monitoring clients and community, case management and coordination, transporting patients to and from appointments, delivering medications, and performs other duties as assigned.

• Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30 • 13 paid holidays
• Health, Vision, and Dental Benefits
• 401k with up to 3% matching • Retirement benefits

Qualifications: High School graduate or GED equivalent; knowledge of medical terminology; previous CHR experience preferred; current CPR and First Aid Certification; current and valid driver's license; current and valid car insurance; and must pass background check.

Applications must be received at the Iowa Tribal Office 3345 B Thrasher Road, White Cloud, KS no later than 4:30 P.M. on, December 18, 2019.

For more information, contact Brenda Lunsford at 785-595-3258. Application is found at <https://www.iowatribeofkansasandnebraska.com/job-openings> 49-50

JOB OPENING The Nemaha County Hospital has the following open position:

~ Full-time Dietary Cook, 5:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, working every 4th weekend (weekends are 12 hours shifts) • Competitive salary with benefit plan • Cooking experience preferred. Please apply online at <https://nemahacountyhospital.com/careers/>

Call Susie Shupp at (402) 274-6121 with any questions. Applications will close on January 10. EOE Employer/Disabled



Sac and Fox Nation Housing Authority

Full Time Maintenance Laborer: Provide general maintenance including snow removal, lawn mowing, weed eating, cleaning, painting, light repair and general maintenance of housing units. This position requires a valid driver's license, must be 18 years of age or older, and able to lift up to eighty (80) pounds occasionally. Must be able to pass a drug test. Full-Time employment and excellent benefits package for the right person. Applications are available at 106 W. 4th St. #12 Reserve, KS 66434 or by calling 785-742-2210 or 785-742-1471 Ext. 2500. 48-49

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Thank you to all who helped in any way with the annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20th and Towle. This wonderful community service event was again a HUGE success thanks to the volunteers from St. Paul's, other area churches and surrounding community. You put the "giving" in Thanksgiving! Thank you also to Thrivent Action Team for their support.

The Free Thanksgiving dinner committee of St. Paul's Church.

Commissioner Dennis Schaardt files for Legislative Seat

Earlier this Summer, in front of the Pawnee County courthouse County Commissioner Dennis Schaardt formally announced his candidacy for the State Legislature representing the First District. With endorsements of local leaders coming from, Senator Floyd Vrtiska, Table Rock, Dave Heng Jr., Nebraska City, Bryan Mellage, Auburn, David Sickle, Falls City, Dr. Ted Evans, Tecumseh, Duane Caspers, Tecumseh, Jeff and Sarah Dean, Douglas, Mike and Julie Habegger, Pawnee City, Bob Miller, Pawnee City, as well as unanimous support from his colleagues on the Pawnee County Board of Commissioners, Dennis runs a staple business in Table Rock and has served the community in many different civic roles for over 30 years. He is aware of the challenges that face rural Nebraska and what it will take to overcome these obstacles.

Today Commissioner Schaardt made his candidacy official. "Southeastern Nebraskans deserve a State Senator who understands their values and will always fight for them," Schaardt said. "I believe my track record as a County Commissioner and local small business owner has prepared me to be our next State Senator".

Commissioner Schaardt grew up in rural Elk Creek, Nebraska on his family's farm. "This is where I learned the most important lessons in my life, to always work hard and treat people fair and these are the principles I will take with me to the State Legislature." Schaardt has been the proud business owner of Den's Country Meats in Table Rock, Nebraska for 34 years. "I have been fortunate enough to serve the public and as a civic leader throughout my life in many roles. Serving many years on the Pawnee County Ag Society, Pawnee County

4-H council, ten plus years as a chairman for the Village of Table Rock, over 25 years as the Fire Chief for the Table Volunteer Fire Department and most recently serving as chairman for the Pawnee County Board of Commissioners." Schaardt said.



"In recent years it has seemed to be stagnant in our State Capitol. More than ever with agricultural commodities being down, infrastructure in our rural communities crumbling and little to no economic growth in our small towns and it is time for a change." Commissioner

Schaardt wants to represent southeast Nebraska to help rebuild our small towns to what once made them great. Restore them to provide opportunities for the next generation. "Rural Nebraska is where I was raised and where I have chosen to raise my family. These same opportunities for the next generation keep escaping us and we are the ones to take the blame. We need to grow our local economies to create more jobs, we need to improve our local infrastructures to help better serve our communities. We need to lower our property taxes while still being able to fund education expenses to help cultivate the next generation of leaders for our community."

Schaardt lives in rural Steinauer, Nebraska with his wife Kim. They have three children, Courtney (Seth), Colton (Megan) and Clayton. Schaardt looks forward to meeting everyone along the campaign trail and encourages everyone to partake in their civic duty by getting out to vote!

The Nebraska Primary is Scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2020 with the general election Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

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HTRS hits the hardwood

By Brian McKim

The HTRS Titans boys and girls basketball seasons got underway last Thursday, December 5, when they hosted Diller-Odell. The Lady Titans fell in a heartbreaker 60-56 in overtime on Thursday night. The Titans outshot the Griffins 41% to 30 percent, but Diller-Odell made 18-29 free throws, while the Titans hit 11-21.

Carissa Allen had a massive game for HTRS, scoring 22 points and pulling down 13 rebounds. Kaitlyn Glathar added 16 points and 16 rebounds for the Titans.

On the boys' side, HTRS led Diller-Odell 20-19 at the half and 34-31 after three quarters, however, the Griffins caught fire in the fourth quarter to get the come from behind win 56-45. The Griffins made 19-42 shot attempts while holding HTRS to 17-51 from the floor. The Titans converted 4-10 from the charity stripe while Diller-Odell made good on 14-25 free throw attempts.

Nic Knudson led the scoring for HTRS with 16 points, making 4/9 from behind the arc, and Isaiah Lockard added 14 points.

On Friday night, the teams played at Weeping Water. The Weeping Water girls ranked #3 in Class D1, handled the Titans with ease, leading 41-17 at the half on the way to the 60-29 win. Glathar, Natalie Novak, and Ellie Schaardt each had seven points to pace the Titans offense. Glathar had a team-high 13 rebounds, and Allen added nine.

The boys' game on Friday night was much closer. HTRS led 16-12 after one and held a slim 36-34 halftime lead. The Indians tied the game at 41 after three periods and outscored the Titans down the stretch 11-7 and hung on for the 52-48 win over HTRS.

The difference again was at the foul line as Weeping Water sunk 13-22 while HTRS made just 5-9 attempts. Knudson, again led the attack with 20 points, making 8-18 shots attempts. Gage Schaardt also hit double digits, scoring 12 points and pulling down five rebounds.

The Titan teams played Lewiston on Tuesday, December 10, and will be at Lourdes Central Catholic on Friday, December 13.

Irish FB dominate opponents all season

By Brian McKim

The Sacred Heart Irish football team finished one game short of their ultimate goal this season. However, at 11-1, they still earned a final number two ranking in Class D2 from the Lincoln Journal Star. Planview, the team representing the West bracket finished fourth. Bloomfield, whom the Irish beat 36-0 was third and Clarkson/Leigh, who the Irish decimated 56-6 was sixth. Johnson-Brock, the defending State Champions, earned a final ranking of fifth. The Irish defeated the Eagles 54-14.

For the season, the Irish outscored their opponents 615-142. SH got out to quick starts all season long, outscoring opponents 250-12 in the first quarter. The Irish offense rolled up 2206 yards on the ground and another 1190 through the air for 3396 total yards. Meanwhile, the Irish defense allowed just 1006 rushing yards and 873 passing yards for 1879 total yards by their foes. Sacred Heart turned the ball over 15 times (10 fumbles and five interceptions), while the defense forced 37 turnovers (18 interceptions and 17 fumble recoveries). SH averaged 184 rushing yards per contest and 99 passing yards.

Offensively for the Irish, Jake Hoy led the ground game with 712 yards on just 85 rushing attempts. Hoy finished with 24 rushing TDs. QB Jakob Jordan was next up for SH with 575 yards on 54 attempts and 13 scores. Del Casteel finished with 404 yards on 70 touches and nine touchdowns.

Jordan did the bulk of the passing for the Irish. In his first year as starting quarterback, Jordan completed 58% of his tosses (62-107) for 901 yards, 11 TD passes, and five interceptions. Backup Sam Dunn completed 8/10 passes for 153 yards and a score.

Hoy was Jordan's favorite target throughout the year, pulling in 28 receptions for 372 yards and five TD's. Jarrot Simon was next with 13 grabs for 203 yards and five touchdowns, and Tyler Witt added ten catches for 152 and three TDs. Casteel finished the season with 128 receiving yards on seven grabs and one TD.

Brogan Nachtigal handled most of the kicking duties getting 27 touchbacks on 79 kick-offs. Nachtigal also made 5/9 extra-point attempts. Hoy led the Irish with 15 kick returns for 524 yards and a score. Hoy also added 22 punt returns for 309 yards and two touchdowns. Freshman Evan Keithley averaged 38 yards per punt, kicking ten times for 380 yards. The Irish punted just 12 times all season.

Defensively for SH, Nachtigal had three fumble recoveries while Kyle Bauman, Casteel, Will Ewers, Hoy, and Derek Schawang all had two. Hoy led the defensive backs with seven interceptions while Jack Fiegenger and Simon each had four.

Senior Branson Darveau was the leading tackler for Coach Goltz's team with 121 total stops, including two sacks and 28 tackles for loss. Sloan Leonard was next up for SH with 72 stops, including 19 for loss and two sacks. Hoy and Casteel each finished with 69 tackles, and Tyler Catlin added 54 tackles, six for loss.

For the season, the Irish scored 85 touchdowns with Hoy leading the way with 33. Jordan finished with 14 total TDs, and Casteel had 10.

Sacred Heart will lose a large and vital senior class next season. Gone will be Hoy, Hunter Frederick, Jamie Stice, Max Froeschl, Tyler Witt, Sloan Leonard, Branson Darveau, Luke Schawang, and Simon. The Irish seniors can boast a 42-6 record in their four years on the field.

The Class D2-1 All-District teams were announced and the Irish were represented well on both sides of the ball. On offense, Jake Hoy and Sloan Leonard were named first team. Defensively, Kyle Bauman, Branson Darveau, Del Casteel and Jarrot Simon all made first team. Earning second team honors on offense were Jakob Jordan, Tyler Witt, Jamie Stice and Brogan Nachtigal. Jack Fiegenger and Max Froeschl were named to the second team defense. Honorable mentions went to Derek Schawang, Tyler Catlin and Evan Keithley.

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