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SECOND CASE OF COVID-19 CONFIRMED IN RICHARDSON COUNTY

Richardson County has confirmed it's second case of COVID-19. The person has been identified as a male in his 30's.

All identified close contacts will be asked to self-quarantine. Individuals with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should self-isolate to avoid transmitting the virus to others.

The Southeast District Health Department reported last week that they had completed their investigation and identified all the close contacts to the first confirmed case in Richardson County who were deemed to be at high risk of exposure. All close contacts were asked to monitor symptoms and self-quarantine.

As of May 24, 2020, the total cumulative confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the district was 16; Richardson, two; Johnson, six; Nemaha, two; Otoe, six; and Pawnee, zero.

The Southeast District Health Department reports test results as they become available and will continue to report county totals to most accurately reflect current cumulative case numbers in the district.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO COURTHOUSE SUSPENDED THROUGH JUNE 1

By: *Charlie Radatz*

During the Tues., May 19, meeting of the Richardson County Commissioners, a motion was made by Board Chairman David Sickel to continue the suspension of public access to the Richardson County Courthouse due to the COVID-19 until June 1, 2020, when it will be opened at 8:00 a.m. for regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frank and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Following the report of Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent, on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges, a motion was made by Commissioner Caverzagie to authorize the Highway Superintendent to advertise for sale at a June 24 on-line auction the following items which have been deemed to be surplus property of the County. Offered for sale will be a 1983 Int'l Dump Truck; a 1967 Mack Truck Tractor, a 1990 Ford Flatbed truck; 2-1988 Tripsen Trailers; a 1983 Eager Beaver Chipper; a Ferguson Pneumatic RollerDT; a 2004 Chevrolet 3500 pickup; a 1986 International truck; a 2003 Chevrolet 3500 truck; a 1991

Linkbelt Rough Terrain Crane 8028; an Ingersoll Rand Roller; a 2009 Construction Trailer; 6 used fuel tanks and a multi-plate culvert. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frank and was approved by a 3-0 roll call vote.

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business at the Law Enforcement Center. The Board postponed its quarterly jail inspection due to the current pandemic conditions with COVID-19.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to authorize the Sheriff to sign an updated agreement with Community Medical Center to provide healthcare services to the inmates of the Richardson County Jail effective July 1, 2020, at an annual cost of \$22,000.00 to be paid monthly. The motion was seconded by

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FC REC MAKES DECISION TO CANCEL ALL 2020 LEAGUES THEY SPONSOR

After careful deliberation, the Falls City Recreation Board has decided to cancel all leagues sponsored by Falls City Recreation; small girls, Cookies, Pee wees, Jr. girls, and Traveling 14's, due to a lack of interest in coaching and liability concerns surrounding the COVID-19 crisis.

The FC Rec. reached only a quarter of their desired amount of coaches for this upcoming season making it very difficult for everyone involved to meet the guidelines set forth by Governor Ricketts and ensure the safety of the players, coaches, and supporters.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES MAY HAVE BEEN CANCELED BUT WE STILL REMEMBER AND HONOR THOSE WHO SACRIFICED THEIR ALL

Every year Memorial Day services are held at Rulo Cemetery and Steele Cemetery in Falls City. The Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard sponsors the two programs held annually. Honored speakers pay respect to the fallen, prayers are given, and Gold Star Mothers are saluted. Crosses are placed for the Revolutionary War, Civil War, Spanish-American War, Civil War, World War I, World War II, Korean Conflict, Vietnam War, Desert Storm, Disabled American Veterans, and American Red Cross. Some years the services are rained out in some parts of the country, but this year due to COVID-19, most Memorial Day services around the country have been canceled or will be held virtually. The ongoing pandemic has caused many issues with so many things we have come to take for granted, like taking a few moments out of our day once a year to honor those who sacri-

ficed their all. Though the services won't be held in person, that doesn't mean that our fallen heroes were forgotten on Memorial Day.

In 2011 Mark Jones, a retired lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army Reserves with 27 years of service, spoke at the Memorial Day program at the Rulo Cemetery. "Here's what I think today should be," Jones emphasized. "I think those we honor today want us to enjoy those freedoms they died for. I think they feel honored by our presence here today, and thousands of other such services held across this country that they would want to be remembered for their sacrifices and those of their families. And that we should spend this day our country has given us without burden to spend with families and friends doing what we enjoy. Least we not forget where these privileges came from."

"To me," said Lt. Col. Jones, "it's a time to honor those who gave everything. Time to remember those we knew and those before us. And it's a time to celebrate. Celebrate our freedom and liberty that was and is provided at such a high price."

In 2012 Rulo, guest speaker, the late Ken Simpson, Air Force Veteran, spoke at Rulo Cemetery. "It's never over. Missions may end, but the legacies left, and the pain of their absence endure. Remembering our fallen once a year is not enough. The widows, widowers, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, and children remember every single day. But there are also people who can enjoy time with their families because of the sacrifices that others have made. From the American Revolution to the Global War on Terror, one million American men and women have made

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COUNCIL APPROVES \$150,000 TIF FOR \$980,000 FALLS CITY MERCANTILE EXPANSION

By *Charlie Radatz*
During its May 18 meeting, the Falls City Council voted 6-0 (with council members Kaylie Ratcliffe and Jim Wisdom absent) to expand the southern portion of the city's redevelopment area by 0.2 acres as recommended by the Planning Commission and to approve Tax Increment Financing (TIF) of \$150,000 to assist Falls City Mercantile in constructing a \$980,000 addition south of its present offices and dry storage area. Mercantile plans to begin work this summer and complete construction by the end of the year on a 44' by 85' foot building to provide additional freezer and cooler storage area and a

new shipping dock. The addition will increase the taxable valuation of the Mercantile property from the present \$73,185 to \$570,876 producing an additional \$10,100 year in taxes that will be captured by the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) to finance a 15-year TIF bond to fund \$110,000 in public improvements to the property such as site preparation, utilities, the docks, and customer and employee parking. Although site acquisition would have been another TIF eligible expense, the redeveloper, Falls City Mercantile, already owns the property.

During a public meeting that preceded the Council action,

the only comment received was from CRA Attorney Andrew Willis. He explained that while not expected to result in additional employment, the project will assure the company's retention and expand its business. Attorney Willis said the CRA would be reimbursed for its legal expenses and receive an Administrative Fee to finance its ongoing redevelopment efforts.

The Council also voted 6-0 to approve the addition of property acquired by O'Reilly Auto Parts to the North Commercial Corridor Redevelopment Area as recommended by the Planning Commission, and capture by the Community Redevelopment

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When I was a kid, Memorial Day meant one thing, summer. I remember loading up in the car with my sister and parents and visiting the resting places of great-grandparents, great aunts, and uncles. That's all I remember about Memorial Day's of my youth.

My real understanding of Memorial Day came after my grandfather passed away. I knew him as a sweet, happy go lucky, gentleman. He rarely got serious and never spoke about his past in the Military, or at least he never spoke of it to me. I was a teenage girl, and I'm sure he thought I wouldn't care much about his time there. I never thought to ask him about his military past, and I regret that. I didn't know until a few years ago that he had been awarded several medals, one being the Soldier Metal. In 1952 while in Taegu/Daegu, South Korea, he risked his life while on a ration trip. A mother with a baby strapped to her back was leading her little girl across a flooded river. All three of the Korean civilians were swept away by the floodwaters, and my grandpa, 2nd Lt. William Alexander, entered the water and saved all three of them.

My grandfather passed away, and another hero became a large part of my young life. Stories of 1st Lt. Jacob Fritz have been widely shared. Jake was my friend, and if you've read my column in the past, you know how highly I think of 1st Lt. Fritz.

My "military ignorance" came to an end during my senior year of high school (2001) and the months that followed. A passionate history teacher, paired with Jacob's attendance at West Point, opened my eyes to the world of someone in the Military. The fall after my high school graduation, I watched the events of 9/11 unfold in front of my eyes. Things like war, death, and sacrifice were about to become painfully real and the world a lot more difficult.

A few short years after Jacob's death, I started working at The Falls City Journal. I worked for and with a man that needs little explanation, Mr. Bill Schock. Many of us have heard his story. I was finally able to hear much more of it when Lance Schwartz from the 10/11 news conducted an interview with Bill for Lance's Journal. Bill told stories that left us laughing and left us with tears in our eyes. I used to have people come in and say, "Bill is a great man, a true American hero." I agree; he was an amazing man, and being able to work with him was nothing short of amazing. I don't care who you are; Bill could brighten your day with one smile, one anecdote, or one story. Each of these men, as well as the other amazing military men who have been a part of my life, are the patchwork of this country. These men who have fought wars and seen unimaginable horror were some of the most beautiful, kind, and gentle people I've met. I now know the true meaning of Memorial Day. I feel it; I feel the pride, the sorrow, and the sacrifice. It's no longer just the end of the school year and the start of summer.

My friend Jessica is a classic film fan and writes articles for TCM from time to time. She worked for a newspaper on the east coast before starting her career in media relations for a hospital. Jessica would often post articles online about the veterans she interviewed. She loved talking to them and sharing information she would find about our favorite classic stars who also served in the Military. Jess has given me quite an education on what the world was like during the great war.

This year as a family, we sat down and watched *Band of Brothers*. I remember when that mini-series aired in 2001. It started right around 9/11 and was so emotional at the time because there was talk of going to war at that time. Watching it all the way through again the other night, it's even more emotional than it was the first time I watched it. When you've met people who suffered in camps, fought for our freedom and lost loved ones in the war-these films hit you so much harder in the heart than they did before.

Each year, I think of those I have been blessed to know in my short life who impacted the world with their service. I will speak about them and visit them. I'll forever honor those who gave us our freedom. I'll tell my son the sacrifices so many made, and like we do each Memorial Day, we'll finish our night with one of the most heartfelt military films of all time *The Best Years of Our Lives*. We do this because we can, because we have our freedom, thanks to the wonderful men and women in the Military.



NEXT LEGISLATURE COULD FEATURE BROTHER — SISTER ACT

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

When the 107th Legislature convenes next January, Nebraskans could see the first brother — sister act from the same family that gave us a father — daughter act, the Cavanaugh's of Omaha.

Machaela Cavanaugh, elected to represent Omaha's District 6 in 2018, could be joined by her brother John Cavanaugh if he wins the District 9 seat, which is being vacated by Sara Howard. Howard had succeeded her mother, Gwen, but has been term-limited.

Machaela and John are the children of John J. Cavanaugh III who served in the Nebraska Unicameral from 1972-1976 and then served one term in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1977-1981. He returned to Omaha and resumed his law practice. The younger Cavanaugh finished first in the May 12 primary ahead of Omaha School Board President Marquee Snow by a reported vote of 3,459 to 2,896. The top two candidates in legislative races advance to the November election.

Several term-limited incumbents are back in the race as well. Mike Flood of Norfolk, who served from 2005-2013 and was Speaker from 07-13, is running unopposed in District 19 where current Speaker Jim Scheer steps down after being term-limited.

In Omaha's District 31, incumbent Rich Pahls, who served with Flood from 2005 to 2013 and is now an Omaha City Councilman, garnered 3,638 votes in his race against Millard West High School social studies teacher Tim Royers, a former Nebraska Teacher of the Year, who had 3,335 votes.

Incumbent Dan Quick of Grand Island had 3,995 votes to 2,391 for challenger Ray Aguilar, a term-limited former state senator who was appointed in 1999 and re-elected twice and served through 2008. At the time, Aguilar was the first Latino state senator.

Former Omaha City Council member Fred Conley bested a field of seven for the District 11 seat being vacated again (term-limited twice) by veteran lawmaker Ernie Chambers. Conley, who had 1,282 votes, will be challenged by Terrell McKinney, a wrestling coach at Omaha North Magnet High School who had 663 votes for second place.

In District 23, incumbent Bruce Bostelman had 5,674 votes to top challenger Helen Raikes of Ashland with 3,408. Raikes is the widow of the late Sen. Ron Raikes who served Legislative District 25 from 1997-2009. He died in a farm accident near Ashland in 2009. Bostelman was backed in his last election by Governor Pete Ricketts who promoted his candidacy and several others to defeat Republican incumbents who had voted against Ricketts on several ma-

for issues.

Among others was Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon in District 43, the first Native American elected to the Legislature. He garnered 8,027 votes in his race against challenger Tanya Storer of Whitman who had 5,093 votes and the endorsement of former Governor Kay Orr.

In District 1, Ricketts' appointee Julie Slama of Peru had 6,497 votes to 2,232 for Janet Palmtag of Syracuse. Both women are Republicans but an out-of-state funded campaign against Palmtag claimed the Southeast Nebraska resident had cast her lot with political interests in Lincoln. Shame on her, right Governor Deep Pockets?

Ricketts' appointee Andrew La Grone of Gretna came in second in District 49 voting to businesswoman and University of Nebraska-Omaha political science graduate Jen Day. She garnered 5,404 votes against La Grone's 4,774. He was appointed to fill the vacancy created when former Sen. John Murante was elected State Treasurer.

With Ricketts' money in play and Republicans circling the wagons already, the November legislative races are worth watching.

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

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD

THEME: ARMY AND NAVY

ACROSS

- Smoothing tool
- Broadband access overseeing org.
- Attorneys' org.
- Length times width
- Lined up single ____
- Lump of stuff
- Carpet attribute
- Cut the crop
- Lingo
- Entire ship's company
- Toothy wheel
- Gives a helping hand
- They're from mars?
- Language family, includes Turkic and Mongolian
- Indian spice mix, pl.
- Bachelor's last words
- Baby Ruth component
- One of the Earnhards
- She goes by Lo?
- Acton's grp.
- Mister in Madrid
- Colossal
- With no effort
- American cuckoo
- Leave hastily, two words
- Commissioned officer of the lowest rank
- ____ drink, and be merry"
- Omaha ____
- Baby whale
- It's a wall to a civilian
- Hands, to #12 Down
- Check out
- Cambodian money
- Welcoming sign
- Went down slippery slope
- Date of Allied landing
- Opposite of stern
- For "a jolly good..."
- Dried-up

DOWN

- Grammy category
- Div'a solo
- Unload
- Saffron-flavored rice dish
- Evil one
- Wears
- Porcini mushrooms
- Aquarium scum
- Uncouth one
- Address abbreviation
- Spanish dictator, 1939-1975
- Throwing weapon
- Ice, dark, and middle, e.g.
- Pittsburgh Steelers' ____ Field
- Dojo turf
- Was sick
- Parkinson's disease drug
- African antelope, pl.
- Gaspard, Balharshar and Melchior
- Veranda in Honolulu
- "____ came a spider..."
- European finch
- "Excellent in all we do" org.
- None left when on E
- ____ formation, or on diagonal
- Make synchronous
- Credit card payment alternative, acr.
- What Deep Throat did
- Stumblebums
- Type of shards
- "Announcement device
- Island off Manhattan
- Head of family
- All over again
- Silly talk or writing
- ____-de-camp
- Letter opening
- Flash dancers
- NaOH

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50 Years Ago - May 27, 1970 to June 2, 1970
 H.R. (Andy) Anderson, director of community affairs for the VFW was the Memorial Day Speaker for services at Steele cemetery.
 Gayle Swisegood was manager of the Falls City swimming pool at City Park.

Former Falls Cityan, Henry Horn, Jr., a crew member of a merchant ship supplying mainly food to soldiers fighting in Vietnam, spoke to the Falls City Rotary Club.

Sacred Heart Commencement speaker, the Rev. Barnabas Senecal, stressed the importance of building a Christian community.
 C.R. James and the Belmont Casket Co. were described in Business in Nebraska as examples of the creative business acumen and resilience of Nebraskans.

An executive from the state soil and water conservation described Southeast Nebraska as a "Land of Gracious Living" that needed to awaken to its recreation potential.

The Missouri Pacific Railroad received an order from the Kansas corporation commission requiring it to maintain railroad depot service at Reserve, Everest, and Lancaster, KS.

Falls City High School announced that it would have two valedictorians, Cheryl Miles and Robert Jones, both of whom finished high school with a grade point average of 95.50.

Fieldmen from the Nebraska Tax Commissioner's office inspected land in Ohio, Arago, and Barada townships where property owners felt new assessed values were out of line.

Lee Huebner was awarded a B.S. in education from Concordia Teachers College.

The Southeast Nebraska Action Council received a \$57,000 federal grant to provide food and medical and dental care to low income families.

A \$2,500 grant funded an educational program on mental health needs and available services.

John Huber was circulating petitions to become a third candidate for First District Commissioner. Republican Elias M. Bachman and Democrat Howard Simmonds were already in the running.

Kathy Nixon was chosen as queen of the 16th annual Salem Horse Show.
 The Falls City Legion baseball team advanced to the championship game of the Hamburg, IA Baseball Tournament by defeating Maryville VFW 6-3.

Patricia Bindrum received the R.D. Moore dramatics award at Peru State College.

The 10th annual flower show at Humboldt City Auditorium attracted 258 entries.

Ninety Falls City High seniors received diplomas.
 The Rev. Karl H. Konig of Pender became pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20th and Towle.

Cecil Hatfield and John Hinz won a Country Club best ball tournament with a 72.

A record 11.08 inches of rain fell in May compared to the average of 4.39 inches.

The Chamber was studying the feasibility of developing a city industrial park.

Lions Club President Will Groothuis obtained a German Shepherd dog from Don Harmon for donation to the "Leader Dogs for the Blind".

The Chamber of Commerce began awarding trophies to farmers producing record corn and soybean crops.

Rulo Mayor Paul Fredrick was seeking legal advice on how to determine a winner after two write-in candidates for city clerk tied with nine votes each.

Dr. Richard Gentry was re-elected president of the District 56 Board of Education.

25 Years Ago - May 25, 1995 to June 2, 1995
 Journal publisher Bill Schock, a World War II pilot and POW, was the speaker at Steele Cemetery on Memorial Day.

Falls City High seniors receiving scholarships included Jill Bachman and Regina Hussenoeder, \$300 Gov. A.J. Weaver Scholarships; Danitra Dill, a \$150 Educational Foundation Scholarship; Erin Rhoad, a \$200 R.W. Sympton Scholarship, and Kara Bachman, a \$100 John S. Boswell Scholarship.

Richard Hall retired after over 50 years in the automotive repair business.

Falls City Legion's clean-up hitter Wes Haveman had a grand slam, a three run home, and a solo shot driving in eight runs in an 18-0 whipping of Crete. Darcy Zimmerman and Haveman combined for five innings of no hit baseball.

Stan Witt, Morrill, KS received the Kansas Basketball Official of the Year Award.

Falls City FFA members built garden planters for use by Midland Villa Nursing Home patients.

Ninety-two persons attended the 25th annual reunion of the Stella School. Partners in Education presented an Apple Award to its Volunteer of the Year Gary Rowell.

Darcy Zimmerman went the distance in the Falls City Legion team's home opener against Auburn striking out 15 and allowing just two hits in a 16-7 victory.

Ed Pokorny was recognized for his 43 years of "meritorious service" as a member of the State Patrol and an investigator for the Nebraska Liquor Commission.

Falls City Middle School Art Teacher Gayle Weinert was honored as "Teacher of the Quarter" for the fourth quarter, Science Teacher Tom Weinert as "Teacher of the Quarter" for the third quarter, and School Secretary Vicki Martineau as Classified Person of the Year.

Middle School Students of the Month for May were Amanda Bartek, 8th grade; Valerie Kennedy, 7th grade; and Andy Dunn, 6th grade.

15 Years Ago - May 25, 2005 to June 2, 2005
 The Falls City Swimming Pool was about to open with Roger Lampe as pool manager.

Falls City American Legion Junior pitcher Jake Bartek tossed a four inning one-hitter, striking out 11, to help the locals claim a 16-1 season opening victory over Doniphan County.

Honored as Journal Athletes of the Week were state track qualifiers Alissa Gyhra of Falls City High, Seth Zentner of Southeast, and Emma Kelly, Michael Olberding and Josh Choate of Sacred Heart.

There were more than 200 entries in the annual Richardson County Spring Flower Show.

Marvin Scheitel was presented a utility meter plaque recognizing his 14 years of service as a member of the Falls City Utility Board.

Memorial Day program speakers were Ken Simpson at Steele Cemetery and Keith Richey at the Rulo Cemetery.

The BPW awarded its annual scholarship to Whitney Thomas.

Peru State softball players Anna Tennial and Kristi Buhman were named NAAIA Softball All-America Scholar Athletes.

Southeast Consolidated 8th grader Megan Joy earned a position on the Iowa Wrangler Junior High rodeo team.

The Falls City Travelers 12-and-Under Team was 10-0 on the season.

Bob and Amy (Kelley) Fish shot an eight-under par 62 to win the annual Falls City Country Club Memorial Day Couple's Scramble.

The team of 1994-2004 Falls City High Alumni won the annual Alumni Volleyball Tournament.

Public access to Courthouse suspended through June 1

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 Sickle and approved by a 3-0 vote.

During the Sheriff's report, a motion was made by Commissioner Frank to approve the purchase of the new radio equipment based upon a quote received from First Wireless, Inc. for the purchase of radio

equipment which was quoted from contract #32517 with Nebraska State Administrative Services for the total purchase price of \$182,050.00 and to authorize the finance of the purchase through the Nebraska Association of County Officials Leasing program. The motion was seconded by Caverzagie and approved 3-0. The new radio system will allow the Sheriff's Department to become part of the planned statewide radio system with Regional 911 Dispatch for Southeast Nebraska.

A motion was made by Commissioner Caverzagie to recess the regular meeting agenda and go into an executive session at 10:45 a.m. to discuss personnel matters and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if the individual has not requested a public meeting. The motion was seconded by Sickle and approved 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sickle to close the executive session at 11:05 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. That motion was seconded by Caverzagie and approved on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Caverzagie to approve the hiring of a previous employee as a jailer. The motion was seconded by Sickle and approved by a 3-0 roll call vote.

County Assessor Pam Vice presented to the Board information regarding the recommended procedures for conducting the 2020 meetings of the County Board of Equalization for property valuation protest hearings. No action was required.

John Day updated the Board on the substance abuse services

provided in Richardson County. A request was also made for the County to continue its financial support of the program in the amount of \$8,000 for the fiscal year July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021. The Board will consider this funding request when the budget is being finalized.

Mark Joy, President of Humboldt Shares, Inc., presented the quarterly financial report of his organization in letter form.

Chairman Sickle asked if there was anyone from the public that wanted to make comments at this time, but no one from the public responded.

A motion was made by Chairman Sickle to approve a subdivision for Sidney L. and Donna D. Lockard located in S6, T3, R16, and to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-46. Motion seconded by Frank. A 3-0 vote approved the subdivision.

A motion was made by Chairman Sickle to approve the renewal of the current employee health insurance with Aetna for the policy period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, at the same rate as the prior year. The motion was seconded by Frank and approved 3-0.

A report was approved for fees collected by Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk, during April 2020, totaling \$206.00.

A purchase order was approved for the Emergency Management Agency for a 14' conference table and 12 nesting chairs in the amount of \$4,075.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. after Commissioners voted to allow the payment of all claims submitted prior to the meeting. The next meeting of the Commissioners will be Tues. June 9, at 9 a.m.

Council approves \$150,000 TIF for \$980,000 FC Merc. expansion

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Authority of over 15 years the additional \$110,000 in real estate taxes anticipated to be produced by that \$570,000 development. CRA Attorney Willis was again the only individual to address the Council during a public hearing on the proposal. Attorney Willis said O'Reilly would not benefit directly from the TIF, but the additional taxes collected would fund a \$100,000 TIF bond to finance infrastructure improvements to the North Commercial Corridor Redevelopment Area.

Unanimous approval was given to a recommendation from the Board of Public Works of purchase of a Contraflo clarifier for \$250,150 from Envirodyne Systems, Inc. It will replace the worn-out clarifier at the Rulo water treatment plant that removes sediment in water from the city's wells that are treated at the plant before it enters the city's water distribution system, a system that supplies not only water to Falls City but rural areas and several neighboring communities.

The Council approved a request from Becky Wissman for permission to block off a portion of Stone Street near her home at 903 Stone Street for a block party in celebration of her daughter's high school graduation, a party she planned to have at Candlelight Cabin closed at this time in compliance to the Governor's COVID-19 health safety recommendations. Plans to have a band to perform on a flatbed truck will be subject to city policies on hours of operation.

The Council approved a contract with MIT Construction for \$14,995 for new soffits, fascia, and downspouts financed under a federally funded owner/occupied housing rehabilitation program administered by Southeast Nebraska Development District. City Administrator Gary Jorn said he anticipated applications to be received for additional such projects based on phone calls received by the city office.

The Council also approved a request by Donna Arnold for the subordination of an SNDD loan required by a lender refinancing her residence at 1811 Abbott Street, Falls City.

ACCIDENTS

On May 18, 2020, according to Police accident reports, Marcus Heller, of Falls City, was backing east out of his private driveway. Rachel Froeschl, of Falls City was southbound on Schoenheit St. Froeschl said she saw Heller backing out of the driveway and proceeded south because she thought the other vehicle saw her approaching. Heller said he did not see a vehicle coming, so he proceeded out of his driveway. Froeschl struck the rear of Heller's vehicle as it was exiting the driveway. Approximately \$5,000 in damage was done to the Heller vehicle; approximately \$2,500 in damage was done to the Froeschl vehicle. Heller was issued a citation.

On May 14, 2020 according to Police accident reports, Elaine Craig of Falls City was parked in the Sun Mart parking lot facing northeast. Sarah Lunsford, of Falls City was parked facing northeast next to Craig. Lunsford began backing out to head south in the parking lot. Lunsford struck Craig's vehicle. Lunsford fled the scene. Craig was sitting in the vehicle at the time of collision. No damage was done to the Lunsford vehicle; an estimated \$750 was done to the Craig vehicle. Lunsford was issued a citation.

Brewer inducted into UNL's prestigious Mortar Board

Sydney Brewer, daughter of Mark and Becky Brewer of Falls City, was inducted into the prestigious Mortar Board senior honor society at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Brewer is a fisheries and wildlife major with a minor in environmental studies. She serves as an executive vice president of Panhellenic Council, an executive member of The Big Event, the philanthropy chair for Phi Mu, a leadership mentor for NHRI Leadership Mentoring, a staff member for Dance Marathon, and an ambassador for the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Sydney is a member of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Dean's List, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Honor Society, Order of Omega Honor Society, and the Delta Gamma Sigma Honor Society.



honor society on the university campus. Today's university chapter began in 1905 when the Secret Order of the Black Masque was organized on the University of Nebraska campus. The society affiliated with the national Mortar Board on October 20, 2020.

The 28 new members were selected based on outstanding scholarship, leadership, and service to the university and community.

The purpose of this honor society is to facilitate cooperation among honor societies, to contribute to the self-awareness of members, to promote equal opportunities among all people, to emphasize the advancement of the status of women, to support the ideals of the university, to advance the spirit of scholarship, to recognize and encourage leadership, to provide service to the university and community, and to establish opportunities for a meaningful exchange of ideas as individuals and as a group.

Frey awarded Regents Scholarship and Walter Scott Jr. Scholarship at UNO

Kaitlyn Frey, of Dawson, has been awarded the Regents Scholarship and the Walter Scott Jr. Scholarship at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.



She is the daughter of Cory and Jaime Frey, granddaughter of Greg and LouAnn Iliff and Linda and Harlan Frey, Jr.

The Regents scholarship covers undergraduate tuition and is renewable for five years. The Walter Scott Jr. Scholarship is the most prestigious scholarship extended by the University of Nebraska system. The scholarship provides complete funding for all college expenses that includes room and board, books, meal plan, technology package, all fees, and whole-person learning opportunities.

The Scott Scholars program is designed to engage and enrich the educational experience and prepare students to excel as STEM leaders in their communities and professions. Students will also receive a Stanford School Design Thinking Certification, Harvard Stress Management and Resiliency Training Certification, complete community impact projects, and will participate in research and internship opportunities.

The Walter Scott Jr. Program was established in 1997 by the Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation to challenge high-achieving Engineering students to develop their technical, creative, and leadership skills.

Approximately 35 high school students are selected each year from across Nebraska. Students must have a minimum ACT score of 30 and either rank in the top 25 percent of their graduating class or have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. Kaitlyn is a recent graduate of the HTRS class of 2020.



Superintendent's District Update

By Tim Heckenlively

FCPS COVID-19 Update and Priorities Focus on Taking Care of Our Employees; Taking Care of Kids and Their Academics; The School District 56 Continuity of Learning Plan continues through the school closure in order to do our part to limit COVID-19 from spreading across our community.

During FCPS's closure the schools have provided enrichment activities for our students utilizing students email accounts, Google Classroom, websites, and pencil and paper packets. As we strive to continue educational opportunities for our students during the closure, teachers have thoughtfully put together learning opportunities for all students. The learning opportunities focus on core subject areas such as math, science, ELA, and social studies, as well as including material from non-core classes. All lessons and activities are designed to keep students engaged in their own learning throughout the closure. We as a school and community have all learned a tremendous lesson since March 17 when we were required to close our schools to children - there is no substitute to genuine face-to-face teacher instruction and daily, personal engagement.

With the month of May now upon us the last week of enrichment activities, the continuity of learning plans, and collecting student work/projects/assignments/etc. will be May 11-15 for grades PreK-11. Student equipment, devices and materials check in/out will be the week of May 18-22 for preK-11.

Graduating Senior Check-out conducted under guidance from the Southeast Nebraska District Health Director Authority - FCPS seniors and immediate family members participated in a special social distancing check out opportunity on May 5, 6, and 9 to wrap up their formal education at Falls City High School. Each graduating senior was scheduled for an individual time to complete the check out process and have a picture taken in their cap and gown, a picture with their parents, and a picture with Mr. Heckenlively and Mr. Dunkhas. Diplomas will be distributed at a later date. The school district is tentatively planning a more traditional graduation ceremony for August 1st and will be releasing more information and guidance as it becomes available from state health officials.

Grab and Go Meal Program Continues into the Summer - FCPS will be continuing to provide lunch through the summer break to students. This will be a lunch only program starting on June 1 and will run through July 30. Lunch will be provided Monday through Thursday with Fridays lunch included in the Thursday pickup. There will not be home deliveries made for the summer lunch program. All lunches will need to be picked up at the middle school each day between 11AM and 12:30PM. A lunch will be provided for all children between the ages of 1 and 18. If you would like to participate in our extended lunch program please fill out the survey posted on the school's website at www.fcptigers.org.

The 2020 legislative session is currently adjourned until the speaker calls. The session will remain adjourned until the situation has stabilized, and the Speaker of the Legislature deems it safe to reconvene. During this pause in the legislative session, senators and their offices continue their work.

A priority for the reconvening session will be budget adjustments and bills that deal with the pandemic. Most other bills will likely be tabled. LB 1106, formerly LB 974, (the education funding reform/property tax bill) is still a priority for Sen. Linehan and the Revenue committee.

2020/21 State Aid Certification was made available on May 1, as well as supporting information required to complete the 2020/21 School District Budget. FCPS will receive \$287,111 in 2020-2021 compared to \$170,161 in 2019-2021. Understand this is not equalization aid, but a combination of Net Option Funding and Income Tax Rebate. Our FCPS resources, primarily the required yield from the LER (local effort rate of 1.0) exceed our formula need set by NDE, therefore, the FCPS continues to not be eligible for state aid equalization support going into the 2020-2021 school year.

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

Approved the following Board Policy reviews and revisions on final reading: Policy 5340 Leasing/Rental/Use of School Facilities; Policy 6212 Classified Staff Leaves/Absences; Policy 7113 Admission of Students Who Reside Out of The State of Nebraska. Accepted the Teacher Resignation of Leigh Anne Blankenship, Elementary Teacher, three years.

Approved a Resolution to Authorize Line of Credit with F&M Bank in the amount of \$950,000 in the event of financial disruption related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Approved the Student Handbooks for 2020-2021.

Approved the ESU4 Core Services Resolution for 2020-2021.

The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent, Tim Heckenlively.



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Cecil 'Spike' & Evelyn Jean Bennett will celebrate their 70th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, June 2nd. Their family is hosting a card shower. Cards may be sent to: 523 East 16th Street, Falls City, NE 68355

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Trio of Jets take gold at 2002 State Track Meet

By Brian McKim

The threesome of Adam Lippold, Heath Christiansen, and Dan Fritz combined to score 46 points to bring home the 2002 Class D NSAA Track State Championship. The team from Dawson-Verdon High School tied Pawnee City for top honors at Omaha Burke Stadium. The trio brought home the first-ever athletic state championship for Dawson-Verdon school.

The Jets' first championship came down to the wire in the two-day event in Omaha. DV held a slim two-point lead over Pawnee City, 46-44, heading into the 1600m relay, the final event of the meet. Dawson-Verdon had no entries; however, Pawnee City did. The Indians needed a fourth-place finish to win the title and a fifth-place finish to tie the Jets for the title. The Indians came in fifth, scoring two points and leading to the shared championship.

The final race was close, one step faster, and the Indians would have won the title outright, one step slower, and the Jets would be on top all by themselves.

"We knew Pawnee City had a solid 4x4 team," said Christiansen 18 years later. "All we could do was hope those other teams had Pawnee's number. There wasn't much difference from 4th to 6th place. First outright would have been great, but we sure enjoyed lifting that trophy for D-V."

The Jets scoring started on Friday afternoon with Adam Lippold winning his second consecutive 3200m gold medal in Class D. Lippold ran a school-record 9:52.6, winning by two seconds and picking up ten crucial points for the Jets. Lippold then came back on Saturday morning to pick up

six more points, placing third in the 800m dash in 2:01.42. Lippold added another bronze medal later in the day, placing third in the 1600m run. Lippold's time of 4:36.01 added six more points, bringing his total for the meet to 22 points.

Fritz was next for Dawson, scoring 18 points in his two events. Fritz entered the 110 hurdles ranked second, and that is right where he finished. The race was extremely close, with Fritz falling to Craig Odell of Maxwell 14.89-14.93.

In his second event, Fritz blew away the competition, winning the 300m hurdles in 39.35. T.J. Aumiller of Harvard was over half a second behind at 40.02 for second place.

Fritz and Lippold scored enough points to bring home second-place at this point, but they need the leaping ability of Christiansen to bring home the gold. Christiansen's leap of 21-2.5 was good enough for third place and provided the Jets' extra points to win the title. The Jets' long jumper finished behind All-Class gold medalist Ben Eisenhart (23-1.25) and future Husker football player Andrew Shanle at 21-6.25.

The following year in 2003, the pair of returning Jets, Fritz and Lippold, scored 34 points at the State Meet to bring home a second-place finish for Dawson-Verdon. Lippold took the gold in the 3200m and 1600m run while placing fifth in the 800. Fritz repeated his gold in the 300m hurdles and placed fifth in the 110 hurdles.

Final point totals in 2002 Class D Boys State Meet Dawson-Verdon 46, Pawnee City 46, Brady 33, St. Edward 30, Axtell 26.

Memorial Day services may have been canceled but we still remember and honor those who sacrificed their all

(Continued from Page 1) supreme sacrifice. They died so we could continue to cherish the things they loved-God, country and family," said Simpson.

In 2014 Dr. Chick James, a retired Army colonel and Vietnam War veteran, gave talks at both services. "Only one day is dedicated to honoring the ultimate sacrifices made by Americans in war: Memorial day," Retired Army Col. James said. "Why do we bother remembering? Because those sacrifices become meaningless without our recalling that the deaths of our fellow countrymen are integral to ensuring the many freedoms we enjoy today."

In 2013 Memorial Day services in Falls City were rained out. In a story researched by Bill Rowan, historian for the Richardson County Historical Society, the first observance of Memorial Day in Falls City was detailed.

The first observance of Memorial Day in Falls City was held June 3, 1869, and the following account appeared in the Falls City Journal:

Last Sabbath, the 30th, was observed throughout the land by decorating the graves of deceased (Civil War) soldiers with flowers. The beautiful Sabbath morning was illuminated by the presence of the glorious sun, as he approached the zenith and shone brilliantly upon the graves of five hundred thousand Heroic

Defenders who rest beneath the sod of their country.

Early in the morning, the surviving soldiers of Falls City and vicinity assembled on the courthouse square and formed in line under charge of Capt. Gust R. Summers. Each soldier was presented with garlands by the ladies, while crepe encircled each left arm. The company was marched down the street in front of the Journal office, where it was joined by the entire M. E. school and citizens of the town and country. The procession then moved off to the cemetery west of town where a few Veteran graves were then strewn with flowers, after which an able and sympathetic address was made by R. A. Fulton Esq.

The company then returned to the M. E. church, which with galleries was filled, where services were opened by solemn anthems of the choir and an able and feeling prayer by Rev. Isaac Martin.

Rev. M. Pritchard then delivered an appropriate sermon for the occasion from the text, "How are the mighty fallen in the midst of battle." The address was full of sympathy for the mothers and sisters, the widows and the orphans whose nearest and dearest friends had fallen in defense of their country. It also referred to the cause for which they died and to the mission of the many survivors.

At the close of these servic-

es, the Soldiers and entire congregation retired to the courthouse square. They assembled around the decorated monument erected to the memory of the fallen comrades of Co's G and L, 2nd Neb. Cav. Here services were conducted by Rev. Thomas Betts, Rector of the Episcopal church. At the close of these services, an oration was delivered by J. J. Marvin, Esq. prepared for the occasion. The oration was able and eloquent, while the careful delivery and touching appeals of the speaker showed upon the countenances of those assembled around him that they were in sympathy of the occasion, while the soldiers, in line, were refreshed in memory of the days of the great rebellion when their fallen comrades stood at their sides, but now they were called to join in Holy Consecration of the day, by paying tribute to the remains of their fallen comrades and noble dead. A poem prepared by a worthy soldier present was also read by Mr. Marvin, after which the ceremonies were concluded by the Benediction of Rev. Betts.

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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.

COUNTY COURT

Douglas D. Hawkes, of Salem, NE, count one, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, amended to count dropped/dropped; count two, no operators license/non-waiverable plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75.

Breanna S. Knapp, of Forest City, MO, count one, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, plead not guilty, found guilty. Sentence includes reimburse county of \$17,000, and restitution of \$200 and court costs.

Christopher Clow, of Falls City, count one, assault by strangulation or suffocation, amended to count dropped/dropped; count two, dom asst-Intl cause body injury/int ptr, plead not guilty; count three, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for June 1, 2020.

Amanda Wenzl, of Falls City, count one, unlicensed animal, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, animal running at large, plead guilty/admit, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs.

Blake A. Black, of Falls City, count one, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for June 3, 2020.

Dawn L. Hasley, of Falls City, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$50 and restitution of \$31.01 and court costs.

Forrest R. Gaston II, of Morill, KS, count one, false reporting-misdemeanor, plead not guilty found guilty; count two, leave accident-fail to furnish info-first, plead not guilty, found not guilty; count three, willful reckless driving-first offense, plead not guilty, found guilty. Hearing scheduled.

Jeremy B. Epperson Jr., of Holton, KS, count one, theft-unlawful taking \$0-\$500, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs.

Lance C. White, of Falls City, count one, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300 and court costs.

Lucas L. Vice, of Augusta, KS, count one, dom asst-Intl cause body injury/int ptr, plead not guilty; count two, willful reckless driving-first offense, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for June 8, 2020.

April N. Rath, of Elberon, VA, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for June 10, 2020.

Sharon K. Redding, of Stella, NE, count, DUI-15+, amended to SUI alcohol - first offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$500, probation for a term of eight months starting May 20, 2020, drug testing fee of \$20, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, regular probation fee of \$200, revoked license for a term of 60 days starting on May 20, 2020, interlock device; count two, drive on shoulder of highway, amended to count dropped/dropped; count three, fail to use seat belt, amended to count dropped/dropped.

Joshua O'Grady, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-\$500, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

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. Hearing is scheduled.

Myshela A. Wyrick, of Table Rock, count one, DUI-alcohol-first offense, amended to reckless driving-first offense, plead no contest, found guilty; count two, willful reckless driving-first offense, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty. Sentencing is scheduled for June 10, 2020.

DISTRICT COURT

Matthew L. Gilbert, of Humboldt, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled.

Joshua D. Arington, of Humboldt, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, plead not guilty. Pretrial is scheduled for June 9, 2020.

Emilio D. Marquez, of Humboldt, count one, assault-first degree, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty and sentenced to probation for a term of four years starting on May 19, 2020, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, drug testing fee of \$240, regular probation fee

of \$1,200; count two, use deadly weapon to commit a felony, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty and sentenced to jail for a term of 30 days starting on May 20, 2021; jail for a term of 30 days starting May 20, 2022; jail for a term of 30 days starting 2023.

Joshua M. Darden, of Falls City, count one, possess (meth) amphetamine 10-27 grams, amended to count dropped/dropped; count two, use deadly weapon to commit a felony, amended to count dropped/dropped; count three, possess or receive stolen firearm, amended to count dropped/dropped; count four, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, plead no contest, found guilty and sentenced to probation for a term of two years starting on May 19, 2020, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30; count five, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, plead no contest, found guilty, probation fee of \$600; count six, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dropped; count seven, possess controlled substance, amended to count dropped/dropped; count eight, possess controlled substance, plead no contest, found guilty, drug testing fee of \$120; count nine, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense; count ten, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped; count eleven, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped; count twelve, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped.

Sean J. Meyer, of Falls City, count one, careless driving plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs.

William R. Capps, of Bellevue, NE, count one, speeding 16-20, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125.

Kelsey J. Hayes, of Falls City, count one, speeding 15-20, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs.

Joshua M. Darden, of Falls City, count one, possess deadly weapon while commit felony, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead no contest, found guilty, probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30; count three, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty; count four, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty; count five, possess

or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty; count six, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty; count seven, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended to count dropped/dropped, plead not guilty.

Samantha J. Liming, of Falls City, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty. Hearing is scheduled for June 9, 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 June 2, 2020.

CITATIONS

David A. Solomon, of Plano, TX, count one, speeding 11-15, amended to speeding 6-10, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs.

Kenneth Clinton, of Pawnee City, count one, failure to yield, ROW, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs.

Sean J. Meyer, of Falls City, count one, careless driving plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs.

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Notice of Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit
The Planning Commission of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, will meet on June 11, 2020 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, Nebraska, to hold a public hearing at which time interested parties and citizens have an opportunity to be heard concerning the request for a conditional use permit for automotive repair shop and vehicle storage use of the following described real estate, to-wit: 1224 Stone Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:

Falls City - Original Town Block 134, Lots 19 through 24.
The application is made by Dennis Hullman for a conditional use permit for the above real estate located in the (C3) Highway Commercial Zoning District of the City of Falls City, as provided in Article 6 of the Falls City Municipal Zoning Ordinance.

The City of Falls City A Municipal Corporation Gary Jorn, City Clerk

NOTICE TO BUYERS

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of surplus inventory including firearms, rifles, and shotguns of the Richardson County Sheriff's Department. You must hold and provide a copy of your current Federal Firearms License with the sealed bid. The inventory being offered for sale can be seen by appointment only by calling the Richardson County Law Enforcement Center at 402-245-2479 during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The sealed bids will only be received as one lot, no bids accepted for single purchase. The calibers are 40, 45, 223, and 12 gauge. Sealed bids must be clearly marked "Firearms Bid" along with the copy of a current Federal Firearms License enclosed and must be received at the Office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, Room 203, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68555 by 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at which time they will be publicly opened and considered by the Richardson County Board of Commissioners.

Richardson County reserves the right to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

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Steven J. Darveau, Jr., Richardson County Highway Superintendent

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
The Board of Commissioners of the County of Richardson, Nebraska will meet at 9:00 a.m. on the 2nd day of June, 2020, Room 202 of the Richardson County Courthouse for the purpose of conducting any and all county business that will come before the board. The agenda for the meeting is kept continuously current and is available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk in the Richardson County Clerk's Office, Courthouse, Room 203, Falls City, NE during normal working hours. The agenda is closed 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting and is posted on the Commissioner's Meeting Room Door, the 1st floor lobby and the lower level lobby of the Courthouse and also on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

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City Council

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order No. 20-003, this meeting will be held by video/ teleconference. Members of the public may attend this meeting electronically or telephonically.

Falls City Council Agenda
City Council Chambers, 2307 Barada Street
Falls City, NE 68555
Phone (402) 245-2797
June 1, 2020
6:00 PM.

The City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by State Law.

ROUTINE BUSINESS
1. Announcement of Open Meetings Act.
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Department Reports.
5. Mayor's Report.
6. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes Approval for May 18, 2020.
2. Agenda Approval.
3. Claims Approval.
4. Consent Agenda.
Any item listed on the Consent Agenda may, by the request of any single Council Member, be considered as a separate item under the Regular Agenda Section of the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS
REGULAR BUSINESS
1. Discussion and Action - Concerns with street cleaning - Mrs. Mark Goss (See Attachment).
2. Discussion and Action - Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Southeast Nebraska Health District (See Attachment).
3. Discussion and Action - Opening of the Aquatic Park for the 2020 Season.

ADJOURNMENT
Gary Jorn, City Clerk

Board of Equalization

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
MAY 5, 2020
CALL TO ORDER

The Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. Roll call was answered by Commissioners Frank, Caverzagie and Sichel; County Assessor, Pam Vace and Clerk Eickhoff.

Motion was made by Frank 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 on the 2nd Floor of the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

TAX LIST CORRECTION
Motion was made by Sichel to approve a tax list correction as presented by Assessor Vace. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion was made by Sichel to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Caverzagie, ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Village of Shubert

Regular Monthly Meeting
May 4, 2020
Shubert Library

The Village Board of Shubert, NE held the monthly board meeting on May 4, 2020 in the Shubert Library. Chairman Gary Hays opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with the following board members present: Kim Dunn, Linda Pacheco and Will Surman called in. Clerk was present to record the meeting. Chairman Hays announced the Posting of the Open Meetings Law. Chairman asked for any additions or deletions to agenda. Hearing none. No Visitors. Board reviewed Tracy's report.

Chairman moved on to regular business. There was a motion and second (Hays/Pacheco) to approve the April 6, 2020 meeting minutes. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. There was a motion and second (Hays/Pacheco) to prove the balance sheets. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. There was a motion and second (Hays/Dunn) to approve the claims. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. General: Clean-up Day: Update on dumpsters, FEMA Needs to be burned, Buildings and Park: Community Building; Board discussed plans and current projects. David D. Sichel, Chairman (Dunn) to find someone else to complete the ridge cap. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. Park: None. Library: None. Streets: Road east of the park was discussed. Motion and Second (Hays/Dunn) to apply "distress" treatment. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. Tractor: Motion and Second (Hays/Linda) to purchase two new tractor batteries. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Motion carried. Fire: None. The next public board meeting will be Monday, June 1, 2020 at the Shubert Library at 7:00 p.m. With no further business, Motion and Second (Hays/Dunn) to adjourn meeting at 8:02 p.m. Roll call vote was all "Aye." Jennifer Blecker Village Clerk

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes items like NPPD - Fire Barn, Jeni's Bunch, Berretto, Tom, HIP Pest Control, etc.

District #70

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 13, 2020
7:00 PM Zoom due to COVID-19
Attendance: Talent at 7:05 PM, Mike Bredeimer, Present, Scott Ogle, Present, Neal Kanel, Present, Sandy Stalder, Present, Tim Schardt.
1. OPEN MEETING NOTICE - CALL MEETING TO ORDER- ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCES
2. APPROVE THE AGENDA
Motion to approve agenda passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
3. WELCOME PATRONS AND GUESTS
4. PATRON COMMENT
5. CORRESPONDENCE - none
6. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
Passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Mike Bredeimer. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
6.1. Regular Meeting Minutes
6.2. Approve bills for payment
6.3. Review Treasurer's report
7. PRESENTATION
7.1. School Resource Officer - not in attendance.
8. REPORTS
8.1. Principal Othmer
In addition to the attached report that discusses upcoming curriculum, new teachers, student recognition, and teacher check-out, she applied for the "bridge the gap" summer program grant.
8.2. Assistant Principal Lotman
The report mentioned the fall after school program, NDE recommendations during COVID, 8.3. NASH Report & Survey
9.2. DISCUSSION ITEMS
9.1. KASH Update

The project should be completed by June 12.
9.2. Summer Lunch Program Update
Currently HTRS will serve lunches through July.
9.3. 2020-2021 Requisitions
A spreadsheet listing the requisitions was attached.
9.4. NDE Desk Audit
HTRS completed a desk audit for NDE.
9.5. Business Interruption
The information was included in Principal Othmer's senior recognition report.
9.6. Summer Lunch Program Update
Superintendent Edmundson recommends offering the program for 12 month staff to work 4-10 hours per week.
10. ACTION ITEMS
10.1. Approve board member's leave of absence
10.2. Food Service Holiday Pay
Approve additional one day holiday (Memorial Day) one-time only, passed with a motion by Sandy Stalder and a second by Scott Ogle. Rock Herr: Nay, Mike Bredeimer: Yea, Neal Kanel: Yea, Scott Ogle: Yea, Tim Schardt: Yea, Sandy Stalder: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 1
10.3. Approve ESU4 Core Services Resolution Program Support for 2020-2021
Passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Mike Bredeimer: Yea, Rock Herr: Nay, Neal Kanel: Yea, Scott Ogle: Yea, Tim Schardt: Yea, Sandy Stalder: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 1
10.4. Approve computer purchases
Approve order of approximately \$30,000 for student laptop computers passed with a motion

by Sandy Stalder and a second by Mike Bredeimer. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
10.5. Online enrollment software purchase
Discussion concerning student online enrollment and the cost involved.
10.6. Approve contract with Julie Bauman, CPA, as auditor for years ending Aug 31, 2020, 2021, and 2022
Passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Rock Herr. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
10.7. Approve retirement of Linda Rash as an aide/professional
Passed with a motion by Rock Herr and a second by Sandy Stalder. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
10.8. Accept resignation of Brooke Milke as a para/professional.
Passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Tim Schardt. Yea: 6, Nay: 0
10.9. Request for Release of Teaching Contract
Accept release contingent upon finding a suitable replacement passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Sandy Stalder. Tim Schardt: Nay, Mike Bredeimer: Yea, Rock Herr: Yea, Neal Kanel: Yea, Scott Ogle: Yea, Sandy Stalder: Yea. Yea: 5, Nay: 1
11. SUPERINTENDENT EDMUNDSON REPORT
11.1. Para contract renewal - list attached
11.2. Coaching Recommendations - were attached
ADJOURN
Neal Kanel declared the meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.
Respectfully submitted, Kellie Workman

Market volatility builds buyer interest in rural land

In light of the current pandemic and resulting financial fallout, many investors are turning toward investments in land. With the current economic uncertainty - for the long-term growth and great stability it can offer compared to the equity markets. Both land and equity investments, like the Dow, have a long-term focus. The difference is that with equities, investors constantly face peaks and valleys, and short-term gains can be elusive. The growth in land values, however, has remained steady for decades. Interest rates are at a historic low and the market environment makes rural land investment an excellent motivator for buyers to either jump into the real estate market for the first time or expand their existing landholdings.

There is increased buyer interest in owning open space as a higher value safe investment, but it's not all about diversification and profitability for their portfolio. One of the most attractive aspects for many buyers is the ability to actually touch, experience and enjoy their investment through recreation and utilizing it to create memories.

These factors incentivize not only investors, but also those who may be considering selling rural property, whether that's undeveloped land, a working farm or ranch, or even a home on acreage. Whitehall Properties Real Estate is a service-driven company that specializes in bringing together buyers and sellers of all types of rural land across the country through its network of full-time Land Specialists. Land Specialist Luke Wallace serves southeast Nebraska and has in-depth knowledge of the current market and land values in the area.

"These are challenging times we're all living in and it has been interesting for me to see how it has affected the rural real estate market within our local communities. The market is extremely active right now, which is common throughout the Spring. However, due to the current events, the buyers I'm communicating with are motivated for different reasons," said Wallace. Luke goes on to say, "The majority of buyers contacting me have shared a similar mindset. Mostly, everyone is very optimistic regarding the outcome and timeline for the economic and social recovery of the country. I've spoken to many buyers that have decided to act sooner on their goals and dreams of owning rural real estate. The recent pandemic has made them more appealing to some buyers and increased the demand across the state for people to spend more time in God's country. I anticipate having another wave of buyers with similar motives entering the land market early this summer, as the stock market recovers investors will begin to transfer their investments into rural real estate. In my opinion, all of these factors will no doubt benefit sellers entering the market in the near future."

"Within the last 90 days in southeast Nebraska, I have listed seven (7) separate tracts of land for a combined 700 acres, while putting 6 additional tracts of land under contract. The value of mid sized properties with recreational potential has remained strong, if not increased, while the market price for

agricultural land has remained strong," says Wallace.

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Hidden Assets Landowners place a lot of importance on first impressions, as they should, but there are also many "hidden" assets of rural land that can increase its value and result in a higher value sale that may not be so obvious. Here are some tips and key points from Whitehall Properties to help increase a property's value and its attraction to buyers.

Recreation - Many land buyers search for property that enables them to take part in recreational activities, such as hunting, fishing, hiking and riding ATVs, among others. It's important to make your land appealing for these uses by clearing land of any junk and debris and cleaning up trails to help the property stand out. Trail camera data - If a prospective buyer is purchasing the property for hunting purposes, have proof of the bucks and other wildlife if offers. Use trail camera and other wildlife photography to help brokers market the property to its full potential.

Interior trails - While access roads to the property will attract the most attention, don't neglect the appeal that interior paths and trails can offer to prospective buyers. Showcase the natural beauty and leisurely strolls to be enjoyed as part of the rural lifestyle experience.

Access - No matter how appealing the property may be, it will be hard to sell if it's challenging to get to. Do what is necessary to make access easy for potential buyers. For example, consider adding loose gravel to your driveway or access road if unimproved.

Water - A potential buyer who enjoys fishing will want land that has a pond or access to streams or lakes. If water is lacking, consider adding a fish pond. It is easier than one may think and can drastically improve the value and allure of a property.

With strong rural land values and increased interest from buyers, now is an opportune time for landowners considering selling their property. As the nation's largest rural real estate company, Whitehall Properties continues to be the most knowledgeable source of information about the markets they serve. Utilizing a customized marketing plan, they help landowners sell quickly for the best price possible by reaching the largest number of qualified buyers.

To learn more about the current land market and receive a free, no-obligation market analysis of your property, contact Luke Land Specialist, Luke Wallace at luke.wallace@whitehall-properties.com or 402-240-6187, or visit www.whitehallproperties.com.

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1994 Irish boys win fourth track title in five years

By Brian McKim; author's note, as part of the 1994 Irish Track team. It's written as it was written in 1994.

The State track meet was to have taken place this past weekend. If you have never attended it, I highly recommend it. Over two days, spectators see the best athletes that Nebraska has to offer, regardless of school size, and it all takes place at one venue. Every spring, I look forward to my two days at Burke Stadium, crossing the field to watch as many events as possible. The state track meet has been good to area schools over the years. SH boys have come home with seven titles, the Irish girls won four in a row from 1998-2001 and the Dawson-Verdon boys (three of them), brought back the gold hardware once. Not bad for Richardson County.

At the NSAA State Track and Field finals held at Omaha Burke High School, the Sacred Heart Irish boys were crowned 1994 Class D champions for the fourth time in five seasons. In their march towards the title, the Irish boys brought home five gold medals from Omaha.

In the first race of the day, the quartet of Eric Marx, Casey Symonds, Brian McKim, and Matt Lockard set a school record, winning the Class D 3200 relay in 8:15.25. That gave the Irish an early ten points, a lead that would only grow as the weekend went on.

McKim picked up his second gold medal of the meet in the 800m run, winning in another school-record time, 2:01.11. Senior Matt Lockard was on McKim's heels, finishing third in 2:02.59.

The Irish throwers had a great weekend also, as Matt O'Grady and Mike Huppert came up big. O'Grady won the discus with a heave of 160-3, and Huppert took the silver with a toss of 157-10. The Irish total was now up to

44 points, which would have been good enough for second place; however, the Irish weren't done scoring yet.

Huppert, adding to his silver discus medal, had the winning toss of 54-6 in the shot put, giving Sacred Heart their fourth gold medal of the weekend.

The final gold of the meet for SH came from Nate Froeschl in the pole vault. Froeschl cleared the bar at 13-10 to take first place and give the Irish 64 points. Froeschl added to his medal count, taking second in the 110 hurdles in 15.1 and third in the 300 hurdles in 41.5.

Also taking part, but not scoring at the meet were Froeschl in the high jump, Aaron Hill in the pole vault, Steve Darveau in the shot put, Jake Simon in the high jump and triple jump, Kyle Banz in the 3200, Chris Carpenter in the 110 hurdles and Nate Jaros, Simon, McKim and Lockard in the 1600m relay.

Final Class D points, Sacred Heart 78, Wilcox 44, Chappell 42, Arcadia 36, Clay Center 27.

The week before the state meet, the Irish boys captured the District Title, outscoring second-place Table Rock 217-79. In winning the meet, the Irish qualified 13 boys in 19 events for the state meet.

Other Richardson County athletes to compete at Burke High in 1994.

Irish girls: Alicia Lemerond, Beth Kiekhaefer, Celeste Jones, Jamie Sopoci, and Melanie Wessel.

Humboldt: Charlie Baker, Terry McMann, Dan Mayo, and Eric Hunzeker.

Southeast Consolidated: Adam Maddox, Cheryl Patchen, Ryan Glathar, Kent Allen, and Jenny Findlay.

Falls City: Dana Kottich Dawson-Verdon: Mara Fritz, Eric Lippold, and Jeannine Mueller.



Hannah Clary (center front) signed with the Bobcat softball team prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. In this photo in front, L-R: mother Terri Jo Clary, Hannah, and father Daniel Clary. In the back, L-R: Tiger softball coaches Joe Dunn, Jamie Milam, and Jayme Vice and Peru State softball coaches Whitley Albury, J.L. Thomason, and Ricky Broxson.

Hannah Clary to play softball and basketball for Peru State College

Peru State head softball coach J.L. Thomason recently announced the signing of Hannah Clary from Falls City earlier this spring. More recently, Bobcat women's basketball head coach noted that Clary will also play for the 'Cats during the winter.

Clary, a 6-0 softball utility player, is the daughter of Terri and Danny Clary. She will major in early childhood education with a minor in art education.

During her high school career, she was named a team captain. She was also a four-year starter for the Tiger softball team. She has a .940 average fielding percentage during her high school softball career.

Recently, she has joined the Peru State women's basketball team as well.

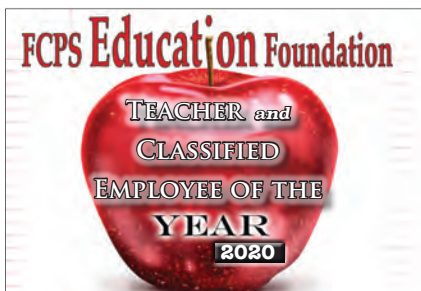
Coach Thomason commented, "Hannah is a true utility player. She has the speed, range, and arm to play anywhere in the field. In the outfield she is very aggressive with her reads and has the speed to close on balls hit in the gap. In the field she possesses the arm to make any play required for the middle of the infield. We look for her to get lot of work both in the outfield and middle infield."

In conclusion, Thomason added, "At the plate she has shown the ability to hit for extra bases with her speed allowing for any ball in the infield to be a tough

play."

Recently, it was announced that Clary will also play basketball for the Bobcats. Head coach Joan Albury stated, Hannah will be our first dual sport athlete for women's basketball and softball. She is a very athletic and versatile player who has yet to reach her full potential in basketball. We will be working with her individually in the evenings while she practices softball during the afternoons until her fall season is over. We are looking forward to seeing her grow!"

This past week, Falls City High School announced that Clary was their female athlete of the year.



The Falls City Education Foundation will award the annual Outstanding Teacher Award and a Classified Employee Of the Year Award to an elementary teacher and a secondary teacher of District #56. The purpose of this award will be to recognize excellence in teaching.

The Classified Employee of the Year Award highlights the contributions support personnel make in enhancing the education of Falls City Public Schools students.

The nomination form, including supporting documents must be forwarded in one packet by a current employee, student, parent, community member, or FCPS alumni. Criteria for selection will include the candidate being presently employed as a District #56 teacher or Classified Employee and a minimum of five consecutive years employed in District #56.

The nomination period is open through June 26.

Nomination forms can be downloaded on the FCPS website at www.fctigers.org.

Congratulations

The office of Julie D. Bauman would like to announce and congratulate two team members! Carley Youde and Ashley Keithley have graduated from Peru State College. These two new college graduates play a vital role in the success of the firm and we are ecstatic to have them continue on our team after graduation!

Carley Youde earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration-Accounting. She joined the staff at JDB in June 2017 where she is our Creative Director. Carley also has key roles on our Audit, Website and Vision Marketing teams.

Ashley Keithley earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration - Accounting/CPA and Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Management Information Systems. She has been full-time with JDB since August of 2015 and is our Chief Wealth Manager. Ashley is also involved on our Audit, Family Office and Tax teams.

Public comments sought for Community Wildfire Plan

The draft Southeast Nebraska Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for Butler, Cass, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson, Sarpy, Saunders, and Seward Counties is ready for public review. Review copies are available online and at public libraries in these areas. Comments will be accepted until July 24, 2020.

This plan is intended to enhance collaboration and communication among the various agencies and organizations who manage fire southeast Nebraska, and to help them effectively prepare for and respond to wildfire.

Landowners in counties that adopt the plan will be eligible to apply for federal and state cost-share funds for vegetative fuels reduction and other hazard mitigation efforts in at-risk areas within the CWPP boundary. The plan may also provide increased opportunities for counties, municipalities, and rural fire districts to seek grant funding for activities related to fire protection.

The plan, part of a statewide network of Community Wildfire Protection Plans, provides information useful to both local emergency responders and those from outside the area who provide mutual aid. The CWPP consolidates and relays critical information needed for responders in unfamiliar terrain.

The draft plan is also available online at <https://nfs.unl.edu/documents/CWPP/Southeast.pdf>

Comments will be accepted via email to sbenson4@unl.edu or they may be sent via US Postal Service to the Nebraska Forest Service, Attn: Sandy Benson, PO Box 830815, Lincoln, NE 68583-0815.

The Nebraska Forest Service, an affiliate of the University of Nebraska, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR), works to enrich lives by protecting, restoring and utilizing Nebraska's tree and forest resources.

Bagworms could still be a problem in SE NE

By Gary Lesoing

While we have had an ongoing battle with bagworms for several years and have reduced their numbers significantly in southeast Nebraska, there are still bagworm infestations in some areas. Last year was one of the worse years we have had for bagworm infestations in southeast Nebraska in recent years.

In southeast Nebraska, the larvae emerged over several weeks during the summer, but usually beginning around Memorial Day. With the variable weather we have seen this spring, some very warm and some colder than normal temperatures, it is difficult to predict when bagworm larvae may emerge. It is important to keep an eye on your evergreen trees this year and watch for infestations of bagworms. If you had bagworms last year, and have not removed the bagworm bags from your trees earlier this spring, you should check your trees this month and remove those you can easily pick off your trees.

Bagworm eggs usually hatch in late-May to mid-June. Check your evergreens, for infestations of these young larvae. They will form a new bag over their bodies. They start out very small with a 1/8" bag around their bodies, but grow in size and construct a bag 2" long by mid-August.

Bagworm larvae damage the tree by feeding on leaves or needles causing defoliation. It is best to spray when you see the larvae. If you do see them, there are several types of sprays that can be used for control of the bagworm. If you want to use something natural, BT is effective in controlling bagworms and can be purchased as Dipel from most garden centers. The small larvae can be controlled chemically by Sevin, Eight, DeltaGard, Orthene or Malathion, among other things. If you wait until August and the larvae are 2" long and inside their bags, chemical control will be very poor.

You can contact me, Gary Lesoing at Nemaha County Extension office at (402) 274-4755, (402) 274-9639 (cell), email at glesoing2@unl.edu or your local extension office for information about bagworms. There is also information on the web about bagworms at: <http://lancastr.unl.edu/hort/bagworms.shtml>.



Scott Sawyer

Scott Lee Sawyer, 53, of Whiting, Iowa, passed away Friday, May 8, 2020 at Burgess Health Center in Onawa, Iowa.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, May 23, 2020 at the Rush Family Chapel in Onawa, Iowa with Pastor Catie Newman officiating. (Social distancing measures were followed). Arrangements were under the direction of Rush Family Care Service, Onawa, Iowa.

Scott Lee Sawyer was born May 20, 1966, in St. Peter, Minnesota, the son of Kenneth Lee and Sharon Kay (Walton) Sawyer. He grew up in and around the Fort Dodge area. He graduated with honors from Twin Rivers High School in 1984, he played football and basketball in high school. He received his AA Degree from Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa and BA Degree of Business: Accounting from the University of Northern Iowa with honors in 1988. He then obtained his Certified Public Accountant License and worked in healthcare his whole life.

Scott and Julia Lucile (Brass) were united into marriage November 3, 1991 in Humboldt, Iowa. They were married for 28 wonderful years. To this union two children were born, Kristin and Aimee.

He worked as a Chief Financial Officer for 17 years at the Community Medical Center in Falls City, Nebraska. He was a sports fanatic, watching all sports, collecting sports memorabilia, and followed every sport possible. Scott especially loved spending time with all of his family and loved his career.

Scott was a member of the Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants. He was also a member of the Healthcare Financial Association. He was a board member of the Community Medical Center Foundation.

Survivors include his wife, Julia Sawyer of Whiting, Iowa; two children, Kristin (Bryce) Sidwell of Whiting, Iowa and Aimee Sawyer of Sioux City, Iowa; granddaughter, Aliana Sawyer of Sioux City, Iowa; his mother, Sharon Sawyer of Humboldt, Iowa; and two sisters, Kim (Randal) Metzger of Hudson, Colorado and Niki (Ryan) Rathert of Lantana, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Lee Sawyer; a brother, Steven Sawyer; and maternal grandparents, Boyd and Edna (Allen) Walton.

Condolences may be left online for the family at www.rush-familycareservice.com

Lewis Weick

Lewis "Lew" R. Weick of Washington, IL, died May 17, 2020, from metastatic cancer that originated in his lungs.

He was born June 18, 1931, in Sacramento, CA, and he and his mother soon after moved back to a small farm west of

Falls City where she and his grandmother raised him until age thirteen when his mother married Roy Glathar, the only father he ever knew.

He attended a one-room country school in District 57, which had neither electricity nor a well. After graduating from FCHS in 1948, he went on to Peru State College for two years before dropping out to help his dad on the farm until he was drafted into the Army Signal Corps.

After his return from the service, on February 20, 1955, he married the love of his life Darlene Wilhelm of Verdon. They rented a farm south of Salem near his parents, who lived two miles away in Kansas. Their venture into farming began with five years of terrible crop prices and even worse drought, but this turned out to be a blessing in disguise. They burned their bridges, and he returned to school for what became one of the most satisfying times of his life. Despite having been a college drop out earlier, he graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in Mechanical Engineering at the top of his class. He graduated second in his class with a degree in Electrical Engineering.

They moved from Nebraska to Illinois to begin work at Caterpillar, a company of which he was always proud, and where for 32 years he did satisfying

and meaningful work among good friends and colleagues. While at Caterpillar, he earned his master's degree from Bradley University and was a registered professional engineer.

Lew retired in 1996 and enjoyed retirement immensely. He kept a large vegetable and flower garden, operated their small community's water system for many years, and sometimes to his wife's chagrin, seemed able to keep household appliances running forever.

He was a volunteer tax preparer for elderly and low-income clients for 20 years. He continued to donate blood well into his eighties, having neared the 30-gallon mark before stopping at age 87.

He was baptized into the Christian faith as a teenager and was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Washington for many years, where he served on several councils and committees.

He is survived by his wife and best friend Darlene; wonderful children, Dan (Susan) Weick, Amy (Carl) Gibbs, and Chris Weick of East Peoria; grandchildren, Brian (Kerilyn) Weick and Shannon Weick; and his great-granddaughter Ruth.

He was preceded in death by his parents Roy and Ruth Glathar of Falls City, Nebraska.

He donated his body to the Anatomical Board of Nebraska for the advancement of medical education, and he will be interred at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield at a later date.

Gary Deiters Funeral Home and Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.



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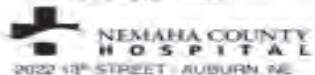
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We are looking for vibrant and dynamic Caregivers to join our team at Jonesbrook Estates, LLC Assisted Living. If you are a compassionate, caring person who holds an active Nebraska 40 hour Medication Aide or Nebraska LPN license, this is the job for you. We are currently hiring full or part time. Hiring wage is based on education and experience. All offers of employment are contingent upon a satisfactory background check as well as drug screening. Position Summary: Responsible for meeting the daily personal care needs of the residents in a manner that aligns with Jonesbrook Estates mission and values. Assist Residents with care needs. Distribute medications for residents using established procedures under doctors' orders by using the (MAR) to administer medications to residents. Pick up an application at Jonesbrook Estates, LLC Assisted Living, located at 1010 East 21st Street, Falls City, NE. 68355. 402-245-6033 You may also inquire through email: sajonesbrook@sencot.net

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JONESBROOK ESTATES ASSISTED LIVING ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

Do you like to play games? Can you arrange for a group of active seniors to take a trip to the ballpark or maybe bowling? It is all in a day's work for an Activities Director! If you are energetic, compassionate, and enjoy the company of Seniors, we would love to have you join our team.

The Activities Director will plan, develop, organize, implement, and direct the activities for our active residents. Responsibilities include, creating a monthly activity calendar, organizing two daily activities which may include games, crafts, exercising, and record keeping. The ideal candidate must be a skilled communicator and motivator. Experience is preferred, but we will train the right person. Hours are 20-25 hours a week M-F. Hiring wage is based on experience. All offers of employment with Jonesbrook Estates are contingent upon a satisfactory background check as well as drug screening. Must be at least 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license. You may pick an application at Jonesbrook Estates Assisted Living 1010 East 21st Street Falls City, NE 68355, email sajonesbrook@sencot.net, or call 402-245-6033.

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Community Medical Center, Inc. (CMC) in Falls City, NE has an outstanding opportunity for a Chief Financial Officer.

The Chief Financial Officer reports directly to the CEO and has responsibility for all financial planning and accounting practices including but not limited to overseeing and ensuring the functioning of accounting, financial reporting, regulatory compliance, budgeting, revenue cycle performance, reimbursement, purchasing and materials management, A/P, A/R, negotiation of contracts with various health plans and vendors and audit activities. The CFO will provide direction and support for assigned department managers.

Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance or Business and at least 5 years of broad experience in finance, business and accounting. Additional traits, background, and abilities we may consider include:

- Master's degree and/or CPA (potentially HFMA certification and other relevant professional activity);
- Knowledge of MEDITECH electronic health records system;
- Experience as a CFO, Contoller, VP or Director of Finance, Accounting, and/or Revenue Cycle;
- Health care experience, preferably rural;
- Good knowledge of the rules and implications of CMS cost-based reimbursement for Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics;
- Demonstrated strength in the technical aspects of accounting, financial planning, and financial management;
- A high level of personal commitment and responsibility;
- Good communication skills and collaborative orientation;
- The ability to work well with others, to function within teams, and to coach and mentor managers and employees, including effective delegation;
- A willingness to assertively but tactfully raise concerns, to address issues promptly, and to function in a changing and uncertain health environment.

Qualified candidates can apply for this opportunity by sending a resume and a cover letter to HR@cmfc.org.

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Good Quality Leather, Front Pocket & Bi-Folds.

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Children & Youth Western Boots
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MISC.

Anniversary, birthday, shower, wedding-Chaney Furniture Gift Certificates are always a great idea. 34-e0T-tf

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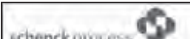
Words cannot say enough how deeply grateful the family is for all the lovely ways each and every one of our friends, neighbors, and relatives have shown their thoughtfulness in cards, food, flowers, memorials and phone calls. Thank you to the ambulance squad and police for their quick response. Dorr and Clark Funeral Home for helping so kindly in so many ways. Thanks to the Falls City Volunteer Fire Dept for displaying the draped fire truck in front of the fire station, in Jerry's honor for all his years of service. It was always very important to Jerry that he was a member of the First Christian, Disciples of Christ and loved his church very much. We wish to express our sincere thanks from deep within our hearts to Reverend Fay Ann Blaylock for the lovely grave side service (on a very windy day) and the approximate 60 vehicles of people that showed up at the cemetery and stayed in their cars. Jerry fought a brave battle for two years.

Thank you for all kindnesses during this difficult time.
The family of Jerry Clark

Victim Services/Family Violence Support Worker

The Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska has an immediate opening for a full time Victim Services/Family Violence Support Worker, in Reserve, Kansas. This job works Monday through Friday with office hours from 8 am until 5 pm and will rotate an on call position weekly for nights and weekends as needed. Starting wage is \$13 to \$14.50 per hr. depending on experience. Includes full BCBS & other benefits. This position will include working with Native American families and individuals who are victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault, assistance with client resources, referrals, transports to and from appointments and crisis intervention. This person will be responsible for assisting in child welfare cases involving domestic violence, advocating for the families being served and educating the public. This position occasionally may need to attend conferences and workshops in other states. Preferred qualifications include 2 years of experience in advocacy or case management or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Education in the field of Criminal Justice, Counseling, Social Work or Psychology or related fields a plus. Native American preference applies. Application and job description can be picked up at the Sac and Fox Tribal Administrative office, 305 N. Main Street, Reserve, KS or via email at julie.simmons@sacandfoxks.com. At your earliest opportunity submit the application form, cover letter and resume outlining your skills, background and interest to Julie Simmons at the above email or submit a paper copy to the address above. Position open until filled. Projected start date July 1, 2020.

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Sabetha, Kansas

Schenck Process, a leading manufacturer of air filtration and pneumatic conveying equipment. We are currently seeking quality minded individuals for the following positions who take pride in the equipment they build and appreciate working in a custom fabrication environment.

Financial Accountant

Qualified candidates will have an accounting degree, with a minimum of 5 years general accounting work experience, and be proficient in Microsoft Office products.

Electrical Assembler

This position is responsible for building, assembling, and testing process control electrical panels.

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For consideration apply:
Schenck Process LLC
110 S Old 75 Highway
Sabetha, KS 66524
Or email resume to:
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Falls City Chamber matches \$20,000 for member businesses

The Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce and Main Street was looking for a way to help area businesses affected by COVID-19 when they were hit with the reality that everyone is in some way affected by this global pandemic.

"Obviously, we noticed immediately that non-essential businesses like retail, salons, and restaurants were affected by the state-mandated closures and regulations. They were going to feel the financial impact of all of this right away," said Chamber president Sara Rue. "However, essential businesses in healthcare, food distribution, and agriculture were feeling it too due to supply and demand in products and stock market prices plummeting. Our board of directors thought long and hard about the best way to inject some cash flow into our local economy while being fair in its distribution."

During their April meeting, the Chamber and Main

Street board of directors voted unanimously to orchestrate a Chamber Bucks promotion that would match a buyer's purchase of Chamber Bucks at a 1:1 to ratio up to \$100, not to exceed the \$20,000 they had allotted for this cash injection. This would put the stimulus into the buyer's hands, and they could spend their extra cash at the local businesses of their choice.

Executive director Amber Holle put the promotion in the following Monday's weekly e-newsletter, Chamber Chat. Instantly her phone began to ring, and inbox flooded with those wishing to turn their \$100 into \$200. Later that week, four board members spent four hours printing, signing, and sorting \$20,000 worth of Chamber Bucks. Chamber Bucks are checks that can be redeemed at any of the 75 participating Chamber Member Business for goods and services. They are often used as

gifts for birthdays, employee bonuses or prizes and ensure the money stays local.

Within two days, all of the Chamber Bucks were gone. That's \$40,000 the Chamber knew was going to stay right here in our community. This promotion benefited two groups: The businesses they were redeemed at and the consumers who are going to spend them on goods they need.

As lucky Chamber Buck recipients were picking up their match, Amber asked what they planned to do with their extra funds. Answers included a new stove, refrigerator, lawnmower, landscaping, groceries, gift cards to other businesses, and utility bill payments.

"Everyone was so thankful for the extra assistance during this time," said Executive Director Amber Holle. "We were fortunate to have the extra funds set aside for trying times like these, and we hope this helps our members keep surviving."



The Falls City Summer Rec Board announced its decision to cancel all leagues due to the lack of interest in coaching and liability concerns surrounding the COVID-19 crisis last week. I thought I would address the issue of what to do about getting your kids to exercise this summer.

Many years ago, believe it or not, I was once a kid myself. I didn't have many other kids my age in my neighborhood, and my closest sibling, my sister, didn't fill the void of a ten-year-old boy. So, I managed to come up with things on my own, not only to pass the time but to get outside and to move.

I grew up across the street from the city auditorium. As many of you know, the building is made of limestone, which is great to toss a tennis ball towards. I marked off the correct distance and found a square on the building at the right height and practiced my pitching for hours. I also figured out each square reacted differently to the tennis ball, so I could also work on fielding ground balls and short pop flies. Then as I got braver, I used a real baseball, and a window was smashed. Not fun marching to the Police Station to inform them of the broken glass. However, my spirit wasn't broken for long, and I was right back at it with a tennis ball again. Nowadays, companies make pitch back nets for kids to throw against, but that wasn't an option 30+ years ago. These nets aren't overly expensive and can provide hours of physical exercise while honing their ball skills.

Another lost form of outdoor mobility seems to be bicycles. How many kids do you see today out for a cruise on their two-wheeler? I would love to know how many miles back and forth across town my old huffy bike accumulated. We had trails we would ride, jumps we would make, and a classic gag was to cycle through the driveway of James Oil to run over the hoses and make the bell that was used for full-service customers ding. Our parents didn't just hop in the car and give us a ride somewhere. If we wanted to get there, we rode our bikes.

Also, when did it become necessary to need more than one person to shoot baskets? I saved my paper route money as a kid and purchased a basketball hoop and pole with some help from mom and dad. From that point on, I could be found

in the driveway working on free throws or making the winning shot in the NBA finals. Remember counting down, three...two...one... a three-pointer at the buzzer to win the championship. Many nights my parents had to come out and yell at me because it was late, and the floodlight was too bright. None of the neighbors ever complained to me, but I'm sure they were tired of the constant late-night dribbling. But I didn't need three other friends to work on jump shots or three-point attempts. All I needed was a ten-foot hoop and a net, and sometimes a light for those late-night sessions.

Finally, if you need to get the kids out of the house, send them on a run. We have plenty of streets to take a nice jog on and burn off some energy. It can be surprising how much energy a kid (or adult) can burn off with a nice thirty-minute run. There's nothing expensive to buy, just a pair of shoes and a little desire. Not only will it break up the days, but it will get you or keep you in shape.

All I'm saying is, there is something to do during this social-distancing time. There is plenty to do outside by yourself.

We are all in this together

Due to the pandemic, our JOB team has realized the beneficial health and environmental impact that working remotely has had on our office and community. As a way to protect our clients and employees we have made the decision to continue working remotely through December 2020.

We will continue to focus on providing value added services to our clients remotely as we have realized the enhanced efficiency and positive impact it has had on our team.

The JOB team has made the bold decision to continue working remotely while fully operating the office electronically through December 2020.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FALLS CITY, NE (CRA) REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR FINANCING THE PURCHASE OF 11.16 ACRES OF UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY THAT IS ZONED HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (C-3) AND LOCATED IN FALLS CITY'S REDEVELOPMENT AREA GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS: AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 35TH STREET & U.S. HIGHWAY 73 BUT NOT INCLUDING AN ALREADY DEVELOPED PARCEL AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THAT INTERSECTION AND LOCATED IN THE WEST PLAZA ADDITION OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA. THE CRA PLANS TO PURCHASE THIS LAND FROM FALLS CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & GROWTH ENTERPRISE, INC. (EDGE).

The Community Redevelopment Law of Nebraska authorizes Community Redevelopment Authorities to purchase and finance such land, and seek proposals from potential developers of such land.

EDGE has purchased 19.46 acres of land from a private party and subsequently the CRA has agreed to purchase 11.16 acres of the said ground from EDGE for \$255,564.00. A copy of the purchase agreement will be furnished upon request. While subject to minor changes, a depiction of the location, ownership split and site plan of the property has been included in this RFP on the following page.

CRA is seeking proposals to finance \$200,000.00 of the purchase price and requesting annual payments beginning one year from loan closing date. Proposals should include the following information:

- Interest rate and rate terms
- Loan amortization term
- Provide all terms and conditions of loan
- List all applicable fees and charges
- Please specify any significant loan terms not otherwise requested

Proposals must be received and provided in writing on or before 12:00 p.m. CST, on Monday, June 15, 2020 to accommodate ample time for closing with the Seller. Determination of the successful bidder(s) will be made by the Chairman of the CRA based on the terms deemed to be in the best interest of the CRA.

A balance sheet and cash flow statement for the CRA certified by the City Administrator of the City of Falls City will be furnished upon request. Any questions should be directed to Trent Scheitel, Chairman, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, NE 68355, Phone: (402) 245-2486.

Furnish proposal(s) in writing to: Trent Scheitel, Chairman, Community Redevelopment Authority, City of Falls City, 2307 Barada Street, Falls City, NE 68355.

CRA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.



San Francisco Bay Boys May 26, 1956



If a small boy, when at play, is not doing something perilous, he must be sick. So, regarding that lad who is aviating out over San Francisco Bay, let us rejoice that he is in good health, and close our eyes until he gets back. When John Falter was risking his boyhood, he used to take off on a bag swing from the roof of a shed, part of his joy being to see if he could avoid demolishing his bones against the shed on the way back.

Recently when Falter was strolling along Belvedere Island, admiring the grace of Golden Gate Bridge across the azure bay, he happily discovered that modern kids still relax in the mellow old hair-raising way. Falter's cliffside home is two blocks to the right of the painting, but he doesn't bag-swing from it. The poor fellow must be getting old.

johnphilipfaltermuseum.com

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