



FALLS CITY DOLLAR FRESH STORE OPENS FRIDAY, JAN. 15

By Nikki McKim

Friday, January 15, will be the Falls City Dollar Fresh Store's long-awaited grand opening.

After several months of construction, the new Dollar Fresh store in Falls City, Nebraska, located at 1300 Stone Street, will open its doors to the public at 7 a.m. on Friday, January 15, for its official grand opening.

The former ShopKo store was buzzing last week as employees from St. Joe and Bellevue HyVee stores helped stock shelves and prepare the new store for this week's grand opening. Former Falls City High School graduate Clint Sailors and long-time employee of HyVee will serve as the Falls City Dollar Fresh Manager.

Sailors was working on the restaurant side of a HyVee store, then worked on the Bakery side. When he heard they were opening the Dollar Fresh Store in Falls City, he knew it was time to come home.

"It's a better place to raise a family. You get better values in a small town. You know the people who live next door to you. I had a good childhood here and my kids will too," said Sailors.

Sailors arrived in town recently with his family and got to work. Employees started moving stuff in on Monday, January 4. "everyone was breaking down boxing, moving pallets, and stocking shelves," said Sailors.

The more than 32,000-square-foot store will offer a full selection of grocery items, a bakery section, a dollar section, a Wall of Values, a wine and spirits department, Aisles Online grocery services, Joe Fresh apparel, a

shoe section, 525 specialty items and 195 produce items, including 25 organic offerings and a seventeen-foot gluten-free section.

The store also offers self-checkout as well as regular check out options.

Ready to eat meals will be offered as well as fresh pizza, rotisserie chicken, hamburgers, sandwiches and breakfast starting at 7:00 a.m. Food is offered throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Casseroles, pre-made salads, enchiladas, lasagna and more will also be offered as a grab and go option.

A surprising part of the new Dollar Fresh is their partnership with the Joe Fresh clothing line mostly geared toward women and children and DSW Shoes, with the option of ordering DSW shoes online and having them delivered to the store at no cost.

"Low, low prices is our goal here," said Sailors. The store operates on a low labor mode. This will be how they're able to keep their prices low. So you'll see a lot of boxes still on the shelves and that's going to be the most significant difference you'll see between a regular HyVee and a Dollar Fresh is the 'lower prices,'" said Sailors.

The new store looks to employ around 45 people.

"We're excited. We want to be here for the community," said Sailors. "What I want is this to be that home town store, something people know and come to that's part of the community."

The store will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily and will carry approximately 9,500 items.

The Falls City Dollar Fresh Grand Opening will be this Friday, Jan. 15, 2021 at 7:00 a.m. 1300 Stone Street.

CITY CONTRACTS FOR WATER PLANT BUILDING, PURCHASES AERIAL LADDER TRUCK AND APPROVES STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN

By: Charlie Radatz

The Falls City Water Utility is a pretty big business. It supplies water to Falls City and Richardson County Water District #2, the Villages of Salem and Verdon, and most recently, Indian Cave State Park and rural customers along the line extending to the Park. Not long ago, new wells were drilled near the water plant at Rulo. The water clarifier that removes lime from the water supply with a 25-year life expectancy had been in service for over 50 years and needed to be replaced. The utility purchased a new one for \$250,150. Still, a new building was necessary to house the equipment, and a \$326,990 contract was awarded to Olsson, a Lincoln engineering firm, to design and supervise its construction. Bids were let and during the Mon., Jan. 4 City Council meeting by an 8-0 vote a contract for construction of the new building was awarded to the low bidder on the project BRB Contractors of Red Oak, IA for \$1,448,450. Utility Superintendent Ray Luhring told the Council the building was expected to be a two million dollar project

and described it as a favorable bid. Asked by Councilman Derrick Leyden if this would pretty well take care of the major necessary updates at the plant, Luhring and Craig Reinsch of Olsson responded in the affirmative unless new water regulations were enacted. Reinsch added that the state is considering allowing communities like Falls City to borrow at zero percent interest for such projects.

The Falls City Volunteer Fire Department is getting a new aerial ladder truck. Jon McQueen of the Volunteers and Councilmembers Lucas Froeschl and Mitch Merz succeeded in negotiating to purchase a 2003 model with 73,000 miles, equipped with a 300-gallon water tank, for \$66,000 from the Burlington, VT fire department. That is \$4,000 less than was approved by the Council with the remainder of the funds to be used to purchase new tires for the vehicle that will be shipped to Falls City to replace the present 1973 ladder truck that will be offered for sale. In a related item, the Council approved the expenditure of \$3,000 to hire

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COVID VACCINE DOSES FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS HAVE BEEN PRINCIPALLY COMPLETED CMC LOOKING TO START VACCINES FOR THOSE 75+

By Nikki McKim

COVID vaccine doses for Law Enforcement, EMT, and health care workers has been principally completed.

Second doses for healthcare workers started at the end of last week. In correspondence with Community Medical Center, they stated that vaccines for those 75 and older would start this week. They are working with physician's offices and SENCA to identify and contact patients in this group. SENCA and area churches have expressed a willingness to assist with transportation for those who may need assistance.

During the Community Medical Center, Joint COVID Communication last week, CMC Administrator Ryan Larsen said, "We are having good results with the vaccine so far. We know some people are concerned about getting left out when it's their turn. We should be able to reach out to everybody and there will be notices if you have that concern. If you send an email to covid19@cmcf.org and include your name, telephone number, date of birth and if you have a primary care practitioner, who that is; when it's your turn, we'll make sure that you're included," said Larsen.

Community Medical Center requested around 350 doses per week to vaccinate those 75+ in two to three weeks, but the state was only able to provide about

one hundred doses this week, which is why they will be working with physician's offices to help prioritize. They said they would keep vaccinating as supplies are available until all that want to be vaccinated will be vaccinated. Then they will be allocated vaccines to be able to move to patients in the next group of the state's plan.

Doses for nursing home residents are provided through a separate program offered outside of the hospital and should be starting soon.

The hospital has completed around 200 vaccinations to as of Friday, January 8, 2021. Once a vial has been opened, they are given six hours to provide all the doses, so they need to know a full group is scheduled before a vial is opened. For that reason, those receiving a vaccine must be scheduled, and the hospital cannot take walk-ins at this time. Those living and working in Nebraska are eligible. Anyone living out of state must seek their vaccination through their own state's program unless they work in Nebraska.

The vaccination process takes 20-30 minutes, including being registered, reviewing the education material, receiving the vaccination and waiting under observation to ensure the patient has no adverse reaction. Shots are given in the muscle of the arm. Symptoms: as the body's

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SWEARING-IN - County Board members were sworn into office at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 7, 2021. (Left) David Sickel, District 2 Commissioner was the incumbent who won the Primary Election and advanced to the General Election then unopposed and will be serving his fourth term, first elected in the 2008 election and assuming duty in January of 2009. (Right) Rick Karas will begin his first term of office after being elected in the General 2020 Election as the County Board member from the Third District.



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DIVIDED BY DENSITY: NEBRASKA’S GROWING URBAN-RURAL POLITICS

By Ross Benes
Civic Nebraska Writers Group

Since leaving my hometown of Brainard, each time I move I land in a bigger city. Along the progression from Brainard to Lincoln to Detroit to New York City, I’ve come to see things differently.

It’s natural that our environment will influence our opinions, including our political views. But these days, people living in the country and those living in cities have developed such differing viewpoints that at times it feels like they’re operating in separate worlds.

This issue is at the heart of my new book Rural Rebellion: How Nebraska Became a Republican Stronghold, where I write about the dissonance of moving from one of the most rural and conservative regions of the country to its most liberal and urban centers as they grow further apart at a critical moment in history.

Where you live doesn’t automatically pigeonhole you into a political affiliation. I know liberal hippies from Butler County and cultural conservatives from New York City. But they are rare exceptions. The correlation between where you live and what party you vote for has only grown stronger, and it’s hurting our country.

When I watched the Huskers win multiple football national titles during the 1990s, Republicans and Democrats had the same level of support in rural counties, according to the Pew Research Center. Since then, Republicans increased their voter representation in rural counties nationwide by about 10 percentage points as Democrats’ share fell. Likewise, Democrats made gains in cities while Republicans lost votes there. “Population density now predicts partisanship,” wrote Princeton sociologist Paul Starr about the growing urban-rural divide.

In other words, the partisanship afflicting Nebraska is best viewed as a microcosm for our current national situation. Ballot splitting and moderation have vanished, as we’ve become a nation of disaffected voters.

But after dividing time between Brainard and New York City, I’ve learned firsthand that our party registration or geographical location doesn’t determine our ability to care for one another. If we’re really going to combat the extreme ways that geography affects politics, we’re going to have to put more effort into interacting with people who live in neighborhoods unlike our own.

For example, people in towns like Brainard might become less hostile toward immigrants if they spent more time developing a familiarity with how immigrants live and work in other parts of the state and country. People in cities who support gun restrictions out of a desire to reduce violence might better appreciate rural conservatives’ appreciation for the Second Amendment if they spent time on a farm, hunting predators that threaten to destroy crops and livestock. These are just a few of the many ways that we might come to know each other’s perspectives a little better.

When you become more familiar with someone, it becomes more difficult to demonize them based on their political opinions. In a state that stretches as far as Nebraska does, it is impossible to know every person. But given the misperceptions Democrats and Republicans have about each other, we can certainly make some progress in becoming more familiar with those with whom we disagree.

Fixing hyper-partisanship will require us to change several things. We need to reform our own habits, the financing of campaigns, the selection of candidates, and the issues political parties focus on. Most folks, regardless of party, aren’t happy with our political situation. Politics is clearly important, but there is much more to where we live. And our society doesn’t appear so dire when you look at how people help each other during trying times, like the heroes who risked their lives during the floods of 2019.

Whether Nebraska elects Republicans or Democrats doesn’t determine the goodness of its people. Life will go on, crops will get sold, and football games will be played regardless of who is in office. However, if our country – and our state – is to find political sanity during an era of intense polarization, then we must combat intense partisanship.

Our political crisis can’t be solved all at once, but there’s plenty of room for incremental progress in Middle America. The people out here don’t give up on each other. Neither should politicians.

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THE NASTY JOB OF REDISTRICTING AWAITS

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

High on my 2021 “Snowball’s Chance in Hell” list is the creation of a non-politically charged, nonpartisan way to redistrict the state based on official census results.

I know it sounds like a no-brainer to create an independent commission to re-draw the maps. But given that the Governor doesn’t like the idea – he vetoed the last attempt created by a bi-partisan group of senators in 2016 – and that rural Nebraska is likely to lose two senators as their seats shift to the populous Lincoln, Omaha and Bellevue metroplex, it’s going to be tough.

Let me recap. A stubborn chief executive and a widening urban-rural split. Not necessarily the stuff of which dreams are made.

Oh, and remember the pandemic? It delayed and otherwise wreaked havoc with completion of the census. So, the solid numbers to work with might come as lawmakers are well into the agenda of big issues before them. Without the updated numbers, it’s likely the Nebraska Legislature will have to wing it. Here, hold my beer and watch this!

The most-recent population figures released by the U.S. Census Bureau point to the shift of two seats from Greater Nebraska to Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties. That would give those three counties 27 of the 49 seats in the Legislature, changing the dynamics and makeup of the nation’s only nonpartisan one-house Legislature. Expect a fight. Period.

There are 32 Republicans and 17 Democrats in that officially nonpartisan body. The Governor and every state agency director are Republicans. How does one appoint a nonpartisan commission and where do you put it given those bloodlines? How does this not interfere with the duty of giving Nebraskans the most accurate, responsive representation possible.

Taking the process away from politicians and party regulars would go a long way. But it’s a giant leap to find committee members and an agency or commission that wouldn’t have a partisan bias. In an odd-numbered group, one party would always have a one-vote advantage.

There are models out there as a handful of states have created independent nonpartisan agencies for the task. Iowa uses an independent state office, which draws the maps strictly on terms of population, and presents them to legislators for a simple up-or-down vote. One would hope such a system would be free from gerrymandering.

Here’s a quick refresher for those of you who haven’t been in a civics, history or political science class for a while. Gerrymandering is the manipulation of political boundaries to favor one party or candidate. It was exposed in Nebraska 30 years ago in an upheaval that negated the election in one district, wound up in court and still resulted in a loss for the alleged perpetrator (whose name happened to be Gerry) and his Government, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee which had the task of

drawing the maps.

He allegedly hoped to ensure his re-election in a move that, among other things, divided Madison County between two legislative districts, each of which incorporated portions of other counties. Madison County citizens challenged the constitutionality of the plan as it pertained to their county, arguing that the Nebraska Constitution requires the Legislature to follow county lines when a county has sufficient population to constitute a single legislative district. The state Supreme Court agreed and forced a special session of the Legislature in August 1992 to correct the situation.

The commission proposal five years ago came from a bi-partisan effort between Omaha Dem-

ocrat Heath Mello and Gretna Republican John Murante. The Governor vetoed the measure saying such a citizens’ commission would be “highly likely to be (composed of) party insiders who know how to draw districts to favor their friends and political allies,” opening the process to “political cronyism.”

It’s time to move forward with another effort and look at the models from other states instead of re-inventing the wheel. Learn from their mistakes and build on their successes.

In the spirit of the founding principles of the Legislature, keep it nonpartisan.

J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 21 years.

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: FAMOUS DUOS

ACROSS

- *Timothy Q. Mouse’s friend, in Disney classic
- River in Germany
- Bridle parts
- Whatsoever
- Like tuna tartare
- Forearm bones
- Plural of #3 Down
- Hardware store
- “Gladiator” setting
- *Ferb Fletcher’s stepbrother
- *Mr. White’s unfortunate student
- Welcome spot for weary traveler
- It shall, for short
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- Dieter’s cuisine, for short
- Gator’s cousin
- French “place”
- Chunk of iceberg
- St. Louis monument
- Like new TV set
- Front of ship
- Singular of loci
- Additional
- Reality TV’s Spelling
- *Assistant to regional manager Michael Scott
- Missing a limb
- More, in Madrid
- Like acne-prone skin
- Pimple fluid
- *Shirley’s roommate and fellow bottle-capper
- *Rory Gilmore’s mom
- Make an effort
- Legal org.
- Long stories
- Scottish valleys
- Doctor Dolittle, e.g.
- *One of The Carpenters duo
- Bone-dry
- Opposite of WSW
- Red or orange announcement

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- Slightly wet
- *Malone and Stockton of the ____ Jazz
- Skirt length
- Shroveitide dish
- *Mary-Kate and Ashley
- Geologists’ studies
- *____ and cheese
- Moved under the rug
- “All ____, no bite”
- Footnote word
- *Amy Poehler’s comedic partner
- Welsh alternative to Siobh-n
- Was almost out of gas, e.g.
- Source of indigo dye, pl.
- “____ Be Home For Christmas”
- In the best possible way
- Coffee burn, e.g.
- *Bow and ____
- Spherical bacteria
- *Corona’s main squeeze?
- What willow did
- Read-only chip
- Greek bazaar
- *Clark’s fellow traveler
- College party chant
- Celestial bear
- Dancer’s beat
- Daisy dukes, e.g.
- “Wizard of Oz” man
- Archimedes’ exclamation
- Furlough
- Flower part
- Frog delicacy
- Wheel shaft
- Swerve
- European sea eagle
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From the

Journal Files

By Charlie Radatz

50-25-15 Years Ago

50 Years Ago - Jan. 13, 1971, to Jan. 19, 1971

Charlie Smith was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce.

Among leaders recognized during the 4-H Leaders’ Banquet were Mrs. Earl Rieger, Rulo, for 15 years and Ms. William Auxier, Dawson, for ten years.

Marlin Krug, Shubert, was elected chairman of the County Board of Commissioners.

Work was temporarily halted on the Cooper Nuclear Station at Brownville due to a labor dispute.

Movies at the Rivoli included “Giant,” “On a Clear Day You Can See Forever,” and “Son of Flubber.”

Lester Baker was installed as Worshipful Master of Orient Lodge No. 13, A.F. & A.M., of Rulo.

Falls City High Seniors Marty Wilson and Blake Stitzer were winners of the Elks Youth Leadership Scholarship Contest.

Tom Zimmerman, Falls City, was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals major league baseball team.

Perry Wilhelm was re-elected president of the Falls City Riding Club.

Mrs. George Ketner was installed as Worthy Matron of Mercy Chapter No. 306 of the Eastern Star, Stella.

Dawson-Verdon cheerleaders were Judy Houlton, Julie Heineman, Sue Schulze, and Cheryle Jorn.

Robert Shorb, Rulo, was elected president of the Richardson County Livestock Feeders & Breeders Association.

A Richardson County farm wife complained of taking cover when shots were fired from a plane by coyote hunters.

Johnson-Brock won the championship of the Southeast Border Conference Tournament 70-58, ending Pawnee City’s 35 game winning streak.

The Falls City wrestling team picked up its third straight dual victory 43-5 at Fairbury. Winning their matches were John Bindrum, Stan Kottich, Larry Peterson, Steve Hull, Mark Jones, Tom Stalder, Dennis Liberty, Tom Wentz, Bing Bindrum, Wayne Schulenberg, and Gale Furnas.

The Humboldt wrestling team lost its dual with Weeping Water 25-18. Winning their matches by pins were Bob Hancock, Ray Snoke, and Mike Masonbrink.

Doug Jorn of Dawson-Verdon tied for scoring honors with 18 points in a 79-54 home loss to Nemaha Valley.

Winning the Falls City Bowling association’s men’s tournament at Center Lane was the Ebel Seed team consisting of Marvin Scheitel, Ervin Deckinger, Ken Witrock, Orville Apel and Harlan Zentner.

Mary Findlay, rural Pawnee City, Donna Mack, Verdon; and Mary Volkman, Auburn, were Southeast Quad County Pork Producers Association Pork Queen contestants.

It was National Jaycee Week. Dick Gilkerson was President of the Falls City club.

Nebraska Football Coach Bob Devaney was the speaker for the general membership meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and everyone was encouraged to wear something red.

Alvin Henry graduated in building construction technology from Nebraska Vocational Technical school at Milford.

25 Years Ago - Jan. 13, 1996, to Jan. 19, 1996

Robert James Friday, son of Gloria Friday, was the first baby born in 1996 at Community Medical Center.

An anonymous donor gave \$6,000 to the Prichard Auditorium “Curtain Fund.”

Richardson County Crime Stoppers issued its first rewards to two individuals who provided tips to solve a crime.

The Rural Falls City Fire Department reported losses due to fires in 1995 totaled only \$9,900.

Richardson County Supervisors sought what they considered to be the County’s share of “in lieu of tax payments” made by the Falls City Housing Authority. A short time later, Falls City disbursed proportional shares of payments received over four years.

The Sacred Heart boys were 5-6 on the season after a 64-32 loss to Johnson-Brock.

Southeast Consolidated’s Janelle Findlay scored 19 points in a 64-40 victory over Dawson-Verdon.

Southeast Consolidated’s boys’ basketball team defeated Dawson-Verdon 84 to 39.

Tom Wissman, Jason Brownell, and T.C. Tisdal each won their two matches in a double dual at Hiawatha, but Falls City as a team lost 30-45 to Hiawatha and 25-48 to Effingham.

The Nemaha Natural Resources District scheduled hearings on proposed bans of powerboating on Kirkman’s Cove Lake and Iron Horse Lake.

The 1995 Honor Farm Photo Award for the western half of Richardson County was presented to Crook Farms.

Humm’s Market at 17th & Harlan was sold to Al and Gladys Haworth and Victor and Carla Haworth.

Bryan Enterprises, Inc. began bringing advanced nuclear imaging equipment to CMC, eliminating the need for its patients to travel to larger cities for such tests.

Southeast Consolidated’s senior shooting guard Wes Haveman hit a 3-pointer giving him 1,000 career points and the Mustangs defeated Sacred Heart 62-53, their first victory over the Irish since Jan. 14, 1983.

With the score tied at 39, the Auburn Bulldogs forced a turnover and scored two points at the buzzer to beat the Lady Tigers.

The NC Lourdes Central won the boys game at Humboldt 46-43 and the girls game 42-38.

Nemaha Valley outscored and outrebounded Dawson-Verdon in a 66-42 boys basketball victory at Cook. Steph Dunlap scored 15 and had 14 rebounds for the Lady Jets in a losing cause 62-56.

A blizzard with winds of as high as 54 mph and wind chills as low as -45 to -50 degrees caused all schools and some businesses to close.

Falls City Auction Co. was closed briefly by the USDA while it investigated shortfalls in the company’s custodial account.

The City Council authorized the relocation of electrical, water and sewer lines to accommodate the reconstruction of U.S. Highway 159.

A six-year-old pointer owned and trained by Dr. Pat McInteer, won the National Invitational Shooting Dog championship.

Southeast Consolidated defeated Falls City in girls basketball at Stella 48-30. Cheryl Patchen led all scorers with 18.

The Falls City Tiger wrestling team beat Holton and lost to Sabetha in a double dual at Sabetha. Against Holton winning by pins were T.C. Tisdal, Chad Scholl, Keith Gilkerson, and Tom Wissman. Against Sabetha, Erickson won by 10-5 decision while Brownell, Tisdal, and Wissman all got pins.

15 Years Ago - Jan. 13, 2006, to Jan. 19, 2006

Jim Sefried was re-elected Chairman of the County Board.

The District 56 School Board elected David Sickel as Board President.

The Southeast Consolidated School Board re-elected Board President Terry Vice.

The Chamber of Commerce scheduled a special meeting to obtain input on the future of the Chamber’s Retail Committee.

The FCHS boys’ basketball team was 7-4 after a 47-42 loss to Kansas City SW Charter school in the Savannah Invitational.

Journal Athletes of the Week were Marcie Kuker of FCSH, who had 10 points, five steals, and nine assists in a win over Johnson-Brock and HTRS senior wrestler Curtis Luellin who won a 2nd tournament championship.

The FCSH boys suffered a 58-47 loss to Bruning-Davenport at the Beatrice City Auditorium.

River Twin Cinema was showing “Fun with Dick & Jane” and “Family Stone.”

An Omaha consulting firm advised the Nemaha Natural Resources District that a proposed NNRD Pawnee County Lake could attract up to 200,000 visitors annually.

The Irish boys basketball team claimed Mudecas consolation honors defeating Exeter-Milligan 55-42.

The FCHS boys’ basketball team made but 12 of 34 free throw attempts and suffered a 34-33 loss to the tournament hosts at the Savannah Invitational.

Falls City wrestlers earned only 49 points and finished 10th at the Elkhorn Invitational.

Five Tigers pinned their opponents in a 51-19 dual victory at Horton.

Beatrice defeated the Tiger boys 77-49 in the opening round of the Nemaha Valley Raider Classic.

COVID vaccine doses for healthcare workers have been principally completed; CMC looking to start vaccines for 75+

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immune system is activated by the vaccine, it often includes soreness in the muscle around the injection site for one to two days and sometimes includes fever, chills and tiredness.

The hospital would like to remind the public to remain vigilant during the winter months and keep wearing masks in public and adhere to the COVID guidelines.

During the CMC Joint Communication on Monday, January 4, it was reported that COVID numbers in the area were down last month as they rise nationwide.

“We commend our community on doing a great job with those safety measures and we want to continue that through the winter months,” said Linda Santo, Marketing and Events Coordinator for Community Medical Center.

Santo reminded the public that the hospital is still testing for COVID through Test Nebraska twice a week. The public can sign up at testnebraska.com, but if you feel you need to be tested sooner, you can schedule an appointment with your doctor.

The DHHS website has a new page on its website that will update the public with where they are on the vaccine. The website reports the total vaccines distributed, administered, first doses received, second doses received and the percentage of the population in Nebraska who have received the vaccine.

Larsen said the number of positive tests is still reasonably high, but there aren’t as many

Commissioners approve motor vehicle tax exemptions and honor one of their own

By: Charlie Radatz

The Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Vice-Chairman Terry Frank at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Roll call was answered by Commissioners Frank and Caverzagie; Deputy County Assessor, Kim Riggs; County Treasurer, Amanda Bartek-Young and Clerk Eickhoff. Commissioner Sickel was absent.

Commissioner Caverzagie made a motion to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption applications for the following organizations: First Baptist Church d/b/a Valley Avenue Baptist Church, Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Community Medical Center, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Good News Assembly of God Church, Falls City Sacred Heart Catholic School, and Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad. That motion was seconded by Frank and approved by a 2-0 vote.

Deputy County Assessor Kim Riggs presented to the Board seven tax list corrections. Caverzagie made a motion to approve the tax list corrections as presented by the County Assessor’s Office. That motion was seconded by Frank and was

people being tested. He said at the time of the Joint Communication there were 13 patients at Community Medical Center and none were admitted with COVID symptoms.

On Friday, Jan. 8, 2021, Richardson County was reporting 600 confirmed cases of COVID and 15 deaths; Nemaha had 618 cases, nine deaths; Pawnee had 174 cases, three deaths; Johnson had 566 cases, seven deaths; and Otoe County had 1068 cases and four deaths.

also approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Board of Equalization meeting was then adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice-Chairman Terry Frank at 9:03 a.m. Roll call was answered by Frank and Caverzagie. Commissioner Sickel was absent.

Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine road maintenance being done this week. Darveau reported pricing of rock from Martin Marietta for 2021 was received from the DuBois location for the following: Crusher Run--\$13.90/ton and Clean Stone--\$18.35/ton. Mr. Darveau reported that rock hauling is being done when weather is permitting.

Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Sheriff Roland Merwin updated the Board on the Law Enforcement Center’s routine business this week.

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees collected during the month of December 2020: Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk \$156.50, Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds \$9,819.00, and Pam Scott, Clerk of District Court \$898.46.

The Board presented to Commissioner Terry Frank a token of appreciation for his service to Richardson County for a combined total of 11 years. Frank served as District 3 Commissioner from January 3, 2017, through January 6, 2021, and as Highway Superintendent from September 15, 1998, through August 31, 2005.

The meeting was adjourned after the two Commissioners present voted to allow the payment of all claims that had been presented during the week prior to their session.

BABIES OF 2020

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4: The deadline is Wednesday, February 17, 2021. WE may not be able to include any sent after this date.

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Ashley Robertson ends successful run as Executive Director for Project Response

By Cassie Gottula Shaw

Project Response celebrated 30 years of advocacy work in 2017, the same year Ashley Robertson took the reins as executive director. Despite the fact that it was a well-established organization with three decades of experience under its belt, new life was breathed into the agency with a new director at the helm. Robertson’s commendable drive, empathy for survivors, and passion for making a difference helped the trusted advocacy organization to operate at its best, while introducing the agency to a new generation of community members and making it more accessible to survivors.

Robertson moved into her role four years ago this very month, after working for Project Response off and on since 2014. She couldn’t have known a major cultural movement would soon sweep the nation, encouraging greater awareness of the realities of domestic and sexual abuse on a grand scale. It was a movement that led to new legislation and sparked a national discourse, demanding better outcomes for survivors of relationship abuse and oppression. Robertson, however, with the support of her staff and the Board of Directors, stepped up and responded skillfully. She ensured that Project Response was positioned to provide the necessary essential services to help empower survivors. She continues to do so today.

Robertson and her staff consistently advocate for survivors, primarily women and children, in a number of ways. To those survivors, the most significant considerations are that they have a safe place to go, food to eat and clothes to wear (often an escape is made without even an opportunity to grab undergarments or a toothbrush), and an ally to count on when addressing the courts or local police officers. Project Response exists to provide those things.

Additionally, Robertson spearheads the cause of providing community education, which is key to preventing the perpetuation of relationship abuse and oppression. But, while national statistics on domestic violence are sobering, we tend to eschew these numbers when we discuss the pandemic of relationship violence at a local level. In a state where citizens are known for being both kind and values-driven, especially in the small towns where we proudly assert that “everybody knows everybody,” to acknowledge the deeply troubling truth about domestic violence and sexual assault means we must recognize not only that we all know

survivors, but also that we know perpetrators.

While it is indeed painful to accept that it happens even here, it is also both necessary and urgent. According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, “more than one in three women and one in four men in the U.S. will experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner” at some point in their lives. Even more staggering is the reality that, as researched by the Hotline, “1 in 10 high school students has experienced physical violence from a partner in the last year alone.” That’s right -- 10% of high school students have experienced these types of abuse in the past year. In fact, violence cycles can begin even earlier than this, and those cycles are perpetuated when they’re not openly addressed.

Robertson is clear. She says, “Sexual and domestic violence is occurring every single day within our communities.” Often, this is the case where we would least expect it -- sometimes within our own friend groups, or with our family members, or in our neighborhoods.

That’s why Robertson worked tirelessly to secure a grant that allowed her to hire a new sexual assault advocate. It’s also why Project Response has made it a point to educate its service area (Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, and Richardson counties), providing the tools we need to acknowledge and confront relationship violence in our own communities.

To this end, Robertson developed and maintained community partner relationships, revitalized the preexisting outreach program, and established and maintained a quarterly newsletter these past several years. Additionally, she introduced to area schools a Safe Dates curriculum, which stresses the significance of healthy relationships and boundaries. Desaray Johnson, Program Coordinator, took the initial lead on this project, teaching the curriculum to local high school students.

“Sexual and domestic violence will never end if we are not educating on it,” reminds Robertson. And education is always most effective when it begins early.

Of course, as many community members know, Project Response does even more for those in need. For example, advocate Robyn Batterman recognized a need for a food pantry and took the lead on this donation-driven project in the spring of 2019. It continues to serve 40-60 people monthly.

And, perhaps the most unique element of Project Response

is its income generator, The Neighborhood Closet, which, along with grants, allows Project Response to keep its doors open and to provide services for the public. Robertson is keen to point out that it can’t be overstated how much community support matters when it comes to both donating to, and shopping at, The Neighborhood Closet, located at the downtown intersection of Central Avenue and J Street in Auburn. Robertson completely restructured the store, which included hiring a store manager, Autumn Dickerson, whose vision aligned with her own and who “has done amazing things.”

Similarly, the executive director gushes about each of her employees individually; it’s evident how much she cherishes the staff, her position, and the agency. However, Robertson, a graduate of Peru State College’s psychology program, is now in her final month with Project Response, as she prepares to embark on a new adventure: the pursuit of a nursing degree. In her recent notice to the board, she expressed great sadness to be leaving the agency, which will always be close to her heart.

In the executive director role at Project Response, Robertson shares that no two days are ever the same. Certainly, applicants for the position should be prepared to wear many hats. The ED completes substantial grant work, manages finances, advocates for survivors, leads the staff, acts as a sounding board for the staff, attends monthly meetings with the Board of Directors, connects with a network of agency directors through the Nebraska Coalition, attends and creates training sessions, and runs the office, among the many other things on the lengthy list of duties. The right person for the position will uphold the highest and strictest standards of confidentiality, will be a team player, and will gladly rotate on-call shifts.

Yet, Robertson acknowledges that the position is also deeply rewarding. Every day is worthwhile. The ED creates strong relationships with the staff and receives tremendous support from the Nebraska Coalition. Most importantly, the agency makes a real difference in people’s lives.

Robertson hopes the position will be filled by “someone who truly has a passion for this type of work and for helping survivors.” And speaking on behalf of the Board, we hope to find someone who can match Ashley Robertson’s steadfast dedication. You can help make a difference. These services are made possible through community support, including donations of clothing (The Neighborhood Closet), donations of food and personal items, and monetary donations. It has never been easier to donate! Visit the Project Response website (www.projectresponseinc.org) or Facebook page. You can also keep the conversation going by sharing posts on social media.

The Project Response main office is located in downtown Auburn. There is currently a satellite office in Nebraska City, while the agency is also hosted for regular hours at the Falls City Library & Arts Center. For survivors who are not able to reach one of these locations in person, advocates are glad to meet at other locations across the service region.

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The picture of health in America is not so rosy

“Thinking About Health,” is part of the Nebraska Press Association’s partnership with Rural Health News Service, which will provide Nebraskans with unbiased health-related information, designed to help better understand the health issues facing our communities, state and nation.

By Trudy Leiberman, Community Health News Service

For end-of-the-year columns, it’s customary to recap the events of the past 12 months, usually highlighting a mix of the good and the bad. Because this year has been dominated by health, in particular COVID-19, and my beat is health, it seems fitting to reflect on where we are. Where we are is not good.

A headline in the Los Angeles Times seemed to sum up the current state of the U.S. health care system: “Bodies pile up, patient care falters as COVID-19 devastates L.A. County hospitals.” In the Times’ story a hospital critical care nurse says, “No one would believe this is the United States.” Indeed, they would not.

A story from Wisconsin tells us that a hospital pharmacist deliberately destroyed some 500 doses of vaccine. No reason given, at least none the media have reported. This behavior, I dare say, would have been unheard of in 1947 when New York City managed to vaccinate five million people against smallpox in two weeks.

At the end of 2020, the government’s goal of vaccinating 20 million people against COVID by the last day of December fell way short with only 2.7 million doses administered. In some ways that is hardly surprising, given how chaotic the whole COVID affair has been since the beginning. First, we failed to recognize how lethal the virus was; then we were slow to get testing up and running; next came problems with contact tracing because Americans were reluctant to cooperate. Lab results were delayed. Americans flouted the rules and advice to stay home, and on it went until we find our nation in a very unenviable position at the beginning of 2021.

Yet the mythology surrounding our health care system – that it is the best in the world – continues. This year has shown that America, contrary to its self-image, does not have the most effective and efficient health care system in the world. That’s a bitter pill for many Americans to swallow.

At the end of December, a new study emerged in the journal JAMA Internal Medicine that further deflates America’s standing. It found that wealthy, white Americans generally have better health outcomes than the average U.S. citizen but generally worse outcomes than average citizens in other higher income countries. In other words, the U.S. continues to spend gobs of money on health care but doesn’t necessarily get a healthier population for its expenditures. Not a lot of bang for the buck!

Two pieces I wrote this year drove home that point for me. They showed the inadequacy of health care for too many rural Americans even in “normal” times when there’s no virus lurking among us. One woman from a sparsely populated county in central Nebraska recently wrote to tell me about the lack of in-network doctors available to people who join Medicare Advantage plans. Those plans require seniors to use network physicians to get benefits. If they don’t, the result is high out-of-pocket bills.

If people in those sparsely populated regions don’t have doctors who pass muster with their insurance company, how many go without care?

Another piece I wrote discussed federally qualified health centers, which serve many low-income communities across the country. Doctors at one such health center in western Nebraska serve 17 low-population counties, and patients drive many miles to see a doctor. Those doctors also report that they examine more patients for dental problems than for other medical issues. That speaks to lack of access to oral health care for way too many Americans; another health problem policymakers brush off.

Although the pandemic has exposed serious flaws in America’s health care arrangements, maybe, just maybe, it will spark a serious national discussion about the kind of health system we want for everyone when the postmortem on COVID-19 is done.

In the meantime, all of us will have to figure out how to get tested, get vaccinated, and stay safe without a lot of reliable information to guide us along the way. Because so much of the information from the federal government has been politicized, I turned to the website of Britain’s National Health Service www.nhs.uk, which I’ve visited and written about several times.

It is a model of clarity and good information about COVID. For example, the advice for pregnant women and those thinking about becoming pregnant was the clearest I’ve seen. The website also tells visitors when it was last updated and when the next update will be. That website shows how much better America could be.



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NDVA launches ‘Vets Get Pets’ license plate to raise funds for Veteran pet adoptions

The Nebraska Department of Veterans’ Affairs (NDVA) is launching a new “Vets Get Pets” program to help pay veterans’ animal adoption fees through the sale of special license plates. Starting January 1, 2021, the new “Vets Get Pets” license plate design will be available for all Nebraska drivers to purchase. The plates will cost five dollars for the alphanumeric version or forty dollars for custom message plates. Proceeds from the sale of these plates will be used to fund an adoption fee reimbursement program for veterans, which will launch July 1, 2021, pending sufficient plate sales. “Our agency is very excited about the ‘Vets Get Pets’ program and the opportunity to provide a new service for our state’s veterans,” said NDVA Director John Hilgert. “As an adopted pet owner myself, I can speak to the joy animals bring to our lives, and multiple studies have illustrated the value of animal companions, particularly in dealing

with PTSD. This will be a great service for our veterans and an opportunity for our citizens to support them.” The “Vets Get Pets” specialty plates can be purchased through dmv.nebraska.gov. Purchase of the plates is open to all Nebraskans, not just veterans, with proceeds from sales going towards veterans’ adoption fee reimbursements. Veterans who have registered with the Nebraska Veterans’ Registry can apply to have up to \$350 of pet adoption fee costs reimbursed through the program. Additional information on the “Vets Get Pets” program can be found at veterans.nebraska.gov/vetsgetpets. The “Vets Get Pets” plate was introduced by Senator Anna Wishart in Legislative Bill 1139, which was amended into LB 944 along with several other new license plates. LB 944 passed the Legislature July 31, 2020, and was signed by Governor Ricketts on August 6, 2020.

FCMS Announces second quarter Honor Roll

Falls City Middle School is proud to announce their second quarter Honor Students. Regular Honor Roll consists of students who had a 3.5 to a 3.75 GPA and no D’s or F’s. High Honor Roll Students had a 3.75 to a 4.0 GPA and no D’s or F’s. The highest honor a Falls City Middle School student can receive is Titanium Tiger status. To be a Titanium Tiger the student must have a 3.5 or higher GPA, no D’s or F’s, no discipline incidents, score an average or higher on national MAP testing in Science, Math and Reading, miss two or less days of school (the nurse excuses any COVID or doctor approved absences) and they must be involved in an extra-curricular activity.

Titanium Tigers have shown excellence in all areas of the Middle School experience. Congratulations to all of our students who achieved second quarter honors!

Regular Honor Roll Students
Jacoby Bangert, Jackson Bauman, Cade Caudle, Wyatt Counce, Tucker Coupe, Morgan Dumont, Gabriella Furrow, Kiersten Harmon, Taykia Hayes, McKenzie Johansen, Taylor Kreifels, Gunner Lippold, Kenzee Ralston, Blakely Sells, Brayson Sells, Chase Simpson

High Honor Roll Students
Tegan Alexander, Talon Anderson, Isabelle Armbruster, Gavin Bauer, Ethan Boatright, Peyton Brown, Brock Caudle, Beata Clark, Emersyn Courtney, Mylie Crawford, Emmett Daake, Brooklyn Denton, Carlea Dunkhas, Matthew Eaton, Molly Ebel, Makayla Eberle, Breean Eickhoff, Jayme Ewers,

Clara Feighner, Hayden Findlay, Isaac Frederick, Kyleigh Furnas, Robert Gilkerson, Ella Glathar, Braxton Harmon, Derek Helmick, Bowdy Jones, You-Ha Kim, Kaitlyn Kirkendall, Miyuna Kong, Malori Kuker, Caylan Lee, Vaden Leyden, Ashton Martin, Taiylah Moore, Ethan Morris, Cooper Nelson, Ngoc (Ruby) Nguyen, Brock Niedfeldt, Trinity Pierce, Kaydence Rego, Evie Rue, Christian Saul, Addyson Sayer, Emilou Schulenberg, Dayton Snethen, Jazlyn Strecker, Harley Sutton, Jennifer Sweeney, Bailey Thimmes, Katelynn Titus, Sierrah Vermeer, Elizabeth Vice, Malesa Wickham, Tate Wilcox, Gabi Young, Paige Young

Titanium Tigers
Talon Anderson, Isabelle Armbruster, Jacoby Bangert, Gavin Bauer, Peyton Brown, Brock Caudle, Beata Clark, Wyatt Counce, Mylie Crawford, Emmett Daake, Brooklyn Denton, Morgan Dumont, Carlea Dunkhas, Matthew Eaton, Makayla Eberle, Breean Eickhoff, Jayme Ewers, Hayden Findlay, Kyleigh Furnas, Robert Gilkerson, Ella Glathar, Taykia Hayes, Derek Helmick, Bowdy Jones, You-Ha Kim, Kaitlyn Kirkendall, Miyuna Kong, Malori Kuker, Gunner Lippold, Taiylah Moore, Ethan Morris, Cooper Nelson, Ngoc (Ruby) Nguyen, Brock Niedfeldt, Evie Rue, Christian Saul, Addyson Sayer, Emilou Schulenberg, Brayson Sells, Chase Simpson, Dayton Snethen, Harley Sutton, Jennifer Sweeney, Katelynn Titus, Sierrah Vermeer, Elizabeth Vice, Malesa Wickham, Tate Wilcox, Paige Young.



Welcome to Christmas in France, held in the art room at Sacred Heart as part of the Christmas Around the World.



Dyson Bippes, shows off his “suitcase” decorated with stickers from the countries he visited.

Sacred Heart celebrates Christmas Around the World

Submitted by Christina Wertenberger

With a year that has been anything but normal, Sacred Heart has made the best of this Christmas season. A normal year would have brought Christmas caroling to shut-ins and the nursing homes, parties and so much more, but this year, principal Jenny Dunn and the Student Council got creative to continue to bring Christmas cheer to all. Sacred Heart Student Council organized a jean day where students and staff could pay a dollar to wear jeans and a Christmas shirt or sweater to school. The money donated was used to purchase a small gift for some of our local shut-ins that students would normally be caroled to.

On Tuesday, December 22, after the last final was given and final Mass for the school year was celebrated, elementary students were treated to Christ-

mas Around the World. Each Pre-K through Sixth grade student was given a paper suitcase complete with a passport and a tour guide team of one senior and one freshman. Junior students were paired up to organize each country with fun Christmas facts and traditions, crafts and games. The juniors were assisted by the sophomores, Eighth graders, and Seventh graders with these activities. Countries represented were France, Netherlands, Sweden, Russia, Australia, Germany, Mexico, and Ireland. Activities ranged from Eiffel tower snow globes to Christmas bingo in Mexico, boat races in Australia and gnome building in Sweden. Lots of music filled the hallways of Sacred Heart, as well as lots of Christmas cheer. Students of all ages enjoyed learning and celebrating Christmas Around the World.

SOCIETY

Community Church of Stella Ladies Circle

Submitted by Carolyn Bredemeier

The Ladies Circle at the Community Church of Stella met on Tuesday, December 15, for their regular meeting in the church Fellowship Hall. The meeting was opened by President Carolyn Bredemeier with a devotion entitled “Traditions and Christmas,” followed by prayer and the singing of Angels We Have Heard On High. Eight members answered roll call with a favorite Christmas hymn. Mary Glathar read the minutes of the previous meeting and Donna Monnette presented the Treasures report.

Discussion items included new drapes for the nursery, cleaning aids for the janitor and the cookie and fruit plates. It was decided to give \$500 to our missionary chairman for her disbursement as needed. Items from the past included the Bazaar, which began in 1921 and continued until the early ‘50s. Circle members also spent many hours in the early 1970s making Chrismon for the church Christmas tree.

A short Christmas program entitled “Angels” was presented with several members participating. Donna Monnette displayed a few of her angel collection.

At the close of the meeting, the members prepared 18 cookie and fruit plates and delivered them to area residents. Our next meeting will be on January 26, 2021.

Angel Hadachek earns B.A. degree from Concordia University, Nebraska

Angel Hadachek of Sabetha, Kan., earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia University, Nebraska in the Fall of 2020. Undergraduates earning a degree from Concordia were eligible for distinction or high distinction honors. The top 10 percent of graduates with the highest GPA in their respective colleges were designated as graduating with high distinction. An additional 15 percent were designated as graduating with distinction.

The Family of **Tom and Anna (Schawang) Burns** would like to honor them with a **CARD SHOWER** to celebrate their **50th Wedding Anniversary on January 16th**. Cards & memories may be sent to: **1004 Ridge St. Dawson, NE 68337**



Thank You

We wish to express our sincere THANKS to ALL who supported us during the passing of Larry Kuker. Thank you to the doctors and nurses at Saint Elizabeth hospital and Southeast Cancer Center in Lincoln. To Dr. Allan Tramp, Dr. Grant Anderson, Celeste Jones and the nurses and staff at Community Medical Center for your special care. To the Richardson County Sheriff Dept., especially Deputy Frede, the Volunteer Ambulance Squad, and the In-Home Health Care people, thank you for your specialized care. Thank you also to Dorr and Clark Funeral Home Staff for your help and comfort in planning Larry’s memorial service. To Pastors Michael Schmidt and Jackie Gfeller, thank you for your comforting words and beautiful service, and to Marilyn Findlay for the beautiful music and all who helped with the family luncheon. Thank you to our family and friends for the abundance of food we received, for the memorials to the church and our family, and for the many flowers and cards. Each expression of sympathy was very much appreciated.

Fayrene Kuker, Kevin, Karen, Kristen, Kyle and families.

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

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CITATIONS

Armando Martinez Rodriguez, of Council Bluffs, IA, count one, speeding 6-10, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

COUNTY COURT

Ty A. Larson, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated- st., fined \$150, probation for a term of 12 months and court costs of \$50.

Lucas M. Morehead, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice.

Lucas M. Morehead, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Full presentence investigation ordered; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to February 24, 2021 for

sentencing.

Dylan J. Watkins, count one, possess controlled substance, waived-bound over; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice. Case continued to District Court on January 19, 2021 for arraignment.

Colby E. Ried, count one, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 22, 2021 for hearing.

Brandy R. Osthoff, count one, assault third degree, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice; count two, criminal mischief-\$0-\$500, plead guilty, found guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to January 25, 2021 for sentencing.

Michael L. Falls, count one, assault-third degree, plead not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 25, 2021.

Donovan C. Baker, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated-st., plead guilty, found guilty; count two, speeding 11-15, plead guilty, found guilty. Case continued to March 1, 2021.

Darin E. Allen, count one, no proof of insurance, plead guilty, found guilty; count two, drive under susp/before reinstate-st., plead guilty, found guilty; count three, speeding 6-10, plead guilty, found guilty. Case continued to January 27, 2021.

Andrew S. Reed, count one,

possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty; count three, improper headlight adjustment, plead guilty. Case continued to January 25, 2021.

Shnobia Z. Curry, count one, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300; count two, speeding 6-10, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Mark McKinney, count one, fail to display orange material, plead guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Kyle Ulrich, count one, fail to display orange material, plead guilty and fined \$25 and court costs of \$49.

Roger C. Duckett, count one, possess controlled substance, waived-bound over; count two, drive during revocation/impound-first, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count four, fail to use turn signal, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice. Case continued to January 19, 2021.

Dirk E. Dobrovolny, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 3, 2021.

Brian K. Mackey, count one, theft-unlawful taking \$0-\$500, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count two, criminal trespass-second degree, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100, court costs of \$50 and Sheriff fees of \$8.00.

Gary A. Robertson, count one, assault-third degree, found guilty and sentenced to jail for seven days-concurrent, credit for two days served, probation ordered for a term of one year; count two, resist arrest-first offense, credit for two days served, probation ordered for a term of one year; count three, count dropped/dismissed and court costs of \$60, administrative enrollment fee of \$30 and drug testing gee of \$25.

Mark A. Galaska, count one, maintaining a nuisance, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs of \$50.

Jeremy J. Butrick, count one, false imprisonment-first degree, probable cause found. Case bound over to District Court for trial; count two, drive while revoked from DUI/refusal, probable cause found. Case bound over to Dis-

trict Court for trial; count three, dom asslt-third degree, charge dismissed on the. Motion of the prosecutor without prejudice; count four, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, charge dismissed on the motion of the. Prosecutor without prejudice; count five, tamper with witness/informant/juror, probable cause found. Case bound over to District Court for trial. Case continued to District Court for arraignment.

Frank W. Worthey, count one, violate protection order, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 13, 2021 for entry of plea.

Thomas Cunningham, count one, dom asslt-intl cause body injry-int, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 20, 2021 for pretrial.

DISTRICT COURT

Amanda M. Teixeira, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 19, 2021.

Megan D. Willey, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos cntrl subs-sch 1, amended to attempt of a class 2A felony, plead guilty, found guilty, full presentence investigation ordered; count two, possess money while violate 28-416, charge dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor with prejudice. Case continued to March 9, 2021 for sentencing.

Amanda M. Teixeira, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 19, 2021.

Melanie A. Beemer, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 19, 2021 for hearing.

Jamie S. Vaughan, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued for pretrial.

Jeremiaha T. Eppens, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plea changed to guilty. Sentence includes probation for a term of 18 months starting January 5, 2021. Probation administrative enrollment fee of \$30, regular probation fee of \$450, drug testing fee of \$90; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, amended

to count dropped/dismissed, plead not guilty.

Eric C. Abney, count one, possess deadly weapon-prohibited person, plead not guilty; count two, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count three, carry concealed weapon-first offense, plead not guilty; count four, possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty; count five, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued to February 2, 2021.

Joshua D. Arington, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued to January 19, 2021 for hearing.

Anna E. Debolt, count one, possess controlled substance, plead not guilty; count two, possess K2/synthetic one ounce or less-first offense, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Case continued to March 2, 2021 for pretrial.

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The US Marshalls with the assistance of the Richardson County Sheriff’s Office executed an arrest warrant in Falls City, and arrested 29 year old Jordan A. Lunsford SR of Falls City, NE on four Richardson County warrants for Failure to appear, one Richardson County Warrant for Failure to pay fines and costs, one Richardson County warrant for Protection Order Violation, and one Richardson County Warrant for Delivery of a Controlled Substance x10. Lunsford was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

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Tigers wrestlers complete busy week

Story and photo by Brian McKim
Falls City wrestlers completed a busy week that included two duals and one tournament.
On Monday, the Tigers took on the HTRS Titans in Humboldt. The Titans outlasted Falls City 45-27 to win the dual.

The meet began with two forfeit wins by FC, first Kaleb Zulkoski at 106 and then Ray Feek at 113. At 126, freshman Wyatt Olberding took down Roman Coats with a pin at 1:45. FC surrendered points in the next two weight divisions as Damon Portrey and William Taylor got forfeit wins. At 145, Kady Stacker won a sudden victory 6-4 in the extra period. At 152, Jakob Richey of HTRS won by forfeit. Moving on to the 160 division, senior Calvin Crouse lost by fall at 1:19. Cameron Schramm pinned Clayton Schook at the 1:29 mark and at 182, Kemper Foster fell to Andy Maloney by fall at 1:35. At 195, Thomas Fields took second-ranked Aiden Worthey to the wire, losing 7-5 in a sudden victory. Worthey improved to 19-1 on the season. The final two matches of the night were both won by HTRS by forfeit.

On Tuesday night, the Tigers hosted the Nebraska City Pioneers for a dual. Falls City was outmatched much of the night as the Pioneers controlled the mat, winning the dual 71-9.



Above: Thomas Fields gets the pin against the Nebraska City wrestler. Below: Kady Stacker looks to get the upper hand on Tuesday night.

The night began with Jonny Christiansen pinning Zulkoski at the 3:51 mark. At 113, Feek was pinned by Chase Landreth in :15. Nebraska City won by forfeit at 120. The Tigers picked up their first points on the night as Olberding was awarded three points in an SV-1 win, 4-2 over 15-1 Hayden Schalk. The next two weight divisions were open for FC, giving the Pioneers two wins. At 145, sixth-rated Baylor Poston improved to 15-1 with a technical fall win over Stacker. 152 was open for FC and at 160, Crouse fell to Chance Sjuln in :58. At 170, Schramm was pinned by Logan Hobbs in 4:49 and at 182, Brexton Roberts defeated Foster by pin at :32. Fields got a win by pin, taking down Braedan Chipman at 1:02 for the last of Falls City's points. The final two divisions were open for FC, giving the Pioneers two more forfeit wins.

On Friday, the Tigers participated in the 2021 AGHS Jack Murray Invite. Two Tiger wrestlers came home with hardware. At 126, Olberding took first place with a 2-0 decision over Trevor Cooler of Arlington in the finals. Olberding got a first-round bye, then pinned Weber of MVAOCU in 1:13. In the semifinals, Olberding won a 7-4 decision over Harris of Mount Michael. The other medal winner was Thomas Fields at 195. Fields fell to Luke Lambert of Ashland-Greenwood in the finals by fall at the 4:28 mark and settled for the silver. In the quarterfinals, Fields pined Chipman of Nebraska City in 2:49. In the next round, Fields pinned Gustafson of Mount Michael in 4:00.

At 106, Zulkoski won his first match, an SV-1 over Lutjelusche of Columbus 7-5. In the semifinals, he lost by major decision, 13-5 to Hill of Arlington. In the consolation semis, Zulkoski fell to Coleman of Plattsmouth by fall in 4:37. At 145, Stacker was pinned by Poston of Nebraska City in 1:28. After a bye in the consolations, Stacker lost by fall to Beetson of Ashland-Greenwood in 1:57. Crouse lost his first match at 160 to Colgrove of Plattsmouth in 1:05. After a bye, Crouse fell to Oehler of Mount Michael in 1:28. At 170, Schramm fell to Holt of Holdrege in the quarterfinal by an MD 16-4. He then lost by a tech fall to Aughenbaugh of Plattsmouth 17-2. At 182, Foster fell to Roberts of Nebraska City in :20 by fall and then fell by fall to Behrens of MVAOCU in 2:14.

As a team, FC finished with 43 points and a tenth-place finish. FC will host a double dual on Thursday, January 14 against Maryville, Mo and Sabetha, Ks. They will then wrestle in a dual tourney in Nebraska City on Saturday, January 16.



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City Contracts for water plant building, purchases aerial ladder truck and approves street improvement plan

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a grant writer to seek funds for the purchase of Air Packs and an Air Compressor for the fire department.

The Council voted 8-0 to approve the one and six-year street improvement plan that was outlined during a public hearing by Reinsch of Olsson, who serves as the City's Street Superintendent. The one year plan lists projects with an estimated total cost of \$1,273,000, with \$748,000 being the City's cost with the remaining \$825,000 from private sources. Individual projects planned include approximately 1,000 feet of 33rd Street from Old Highway 73 to US Hwy 73 to include a new intersection with US Hwy 73, extension of that street another 600 feet east of US 73, extension of Abbott Street from 28th Street north 900 feet, construction of Shamrock Circle from Abbott Street to a new Cul-De-Sac, extension of Tiger Trail from Abbott to a new Cul-De-Sac, and overlay of a private road from US 73 east 1,100 feet to Fulton Street. The only project on the six-year plan

calls for paving the existing gravel portion of 21st street with concrete from Fair Ave. to the east city limits and then north on Business Parkway to Brenner Field. That project is estimated to cost \$1,295,000, with \$518,000 being paid by the City and \$777,000 by Richardson County. Two projects are listed to be undertaken in the 6th year and beyond. Paving of Burton Street from its southern end 1,300 feet to U.S. Hwy 159 and paving of the westernmost gravel portion of W. 14th Street to the city limits.

Approval was given to the creation of a park/garden at 221 W. 14th Street across the street from the city ballparks. Also approved was the subdivision of a parcel of land in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 16 East of the 6th PM as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Councilman Mitch Merz presided for a few minutes at the outset of the meeting until Mayor Shawna Bindle returned from an emergency call to which she responded as an EMT.

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Arley Minshall

Arley Ray Minshall, 82, of Salem, Nebraska passed away on January 7, 2021, at St. Elizabeth's Regional Medical Center in Lincoln, Nebraska. He was born on April 26, 1938, in Salem, Nebraska to Hobart and Alma (Kupferschmied) Minshall. On July 28, 1963, Arley was united in marriage to Shirley Oliver in Shubert, Nebraska. To this union two children, Tom and Pamela were born. The couple made their home and raised their family in Salem, Nebraska.

Arley graduated from Salem High School in 1956. During his high school years, he worked for Joe Graves in his mechanic shop. After graduating, Arley worked at Tony's Auto Shop in Falls City, Nebraska. He also worked the wheat harvest by going state to state until the harvest was done. Arley then went to work for Frontier Homes, where he was a troubleshooter repairman. He also worked for James Oil Company and Sapp Brothers as a truck driver hauling fuel. His final full-time job was for Airlanco as a laborer until he retired at the age of 65.

During his retirement, Arley would go and pick up cars for Armbruster Motor Co. He loved go to visit with his sisters in Florida and Colorado as well as friends in Michigan. Arley took up building birdhouses and bird feeders which he sold at local craft fairs and flea markets. He was a huge Nebraska Husker football and volleyball fan. Arley and his friends in Falls City would get together every Saturday to watch the games. He loved to make jelly to give to family and friends.

Arley is survived by his wife Shirley of Salem, NE; son Tom of Dawson, NE; daughter Pam of Salem, NE; a sister Beverly Jacobsen and husband Art of Littleton, CO; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Betty Fitzgerald and her husband Don.

Cremation has taken place and Memorial Services will be held at a later date.

Visitation for Arley will be from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. on Friday, January 15, 2021, at the Hall Funeral Home, 2403 Harlan street in Falls City. Family will greet friends from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family's choice with a later designation.

Condolences can be shared online at www.hallfuneral.net

Arrangements are entrusted to Hall Funeral Home-2403 Harlan ST-Falls City, NE 68355 (402) 245-3131

Kathy Mumm

Kathy Mumm, 67, of Rulo, NE, passed away January 9, 2021 at Lincoln, NE. She was born January 1, 1954 at Falls City to Lester and Dorothy (Gerweck) Fisher.

She married Brad Mumm on July 13, 1974 at Rulo, NE. He passed away August 12, 2010

Kathy was raised at Rulo and graduated Falls City High School in 1972. She was the Pinto Queen in 1972. When married the couple established their home in rural Salem, NE and they lived various places in Richardson County until moving to Rulo, where they she has lived since. She was a homemaker, child care provider, took care of the livestock they raised at the farm and was a loving grandmother. She was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Falls City Riding Club and life member in the Pinto and Paint Horse Association.

Kathy is survived by her daughter,

Jennifer Mumm of Falls City, brother, Gary Fisher and his wife Margaret of Rulo, sister, Pat Bauman and husband Dave, of Verdon and a granddaughter, Jessica Sells. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

A Mass of Christian Burial for family and close friends will be held on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 2:00 PM at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church with Father Lawrence Stoley as the presiding priest. Interment will be in Falls City Catholic Cemetery.

A Parish Rosary will be recited on Wednesday at 1:00 PM at the church.

Masks will be required and please practice social distancing. The services will be livestreamed on Dorr and Clark Funeral Home's Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/dorrandclarkfuneralhome>

Falls City Library to reopen

A discussion was held and the Board had decided to open the Library with the following changes: Hours 10:00 A.M. to 7:00P.M. on Tuesdays, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8A.M. – 5P.M. starting Monday January 11, 2021. There are no restrictions to materials. There are 6, socially distanced public access computers available for use, the computer lab will remain closed. The WiFi is accessible Monday – Saturday 8A.M. – 9P.M., the Library Board recommends WiFi access 24/7 for public access to online resources. The drive through window on the east side of the Library is available to pick up requested materials, copies, faxing, scanning. Meetings of two to three people may request meeting space. Patrons may request staff to prepare materials for check out. Bundles of books have been prepared for children. Materials may be requested via the online catalog www.fallscitylibrary.org/ email at info@fallscitylibrary.org, or by telephone 402-245-2913.

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Leatha Yvonne (Randall) Schawang

Leatha Yvonne (Randall) Schawang of rural Falls City, age 83, went to meet the Lord on January 5, 2021. She died peacefully at home in the company of her husband and oldest daughter.

Yvonne was born on July 19, 1937, at her grandmother's home on the Iowa Reservation near White Cloud, Kansas, to Elmer Randall Sr. and Leatha (Joslin) Randall. She grew up along the Nemaha River on the Iowa Reservation, attending one-room country grade schools and graduating from the Reserve, Kansas High School in 1955.

On April 5, 1956, she married Earl Schawang at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Rulo, Nebraska. They established their home on the family farm east of Falls City where she lived the remainder of her life, nearly 65 years. In that home they raised their children, Kathy, Sandra and Randy. During the children's school years, Yvonne was the librarian and school secretary at Sacred Heart's grade school. She was also employed at Falls City Hardware, the Charlie Smith Ford dealership, Koster's Porta-Pen, Northview Oil, and was the office manager at Falls City Care Center. She retired in 1999 to spend more time with her grandchildren, and also occupied her time by helping at the Catholic Bingo nights and frequently visiting the nearby casinos. Her retirement also gave her time to frequently visit her children in their homes, and she was able to travel the country and the world. Favorite trips included Ireland, Italy, Israel and the Bahamas, as well as a train trip through Western Europe and a sea cruise from California to Florida through the Panama Canal.

Yvonne was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Falls City, a former president of the parish Altar Society, and was an active member of Sacred Heart's Home and School Association. She was a member of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, and in her later years she took classes in the native Baxoje language and culture. She was a founding member of Falls City's Red Hat Society, and up until her



final year, she enjoyed monthly lunches and outings with her Red Hat friends. As her children were growing up, she was a Girl Scout leader and an assistant leader of the Peppy Misses 4H Club, where she specialized in teaching knitting. She was an accomplished seamstress and cake decorator, and a generous cook of comfort food. She enjoyed playing card and board games with all generations of her family, and she loved animals, especially

her dogs, Lucy and Cocoa and the departed Pebbles. Yvonne is survived by her husband, Earl Schawang of the home, her daughter Katherine Perkins, also living at the family home, her daughter Sandra Schawang of Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, and her son Dr Randall Schawang and his wife Melinda of David City, Nebraska. Also surviving her are grandsons, Dawson Schawang and Hayden Schawang, step-grandson Joe Peterson, step-granddaughter Jenna Didier and her husband Ryan, and great-grandchildren Derek and Mackenzie Didier. She is also survived by many cousins, in-laws, and nieces and nephews who were very special to her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a stillborn daughter Elizabeth Ann Schawang, her brother Elmer Randall Jr and his wife Joan, her stepfather Sam Randall, and her special aunt and uncle, Emmaline and Harold Meugniot. Also preceding her in death were many more relatives and in-laws who were a great influence on her life.

A family only Mass of Christian Burial was held at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 11:00 AM with Father Lawrence Stoley as the presiding priest. Interment was in Falls City Catholic Cemetery.

A Parish Rosary was recited on 10:00 AM at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on Saturday one hour prior to service time. Open visitation and viewing was Thursday afternoon at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to Sacred Heart School or to the Richardson County Humane Society.

Zola Felts

Zola Felts, 94, of Falls City, NE, passed away January 1, 2021 at Falls City. She was born May 3, 1926 at Salem, NE to Charles and Bertha (Spurgin) Fouraker.

She married Dick Hoover on December 27, 1947 at Salem, NE. He passed away January 23, 1966. She then married Donald Felts on June 16, 1967. He passed away January 23, 1993.

She was a 30 year employee of Richardson County Bank and Trust at Falls City.

Zola is survived by her daughter, Susan Johnson of Hoover, AL, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, a daughter, Debra Hoover and siblings, Zelpha White, Charlie Fouraker, Zella Robb, Zada Campbell and Robert Fouraker.

Mrs. Felts has been cremated and services will be held at a later date.

Phillip Fisher

Phillip Scott Fisher, 77, of Falls City, Nebraska was born on August 30, 1943, in rural Shubert, Nebraska to William Lewis and Elizabeth Ann (Percival) Fisher. He started his schooling in Shubert and later transferred to Falls City when his family moved there. Phillip graduated from Falls City High School with the class of 1961. On April 7, 1966, he entered active duty in the U.S. Navy and served his country until being honorably discharged on October 22, 1970. Phillip began working for Frontier in Falls City before driving truck for Keim Transportation and Koch Trucking both in Sabetha, Kansas. He lived in Falls City and Dawson for many years.

Phillip passed away on Monday, December 21, 2020, at the Falls City Nursing and Rehabilitation Center having reached the earthly age of seventy-seven years, three months, and twenty-one days.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Jack and Paul Fisher, and sisters Fern Wenger and Erma Fisher.

Phillip is survived by his brothers Roger Fisher and wife Deanne of Brownville, TX; Tom Fisher and wife Clarene of Pawnee City, NE; and other relatives and friends.

No services are scheduled at this point. Inurnment will be held at Harris Cemetery in Barada, Nebraska at later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family with a later designation.

Condolence can be shared online at www.hallfuneral.net.

Services entrusted to Hall Funeral Home.

MAKING IT RIGHT

In the January 6, 2021 edition of the *Falls City Journal* Obits of 2020 article, LaMar Schacht, 92, of Falls City who passed on April 28, 2020; Janice McAllister, 81, of Beatrice, who passed away on April 27, 2020; and Jerry Clark, 73, of Falls City who passed away on May 1, 2020 were erroneously omitted. We apologize for the error.

Merlin John Bauman

Merlin John Bauman, 75, of Falls City, NE, passed away January 4, 2021 at Falls City. He was born October 13, 1945 at Falls City to Marvin and Berdine (Bredow) Bauman.

He married Shirley Scholl on June 7, 1969 at Rulo, NE.

Merlin served in the Nebraska National Guard, Company B at Falls City.

Merlin was raised on a farm north of Falls City and graduated Sacred Heart High School in 1963. He then started farming with his father and when married the couple established their home on the current family farm north of Falls City. He farmed and raised livestock his entire life and retired from farming in 2010 but still continued to raise livestock. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church at Arago, NE.

Merlin is survived by his wife Shirley of Falls City, children, Amy Nussbaum and her husband Bill, Matt and his wife Julie and Danelle Cromer and her husband Matt all of Falls City, brother, Allan and his wife Marcella of Falls City, five grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Mary Lindstrom.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, January 7, 2021 at 2:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father David Oldham as the presiding priest. Interment will be in Falls City Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family prefers memorials to Sacred Heart High School.

A Parish Rosary was recited last Wednesday at 1:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Gerald Timothy

Gerald R. Timothy, 83, of Champaign died at 9:58 p.m. Saturday, January 2, 2021 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

Gerald was born on October 10, 1937 in Falls City, Nebraska, the son of Raymond E. and Ora Hailey Timothy. He married Carol V. Curd on June 19, 1965 in Bellevue, Nebraska, she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Michael A. (Mary E.) Timothy, Sean (Jennifer) Timothy, Robert C. (Nicole) Timothy all of Champaign, one daughter, Rebecca E. Timothy of Champaign, six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Jane Anne Wenz of Crete, NE.

Gerald was a U.S. Navy veteran.

He retired as an insurance underwriter.

Gerald was a deacon of Stone Creek Church, Urbana.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the NRA.

Gerald loved hunting and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

Visitation was held from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Thursday, January 7, 2021 at Meadowbrook Community Church, Champaign with a memorial service that followed.

Morgan Memorial Home, Savoy was in charge of arrangements.

In Lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or the Alzheimer's Association.

Condolences may be offered at www.morganmemorialhome.com.



Ronald Hazard

Ronald Allen Hazard, 91, was born on September 1, 1929 to Thomas and Lillian (Szcypinski) Hazard in Chicago, Illinois.

He was united in marriage to Joan McClure on September 29, 1950.

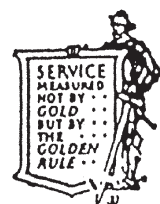
Ron proudly served in the US Air Force. After graduating from UNL he worked for the Nebraska Dept of Roads until he started his own civil engineering and survey corporation. During his lifetime he worked for many municipalities in SE Nebraska as a City or County Engineer. He was involved with many little theatres and sang in church choirs. He passed away Jan. 6, 2021.

He was preceded in death by his parents; loving wife, Joan; daughter, Marianne Thomas; and grandson, Travis Henry.

Ron is survived by his daughter, Maureen (Michael) Henry of Thompson IA; six grandchildren, Christine (Tom) Von Dorn of Papillion NE, David Simmons (Ashley Potter) of Silver City IA, Jamie (Becky) Thomas of Persia IA, Laura Thomas (Jimi Sode) of Kansas City MO, Zach Henry of Valentine NE, and Keirstan (Ben) Welch of Chanute KS; seven great-grandchildren.

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Falls City EDGE provided a sizable donation to the Southeast Community College Learning Center in Falls City to support the Gas Metal Arc Welding program. "The Welding program has been determined to be a tremendous asset to the community," said Beckie Cromer, Executive Director of EDGE. "The donations provided the finances needed to ensure the lab had state-of-the-art equipment for students. "We absolutely would not have the beautiful lab and be able to provide the content without the generous financial support from EDGE." Holly Carr, Learning Center Coordinator. "The economic development group has believed in the impact the welding program will have on the Falls City community for years to come."

One inaugural welding student stated, "I'm grateful for this opportunity to experience the welding program. I hope to get a better job and make a better life for myself and my daughter."

FRONT COVER

Lieutenant Governor Mike Foley toured southeast Nebraska manufacturers early in 2020 which included stops at AirLance and Vintec, Inc. in Falls City. We appreciate the valuable partnerships we have with our elected officials who work hard to make Nebraska a leader in economic development efforts. #fallscityproud

FALLS CITY FOODS

A \$4 million dollar capital investment and job creation project was planned, designed and financed in 2020 with groundbreaking and construction set to begin in Q1 2021. This equipment and building expansion will increase productivity and shorten lead times for their product. It will also include the creation of 10 new employment opportunities at the Falls City facility.



TOWLE WALL OF FAME

The Towle Family was ceremoniously inducted into the Falls City EDGE Wall of Fame in 2020. The Towle family's 4 generations of pioneering business savvy and entrepreneurial spirit has provided the strong foundation anchoring Falls City into the community we know and love today.

FALLS CITY HOUSING
NEED ASSESSMENT

A housing study with community partner engagement and multiple public input components is in its final stages as Falls City diagrams its future housing initiatives and goals. This working document will serve as a roadmap for housing programs and developments in our community.



LEGISLATIVE DAY

Nebraska Economic Developers Association signed their goals and priorities in 2020 to secure the necessary legislative support for a newly designed incentive program, the ImagineNE Nebraska Act (LB 1107). Our targeted presence and visionary reputation in the state's capital helped advance this bill to pass during the 2020 legislative session.

SEE THE BIG PICTURE

Falls City EDGE invested in commercially zoned highway property to secure the development future of our community for this generation and the next – The North Commercial Corridor. A site plan was created, a traffic study was conducted and the 33rd St. roadway design has been submitted for consideration in the Nebraska Department of Transportation. This is a massive undertaking and significant investment for our organization and we applaud the visionary nature of the EDGE Board of Directors as they work to create a viable, strong future for Falls City.



FALLS CITY MERCANTILE

Falls City Mercantile is a wholesale grocer in our community and has been operated by generations of the Simon family. Falls City EDGE assisted in the funding process for this development and it is another successful Tax Increment Financing project.



FALLS CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL
MAKER SPACE INVESTMENT

Falls City Middle School and EDGE combined professional and financial resources to install a fully-funded modern Maker Space Lab at the middle school. EDGE contributed \$25,000 to this project because we continually look for ways to address challenges by leveraging assets that will best secure Falls City's future, our students!

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TOGETHER,
we can do
SO MUCH.

— HELEN KELLER

Steps everyone can take to help prevent a ‘Twindemic’

(StatePoint) In the 2019-2020 flu season, influenza caused up to 22,000 deaths in the U.S. This year, with so many medical resources being used to care for COVID-19 patients, it’s especially important to protect yourself from the flu. The annual flu vaccine can help protect you from the flu and lessen severe flu symptoms. It’s not too late to get a flu shot, and there are a number of reasons you should get yours now, if you haven’t already.

1. You’ll save life-saving resources for COVID-19 patients. Last flu season, influenza sent more than 400,000 people to the hospital with flu complications. By protecting yourself from the flu, you can help save those life-saving hospital beds and ventilators for individuals who may contract COVID-19. While we anxiously await the arrival of a COVID-19 vaccine, there is one vaccine already available that will protect your lung health this winter: the flu shot.

2. Chronic health conditions make flu symptoms worse – and deadly. The flu can worsen symptoms of chronic health conditions, such as lung or heart disease, diabetes and cancer. Multiple studies have shown an increased risk of heart attack and stroke in the first few days following the flu, and it can lead to complications among people with diabetes. The flu can also exacerbate symptoms of respiratory disorders, such as asthma and COPD and can lead to pneumonia. Personal stories about individuals who were impacted by the flu can be found by visiting the American Lung Association’s GetMyShot.org.

3. Adults over 50 are at higher risk. As we age, our immune systems decline and weaken, placing older adults at greater risk for catching the flu and having severe complications. Over 65% of those hospitalized last flu season were adults over 50. Vaccinating against influenza helps reduce the risk of hospitalizations and dying from the flu for older adults. Yet, despite these benefits, in 2019-2020 only 50% of adults ages 50-64 got their flu shot.

4. Flu shots protect those around you. Similar to COVID-19, the flu is spread from person to person. By getting a flu shot, you are helping reduce the spread of the flu and protecting your family and friends! For additional information about the flu, visit www.lung.org/flu. For flu shot resources, including finding a location near you to get a flu shot, visit www.getmyshot.org. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends getting a flu shot every year. Annual vaccination is important as the body’s immune response from vaccination declines over time. Now more than ever, the flu shot is critical and necessary to help protect ourselves, those we love and our communities at large, especially people at highest risk of flu complications.

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On January 20, 2021, Joseph Biden will become our country's 46th president. That date, Inauguration Day, is when a newly elected president officially takes office. President Biden's first day will be very busy – full of speeches, ceremonies, parades, parties and dancing.

Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

1. Joseph Biden's... Jr. was born in Scranton, PA, on November 20, 1942.
2. As a child, Joe studied. He practiced... by reading papers in front of a mirror.
3. When Joe was 13, his family moved to Mayfield... so his dad could find work.
4. Joe attended a private high school, but he had to work windows and wash glasses to help his... afford the tuition.
5. In high school, Joe played...
6. Later, Joe studied history and... science at the University of Delaware.
7. When in spring break, he met Mike Harris, whom he... a few years later.
8. After graduating from college, Joe studied law and became a...
9. After the family moved back to Delaware, Joe started his own law...

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10. Joe and Mike had their...

11. In 1972, at just 29 years-old, Joe ran to represent Delaware in the U.S. and won.

12. That same year, the Biden family suffered a... when Joe's wife and daughter died in a car accident.

13. Joe served as a Senator. In 2008, he was elected... under President Obama, and served for two terms.

14. Joe helped President Obama by serving... from his political...

15. In 2008, Biden accepted the nomination as the Democratic candidate for...

16. In 2021, at age 78 years old, Joe Biden is the... person ever inaugurated as U.S. President.

My name is Andrew Jackson. When I became President in 1829, things did not go so smoothly. People forced their way into the White House. They stood on furniture in muddy boots. They broke glasses and plates. I left to spend the night in a hotel.

These events usually take place on Inauguration Day for a President-elect and his family. Match each event to its description:

1. Inauguration Ceremony

2. Vice President's Inauguration Ceremony

3. President's Inauguration Ceremony

4. Inaugural Address

5. Departure of the outgoing President

6. Inaugural Luncheon

7. Inaugural Parade

8. Inaugural Ball

9. National Prayer Service

A. New President and First Lady escort former President and First Lady from the Capitol.

B. President-elect gives an oath pledging to serve the American people. This is the moment when the President-elect becomes the President.

C. Vice President-elect gives oath to uphold American values.

D. Many groups in Washington, D.C. hold lively celebrations in the evening.

E. This is held after ceremonies are over; more people are expected to attend this than any other event; balloons and confetti will rain onto the streets.

F. President and Vice President go to a inaugural luncheon at Washington National Cathedral.

G. President-elect visits Arlington National Cemetery, says flowers to honor fallen soldiers.

H. Food prepared for the Inauguration ceremony is served to politicians, family and friends.

I. After being sworn in, the President speaks to the American people of future plans.

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Dick Lionberger,
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fumc@sentco.net
402-245-3281
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Office Phone, 245-2398 or Parsonage, 245-2397
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Evan Keithely flies in for a layup against Diller-Odell on Friday night.

Irish fall for second time this season

Story and photo by Brian McKim
The Falls City Sacred Heart Irish boys basketball team lost for just the second time this year, dropping a match-up against Mound City on Saturday, 67-43. Earlier in the week, the Irish went on the road and defeated Elmwood-Murdock 46-31, then returned home to host Diller-Odell on Friday at the RAC, winning 47-39. After the three games this past week, the Irish currently sit at 8-2.
On Tuesday night, the Irish used a strong second quarter to pull away from the Knights. Trailing 10-8 after the first quarter, the Irish outscored Elmwood-Murdock 15-4 in the second period to take a 23-14 halftime lead. The Irish defense held the Knights to just two points in the third quarter, extending the lead to 29-16 with only eight minutes to play. The offense got

back on track in the fourth quarter and SH came home with the 15-point win.
SH shot 42% from the floor, making 18/43 shots and outrebounded the Knights 29-18. SH also forced 18 turnovers while making just 13 of their own. Jack Fiegenger led SH with 12 points while Evan Keithley chipped in 10. Fiegenger also pulled down nine rebounds and Jakob Jordan dished out four assists. Henry Coleman led Elmwood-Murdock with 14 points.
Scoring vs. Elmwood-Murdock, Jordan 6, Stice 3, Froeschl 2, Keithley 10, Simon 4, Fiegenger 12, Nachtigal 9.
On Friday night, the Irish hosted the Class D2 tenth-ranked and 8-1 Diller-Odell Griffins. The Irish opened the game on a 5-0 run, but the Griffins responded with a 7-0 run to take the lead. After taking a 9-7 lead,

the Irish again gave up seven straight points and trailed 14-9. Fiegenger hit a pair of free throws to make it 14-11 at the end of the first quarter.
The Griffins proceeded to take a 24-11 lead with 4:34 to play in the half. With three and a half minutes remaining, Keithley hit a three from the corner to stop the bleeding for SH and getting them within ten at 24-14. SH closed the half on a 10-0 to get back into the game at 24-21 heading into halftime.
With just over thirty seconds to play in the third period, the Irish took the lead for the first time since they held a 9-7 lead early on. SH led by one, 33-32 at the end of the third period. In the fourth period, a pair of treys from Jordan helped to seal the win for the Irish as they overcame a 13-point deficit to win by eight, 47-39. The Irish outscored Diller-Odell 36-15 after the mid-point of the second quarter. Jurgens led Diller-Odell with 18 points.
Scoring vs. Diller-Odell, Fiegenger 11, Nachtigal 10, Froeschl 9, Keithley 8, Jordan 6, Dunn 3.

On Saturday morning, the Irish played Mound City in the Steve Vertin Classic held at Bishop LeBlond. The Irish hung tight with the Panthers for much of the first half, trailing 16-13 after one quarter and 27-21 at the half. Mound City outscored the Irish 40-22 in the second half to seal the win, 67-43.
The Irish shot 40% from the floor, but Mound City connected on 51% of their attempts. The Irish also turned the ball over 21 times against the Panthers while forcing just nine on defense. SH outrebounded Mound City 28-26, but the Panthers 30 points in the paint proved too much for SH to overcome. SH had three players score in double figures, with Jordan, Fiegenger and Nachtigal scoring ten points. Fiegenger added ten rebounds and Jordan had three assists. Tony Osburn had 29 and Landon Poppa added 20 for Mound City.
Scoring vs. Mound City, Jordan 10, Dunn 1, Froeschl 3, Keithley 5, Simon 4, Fiegenger 10, Nachtigal 10.
The #2 seed SH played Diller-Odell on Tuesday in the first round of the MUDECAS BB Tourney.

Lady Tigers split a pair in NE City

By Brian McKim
On Tuesday night, January 5, the Falls City Lady Tigers traveled to Nebraska City for a contest against the 3-6 Pioneers. Falls City has a slim, one-point lead after the first quarter, 5-4. The Pioneers drew even by halftime, outscoring FC 10-9 in the second quarter to tie the game at 14 heading into intermission.
FC doubled up the Pioneers 12-6 in the third quarter, which proved to be all the difference. The teams each bucketed 12 points in the final period, but FC pulled off the six-point road win, 38-32. No Tiger reached double digits in the scoring column, but eight different Lady Tiger got in on the action. Eryn Snethen led Falls City with nine points. Ashleigh Kirkendall had eight points and Madison Jones finished with six. Chase Nolte led Falls City with seven rebounds, five on the offensive end. Jones added six boards and Snethen and Kirkendall each had five. Freshman Ava Armbruster led the team with four steals and two assists.
Scoring vs. Pioneers Snethen 9, Jones 6, McNeely 4, Armbruster 3, Scholl 2, Kirkendall 8, Poppe 2, Nolte 4.
In the second game of the week, the Tigers took on the Lourdes Central Catholic Knights. The Knights entered the contest at 7-2 and were listed as a contender in the Class C2 rankings last week. Two big quarters doomed the Tigers on Thursday night. FC was outscored 18-8 in the second period and 15-2 in the fourth quarter, as the Knights took down Falls City 55-27 and improved to 8-2. The loss by the Tigers dropped them one-game below .500 at 5-6.
The Tigers struggled to put up points on the offensive end as Snethen and Kirkendall each scored seven points to lead the Lady Tigers. Nolte again was the workhorse under the hoop, pulling down a team-high five rebounds. Snethen led FC with a pair of steals and Jones and Kirkendall each finished with two assists.
Scoring vs. Lourdes Central, Snethen 7, Jones 6, Armbruster 1, Scholl 3, Kirkendall 7, Nolte 3.
The Lady Tigers will play in the 89th Annual Fairfax Basketball Tournament this week. FC enters the tourney as the #7 seed and played the #2 seed North Nodaway on Tuesday, January 12 at 7:30 p.m. With a win, Falls City will play on Thursday at 9:00 p.m. With a loss, the Tigers will play at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Tiger Boys hit skid

By Brian McKim
The Falls City boy's basketball team dropped all three of its games last week, falling to 3-5 overall and seeing their losing streak reach five games. On Tuesday, January 5, the Tigers fell to the Nebraska City Pioneers 45-39. On Thursday, FC was back in Nebraska City, this time falling to Lourdes Central Catholic 42-30. Finally, to end the week, FC took on Bishop LeBlond in the Steve Vertin Classic in St. Joe, falling to the Eagles 63-32.
In the first game of the week, FC got off to a good start, leading the Pioneers 12-10 at the end of the opening period. By halftime, the Pioneers held a slim 23-22 lead and increased the lead to 33-30 heading into the fourth quarter. FC was outscored by three points in the final eight minutes, falling 45-39. The Tigers shot just 31% from the floor, making 12/38 shots, including only 2/13 from beyond the arc. The Tigers did convert 13-18 from the free-throw line, including 6/7 in the final period. FC outrebounded Nebraska City 24-19 and each team committed just six turnovers. Carson Simon led the scoring for FC with 11 points, Jaxyn Strauss had six rebounds and Brock Hogue added six assists. Thompson led the Pioneers with 20 points.
Scoring vs. Pioneers, Simon 11, Hogue 7, Strauss 6, Vitosh 6, Bredemeier 5, Acton 2, Uhri 2.
On Thursday night, FC was back in Nebraska City to take on the Knights from Lourdes Central Catholic. The Knights, a rankings contender in Class D1, led by four after one quarter, 12-8. FC struggled on offense in the second eight minutes of gameplay, scoring just two points and trailed 19-10 at the half. The Tigers kept it close throughout but couldn't close the gap, falling by 12, 42-30. Only

four Tigers got in the scoring column on Thursday night.
FC shot well on Thursday night, making 12/26 attempts (46%), including a healthy night from beyond the arc, 5/11. FC was slightly outrebounded 15-12 and FC forced five turnovers while committing eight of their own. Carson Bredemeier has a strong game making 5/8 three-pointers for a game-high 17 points and adding three rebounds. Hogue dished out five assists to lead the Tiger playmaking. Blake Miller scored 15 points to lead Lourdes Central.
Scoring vs. Lourdes, Bredemeier 17, Simon 6, Vitosh 5, Acton 2.
On Saturday evening, the Tigers played Bishop LeBlond in the Steve Vertin Classic held in St. Joe. The Tigers got off to a rough start, trailing 18-2 after the first quarter. LeBlond continued to pull away from FC, leading 33-11 by halftime. LeBlond cruised in the second, winning 63-32.
FC Struggled to put points on the board, making just 31% of their shot attempts (12-38). FC was cold from downtown, finishing 0/9 from beyond the arc. LeBlond outrebounded FC 31-23 and forced FC into 13 turnovers. LeBlond finished the game shooting 47% (24/51), including 7/24 from three-point range.
Strauss led Falls City with eight points, five rebounds and one block. Stephen Acton added eight points and five boards. Chris Guldán and Hayden Cross each had 14 points for LeBlond.
Scoring vs. LeBlond, Strauss 8, Acton 8, Vitosh 6, Hogue 4, Simon 4, Bredemeier 2.
Falls City plays in the 89th Annual Fairfax BB Tournament this week. On Monday, the #3 seed Tigers played sixth-seeded South Holt. With a win, FC will play at 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday and with a loss, FC will play Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION CEDAR FARMS AG, LLC

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §21-193 notice is given that Cedar Farms Ag, LLC, a limited liability company, was organized on December 22, 2020 by filing a Certificate of Organization with the Nebraska Secretary of State setting forth the following:

1. The name of the company is Cedar Farms Ag, LLC.
2. The period of duration of the company is perpetual.
3. The address of the initial designated office of the company in Nebraska is: 64960 713 Rd., Falls City, NE 68355, and the company's initial agent for service of process in Nebraska is Michael H. Vollmer, 64960 713 Rd., Falls City, NE 68355.
4. The general nature of its business is to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

Its Attorney:
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Halbert & Dunn, L.L.C.
111 East 17th Street
Post Office Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486

30-6-13
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NOTICE In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the Matter of the Estate of Marjie Mackey, Deceased. Case No. PR 20-69

Notice is hereby give that on December 30, 2020, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, William Labarge, 55729 Hood Drive, Apt. 1, Fort Riley, Kansas 66442, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the above-entitled intestate Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 15, 2021, or be forever barred.

Cassandra R. Buethe
Clerk of the County Court
1700 Stone St., Room 205
Falls City, NE 68355

13-20-27
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that the Trustee under the Deed of Trust recorded on May 2, 2011, in Book 244, Page 147, in the Office of the Richardson County Register of Deeds will be selling the following-described property at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in the lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, on the 5th day of February, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. The property is legally described as follows:

Lots 13, 14, 15, and 16, Block 32, Original Town, Rulo, Nebraska.

DATED: December 29, 2020

Samantha K. Scheitel, #26389
Weaver & Merz Law Office
Attorney for Frontier Bank

6-13-20-27-3
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NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01, a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2021, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

Seid's LLC DBA Seid's
71085 651 Avenue
Falls City, NE 68355
22-2-16 1.2A PT NE1/4NW1/4 LESS HWY

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of Richardson County on or before February 10, 2021, in the office of the Richardson County Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk
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MOWING BID NOTICE

PRAIRIE UNION CEMETERY association is taking mowing bids now for the 2021 mowing season. Work to be done includes mowing and weed eat of all cemetery grounds, removal of stray debris and litter on grounds so it is not mowed over, and fall clean-up of peonies and large overgrown plants. Send detailed bid, references and liability insurance by February 1, 2021 to:

**Max Shafer - Prairie Union Cemetery Association,
71792 650 Ave., Shubert, NE 68437**

If more information is needed call 402-883-2227 cell 402-883-0303 or 402-883-2041 and leave a message.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

By virtue of an Execution issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska in an action wherein City of Falls City, Nebraska is the Plaintiff and BBT Rentals, LLC, is the Defendant, Case# CI 20-45. I will sell at 10:00 on the 29th day of January, 2021 at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Courthouse, on the 1st floor corridor in Falls City, Nebraska in said county and state, the following real property, to-wit: 1916 McLean Street, Falls City, NE 68355. Legal description as follows: Falls City OT BLK 32 LOTS 19 & 20 (2L)

Dated this 23rd day of December, 2020
Sheriff Rick Hardesty, Jr.
Richardson County Nebraska

30-6-13-20
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NOTICE In the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska. In the Matter of the Estate of Merle Stalder, a/k/a Ralph Merle Stalder, Deceased. Case No. PR 20-70

Notice is hereby give that on January 6, 2021, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Decedent and that Bart Stalder Adams, whose address is P.O. Box 1448, Dunn, North Carolina 28335, was informally appointed by the Registrar as Personal Representative of the Estate. Creditors of this Estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 15, 2021, or be forever barred.

Cassandra R. Buethe
Clerk of the County Court
1700 Stone St., Room 205
Falls City, NE 68355

13-20-27
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NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01, a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2021, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

QUAD COUNTY GOLF ASSOC. INC
71550 631ST AVENUE
HUMBOLDT, NE 68376
Pt. S ½ NW ¼ Sec 29-3-13

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of Richardson County on or before February 10, 2021, in the office of the Richardson County Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk
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NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01, a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2021, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

CLASSIC CLUB 8 LLC DBA FALLS CITY
GOLF COURSE
64870 706 Trail
FALLS CITY, NE 68355
Pt. NE ¼ Sec. 7-1-16

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Mary L. Eickhoff
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VILLAGE OF VERDON NOTICE OF ONE AND SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN HEARING

Public notice is hereby given in compliance with the revised statutes of Nebraska that the Village Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Day of February 2021 at the Village Hall in Verdon for the purpose of hearing comment relating to the proposed One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for 2021.

Julie Vollmer
City Street Superintendent
13-20-27
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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Richardson, Nebraska will meet for a regular meeting weekly to be held on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m., Room 202 in the Richardson County Courthouse for the purpose of conducting any and all county business that will come before the board. The agenda for the meetings are kept continuously current and are 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.

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk
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Village of Stella

Village of Stella Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, January 4, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Stella Community Building

Present: Rick Ramer, Jerry Joy, Paulina Gossman and Jim Donahoe.
Absent: Heath Stanley
Guests: None
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Chairperson Joy noted the posting of the open meeting act.
Motion by Ramer and second by Gossman to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yea
Motion by Donahoe and second by Ramer to approve the treasurers report as presented. All voted yea.
Motion by Ramer and second by Donahoe to pay the claims and payroll as presented. The Clerk presented the bill from Noha Vice for snow plowing for approval. The bill was presented today and the clerk and Chairman reminded all that bills are to be to her by Friday before the meeting for approval. All voted yea.
Communications: The flower pots on the sidewalk were discussed concerning snow removal. Chairman Joy told of his phone conversations with TSgt Jeff Witter with the National Guard Task Force about the number of Covid 19 vaccines the Village should receive for Phase 1B. NPPD left a couple of large memo calendars for the Village.
Committees: Streets – Donahoe was pleased with the snow removal process. Lights - 4 have been reported to be replaced. Park – Would like to see a latch on the tennis court gates. W&S-Written report by Milke. Library –Written report by James. Ramer has discussed future needs for the library with James. Would like to see something on the front window to let people know it is the library, newer childrens books, new laptop and a couple of laptops to check out, paint the room, buff the floor and possibly start an outdoor library. Maintenance Man – Rick Ramer will be the new maintenance man on a motion by Donahoe and a second by Gossman. All voted yea with Ramer abstaining. Planning – None. Tree – None. Health – None. Community Building – None. Main Street Improvement – None. Health Report by Gossman – Phase 1A of the vaccine started December 22 with the first to be vaccinated being medical personnel. It is a two shot process. Phase 1B will start later in January, which will include those 75 & older, first responders, teachers, etc. It was noted that some restrictions have been lifted.
The Christmas lights will be taken down January 5.
Questions from the audience – None.
Water Shut-offs – signed.
Miscellaneous – None
Adjournment - Motion by Ramer and a second by Donahoe to adjourn at 7:50 P.M. All voted yea.

Vicki Owings, Clerk

JANUARY CLAIMS AND PAYROLL

OPPD 412.34; NE Public Health Environmental Labs 15.00; Midwest Labs Inc 192.30; American Recycling & Sanitation 1040.00; Vicki Owings 550.00; Tracy Milke 350.00; Aaron Davis 300.00; Vicki Owings 53.31; Sue James 93.50; Tracy Milke 180.51; SE NE Communications 217.36; NPPD 1062.82; Internal Revenue Service 207.05; Noah Vice 337.50

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County Commissioners

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DECEMBER 29, 2020 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sicklel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 29, 2020. Roll call was answered by Frank, Caverzagie and Sicklel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sicklel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Frank. Chairman Sicklel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sicklel-aye. Motion carried.

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

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine road maintenance being done this week. Crews and equipment are prepared for the winter weather. He also informed the Board that the tire recycling collection event is scheduled to be held on May 4 and 5 with one site to be held in Humboldt and one in Falls City.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Sheriff, Roland Merwin updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this week.

BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director reviewed with the Board a request from the Humboldt Fire Department for possible financial assistance for the replacement of the department's radio repeater and other communication equipment.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sicklel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sicklel-aye. Motion carried.
(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND

Bartek-Young, Amanda, reimb..... 118.45
Culligan, serv..... 77.36
Frontier Bank, supp..... 71.96
Handley Law Office, serv..... 300.00
Kennedy, Kaytlyn, reimb..... 303.60
Lincoln National Life, life ins..... 1026.70
Morris Collision Repair, serv..... 4510.69
Postmaster, supp..... 220.00
Quill, supp..... 126.89
Richardson Co EMA Petty Cash, reimb..... 38.51
Richardson Co Vendor, FICA/retire/etc. 19029.44
SummerOne, serv..... 38.00
Wolfe's Printing, supp..... 584.33
Payroll Expense..... 94500.64
TOTAL GENERAL FUND..... \$120,946.57

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Agco Finance, supp..... 504.98
Culligan, serv..... 43.75
Koch's Auto, serv..... 667.57
OPPD, serv..... 46.33
Unifirst, supp..... 39.02
Payroll Expense..... 36038.62
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND..... \$37,340.27

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m. Motion seconded by Sicklel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sicklel-aye. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sicklel, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk
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HTRS Public School #70 currently has an opening for a Special Education Para Educator.

We look to fill the position as soon as possible. Applications may be picked up in the school main entrance entryway during school hours and can also be found on the schools' website, htrstians.com under forms. Deliver applications to school or mail applications to: Sherri Edmundson, Superintendent, 810 Central Ave, Humboldt, NE 68376. Phone 402-862-2235.

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Richardson County Treasurer's Office					
Semi-Annual Treasurer's Statement					
07-01-2020 Through 12-31-2020					
FUND	DESCRIPTION	BEGINNING BALANCE	COLLECTIONS	DISBURSEMENTS	FUND TRANSFERS
1000 COUNTY FUNDS		5	4,883,291.16	4,777,399.53	14,886,054.03
6000 STATE FUNDS		284,460.10	354,899.13	1,086,134.20	
6100 SCHOOL FUNDS		284,460.10	6,965,681.58	14,515,123.68	
6900 GAS		2,497.99	304,497.93	185,315.96	
7100 COMMUNITY COLLEGE		25,570.40	65,272.59	167,971.53	
7200 HARBOR		4,485.12	285,181.73	123,793.10	
7700 FIRE DISTRICTS		1,395.48	73,050.79	148,112.96	
8000 CHARGE DISTRICTS			22,004.34	79,095.29	
8900 CITY VILLAGES		43,940.01	476,577.86	1,972,113.13	
9000 CITY DISTRICTS			344,824.58	131,185.39	
9100 GAS SOCIETY		5,173.37	23,845.05	131,492.03	
9200 AIRPORT		1,228.40	20,124.10	151,070.91	
9300 VILLAGE FUNDS		31,134.29	72,642.75	151,137.62	
GRAND TOTAL		5,825,119.80	14,022,592.73	13,182,329.75	79,489.62
					8,114,070.48
CASH ON HAND		2,388.39			
DEPOSITS ON HAND		274,021.67			
MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS		3,334,402.46			
CHIEFING ACCOUNTS		3,446,435.53			
INVESTMENTS		5,588,670.26			
RECEIVABLE CASH		4,113.35			
		3	9,134,020.36		
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The Executive Director will be responsible for the following:

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- Prepare prospect proposals identifying and packaging local and state business growth tax, business assistance, and financial incentives programs.
- Understand regulatory, regional and national business and community issues affecting the region’s competitiveness, communicate about those issues, and contribute to creative solutions.
- Write and administer grants.
- Engage federal and state legislators, state agencies and local officials to maintain funding levels for economic development in Falls City/Richardson County.
- Work closely with federal agencies such as USDA, Rural Development, the Economic Development Agency, SBA, FEMA, and others.
- Manage projects, which are sometimes intense and time sensitive.
- Coordinate events such as workshops, annual meetings, strategic planning, ground breakings/ribbon cuttings and other committee meetings.

Prefer candidates with a degree in Business, Community Development, Public Administration or a related field, and/or have an adequate number of years of relevant experience. Compensation is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Please submit a resume, cover letter and professional references via email to EDGE.President,Rod.Rowland@fmbankfc.com. Application materials need to be submitted by 5:00 PM February 12, 2021.

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The family of Billy Marrs would like to express our sincere thank you for all the cards, memorials, flower, phone calls, food and thoughts and prayers after the loss of Billy. Thank you to Dorr & Clark Funeral Home and Fay-Ann Blaylock for your excellent care, service, and comforting words at the service.

Sincerely,
Dorris Marrs
Jody Strecker & Family
Connie Simon & Family

I would like to thank all my family and friends for all the kind deed's when I had my recent surgery at the Bryan East in Lincoln and my stay at Community Medical Center in Falls City. To all the nurses and aide's for the wonderful care. To Dr. Tramp for his outstanding care, as always. To Father Stoley for his daily visits and prayers. Special thanks to my niece Ann Stratton, Nicole McAfee, and Dennis Meyer for providing transportation when I needed it.

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Olivia Eickhoff hits for two points over the Griffin defender on Friday night at the RAC.

Lady Irish remain undefeated heading into MUDECAS

Story and photo by Brian McKim

The Sacred Heart Lady Irish improved to 12-0 after finishing a 3-0 run last week. To begin the week, the Irish took down Elmwood-Murdock on Tuesday night 47-40. The Knights held the Irish offense in check most of the night, holding SH to just 15/44 shooting (34%) from the floor. As usual, the Irish defense came to play, holding the Knights to 30% shooting (14/47) and forcing 12 turnovers. The Knights outrebounded the Irish 30-28.

SH held a first-quarter lead of 14-8, but Elmwood rallied to tie the game at 24 heading into halftime. SH put a little cushion between the two teams, outscoring the Knights 11-5 in the third period to take a 35-29 lead. The Irish hung on in the fourth to remain undefeated with the seven-point win, 47-40.

Individually, Rachel Magdanz had a solid game, finishing with 11 points, seven rebounds, three steals and six assists. Erison Vonderschmidt had 15 points to go along with six boards and three blocked shots. B. Frahm led Elmwood-Murdock with 13 points.

Scoring vs. Elmwood-Murdock, Magdanz 11, Eickhoff 4, Witt 3, Malone 2, Wertenberger 6, Littrel 4, Vonderschmidt 15, Keller 2.

The Irish JV defeated the Knights 23-11 in two-quarters of play. Witt and Keller each had seven points for the Irish.

On Thursday night, January 7, the Irish took on Sidney, Iowa. SH used a big second quarter to pull away from the Cowboys for the win. The Irish led by five after the first eight minutes, 12-7, but grew their lead by halftime to 29-13. The Irish didn't ease up in the second half, outscoring the Cowboys 24-11 to pick up the 53-24 win. Sacred Heart finished making

23/52 shot attempts (44%) while holding the Cowboys to just 8/35 shooting (23%). SH outrebounded Sidney 30-24 and forced 20 turnovers while committing 11 on offense.

Vonderschmidt led the Irish with a game-high 26 points, making 10/15 shots from the field. She also added eight rebounds and three steals. Magdanz added five assists and three steals and Littrell had six boards for SH. Avery Dowling led the Cowboys with eight points.

Scoring vs. Sidney, Magdanz 4, Eickhoff 4, Witt 3, Malone 2, Littrel 6, Vonderschmidt 26, Keller 8.

In three-quarters of action, the Irish JV also won, 30-16. Keller had nine points and Witt and Malone each added eight.

In the final game of the week, the Irish hosted the Class D2, sixth-ranked Diller-Odell Griffins on Friday night. The Griffins entered the contest at the RAC with a 7-2 record. SH was a little slow out of the gate, taking an 8-7 lead after the first quarter. After that, the swarming Irish defense held the Griffins in check as the Irish rolled to the win, 56-25. The Irish didn't shoot well from the floor, making just 20/61 shots, but SH pulled down 22 offensive rebounds, leading to multiple second-chance points. The Griffins shot only 8/30 from the floor and the Irish defense proved too much for Diller-Odell to handle, forcing 29 turnovers while committing just seven.

Vonderschmidt had a monster night for SH, scoring 14 points, pulling down ten rebounds, blocking four shots and getting seven steals. Magdanz added a team-high 16 points to go along with two assists and Jessica Wertenberger had 11 points and five re-

bounds. K. Heidemann had nine points to lead the Griffins.

Scoring vs. Diller-Odell, Magdanz 16, Eickhoff 8, Witt 2, Wertenberger 11, Littrel 4, Vonderschmidt 14, Keller 1.

The win improved the Irish to 12-0 for the season. The Irish JV also won on Friday night 20-16 in two periods of play. Keller had ten points and Malone added four. The Irish will be the #2 seed in

the MUDECAS tournament this week. The Irish took on Meridian on Monday night and, with a win, could face Diller-Odell again on Thursday. The finals will be played at 8:15 p.m. on Friday.



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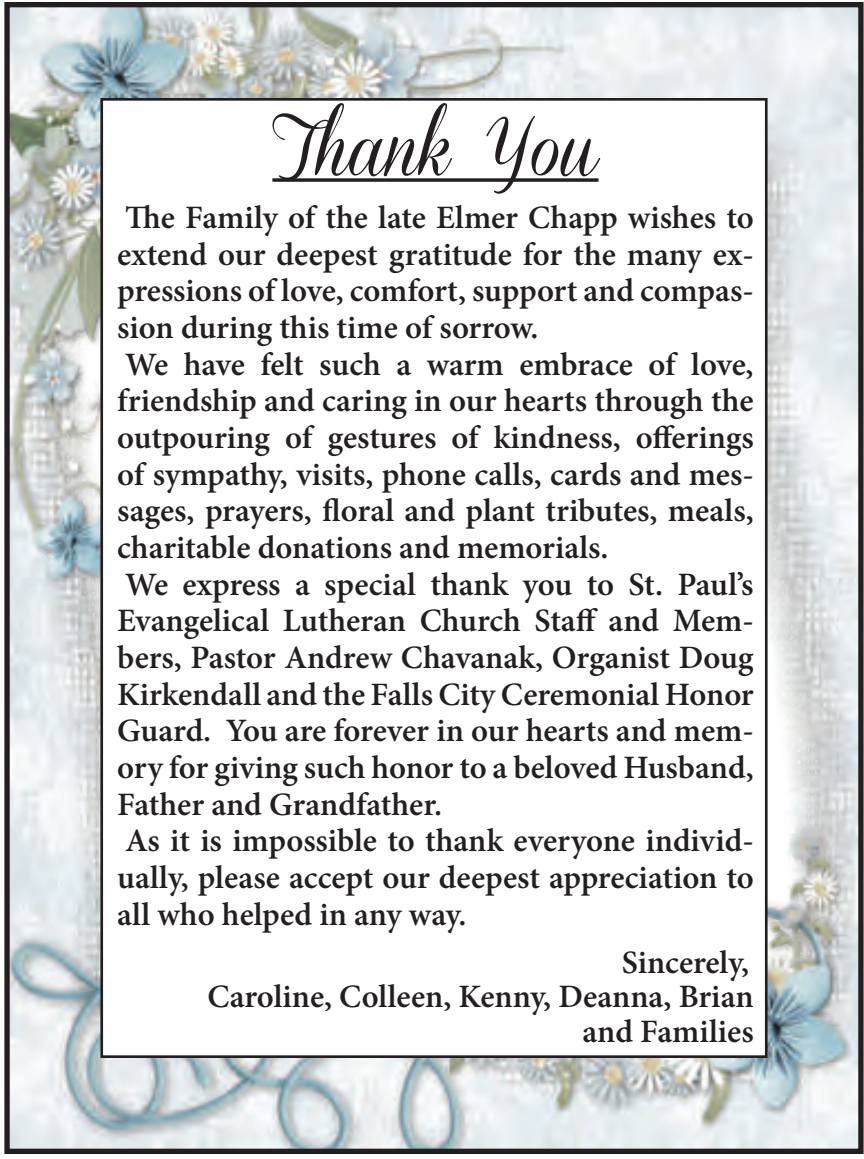
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We express a special thank you to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Staff and Members, Pastor Andrew Chavanak, Organist Doug Kirkendall and the Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard. You are forever in our hearts and memory for giving such honor to a beloved Husband, Father and Grandfather.

As it is impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept our deepest appreciation to all who helped in any way.

Sincerely,
Caroline, Colleen, Kenny, Deanna, Brian and Families