

JOURNAL HOLIDAY PRINT AND MAIL SCHEDULE

The week of Christmas day the *Journal* will be delivered by mail on Tuesday, December 24 with the deadline being the Thursday before, December 19 by noon. The office will close early at noon on Monday, December 23 and will be closed on Dec. 23, Christmas Eve; and Christmas day, Dec. 25.

The week of New Years the *Journal* will be delivered by mail on Tuesday, December 31, 2019 with the deadline being Friday, December 27, by noon. The office will close early on Monday, December 30 and will be closed on New Years Eve, Dec. 31, and New Years Day, Jan. 1. Please plan accordingly.

HUMBOLDT GARDEN AND VOLUNTEERS RECEIVE AWARD

In the active community of Humboldt, both the volunteers and the landscape they developed received an award from the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum at a reception in Lincoln Dec. 6.

Lead volunteers Jim and Jan Wilhelm received the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum Volunteer Award for their sustained volunteer efforts. The garden they helped create, the Southeast Nebraska Cancer Memorial Garden, also won the Community Landscape Award for "significantly improving the green in-

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The home of Michelle Bice at 11th and Lane Street early last Wednesday morning. (Photo by Nikki McKim)

HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE EARLY LAST WEDNESDAY MORNING

The home of Michelle Bice at 1108 Lane Street in Falls City was gutted by fire last Wednesday, December 11. The cause of fire was ruled to be a clothes dryer in the home. Both the Falls City Volunteer Fire Department and Falls City Rural Fire responded to the fire. Two

people living at the home were able to escape without injuries, but three of the six dogs living at the residence perished in the fire.

Harlan Street was blocked off for hours as fire hoses ran across the highway to a high output fire hydrant.

INHERITANCE TAX MONEY TRANSFERRED TO COUNTY GENERAL FUND

By: Charlie Radatz

The Richardson County Treasurer recently sent out property tax statements and a lot of folks are prone to grumble about the cost of government and how high property taxes seem to be. Most of us, however, fail to realize how much higher those taxes might be if local governments were not supported as well by grants and revenue sharing from federal and state governments, fees collected for services provided by government, and in Nebraska by its Inheritance Tax.

During their Tue., Dec. 10, meeting Richardson County Commissioners voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-22 to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$225,000. Commission Chairman Dave Sichel told this reporter that the Commissioners have been transferring monies from this fund to support the cost of operations for a number of years. In fact, Sichel said, the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) has been encouraging member counties to do so.

Nebraska is one of only seven states to have such a tax. The others being Iowa, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The Nebraska inheritance tax rates are

as follows: Immediate relatives are subject to an inheritance tax of one percent. Remote relatives are subject to an inheritance tax of 13 percent. Other transferees are subject to an inheritance tax of 18 percent.

One of the larger costs of county government is that of building

and maintaining its county road system and Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr. provides Commissioners regular reports on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges. During the Dec. 10 meeting, the Highway Superintendent also reported that he

had received an engineer's preliminary estimate for the overlay of the 3.71 mile stretch of hard surfaced road south of Rulo, a project estimated to cost \$893,004.00, and an estimate for overlay of the 1.9 mile stretch of hard surfaced road going to the

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Operators and managers of Vantec Inc. accept a \$13,431.61 grant award from Falls City EDGE. Names: Michael Spears, Sam Waters, Jody Strecker, Phyllis Marrs, Jessica Strecker, Kally Power, Lisa Walker and Taylor Huey.

VANTEC INC. ACCEPTS GRANT AWARD FROM FC EDGE

Vantec Inc has added two plastic injection molding machines to their Falls City facility in response to a growing customer base. They are expanding due to current customers who are forecasting double digit growth for the next three years as well as the addition of a new customer who has contracted for 15 component parts. This project included the addition of 12 jobs and an investment of nearly one million dollars. Falls City EDGE appreciates Vantec's decision to grow their Falls City operation.



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GROWING NEBRASKA AROUND THE WORLD

By Governor Pete Ricketts

Nebraska grows the food that feeds the world. Generations of Nebraskans have worked to develop markets for our high-quality ag products, creating opportunities for our farm and ranch families. Our recent struggles with low commodity prices illustrate the continued importance of trade for Nebraska. To this end, I've been leading trade missions around the world, lobbying for the passage of new trade deals, and working to diversify our markets.



This year, three international trade missions led us to four strategic trade partners: Mexico, Vietnam, Japan, and Germany. In Vietnam, we promoted Nebraska beef and urged officials to approve American biotech applications for soybeans, corn, and alfalfa. Nebraska beef exports to Vietnam grew 127 percent last year, and we want to sell even more. Vietnam's rapidly growing economy will aid our efforts in the years to come. Our conversations with the Prime Minister of Vietnam and his cabinet officials led to approval of five biotech traits that had been stuck in red tape. Our face-to-face conversations helped highlight the importance of these applications.

During our mission to Germany, Chapman-based Preferred Popcorn signed a deal to grow its relationship with Germany-based Haase Food. We also promoted Nebraska beef, which is set for significant growth thanks to a new deal between President Trump and the European Union (EU) to more than double American beef exports to the EU. These trade missions lay the groundwork for Nebraska's future international growth. No company invests in a generic place called Nebraska. They choose to do business with specific leaders whom they respect and trust because they have a personal relationship with them.

While we can build relationships, free trade agreements open the door for Nebraska's ag products. That's why the Trump Administration's work to secure new trade agreements for the U.S. has been so important. Last week, Japan's parliament approved a trade deal negotiated earlier this year by President Trump and Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. The agreement is a big win for Nebraska farmers and ranchers and for Japanese consumers. Starting on January 1, 2020 the deal reduces Japan's tariffs on U.S. beef from 38.5 percent to 26.6 percent. Eventually, the tariff will fall to nine percent. Tariffs on pork, corn, wheat, and other Nebraska-grown crops will also significantly decrease. Breaking down these barriers will grow the longstanding friendship between our two countries and give our Japanese customers even greater access to our high-quality food.

The U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) is another trade deal that will help grow Nebraska. Sadly, Democrats in Congress have stalled USMCA and are preventing Nebraskans from enjoying its benefits. Last Wednesday, Nebraska Senator Ben Sasse delivered a compelling speech on the Senate floor, urging Democrat House Speaker Nancy Pelosi to stop blocking a vote on the deal. We will continue to work with our federal delegation to end her senseless delay of USMCA.

By actively pursuing new markets and pushing for new trade deals, we helped increase Nebraska's total exports by \$667 million (7 percent) from 2017 to 2018. Growth in ag exports represented one-third of this increase (\$226 million).

These are important accomplishments at a time when our ag producers have faced significant headwinds in the Chinese market. While the media likes to put the focus on President Trump, Nebraska's trade relationship with China has been in flux for many years. From 1996 to 2003, Chinese demand for U.S. beef grew exponentially. Then, in late 2003, China suddenly shut its market to U.S. beef after the discovery of a case of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE). U.S. ranchers effectively had no access to China's beef market for over 13 years until President Trump helped reopen it in 2017. Exports of other ag products to China have also varied greatly from year to year. China's imports of our state's corn collapsed from \$119 million in 2013 to \$11 million in 2014 and have remained near 2014 levels since then. In 2014, Nebraska exported a record \$284 million of hides and skins to China. Just two years later, that amount had fallen more than 40 percent. These numbers show how China has been an inconsistent trade partner.

Unpredictability in our trade relationship with the world's largest country makes our strategic efforts to diversify our markets all the more important. In addition to the trade missions led throughout the year, we have been hosting international delegations here in Nebraska from the Philippines, Indonesia, Taiwan, Kazakhstan, and other countries. The trade delegation from Taiwan agreed to purchase \$2.1 billion in new U.S. ag products. And this week, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan visited to formalize an agreement with Valmont to purchase Nebraska center pivots to help Kazakh farmers become more productive.

As Nebraska's ag producers face ongoing uncertainty headed into 2020, I will continue to work to develop markets for Nebraska's agricultural products around the world. If you want to share promising opportunities, please email me at peter.ricketts@nebraska.gov or call 402-471-2244. Together, let's spread the word about what the Cornhusker State has to offer the world.



Unfinished business, Interesting proposals on the Legislature's table next session

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

Lawmakers hit the ground running when they convene the Second Session of the 106th Legislature next month. They'll have 80-some bills left over from last session to deal with immediately.

They'll also address those old familiar topics of placement and treatment for troubled youth, a crisis in nursing home care and management and prison staffing and overcrowding. Oh yes, property taxes will likely take a bit of time to discuss as well as business incentives.

But there's an interesting proposal expected — albeit one that stands a snowball's chance in hell of being approved. Speaker of the Legislature Jim Scheer of Norfolk thinks it's time to expand the nation's only one-house, nonpartisan Legislature to 55 members. That's up from the 49 — the smallest Legislature of any state — that has been in place since 1963 when it was increased from 43 to 49.

Scheer reasons that allowing the expansion would ease mandatory redistricting after the 2020 Census and would ensure that some rural districts don't grow so large that one senator can't cover the entire district. He says that constituents tend to lose contact with their senator in such large districts.

Look at Sen. Tom Brewer's District 43, which includes 12 counties and part of Box Butte County. Or Senator Steve Erdman's District 47, which includes nine counties and the other part of Box Butte County. That's a lot of land miles in the scenic Nebraska Sandhills and sprawling Panhandle areas.

These are also areas that have more cows and fence posts than people. When the redistricting criteria sets a specific number of people who must live in an area, assembling enough bodies can take some space. Scheer says that's a disadvantage for senators and constituents to meet and greet that could be alleviated by more compact districts.

It's a math thing. Divide the state population by 49 or by 55 to see how many would have to be in each district.

It's an urban/rural thing as well. But continuing population shifts to Eastern Nebraska don't guarantee representation for smaller areas of the remainder of the state. Scheer says that rural-urban distribution wouldn't change. He also says it wouldn't increase costs much.

There's another math thing. Six new senators at \$12,000 a year plus the daily per diem paid based on how far they live from the State Capitol. That's going to run into some money.

Scheer says the change would also eliminate the oft politically charged decision on which rural district to wipe off the map so it can be moved to Douglas, Lancaster or Sarpy County. Take a look at District 49, which is now

Sarpy County. That used to be nestled in between 43 and 47 out in Box Butte County and some points west. He says it comes down to a beauty contest.

Some people are calling the idea interesting. Others are saying "no way." It would take an amendment to the Nebraska Constitution and require approval of 30 of the 49 senators to place it on the ballot and then a vote of the people to approve it.

Given that a recent similar proposal to increase the number of senators to 50 never got out of committee, I'm sticking with my "snowball's chance" prediction.

In my opinion, there are two more important issues that would have a larger impact on the operations of the Legislature. In-

crease legislative pay and eliminate term limits. It's been years since senators had their last pay raise. More money might give more people — not just the ones who can afford it — to serve.

And those term limits. Yes, they kept Ernie Chambers out for four years, but he came back and is about to complete eight years. Senator Steve Lathrop of Omaha also termed-out for four years, but is back as well. I ask, what's the point? Keep the number at 49, pay them more and let the voters decide when they're tired of their representative.

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

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: HAPPY HOLIDAYS

ACROSS

1. Taken where?
6. Vegas bandit's body part
9. Titian's Venus or Collier's Godiva
13. Indian metropolis
14. Flapper's neckwear
15. E-cigarette output
16. Galsworthy's "The Forsyte ____," pl.
17. Bovine hangout
18. UV light absorber
19. *Scrooge's late partner
21. *December 26th, a.k.a. ____ Day
23. Ideas worth spreading, acr.
24. Great deal
25. *Like Santa's suit
28. ____ Las Vegas," Presley song
30. 1/100th of a ruble
35. Pupil's place
37. *Sleigh bell sound
39. Fairytale dust-sprinkler
40. German Mrs.
41. Chose between competitors
43. Type of ballistic missile, acr.
44. Not a gregarious one
46. Castaway's home
47. Fungal spore sacs
48. Pencil end, often
50. *s-Sketch
52. Summer color
53. Cuckoo
55. ____ the ramparts..."
57. *Santa's call
59. *Welcoming holiday decor
63. Bird of prey's hunting tool
64. 16th birthday gift?
66. Engages the services
68. Skirt shape
69. Beehive State native
70. Bikini, e.g.
71. Biphophile's concern, sing.
72. D.C. bigwig
73. Australian Aboriginal's war club

DOWN

1. *Do holiday ones start earlier every year?
2. Show pleasure
3. Aquarium organism
4. Navigational aid
5. *Hanukkah month
6. Competently
7. Wade's 1973 opponent
8. Not yes, nor no
9. Like Hitler's Germany
10. Second word in fairytale
11. *Ding follower in "Wonderful Christmastime"
12. *But I heard him exclaim, ____ he drove out of sight...
15. Public opinion, in Great Britain
20. Changes to a manuscript
22. Sturdy tree
24. Telephone part
25. *Ralphie's wish
26. Trial's partner
27. Late Princess of Wales
29. IV+IV
31. Type of cotton fiber
32. Exit plus s
33. Around
34. *Macaulay's famous character
36. Takes to court
38. *Hanukkah gift
42. *Magnolia" ware
45. Not in its original form
49. Pep rally syllable
51. TV variety show classic
54. Concentrate
56. Yogurt-based dip
57. *Manger's glow
58. Dish of stewed meat
59. ____ if you ____ on a bumper sticker
60. Small songbird
61. Trampled
62. In custody
63. Coca Cola's first diet drink
65. *What Whos did to roast beast?
67. Silvester Stallone's nickname



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From the Journal Files

By Charlie Radatz

50-25-15 Years Ago

50 Years Ago - Dec. 18, 1969 to Dec. 24, 1969
 U.S. war dead in the Vietnam War was approaching 40,000. Richardson County Commissioners consented to a City of Falls City request that municipal elections be held in conjunction with the county primary election.

A near record price of slightly more than \$500/acre was paid for a short 40 acres southwest of Rulo sold by P.S. Carter.
 The entire Sunset Drive neighborhood was aglow with lighted Christmas decorations with colorful candy canes placed at both ends of the short north-west side street.

A Journal photo identified Dawson-Verdon basketball cheerleaders as Julie Heineman, Jerelyn Schwartz, Cheryl Jom, and Linda Fritz.
 The five day forecast was for little chance of a white Christmas.

Dave Kottich at 165 improved his record to 5-0 but the Falls City's wrestling team lost a match at Nebraska City 33-13 and followed that up with their best showing in three years of competition, taking 2nd place with 67 points in the five team Cretic Invitational.

The Kansas City Chiefs were one of four teams vying to represent the AFC in the Super Bowl.

A Living Rosary was followed by the Sacred Heart Christmas Formal with music by the Red, White, and Blues Band.

Ben Mazf, Jr. announced that his construction firms were successful bidders on projects totalling \$318,600 in Nebraska, Missouri, and Kansas.

Nebraska had a record 433-million bushel corn crop with yield expected to average 93-bushels/acre.

Sacred Heart defeated Dawson-Verdon 78-54 but D-V's Charlie Heim put in 25 points to boost his career total to 1,006.

In boys basketball: Elmwood 85 Southeast 63, Nebraska City 77 Falls City 66.

Efforts were underway to create a rural water district to serve western Richardson County.

Southeast Consolidated basketball cheerleaders were Jackie Johnson, Glenda Morehead, Sue Williams, Betsy Hill, Pam Noa, Diane Frisch, Kathie Koehler, Becky Hill, and Patty Johnson.

A Reformers Car Club dance at Prichard Auditorium featured "The Forte Enterprise" with 5 members and \$25,000 of Paragon Equipment.

A Journal Christmas greeting ad listed 11 front office staff, 10 members of the mechanical department, 11 correspondents, and 19 Falls City and 4 Humboldt newspaper carriers.

The Falls City post office processed about 120,000 pieces of outgoing Christmas mail.

Nebraska's oldest resident, Mrs. Martha Aldrich, Brock, died two days before her 110th birthday.

The Elks delivered 100 Christmas food baskets to needy families.

In a story by Bill Schock, Falls City High School math instructor and World War II POW Wilber Roesch recounted how he had been captured by the Germans, treated for gunshot wounds, and was in an isolation unit of the Limburg prison camp on Dec. 23, 1944 when Britain's RAF dropped bombs that hit the camp and killed 77 of the 79 men housed there. Wilber suffered two broken arms and a jaw injury but was one of the two survivors.

Sacred Heart basketball cheerleaders included Delores Sells, Margaret Bangert, Pam Gerweck, Marcie Sullivan, and Susan Flekoski.
25 Years Ago - Dec. 18, 1994 to Dec. 24, 1994

Christmas food baskets were set to be delivered to 50 families by the Community Food Pantries of Falls City and Humboldt.

A Journal photo showed Amanda Kelsay, daughter of Jim and Shirley Kelsay, talking to Santa during a stop at the Shubert post office.

Mayor Bill Farmer wanted to see more citizens attend Council meetings and offered to remain after meetings to discuss matters with the public.

Former Falls City High School Coach John "Jack" McIntire, Eldon, MO, died at 77. His football teams were 71-46 and his basketball teams 126-47 from 1946 to 1956.

Falls City Care Center social worker Angie Lewis was honored by the Lincoln/Greater Nebraska Chapter of the Alzheimer's Assn. as recipient of the 1994 Professional Caregiver of the Year.

In Boy's Basketball: Falls City 53 Nebraska City 47, Southeast 77 Lourdes 42, Sacred Heart 70 Humboldt 45, Sacred Heart 90 Rock Port 56, Lourdes 75 Dawson-Verdon 46, and Lewiston 73 Humboldt 49.

In Girl's Basketball: Southeast 59 Lourdes 35, Sacred Heart 86 Humboldt 30, Sacred Heart 55 Rock Port 53, Dawson-Verdon 53 Lourdes 47, Humboldt 39 Filley 31, and Lewiston 50 Humboldt 30.

The Humboldt Cardinal wrestling team finished 5th in the 11 team Dorchester Invitational. Winning championships were Josh Moye; Eric Hunzeker, and Kevin Dandliker.

The Falls City Tiger wrestling team finished third in the 10 team Auburn invitational. Winning championships were Adam Schuette and Brad Olberding. A ribbon-cutting was held at the Spirit Christian Book and Gift Store, 1602 Stone Street.

The mother of Brandon Teena, JoAnn Brandon, and sister, Tammy Schweitzer, filed wrongful death lawsuits seeking damages from Richardson County, Sheriff Charles Laux, and the men accused of killing Brandon, John Lotter and Thomas Nissen.

Twenty-six Sacred Heart fifth grade students completed the DARE program. In boys basketball: Lincoln Christian 75 Falls City 50, Sacred Heart 60 Odell 36

The Richardson County Athlete of the Week was Wes Haveman of Southeast Consolidated who scored 49 points in the two games of the previous week.

Kevin Herling rolled the high 30 in the Wednesday Night Men's League at Center Lanes, a 641.

4-H leader Lois Hersh was recipient of the 4-H council \$100 scholarship for adult education.

The Norman Alexander residence, Shubert, was this weeks rural division winner in the Noel Lights contest. Best of the city displays was the Dean Troncin residence, 904 E. 8th Street, Falls City.

15 Years Ago - Dec. 18, 2004 to Dec. 24, 2004
 The City Council accepted an advisory committee recommendation and chose The Clark Emerson Partners, Lincoln to design the soon to be built Falls City Library & Arts Center.

In boys basketball: Elmwood-Murdock 57 Sacred Heart 36, Sacred Heart 63 HTRS 39, Nebraska City 61 Falls City 42, Omaha B-T 49 Southeast 30, Lourdes 57 Southeast 40

In girls basketball: Elmwood-Murdock 44 Sacred Heart 30, Pawnee City 72 Southeast 25, Lourdes 41 Southeast 38, Sacred Heart 60 HTRS 47

Journal Athletes of the Week were Blake Milke of Southeast who, wrestling for Falls City, claimed a first in the 103 lb. division and Sacred Heart, point guard Cassie Metzner who scored 18 points in an Irish victory over Humboldt.

Don Larkin was the Journal's "You Pick 'em" contest this week correctly picking winners of 13 of 16 games and coming closest on the score of the Chiefs game.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY & SUPPORT DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!
 SENGA, The Jingle Bell Ride & our communities appreciate your Generosity!!
WITHOUT YOU WE COULDN'T KEEP THIS EVENT GOING!!
 From: Tiffin Bauman, SENGA, all the volunteers & recipient families!!

Inheritance tax transferred to Co. general fund

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 west to the state line pegged at \$484,185.40.

Darveau also furnished Commissioners a quote for a 2020 Ford F-250 Super Cab 4X4 pickup that could be purchased through the State of Nebraska Contract Award program and delivered by Hullman's Ford-Lincoln, Inc., Falls City, for \$30,976.00. Commissioners took no action during this meeting on

the item.
 While meeting with the Highway Superintendent, Commissioners voted to approve a special operating permit for Ensor Movers, Inc. to operate an oversize or overweight vehicle or load over county roads and bridges.

Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin reviewed with the Board the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center, and during that portion of their session, Commissioner John Caverzagie made a motion to approve the quote for the purchase of firearms for the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$8,065.00 from GT Distributors, Inc.. That motion was seconded by Frank and approved 3-0. Commissioners also accepted a fee report from Sheriff Hardesty for fees collected during the month of November, 2019, fees totaling \$10,497.17.

County Assessor Pam Vice received Board approval for a purchase order to update computer hardware from SMP. The update will cost \$4,500.90.

The Board discussed the option of offering a cash in lieu of the employee benefit for health insurance, but no action was taken and the Board plans to review the matter further at a subsequent meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Terry Frank to approve a subdivision of property for Jerry L. and Kathy J. Schmid. The motion was seconded by Caverzagie and approved 3-0. The property to be subdivided is located in S30, T1, R14.

Those wishing to see beautification of the area around the Veterans Memorial on the Court-house square received good news. The Board announced that a donation of \$3,422.28 had been received from F&M Bank for the landscaping around the Memorial. Commissioners voted to approve pledge security receipt replacements from F&M Bank. They adjourned their meeting after voting to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted during the week prior to their session.

Wissmann Family Bringing Their Christmas Show to Falls City December 22

Loren and Gloria Wissmann and family are once again bringing their Christmas show to Falls City on December 22. The free concert will be held in the Falls City High School Auditorium beginning at 6:30 pm.

A family spokesperson explained, "Tis the season, for a Christmas Show! We are so excited to bring back to the stage once again the festive music and timeless message that we performed in Branson, MO, for five seasons."

She continued, "Christmas has always been such a special time for our family, and we are greatly looking forward to sharing some of our favorite carols, stories, and traditions in the show. Mark your calendar and come join us as we celebrate our Savior's birth."

Over the past 18 years, the Wissmann family has delighted audiences nationwide with their fusion of acoustic instrumentals and tight vocal harmonies.

Loren and Gloria Wissmann, of Millford, Nebraska, have 13 children with seven of those who are presently involved with their music and teaching ministry. Over the past 18 years, they have had the opportunity to share in churches, city festivals, state and national conventions, as well as going into many state prisons. Their goal in whatever venue they find themselves in is to through their music and lives share the gospel of Jesus Christ as well as to encourage families.

Loren Wissmann, the father of the family, is the son of the late Meinert and Evelyn Wissmann of Falls City. He grew up near Barada and is a 1975 graduate of Falls City High School. The family is looking forward to returning "home" to share their music and lives in this Christmas season.

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SUN MART OF FALLS CITY RECENTLY DONATED \$1,000 to Falls City Sacred Heart as part of its "Direct Your Dollars" campaign. Direct Your Dollars was launched in 2016 as part of Sun Mart's commitment to support the communities they serve. The store's general manager, Angie Phroper, presented the check to the school, Back row: Kaylie Lewis, Fr. Lee Jirovsky, Addy Kopf, Chase Dishong, Angie Phroper, Treydon Marx, Michael Coetzee, Rhett Kimmi and Jonathon Stice. Front row: Blaize Greever, Creighton Crofford, Aliza Keller, Nataley Witt, Raelynn Gruber, Tanner Maddox, Kendall Johansen, Halleigh Fritz, Evelyn Chavanak and Wyatt Nussbaum. Families from schools participating in the "Direct Your Dollars" campaign collect Sun Mart cash register receipts and the company makes a \$1,000 donation for every \$150,000 receipts returned. (Photo by Chelsie Alexander)

SOCIETY

St. Peter's ELCA
ELCA of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church met Monday December 2, 2019 with eight members present. A medley of Christmas songs were sung by members with Roxann Stitzer at the piano.

Lesson leader Nelle Pfister led lesson Chapter number four, "Servants of Christ at the end of the parade" from the book 1 Corinthians by Paul Stevens and Dan Williams. Members participated in reading and discussing the lesson period closed with missionary Benediction and Lord's Prayer. President Roxann Stitzer opened business meeting. Lois

Cameron called roll and read minutes from previous meeting. Treasurer Becky Runyan reported on bank transactions and Linda Duerfeldt, flower fund. Old business; Thank you's to the teams of Rope and Run project. No new business. Next meeting January 6th 2020. Lesson leader Roxann Stitzer with lesson number five and hostess Denise Yount. Refreshments were served by Roxann Stitzer at close of afternoon.

Area Bridge

Carol Heineman, Marilyn Stalder and Lorna Simon won the prizes when Falls City Area Bridge met December 10, 2019, when three tables of bridge were played. Nancy Wittwer was the hostesses. Carol Heineman and Shirley Weber will host the next session on January 14, 2020.

SOCIETY

Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Meeting

Submitted by Doris Erickson
Shubert ALA Unit # 222 met at the post building on November 12, 2019, at 7:00 P.M.

President Tana Brown opened the meeting. Chaplain, Sharon Howard gave the prayer. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and sang, "God Bless America." They then read the ALA Preamble in unison, with a change, "association in all wars."

The meeting was declared open by President Brown. Ten members answered roll call. October minutes were read and approved with minor changes. Money was collected for the Emergence Auxiliary Fund. The Treasurer's report was given by Judy Schlosser and approved.

Lynette Surman stated that our guest speaker, Lynn, for the 100th Anniversary celebration refused a stipend. She asked these funds to be applied towards the shadow boxes. President Brown thanked Lynette for all of her efforts in working on the 100th Anniversary celebration.

President Brown received a thank you from the second-grade teacher at Humboldt for the information on Flag Etiquette and teaching them about the Pledge of Allegiance. Each student made their own thank you note with a personalized drawing. A thank-you note was read from Vesta Cochran in appreciation of the 100th Anniversary celebration.

Linda Patchen announced the Christmas House Walk was held on December 8, from 5 to 7 PM, had three homes in Shubert: The Karpinski, Dunn, and Horn residences, and the Post building will be open. The cost was \$7.00 for the tour.

There was sparse attendance at the VA dinner with a speaker. District President Linda is asking units to focus on getting their dues paid. Books/reports will have to be submitted to Judges by January 11, 2020; these are VA and R, history, prayer, and publicity books.

Governor Ricketts's proclamation for the 100th Anniversary of ALA was printed in the newsletter.

Great-granddaughters need to keep their dues current, as with recent changes due to the IRS codes, they can no longer become members. Members need to be treated with the "Golden Rule." New membership forms have been printed.

An update was presented on the Americanism Essay Contest. Essay winners will be rewarded with small monetary gifts or certificates.

Linda volunteered to be hostess for the December 3rd pot-

luck.

A discussion was held on continuing with meetings at 7:00 PM. It was the consensus since more persons can attend, we will continue as is.

Dona Hall presented an interesting history of the Junior's Auxiliary of our Unit, which was started in 1981. There is a handbook with the rules. The program gives patches for accomplishments. Some of these patches can be completed at home. We have 18 paid Junior members at present. In the past, girls have participated in parades, made tray favors for the VA hospitals/homes, and worked with the local elderly. They have sold poppies and visited nursing home residents. With time, it has become more and more challenging to get these girls together with all their school and community activities.

Chaplain Howard closed with prayer. President Brown adjourned the meeting.

You Drink and Drive You Lose Mobilization

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office will be participating in the You Drink & Drive, You Lose Mobilization from December 13th - January 1, 2020. During this time the Sheriff's office will be working extra hours with a focus on impaired drivers. This grant is funded by the Nebraska Department of Highway Safety.

R.C. Sheriff's Office participates in Click-It or Ticket Mobilization

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office participated in the Click It or Ticket Mobilization from November 27th through December 1, 2019. During the time, sheriff's deputies conducted 43 traffic stops, 27 citations were issued, 16 warnings, one driving under suspension, and five arrest. The department also investigated one accident.

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On December 6, 2019 at approx. 8:56 a.m. Richardson County Sheriff's Office Deputies arrested Dalton Hatfield, 25, of Humboldt, NE for Driving Under Suspension. Hatfield was booked into the Richardson County Jail.



On December 4, 2019 at approx. 7:56 am Richardson County Sheriff's Office Deputies arrested, Justin Horne, 39, of Stella, NE for Richardson County warrant for failure to appear and a Nemaha County Nebraska warrant for failure to appear. Horne was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

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

On December 10, 2019 at approximately 4:30 p.m. a traffic stop resulted in the arrest of Jaymyn A Strauss on a warrant out of Richardson County. Strauss was booked into Richardson County Jail.

On December 10, 2019 at around 8:15 p.m. Humboldt Volunteer Fire was dispatched to a structure fire at 726 Franklin Street, in Humboldt. Humboldt Fire requested Richardson County Deputies assistance with this call. No known damage or injuries related to the structure fire.

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Sacred Heart One Act cast and crew falls just short of district title

By Emma Frederick

The play production season wrapped up for Sacred Heart as the team brought home the District Runner-Up plaque from Johnson-Brock. The team performed "April Fish", a comedy by Ted Pezzulo. Before Districts, the team attended the Pioneer Conference One Act Competition and the Pawnee City One Act Festival.

The Irish ended up bringing home 4th place from the Pioneer Conference Competition. "I was very pleased with how Pioneer Conference went." One Act coach Pam Smith said. "The energy on stage was amazing!"

Along with the 4th place plaque, the Irish also had 8 actors bring home Superior Acting Awards. These 8 actors included seniors Jarrot Simon, Evi Schock, and Claire Niemeyer, junior Del Casteel, and sophomores Derek Schawang, Zachary Keithley, Lauren Malone and Tyler Catlin.

On November 23rd, they attended the Pawnee City One Act Festival.

The team came home with second place. Del Casteel received Best Actor Award, while Claire Niemeyer received Best Supporting Actress. Also receiving superior acting awards were Nicholas Keithley, Jake Hoy, Derek Schawang, Evi Schock, and Jarrot Simon. The team, as a whole, received the best Ad-Lib award.

The team performed at the Annual Dessert Theater on December 1st. On December 3rd, the team traveled to Johnson-Brock to perform for Districts, and came up just short of a trip to state. The Irish received the Runner-Up plaque and lost by only three-tenths of a point. Evi Schock, Jarrot Simon, Del Casteel, Claire Niemeyer, Jake Hoy, Emma Frederick and Ella Simon all received out-standing acting awards.

"This has been my favorite one-act season!" senior Claire Niemeyer said. "Even though it wasn't the way we wanted to end it, I am so happy of what we have accomplished this year."



By Tim Heckenlively

The Falls City Public Schools held its regular monthly board meeting on December 9, 2019. Here are the highlights of the meeting.

The Falls City High FCCLA Chapter was the subject of the student and organization showcase. Falls City High School and Middle School Family and Consumer Science teacher Kim Nolte, accompanied by FCCLA members Faith Zimmerman, Piper Sutton, Madi Scholl, Zoe Ebel, Alexis Miller, Chase Nolte, and Emma Killingsworth, described the leadership and career exploration experiences the local FCCLA program provides. Chapter projects focus on a variety of youth concerns, including family relationships, parenting, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, peer pressure, the environment, nutrition and fitness, teen violence, and career exploration. Involvement in FCCLA offers members the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life-planning, goal setting, problem-solving, decision-making, and interpersonal communication-necessary in the home and workplace. download.png

Continuous School Improvement initiatives to merge into one process in the coming year. The School Improvement Action Plans are to become a common action plan that will incorporate CIP, MTSS and TIP. Most recently, the School Improvement Team has created a school district-wide (K-12) writing rubric. Starting in January 2020, teachers in the core areas of Science, Math, English, and Social Studies will administer and score a writing sample during second semester. Engaging our FCPS students in writing consistently across the curriculum and then providing specific feedback from the scoring rubric will be beneficial for improving writing skills for all students K-12.

The District 56 Board of Education acted on several items before concluding the regular meeting.

1. Approved board policy reviews on final readings 1) Policy 5350 Video Surveillance; 2) Policy 5351 Photograph and Video Policy; 3) Policy 7140 Exempt and Part-Time Students; 4) Policy 7400 Alternative School

2. Accepted the resignation of Robert Baker with gratitude and appreciation, effective July 31, 2020 to retire and relocate closer to family (32 years as the Transportation Supervisor for District 56).

The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent, Tim Heckenlively.

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ACCIDENTS

On December 6, 2019, according to police reports, Joshua Simmons, of White Cloud, KS, was driving east on 10th street approaching the intersection of 10th and Chase. Carol Hamilton, of Falls City, was driving north in the 900 block of Chase Street approaching the intersection of 10th and Chase. It appeared both vehicles entered the intersection at the same time and collided in the center of the intersection. An estimated \$3,000 was done to each vehicle. No citations were issued.

On December 4, 2019 at 7:11 PM a Richardson County deputy investigated a car vs. cow accident on Hwy 8 between 630 Ave and 631 Ave. No injuries were reported.

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(Editor's Note - dismissal without prejudice means the government did not waive its right to litigate the matter in a subsequent action). Fined \$50, plus Court costs of \$49.

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

COUNTY COURT

Carl W. Barlow, of Falls City, count one, no proof of insurance, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court ordered probation for a term of six months starting on December 11, 2019; count two, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and six months of court ordered probation; count three, operate a vehicle w/o proof of ownership, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and six months of court ordered probation; count four, drive under suspended/before reinstated-state, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and six months of court ordered probation.

Matthew A. Koencke, of Falls City, count one, dom asslt-third degree, amended to assault-third degree, plead not contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for January 13, 2020.

Samantha Liming, of Falls City, count one, trespass-second degree/defy order to leave, plead not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for January 6, 2020.

Michael E. Kirkendall, of Falls City, count one, dom asslt-third degree, amended to attempt of a class one misdemeanor, plead not contest, found guilty and fined \$200 and court costs.

Keith A. Ferris, of Falls City, count one, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty; count two, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan, plead not guilty; count three, operate vehicle w/o proof of ownership, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 6, 2020.

Lucy E. Ezell, of Auburn, count one, resist arrest-first offense, plead not guilty; count two, trespass-second

degree/defy order to leave, plead not guilty; count three, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 6, 2020.

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Joshua M. Darden, of Falls City, count one, no operator's license/non-waiverable, plead not guilty; count two, operate vehicle w/o proof of ownership, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 6, 2020.

Shane Karst, of Falls City, count one, animal running at large, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs.

Michael A. Clark, of Council Bluffs IA, count one, animal running at large, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, dogs and cats; unlicensed, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs.

Dustin Moore, of Falls City, count one, maintaining a nuisance, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

Antonio M. Schultenberg, of Falls City, count one, maintaining a nuisance, plead not contest, found guilty and fined \$25.

Joshua Darden, of Falls City, count one, weeds and grasses over 12", plead not guilty. Trial is scheduled for January 15, 2020.

Cole E. Ramer, of Shubert, count one, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty; count two, drive under susp/before reinstated-state, plead not guilty; count three, reckless driving-first offense, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Joshua D. Arington, of Humboldt, count one, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty; count two, no valid registration-car/pickup/stepvan,

plead not guilty; count three, unlawful/fict. Display of plate/renew tab, plead not guilty; count four, drive under susp/before reinstated state, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled.

Joshua D. Arington, of Humboldt, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated state, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled.

Jefferson D. Pföhl, of Falls City, count one, theft-rcv stolen prop \$0-\$500, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Jefferson D. Pföhl, of Falls City, count one, dom asslt-third degree, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Jefferson D. Pföhl, of Falls City, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Kent L. Cooper, of Humboldt, count one, criminal trespass-first degree, plead not guilty; count two, assault-third degree, plead not guilty; count three, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty; count four, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty; count five, criminal mischief \$501-\$1,499, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2020.

Charles E. Reynolds, of Falls City, count one, trespass-second degree/defy order to leave, plead not contest, found guilty; count two, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count three, disturbing the peace, plead not contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for January 15, 2020.

DISTRICT COURT

Corinna J. Phropor, of Salem, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Jessica L. Popejoy Hayes, of Rulo, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Jury Trial is scheduled for January 31, 2020.

Terric K. Beckner, of Rulo, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

Corinna J. Phropor, of Falls City, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500/third/subs, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Jeremy J. Butrick, of Falls City, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Joshua D. Arington, of Humboldt, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Nathan A. Purcell, of Stella, count one, resist arrest-second/subsequent offense, plead not guilty; count two, obstruct a peace officer, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Nathan A. Purcell, of Falls City, count one, theft-rcv stolen prop \$5,000+, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Nathan A. Purcell, of Stella, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, resist arrest-first offense, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Rebecca L. Fouraker, of Salem, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead not contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for March 3, 2020.

Mendell P. Rulla, of Tecumseh, count one, strangulation, plead not guilty; count two, dom asslt-third degree, plead not guilty. Jury trial is scheduled for February 20, 2020.

Holly M. Pföhl, of Hiawatha, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead not contest, found guilty; count two, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty; count five, 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 for January 7, 2020.

Joseph M. Sweigart, of Topeka, KS, count one, theft-rcv stolen prop \$5,000+, plead not guilty; count two, burglary, plead not guilty; count three, burglary, plead not guilty; count four, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500, plead not guilty; count five, unauth use propelled vehicle-first, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

John D. Cooper, of Humboldt, count one, use firearm to commit a felony, plead not guilty; count two, terroristic threats, plead not guilty; carry concealed weapon-first offense, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

Matthew W. Hanesworth, of Falls City, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

Julia M. Sprouse, of Stella, count one, possess firearm while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count two, possess firearm while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count three, possess deadly weapon while

commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count four, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count five, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count six, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dissmised, plead not guilty; count seven, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count eight, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

Lucy E. Ezell, of Auburn, count one, criminal impersonation(1) (c) - first, plead not guilty; count two, criminal impersonation(1) (c) - first; count three, criminal impersonation(1) (c) - first; 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 for January 7, 2020.

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. Jury trial is scheduled for February 14, 2020.

Leann R. Willis, of Morrill, KS, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

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 for January 7, 2020.

Theodore E. Hazelton II, of Humboldt was granted a dissolution of marriage from Jennifer R. Hazelton, of Muskegon, MI.

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Eryn Sneathen puts up a shot vs. Diller-Odell last Tuesday.

Tiger girls fall to 0-3

Story by Brian McKim; photo by Deena Beer

The Lady Tigers dropped a pair of close contests this past week; first falling at Diller-Odell on Tuesday, 41-35 and then at Johnson-Brock on Friday night 47-46 in overtime.

On Tuesday night, the Tigers got behind early, 18-8 after the first eight minutes and fought hard to get back into the game. FC saw the deficit grow to 13 by halftime 31-18. The Tiger defense came out strong in the third quarter, holding the Griffins to just eight points; however, the Tiger offense scored only six of their own and saw Diller-Odell lead by 15, 39-24 entering the fourth period. The Lady Tigers outscored Diller-Odell 11-2 down the stretch, but the hole was too big to climb out of as the Tigers fell 41-35.

FC made just 12 of 43 shot attempts in the game, including 1/9 from behind the arc. The Lady Tigers also converted 10/15 free throw attempts. Individually for FC, Hannah Clary led the scoring with 14 points on 4-12 shooting, and Clary converted 6-8 free throw attempts. Freshman Maddie Jones added six points, and Brynna Bruxelles had five, going 1-4 from behind the three-point line. A. Heidemann had 13 points, and E. Swanson had 12 to lead Diller-Odell.

Scoring vs. Diller-Odell, Bruxelles, five; Sneathen, four; Jones, six; Clary, 14; R. McNeely,

two; and Beer, four.

In the second game of the week, the Tigers traveled to Johnson to take on the Eagles. The game was tight throughout with Johnson-Brock leading 9-6 after one quarter and 25-22 at the half. FC stayed within striking distance at 36-30 after three periods and outscored the home team 13-7 in the final period to force overtime with the game tied at 43. The Tigers scored three points in the extra period but gave up four, ultimately falling 47-46. Michelle Beer hit a pair of free throws, and Jones went 1-2 from the line for all the Tigers overtime points. The Tigers were 0-4 from the field in the extra period. Johnson-Brock got a pair of field goals for their four points in overtime. H. Sandfort had 10 points, and L. Edwards and J. Koehler each had nine. Hannah Clary led the Tigers with 21 points, all coming after the first period. Clary had 10-second quarter points and added six more in the third, finishing the night draining 4/6 from behind the arc. Bruxelles added eight points, making 4/5 shots from two-point range. The Lady Tigers made 12/31 two-point shots and 4/18 from behind the three-point line. FC also converted 10/14 shots from the charity stripe.

Scoring vs. Johnson-Brock, Bruxelles, eight; Black, one; L. McNeely, two; Sneathen, four; Jones, six; Clary, 21; R. Mc-



Tiger boys remain undefeated

Story by Brian McKim; photo by Deena Beer

The Falls City Tiger boys hoops team improved to 3-0 for the year with a pair of victories last week. On Tuesday, the Tigers ran away from the Diller-Odell Griffins 61-26, and on Friday night in Johnson, the Tigers took down the defending Class D2 champs 55-49.

After a relatively close first period 17-11, the Tigers pulled away for the 61-26 win over Diller-Odell. FC outscored the home team 44-15 in the final three quarters to improve to 2-0. The Tigers made 48 percent of their shots (24-50) while holding the Griffins to just 12-

41 shooting (29 percent). FC also drained 6-14 from beyond the arc and maintained a clear 25-13 rebound advantage. The scrappy Tiger defense also forced 21 turnovers, while committing just nine of their own.

Mason Crawford led the Tigers offense with 15 points, making 3/5 three-pointers, and adding three rebounds. Caden Simon had a double/double, scoring 12 points, pulling down a team-high ten rebounds and adding four assists. Kade Bredemeier also reached double digits with 10 points and three assists. Paxton Mohr had nine points, and Austin Jurgens had eight to lead Diller-Odell.

Scoring vs. Diller-Odell, Crawford, 15; Caden Simon, 12; K. Bredemeier, 10; Arnold, six; Vitosh, five; McAfee, three; Carson Simon, three; Hogu, three; Acton, two; and Oliver, two.

On Friday night, the Tigers

traveled to Johnson to take on the Eagles. The Tigers led the defending D2 state champs 15-13 after the first quarter but trailed 25-23 heading into the half. FC used a strong second half, outscoring the Eagles 32-24, to get the come from behind win, 55-49.

Mason Crawford had the hot hand, pouring in 28 points, four rebounds, and three steals. Caden Simon added 10 points and nine boards for FC.

Ty Hahn led Johnson-Brock with 24 points and nine rebounds, making 8-18 shots from the field. Kade and Kolt Davis each added nine points for Johnson.

Scoring vs. Johnson-Brock, Crawford 28, Simon 10, Arnold, eight; Bredemeier, seven; McAfee, two.

With the win, the Tigers kick-off the season 3-0 while the loss drops Johnson-Brock to 1-2 to begin the 2019-20 campaign.

Novak named Academic All-American

It was recently announced by the Peru St. athletic department that Nick Novak (Dawson Ne) was named Academic All-American. Novak, a 6-0, 188-pound defensive back on the Bobcat football team, becomes the third Academic All-American from HTRS, joining Jordan Schardt (2012-13) and Lindsay Harlow (2018-19).

Novak was the only athlete at the NAIA level in the state of Nebraska to be recognized.

Neely, two; and Beer, two.

The Lady Tigers played at Southern on Tuesday and will finally be home on Friday, December 20, to take on Plattsmouth with JV action set for 4:30.

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Jakob Jordan beats everyone down the court for an easy hoop against Friend.

Irish blowout opponents, improve to 3-0

Story and photos by Brian McKim

The Sacred Heart Irish boys' basketball team continued to dominate their opponents, picking up a pair of wins last week. On Tuesday, December 12, the Irish traveled to Highland, KS to take on Doniphon West, taking down the Mustangs 78-30. Then, on Friday, the Irish hosted the Friend Bulldogs at Prichard Auditorium. The Irish took the bark out of the Bulldogs, picking up the 82-18 win.

On Tuesday night SH ran out to a 26-6 lead after one quarter and led 44-10 at the half. The second

half continued to go the Irish's way, outscoring the Mustangs 34-20 in the final 16 minutes to secure the 78-30 win.

The Irish outshot the Mustangs 49 percent to 31 percent for the game, making 30/61 shot attempts. SH also shot well from the foul line, sinking 10 of 12 attempts. The Irish owned the glass, pulling down 42 rebounds compared to just 13 for the Mustangs. The Irish also forced 23 turnovers and finished with 19 assists.

Tyler Witt led the Irish, making 8/12 shots for 19 points, eight

rebounds, two blocked shots, and four assists. Jack Fiegenger also hit double digits, scoring 13 points to go along with seven boards. Jakob Jordan added 10 points, two steals, and three assists.

Scoring vs. Doniphon West, Jordan, 10; Stice, eight; Hoy, seven; Casteel, two; Witt, 19; Keithley, five; Bauman, two; Simon, eight; Fiegenger 13, Nachtigal, four.

On Friday night, the Irish hosted the Friend Bulldogs. SH raced to a 26-7 first-quarter lead and pushed their halftime lead to

Schneider to retire after eight years as head football coach at Peru State

Steve Schneider announced his retirement at the Bobcat Football Team's annual banquet on December 8, 2019. Schneider had served as head coach of the team since 2012. He also served as Peru State's Athletic Director from 2011 to 2018 before stepping down to focus on the football team for the last two seasons.

Dr. Dan Hanson, President of Peru State College, said, "Steve brought an important level of organization and professionalism to managing both the Athletic Department and the football team. His leadership and experience will have a lasting impression on both organizations." Under Schneider the Bobcats' record was 39-49. In 2017 the team was second in the Heart of America Athletic Conference (Heart) North Division.

Schneider's tenure as head coach saw the team produce eight Academic All-Americans, including two Academic All-Americans of the Year, Logan Paben and Gunnar Orcutt. The team also had 20 All-District Academic First Team Honorees and 41 Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-

Athletes.

Wayne Albury, Athletic Director, writes, "I would like to thank Coach Schneider for his service to students and leading the Bobcat football program. Under his leadership, many players excelled on the field, in the classroom and in the community."

Two team members, Mitch Boshart and Logan Paben, were named A.O. Duer National Winners, the highest honor from the NAIA for a junior student-athlete. Schneider also coached Peru State's only Good Works Team member, Gunnar Orcutt.

On the field, the team had one All-American, Tyler Ford, and one National Special Teams Player of the Week, Greg Conry.

Schneider was a part of two fundraising operations on campus: renovating the historic Oak Bowl and renovating the vacant Peru Elementary School into the new Field House. Schneider helped raise funds for both projects and the Field House's Jerry Joy Locker Room.

Prior to joining the College, Schneider served as vice-president for institutional advancement at Midland University. Prior to that position, he was Director of Athletics for the Warriors from 1992-2007.

During his tenure at Midland, Schneider also served as Head Softball Coach from 1988-92 where he was a two-time NAIA District 11 Coach of the Year. Schneider was also the Warriors' Head Football Coach from 1992-2001. He took the Warriors to the NAIA National Championship Playoffs in 1994, earning conference Coach of the Year honors. He served as co-coach of the football team with Casey Thiele in 2007.

Schneider was inducted into the Midland University Warrior Athletic Hall of Fame in October of 2015. An alumnus of the University, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame for his outstanding service and dedication to Midland Athletics.

Midland University released in 2015, "Steve Schneider, '80, was an integral part of the Midland community for 32 years, 1976-2008. Steve was a standout on the Midland Football Team for '76-'79 as a defensive lineman and he helped guide the Warriors to three conference championships. In '79, Steve was a captain on a team that won a conference championship with a 9-0 regular season record and qualified for the NAIA National Championship Playoffs."

DeOn'tae Pannell, the team's Defensive Coordinator, will lead the program while the College conducts a national search for a new coach. Pannell has been with Peru State since 2015.

47-7, holding the Bulldogs scoreless in the second quarter. The Irish cruised in the second half, improving to 3-0 with the 82-18 win. Friend made just 8/33 shot attempts, while the Irish made 33/55 shots, including making 8 of 22 from behind the arc. SH outrebounded the Bulldogs 26-20 and led the turnover battle 27-6. The Irish also finished with 25 team assists to just six by the Bulldogs.

Jamie Stice had the hot hand Friday night, sinking four of five from beyond the arc, finishing with 16 points. Witt had another big game offensively, making 7/8 shots from the field for 20 points. Witt added five rebounds, two blocks, and four assists. Every player that suited up for the Irish got in the scoring column. Friend was led by JB Drake with nine points, and Jacob Bottom added five.

Scoring vs. Friend, Jordan, four; Stice, 16; Froeschl, two; Hoy, five; Casteel, two; Witt 20, Keithley, four; Bauman, five; Simon, six; Fiegenger, six; Nachtigal, eight; and Schawang, four.

Three games into the season, the Irish are averaging 76 points per game, while giving up just 25.7. The Irish are shooting 52 percent from the field while opponents are at 28%. SH has forced 72 turnovers while committing only 25 of their own.

SH played at Lewiston on Tuesday, December 17, and will host HTRS on Friday, December 20, with JV action set for 4:00.

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Lena Haefele

Lena Haefele, 100, of Sabetha, KS, passed away on December 9, 2019, in Sabetha. She was born on October 18, 1919, at Falls City, NE, to John and Bertha (Bertram) Gerdes.

She married Paul Haefele on May 12, 1972, in Gladstone, MO. He passed away on November 28, 2004.

Lena was raised in Falls City, and following her schooling, she worked at a restaurant in Hamlin, KS. She then moved back to Falls City and worked at the Falls City Creamery for ten years. She then took employment at Southeast Nebraska Telephone Company as an operator. She retired in 1962 after 32 years of employment. When married, the couple established their home in Falls City and in 2001 moved to Sabetha, where she has lived since. She was a member of the

Northridge Church at Sabetha.

Lena is survived by a step-daughter, Kathleen Bauer and her husband Wayne of Chandler, AZ, sister, Bertha Kruse and her husband Leo of Sabetha, step-daughter, Karyn Wilkins and her husband Ted of Chandler, AZ, step-great-grandchildren, Rebecca, Hallie, Madison, and Tyler Wilkins. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers, Lloyd, Wallace, John, Charles and Betram Gerdes, sisters, Marie, Mildred, Lila, Gladys, and Evelyn.

Her funeral was held on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at 2:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Charlie Robinson officiating. Interment was in Steele Cemetery.

Open visitation and viewing began Tuesday evening at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Mary Ellen Thomas

Mary Ellen Thomas, 59, of rural Dawson, Nebraska was born on April 17, 1960, in Falls City, Nebraska to Frank J. and Mary Elizabeth (Finchun) Thomas.

Mary was the youngest of four children and was raised on a farm near Dawson. She graduated from Dawson-Verdon High School with the class of 1978. After graduating, Mary lived with her family on an acreage outside of Dawson where she helped with the daily chores and took care of her mother and brother.

Mary passed away on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at the Falls City Care Center in Falls City, Nebraska.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister Virginia (Gerald) Estes.

Mary is survived by her brothers: Frank Thomas of Falls City, NE; Ray (Sharon) Thomas of

Salem, NE; niece Lori (Brennan) Durand of Nebraska City, NE; nephew Ray Estes and special friend Chris of Eagle, NE cousins Brenda (Leon) Wolf and Rebecca (Guy) McCurdy of Oklahoma, great-niece Heidi (Troy) Patterson of Lincoln, NE; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 16, 2019, at The Wherry Mortuary in Humboldt, Nebraska with Pastor Doug Delhay officiating. Visitation was held on Sunday, December 15, 2019, at The Wherry Mortuary in Humboldt, Nebraska. Family greeted friends from 2-4 p.m. at the mortuary.

Interment was at the Starr Cemetery in rural Dawson.

Memorials contributions may be given to the Richardson County Cancer Fund.

RICHARDSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT

Richardson County had the following incidents over the weekend: On Dec. 13, there was one warrant arrest and two juvenile runaways from Johnson County found in R.C., both juveniles were released back to the adult that they were in the care of.

On Dec. 14, there was one theft report taken along with assisting FCPD with an arrest.

On Dec. 15, R.C. worked a one vehicle roll over with unknown injuries and one warrant arrest.

Anna 'NiNi' Frederick

Anna Margaret "NiNi" Frederick, 92, of Falls City, NE, passed away December 9, 2019. She was born July 27, 1927, to Jess Marion and Anna Mary (Hauhns) Hall.

NiNi was educated at the Sacred Heart Schools in Falls City, graduating in 1945, and at St. Joseph Hospital in Kansas City, MO.

She married Lawrence Edward "Dick" Frederick on August 7, 1947. They have two children: Mary Elizabeth Frederick (Collin Quesnell) of San Francisco, CA, and Christine Marie Brown (Randy) of Sandia Park, NM.

NiNi was hired by the Sacred Heart Board of Education as the first secretary/bookkeeper for the school system. She retired from that position after nearly 25 years, but remained active in the Sacred Heart Alumni Association and as a volunteer when-

ever the church or school needed her experience and enthusiasm.

She is survived by her sister, Elaine Marie "Totty" Krieger of Midlothian, VA, and her brother Charles Robert Hall (Lou Ann) of Coburn, PA.

NiNi was preceded in death by her parents and six of her siblings: Mary Frances "MeF" Mullane, Richard Marion Hall, Eugene Joseph Hall, Madeline Helen Wranosky, Jess Philip "Junior" Hall, and John William "Billy" Hall.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 11:00 AM at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church with Father Lawrence Stoley as the presiding priest. Interment was in Falls City Catholic Cemetery.

A Parish Rosary was recited on Wednesday at 7:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Betty Smith

Betty May Smith, 66, Falls City, Nebraska, passed away Monday, December 2, 2019.

She was born March 23, 1953 in Falls City, Nebraska.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Elizabeth (Packard) Smith.

Survivors include son, Roderick Roland; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Natural Farewell under the direction of Meierhoffer Funeral Home & Crematory.

Humboldt Garden receives award

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-fracture in a community."

When the Wilhelms faced the loss of Jim's son to cancer, instead of focusing on their loss, they put their passion and energy into designing and creating a place of healing for others facing similar loss. Arboretum representative Karma Larsen said the Southeast Nebraska Cancer Memorial Garden they created over the last several years "has been amazingly inspiring and restorative for them, for the whole community of Humboldt and countless visitors."

It's an impressive garden for even the biggest city, Larsen said, and it turned an unused area of this community into a place the community can enjoy, use for gatherings and take great pride in. It includes long walking paths, water features that include a rustic mill with an running water wheel made by Jan Wilhelm's grandfather almost 60 years ago, a bronze fountain, bronze memorial statues, angels and fairies, personalized bricks and stones, and an archway leading into a pergola with six swings is the center focal point of the garden.

The Wilhelms, the Humboldt Garden Club, and many others from the community "have put their heart and soul" into growing and caring for this beautiful garden with its wide variety of plants and landscape features. "Anyone who has seen this garden can attest to its beauty and to the ways it has brightened this community and become a source of joy and healing," Larsen said.

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Village of Verdon

VERDON MINUTES
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2019 - 7:00 PM
VILLAGE HALL

Chairperson Denise Koso informed the room at large that the revised Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Denise Koso at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present were: James Cockerham, Denise Koso, Brenda Streit, Shannon Weinmann, Absent: Wade Lowe.

GUESTS: Tammie Bents, Dawn Bennett, and Lukas, Brenda and Willa Fritz.

The floor was opened for nominations for Chairperson for 2020. Motion was made by Cockerham, second by Streit to nominate Denise Koso for Chairperson for 2020. Motion/second made that nominations cease. Voting YEA: Cockerham, Streit and Weinmann. ABSTAIN: Koso. Denise Koso is the Chairperson for 2020.

Chairperson Koso appointed the following for 2020: Clerk/Treasurer: Brenda Daniels; Assistant Clerk: Dawn Bennett; Village Attorney: Neal Parsons & Associates; Street Supt: Julie Vollmer, with a motion by Koso, second by Cockerham. All the Trustees voting YEA except for Weinmann who abstained from voting for Brenda Daniels as Clerk/Treasurer and Dawn Bennett as Assistant Clerk due to a conflict of interest.

After discussion with the Trustees, Chairperson Koso appointed herself in charge of General and Streets, Water, Weinmann; Sewer, Streit; Cemetery: Cockerham; and Parks: Lowe.

Motion was made by Streit, second by Koso to have Shannon Weinmann be the Chairperson Pro Tempore for 2020. Voting YEA: Streit, Koso, Cockerham. ABSTAIN: Weinmann.

Motion to adjourn made by Koso with second by Weinmann at 7:08 pm. All the Trustees voted YEA. Meeting adjourned. Dawn Bennett Clerk Verdon Assistant

District #70

Board of Education December Regular Meeting Monday, December 9, 2019
7:00 PM, Music Room, Humboldt

Attendance: Taken at 7:00 PM, Mike Bredemeier: Present, Rock Herr: Present, Neal Kanel: Present, Scott Ogle: Present, Tim Schardt: Absent, Sandy Stadler: Present.

1. OPEN MEETING NOTICE - Call Meeting To Order- Roll Call- Pledge Of Allegiance

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA
 Motion to approve agenda. This motion, made by Scott Ogle and seconded by Sandy Stadler, passed, Yes: 5, Nay: 0

3. WELCOME PATRONS AND GUESTS

4. PATRON COMMENT
 Austin Herr, Student board member, school safety concern from a student concerning the dark parking lot.

5. CORRESPONDENCE
 Many thank you's from the staff for Casey's gift cards as non-injury workplace incentives.

6. APPROVE CONSIST AGENDA
 Approve this motion, made by Sandy Stadler and seconded by Mike Bredemeier, passed, Yes: 5, Nay: 0

6.1. Regular Meeting Minutes
 6.2. Approve bills for payment
 6.3. Review Treasurer's Report

7. PRESENTATION
 7.1. Assessment Report
 Kari Lottman presented a power-point on Fall to Fall assessments.

8. REPORTS
 8.1. Principal Othmer
 Mrs. Othmer reported on Student News, PBIS intervention support, and review of updating Social Studies curriculum.

8.2. Assistant Principal Lottman
 Mrs. Lottman updated the board on assessments and her observation of the Active Shooter Drill in Nemaha County.

8.3. NASB Report

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 9.1. Building and Grounds Committee
 The track has been completed. The kitchen has a couple minor items to be finished.

9.2. Negotiations Committee
 9.3. Strategic Plan Priority I Review
 The first section of the review was completed verbally.

10. ACTION ITEMS
 10.1. Approve board member's leave of absence
 Motion to approve Tim Schardt's leave of absence. This motion, made by Scott Ogle and seconded by Sandy Stadler, passed, Yes: 3, Nay: 0

10.2. Approve cooperative agreement with Pawnee City for boys' golf
 Approve this motion, made by Mike Bredemeier and seconded by Rock Herr, passed, Yes: 5, Nay: 0

10.3. Approve this motion, made by Sandy Stadler and seconded by Scott Ogle, passed, Yes: 5, Nay: 0

This motion to approve the recommended negotiation package as presented based on the HFRSEA's approval, made by Rock Herr and seconded by Sandy Stadler, passed, Yes: 5, Nay: 0

13. ADJOURN
 Neal Kanel adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.
 Respectfully submitted, Kellie Workman

Village of Salem

Village of Salem
 The Salem Village Board met December 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Building. Chairman Strauch opened the meeting. Board members Jon Kean, Lindie Catlin and Warren Vogele answered roll. Mary Jane Wessel was absent.

Water operator, Robert McHenry reported on the water system. One new connection was installed. The board also discussed recent work on the tower done by the Rural Water District. Operator McHenry reported that he had not been informed of the work.

Kean reported that Christmas lights would be installed on Saturday, December 7.

Catlin moved to re-organize the Board for the year 202 as follows: Kenneth Strauch, chairman; Mary Jane Wessel, vice-chairman; Jon Kean, streets; Vogele and Catlin, Community Building contacts; Neal Parsons, Village Attorney; Carolyn Glathar, clerk; Robert McHenry, water operator; and Evan Wickersham, street superintendent, license number 1139, class A as a contract consultant. Motion was seconded by Kean. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Strauch moved to add Lindie Catlin to the signature card on the Village bank account at the F&M Bank, seconded by Vogele. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Catlin moved to pass Resolution 2019-2 authorizing Chairman Kenneth Strauch to sign the Year-End Certification of the Village Street Superintendent. Motion was seconded by Kean. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Snow removal bids for the 2019-2020 season were opened. A bid request was published in the Falls City Journal. One bid was received from KMW Construction for \$90.00 per hour, and a copy of the bidders liability insurance was included. Strauch moved to accept the bid, seconded by Kean. Motion carried, Kean, Strauch, and Catlin voting yes. Vogele abstained. Claims were presented for payment. Strauch moved to pay claim, seconded by Vogele. Motion carried.

Catlin moved to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. seconded by Kean. Motion carried, all voting yes.

The next meeting will be January 7, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Building.

Carolyn Glathar, Village Clerk
 CLAIMS: CPPD, 405.16; water operator, 650.00; water fund, 400.00; RWD, 1470.54; Miller Monroe, 100.00; water testing, 22.00; clerk, 450; postage, 14.70; JEO Consulting, 600.00; Pest Control, 28.00.

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 5. elves hang up their own on the special night
 6. wrapped toys tossed into a magic for delivery
 7. elves travel by this and magic
 8. elf checking each to make sure its jingle is ready to jangle
 9. elves using to make hand-crafted wooden toys
 10. haywire making machine, covering shop with silvery strands
 11. dispensers mounted on the walls, complete with marshmallows
 12. a massive stone but Santa enters through the front door
 13. Mrs. Claus' special kitchen always has a batch of in the oven
 14. the is a chilly place, but the workshop is always toasty
 15. each room has a working that never runs out of firewood
 16. each of the cared for by at least 3 animal-loving elves
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In the Matter of the Estate of Joyce L. McKay, Deceased.

Case No. FR15-35

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DATED This 2nd day of December, 2019.

Curis L. Maschman County Judge

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF BRADLEE ANTHONY RAY MARANO, A minor child.

Case No. FR19-40

TO: MICHAEL MARANO AND SARA MARANO

Be advised that a Petition for Appointment for a Guardian Conservator for a Minor has been filed by Julie A. Heywood, Petitioner in this Court. An order granting guardianship/conservatorship of the minor child, Bradlee Anthony Ray Marano to petitioner is being sought in this Court. A hearing on said Motion is scheduled to be held before the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, located at 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, on the 8th day of January, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard. Please govern yourself accordingly.

DATED 11/26/19 Julie A. Heywood, Petitioner #2418127

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF BRANDON ROBERT LEO MARANO, A minor child.

Case No. FR19-41

TO: MICHAEL MARANO, SARA MARANO AND ANY OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF B.R.L.M., born 04/10/2014, Sara Marano and residing in Richardson County, Nebraska on or about November 18, 2019.

Be advised that a Petition for Appointment of a Guardian/Conservator for a Minor has been filed by Julie A. Heywood, Petitioner in this Court. An order granting guardianship/conservatorship of the minor child, Brandon Robert Leo Marano to Petitioner is being sought in this Court. A hearing on said Motion is scheduled to be held before the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, located at 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, on the 8th day of January, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard. Please govern yourself accordingly.

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District #56

FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Minutes of the November 13, 2019 School Board Meeting

The Falls City Board of Education met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 in the Superintendent's office at the Middle School in Falls City, Nebraska.

1.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

1.1 ROLL CALL AND OPEN MEETINGS ACT NOTICE - School Board members present: Joe Bowers, Richard Malcolm, Ed Harris, John Martin and Kristin Schaefer. Absent: Scott Hollens. Vice-President Kevin Scheitel presided at the meeting. Vice-President Scheitel announced that the open meetings are posted on the wall of this meeting room.

1.2 APPROVAL OF ABSENCES - It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by John Martin to approve the absence of Scott Hollens. The voting was as follows: Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Bowers, yes; Malcolm, yes; Scheitel, yes; Martin, yes. Motion carried.

1.3 VERIFICATION OF ADVANCED PUBLICATION - It was moved by Joe Bowers and seconded by John Martin that it be hereby determined that these public hearings were preceded by published notices in the Falls City Journal and are hereby declared to be duly convened in open session. The voting was as follows: Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Bowers, yes; Malcolm, yes; Scheitel, yes; Martin, yes. Motion was declared passed and adopted and the following proceedings were had and done at said hearing in open session.

1.4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA - It was moved by Richard Malcolm and seconded by John Martin to approve the agenda. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Malcolm, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Scheitel, yes; Martin, yes. Motion carried.

1.5 ROLL CALL Open Meetings Act Notice, and Pledge of Allegiance

1.6 Approval of Absences

1.7 Verification of Advanced Publication

1.4 Approval of Agenda

1.5 Approval of Previous Minutes

1.6 Audiences

1.7 Approval of Treasurer's Report

1.8 Approval of Claims

2.0 Informational Items/Reports:

2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Reports: District Audit and Financial Report, August 31, 2019. Julie Bauman, CPA, P.C.

2.2 Principal's Report: Annual Report on Multicultural Education

2.3 Board President's Report

2.4 Superintendent's Report

2.4 Legislative & Organization Update

2.4 Building and Grounds Update

2.4 Continuous School Improvement & Strategic Plan Report

2.4 Policy Planning

2.4 Negotiations/Planning

2.4 Superintendent Meetings

2.4 Board Member Meetings

2.4 Other

2.5 Board Action/Member Reports:

3.0 Old News Items:

3.1 Final Reading on Policy Reviews and Revisions

3.2 District Audit and Financial Report, August 31, 2019

3.3 Other

4.0 Executive Session: Requested by member,

approved by majority, as per statute

5.0 Adjournment and Next Meetings: The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent. Board Committee meetings to be determined.

1.5 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES - It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by Joe Bowers to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2019 regular Board meeting. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Malcolm, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Scheitel, yes. Motion carried.

1.6 APPROVAL OF AGENDAS - None

1.7 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT - It was moved by Joe Bowers and seconded by Ed Harris to approve the October 31, 2019 treasurer's report which shows a balance in the General Fund of \$2,513,161.98, in the Qualified Capital Purpose/Overriding Fund of \$7,129,888, in the Student Fee Fund of \$895,005, in the ICI Fund of \$116,789.10, in the Special Building Fund of \$1,473,739.99, in the Special Building Fund of \$0, and in the Bond Fund of \$247,986.86. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Malcolm, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Scheitel, yes. Motion carried.

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

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/REPORTS:

2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Report: The Audit Report for 2018-2019 was presented by Julie Bauman, CPA, P.C. The report included the Auditor's report, a statement of financial position, a statement of activities, and a review of the expenditures of certain school activities.

2.2 Principal Reports:

2.2a GALE DUNKHAS: Mr. Dunkhas reported on recent fund raisers held by groups at the high school. He thanked all who participated.

2.2b JACK BANGERT: Mr. Bangert reported that this year's Chautauqua night at Falls City Middle School raised over \$750. This money is to be donated to charity of the 8th grade class choice.

2.2c ROB ALDERSON: Mr. Alderson reported that Falls City South School had a 98% attendance during the summer teacher conference.

2.2d SHELLEY LEYDEN: Mrs. Leyden submitted a written report to the Board.

2.3 BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None

2.4 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.4a Legislative and Organizations Report: The State Education Conference is November 20-22 at the CHI Health Center this year. Board member John Martin will serve as the District 56 voting delegate to the NASB Delegate assembly held on November 22.

The ALPCA Annual Membership meeting is scheduled for November 20 at 4PM.

In preparation for the next Legislative session that begins on January 8, the 2020 Legislative Session will be held on February 10 in Lincoln. It is always an opportunity to hear from the committee chairs, the Speaker of the Legislature, and senators weighing in on education. The conference always ends with the opportunity to meet with our senator for a question-and-answer session.

There will be an overall net increase of 6.71 percent in premiums next year for the medical and dental insurance plans used by nearly every Nebraska school district, following action by the Educators Health Alliance (EHA), a consortium of three statewide public school groups that manages the plan. Medical insurance rates will increase 6.97 percent and dental rates 2.00 percent resulting in the overall increase in premiums of 6.71 percent. When the 2020-21 plan year begins on Sept. 1, 2020, it will mark the 18th consecutive rate increase of less than 10 percent. The average annual increase over the past ten years has been 8.28 percent.

2.4b Building and Grounds Update: The stadium press box project is slated to be in the coming weeks by Murphy Cost. The press box will be designed on one level with roll up window closers similar to the concession stand. The project noted from the Project Committee reviewing the meeting has been drafted and the committee will meet in the coming months to prioritize facility needs and improvements to be returned to the full board for approval after the first of year.

2.4c Continuous School Improvement & Strategic Plan Report: The Strategic Annual review and report were included in the board packet materials for review. The report demonstrates an assessment of local performance and activities, as well as providing a baseline from the 31 Sixty programs across Nebraska.

2.4d Policy Planning: Board policies up for review and final reading include: 1) Policy 6214 Alcohol and Drug Testing for Drivers; 2) Policy 7144 Red Bags; 3) Policy 7145 Class Rags; 4) Policy 7210 Homeschool Students.

2.4e Negotiations/Planning: The board negotiating committee will meet with the FICA agent on December 16 at 4p.m. in the high school conference room.

2.4f Superintendent Meetings: NASB/NASA State Education Conference, Omaha, November 20-22; NPPC Hearings, Lincoln, December 7; NASA Region 1, Lincoln, January 15; NASB Legislative Issues Conference, Lincoln, February 9-10; NRCS Legislative Conference, Lincoln, February 26; NRCS Spring Conference, Kearney, March 26-27; NSBA National Education Conference, Chicago, April 3-6.

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3.0 ACTION ITEMS

3.1 FINAL READING ON POLICY REVISIONS: 1) Policy 4214 Alcohol and Drug Testing for Drivers; 2) Policy 7144 Red Bags; 3) Policy 7145 Class Rags; 4) Policy 7210 Homeschool Students. It was moved by John Martin and seconded by Ed Harris to approve the final reading on policy revisions. 4214, 7144, 7145 and 7210. The voting was as follows: Bowers, yes; Harris, yes; Martin, yes; Malcolm, yes; Scheitel, yes; Martin, yes. Motion carried.

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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 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 outreach 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

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.

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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.

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~ **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



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 (WHHC) 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.

• 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 in health care or equivalent; 5 years relevant experience working in health care or ambulatory care; experience working in federal and/or Tribal health systems; familiar with Native Culture; budget and finance experience; experience with program development and management; supervisory experience; salary negotiable on education and experience.

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The Richardson County Farm Service Agency is hiring a temporary program technician.

The position will be located in Falls City, Nebraska. The successful candidate will carry out office activities and functions pertaining to FSA farm programs administered in the county. Applicants shall submit a resume to the Richardson County Office no later than close of business on December 23, 2019. Questions about the position may be directed to CED Brenda Fields at 402-245-2401. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

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McKenzie Witt drives to the hoop last Friday against Friend.

Lady Irish fall for first time

Story and photos by Brian McKim

For the second consecutive season, the Sacred Heart Irish girls basketball team dropped an early-season game to the Lourdes Central Catholic team. SH then rebounded nicely with a pair of wins over Doniphan West 60-39 and Friend 66-8.

On Tuesday night in Nebraska City, the Irish led after one quarter, 14-9, but never fully recovered after being outscored 11-2 in the second quarter and trailed 20-16 at the half. The Irish managed just 18 second-half points, as they fell 40-34.

The Irish struggled from the field, making just 11 of 37 shot attempts (29.7 percent) while Lourdes also struggled, making 12 of 44 shots (27.3 percent). Lourdes outbounded the Irish 35-24, and the teams were even with 15 turnovers apiece. Eri Vonderschmidt was the only Irish player to reach double digits with 13 points and eight rebounds. Rachel Magdanz added nine points, five boards, and two blocks. Madison and G. McGowen each had 12 points to lead Lourdes.

Scoring vs. Lourdes, Magdanz, nine; Simon, two; M. Witt, four; E. Wertenberger, two; Vonderschmidt, 13; Eickhoff, two; and

Bippes, two.

The Irish won the JV vs. Lourdes 43-38. Delanie Witt had nine points, while Jessica Wertenberger, Taylor Frederick, and Lainey Ebel each had six.

On Thursday night in Highland, SH got off to a quick start, leading 16-3 after the first quarter. The Mustangs came storming back in the second quarter to tie the game at 25, heading into halftime. SH got a huge third period to pull away in the second half for the 60-39 win.

The Irish again struggled with ball control, turning it over 22 times in the contest. The Lady Irish shot better, 47 percent from the floor to just 29 percent for the Mustangs. SH was nearly perfect from the foul line, sinking 15 of 16 attempts. The Irish won the rebounding fight with 35 boards to 20 by Doniphan.

A balanced attack led SH, as Vonderschmidt had nine points, nine rebounds, and four steals. Magdanz added nine points and six boards, and Olivia Eickhoff had a team-high 11 points for SH.

Scoring vs. Doniphan West, Magdanz, nine; D. Witt, six; Niemeier, three; Simon, six; M. Witt, four; J. Wertenberger, two; E. Wertenberger, two; Lit-



Falls City North School held their annual Christmas program on Thursday, December 12 at Prichard Auditorium. The children performed to a packed house to kick off the 2019 Christmas Season. (Photos by Brian McKim)

triel, two; Vonderschmidt, nine; Eickhoff, 11; Bippes, six.

The Irish JV also won 49-31. Macy Keller had 13 points, and Delanie Witt added nine.

On Friday night, the Irish hosted the Friend Bulldogs. This game was never in question as SH held quarter leads of 18-2, 37-5, 49-7, and 66-8. The Irish

connected on 23 of 33 two-point shot attempts and converted 14 of 20 from the foul line. Friend made just three of 20 shots from the floor in the contest. SH forced 30 turnovers while committing only five of their own.

Vonderschmidt again led the way for the Irish with 14 points, three rebounds, and two steals. Magdanz added seven points and a block.

Scoring vs. Friend, Magdanz, seven; D. Witt, two; Niemeier, four; Simon, three; M. Witt, four; J. Wertenberger, six; E. Wertenberger, six; Ebel, six; Littrel, six; Vonderschmidt 14; Eickhoff, three; Bippes, five.

On Saturday, December 14, the Irish JV won the HTRS tourney. In the first round, SH defeated HTRS 37-21. Macy Keller led SH with 12 points, while Jessica Wertenberger added eight. In the championship game, the Irish dominated Johnson-Brock 51-15. Caylee Ewers had eight points, Wertenberger had seven and Keller and Taylor Frederick each had six.

The 3-1 Irish played at Lewison on Tuesday and will host HTRS on Friday, before hitting the road on Saturday to take on St. Joseph LeBlond on Saturday with a 1:00 p.m. tip-off.

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