

FC PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND BASKETBALL COURTS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Effective immediately, in response to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recommendation to implement social distancing, the use of all City of Falls City-owned playground equipment, basketball courts, and shelter houses are prohibited. The previously named items either cannot be readily disinfected or do not support social distancing, which may put the public at risk for spreading the COVID-19 virus.

Stanton's Lake, the walking trail that extends around the Lake, frisbee golf, dog park, tennis courts, and the skateboard park remain open, as well as the parks themselves while practicing social distancing.

For general information, please contact City Hall at 402-245-2851.

Additionally, all Falls City Public and Sacred Heart School playgrounds, outdoor seating areas, and grounds are closed 24 hours per day/seven days a week.

Until further notice, unauthorized entry or use is considered trespassing.

The schools have not cleaned any outside surfaces or equipment and make no representations as to the cleanliness or safety of any surface or equipment.

Any person who violates this directive does so at their own risk and is subject to trespass.

Please contact the Falls City Public Schools at (402) 245-2825 or Sacred Heart School at (402) 245-4151 with questions or for any additional information regarding this notice.

FC SCHOOLS OPERATING IN ALTERNATIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Falls City Public Schools and all schools in Nebraska will be operating in an alternative learning environment for the remainder of the school year.

Per Governor Rickett's Directive Health Measure, all schools in Nebraska will remain closed and operate in an alternative learning environment for the remainder of the 2019/2020 school year.

With this directive, all schools are closed to students until May 31 and cancels all extracurricular activities until May 31.

Traditional graduation ceremonies are not going to be possible this May. Schools will be working to determine appropriate alternative methods to honor the Class of 2020 in each community, whether that be a ceremony at a later date or some other locally determined alternative graduation that complies with the guidance of health officials.

The school will continue to monitor the unfolding COVID-19 epidemic to anticipate its impact on our state. They are working with the Southeast District Health Department (SEHD), the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE), and other state and local officials on this situation. Schools will continue to communicate important updates to the public and our partners.

The CDC is putting out updated guidance daily; for the most up to date information visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

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SMALL TOWN, BIG HEARTS



Story by Nikki McKim; photos by Brian McKim

Falls City Public schools and Sacred Heart school went the extra mile to lift their student's spirits last week.

On Monday, March 30, the teachers held a community parade. The educators encouraged the community to follow CDC guidelines and stay on their porches in groups less than ten as they drove through Falls City neighborhoods.

A few weeks ago, some Falls

City North School teachers mentioned seeing parades like

this done on a smaller scale in larger cities. A week later, it was brought up again, and they decided to make it a school-wide event with both Public School and Sacred Heart.

The parade wasn't able to drive by every home in Falls City. Still, they hit the majority of town when they drove north and south down Valley, Nemaha Ave, Fulton Street, McLean Street, Wilson Street, Morton Street, Lane Street, Harlan Street, Stone Street, Chase Street, Barada Street, Towle Street, Crook Street, Abbott Street, and Schoenheit Street. The teachers were waving and honking at groups of cheering students and community members.

Falls City Middle School Principal Jack Bangert said he wasn't sure what to expect.

"As soon as I got to the high school, I could tell this was going to be a really neat experience."

Bangert said it was also a great chance to just take in the town.

"It was fun to go through old

neighborhoods where I used to ride my bike and past houses

where my friends grew up. The cherry on top was that it didn't matter if it was Sacred Heart or the Public School; it was just Falls City supporting kids and families."

Bangert said he sees many little towns that are vanishing or gone, and he doesn't want Falls City to be a statistic. "We have a lot of work to do, and it will be a joint effort, but if our community unites, I have no doubt that Falls City's story will have many more chapters."

"We are better together. I remember toward the end of the parade leaning over to Vicki and saying, this is why we moved back," said Bangert.

Doug Goltz, principal at Falls City Sacred Heart, said he thought this was a great idea, and he was glad that Sacred Heart School and Falls City Public did it together.

"As the parade began, I felt that we were trying to make sure our students know we are thinking of them and missing them. By the end of the parade, my feelings had changed. The parade

gave me the encouragement I'm needing now. It went from me trying to make others feel good to making me feel good. Giving a gift ended up being a gift to me."

Goltz said in times like these; he thinks we need to be unified and there for one another.

"Thank you for supporting teachers and staff in our local schools. These are tough times for everyone, especially children. It's also a very difficult time for those of us in education. We are working hard and trying our best to keep our children learning and growing. We just can't be together in our classrooms like we normally are. We all look forward to when things can get back to normal. Stay positive," said Goltz.

Students, parents, and other members of the community made encouraging signs to hold as the teachers drove by.

"It was like a breath of fresh air to see our schools engaged in an activity for our students. This is a difficult situation, and we miss and care so much for our students. It was great to see them

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RC HEALTH BOARD MEETS TO DISCUSS VIRUS

By Nikki McKim

Sheriff Hardesty, Chairman of the Richardson County Board of Health, met with Board members on Wednesday, March 25, 2020. Sheriff Hardesty, Chairman of the Board, and Dr. Allan Tramp, the appointed physician/medical advisor and the Secretary, Mary L. Eickhoff, Richardson County Clerk, were all present.

Several people from different agencies and departments were requested to participate in the meeting. Appearing in person were: Grant Brueggemann, Executive Director, SE NE Health Department; Kathy Messner

from the Community Medical Center; Brian Kirkendall, Richardson County EMA Director; County Attorney, and County Commissioner, David Sickel. Also appearing in person were Dr. Tramp and Dr. Samani.

Participating via telephone were: Doug Merz; County attorney and County Board Chairman, Duane Ambruster, Falls City Chief of Police and member of the Falls City Board of Health; Mike Dunn, City attorney and member of the Falls City Board of Health; Marty Lewis from the Humboldt Ambulance squad; Gary Jorm of the Falls City Ambulance squad.

Sheriff Hardesty asked Grant Brueggemann, Southeast Nebraska Health Department, to review the procedures in place, notification, and chain of command, etc. Mr. Brueggemann reported on the number of cases in the state of Nebraska, with zero positive cases reported in Richardson County.

"I believe there are some providers across the district that may be clinically diagnosing the virus based on symptoms but have not tested it, so in terms of what that entails for most, we're considering it a presumpt-

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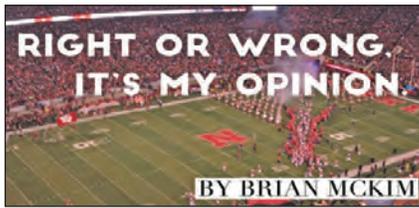


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The 2020 MLB season should have gotten underway on March 26 this year, and as of now, the Royals should be preparing for their eighth game of the season. Instead, we sit here with no sports, relegated to replays on TV. By the way, I did catch the 2014 Wild Card game vs. Oakland on Friday night. It's always fun to relive the thrilling come from behind win in 12 innings against the A's that night. It will go down as the best game I've ever had the pleasure of attending in person.

So, being on the topic of baseball, let's talk about who was better, the 1985 Royals, or the 2015 Royals. The 85 team won the A.L. West with a record of 91-71 while the 2015 team clocked in with a 95-7 record and a first-place finish in the A.L. Central. The 1985 team rallied from a 3-1 deficit to win the title while the modern-day team easily beat the Mets four games to one.

Let's start with some comparisons before we decide who was the greatest. Fans seemed to give the nod to the 2015 squad as far as attendance goes as 2,708,549 went through the turnstiles as compared to 2,162,717 in 1985. Of course, the Royals were coming off a 2014 season that saw the Kansas City Fall to the Giants in seven games for the title, so there was an added excitement level for 2015.

Now on to the side by side team averages. The 1985 team boasted a .252 average with 1384 hits, they scored 687 runs, had 154 home runs, stole 128 bases, and drew 473 walks. The 2015 Royals hit for a .269 average on 1497 hits. The Royals scored 723 runs with 139 home runs, 104 stolen bases, and 383 walks. As you can see, the teams were relatively close, but with slightly more home runs, stolen bases, and walks, I give the edge to the 1985 team.

As far as the teams MVP goes, the '85 team had George Brett. That season Brett hit .335 with 30 H.R., 112 RBI, and 184 hits. First baseman Eric Hosmer gets my nod as the team's top player in '15 with a .297 average, 18 H.R., 93 RBI, and 178 hits. Again, the nod goes to Brett and his '85 team.

What about the top sidekick? I've got Steve Balboni going up against Mike Moustakas. "Bye Bye Balboni hit .243 with 36 H.R. and 88 RBI, meanwhile "Moose" batted .284 with 22 H.R., 82 RBI, and 156 hits. Moose gets the vote here.

Behind the plate, it comes down to Salvador Perez vs. Jim Sundberg. Sundberg batted .245 with 90 hits, 10 H.R., and 35 RBI while Salvy hit for a .260 average with 138 hits, 21 H.R., and 70 RBI. The nod again goes to the 2015 team.

In the outfield, it's the great Willie Wilson going up against Lorenzo Cain. Willie hit a solid .278 in 1985 with 168 hits, 21 triples, and 43 stolen bases. In 2015, Cain hit an impressive .307 with 169 hits, 16 H.R., 72 RBI, and 28 stolen bases. Cain gets my vote here too, although it was a close call.

Now to move on to the pitchers. The '85 team had a team ERA of 3.49 with 846 strikeouts, 463 walks, and 41 saves. The '15 hurlers finished with a 3.73 ERA with 1160 K's, 489 walks, and 56 saves. Staff numbers as a whole, the '15 team stats were slightly more impressive, especially with Herrera, Davis, and Holland in the seventh, eighth and ninth innings.

Individually on the mound, the aces were Bret Saberhagen in '85 and Edinson Volquez in 2015. Saberhagen finished 20-6 with a 2.87 ERA, throwing ten complete games and striking out 158 batters while walking 38. Volquez was solid on the season with a 3.73 ERA and a 13-9 record. Eddy struck out 155 batters and gave up 77 earned runs. This was an easy choice. Saberhagen is arguably the most celebrated Royal to take the mound, and he gets my vote here.

The next man on the hill for the 1985 squad was Charlie Liebrandt. Liebrandt posted a 17-9 record with a 2.69 ERA, allowing 68 walks against 108 strikeouts and 71 earned runs. For the '15 team, it was the late Yordano Ventura. Ventura was entering his prime, finishing the season with a 13-8 record, a 4.08 ERA with 156 strikeouts, and allowing 74 earned runs. As much as I like Ventura, my vote goes to Charlie Liebrandt.

Finally, on to the closers. The '85 team had the legendary Dan Quisenberry and his submarine-style delivery while the '15 team had the combo of Greg Holland and Wade Davis. The "Quis" recorded 37 saves and has a 2.37 ERA. The duo of Holland and Davis finished with 49 saves, 32 for Holland and 17 for Davis. Davis had an unheard of .94 ERA, and Holland's wasn't bad either at 3.83. I have to go with the 2015 bullpen here. Having "HDH" pitch the 7th, 8th, and 9th innings almost always resulted in a Royals win.

So now we come to team vs. team. If the '85 squad played the '15 team in a best of seven series, I would give the nod to the 2015 team. Not to take anything away from the players in 1985, but the modern-day team just had too many weapons. Either way, they were both World Championship teams and will be celebrated as two of the greatest Royals teams of all-time.



CONGRESS COULD LEARN A LESSON FROM THE NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE

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

It took a few hours over three days of meeting under extraordinary circumstances for the Nebraska Legislature to convert a \$40,000 budget "trailer bill" into \$83.6 million for COVID-19 emergency relief. There was no partisan rancor, no blaming or finger pointing. The elected members of the nation's only Unicameral came together and did their job.

Because of restrictions suggested by the Centers for Disease Control and the administration of Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts, legislation during the time of the pandemic went very smoothly. The bill (LB1198) was one of a package of budget bills awaiting second-round approval. Called a "trailer" because it was meant to carry any loose ends to the budget adjustments recommended for the second-year of the fiscal biennium, it contained \$40,950 from the General Fund for the Department of Administrative Services to use for restoration of the ornate wood doors of the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber.

On a motion by Appropriations Committee Chairman Sen. John Stinner of Gering, an amendment removed the door funds and replaced it with \$83.6 million from the state's Cash Reserve Fund to be transferred to the Governor's Emergency Cash Fund. Dollars will be directed to a newly created program known as the Governor's Emergency Program - COVID-19, housed within the state's Military Department.

Stinner said using the new program as the single funding source for the state's efforts to combat COVID-19, rather than making separate appropriations to individual agencies, would simplify the process and allow adaptability and flexibility. He said the accounting process would also be easier to track.

Stinner and Appropriations Vice Chair Kate Bolz of Lincoln were the only two to speak on the measure, which advanced 19 minutes later from second round on a 44-0 vote. Lawmakers, some of them wearing face masks and gloves, practiced appropriate social distancing as they stood at ease until the bill was reported as correctly engrossed and reviewed and ready for a layover day.

That day followed with a quick check-in and adjournment and lawmakers returned the third day for final reading. Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson opened the session with the Pledge of Allegiance and Sen. Wendy DeBoer of Bennington offered the opening prayer.

Speaker of the Legislature Jim Scheer moved to suspend the rules since it was only day 43 of the 60-day session and Legislative rules call for budget bills to be read the 45th day or later. It took Clerk of the Legislature Patrick J. O'Donnell a little over one minute to read the bill, which passed on a 45-0 vote and was sent to the Governor for his signature.

While the Legislature awaited word that the bill had been signed, Scheer explained that four senators who considered themselves to be among the most vulnerable to the new coronavirus, did not participate. Sens. Steve Halloran of Hastings, Robert Hilke-mann and John McColister of Omaha and Patty Panning-Brooks of Lincoln were absent.

Scheer cautioned his colleagues that he didn't know when they would return to finish the final 17 days of the session, "but I want to make sure we are safe when we do come back. We will allow those running for re-election to campaign before the May primary so we won't meet the two weeks before that voting takes place." That's why the short session of the Legislature was adopted in the first place.

"I doubt we'll have business as usual when we do return," he said. "We'll do the budget first and then go to a new list of priorities based on what's the most important to the state of Nebraska."

He asked for patience, compromise and cooperation. Are you listening Congress?

Scheer envisions a compact schedule with two weeks of Monday through Saturday meetings and a third week of Monday through Friday. "We need to get back to as near normal as we can. The state will be looking at us. We need to be stately," he said.

It was then that Omaha Sen. Ernie Chambers, the longest serving lawmaker who will be term-limited for the second time, asked for a point of personal privilege.

"I respect the Legislature as an institution, even though I don't always respect all the senators who comprise this body," he said. "The emergency

is over. Don't get the impression that I am not still the person whom I am, even though I have been getting along on this issue."

Then came his usual warning, which could play a role in some of the most contentious issues still facing debate. "I think, therefore I am what I am," he said.

At 82, Chambers has served 46 years as a state Senator. He plays the Legislative Rules like a piano and has been known to sidetrack bills that appear a few spaces on the agenda before a measure he dislikes just to stall debate on the one he dislikes. He's a prolific author of floor amendments, written on the fly and not printed in advance in order to blindsides opponents.

This could be his last 17 days as a state lawmaker. Stay tuned.

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

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: COFFEE AND TEA

ACROSS

- Bookie's number
- Parents' org.
- Slang for microwave
- Time distortion
- One with biggest share?
- Like a case of appendicitis, possibly
- Decanter
- Knowing about
- Mister in Madrid
- *Usually served on ice, 2 words
- Barber's sound
- Accepted truth
- Took a load off
- Artist's office
- Excites passions, 2 words
- Comic book cry of horror
- Rude or sarcastic
- Chips, perhaps
- Roleplay
- Chinese "way"
- Ice floaters
- 100 centavos
- Merry
- Table scrap
- Breastbone
- *Double shot of espresso
- Header's partner
- Not here
- Nickname for Putin?
- *Revolutionary event
- *Tea is the only simple pleasure left to us," he wrote
- Research facil.
- Typically used in the fairway
- Goodbye to amiga
- Plenty
- Why not
- *Black tea, in China
- Bar's "before"
- Pay close attention

DOWN

- Be in the red
- Crows' cousins
- Actress Barrymore
- More like tumors
- '70s Ford model
- Native American emblem
- Dwarf buffalo
- Pueblo tribesman
- On top
- For each
- Cosmetic cabinet staple
- Allegro ____ in music, Italian
- * ____ Perk from "Friends"
- Exit plus s
- Eye infection
- Oozes
- Article of faith
- Romanov's edict
- *A ____ of tea, in U.K.
- Prowl around
- Embryo cradles
- Green pasta sauce
- One on the list
- Faux one
- *Equal parts espresso and warm milk
- Fauna's partner
- Hudson's Bay Company original ware
- Experts
- Noise channels
- Kick the bucket
- Between counterpoint and baritone
- Make this, not waste
- Affected by the moon
- Went down a slippery slope
- Kitchen flooring choice
- Tried follower
- Bygone era
- *The Revolutionary one followed #52
- Across
- The Simpsons' neighbor

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

April 8, 1970 to April 14, 1970

John L. Swigert, Jr. was a late addition to the Apollo 13 crew and halfway to the moon he realized he needed to request an extension as he had failed to file his income tax return.

A more serious problem for the Apollo crew developed when a pressurized fuel tank burst and the spacecraft had to scrub its moon landing and splash down north of New Zealand.

Homer Fishwood, Humboldt, headed a statewide organization seeking repeal of Nebraska's natural resources law.

Ken Buller was elected Jaycee President.

The Breezy Hill Drive-in Double Feature was "Run Wild, Run Free" and "Head."

Articles on Miss Falls City contestants included seniors Debra Kahl, Suzanne Holmes and Jane Ellen Riestchick of Falls City High and Susan Fleskoski of Sacred Heart who by weeks end had captured the crown.

A Citizens Party ad listed as candidates: Mayor, M.O. Armbruster; City Council, James Heiser, 1st Ward; Normann Lape, 2nd Ward; Gerald Hooper, 3rd Ward; and Ray Mott, 4th Ward.

O.C. Hatch, a field rep for a Minnesota pickle canner, reported 30 growers had committed to planting cucumbers in one and two acre plots.

The District 56 Board and its teachers reached agreement on a pay plan that raised the salary of beginning teachers to \$6,500.

A \$93,800 remodeling project got underway at Community Hospital.

A "Pitch-Hit-Throw" contest was being sponsored by Zentner Oil Co., 21st & Chase.

The 60 and 32 "Alley Cats" were winners of the Ladies' Afternoon League at Center Lanes. Bob Dunn had both the high 10 of 221 and high 30 of 581 in the Town & Country League.

Mrs. Kenneth Van Winkle, Dawson, was named president of the 5th district of Rebekah lodges.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges chose Marty Wilson and Steve Hull to make a United Nations Pilgrimage to New York.

Gayle Swisegood finished first in the 880 at the Hiawatha relay with a time of 2:02.8, his best ever, and just 1 1/2 seconds off the school record set by Gil Dodds in 1937.

Bob Carter's 41 was the best round for the Falls City golf team in a 134-125 loss at Syracuse.

Glen Rider of Falls City High finished first in the applied physics and engineering section of the Greater Nebraska Science Fair.

Two Sacred Heart track records were set at the Peru State Invitational. John May cleared 5-10 in the high jump and Ed Taft became the first to finish the mile in under five minutes.

Charlie Heim and Linda Fritz reigned as king and queen of the annual activities banquet at Dawson-Verdon high school.

25 Years Ago - April 8, 1995 to April 14, 1995

After two failed bond issue proposals to refurbish, remodel, and add to Falls City High School, the District 56 Board created a community-wide group to assess the needs of all District buildings.

Richardson County Supervisors considered obtaining temporary loans and requesting special state aid to deal with the costs of two murder trials.

Arboretum curators Rex and Virginia Jones were seeking volunteers for help with summertime projects.

The Richardson County Military Museum, now located at the Courthouse, was originally at the National Guard Armory with photos and artifacts documenting the history of Company B, 134th Infantry maintained and updated by Staff Sgt. Marshall Maddox.

The Homestead Girl Scout Council presented an Appreciation Pin to Denise Koso of Verdon.

The Falls City Jaycees BB gun shooting team finished 11th out of 16 teams in the State Shooters Education Championship.

The Sacred Heart girls track team scored 127 points to win the Nemaha Valley Invitational. Senior Beth Kiekhaefer won three gold medals and freshman Becky McKim won another four.

Senior Missy McLaughlin broke a shot put record and two gold medals to lead the Dawson-Verdon track team to a first place finish at the Iowa Deaf Invite.

Junior Pat McInteer established himself as the number one player on the Falls City High golf team after shooting rounds of 42-40 and of 40-41 on successive days.

Falls City's FFA chapter finished in third place overall out of 71 schools in their division of the State Agricultural Education Contests. The Agronomy/Entomology Team of Joe Fritz, Jason Waggoner, and Chris Oliver won first place honors. Waggoner was also a gold medal winner in Ag Electrification.

Falls City High junior golfer Zach Matthes fired an 83 and regained his status as the Tigers' number one golfer at the Tri-County Invitational.

Southeast Consolidated power-lifters Pam Allen, a 123 pound senior, and Amy Frenzel, a 114 pound junior, each won first place in their divisions at the NASA national meet at Dallas.

Sacred Heart students did well in the Class D Journalism Championships. Bev Lampe and Nick Brennan won a first in sports feature, Nate Jaros placed second in editorial cartooning, Jack Bangert took second in feature writing, and Jenny Knobbe placed second in editorial writing.

Falls City High senior Cora Raney was a Gold Key winner in the annual Scholastic Art Awards Contest sponsored by Dana College.

15 Years Ago - April 8, 2005 to April 14, 2005

The Nebraska Grain Warehouse Department Director John Fecht estimated that grain depositors would receive about 70% of the value of grain stored at Wilhelm Grain, Humboldt, at the time the facility ceased operations and surrendered its grain warehouse and dealer licenses.

Richardson County supervisors awarded a contract to Jorgensen Surveying of rural Dawson to complete rural addressing for Richardson County.

Falls City Senior Alissa Gyhra continued her winning ways in the Nebraska City and Silver Lake Track Invites. At Nebraska City she ran the mile in 5:28.7 and ran the two mile in 12:01. At Silver Lake she ran the mile in 5:31.07 and the two mile in 12:00.18.

"Athletes of the Week" were Seth Vonderschmidt of Sacred Heart who won the mile (4:55.5) at the Nemaha Valley Invite and Falls City Senior Jerelyn Cummins who finished 2nd in the long jump, 3rd in the triple jump, and 6th in the 200 meter dash at Nebraska City.

Nate Armbruster earned a full tuition Nebraska State College Board of Trustees Scholarship to attend Peru State College.

The Sacred Heart boys track team won first place at the Nemaha Valley Invite with 86 total points. The Irish girls finished third with 57 points.

The Humboldt/Table Rock Steinauer Titans golf team claimed a two shot victory on their own course over visiting Falls City after losing to the Tigers a day earlier at Falls City Country Club.

The Community Medical Center announced the appointment of Mark Steadham, formerly of Garden City, KS, as interim CEO of the hospital.

Teresa Chab was honored as "Volunteer of the Year" during the 32nd annual Richardson County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program recognition banquet.

Scott Brunette, with a 41, had the best round for members of the Falls City Golf Team that finished sixth in the nine team Hiawatha Golf Invite.

Richardson County Highway Superintendent Terry Frank, Humboldt, and Falls City Engineer Larry Merz were among the 152 first recipients of the new Class A County Highway and City Street Superintendent's licenses.

RC Health Board meets to discuss virus

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possible. But we're not following up with those because we need the confirmatory testing to justify our case investigation to follow through," said Brueggeman. "The ten-person limit should be followed diligently."

Dr. Tramp reported no confirmed cases, but tests have been done on patients that show symptoms or who have traveled and symptomatic essential workers. "As Grant said, we don't have any confirmed cases, but we are seeing a lot of respiratory issues. We don't know if this is regular from cold or allergies or other viral infections," said Dr. Tramp. "There's still prioritizing of who gets tested," said Dr. Tramp, "there's not a lot of tests readily available, so we're not anticipating doing drive-through for public distribution that type of thing, so it's still going to have to come from a physicians order."

Right now, the testing criteria is prioritizing to hospital patients with respiratory symptoms and persons who have symptoms that have been in contact with persons positive for COVID, symptomatic law enforcement, emergency personnel, and health care workers, and from a physician's order.

Dr. Tramp indicated that the proposed regulations drafted by the Southeast Nebraska District Health Department are very detailed. When adopted then, the Counties can allow the Southeast District Health Department, with the assistance of the County Sheriff and the County Attorney, to enforce such regulations for the prevention of the spread of communicable disease, illness, or poisoning in the County.

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director, update on the County COVID19 Planning Committee activity, which includes offering service to those who are unable to get food or supplies as needed because of isolation. Mr. Kirkendall reported that they are working on a packet to be given to health care providers to then give to those patients who will be in self-isolation that will include information on obtaining necessary supplies and food from local businesses that will deliver in the area and include information on the importance of handwashing and keeping things sanitized.

He reported that the County Board of Commissioners have signed a disaster declaration that included all cities, villages, businesses, schools, and communities. He informed the Board that this declaration qualifies those mentioned for reimbursement of expenses related to the COVID pandemic. "That's the same thing that all the counties in Nebraska have done. That qualifies us if there's any reimbursement later on," said Kirkendall.

"I want to highlight that it's really important for the County to push the recommendation on social distancing and avoid public gatherings. I know it's been pushed very hard from the federal and state level. The east coast, they're on the tipping point right now of whether they can handle the amount of cases they have. One person could be responsible for infecting or could be the sole reason as to why 52,000 people could get the virus," said Grant Brueggeman

Mike Dunn, City attorney for the City of Falls City, asked whether the County was going to put into effect any regulation to mandate the no more than ten persons in a social gathering. The City's goal is not to shut down businesses and want them to continue to operate but request their full cooperation to follow the

ten-person recommendation. The sheriff explained that there are establishments in the County that are not complying with the recommendation, and it's attracting persons from other areas including across state lines.

Dr. Tramp addressed the hospital. He said a special medical staff meeting was held so all the practitioners, several members of administration, anesthesia, and more could go over the agenda. They discussed what the hierarchy would be as far as making decisions. "We went through the current supplies that we have, whether that's ventilators, whether that's medication, whether that's gowns, that kind of thing, knowing that everything is in fairly tight supply."

Dr. Tramp said they were still working on how to thoroughly screen all of the workers when they come to work.

"The hospital is moving along pretty quickly trying to get this organized it's a big thing as Grant said. The big thing which Grant (Brueggeman) mentioned earlier is to continue self-isolation if you have symptoms call your office and don't show up unless we tell you to," said Tramp. "If we can get away with it, stay home unless you need to get out like some cities are doing kind of thing. So everybody uses as much common sense as they."

Dr. Tramp said the hospital's doing what they can to prepare for an emergency.

"My preference would be we've got to keep this almost a trickle effect. The virus isn't going to go away, but the multiplication factor is just bizarre," said Dr. Tramp.

Kerry Holdsworth, Chief Clinical Officer at the Community Medical Center, reported on a meeting that was held and updated the group on the readiness of the hospital. She informed the group that testing kits are ready for patients who may have been in a high exposure area, and if

the need arises for all emergency medical staff. They will be receiving the test swabs that will provide more opportunities for testing. She said that the hospital staff is making preparations for the possible spike in the patients that might need to be admitted due to the virus. The staff is reviewing procedures during a surge of capacity; there is access to six ventilators, including anesthesia machines, which can be used for treatment if supplies are available to change out.

"The problem with that is medication is difficult to get to manage those machines," said Holdsworth. "Supplies could be an issue. We're working with facilities to see what our transfer options are," said Holdsworth.

She said they'll also be developing an ethics panel.

The hospital is holding the line with current operations, and lots of planning is in the works. The biggest concern is if the staff becomes infected. The hospital will begin employee screening.

"I feel like we're holding fine with our current operations. There's other planning in place we're all pretty confident in where those actions are going. There's a lot of concern by the staff. We're small communities, so if we get a couple of people, the hospital could be infected, and it could cause a lot of problems. Whatever we can do to help with flattening the curve," said Holdsworth

County Attorney, Doug Merz, requested that the proposed regulations being prepared by the Southeast Nebraska Health Department be sent to counties before the Department adopts them.

The Board of Health said they're seeing people working together and are thankful at this point, but no proven cases doesn't mean that social distancing needs to stop.

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, April 8, 2020.

Important Public Service Announcement From the Office of C. R. James, Jr, DDS

Dr. Charles James will only be seeing patients with dental emergencies through the end of April at the recommendation of the Nebraska Dental Association, the CDC, and our Governor.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 2020, pursuant to the Noxious Weed Control Act, section 2 955, subsection 1(a), to every person who owns or controls land in Richardson County, Nebraska, that noxious weeds being grown, or growing on, such land shall be controlled at such frequency as to prevent establishment, provide eradication, or reduce further propagation or dissemination of such weeds.

Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed superintendent is required to:

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Also, the public is notified that noxious weed seed and propagative parts may be disseminated through the movement of machinery and equipment, trucks, grain and seed, hay, straw, nursery stock, fencing materials, sod, manure, and soil as well as articles of similar nature. Methods of treatment have been prescribed by the Director of Agriculture and may be obtained from the County Weed Control Authority.

By Order of Richardson County Weed Control Authority.



Presenting the award is Pete Uitenbroek, (left) to Jimmy Frederick (right) and his son, Maverick.

Rulo Farmer wins National award in Soybean Yield contest

Rulo farmer Jimmy Frederick was recently honored among the nation's highest-producing soybean farmers of his region in the 2019 Asgrow® National Yield Contest. Frederick won the award with an impressive yield of 118.4 bushels per acre with Asgrow AG36X6 Brand. "Especially during a challenging year like 2019, it's remarkable to achieve these yields," said Pete Uitenbroek, U.S. DEKALB®, Asgrow and Deltapine® Marketing Lead. "We enjoy partnering with farmers who meet challenges head on and push yield boundaries with high-performing technology, hard work and innovative management practices."

Among 53 farmers receiving awards, 13 achieved yields of more than 100 bushels per acre in the 2019 contest. Winning farmers were recently recognized at the 2019 Commodity Classic Feb. 27-29 in San Antonio, Texas, with an awards banquet and private concert featuring Drake White.

The Asgrow National Yield

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Contest first debuted in 2012 and encourages producers to push soybean yield limits. The contest provides farmers the opportunity to innovate and learn more about the latest input technology and management practices for continuing advances in agricultural production.

ACCIDENTS

On March 29, 2020, according to police reports, Madison Huppert, of Falls City backed out of a driveway and hit a parked vehicle owned by Amanda Wenzl, of Falls City. An estimated \$800 in damage was done to the Huppert vehicle; an estimated \$2,000 in damage was done to the Wenzl vehicle. No citation was issued.

On March 25, 2020, according to police reports, David Cooper, of Falls City was driving west on 26th street. Cooper drove up the curb on the north side of the road. He said a car was turning onto 26th street from Harlan Stree and he moved to give them room. The estimated cost of damage to the Cooper vehicle was \$1,000; a stop sign owned by the Department of Roads was damaged costing \$50. Cooper was issued a citation.

SOCIETY

American Legion Auxiliary #222 March 10, 2020

By Doris Erickson, Secretary
Shubert ALA Unit # 222 met at the post building on March 10, 2020 at 7 PM.

The meeting was opened by President Tana Brown. Chaplain Sharon Howard gave the prayer for the ALA Star. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance, sang "God Bless America," and read the ALA Preamble in unison. Roll call was answered by nine members. February minutes were read and approved. Money was collected for the Emergency Auxiliary Fund. The Treasurer's report was given by Judy Schlosser and approved. Lois Cameron made the motion to pay the bills and Elizabeth Ketter seconded, passed.

June Bowers announced Brenna Leyden and Kailey Peeks were chosen to represent Unit #222 as our attendees for Girls State. Elizabeth Williams solicited funds from some new businesses this year, CBG, Sentco, and CMC. She will be sending thank you's to these groups. A motion was made to accept selections, it was seconded and passed.

The orientation meeting for Girls and Boys State for our District was scheduled in Pawnee City on April 26. However, Girls and Boys State has now been cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus.

A discussion was held to change the age groups for the Easter Egg Hunt, adding a fourth group for smaller children in the preschool age group. The Easter Egg Hunt which was scheduled for Good Friday, April 10 at 1:30 PM, has now been postponed till a later date, due to COVID-19 virus.

The Eickhoff sale went very well and was a success financially. A motion was made to move profits to VA & R, Children and Youth, Education, and Girls State and the remainder to General fund. Lois Cameron seconded and it passed.

Three Scholarship forms were submitted to the department. Brown will report more information on the essay reports at our next meeting.

Vicki Beilke is working on the Poppy posters. Poppy Posters have now been cancelled for this year, 2020.

A thank you note was read from Lana Willman, and a get-well card was signed for Ele Last.

President Linda Patchen of District 13 reported almost 100 percent of dues have been paid. At Department, about 71 percent of the state of Nebraska's dues have been paid.

The Legion Birthday Dinner will be celebrated in the post building at 5 PM on Sunday, March 22. Julie Slama is to be the honored speaker. This supper has now been cancelled.

The Legion was planning on holding a Fish Fry on March 28 at the Shubert Community Building. Salads and desserts were to be solicited from ALA members. The fish fry has been postponed at this time.

Sunday, March 29th is National Vietnam War Veterans Day. Thank a Vietnam Vet.

Please email reports of your volunteer time, broken down into the five categories, by April 1st to Tana Brown.

The March potluck was a success, with 15 community members present.

The April potluck has now been cancelled due to the virus. Sharon Howard closed with prayer.

The next meeting originally scheduled for April 14 at 7 PM, in the post building has now been cancelled.

Ms. Brown closed the meeting.

Falls City Blood Drive exceeds goal

By Linda Frederick/FC coordinator

With 165 Blood Drives canceled in Nebraska alone, Falls City proved we care and want to help. During all of the pandemic and social distancing, Falls City showed they could make a difference. Our goal for the two day Blood Drive held on Mar. 25th and 26th at Prichard Auditorium was 97, and 116 units were collected. The first day went smoothly, with temperatures taken at the door to prevent donors who had one from entering the building. The second day started with a power outage that shut us down for about 30 minutes. After rescheduling several donors, the drive went on. Our donors need a huge Thank You for donating at a time like this, and they are; Barb Baker, Les Baker, Tutti Baker, Lana Bangert, Deena Beer, Carol Bentley, Kathryn Bieker, Kent Bieker, Sue Bieker, Tim Boatright, June Bowers, Patty Brown, Robert Carpenter, Monty Coleman, Denny Crawford, Judy Crawford, Roger Crofford, Mary Darveau, Kevin Davis, Gracie Deckinger, Nancy Demmel, Danitra Dill, Barb Ebel, Ron Ebel, Adam Eickhoff, Olivia Eppens, Karl Erickson, Connie Feek, Otis Fields, Elle Findlay, Jack Findlay, Jeff Findlay, Susan Findlay, Helen Fouraker, Tandie Morillo-Fox, Terra Frank, Braydon Frederick, Jared Frederick, Kailyn Frederick, Kevin Frederick, Linda Frederick, Shirley Frederick, Noala Fritz, Julie Froeschl, Dan Gifford, Katy Gifford, Cassandra Goff, Daniel Goff, Delmer Gruber, Marus Heller, Princess Hesterman, Ashley Hodge, Pam Holle, MaryJo Huettner and Steve Huppert.

Rachel Jackson, Kelsey Johansen, Jonathon Jones, Joyce Jones, Sharon Kerl, Linda Kirkendall, John Koso, Patrick Kraft, Denise Kurgeweit, Lee Kurgeweit, Roger Lampe, Lonnie Ludwig, Karen Maze, Dennis Merz, Allyssa Mez, Brian Miller, Lois Miller, Dave Mullins, Tiphonie Nekolite, David Oldham, Kari Pagnano, Judy Parrish, Lorie Pevehouse, Brianna Pfohl, Vera Ploeger, Michael Podany, Amanda Raithe, Miranda Raithe, Kenny Rider, Pat Rieschick, Raymond Rowland, Doug Sailors, Judie Sayer, Paul Schawang, Judy Schlosser, Crystal Scrivens, Chris Simon, Tami Simpson, Joyce Smith, Pam Smith, John Steinman, Norma Thompson, Ted Tinker, Kathie Vice, MaryJane Weinert, Doug Wheeler, Nancy Wittwer, and Kevin Zimmerman.

Excel Meat Corp./ Robert Stuckemeyer donated the lunchmeat. The Catholic Daughters donated the bread, and the sandwiches and service at the canteen were by the PCCW of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Cookies were furnished by the Zeta Delta Sorority, juice by Susan Leafy, paper products by Falls City Nursing and Rehab and canteen supplies by the Jaycees. Elaine Heineman setup the canteen and kept it running smoothly. Calling for appointments were Marcia Schwartz and Elaine Schwartz. Posters were put up by; Kailyn Frederick and Allyssa Mez. Tables and chairs were handled by; Hunter Arnold, Seth Brewer, Jack Findlay, Braydon Frederick, Jared Frederick, Kailyn Frederick, Kyler Frederick, and Allyssa Mez. Taking temperatures at the door and saving the Red Cross staff many steps was Mary Jo Huettner. Helping at the registration table was; Allyssa Frederick, Judy Schlosser, and Kailyn Frederick. Escorts were; Betty Maze, Bernice Burgett, MaryJo Huettner, and Joann Stone.

A huge Thanks to everyone who made this drive work. It will make a difference!

Peru State College postpones May commencement until December

Peru State College will postpone its May commencement until December 18, 2020. The College made the decision following new recommendations to extend social distancing guidelines and to best give our graduates the opportunity to celebrate together.

Jason Hogue, director of marketing and communications at Peru State, said, "With the uncertainty about the trajectory and duration of the Coronavirus outbreak, it has become clear that it would be best to postpone the May commencement."

"The College looks forward to celebrating the accomplishments of its graduates, with their family and friends, in December."

The December 2020 commencement ceremony will be open to graduate and undergraduate students that would

have been eligible to walk in May 2020, including December 2019, May 2020 and August 2020. Students graduating in December 2020 will also be invited to participate.

Additional details regarding the December 2020 event will be released in the future.



By Superintendent Tim Heckenlively

The Falls City Public Schools held a Special Board Meeting on March 25, 2020. Here are the highlights of the meeting.

The District 56 Board of Education acted on several items during the special board meeting.

2.1 Delegated authority to the Superintendent to determine which certified and classified employees are essential and who may be required to report for certain duties, at certain times and at certain locations, during the event of extended school closures.

2.2 Adopted the "COVID-19 Pay During Closure Resolution" as presented

2.3 Designated Superintendent approval to immediately issue, to all presently-contracted classified district employees, the "COVID-19 Leave for Staff Not Covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement" as presented

2.4 Delegated authority to the Superintendent to take any and all necessary and appropriate actions, not otherwise approved or resolved, as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic

2.5 Adopted the Richardson County Disaster Declaration resulting from COVID-19

2.6 Adopted the 2020 Facility Project List

The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for April 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.



Sun Mart of Falls City recently donated \$1,000 to Falls City Middle School as part of its "Direct Your Dollars" campaign. Direct Your Dollars was launched in 2016 as part of Sun Mart's commitment to support the communities they serve. The year-round program replaces Support Our Schools in select locations. A check was presented to the school, L-R: Ms. Sara Mount, Wyatt Olberding, Mykayla Ruiz, Ashton Martin, Addison Sayer, Ella Kobza, Katelynn Titus, Jolena Bassett, Olivia Fredrick, Brock Caudle, Quenton Adams, Ryker Jones, Gavin Cole, Mr. Bangert and Angie Propher. Families from schools participating in the "Direct Your Dollars" campaign collect Sun Mart cash register receipts and the company makes a \$1,000 donation for every \$150,000 returned. (Photo by Chelsie Alexander)

Together a greater Nebraska

By Jeff Yost | President and CEO, Nebraska Community Foundation

One year ago, this column focused on another unprecedented event. Nebraskans all across the state suffered catastrophic losses as a result of the floods of March 2019. Dozens of Nebraska communities declared disaster. Thousands of homes were impacted. For small businesses, farms, ranches, and governmental services including schools, healthcare and basic infrastructure, the effects were profound – and in some communities, are still being felt.

March 2019 was unparalleled, but even those events couldn't have prepared us for the extraordinary circumstances we face in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now that "community spread" (viral spread not connected to travel) has been confirmed in Nebraska, it is only a matter of time before COVID-19 appears in every Nebraska hometown. Health experts are telling us that the most vulnerable, especially elders, are at especially high-risk from COVID-19. It is projected that five percent of all COVID-19 patients will need to be hospitalized. If that happens in a short period of time, our healthcare infrastructure will be overwhelmed and unable to help everyone who needs care. Prolonged school closures, along with the other dislocation and disruption, will put a strain on all of us.

In a 2015 doctoral dissertation for the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Kristin Watkins examined the history of the 1918 flu pandemic in selected smaller Nebraska communities (Wayne, Red Cloud, Anselmo, Valentine, Scottsbluff, and Gering) and surrounding rural areas. Watkins said, "It is clear that rural location did not provide protection from the virus." One lesson, she concluded, was that rural communities should not be lulled into a false sense of security by their geographical isolation.

But panic is not productive. Altruism and action are the answers. I said it in March 2019, and I'll say it now: Nebraskans are amazing. The qualities and values that make us unique – love of community and concern for our neighbors – are precisely the principles that will help us navigate the chaos and fear that surround us. At Nebraska Community Foundation, we sum it up with these four words: "Together a Greater Nebraska."

Community building, at its essence, is creating a culture of care, belonging and shared sacrifice. For years Nebraska Community Foundation has been encouraging the 1,500 community volunteers we work with to "build relationships before you need them." Now is when those existing relationships can be beneficial to every one of us. Now is the time to activate our relationships and capacity to benefit every Nebraskan and every Nebraska hometown.

This pandemic is proof that community unrestricted endowments are a critical tool for Greater Nebraska hometowns. Flexible, locally controlled capital that can be used to address unanticipated challenges and opportunities that are guaranteed to arise. We are asking communities and volunteers in the NCF network to initiate conversations with local education, healthcare and public health leaders. How can local grantmaking help alleviate the pressures being felt as a result of COVID-19?

In our globally interconnected world, the likelihood of the COVID-19 virus impacting your community this year is almost assured. We hope that is not the case, but hope is not a plan. Please reach out if we can be of service in helping our Nebraska hometowns respond in these unprecedented times.

Together a Greater Nebraska.

Jeff Yost is President and CEO of Nebraska Community Foundation. Feel free to contact him at jeffyost@nebcommfound.org. For more information, visit www.NebraskaHometown.org.

FCMS releases third quarter honor roll

These Falls City Middle School students have been named to the third quarter honor roll.

High Honor Roll 3.75 to 4.0 and no D's or F's.

Talon Anderson, Ava Armbruster, Isabelle Armbruster, Jackson Bauman, Ethan Boatright, Alexis Brewer, Eliana Bruxellas, Mylie Crawford, Carlea Dunkhas, Havyn Evans-Ruiz, Hayden Findlay, Ella Glathar, Harmony Hall, Eric Heinzelman, Derek Helmick, You-Ha Kim, Ashleigh Kirkendall, Josephine Kirkendall, Kaitlyn Kirkendall, Ella Kobza, Danyelle Kuker, Malori Kuker, Gunner Lippold, Ciara Martin, Ethan Morris, Grace Morris, Sophia Nelson, Ngoc (Ruby) Nguyen, Brock Niefeldt, Wyatt Olberding, Trinity Pierce, Evie Rue, Elizabeth Saul, Makinley Scholl, Emilou Schlenberg, Katelynn Titus, Estela Torralba-Lopez, Alana Tunget, Sierrah Vermeer, Emily Vitosh, Nevada West, Malesa Wickham, Jordan Wilcox, Tate Wilcox, and Paige Young.

Regular Honor Roll 3.5 to 3.75 and no D's or F's.

Quenton Adams, Joshua Brown, Peyton Brown, Preston Buckminster, Cade Caudle, Emmett Daake, Emma Dean, Cayden Dunkhas, Makayla Eberle, Gabriela Foster, Kemper Foster, Issac Frederick, Mikaela Hawley, Kaleigh Heath, Tatum Kile, Taylor Krefels, Caylan Lee, Daly Martin, Kaydence Rego, Addyson Sayer, Kadyon Strecker, Elizabeth Vice, and Caleb Zimmerman.

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Fire Stompers postponed until Fall

The Falls City Volunteer Fire Department has decided to postpone its spring Fire Stompers program until this fall, due to growing concerns surrounding Covid-19. Because of those same concerns, with the current fund drive going on they will use those funds already collected for that program this fall.

If you donated and would like a refund, please call the Fire Department at (402)-245-3555, and leave your name, and a contact number. A member of the Fire Department will contact you to return your donation. Jon McQueen, treasurer, has compiled a list of all donors along with their donations. They want you to be assured that if you wish to leave your donation it will be applied towards the five-week program this fall and at the completion of the program, a fun day is held for the children enrolled and their parents.

They are currently looking to schedule this during Fire Prevention Month in October. If you have not been contacted and would like make a donation please send, checks payable to: The Falls City Volunteer Fire Department 2307 Barada St. Falls City, NE. 68355-1546.

ACCIDENTS

On March 31, 2020, according to police reports, Storm De La Cruz, of Falls City, backed into the gasmeter in the back yard of the residence. An estimated \$1,000 in damage was done to the gas meter owned by the City of Falls City. No damage was done to the De La Cruz vehicle. No citation was issued.

BUILDING PERMITS

Kenneth and Fay Ann Blaylock, 2618 Schoenheit Street; garden shed, \$2,397.
Larry Ebel, 1804 Schoenheit Street; room addition on rear of house for handicap ramp, \$2,000.
Lucas Froeschl, 1819 Fulton Street; interior bathroom remodel, \$6,000.

Masonic Academic Scholarships awarded

Falls City Lodge No. 9, AF&AM, has announced the winners of the 2020 Masonic Academic Scholarships

Scholarships in the amount of \$250.00 each were awarded to the following students: Hunter Arnold, son of Donna and DeWayne Arnold will be attending University of Nebraska-Lincoln and his field of interest is Bio-Chemistry.

Michelle Beer, daughter of Deena and Mike Beer will be attending Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas and her field of interest is Psychology.

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- Economic Development; In Nebraska means transportation and communication; complete the expressway system; delay the South Beltway until Highway 2 East and I-29 are secure; or prepare U.S. 75; Develop broadband internet / fiber statewide
- Separation of Powers; Restore the lines being blurred between the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of State Government; separate church and state
- Equality; Protect a woman's right to choose; end wage and employment inequalities.

Write in your choice: Write in and Vote for Mike on May 12

Close spellings will count. Even just "Powers" in the blank, and darken the oval. Independents, please vote in the primary – the Legislature is officially non-partisan.

Paid for by Mike Powers, 600 Apple St., Palmyra, NE 68418



(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).

Legend drug means drugs that are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and that are required by federal or state law to be dispensed to the public only on prescription of a licensed physician or other licensed provider.

DISTRICT COURT

Jeremy J. Butrick, of Falls City, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

Terrie K. Beckner, of Rulo, count one, Del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

Richard D. Wheeler, of Verdron, count one, possess firearm by prohibited person-first, plead not guilty; count two, possess firearm by prohibited person-first, plead not guilty; count three, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count four, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count five, possess controlled

substance, plead not guilty; count six, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

Tara A. Prater, of Highland, KS, count one, theft-deception \$5,000+, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for April 21, 2020.

Joshua M. Darden, of Falls City, count one, possess (meth)amphetamine 10-27 grams, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count two, use deadly weapon to commit a felony, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count three, possess or receive stolen firearm, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count four, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, plead no contest, found guilty; count five, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, plead no contest, found guilty; count six, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count seven, possess controlled substance; count eight, possess controlled substance, plead no contest, found guilty; count nine, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count ten, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count eleven, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed; count twelve, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed. Sentencing is scheduled for May 19, 2020.

Joshua M. Darden, of Falls City, count one, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead no contest, found guilty; count three, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count four, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count five, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count six, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count seven, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for May 19, 2020.

Joshua M. Darden, 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 April 14, 2020.

Emilio D. Marquez, of Humboldt, count one, assault-third degree, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, use deadly weapon to commit a felony, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for May 19, 2020.

Jordan A. Lunsford, 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 May 12, 2020.

Richard D. Wheeler, of Verdron, count one, drive while revoked from DUI/refusal, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

Dalton L. Holst, of Horton, KS, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty; count two, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty; count three, aiding and abetting a class two felony, plead not guilty; count four, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

Donita A. Frederick, of Falls City, count one, possess firearm while commit felony, plead not guilty; count two, possess firearm while commit felony, plead not guilty; count three, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count four, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count five, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, plead not guilty; count six, commit child abuse negligently/no injury; count seven, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty; count eight, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty; count nine, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty; count ten, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

John C. Pohlman, of Falls City, count one, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count two, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

John C. Pohlman, of Falls City, count one, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count two, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for May 12, 2020.

COUNTY COURT

Nathanael E. Smithson, of Falls City, count one, violate deer regulations, plead guilty, found guilty and fined a state fine of \$100, liquidated damages of \$10,000.

Nathanael E. Smithson, of Falls City, count one, violate deer regulations, plead guilty, found guilty and fined a state fine of \$100, liquidated damages of \$2,000.

Shane W. Lambert, of Ponca City, OK, count one, DUI-.15+, amended to DUI-alcohol-first offense, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$500, court ordered probation for a term of eight months starting April 1, 2020, drug testing fee, \$5, revoked license for a term of 60 days, starting April 1, 2020, interlock device; count two, possess/consume open alcohol container, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count three, speeding 21-35, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty.

Mindy A. Monroe, of Humboldt, count one, dom asslt-third degree, amended to attempt of a class one misdemeanor, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$200, probation for a term

of eight months starting April 1, 2020, drug testing fee of \$40, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, jail for a term of 15 days starting on October 1, 2020; count two, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty.

Ty J. Shopteece, of Holton, KS, count one, assault-third degree, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100, jail for a term of two days starting April 1, 2020, probation for a term of six months starting April 1, 2020, drug testing fee of \$15, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, regular probation fee of \$150; count two, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, plead guilty, found guilty and fined by \$100, probation for a term of six months starting on April 1, 2020.

Dillon L. Stalder, of Humboldt, count one, DUI-alcohol-first offense, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, minor in possession-ages 19/20, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count three, possess/consume open alcohol container amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count four, drive left of center, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count five, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead no contest, found guilty; count six, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for April 22, 2020.

Shawn W. Creamer, of Humboldt, count one, theft-unlawful taking \$0-\$500, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for April 27, 2020.

Robert R. Mendenhall, of Humboldt, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for April 20, 2020.

Sara A. Marano, of North Las Vegas, NV, count one, assault-third degree, plead not guilty; count two, obstruct a peace officer, plead not guilty. Entry of plea is scheduled for April 22, 2020.

Shawn C. Brabec, of Omaha, count one, obstruct a peace officer, amended to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$150; count three, trespass-second degree/defy order to leave, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$150.

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Corey Mattly with Nebraska outreach plays games with a resident.

Nebraska outreach workers spread cheer to local facilities

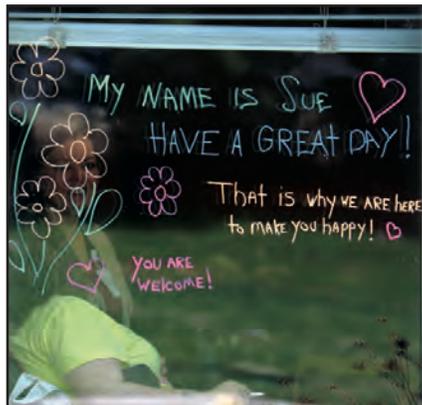
Story and Photos by Nikki McKim

An organization that's funded in response to last year's local flooding wanted to spread some cheer to local nursing home residents. The residents are not able to have visitors right now due to COVID-19.

Corey Mattly and Sue Brooks, outreach workers with the Nebraska Strong Recovery Project visited Falls City Care Center and Falls City Nursing and Rehab.

They found ways to interact with residents through window chalk and games.

The duo wanted to provide support in the area and felt like they were able to by 'visiting' residents. They visited residents through the windows and



brought joy and smiles to several people.

Mattly and Brooks were happy with the outcome of this project. They said they received lots of positive feedback.

The Rural Response Hotline is available to community members. They provide free assistance for those living in rural communities and serve as a point of access to the Nebraska Strong Recovery Project. The

line is active Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Rural Response Hotline: 1-800-464-0258

Community members can also call the National Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990, which is available 24/7 365-days-a-year. This hotline is dedicated to providing immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress.

SNC doubles internet speeds during corona outbreak

By Nikki McKim

Southeast Nebraska Communications recently announced that they would be doubling all internet speeds at no cost to current residential and business subscribers.

The team effort by all SNC employees is meant to help support the community during the recent increased dependence on internet for school and those who are self distancing at home.

"SNC wanted to help ensure people stay connected to the Internet as more schools suspend classes and companies encourage employees to work from home due to the Coronavirus," said Dorothy Towle Owner and President of Southeast Nebraska Communications. "Our fiber network is built for this, and we work every day, and we have for many years to ensure that our network has enough capacity to handle all the things that our customers use it for."

SNC said they would also waive any installation charges for new customers until further notice.

The office lobby is temporarily closed for the health and safety of SNC's customers, employees, and community.

They are still working to serve the community. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office during business hours at 402-245-4451, and for after business hours, please call the repair line at 402-245-5999.

Area athletes pick up postseason awards

By Brian McKim

Last week, the *Omaha World-Herald* and the *Lincoln Journal Star* both released their selections for both boys and girls All-State basketball. Richardson County was represented well in both papers.

In Class C-1, senior Mason Crawford was named to the *Journal Star's* second team. Crawford, a 6-1 senior, averaged 19.3 points per contest, added 93 rebounds, 39 assists, 37 steals, and 11 blocked shots.

Making the honorable mention all-state list in Class C-1 were seniors Kade Bredemeier, Caden Simon, and Hunter Arnold.

On the girl's side in Class C-1 Hannah Haly, Madi Jones and Eryn Snethen all earned honorable mention all-state.

In Class D-1, HTRS had four girls earn honorable mention. Katilyn Glathar, Carissa Allen, Natalie Novak, and Ellie Schaadert.

In Class D-2, the Sacred Heart Irish were represented by Tyler Witt on the All-State First Team. Witt, a 6-3 senior, averaged 15.3 points per game, 8.5 rebounds per contest and added 51 steals, 50 blocked shots, and had 92 assists for the Class D-2 State Champion Irish.

Fellow senior, 5'11, Jake Hoy was named to the second team. Hoy averaged 10 points per game, finished with 124 rebounds, 90 steals and 97 assists.

Picking up honorable mention nods in Class D-2 were Jarrot Simon, Jamie Stice, Jakob Jordan, and Jack Fiegenger.

Finally, sophomore Erison Vonderschmidt landed a spot on the Class D-2 first team. Vonderschmidt, a 5-9 sophomore, averaged 13.5 points per game and added 186 rebounds, 24 blocked shots, and 55 steals.

Getting honorable mention in Class D-2 were McKenzie Witt, Rachel Magdanz, and Danielle Bippes.

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Small town, big hearts



Avery Santo wins 10-11 y/o Central Regional Elks Hoop Shoot

Avery Santo, daughter of Luke and Jina Santo, of Falls City, won the 10-11 age division of the West Central Region Eight of the Elks Hoop Shoot. The competition was held on Saturday, March 14, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She competed against three other girls, one each from Colorado, Kansas, and Wyoming. Avery made 17-25, which tied another girl for first.

In the tie-breaker, Avery made four out of five, and the other girl made three out of five. In a normal year, Avery would now move on to compete at the National Competition in Chicago, but that has already been canceled due to Covid-19.

NSAA cancels all spring activities

By Brian McKim

With the continuing worry about the Covid-19 Virus, Executive Director of the NSAA Jay Bellar announced on Thurs-

day, April 2, that all remaining NSAA events, including practices, have been called-off for the school year. All of the cancellations are part of the Directed Health Measure that was issued by Governor Pete Ricketts last week. This means District and State-level events are off the table. Effectively the spring sports season is over before it even began.

Summer activity season will begin on May 26. Until then, all schools are expected to follow the guidelines issued by the NSAA. The NSAA encourages all member schools to follow the CDC, local, state and federal guidelines while dealing with this crisis. The NSAA will continue to monitor the situation and issue statements when needed.

The date for student-athletes to transfer remains the same at May 1.

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smile and have the opportunity to connect," said Falls City Public High School Principal, Gale Dunkhas. "We have a dedicated and caring staff. We know how much we miss our students. It's great to know that they care and miss us as well."

With cars, trucks, balloons, and signs saying "we miss you," the teachers and staff spent a couple of hours driving their way through Falls City.

Several teachers shared how uplifting the experience was for them and their students.

"The parade was a blessing for everyone. Parents saw the bond that grows between teachers and students, and then the grandparents of our community, they may have been my favorite," said Katy Gifford, FCPS Life Skills Teacher. "The thank-yous and applause of those who are alone in their homes. They brought me to tears. It was a joy to help others and smile; to help everyone realize that we have a strong community, and we are blessed to have each other."

Ginger Feek, FCPS Life Skills Teacher, said she was overwhelmed by it all.

"Coming together as a community was wonderful," said Ginger Feek. "It melted my heart to see each of my students as I went by and how excited they were. I wanted my students to know that I'm still here for them."

For these students, this will be a significant event in their life. Many teachers wanted to make sure they did something special for their students by letting them know that they are still there to support them even when they can't physically be there.

"I had no clue it would be like this, but the moment we started driving down the street, I was overcome with emotion," said Erin Waller, the English/Publications teacher at Sacred Heart. "It was nice to see all of the smiling faces and to feel connected at that moment, even if we were doing it from afar."

Waller said she knew how difficult it has been to be home and how difficult it must be for her students to be away from their friends at this scary time, "I know you're mourning the loss of the end of your school and all of its milestones. We love you and are so proud of you," said Waller. "Please continue to stay safe and stay home!"

Kris Simon, Language Arts Teacher at FCPS, said this was one of the most important events that she's been a part of in all her teaching years.

The experience was, "Overwhelming, the first tears came as soon as my husband and I were pulling up to the High School parking lot, and I saw so many teachers there," said Simon. "The love that I felt from our students and community launched a feeling of pride and love that perhaps is one of the positives of this virus scare."

Simon said she wants her students to stay positive. "Don't overwhelm yourself with the news or the negative, 'what ifs.' Find what makes you happy during this time, trust God, and watch my YouTube channel!"

Angie Embretson, Early Childhood Teacher at FCPS and Mrs. E. to her students, said she wanted to be a part of the parade because it was essential to keep connections as strong as possible during this time of uncertainty. "With all the anxiety and stress people are feeling, it can start to feel like we are all on our very own and disconnected."

Embretson said she felt the parade was a perfect reminder to everyone that even though we are distancing ourselves for our safety and health, we can still be present and available in a time of need. "One little guy in my class decided to watch the parade twice. He watched it at grand-ma's and then got his family to

drive across town to watch it at his own house."

"I really miss my 'kids,'" said Vicky Zoeller, Language Arts Teacher at FCPS. "We are all trying our best to help you move forward, and this is a learning experience for us all, so be patient."

Taylor Kearney, a second-grade teacher at FCPS, said it was wonderful to see all of the schools and teachers in the community come together as one and support the children. "This is a time of uncertainty, and the children need our support the most. They will talk about this parade for years to come. It was something positive for our small town."

Kearney said the parade gave her chills, and she was shocked to see so many people in the community participating. "When I saw my students, tears filled my eyes. This experience was like nothing I had experienced before."

Kearney said she misses her students and can't wait to see them soon.

Karen Boatright sixth grade teacher at FCPS, said the parade was so encouraging and emotionally uplifting. "There was joy in being connected again."

"We are a community, our fabrics are interwoven, and we miss being together," said Boatright. "We are learning, growing, adapting, and changing. We are continuing to be challenged, and we will be stronger."

Fr. Ken Hoelsing, of FCSH, said it was good to see so many people he hadn't seen in a while.

"Everyone was happy and having a good time," said Fr. Hoelsing. "I just wanted an opportunity to see my students and their families because it had been a while."

Chris Bennett, Art teacher at FCPS, said that she wanted to show the kids that she missed seeing them, and the parade lifted her spirits.

"My daughter Desirae Schawang was my chauffeur for the event. At first, she was just driving, while I waved at everyone. Three blocks into the parade, she had a great big smile. It was contagious!" said Bennett. "I think everyone felt the love and support that night."

Angie Taft, Mathematics teacher at Sacred Heart, said it was great to see the community come together for a common purpose during an uncertain time. "The smiles, waves, shouts, and tears were just what many of us needed."

Taft said she was pleasantly surprised to see so many of her high school students out. "The entire community showed up, and it was something I will always remember."

Taft wants her students to keep making her proud, and remember to, "Wash your hands and say your prayers because Jesus and germs are everywhere."

Caitlin Shafer, Kindergarten teacher at FCPS, said the parade was an uplifting moment in this unprecedented time. "I literally cried happy and sad tears at the same time. I have a hard time putting into words exactly how I felt, but to see so many people was just what this teacher's heart needed."

Shafer said she knew this would be a special event. "I knew that we, as a teaching community, would band together and share our love of education."

Shafer says she misses her students terribly. "You are all so brave and courageous!"

Sue James, Para-Professional at FCPS, said she is hoping to do another parade. "I loved seeing the smiles on everyone's faces."

Charles Hawley, first-grade teacher at FCPS, said the parade made everyone feel more connected to the school and the community. "We needed to see the kids as much as they needed to see us!"

"Every time we would turn to the next block, we would see

more kids and community members excited to see all the teachers. Very heartwarming," said Hawley. "It looked amazing, but I didn't realize how wonderful it would be until we were involved. We will become stronger once this has all ended."

Cathy O'Grady of FCSH, said it was great to participate with the Falls City Public School staff.

"We are all in this together and want the best for all children and our community; I felt like it was a great bonding moment! Not only was it great to bring joy to the kids but it was great to see older people out on their porches and lawns waving and clapping for us," said O'Grady. "Don't get to comfortable and let your guard down, if we are smart and patient we will all get through this and move forward with our lives!"

Allison Haines, MTSS teacher at FCPS, said the past few weeks have been hard as a teacher, trying to plan and move forward.

"Seeing the support from the community makes it worth it." Haines said it was a great feeling being able to see the students and her co-workers. "Thank you to all the community members, my students, and all teachers and staff members. This is something we can be apart of without breaking the social distancing. No matter if this is your first year teaching or 30th year, none of us have been a part of something like this."

Betsy Nelson said she felt proud to be part of a community that came together, both schools showing their support for students, parents, and families. "It wasn't just my Sacred Heart family; it was everyone, and that was an emotional tearjerker. I wanted to take part in this so I could see my students, and so that they could see me, and maybe have a feeling that everything is going to be alright." Nelson wanted to thank the community for all their support of teachers and her students for continuing to work hard and "keep praying."

Skylar Kreifels, the Technology and Curriculum Director at FCPS, said she bounces around between the buildings, so a lot of the kids don't really know her, so she supported the parade as a spectator. "I see first hand how much our teachers love being in the classroom. I can only imagine how lost they are without the kiddos at this time."

Kreifels said she could tell the parade was something the teachers needed to connect with their students. "I'd like to share this with the students, your teachers love each and every one of you, and they are still here for you even though they cannot be with you each day."

"My heart exploded, seeing how happy not only the kids and parents were, but the older folks in town that came out and watched. It was awesome to see all the excitement," said FCPS Kindergarten teacher, Angie Hunzeker.

Kim Nolte, Family and Consumer Science Teacher, at FCPS, said it gave her the hope she needed at this time. "I loved seeing all the smiles from current and past students. We have the best community."

Jenny Helmick, Nurse at FCPS, said the parade made her week and reminded her that people care about her as much as she does them. "I was feeling alone but knew I wasn't. I was hoping that we would be able to see some of those kiddos that may be struggling and let them know we care." Helmick had an important message to share with all the students, "Reach out to us if you need anything. Not only school work help, but anything you need. We are there to help fulfill your needs and keep our community strong."

Our school doors may be closed, but our school hearts are still open, said Gale Dunkhas.

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Commissioners discuss COVID-19 concerns and road and bridge issues

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickle on Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020, meeting as read and a motion was made by Sickle to approve the Board of Equalization minutes from March 10, 2020 as presented. Both motions were carried and the agenda was approved.

A motion was made by Sickle effective at 5:00 p.m. March 24, 2020, to suspend the public access at the Richardson County Courthouse due to the COVID-19 until further notice. Motion seconded by Frank. Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Sickle presented the proof of publication and declared that a public hearing be opened at 9:30 a.m. to receive comment from the public regarding the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Gayle Swisgood requested information on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan and inquired on the condition of W 14th Street. Swisgood informed the Board that the biggest problem on the road is that property owners divert water out onto the road. Mr. Darveau stated that the department intends to clean the ditches and build the road back up. No one else from the public appeared. Chairman Sickle declared the public hearing closed at 9:35 a.m.

Motion was made by Frank to approve the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan as presented by Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. and adopt Resolution 2019-2020-42. Motion seconded by Caverzagie, the motion carried.

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges. He presented to the Board an application to operate an oversize or overweight vehicle or load on a county road from Barnhart Crane & Rigging. Mr. Darveau reported to the Board that he recommends approval of the application request but would make conditions with the approval that the Road Department will give notice when the access to the road can be had due to the current road conditions. Motion was made by Sickle to approve the application submitted by Barnhart Crane & Rigging for a permit to operate an oversize or overweight vehicle or load on a county road only with the notice of approval by the Hwy Supt when road conditions will

allow, motion carried.

Commissioner Frank reported some road condition concerns to Mr. Darveau for review. Mr. Darveau did also report that rock hauling is being done along with bridge construction work.

Informal quotes for the purchase of tires were received from Harmon's OK Tire and Koch's Auto Service with tires being purchased from both businesses.

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director presented to the Board and requested that the Board consider declaring an emergency disaster due to the recent economic impact of the Coronavirus 19 pandemic outbreak. Motion was made by Sickle that Richardson County, with the inclusion of all cities, villages, businesses, schools and communities within has a great potential of suffering from county-wide damages resulting from the COVID-19/Corona Virus event(s) to declare a state of emergency authorized under Nebraska State Statute R.R.S. 81-829.50 disaster declaration. Motion carried.

The Board met with Sheriff Hardesty and Roland Merwin, Chief Deputy Sheriff to review the business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. Discussion was held on the current status of the area with the COVID-19 and how law enforcement was proceeding with handling calls that involved personal contact and also stated that personal protective equipment has been ordered for staff to utilize if needed.

Information was also given to the Board regarding a grant program available through Homeland Security for the hiring of officers, supplies and equipment. The Board briefly discussed offering a hiring bonus to attract Nebraska certified law enforcement officers and will place this matter on the next meeting agenda for further review and consideration.

Sheriff Hardesty also informed the Board that he has been in contact with the City of Falls City Police Chief and approval has been given that if the need arises within the time of this emergency of the COVID-19 event that the Sheriff would be allowed to deputize additional city officers to assist with the County law enforcement department.

Motion was made by Sickle to go into an executive session at 10:30 a.m. with Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Sheriff, Roland Merwin to discuss personnel matters and for the protection and reputation of an individual, motion carried. The executive session closed at 10:50 a.m. and returned to the regular meeting agenda.

The Board met with Justin Hubby, Executive Director of the NE Association of Public Employees/AFSCME Local 61 and members of the Road and Bridge Department Union, Bryan Dettman, Dusty Metzner and James Counce. Proposed ground rules for negotiations between the Union and the County and an initial contract proposal were presented to the Board. The group plans to meet with the County Board at their next regular scheduled meeting, Tuesday, April 7.

Motion was made by Sickle to

adopt Resolution 2019-2020-43 to cancel a check issued in error. Motion seconded by Frank, Motion carried. (Resolution Book 25, Page) A Motion was made by Sickle to allow the payment of all claims submitted, motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 4:58 p.m. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City, NE. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

On-Farm research opportunities exist for Southeast Nebraska farmers

By Gary Lesoing

I had the opportunity to attend the On-Farm Research Reporting session last month in Beatrice. There were a number of projects reported on at the meeting; in 2019 there were over 100 on-farm research projects conducted through the Nebraska Extension On-Farm Research Program. We had a few conducted here in southeast Nebraska. Daryl Obermeyer, Nebraska Soybean Board member from Nemaha County has a cover crop/soil health research project being conducted on his farm east of Auburn in Nemaha County. This study was initiated in 2016. He is planting winter-hardy vs. winter-terminated cover crops and determining their impact on the subsequent corn and soybean yields in his corn-soybean-wheat crop rotation. In 2019 both corn and soybeans planted following the winter hardy cover crop and winter-terminated cover crops had similar yields and were not significantly affected by the different cover crop treatments. Corn yields were (214 bu/ac vs 217 bu/ac) and soybean yields were (86 bu/ac vs 84 bu/ac) following the winter-hardy vs the winter-terminated cover crops, respectively. This is different than in 2017 when corn following the winter-hardy cover crop yielded significantly less than the winter-terminated cover crop (168 bu/ac vs 183 bu/ac) and in 2018 when soybeans following the winter-hardy cover crops yielded significantly less than the winter-terminated cover crop (59 bu/ac vs 65 bu/ac). In 2017 soybean yields were similar following winter-hardy and winter terminated cover crops (61 bu/ac vs 62 bu/ac) respectively. In 2018 corn yields were similar (240 bu/ac vs 243 bu/ac) for the winter-hardy vs the winter-terminated cover crops, respectively. This site is also an NRCS Demonstration Farm that will go for 5 years. Crop yields will be measured each year of the study. Stephen Kennedy, Resource Conservationist, USDA NRCS and Aaron Hird, Nebraska Soil Health Specialist NRCS collected soil samples for base-line soil data and at the end of the five-year period will collect samples to determine if this cropping system impacted soil health as well.

A project in Richardson County was conducted on the Keithley Brothers Farm evaluated starter fertilizer applied to corn at planting. Starter fertilizer used in the study was 5 gal/ac 10-34-0 and 1 qt/ac Zn. This starter fertilizer treatment was compared to a check where no starter fertilizer was applied. Soil test results from the field showed phosphorus (P) levels of 7 - 16 ppm, which is relatively low. With these relatively low (P) levels, a response may be expected. Yield results indicated a significant response from the starter fertilizer (158 bu/ac vs 151 bu/ac).

These are just a sample of the many on-farm research projects we have in Nebraska each year. The on-farm research program has been conducted across Nebraska with Nebraska Extension for several years. This program is ex-



Lura Herr

Lura Arline (Arnold) Herr, 94, a life-long resident of Richardson County, passed away Monday, March 30, 2020, at Methodist Hospital in Omaha. Lura was



born June 8, 1925, on the family farm two miles south of Barada, Nebraska, the fifth child and only daughter of Nick and Nellie (Dunn) Arnold. She attended grade school at District 24, the Arnold school, on the corner of her parent's farm. Upon completing her time there, she moved

on to the Barada school and eventually the Falls City high school, where she graduated in 1942. Upon completing high school, she went to Peru (NE) State Teacher's College, where she earned her one-year Rural Teaching Certificate. In the fall of 1943, she began teaching at District 81, the Silver Creek school in Richardson County, where she would be for the next three years. At that point, she was offered the teaching job at her "home" school, District 24, the Arnold school. She taught there for two years. During those years, she attended summer school in Peru and earned her two-year teaching certificate, which would allow her to teach in town schools. In the fall of 1948, Lura moved to Humboldt and began teaching in the Humboldt public school system. She taught there only two years, however, as, in those days, married women could not be teachers, and she had met Osmer Herr, a local farmer, whom she married on June 11, 1950, at the Humboldt Methodist Church. To this union were born two daughters, Nancy and three years later, Jorene. When the girls were old enough, Lura was their 4-H leader.

As was customary for farm wives in the 1950s and 1960s, besides raising her girls, Lura raised a large garden and loved to be in the outdoors. Most springs could find her wandering the Barada Hills for more

planning and her summers planting, weeding, harvesting, and preserving the bounty of her garden. Lura was active in her community. She was known to

be there whenever a family member or neighbor needed help, often driving elderly members of the county to medical appointments in distant cities. She was nominated for and honored to receive the Knights of Aksarben's "Good Neighbor of the

Year" award in 1982. Her church was dear to Lura. She was active in the United Methodist Women's (UMW) organization, holding various offices, and was the Sunday school superintendent as well as a long-time teacher of Sunday School classes. In the days before there was a UMW, she was a member of the Wesleyan Service Guild for which she was president for several years. She lived on the family farm about 5 miles northwest of Humboldt from her wedding until the autumn of 2004 when she and Osmer moved to Humboldt in order to stay in town over the winter. Osmer passed away the following summer, one day short of his 90th birthday.

Lura is survived by her daughters, the Reverend Nancy (Jim) Phillips of Omaha and Jorene Herr of Humboldt, two granddaughters, Kelli (Scott) Brandt of Nebraska City and Julie (Terry) Frampton of Omaha, two great-grandsons, James and Levi Brandt, and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a private interment. Memorial service details will be announced later.

Memorials may be made to the Humboldt United Methodist Church or the Bruun Memorial Library of Humboldt.

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panding and getting stronger with support from the Nebraska Corn Board and Nebraska Soybean Board. These research projects cover products, practices, and new technologies that impact farm productivity and profitability. There are some projects that will pay farmers to participate and provide products for farmers to evaluate. In 2019 a soybean study was initiated to compare baseline soybean management practices compared to improved soybean management practices. Four studies conducted on-farm in Nebraska in 2019 showed the improved treatment resulted in an average 8 bu/ac yield increase and \$46/ac profit increase compared to the baseline treatment. This is part of a larger seven state project in the Midwest. In 2020 they are looking for 20 farmers to participate in this study. To find out more about this project go to: <https://cropwatch.unl.edu/2020/farm-research-study-investigate-practices-increase-soy->

bean-yield . If you want to see the 2019 On-Farm Research publication go to: <https://cropwatch.unl.edu/farmresearch/farm-research-result-publications> . If you want a hard copy, contact your local Extension Educator and they can get you a copy.

To find out more about the on-farm research program go to: <https://cropwatch.unl.edu/on-farm-research> .

If interested in participating in these studies, Please contact Laura Thompson - 402-245-2224 laura.thompson@unl.edu; Nathan Mueller - 402-727-2775 nathan.mueller@unl.edu; or Keith Glewen (402-624-8005) for specifics on the above.

If interested in conducting on-farm research, feel free to contact me as well, Gary Lesoing, Extension Educator in southeast Nebraska who is a member of the On-Farm Research Network. You can reach me at (402) 274-4755 or glesoing2@unl.edu.

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McCabe named Class A First Team

Taylor McCabe, a sophomore guard for Fremont, averaged 20.3 points and was named Class A First Team in Basketball.

She had a state-leading 107 three-pointers, a Class A record, and three short of the all-class mark of 110 set by Minden's Brooke Kissinger in 2011. She scored her 1,000 pt—this season.

"She brought everything to our team," said Fremont coach Kelly Flynn. "She was a perfect role model and a great leader by example."

Fremont secured its first state tournament win with a 58-40 first-round victory over Westside, which ended a string of six tourney trips that ended with first-round losses.

"I think making history like that will be one of my best memories from this season," said McCabe. "It was always a goal for us, and I'm proud of that."

McCabe is weighing several Division I offers.

McCabe is the daughter of Dana and Ryan McCabe and the granddaughter of Doug and Diana Kottich, of Falls City.

Wear blue in recognition of children suffering abuse and neglect

In honor of April National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness month, the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) will be hosting a "Wear Blue" day in recognition of children suffering from abuse and neglect. Conservative estimates confirm one in four children will experience some form of abuse before they graduate from high school. The Child Advocacy Center is combatting this startling number by offering trauma-informed intervention after children disclose abuse, as well as community-wide training and prevention classes.

Throughout the month of April, the CAC will share community awareness through their "Pledge to Protect Campaign," encouraging adults to learn how they can better protect the children in their life. As part of the campaign, the CAC is partnering with businesses across Southeast Nebraska to wear Royal Blue, the national color for child abuse awareness on Wednesday, April 22 in honor of the more than 16,000 children served by the CAC in its nearly 22 years of existence, as well as the greater number of children who are still suffering in silence. "By wearing blue you are making a statement that as a community we stand for kids," said CAC Executive Director, Lynn Ayers.

To learn more about the Pledge to Protect campaign and the Child Advocacy Center's work across Southeast Nebraska visit smallvoices.org. The mission of the CAC is to provide Southeast Nebraska with a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach to the problem of child abuse.

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"Hoppy" Easter!

I enjoy delivering Easter baskets. People say that I am as quick as...well...a bunny! I have strong back legs that allow me to jump as high as three feet and as far as five feet. See if you can resolve the clues below to fill in the words! puzzle about the way it relates to their favorite "Easter" animals. Hop to it!

- The Easter Bunny is a young _____.
- No one is sure how the Easter Bunny started his work, but it is thought that he "hopped" across the ocean with the people who came to America from _____.
- It is believed that the first bunny-shaped treats were made out of pastry and _____.
- _____ milk, milk of amber _____, humbugs are a favorite treat at Easter.
- Many families have hot, dyed and decorated _____ to eat or to hunt at Easter.
- The Easter Bunny follows _____ full of treats to children for Easter morning.
- Easter baskets brags with children leaving their gifts or _____ to be filled with treats by the Easter Bunny.
- The Easter Bunny likes colored eggs for _____ to hunt.
- Another popular Easter animal is the _____, yellow peewee _____.
- On _____ they are often shown peeping out of eggs or sitting in baskets.
- A woodcock, with its _____ as tall as often of a cockle or a snail.
- Billy oversees a large of _____ of the springtime.

There are four sets of eggs that are exactly the same. Can you find and circle the 2 identical eggs in each set?

Have You Ever Seen?
In Australia, some families are choosing the chocolate animal for Easter celebrations rather than a chocolate rabbit. This animal is native to Australia whereas the rabbit is not. What rabbit was brought to Australia by settlers for food? Rabbits have grown to larger numbers and compete with the animal for food. About the size of a rabbit, the animal carries its young in its pouch. What is it?

A Basket Full of Fun and Surprises!
What kinds of treats might the Easter Bunny put in baskets to delight children on Easter morning? Unscramble the letters to fill in the blanks.
1. _____ and coloring book
2. _____ and _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Find and circle the Easter candies in the basket:
1. marshmallows
2. cream-filled eggs
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4. chocolate bunnies
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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Falls City, invites you to submit a sealed bid for:

"Water Treatment Equipment Procurement Falls City, Nebraska - 2020"

The project is briefly described as follows:

Stage I

- 1. Design water treatment solids contact clarifier equipment to be furnished in Stage I.
2. Provide design support to ENGINEER during development of Construction Contract Documents, including:
a. Submit a Draft Technical Submittal as required for the solids contact clarifier system.
b. Respond to ENGINEER's questions.
c. Review Construction Bid Documents prepared by ENGINEER at 60, 90 and 100 percent completion levels and provide written comments.
3. Furnish Installation Contractor Information Package which includes:
a. Final Technical Submittal
b. Equipment delivery schedule
c. Special shipping/handling information/requirements
d. Special installation requirements
e. Draft startup plan and schedule
f. Scope of System Supplier (SS) Stage II Services

Stage II

In accordance with the Contract Documents, furnish, deliver, and provide installation assistance for a complete water treatment solids contact clarifier equipment for the new clarifier to be located at the existing Falls City Water Treatment Facility. The Goods and Special Services shall include preparation of shop drawings and operation and maintenance manuals, providing electronic files of the proposed equipment, coordination with an installing Contractor, performance testing (field and shop testing), startup and training services and demonstration testing.

The Proposal consists of furnishing and delivery of the specified equipment (referred to as Goods) to the point of destination, including performance of special services at the destination in conjunction with installation of the Goods by others as part of the Buyer's construction program, all in accordance with the Proposal Documents.

Sealed Proposals for the furnishing of Goods and Special Services under the Water Treatment Equipment Procurement will be received by the Olson Office, c/o Craig Reinisch for City of Falls City, Nebraska, FE, 601 P Street, Suite #200, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508, until 11:00 a.m., local time, April 28, 2020, at the procurement of the equipment as described in the Proposal Documents.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at: -Olson, 601 P Street, Suite #200, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508 -Lincoln Builder's Bureau, 5910 S. 58th Street, Suite C, Lincoln, Nebraska 68516 -Omaha Builder's Exchange, 4159 So. 94th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68127

A complete set of electronic plans, specifications, contract documents and bid form may be obtained from www.questcdm.com for a fee of \$15.00 (non-refundable). Once logged into the site, insert eBid#e project number 079319 - Water Treatment Equipment Procurement, Falls City, Nebraska - 2020.

A complete set of electronic plans, specifications, contract documents and proposal form on a CD may be obtained from the Issuing office for a non-refundable charge of \$30.00.

A complete set of printed plans, specifications, contract documents and proposal form may be obtained from the Issuing office for a non-refundable charge of \$40.00. Unsuccessful bidders are requested to return the plans and specifications.

Each Proposal must be made on the Bid Form furnished and must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a cashier's check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid amount, made payable to the City of Falls City. The check or draft may be cashed by the City as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails to execute a contract within the fifteen (15) days after Notice of Award and post bond satisfactory to the City ensuring the faithful fulfillment of the contract.

The project shall be funded by the Nebraska Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). The Contractor shall comply with all program requirements as detailed in the Contract Documents.

No proposal may be withdrawn within a period of sixty (60) days after the date fixed for proposal opening.

The City of Falls City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive informalities in proposals submitted.

Owner: City of Falls City By: Shawna Bindle, Mayor 8-15-22

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF FREDERICK WELDING, LLC

Notice is hereby given that Frederick Welding, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its registered office located at 1719 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska. The Limited Liability Company is organized to engage in and to do any act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, and to which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. Said Limited Liability Company was organized on March 20, 2020 and shall have perpetual existence. The affairs of the Limited Liability Company are to be conducted by one or more managers as provided in the Operating Agreement and the initial manager is Jared P. Frederick.

Jared P. Frederick, Manager WEAVER & MERZ Douglas E. Merz #12807 Samantha K. Scheitel #26389 1719 Stone Street Falls City, NE 68355 402-245-3015 8-15-22

NOTICE

A total of 157 cases will be heard by the Board in April, 2020. The following cases(s) sentenced in Richardson County will be seen by the Board of Parole.

April 20, 2020 - 8:30 a.m. Nebraska State Penitentiary, Lincoln, Nebraska Jorn, Bryan 210599, Resisting Arrest

ROSALYN COTTON, CHAIR NEBRASKA BOARD OF PAROLE 8

The Village of Verdon, Nebraska will be accepting Bids for the 2020 Street Armor coating until May 5, 2020 by 5:00 P.m. You must be insured and supply references to place a bid. Contact Tammie Bents at 402-883-0003 for details. -18

NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA Estate of NELLIE LEE LOCKARD, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that the March 25, 2020, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, Shannon L. Wamsley, 71929 637 Ave., Humboldt, NE 68776, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate.

Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before June 1, 2020, or be forever barred.

Curtis L. Maschman County Judge

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified that the Trustee under the Deed of Trust recorded on October 25, 2016, in Book 268, Page 1, in the Office of the Richardson County Register of Deeds will be selling the following-described property at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in the lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska on the 30th day of April, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

Lot 2 in the E1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 17 East of the 16th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska.

DATED: March 6, 2020 By: Samantha K. Scheitel, #26389 Attorney for Frontier Bank For: Weaver & Merz Law Office 1719 Stone St. Falls City, NE 68355 402) 245-3015 18-25-18-15

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified that the Trustee under the Deed of Trust recorded on August 29, 2016, in Book 267, Page 155, in the Office of the Richardson County Register of Deeds will be selling the following-described property at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in the lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, on the 14th day of May, 2020, at 10:00 p.m. The property is legally described as follows:

Lot 5 in Block J in Holman Park Addition to the City of Humboldt, Richardson County, Nebraska. DATED: March 25, 2020

By: Samantha K. Scheitel, #26389 Attorney for Frontier Bank For: Weaver & Merz Law Office 1719 Stone St. Falls City, NE 68355 402) 245-3015 1-8-15-22-29

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA NOTICE

Estate of George William Schock, Deceased. Estate No. PR18-25 Notice is hereby given that the Personal Representative has filed a Final Report and accounting of her administration, a Formal Petition for Complete Settlement for formal probate of will of said deceased, for determination of heirship, and for the setting and approving of Personal Representative's fees and attorney's fees, which have been set for hearing in the Richardson County, Nebraska Court on April 15, 2020 at 10:20 a.m.

Nancy A. DeKlotz Clerk of the County Court Richard L. Halbert, #12809 Michael R. Dunn, #16825 Christopher C. Halbert, #22609 Holbert, Dawn M. Halbert, L.L.C. 111 East 17th Street Post Office Box 447 Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447 Phone: (402) 245-4486 25-1-8

District #70

Public Meeting Notice

Board of Education District #70 Notice is hereby given that a regular board meeting of the Board of Education of the Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer School District #70 will be held at 7:00 PM on Monday, April 13, 2020 in the Commons Area in Humboldt, which meeting will be open to the public. The purpose of such meeting is to do regular business. A current agenda is available at the Superintendent's Office.

Neal Kanel, Board President

District #56

Agenda for the Board of Education Meeting

7:00 PM, Monday, April 13, 2020 at the Central Office at Falls City Middle School The agenda sequence is provided as a courtesy. The board desires the right to consider items in the sequence it deems appropriate. Therefore, we encourage patrons to attend the meeting from the beginning.

- 1.0 Business Items: 1.1 Roll Call, Open Meetings Act Notice, and Pledge of Allegiance 1.2 Approval of Absences 1.3 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 Showcase: 2.2 Principal's Reports: 2.3 Board President's Report: 2.4 Superintendent's Report: 2.5 Board Committee/Member Reports: 3.0 Old/New Action Items: 3.1 Final Reading on Policy Reviews and Revision: 3.2 Teacher Resignation 3.3 Teacher Employment Contract 3.4 Resolution to Authorize Line of Credit 3.5 Graduation Resolution 3.6 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 May 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM, 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 TBD.

County Commissioners

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 24, 2020 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. Roll call was answered by Frank, Caverzagie and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Frank. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2020 meeting on the road. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the Board of Equalization minutes from March 10, 2020 as presented. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

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

COURTHOUSE HOURS

Motion was made by Sichel effective at 5:00 p.m. today, March 24, 2020, to suspend the public access at the Richardson County Courthouse due to the COVID-19 until further notice and to post on all entrances telephone numbers for each office for the public to contact the office in need to perform their business over the phone if possible, also on the County's website address for persons to access in which most business within the Courthouse can be conducted through and if not to schedule an appointment to perform such business that is otherwise not available through any other source with that office. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

ONE & SIX YEAR ROAD PLAN

Chairman Sichel presented the report of publication and declared that a public hearing be opened at 9:30 a.m. to receive comment from the public regarding the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Comments requested information on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan and inquired on the condition of W 14th Street and informed the Board that the biggest problem on the road is that property owners divert water out onto the road. Mr. Darveau stated that the department intends to clean the ditches and build the curb back up. No one came from the public appearing.

Chairman Sichel stated that a public hearing be opened at 9:35 a.m. in the lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse. Resolution #20 ADPT 1 & 6 YEAR ROAD PLAN

Motion was made by Frank to approve the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan as presented by Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, and adopt Resolution 2019-2020-42. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 25, Page 54)

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this week. He presented to the Board an application to operate an oversized or overweight vehicle or load on a county road (641 Avenue) from Barnhart Crane & Rigging. Mr. Darveau reported to the Board that he recommends approval of the application request but must make conditions with the approval that the Road Department will give notice when the access to the road can be had due to the current road conditions. Motion was made by Sichel to approve the application submitted by Barnhart Crane & Rigging for permit to operate an oversized or overweight vehicle or load on a county road only with the notice of approval to the Hwy Dept when road conditions will allow.

Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Frank reported some road condition concerns to the Board. Mr. Darveau also reported that road hauling is being done along with bridge construction work. Informal queries for the public were received from Harmon's OK Tire and Koch's Auto Service with tires being purchased from both businesses.

BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director presented to the Board and requested that the Board consider declaring an emergency disaster due to the recent economic impact of the Coronavirus 19 pandemic outbreak.

Motion was made by Sichel that Richardson County, with the inclusion of all cities, villages, businesses, schools and communities within has a great potential of suffering from county-wide damages resulting from the COVID-19/Corona Virus (event) to declare a state of emergency authorized under Nebraska State Statute R.R.S. 81-829-20 disaster declaration. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 25, Page 55)

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

The Board met with Sheriff Hardesty and Roland Merwin to discuss the Sheriff's intent to review the business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. Discussion was held on the current status of the building due to COVID-19 and how law enforcement was proceeding with handling calls that involved personal contact and also stated that personal protective equipment has been ordered for staff to utilize if needed. Information was also given to the Board regarding a grant program available through Homeland Security for the hiring of officers, supplies and equipment. The Board briefly discussed offering a hiring bonus to attract Nebraska certified law enforcement officers and will place this matter on the next meeting agenda for further review and consideration.

Sheriff Hardesty also informed the Board that he has been in contact with the City of Falls City Police Chief and approval has been given that if the need arises within the time of this emergency if the COVID-19 virus that the Sheriff would be allowed to deputize additional city officers to assist with the County law enforcement department.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Sichel to go into an executive session at 10:30 a.m. with Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Sheriff, Roland Merwin to discuss personnel matters and the protection and reputation of an individual. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sichel to close the executive session at 10:50 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

RECESS

The Board recessed at 11:25 a.m. The Board reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

NAPFA/AFSCME

The Board met with Justin Hubby, Executive Director of the NE Association of Public Employees/AFSCME Local 61 and members of the Road and Bridge Department Union, Bryan Detmann, Dusty Metzger and Janice Cooney. Presented to the Board were proposed group rules for negotiations between the Union and the County and an initial contract proposal. The group plans to meet with the County Board at their next regular scheduled meeting, Tuesday, April 7.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Motion was made by Sichel to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-43 to cancel a check issued in error. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Sichel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 25, Page 56)

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sichel to allow the payment of all claims submitted today. Motion carried.

tion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. (The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

Table with columns: GENERAL FUND, Agency Name, Amount. Includes Aetna, ins. 51757.87, Ankrum, Jami, reimb. 326.60, Barck-Young, Amanda, reimb. 155.30, Bennett, Pam, serv. 200.00, Capital Business Systems, serv. 139.50, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins. 1094.44, Mercer, Steven, serv. 5666.60, Midwest Special Services, serv. 315.00, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Black Hills Energy, serv. 52.49, Falls City Truck & Trailer, serv. 42.98, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Hamm Inc., rock 55,811.41, Hwy Equipment, serv. 628.99, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Veteran's Aid Fund, 1000.00, TOTAL VETERAN'S AID FUND, 51,000.00, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Inheritance Tax Fund, 149,000.00, TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND, 5143,694.00, etc.

Table with columns: Agency Name, Amount. Includes Total Inheritance Tax Fund, 5143,694.00, etc.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHARED MEDIA REPORT

On March 6, 2020 at 7:12 PM Richardson County Deputies conducted a traffic stop at 3rd and Bayless St in Rulo. At 7:25 pm deputies arrested 28 year old Dillon M. Lotter of Falls City, NE for driving under suspension. Lotter was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

On March 15, 2020 at 5:08 PM, 39 year-old Mitchell L. Jazbec was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a warrant for a court commitment.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT FROM SOCIAL MEDIA



On March 20, 2020, 39 year old Tommy Morlan of David City, NE, was booked into the Richardson County Jail on a Court Commitment.



On March 30, 2020, The Richardson County Sheriff's Office received Cole Ramer, 30, of Shubert, into the Richardson County Jail on a court commitment.



On April 3, 2020, Richardson County Deputies arrested 21 year old Hezekiah Santana of Falls City, on two Nemaha County warrants. Santana was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

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Gary Jorn, City Clerk 14

NOTICE

The City of Falls City Police Department is currently seeking a part-time radio dispatcher with a competitive starting wage and paid training. Applications will be received at the office of the City Clerk, at 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska until 4:00 P.M. on April 17, 2020. The Job description and qualifications for the position are available at the office of the City Clerk. The City of Falls City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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WANTED

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MISC.

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LOCAL CLOSINGS, HOUR CHANGES AND INFORMATIONAL NOTICES (COVID-19)

Thank you to these local businesses for supporting the Falls City Journal. Please patronize these local businesses at this difficult time.



1324 Harlan St., Falls City
LOBBY CLOSED
10:30 AM - 9:00 PM
DRIVE THRU ONLY



NO WALK-IN MORNING CLINIC!
Patients must schedule an appointment. Well patients will be scheduled for the morning and sick patients will be scheduled for the afternoon. Walk in lab times will be 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. ONLY. NO AFTERNOON LAB.
Telehealth services are available by calling the office.
FALLS CITY FAMILY PRACTICE, P.C.
1423 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355
(402) 245-3232

To Our Valued Dollar General Customers
In response to recent events concerning COVID-19:
Stores will close 1 hour early starting Tuesday, March 17.
Senior citizens and those at-risk will have priority shopping the first open hour.
Paper products, Hand Sanitizer and Wipes suggested limit to 3 per customer.
DOLLAR GENERAL

Dr. Terry Malcolm
1910 Chase St., Falls City
402-245-4636
We will remain open and operate according to the guidelines & recommendations set forth by the CDC and the American and Nebraska Dental Association. We will be in the office M-F, 9am to noon for emergency patients only. Our lobby is closed, please call the office.

MUTT & JEFF'S DRIVE-IN
In order to benefit both our customers and our business, we have decided to offer FREE DELIVERY to the at-risk population or those without transportation in our area. This isn't something we normally offer, but we are wanting to help those who are quarantining or do not have access to other food options. Please be mindful of whether or not this service is a necessity for you. You can call 402-245-5100 for call-in or delivery. We are only accepting cash or check at this time.



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Currently we are taking appointments. Our hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. M-F. Please call 402-245-2828 to verify hours as they could change day to day. We would be happy to pick up and deliver your vehicle back to you if necessary. Thank you for your continued support.

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Open for business as usual
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Falls City, NE 68355
Phone: (402) 245-4946




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OUR LOBBY IS CLOSED.
PLEASE USE THE DRIVE-THRU

Falls City Nursing & Rehab
1720 Burton Dr., Falls City
We're taking the proper precautions and not accepting visitors at this time. But, we are making sure that our residents are having a good time and doing very well communicating with their family via Skype. If you have any questions you can call or e-mail Lesa at: 245-4466 or lduryea@ensignservices.net

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For the time being, Dr. McPeak will follow the CDC recommendations and will not see patients for routine eye exams. The Dr. will not be open at either office for walk-in issues. If you have a concern about your vision or eye health, call the Dr. at home at 785-742-2969 or the office at 402-245-2019

Mr. Automotive
1801 Chase St.,
Falls City, NE 68355
(402) 245-2474
We are open for business!



"HANGING CLOTHES OUT TO DRY"
April 7, 1945
Just to show you how cover artists work, we asked John Falter to send us one of his early sketches for this week's cover, a painting made on the farm of Mr. Falter's next-door neighbor. Mr. Falter swears the ducks remained seated while he was painting and, when he was through, walked away in a body.
ADOPTED BY NORM AND SHARON HONEA HORN
JOHN PHILIP FALTER MUSEUM



Community Medical Center CURRENT proactive measures to help stop the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

- Current hospital visitations are limited to 1 healthy immediate family member or caregiver per day. No one under age 18 or anyone ill or with respiratory symptoms will be permitted unless receiving medical care. Visiting hours: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- We are screening patients prior to hospital or clinic services.
- We are postponing various non-urgent services to preserve capacity.
- We are no longer able to serve visitor meals, except for those with inpatients.
- We are working closely with local, state and federal officials and agencies.
- Questions?
Visit the CDC website or call CMC, 402-245-2428 or Family Medicine Clinic, 402-245-4475 or the DHHS COVID information line at - 402-552-6645.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during these ever changing times. Your health and safety are our greatest concern.

FALLS CITY CARE CENTER
It's critical we take every precaution possible during the COVID-19 outbreak to prevent the virus from entering our center. Protecting our residents' health and safety is our top priority! **We have no confirmed or suspected cases of the COVID-19 at this time.**
WE ARE CURRENTLY:
Restricting ALL visitation to emergency only situations; All vendors restricted from entering our facility - all deliveries are made at the back door; Limited to essential staff - all screened for temps & symptoms prior to reporting to work area; All residents monitored for temps & symptoms routinely; All resident non-emergent appointments & resident outings on hold; All communal dining have been discontinued; All group activities have been discontinued; All out of room activity requires social distancing.
We are offering virtual communication for our residents with their loved ones through FaceTime, Skype, Google Duo & Messenger - please give us a call to set up a visit 402.245.5252

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Falls City
We are open!

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