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Chase Thompson and Salt Creek ready for the main stage

By Brian McKim; photo submitted

Falls City native and 2014 graduate of Falls City High School Chase Thompson has been tuning up for the main stage since he was a child. Chase, the son of Heather and Shawn Thompson, wrestled, played football and participated in band while at FCHS but remembers loving music at a young age.

"I was super young," said Thompson. "Even when my sister was born, I was five years old; I got a couple of CDs." It went from just liking music to thinking about turning it into something more in college.

Thompson was influenced by rock music, specifically Kid Rock, but liked a little bit of everything.

"The blend of everything," referring to Kid Rock. "He had country, hip hop, rock. I think listening to him a lot, I was kind of like, I like everything.

Growing up, mostly rock because that's what my dad liked."

Last year, Chase and his band, Salt Creek, signed a record deal with Tooth and Nail Records. Based in Seattle, Washington, the label has had nearly a half-dozen albums go certified gold with sales of 500,000 or more. The label currently has 25 artists

signed to record deals.

In October, the band released its first record under the new label, "Out of the Sky." According to the band's bio, Salt Creek is an alternative rock band from Lincoln, Nebraska, inspired by the 90s grunge and their midwestern roots.

The group was having trouble coming up with a name for their band, and with the band all living in Lincoln at the time, Salt Creek seemed like a fit. The band began playing together in 2017 and for the most part, has stayed together, losing just one member along the journey. Members Nathan Richardson, Zach Chrastil and Nathan Skinner live in Lincoln, while Chase still calls Falls City home.

Chase sheepishly calls himself the creative guy, not wanting to draw too much attention to himself. "I'm very heavy, the creative guy," says Thompson. "It's hard for me to say I'm the front man because I don't feel like that. I would say I'm probably the songwriter, definitely the creative head."

Thompson's run toward the stage started around fourth grade when he took guitar lessons. From there, he went to drums and with the guitar, he



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Commissioners award first found of ARPA funds

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners regular meeting was on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr. informed the Commissioners that he has been in contact with a former employee who indicated that he would be willing to work part-time for an interim period until a vacant position can be filled with a successful candidate for one of the road maintainer routes.

Notice from the Nebraska Department of Transportation was received informing Mr. Darveau that bridge structure #C007400815 has been selected for the off-system bridge funding, which is 100 percent through federal bridge funds with no local matching funds required. This structure is located on 717 Road between 640 and 641 Avenue or between Sections 14 and 23 in Township 3, Range 14, which crosses the Little Muddy.

Darveau discussed a salary increase for some of his staff. He said from what he saw from the Sheriff's increase; they're "running right around that 9.5-10 percent what they got. That nine and a half to 10 percent. You break it down, that's about to break down to 8.6 percent inflation, everything with the other two; I don't see where 10 percent across the Board for mine is out of line at this point in time. I'm telling you, my guys are doing the work that we had with me and six to seven more employees and they're not complaining and I'd rather keep the ones I got right now."

Sickel said he would consider eight percent. Darveau said, "I'd rather make it worth their while to stay here and keep the ones I got because the ones that are showing and they're doing what they're asked. They're doing a great job."

Karas carried out the motion to approve a 10 percent increase in salary for the Road Foreman, Bridge Foreman and Office/Clerical positions effective July 1, 2022.

Sheriff Hardesty presented to the Board a report on the total funds received from other entities for housing inmates: 2019--\$39,160.00; 2020--\$51,370.00; 2021--\$37,510.00; 2022--\$21,395.00. A grand total in the past three and a half years of \$149,435.00.

Hardesty discussed what pay is right now in surrounding counties, specifically Johnson County. Both Johnson and Nemaha Counties are paying more than Richardson County. He said Johnson County had those numbers because they said that's what it's going to take to hire people.

"We've put together a great environment. In my opinion, we're probably one of the better Sheriff's offices, at least in Southeast Nebraska, as far as activity, doing our jobs," said Hardesty.

He said later on, once you start looking at replacing people who may retire, "If you're not competitive, I know that insurance is a sore subject, but Johnson County, on top of that, they pay half of the family insurance, so that's a huge benefit," said Hardesty. "Now everybody wants insurance. We've had that talk in the past. We've had several people apply that turned down the job because of insurance and I understand."

Hardesty said higher costs have always been an issue getting certified people to come in.

"It does irritate me when people say that Richardson County has a bigger drug problem than any other county around, and I argue and

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Remembering the 1981 Tiger football squad

By Brian McKim

Last fall marked the 40th anniversary of what could be considered the best Tiger football team not to win a state championship. The '81 squad blew past their opponents throughout the season, wrapping up the regular season with a 9-0 record. Heading into the postseason, Falls City was picked by both metropoli-

tan newspapers as the odds-on favorite to win the Class B crown. The only issue was that someone forgot to relay that information to the Aurora Huskies. The Huskies left Jug Brown Stadium that November evening with the upset win over the locals, 9-6.

Falls City entered the 1981 campaign with 13 letter win-

ners returning from 1980s 5-4 team. The Tigers were just 18 points away from an undefeated season in 1980. Head Coach Ron Holman welcomed experience back as nine seniors suited up for the 1981 season.

Game number one, Falls City, had little trouble defeating Savannah 22-0. The Tigers out-gained Savannah 222-69 for their first season-opening win since 1974.

Week two had Falls City taking on the Fairbury Jeffs. The Tigers dominated their foe, 52-7, racking up 359 total yards of offense while holding the Jeffs to just 89. The win earned the Tigers a #3 ranking by the *Omaha World-Herald*.

Wins number three and four came against Hiawatha, 32-18 and Maryville, Mo. 28-6. Against the Spoofhounds, FC put up 380 yards of offense, with Dan Convey leading the way with 102 yards rushing on 11 carries.

Win number five came against a solid Atchison football team,

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Inflammation and the Immune System

By Jennifer May, M.D.

Many of my patients will say “Doctor, I am so inflamed”. The use of the word inflammation is commonplace as we search the market for anti-inflammatory diets or self-help books on inflammation. The inflammatory response created by the immune system contributes to healing, but when left unchecked can contribute to chronic disease, allergy, and non-specific symptoms such as achy joints, fatigue, and malaise.

The immune system has two main parts. The first of these is the innate immune system which is the body’s first line of defense. The innate immune system acts as a barrier that prevents harmful materials from entering the body and responds quickly when needed. The second part is the adaptive immune system. This system is more specialized and takes over if the innate immune system is unsuccessful. The adaptive immune system responds slower than the innate immune system but more accurately.

So, how can we make our immune system healthier? Here are four areas that one can focus on to improve immune health: quality rest, eating well, exercising, and managing stress.

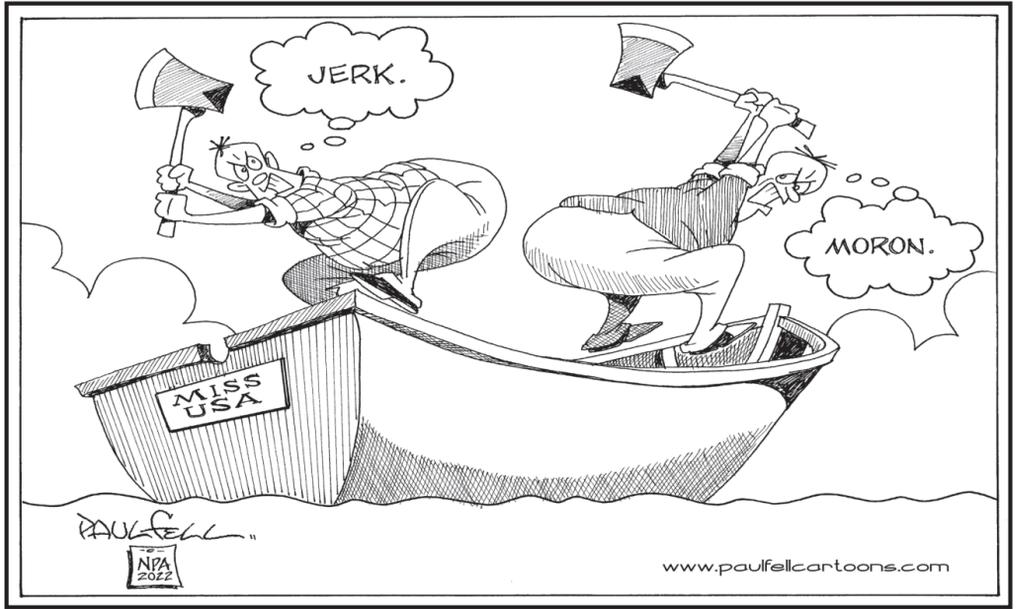
Lack of sleep weakens the immune system and makes it easier to become ill. This means your colds last longer and you may get them more often. Researchers recommend that adults get 7-8 hours of good sleep each night, while teens need about 10 hours.

Physicians often propose anti-inflammatory diets for people with chronic disease, inflammatory conditions, and food sensitivities. No one diet fits all, but diets that avoid inflammatory foods have proven beneficial. Dietary recommendations include avoiding processed food, meaning, things that come in a box or a bag. Focus on whole foods, such as apples, brown rice, nuts, seeds, and legumes. A good diet for inflammation and cholesterol is the Mediterranean diet. It increases omega-3 fatty acids which help reduce inflammation and hopefully lower those cholesterol numbers.

Exercise also helps our immune system. Getting at least 20-30 minutes of moderate to high level exercise a day boosts antibody response which helps stave off illness. In addition, exercise will also improve your mood. Managing stress is difficult for everyone. However, unplugging and practicing mindfulness are good coping strategies that can help you decompress after a long day.

We are often overwhelmed by stressful, busy lives. Inflammation and immune system issues cannot be fixed with a pill or a bit of advice. It requires a personal commitment to assess your own habits. Then consider what changes are possible for you. Working on one or all the aforementioned areas is worth a try. The power to improve your health and immunity lies within.

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HOW ABOUT A LITTLE TOLERANCE FOR A CHANGE?

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

News Item: A Subway sandwich customer allegedly shot two employees after he reportedly became angry over too much mayonnaise on his sandwich, police said. One employee died and the other is in critical condition.

As my son and daughter-in-law often say to their 6-year-old, “use your words.”

Could I get a different sandwich? Could you scrape some mayo off this, please? Could I get a refund?

That’s communication, defined by the Oxford English Dictionary as “the transmission of information, ideas, or knowledge, whether verbally or mechanically, through a medium such as music, writing, or e-mail.” Have we lost that ability to communicate? That’s both speaking and hearing in my book.

Sure, the sandwich shooting was in Atlanta, Georgia. That’s a big city nearly 1,000 miles from here. But that doesn’t mean senseless violence can’t happen here. In the last month, there have been three young people (ages 17-24) shot at a high school parking lot just 10 blocks from my house. Nobody’s dead, but lives have been changed by the two separate incidents.

We’re not talking anymore. We’re yelling and chanting and shaking fists and waving protest signs. We’re still dredging up the past, like the January 6 events in Washington, DC, more than 18 months ago. The only break we got from that rehash by the national media has been three controversial U.S. Supreme Court opinions on guns, abortion, and prayer.

More yelling and not the least shred of tolerance visible. The Oxford English Dictionary defines tolerance “(of/for somebody/something) as the quality of being willing to accept or tolerate somebody/something, especially opinions or behavior that you may not agree with, or people who are not like you.”

Many states are scrambling to enact laws to address the abortion issue which the high court says now is clearly a matter of state’s rights. It’s yet unclear whether the Nebraska Legislature will call a special session to do so since a so-called trigger bill (to ban abortion once the high court has ruled) failed during the regular session.

It appears unlikely that the group of senators who filibustered that bill off the agenda a few months ago have changed their mind or are willing to negotiate. Proponents of the measure say they are uncertain just what kind of compromises would have to be made to en-

sure passage.

There was a time when repentance, “the fact of showing that you are sorry for something wrong that you have done,” would have been an important part of the solution to addressing grievances. But it appears that reparations, “the making of amends for a wrong one has done, by paying money to or otherwise helping those who have been wronged,” have become the popular redress.

In a country that has been deeply divided for several years, unity, “the state of being in agreement and working together,” seems like a distant dream. I believe it is attainable, but it’s go-

ing to take communication, tolerance, and repentance to make it happen.

I recently read a national commentator who said she thinks we are on the brink of a civil war.

It was five years ago this month that I quoted Charles Kuralt from a 1976 Dateline America piece about the Nebraska Interstate 80 Bicentennial Sculpture Project in which he said, “It’s not likely that tolerance will soon break out in Nebraska.”

Let’s prove him wrong!
J.L. Schmidt has been covering Nebraska government and politics since 1979. He has been a registered Independent for 20 years.

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THEME: INVENTIONS AND INVENTORS

ACROSS

1. Urban haze
5. Da, oui, or si, e.g.
8. Drug-induced state
12. UK art museum
13. Molten rock
14. Hip-hop or classical, e.g.
15. Sportscaster Andrews
16. Angle between branch and offshoot
17. Bioweapon
18. *Reaper inventor
20. Muslim holy man
21. Dampish
22. *The invention of hand sanitizer centered on alcohol as this
23. Stitched again
26. Decipherable
30. United Nations labor agency, acr.
31. Armed robber, on an Indian subcontinent
34. Heart of the matter
35. Impertinent
37. Be in arrears
38. Belgian port city
39. European erupter
40. Popular women’s magazine
42. Back then
43. Make a new sketch
45. Canine’s coat
47. Digital audiotape, acr.
48. Corner joint
50. ____ crazy
52. *Ground beef steak inventor
56. Nordic gl,hwein
57. Substance abuser
58. Kind of testimony
59. Soft twilled fabric of silk or rayon
60. Casanova, e.g.
61. Anger on road
62. Flock’s affirmation
63. Short for ensign
64. NBA shot

DOWN

1. Flower chat
2. Painter Chagall
3. Ear-related
4. DNA sequence
5. Vertical coordinate axis
6. Put out on a curb
7. *Poliomyelitis vaccine inventor
8. *Life-saving maneuver inventor
9. Machu Picchu group
10. Sinister
11. Pecking mother
13. Thin layer
14. Romantic Norwegian composer
19. Disturbing public peace
22. Acquire
23. Early one
24. Carry away, in a way
25. *Edison invented things for its reproduction
26. Stead
27. Flesh of fish
28. Foot-forward squat
29. Glorify
32. *First commercial revolver inventor
33. Harry Potter’s mail carrier
36. *Knitted sweater with open front inventor
38. #4 Down matter, pl.
40. Back of the boat
41. Withdraw from working life
44. Frustration, in print
46. Pergolas
48. *Wide-mouth jar inventor
49. Intestinal obstruction
50. Undesirable location
51. Ruptured
52. Certainly
53. Russia’s mountain range
54. Indian music
55. Big Bang’s original matter
56. Geological Society of America

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From the Journal Files

By Brian McKim
50-25-15 Years Ago

50 Years Ago, July 6, 1972 to July 12, 1972

It was reported in Omaha that a man ended his bowling career. The individual stopped on a South Omaha bridge, got out of his car and threw his bowling ball, bag and shoes into the river below.

There was a good turnout for the Ladies' golf day, with 31 women attending. Judy Stephenson was closest to the pin on No. 5 and Irene Brecht had the longest putt on No. 9.

In Pee Wee baseball action, Richardson County Bank defeated Rotary 15-3. Tom Wilson had three straight singles and Bob Ivey helped with a double and single.

The Hotel Stephenson advertised 'No Better Dining Anywhere' for its Sunday Smorgasbord. For \$2.25 for adults and \$1.50 for kids, you had a choice of bbq ribs, roast beef, fried chicken and choice of salad and vegetables.

Federal crop payments were distributed to approximately 1,100 county farmers totaling \$1,531,711. Nationally, expenditures reached \$3.7 billion.

The city gave Layne-Western of Kansas City a contract for four new 18-inch, gravel-packed water wells to be dug and equipped southeast of Rulo at the cost of \$78,964. The wells were to be 90 feet deep with 15 inches of course gravel surrounding each 18-inch casing.

Roy Phillips and Bob Aitken combined to throw a no-hitter in Junior Midget League play as Ebel Seed shut out Jim Hill's 10-0.

Local businessman Art Tauchen returned from a mountain-climbing expedition in which he helped evacuate a fatally injured mountain climber at Mt. Wilson in Colorado. Tauchen thus far had conquered 18 climbs of peaks above 14,000 feet. It was also mentioned that Art had another hobby, rattlesnake hunting.

In Stella, Boy Scout Troop 315 held an ice cream and cake social at the church parking lot. Those helping out were Joan Sullwold, Daisy Anderson, Les Russell and Paul Last. They had a good turnout for the event, clearing \$61.00.

There was more good living in Richardson County than there had been ten years prior. Despite inflation and higher taxes, 33.7% of households in the county now had two cars compared to 21.9% in 1960.

Mary Jo Standerford of Humboldt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Standerford, was selected as the 1972 4-H Fair queen by the Richardson County 4-H council.

Merlin Potts of Leonardville, Kansas, was the champion of the Four-State Horseshoe tournament held at City Park in Falls City. Altogether 90 individuals entered the tourney in 14 different divisions.

A grand slam by Fred Ivey boosted Falls City to a 16-13 win against Auburn in Legion baseball action. It was Ivey's eighth home run of the summer.

Thirty-five members of Does Drove No. 56 attended a meeting at the Elks Lodge room. Mrs. Edwin Stokes, the president, called the meeting to order.

In Dawson news, Lyle and Matt Harmon were guests at a fish supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Ruch and his family.

The Falls City team in the Southeast Women's Softball league ran its record to 5-1 with a win over Rulo. Katie McAfee pitched a no-hitter and Charlotte Gentry, Carol Bahr and Muriel Kreuger each had two hits for FC.

After 25 years of employment as a clerk at J.C. Penney, Miss Alma Bahr was retiring. A picnic at City Park was held in her honor, with over forty friends attending.

25 Years Ago, July 6, 1997 to July 12, 1997

Indian Cave State Park drew over 4,100 visitors over the July 4th weekend. Approximately 650 people attended the firework display put on by the Pioneer Longrifle Club.

Entertainers on the Belle of Brownville on its trip from Indian Cave were Cheryl McDowell, Mid Bauer and Ryan Bauer. About 175 persons aboard the boat were treated to songs and stories of Civil War history, talks of the early towns along the river and the role of mountain men.

Michelle Milam and Ed Hartman won the Championship Flight of the Falls City Country Club's July 4 couple's scramble. Forty-eight couples played in the tourney, with Max and Michelle Milam, Tony and Kelli Woods and Dr. Dave and Joyce Borg in charge of the tourney.

Dawson-Verdon's 16U girls' softball team headed to state after placing second in their district in Tecumseh.

Eight-year-old Jordan Faller was pictured getting an autograph by Kansas basketball great Paul Pierce at the Bob Shipman Basketball Camp in Hiawatha.

An estimated 450 persons attended the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce barbecue at the 4-H Building on the 4th of July.

The leaderboard for the men at the Falls City Country Club had Bill Simon on top with a 35.3, Dick Gist was second at 37.1 and Denny Heinzelman was third at 37.8. For the women, Burdeen Prater was on top with a 41.9. Linda Jones was next at 43.3 and Michelle Milam was third at 45.1.

Yard of the Week honors went to Tom and Donna Bentley at 2223 Lane Street.

15 Years Ago, July 6, 2007 to July 12, 2007

Rod Knaup, who served 39 years on the Falls City Housing Authority Board, was honored for his service.

Judge Curtis Maschman administered the oath of office to newly appointed County Attorney Doug Merz and Deputy County Attorney Bob Meyer in the County Courtroom at the courthouse.

The Falls City High School class of 1967 celebrated their 40th reunion in June. The weekend began at the home of Cheryl McCann with 32 in attendance and ended on Saturday night with 54 attending a get-together at the home of Jim and Shirley Jones.

Mark Dunn, Dustin Johnson, Dearra Johnson and Marceile Ankrom achieved Dean's List honors at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Marty Froeschl shot a 76 and claimed his second Falls City Country Club Men's Senior Championship. A total of 17 golfers participated in the event, which Denny Heinzelman and John Hinz chaired.

Colt Davidson won the fourth-place trophy in the Big Bike Beginners division of the Kawasaki Full-Throttle Racing Series Round Three in Cosby, Mo. Colt is the son of Jim Davidson and grandson of Jim and Peggy Davidson.

Crystal Bryan, Sarah Davis, Aliza Kottich, Rebecca Parsons and Sarah Weinert were named to the Dean's List at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

Chamber Yard of the Week winners were Matthes Manor at 2102 Stone St. and Lola Ewing at 2325 Stone.

Local youths Darcy Stice, Amy Froeschl, Janey Malcolm, Mary Froeschl, Ashli Jordan, Hannah Malcolm, James Kelly and Dylan Frederick, showed solid citizenship by painting the playground equipment at Legion Park.

SEZ-I

Local 911 issues questioned and addressed

I just recently had an experience that I hope nobody else has to go through. My wife, a type one diabetic, had a fall and was recovering in the house. She had stiffened up because of the fall and was not able to get up. We are what most people would describe as elderly, both being in our eighties. Mary, while resting, began to have what she described as hot flashes, dizziness, faintness, and nausea. I became convinced that she needed to be seen by a doctor immediately and dialed 911 to call an ambulance to take her to the hospital. Imagine my reaction when dialing 911 did not connect me with an emergency help line. Instead, I got a dead line. No answer. Thinking I might have miss dialed, I tried 911 again. Still no answer. By this time Mary's daughter had arrived and she also tried 911, twice, with the same result. Fortunately, she is involved with the hospital and knew another way to contact the ambulance service.

All is well that ends well, as this episode did. We all know that if this had been a heart at-

tack or stroke, minutes lost before treatment would have been critical. I might have lost Mary because 911 did not answer, causing me to call again. If Janet had not been there, I would have had to look up a number for the police dept. losing several more minutes. We also know that there are those in our society that would have panicked when 911 did not answer, and who might not have known what to do next. It could end badly indeed.

Frankly, I can't imagine a reasonable excuse for our 911 system not responding to a call, but I want to warn everybody to think about what you will do if you have an urgent need for 911 and they are not answering the phone.

As for me, I now have two new entries in the favorites section of my cell phone contact list. The first new entry name is Ambulance, and the number is 402-254-4422. The second entry name is Fire, and its number is 402-245-(redacted by the editor at the request of Police Chief Baker, he requested the 4422 number be used if there

were any possible issues with 911) From now on I will not even try 911.

Tom Whitehouse

FC PD Chief Baker addresses 911 'issue'

In a phone call with the Journal Friday morning, Falls City Police Chief Jamie Baker said after looking into the claim of 911 services not working, he can report that the system doesn't show any 911 call come in from this incident.

"We had no issues with 911 calls," said Baker.

He said 911 calls came into the office before and after this situation without any issues and this is the only report of problems with the system.

Baker said the 245-4422 is the same dispatcher as 911 and those are the only two numbers to be called in a local emergency. But, he emphasized to please continue to call 911 for all emergencies

Chase Thompson and Salt Creek ready for the main stage

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picked up the bass and can "noodle" around on the piano. "Singing was no lessons; I should probably still get lessons just for my own sake," laughed Thompson. "I just want to keep my voice; I don't want to end up hurting it somehow."

Since the record deal, fans can find Salt Creek's music almost anywhere. "I would say universally, all streaming sites, YouTube, I think it's in some stores like Barnes and Noble. The record label is mostly just distribution; they will pay for us to make the record," said Thompson.

The group started doing many DIY (do it yourself) tours, playing from basements to bars to big venues.

"Next month, we are opening for Shinedown, which is going to be a 15,000 crowd; you really get to see the evolution of crowds," says Chase. The show Thompson was referring to is 89.7 The River's Summer Bash at Westfair Amphitheater in Council Bluffs on Friday, July 15, 2022.

When asked about his sense of style on stage, Chase said he always has had a weird sense of style.

"I just shop at Walmart a lot, honestly. I just look for something cool I can put together," Thompson said. "Recently, I've been making country music, doing my own thing with that, and one of my friends hired a stylist and that was a fun experience; I've never done anything like that before."

The group stays busy, having just completed a trip to the west coast.

"It kind of depends; last month we played like 12 days and then we had weekend shows for the next two weekends," said Chase. "Then we might take like a month off."

Thompson said the band is in writing mode right now, so you can expect to see some new stuff soon. He is also getting ready to release some of his own music soon, which he is really looking forward to.

"It's country, but it's a blend of everything," said Chase about his solo work. "I'm ex-

cited for that, very excited. The best songs just come out of nowhere; some ideas we'll just float around forever."

In between shows and tours, Thompson works for Eric Froeschl and wanted to make sure to thank him for letting him off work as he chases his dream around the country.

The show next week featuring Shinedown, Jelly Roll and Austin Meade could be the big break that Thompson and his band members are looking for.

Large crowds don't faze Chase; he says it's easier than playing in small, intimate settings. "It's gonna be cool," said Thompson.

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The Brownville Concert Series is thrilled to have The Darryl White Quintet! Darryl White, Jeff Jenkins, Hans Sturm, Michael Pujado, and Michael Warren play a wonderful mixture of traditional jazz, contemporary styles and even jazz spirituals.



In 2020, Darryl White recorded his fifth record. This record was a wonderful and heartfelt tribute to all those who dealt with loss of loved ones and injustice. Much of the music from this album will be featured in this concert along with a sprinkling of traditional jazz that includes music from Louis Armstrong to Miles Davis. It's sure to be one you won't want to miss!

The show will be in cabaret on Friday and Saturday, July 15th and 16th at 7:30pm, and Sunday, July 17th at 2:00pm. We give special thanks to Blake and Julia Hurst, Kay Rosenbohm, and Charles and Carole James for helping to sponsor these shows. The Sunday show will be dedicated in memory of Charles Anderson and in honor of Jody Anderson. Darryl White is offering to give a free Trumpet Master Class at 2:00-3:00pm on Saturday July 16 plus a free ticket to the show. Interested students must call the Box Office by July 8th to register. Dr. Darryl White is associate professor of trumpet at the Glenn Korff School of Music. White's performance experiences include a wide range of idioms. He has appeared as guest soloist with the Omaha Symphony, Lincoln Symphony Orchestra, Mesa Chamber Orchestra, Grand Junction Symphony, Lake Forest Chamber Orchestra, Roaring Fork Jazz Festival, University of Nebraska Faculty Brass Quintet, the University Faculty Jazz Quartet and many other solo appearances and guest clinicians with college jazz bands and orchestras across the country.

the Faculty Jazz Quintet.

Jeff Jenkins has released four CD's in the last 15 years. The most recent on Capri Records entitled "Cique", is an eclectic exciting blend of jazz and funk. He has appeared with many jazz greats in that amount of time as well, including: Freddie Hubbard, Eddie Harris, Clark Terry, Dakota Staton, Frank Morgan, Marlena Shaw, David Fathead Newman, Teddy Edwards, the Count Basie Orchestra, The New York Voices, Bobby Hutcherson, Nelson Rangell, Renee Marie, John Abercrombie, and Richie Cole. He attended the University of North Texas, where he led his own groups. After college he moved to New York where he studied with the likes of Richie Beirach, Kenny Barron, and Fred Hersch, while working on Broadway, and in the clubs.

Double bassist Hans Sturm has performed as soloist, chamber, orchestral, jazz and improvisational musician throughout Europe, Asia, South America, Africa and the United States. Sturm received his doctorate from Northwestern University and, prior to his appointment to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, was Professor of Double Bass and Jazz Studies and Coordinator of the String Department at Ball State University for seventeen years, now Professor Emeritus.

Michael Pujado, a native of Chile, has lived in the United States since 1989. Michael has been playing music professionally since the age of 16. Michael currently plays with some of Omaha's top musicians- The Confidentialists, Heidi Joy, Matt Wallace and the Gulizia Brothers.

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Tickets are \$25 for Adults and \$16 for Students. Purchase 2022 Short Season Passes for the remaining 2022 shows from June - December including this show for just \$140.00 online at www.brownvilleconcertseries.com, on Facebook or call 402-825-3331. In Show Biz, (and pandemics), dates are subject to change so please double check the website. The Nebraska Arts Council (www.nebraskartsCouncil.org), a state agency, supports this program through a matching grant funded by the Nebraska Legislature, the National Endowment for the Arts and the Nebraska Cultural Endowment.

A long, winding recovery: Long COVID taking toll on Omaha woman, likely thousands of Nebraskans

By Roseann Moring Flatwater Free Press

Cindy Vanek was supposed to be recovering from COVID-19, but something was wrong.

The Papillion office coordinator contracted the virus just before Halloween 2020, a case she describes as mild-to-moderate — it knocked her out for several days but she never felt the need to go to the hospital.

But two weeks later, new symptoms started emerging. Her heart would start racing and wouldn't stop. She felt dizzy. Nauseous. Constantly fatigued. Her whole body shook. Her fatigue prevented her from doing much more than working on the couch.

"It was kind of a mess," she said. "Like all my systems were going haywire."

Vanek, now 41, is one of millions of Americans who have or are now experiencing post-COVID symptoms, a phenomenon so common it has a name — Long COVID.

Studies suggest that between 10% and 40% of people who contract the virus experience some post-COVID symptoms.

The Long COVID Initiative estimates that 131,000 Nebraskans have experienced post-COVID symptoms, and that 43,500 have been disabled as a result. That group's model puts the cost of the disease at \$2.3 billion in Nebraska alone.

The Nebraska Medical Center opened a post-COVID clinic in March 2021. It's already treated 250 patients.

"There's not a lot that couldn't be a symptom," said Dr. Andy Vasey, who runs the clinic. "Post-COVID symptoms can be from the top of your head to the bottom of your feet and everything in between."

Sometimes they are a nuisance. Sometimes they are debilitating, Vasey said.

Vasey often sees patients who experience heart or lung problems like chest pains and shortness of breath. Many times, a scan reveals no structural problems with those organs.

A new study suggests that some Long COVID is caused by nerve damage, though much is still unclear.

The good news, he said: "Nerves can relearn things and go back to functioning."

Usually, symptoms get better on their own, he said.

In October 2020, Vanek was trying her best to avoid COVID-19. "Health is something I value," she said. "The idea of this virus just scared me."

She worked from home, ordered groceries and double masked.

But she had an in-person part-time job, and that's where she probably contracted it.

She tested positive on Oct. 15. COVID-19 itself was bad enough. She had a fever, cough, loss of taste and smell. But she got through it.

Then, two weeks later, on Halloween, she was sitting at a desk when her heart rate skyrocketed to more than 130 beats per minute. Doctors call this tachycardia, she later learned, when the heart beats too fast. She became dizzy, lightheaded and nauseous.

This was the beginning.

Over the next several months Vanek experienced similar episodes over and over.

"There's this immediate, 'something is wrong,' and you can hear your heart racing," she said. "I felt flushed and sweaty and super dizzy and super nauseous. I felt so wrong, I couldn't do anything."

Sometimes she recovered in half an hour; other times she was out of commission for hours.

From October 2020 until early summer of 2021, a litany of physical symptoms made it difficult for her to function.

Her nausea peaked in January with bouts of serious vomiting. She lost 60 pounds by March.

Spells of lightheadedness and vertigo continue today.

Fatigue prevented her from doing much other than working on her computer while lying down. Even walking across her apartment to shower proved difficult.

Weakness came with the virus, and this later transitioned to weakness because her body was no longer conditioned.

She still finds herself short of breath sometimes after doing routine chores like washing dishes.

Her retinas were damaged by the virus. She now wears glasses for the first time.

Her sense of smell was affected. She would experience phantom smells, for example putting on lotion and smelling gasoline.

Some of her symptoms are mental, and those, too, disrupt her life. Vanek's anxiety spiked higher than she had ever before experienced.

She now gets noticeably more confused, experiencing what Long COVID patients describe as "brain fog."

In April 2021, she received the COVID-19 vaccine. Doctors have reported that some patients improve after they're vaccinated. Vanek did, although it's impossible to attribute it directly to the vaccine.

She returned to work that summer, but used a combination of sick and vacation time to work four-day weeks. Even this wiped her out, and she would spend the three-day weekend recovering.

Now, as she approaches her second anniversary of contracting COVID, her capacity is still limited. Once a runner, she now celebrates a 30-minute walk. Cleaning her apartment used to require a morning of effort, but now she splits chores into smaller tasks over several days. She's lost the energy to go out with friends, to kayak, to enjoy life the way that she used to.

Vanek has seen a host of doctors at Methodist Health System. They can treat her symptoms — she takes medicine for her tachycardia, and her heart rate has mostly returned to normal.

But, frustratingly, she doesn't know when — or if — she'll return to her previous abilities. No one knows the long-term prognosis for a disease that's existed for two years.

"I'm just different than I was," she said. "I feel like I've aged and slowed down."

In the meantime, she's learned to live with a new disability. She knows what activities might sap her energy. She makes choices: Can I afford to do this today, knowing I might not be able to function tomorrow?

She spends more time reading and watching television.

Dr. Kevin Reichmuth, a pulmonologist and critical care specialist who sees patients at Bryan Health and a private clinic in Lincoln, said it's frustrating to not be able to provide answers to patients. There's not a good way to predict the course of the symptoms or who will suffer them.

"What has been hard is, we don't know what the evolution of that damage is going to be," he said. "We hope it's going to continue to heal."

One firm recommendation: Get vaccinated, he said. Lowering the chance that you contract COVID lowers the possibility you will have post-COVID symptoms.

He called Long COVID "the pandemic after the pandemic" for its scope and severity.

"The hope is that we'll have more answers and treatment...in the coming years," he said.

Vanek has found company among people online who've experienced Long COVID. It's comforting to know she's not alone. And she compares notes with a former roommate who experienced post-COVID symptoms.

But she finds that many people haven't heard of Long COVID, and some people seem to not believe her.

"There are people out there still very much affected by COVID and the pandemic who haven't been able to move on because they're dealing with challenges and maybe grief," she said. "Have patience and compassion for people who didn't bounce back."

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BB-Air, L-R, Front Row: Arryn Chandler, Halle DeJonge, John Casey, Elise DeJonge, Turner Dunn and Tristan Randall. Back Row: Clayton Howe, Adisen Fischer, Jodie Uhri, Jessica Wertenberger, Trayce Stutheit and Braxtyn Bauman.



Archery, L-R: Front Row: Adisen Fischer, Gavin McHenry, Turner Dunn, Colt Leech, Patricia Howe, Willa Fritz, Austyn Munford. Back Row: Jodie Uhri, Andrew Stalder, Kyle Eickhoff, Brandt Leech and Trayce Stutheit.

2022 Richardson Co. 4-H Shooting Sports Competition

Youth and adults gathered June 24-26th, for the annual Richardson County 4-H Shooting Sports Competition. 4-H'ers competed in trap on Friday; .22 pistol and rifle, BB, air pistol and air rifle on Saturday; and archery on Sunday. Event hosts were, Southeast Nebraska Gun Club, Mark and Lisa Uhri, and the Richardson County Ag Society.

Junior Shotgun: Award Donor, Anthony and Emily Nussbaum, Verdon.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Evan Bailey. Reserve Champion and Purple ribbon went to Trayce Stutheit.

Senior Shotgun: 16 Yard, Award Donor, Mike and Tami Dunn, Falls City.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Justin Brewer. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Andrew Stalder. Receiving purple ribbons were Gavin McHenry, Jodie Uhri, Kyle Eickhoff and William Ewers. Receiving a blue ribbon was Cole Schawang and William Vlcek. Caylee Ewers was awarded a red ribbon.

Senior Shotgun: Handicap Award Donor, Stripes and Signs, Falls City.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Andrew Stalder. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Justin Brewer. Jodie Uhri also received a purple ribbon. Receiving a blue ribbon was Gavin McHenry, Kyle Eickhoff, William Ewers, and William Vlcek. A red ribbon was awarded to Caylee Ewers and Cole Schawang.

Senior Air Pistol: Award Donor, Farm and City Supply/ACE Hardware, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Jessica Wertenberger. Reserve Champion and blue ribbon went to Jodie Uhri.

Junior Small Bore Rifle: Award Donor: Goff and Sons, Salem.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Weston Snoke. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Trayce Stutheit. Receiving a red ribbon was Kaleb Keeton.

Intermediate Small Bore Rifle: Award Donor, Jim and Shirley Jones, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Remington Snoke. Reserve Champion was not awarded.

Senior Small Bore Rifle: Award Donor, Kanel Cattle Co, Dawson Champion and purple ribbon went to Andrew Stalder. Reserve Champion and blue ribbon went to Jodie Uhri. A red ribbon was awarded to Jessica Wertenberger.

Junior Small Bore Pistol: Award Donor, Neal and Linda Frost, Rulo Champion and purple ribbon went to Trayce Stutheit. Reserve Champion was not awarded.

Senior Small Bore Pistol - Award Donor - Levi and Britney Lehmkuhl, Hiawatha Champion and purple ribbon went to Andrew Stalder. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Jessica Wertenberger. Receiving a blue ribbon was Jodie Uhri.

Junior BB: Award Donor, Al and Rowena Eickhoff, Falls City.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Turner Dunn. Reserve Champion and blue ribbon went to Elise DeJonge. Blue ribbons were awarded to Halle DeJonge and John Casey.

Intermediate BB: Award Donor, Ankrom Repair, Falls City.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Arryn Chandler. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Braxtyn Bauman. A blue ribbon was awarded to Tristan Randall.

Senior BB: Award Donor, Chad and Kaytlyn Kennedy, Nemaha.

Champion and purple ribbon went to Adisen Fischer. Reserve Champion and blue ribbon went to Clayton Howe. Receiving a blue ribbon was Trayce Stutheit.

Junior Air Rifle: Award Donor, CMC/Family Medicine, Falls City Champion and blue ribbon went to Turner Dunn. Reserve Champion was not awarded.

Intermediate Air Rifle: Award Donor, Dan and Stephanie Jones and Family, Salem Champion and purple ribbon went to Trayce Stutheit. Reserve Champion was not awarded.

Senior Air Rifle: Award Donor, Dr. Charles James, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Jodie Uhri. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Jessica Wertenberger.

Junior Archery Freestyle: Award Donor, Home Lumber Company, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Turner Dunn. Reserve Champion not awarded.

Intermediate Archery Freestyle: Award Donor, Family Practice, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Willa Fritz. Reserve Champion and blue ribbon went to Patricia Howe. Colt Leech and Trayce Stutheit were awarded blue ribbons. Receiving a red ribbon was Austyn Munford.

Senior Archery Freestyle: Award Donor, State Bank of Table Rock Champion and purple ribbon went Gavin McHenry. Reserve Champion and purple ribbon went to Andrew Stalder. Receiving blue ribbons were Brandt Leech and Kyle Eickhoff. Adisen Fischer was awarded a red ribbon.

Senior Archery Freestyle Limited: Award Donor, Rick/Lisa Schawang, Falls City Champion and purple ribbon went to Jodie Uhri. Reserve was not awarded.

This 4-H event is part of the Nebraska Extension 4-H and Youth Development Program. For more information about being part of 4-H, call 402-245-4324, stop by the Courthouse, Falls City, or visit our website at www.richardson.unl.edu.

Local Huskers named to spring Deans' List

More than 6,200 University of Nebraska-Lincoln students have been named to the Deans' List for the spring semester of the 2021-22 academic year.

Locals named to the Dean's List included:

Brady Allan Keller, senior, Dean's List, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, agronomy of Falls City Cheree Joy Rist, senior, Dean's List, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources,

agribusiness. Abby Lynn Stalder, sophomore, Dean's List, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, grassland systems. Joe Stalder, sophomore, Dean's List, College of Business, finance. Matilyn Irene Stalder, senior, Dean's List, College of Education and Human Sciences, communication sciences and disorders. Will Stalder, sophomore, Dean's List, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, agronomy, all of Humboldt.

Ransom Campbell, senior, Dean's List, College of Business, finance and Riley Kobza, sophomore, Dean's List, College of Arts and Sciences, chemistry both of Rulo.

Qualification for the Deans' List varies among the eight undergraduate colleges and the Explore Center.

Washburn University Spring 2022 President's List

Washburn University announced its President's List honorees for the spring 2022 semester.

Locals named to the list were: Andrew Atlakson, Makayla Neibling and Carissa Matthias all of Hiawatha.

Khalea Bergman, Logan Burger, Kari Edelman, Olivia Meyer and Kaitlyn Tinklin all of Sabetha.

More than 575 students qualified for the President's List. Washburn University is proud of these students and their commitment to excellence.

To qualify for the President's List, a student must complete at least 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 4.0.



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Thursday, July 14 - 7:00 p.m. Rough Stock Rodeo
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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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COUNTY COURT

Rachel E. Schawang, count one, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial set for July 13, 2022.

Benjamin J. Addington, count one, DUI-alcohol-first offense, amended to reckless driving-first offense. Plea change to guilty, found guilty. Fined \$500.00. Count two possess marijuana over one oz. to one pound, amended to possess marijuana one oz. or less-first, plead guilty, found guilty. Fined \$300.00. Count three, count amended to count dropped/dismissed. Count four, count amended to dropped/dismissed.

Dax A. May, count one, assault-third degree, plead not guilty. Pretrial set for July 18, 2022.

Anthony N. Darden, count one, nonresident violate susp/rev order. Plea changed to guilty, found guilty. Fined \$100.00. Judgement set aside. Count two, count amended to dropped/dismissed. Count three, count amended to dropped/dismissed. Count four, count amended to dropped/dismissed.

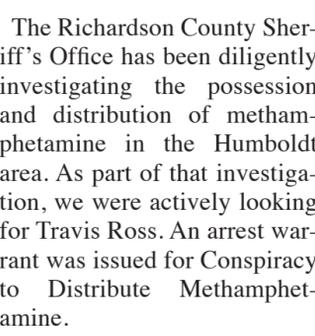
DISTRICT COURT

Robert S. Sanders, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony. Plea is changed to guilty, found guilty. Sentenced to probation for term of 12 months starting March 1, 2022. Probation admin enrollment fee of \$30, drug testing fee of \$60.00, probation fee of \$300.00. Count, two, amended to dropped/dismissed.

Robert J. Gilbert, count one possess controlled substance, plead guilty, found guilty. Sentenced to probation for term of 18 months starting on June 25, 2022. Probation admin. Enrollment fee \$30, probation fee \$180.00, drug testing fee \$90.00. Count two, count amended to dropped/dismissed.

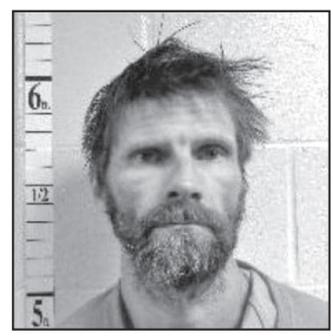
John W. Neely, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of class four felony. Plead guilty, found guilty. Count two possess K2/synthetic one oz. or less-first, plead guilty, found guilty. Count three, count amended to dropped/dismissed. Sentencing scheduled for July 5, 2022.

Matthew S. Gwinn, count one, possess controlled substance, amended to attempt of a class four felony. Plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for July 19, 2022.



On June 26, 2022 at approximately 22:28 hours, Richardson County Deputies arrested 44-year-old Rachel Carter of Falls City, on a Richardson County Warrant for Delivery of a Controlled Substance. Carter was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.



On June 24, 2022, at about 1:15 a.m., Richardson County Deputies stopped James M. Johansen on US Hwy 73. The Richardson County K-9 unit was deployed and a probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted.

Johansen was arrested on the following charges: Driving Under Suspension; Possession of Methamphetamine; Possession of Concentrated THC; Possession of Marijuana Less than 1 oz; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; and No Valid Registration

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.



On June 25, 2022, Richardson County Deputies arrested 40-year-old Travis Barnett of Falls City, for Possession of Methamphetamine and Tampering with Evidence. We would like to thank the citizens who called this in and assisted us on this case. Barnett was booked into the Richardson County Jail.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.



On June 23, 2022, at about 8:00 p.m., Richardson County Deputies arrested Jamie Vaughan in Humboldt. Vaughan had a Richardson County arrest warrant related to a methamphetamine distribution investigation.

Ms. Vaughan was arrested on the warrant for Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office has been diligently investigating the possession and distribution of methamphetamine in the Humboldt area. As part of that investigation, we were actively looking for Travis Ross. An arrest warrant was issued for Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine.

On June 28, 2022, Deputies and Nebraska Probation went to 614 Central Avenue in Humboldt. Both Travis Ross and Twila Taiclet are known to reside there.

Deputies and probation inquired about the whereabouts of Ross and Taiclet ultimately admitted to hiding Ross in a locked room in the back of the residence.

A search of the property was conducted. Deputies located numerous pieces of drug paraphernalia, methamphetamine, and items consistent with the distribution of methamphetamine. Both Ross and Taiclet were arrested at the scene.

In addition to his active warrant, Mr. Ross was arrested on new charges.

Travis Ross of Humboldt, Conspiracy to Distribute Meth Arrest Warrant; Possession of Meth with Intent to Distribute within 1,000 feet of a School; Habitual Criminal and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Twila Taiclet of Humboldt; Possession of Meth with Intent to Distribute within 1,000 feet of a School; Accessory to a Felony; False Reporting; and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Subjects are innocent until proven guilty.

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With less than two months before the season-opener in Ireland, I figured it was time to start talking Husker football. The Big Red will take on Northwestern in Dublin on August 27 in the Aer Lingus Football Classic. The contest was to take place last season, but due to travel issues related to COVID-19, the game was rescheduled for the 2022 campaign. It will mark the first time Nebraska has played outside the United States since the Huskers played in the 1992 Coca-Cola Bowl in Tokyo against Kansas State.

It's never too early to begin the debates on who will win what position battle or who will emerge as the top offensive or defensive players for Ole Nebraska U. With 15 players added in the offseason via the transfer portal, it's anybody's guess who will start where, but here are a few early selections from myself.

Offensively there will be a lot of new faces on the field. Gone at quarterback is four-year starter and the career leader in total offense Adrian Martinez. Adrian saw the writing on the wall and decided it was in his best interest to play somewhere new for his final year. I wish him all the luck. Martinez often took the brunt of the complaints, but he was one tough dude. He played through injuries (broken jaw) and behind an inexperienced line for most of his time at Nebraska. The Huskers landed a pair of quarterback transfers, with Chubba Purdy (Florida State) and Casey Thompson (Texas) deciding to play for Coach Frost. Purdy has four years of eligibility left, while Thompson has two. The coaches won't come out and say it, but the job is Thompson's to lose. Last year at Texas, Thompson started ten games and led the Big 12 with 24 touchdowns through the air. He completed 63% of his passes for 2,113 yards while getting picked off nine times. Many Husker fans will remember Thompson's father, Charles Thompson, who starred for the Oklahoma Sooners in the late 80s.

Last year at Nebraska, Martinez threw for 2,863 yards, 14 TDs, and ten INTs while completing 62% of his pass attempts. For his career at Nebraska, Martinez passed for 8,491 yards, 45 TDs and 30 INTs while running for 2,301 yards and 35 touchdowns.

Purdy could push Thompson in fall camp but won't overtake him as the starter. Don't rule out returner Logan Smothers. Smothers finished 2021 completing 16-22 passes for 198 yards and he is considered the best runner of the QB group.

Moving on to the running backs. Gabe Erving, Rhimir Johnson, Markese Stepp and Jaquez Yant are returning for the Huskers. The running back position was done by committee last season, with no one stepping up to solidify their spot as a starter. A pair of newcomers will look to make some noise in the backfield when the season begins. Anthony Grant and Ajay Allen will challenge the returners and look to lock down the position. The race at running back will be wide open as Nebraska hasn't had a 1,000-yard rusher since Devine Ozigbo in 2018. The last first-team all-conference running back was Ameer Abdullah in 2013.

Grant is my choice to open the season in the backfield. Last season at New Mexico Military Institute, Grant was named the 2021 NJCAA D-1 Offensive Player of the Year. He was the top-rated JUCO running back, rushing for 1,730 yards and 18 touchdowns last year. In his two seasons at NMMI, Grant rushed for 2,549 yards and 28 TDs, finishing with ten games of 100 yards or more on the ground.

Allen will also be in the mix entering fall camp. Allen rushed for 2,200 yards his senior season at Neville High School, scoring 34 TDs. Allen, rated as high as the fifth best back in the nation, committed initially to TCU but flipped late, choosing Nebraska.

Johnson is the most experienced back returning for NU. Last season Johnson ran for 495 yards on 112 carries, scoring four TDs. He also caught 16 passes for 197 yards before missing the season's final two games due to injuries.

Ervin was showing promise early in the season, but an injury against Oklahoma in the season's fourth contest ended things prematurely. Up to that point, Ervin has carried the ball 37 times for 133 yards.

Yant has an outside shot of seeing action in 2022 if he can stay healthy and if he enters fall camp in game-ready shape. At 6-2, 245 pounds, Yant can't afford to enter the season in anything other than the best shape of his life. If he is ready, the big man can be a threat; if he isn't prepared, he'll keep the bench warm.

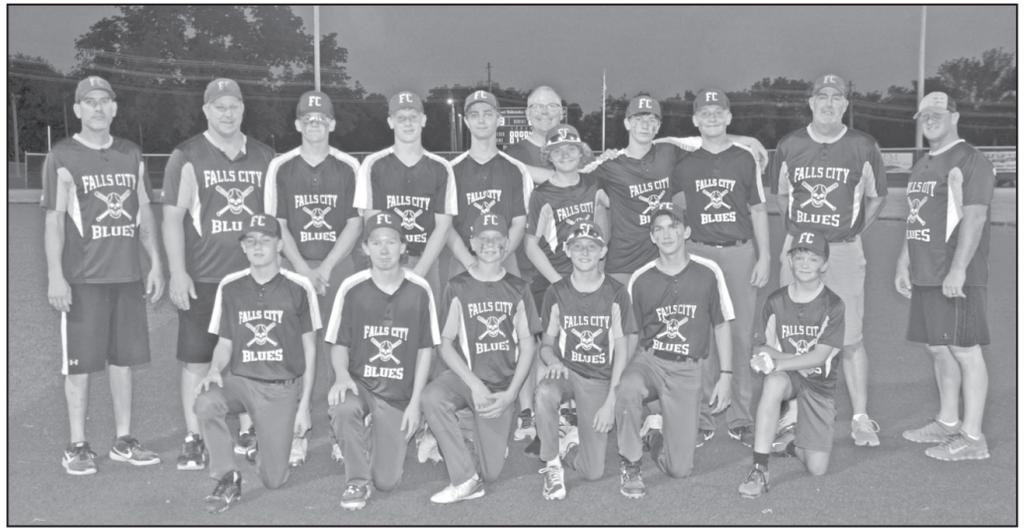
Now on to the receiving corps. The Huskers improved at the WR position in the offseason, adding Trey Palmer out of LSU. The 6-1, 190-pound receiver has two seasons of eligibility left. In his three years at LSU, Palmers caught 41 passes for 458 while playing for position coach Mickey Joseph. Last season was arguably his most prolific, pulling 30 passes for 344 yards and three TDs. You can pencil him in right now as a starter for the Big Red.

Another player that will (finally) step up this season is Omar Manning. Manning was the top-ranked JUCO receiver when Nebraska came calling in 2019. Last season, Manning had 26 grabs for 380 yards and two TDs. Look for those numbers to go up, as he should feel more comfortable in the offense this year.

Alante Brown also caught the coaching staff's attention last spring. Brown only caught three passes for 30 yards in 2021, but look for him to become a more significant part of the offensive package this fall.

Oliver Martin, the Iowa Hawkeye transfer, could also break out this season. Martin saw action in eight games last season, catching nine passes for 147 yards.

Next week I'll look at the defensive side of the ball and make my predictions for the Blackshirts.



Blues: Front Row: Kyler Sipple, Emmett Daake, Cole Taft, Brenden Lemerond, Orion Cattrell, Bowdy Jones. Back Row: Coach Darcy Zimmerman, Coach Brandon Sells, Mason Collier, Blakely Sells, Gavin Bauer, Coach Brian Daake, Jaiden Willman, Tallan Zimmerman, Vayden Leyden, Coach Robbie Sipple, Coach Dan Jones. (Photo by Racy Hullman)

14 and under Falls City Blues dominating the competition

The Falls City Blues 14U baseball team recently placed third in the "wooden bat" tournament in St. Joe. The Blues had a successful season thus far, producing a 22-4 record, including an undefeated mark of 21-0 in the Northeast Kansas League.

On Thursday, June 30, the Blues scored their 22nd win of the season with a 12-3 triumph over Seneca. Four Blues pitchers combined to hold Seneca to just two hits through seven innings of action. Gavin Bauer surrendered no hits and struck out four in two innings of action. Orion Cattrell struck out five and walked one in two innings on the mound. Blakely Sells gave up one hit and one walk while striking out three in one inning and Talon Zimmerman pitched two innings, allowing one hit and no walks while striking out four.

The Blues got out of the gate quickly on Thursday night, taking a 6-0 lead after the top of the

first inning. Falls City used three base on balls, a single, a double and an error.

Offensively for the Blues on Thursday night, Mason Collier had the hot stick going 3-4 at the plate with two singles and a triple. Sells also had a strong night at the plate, finishing 2-3 with a pair of singles and a base on balls. Vayden Leyden had a perfect night, batting 2-2 with a home run, a double and a walk.

Batting against Seneca Lemerond 0-2, two walks; Collier 3-4; Sells 2-3 one walk; Bauer 0-3 two walks; Sipple 1-4; Willman 1-3 one walk; Zimmerman 0-2 one walk; Cattrell 1-2 one walk; Daake 0-2; Leyden 2-2 one walk; Taft three walks; Jones 1-2 one walk.

The Blues played their two final league games on Friday night and then will play in a tournament next weekend in Kansas City.

GOLF LEAGUE

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

The scores shown are actual scores and handicap totals.

Early League results for Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Team 1 (0.00) Hays, Gary 43-39; Rowell, Gene 59-37. Team 3 (8.00) Froeschl, Marty 38-33; Severin, Steve 50-33.

Team 2 (0.50) Simon, Dan 43-40; Hillyard, Mark 47-38. Team 8 (7.50) Kopf, Tom 45-34; Romine, Alan 49-37.

Team 4 (2.50) Ebel, Ron 42-37; Kurpogweit, Lee 44-36. Team 7 (5.50) Hankins, Dan 46-36; Bennett, Chuck 47-34.

Team 5 (7.00) Heinzelman, Denny 42-35; Mullins, Jim 47-35. Team 6 (1.00) Liberty, Brandon 42-39; Borg, Dave 43-36.

Late League results for Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Team 1 (8.00) Simon, Steve 33-33; McNeely, John 48-40; Simon, Mike 47-32. Team 3 (2.00) Gist, Dick 42-38; Hill, Dan 43-35; Fiegenger, Jarod 52-35.

Team 2 (2.50) Ebel, Ron 40-35; Ebel, Bryce 47-33; Keller, Bart (F). Team 18 (7.50) Borg, Dave 40-33; Aitken, Bob 39-32; Courtney, Justin 52-39.

Team 4 (8.00) Bachman, Eli 35-32; Ferguson, Don 44-37; Dunn, Mike 52-33. Team 17 (2.00) Poppe, Brian 43-36; Froeschl, Lucas 42-34; Gooch, Blake 55-36.

Team 5 (4.50) Montgomery, Carter 36-33; Harmon, Galen 43-35; Craig, Jake 52-40. Team 16 (5.50) Dunn, Chaz (35-35); Daake, Brian 40-33; Gilkerson, Keith 45-37.

Team 6 (8.00) Gist, Thomas 42-36; Kearney, Jeremy 49-39; Malcolm, Terry 47-34. Team 15 (2.00) Siel, Jake (F); Hillyard, Mark (F); Rowland, Rod 46-30.

Team 7 (0.50) Simon, Dan 45-42; Schawang, Cade 52-40; Fiene, Cole (F). Team 14 (9.50) Malone, Kevin 42-36; Kurpogweit, Lee 47-39; Leyden, Derrick 47-30.

Team 8 (4.50) Liberty, Brandon 42-39; Morris, Adam 41-30; Godemann, Ted 52-41. Team 13 (5.50) Hullman, Ben 41-36; Buckminster, Joe (F); Craig, Robbie 49-31.

Team 9 (1.50) Gerwick, Rob 43-37; Froeschl, Adam 41-32; Schawang, Cody 48-35. Team 12 (8.50) Kirkendall, Jeremy 38-32; Witt, Weston 37-28; Druba, Roger 47-37.

Team 10 (0.50) Witt, Tom (F); Witt, Wade (F); Romine, Alan 50-38. Team 11 (9.50) Davis,

Darin 41-36; Froeschl, Nate 43-35; McNeely, Erik 45-37.

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- Pentecost 6, July 24, 9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist-Holy Communion
- Pentecost 7, July 31, 9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist-Holy Communion

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EPA announces \$18 million for training and technical assistance for small, rural, and tribal wastewater improvements

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced up to \$18 million in available federal funding to build the pipeline of Technical Assistance (TA) providers that can serve rural, small and Tribal municipalities through the Clean Water Act Prevention, Reduction, and Elimination of Pollution Grant Program. This investment delivers on President Biden's Justice40 initiative and will support TA providers to help utilities improve vital wastewater management that is essential to healthy communities. This funding will also elevate impact from Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding available to small, rural, and Tribal communities.

"All communities need clean and safe water and EPA is committed to helping small, rural, and Tribal communities meet that need," said EPA Assistant Administrator for Water Radhika Fox. "The agency is pursuing multiple approaches to help, including \$18 million in grant funding that can be used to help unlock investments through the historic Bipartisan Infrastructure Law."

This grant program highlights EPA's priorities to advance equity, address climate change, and to help bridge the gap between community needs and federal funding. EPA is seeking applications from organizations with experience delivering results-oriented technical assistance to rural, small, and Tribal publicly owned wastewater systems and decentralized wastewater treatment systems. Once selected, grantees will provide technical assistance in the following areas:

Acquisition of financing and funding; Protection of water quality and compliance assistance; Tribal wastewater systems; Decentralized wastewater systems; and Lagoon wastewater systems.

By prioritizing investment and technical assistance in small, rural, and Tribal systems, EPA is taking another step to fulfill the Biden Administration's commitment to help all communities benefit from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. This action also furthers the goals of President Biden's Justice40 initiative. This initiative intends to ensure that federal agencies deliver at least 40% of benefits from certain investments, including water and wastewater infrastructure, to underserved communities.

For more information about this program and this funding announcement, visit: <https://www.epa.gov/small-and-rural-wastewater-systems/tools-training-and-technical-assistance-small-and-rural>

The Training and Technical Assistance for Rural, Small and Tribal Municipalities and Wastewater Treatment Systems for Clean Water Act Prevention, Reduction, and Elimination of Pollution Grant Program was established by the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018. The program aims to provide training and tools to improve small wastewater system operations and management practices, making them more sustainable and resilient, and supporting EPA's mission to protect public health and the environment.

Whats that bug?

By Gary Lesoing

This year there are a number of different insects showing up in the area, and I am sure by the end of the summer we can expect many more. A few years ago we had high numbers of the Painted Lady Butterfly; and had thistle caterpillars in soybean fields causing some damage. This is the larval stage of the Painted Lady Caterpillars. Several years ago we had the silver spotted skipper butterfly and larvae that caused some damage to soybean fields. With the linden trees starting to bloom there is an insect that will be all over the linden tree blossoms and also several other flowers that are pollinating. A few years ago I thought it was a

striped blister beetle, but after further research I discovered that the insect that was covering our linden trees and other plants was the soldier beetle. The big difference between these two insects is blister beetles are pests that will eat on plant foliage, while soldier beetles are beneficial insects that prey on pests; such as aphids, caterpillars, eggs and soft-bodied insects. The soldier beetle also looks similar to the lightning bugs, without the light. So if you see some beetles around your flowers and they are not eating the foliage, they very well may be soldier beetles and you don't need to worry about them.

Another pest you should be

OBITUARIES

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Zac Vice

Zac Vice, 65, of Verdon, passed away June 29, 2022 in Verdon. He was born April 29, 1957 in Falls City, NE to Don and Shirley (Bragg) Vice.

Zac graduated Southeast Consolidated High School in Stella, NE in 1976. As a young man he worked on oil rigs for several years before joining his dad in his construction business. Ultimately, Zac went on to start his own construction business. He was a member of Good News Assembly of God Church and Brownville Historical Society.

Zac is survived by his wife Kathy of Verdon, daughter, Rachael Griess and her significant other, Robin, sons, Brent Twyman and his wife Diedre, Wesley Twyman and his wife Megan, mother, Shirley, brothers, Noah and his wife Carrie, Montana and his wife Patty, sisters, Christy Berglund and her significant other Ray, Zina Dotson and her husband Kenny, grandchildren, Lukas who was like a young son to him, Jake and Blake, numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father and a brother, L. D. Vice, mother-in-law, Josephine Shiley.

His funeral was held on Saturday, July 2, 2022 at 2:00 PM at Good News Assembly of God Church with Pastor Tim Boatright officiating. Interment was in Harris Cemetery.

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

aware of is the Japanese beetle. These beetles started showing up a few years ago. Their favorite foliage to eat is the leaves of the Linden or Basswood tree. In high numbers they can completely defoliate a Linden tree. They usually do not cause irreparable damage to your Linden trees and they will recover, but defoliation year after year by this beetle can be harmful. The Japanese beetle has been a pest in soybeans, defoliating them, but usually at levels that do not require treatment. Be sure to keep an eye out for this beetle. Another insect that can cause significant damage to crops and other plants is the Brown Marmorated Stink-bug. This bug has shown up periodically in southeast Nebraska, but not in high numbers. It appears to be moving westward from the east coast and damages fruits, vegetables, and soybeans while being a nuisance to homeowners as well.

There will be a number of other insects showing up later in the summer. Aphids will be on several tree leaves. Aphids suck the sap out of plant material. In general, aphids are not going to harm a large tree, but if you have a large infestation on vegetable crops, flowers or other ornamentals, treatment may be required with a pesticide. With all the rain and plenty of standing water, mosquitoes will be a major concern this year. Be prepared with repellent because of the diseases spread by mosquitoes. Ticks are another concern. High numbers have been reported already in southeast Nebraska, so use the appropriate repellents for this pest if you are outside, especially in the country.

We will keep you abreast if specific insect infestations or problems develop. If you identify an insect problem, feel free to contact me at our Extension office at (402) 274-4755.

Carolyn Hilgenfeld

Carolyn Hilgenfeld, 73, of Lincoln, NE, passed away June 26, 2022 in Lincoln at Bryan West Hospice, attended by Mindy and Monica, two wonderful nurses that deserve a very special thanks. She was born May 8, 1949 at Sabetha, KS to Eugene and Pansie (Brunner) Chandler.

She married Don Hilgenfeld on April 5, 1969 in Hiawatha, KS.

Carolyn attended school in Morrill, KS, Gravois Mills, MO and graduated from Hiawatha High School in 1968. When married the couple established their home in Gulfport, MS until Don's deployment to Vietnam. She returned to Hiawatha in the fall of 1969 and to the family farm located on the Kansas-Nebraska state line following Don's discharge from service. They later moved back to Hiawatha when Don began trucking over the road. They moved to Beatrice, NE in 1980 and to Lincoln in 2012 where she resided at the time of death.

She enjoyed traveling around the Midwest to her daughter's softball games for many years. She really enjoyed her grandchildren; babysat and took care of them often. Family was very important to her and made many trips to Lincoln from Beatrice before moving there. She also enjoyed her son Scott's family as they traveled around the world as international school teachers and their many other excursions they took in that process. She enjoyed following their

documentation on Facebook. She also enjoyed scrapbooking and crafting, traveling and taking many trips, including; Grand Canyon, CO, Smoky Mountain and Blue Ridge Parkway by motorcycle, Niagara Falls, both the U. S. and Canada side and up the California Coast Highway from Hearst to Golden Gate and to the Giant Redwood Forest which were bucket list trips. She also enjoyed many trips with her husband while he drove a semi truck.

Carolyn is survived by her husband of 53 years, Don of Lincoln, children, Michelle Dewes and her husband Doug of Lincoln, Scott and his wife Ivy of Monessen, PA, grandchildren, Chandler, Chase and Mikala Drewes and Azarya "Zoe" Hilgenfeld, brother, Steve (Kathy) Chandler, sisters: Connie (Duane) Widman, Christine Chandler-Ballew, Cindy (James) Reynolds, sisters-in-law: Linda Chandler, Pat (Bob) Stowers, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews all which meant the world to her. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Gary Chandler in 2017.

Her funeral was held on Friday, July 1, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Pastor Mike Hader officiating. Interment was in Zion-Bethel Cemetery.

The family received friends one hour prior to the service at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Raymond Niemeyer

The lord came to visit and to take Raymond to his new home in heaven on June 26, 2022. Raymond was born to Henry Raymond Elmer Niemeyer and Sophia Caroline Schawang Niemeyer on April 3, 1936.

The family lived on a farm in Argo center where Raymond attended a country school beginning at age four. His sister Margaret was the teacher. The family later moved to Falls City and Raymond attended Sacred Heart for his seventh and eighth grade years and then transferred to Falls City High School where he graduated in 1953. He married Margaret Helmick on November 10, 1958, who he always called his (Lovey).

Raymond was drafted into the army on August 1959 and served his country three years. He was honorably discharged in August 1962.

Raymond did a correspondence course in diesel mechanics after graduation and later an electronics course at Devry in Kansas City, MO his first love was always farming and his animals. They were all his pets.

Raymond was very proud of his five children and their accomplishments. He enjoyed his grandchildren and always wanted to put them to work on the farm. He enjoyed watching the sporting events and always worried about them and the world situation.

He worked at various jobs: Commodore Mobile Homes/Frontier, Circle Steel, FC care center, road construction, driv-

ing semi hauling grain from various farms and elevators after retiring he devoted his time at the farm. His nickname was Papa Smurf.

Raymond is survived by his wife Margaret, sons: Christopher, (Johnette), Charles (Janice), and Craig (Megan) daughters: Cynthia (Mike), and Cathleen (John) lots of nieces and nephews grandchildren: Mason Niemeyer, Colin Niemeyer, Claire Niemeyer Samantha Scheitel, Sydney Norton, Alexis Niemeyer, Travis Niemeyer, Christopher Mather, Cayla Mather, Casandra Bonta, Bailey Counce, Taylor Counce, Peyton Niemeyer, Cole Niemeyer; great grandchildren: Ren Niemeyer, Ellis Niemeyer, Peter Scheitel, Sophia Scheitel, Carson Norton, Caleb Mather, Cillian Mcmillan, Joseph Bonta and one little Niemeyer due in August.

Preceding him in death was a daughter Connie Marie Niemeyer, his parents Henry and Sophia, sisters: Mildred Fischer and husband Ray, Margaret Huppert and husband Ed Jr, Marie Pupkes and husband Ervin; mother-in-law Ruth Helmick and father-in-law George Helmick and a brother-in-law David Helmick.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, July 2, 2022 at 10:30 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Father Jim Meysenberg as the presiding priest. Inurnment was in Falls City Catholic Cemetery. Military Graveside Honors By Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard.

A Parish Rosary was recited on Saturday at 9:30 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

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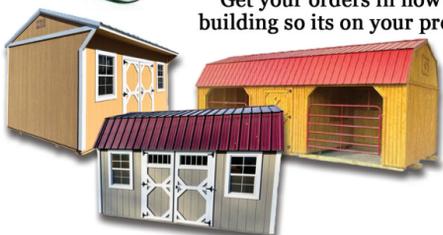
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Remembering the 1981 Tiger football squad

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31-14. "They beat us in every phase of the game," said Atchison Coach George Worley.

Convey led the attack with 18 carries for 87 yards. Ron Wintz carried 11 times for 86 yards and QB Craig Stevens had 79 yards on eight attempts. Matt Sailors led the bone-crushing defense with 15 tackles.

Game six was the toughest yet for the Tigers. FC edged Auburn to get the win 20-13. With FC trailing 7-0 at halftime, Convey injected a shot of adrenaline in the Tigers, taking the second-half kickoff to the house for a 91-yard touchdown to tie the game at seven. Mark Smith led the stout Tiger defense.

The Tigers improved to 7-0 with a rout of Marysville, Ks., 34-16. The Tigers scored on the third play of the game, setting the tone early on. With the help of a Bill Miller block, Convey scored on a 43-yard run to put FC ahead for good. The Tigers dominated the offensive statistics, holding a 431-212 advantage. Convey racked up 164 yards on 15 totes and Miller added 115 on 17 attempts. Sailors and Mark Bauman were the defensive leaders for FC.

Game eight put Falls City one step closer to a playoff berth, defeating Wymore Southern 46-14. The Tigers scored on their first three possessions using only 15 offensive plays. FC outgained Wymore 336-176. Convey led all runners with 119 yards on 12 touches. Mike Oliver was the leading tackler for the Tigers.

The final game of the regular season was a bout

versus Beatrice. With the win, Falls City became the first undefeated Tiger football team since 1960 and made the Class B playoffs for the first time. According to the Journal, Convey put on a show for the 1000 fans in attendance, rushing for 207 yards and three TD's on 20 carries. Craig Stevens had two big interceptions in the second half and Lance Schwartz returned an INT for a touchdown.

With the win, 9-0 Falls City hosted 8-1 Aurora on Tuesday, November 3, at Jug Brown Stadium. In the battle of the #4 seed vs. the #5 seed, FC lost in front of 2500 fans, 9-6. The loss was especially tough as both the metropolitan newspapers had chosen Falls City to win the Class B title.

The Aurora defense shut down the Tigers running attack, outgaining FC 162-42. Miller was the leading rusher with 52 yards on ten attempts. Convey, the Tigers leading rusher finished with -3 yards. Falls City's only score came on a ten-yard TD reception by Slagle, capping off a 93-yard drive.

For the season, Convey had 957 yards on 117 rushes. Stevens had 298 yards on 76 carries, Ron Wintz finished with 71 carries for 383 yards and Miller had 473 yards on 107 totes.

Slagle has 20 catches for 429 yards and Convey added another 12 grabs for 180. Matt Sailors was the leader on defense with 92 stops. Bauman added 84 and Smith had 63 tackles, 18 of them for losses.

Three Tigers were named All-State by the Lincoln and Omaha papers. Mark Bauman and Mark Smith were named to the offense and Jeff Slagle was named to the defense. Convey and Stevens were each named honorable mention.

Commissioners award first found of ARPA funds

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say that's not the case. The difference is, we're putting it out. Per capita, we're no different than anybody else. We have a problem, but so does Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Brown County," said Hardesty.

Hardesty said he budgeted for the safekeeping of prisoners, which he hadn't done before, assuming they would send people elsewhere. Salary increases for the Sheriff deputies were reviewed.

Caverzagie made a motion to approve a salary increase for the Sheriff deputies effective July 1, 2022, as presented by the Sheriff: Uncertified with one year experience--\$26.00/hour; Part-Time with one year experience--\$28.00/hour; Deputy Full-Time with one year experience--\$28.00/hour; Deputy Full-Time with two years experience--\$29.00/hour; Deputy with three years experience--\$30.00/hour; Sergeant with three years experience--\$31.00/hour; Lieutenant with three years experience--\$32.00/hour; Chief Deputy with three years experience--\$32.50/hour. The motion carried.

The Board continued the discussion of awarding funding to those entities that applied for the ARPA funds.

The Board said they would keep \$700,000 and had stated in April those funds would be used for various road and bridge projects, Courthouse improvements and communication projects. ARPA Funds Administrator Austin Duerfeldt was not contacted to attend the meeting to discuss the fund disbursement.

The motion was made by Sickel to approve 1/3 of the requested ARPA funding from the City of Humboldt/Humboldt Volunteer Rescue--\$86,658.00.

East Richardson County Rural Water District #2--\$166,521.00.

Richardson County Drainage District #7--\$64,765.00.

A discussion was held. Chairman Sickel called for a second to the motion a first and second time. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

The motion was made by Caverzagie to approve half of the requested ARPA funding from the City of Humboldt/Humboldt Volunteer Rescue--\$130,000; East Richardson County Rural Water District #2--\$249,806.00 and Richardson County Drainage District #7--\$97,157.00. A discussion was held. Chairman Sickel called for a second to the motion a first and second time. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Commissioner Karas said he understood the need for funds from Rural Water District #2 but was thinking of Rural Water District #1. "I'm sorry, they just turned in \$11,000 something for the stuff. I think if one gets X amount of dollars, and I think the other one ought to," said Karas.

Gayle Swisegood with the Rural Water District told him they had a lot of big customers and would be adding more soon.

Caverzagie made the motion to approve the following amounts for the requested ARPA funds to be distributed to the City of Humboldt/Humboldt Volunteer Rescue--\$130,000. The Humboldt Rescue Squad had initially asked for \$260,000.

East Richardson County Rural Water District #2--\$200,000. East Richardson County

Rural Water District #2 (\$499,613),

Richardson County Drainage District #7--\$97,157. The Drainage District had initially asked for \$194,315.

The motion was seconded by Karas and carried.

The Board continued the discussion on the ARPA funding requests from the Falls City EDGE, Richardson County House of Hope and the Village of Rulo. County Attorney Doug Merz was also in attendance for this discussion and suggested that the County might develop an economic development fund to distribute funds to the villages and cities to utilize in the assistance of removing condemned properties, etc. Providing these funds in this manner would allow the County to utilize the ARPA funds for other projects that would require fewer administrative services. Commissioner Sickel suggested that perhaps this fund could also be considered as a revolving loan fund so that it could be sustainable.

The Board went into an executive session at 10:30 a.m. with Brian Kirkendall, Noxious Weed Supt; Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Sheriff, Roland Merwin; and County Clerk Mary L. Eickhoff to discuss possible litigation. Executive Session closed at 10:45 a.m. and returned to the regular meeting agenda at 10:45 a.m.

The motion was made to approve that a 10-day notice to a landowner for non-compliance for the control of noxious weeds be served to a landowner, the motion approved.

Motion was made to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-42 in regards to approving the use of unencumbered funds to cover the budgets that are overspent within the General Fund for the fiscal year 2021-2022, the motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page).

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-43 to eliminate the requirement in the employee handbook that a new hire cannot earn more than 90 percent of the salary for the position for the first 90 days of employment, the motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page)

The Board met again on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, 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.

Nikki McKim contributed to this article.

"We Care for Kids" Campaign Launches in Nebraska

A statewide partnership of public and private organizations today announced the launch of We Care for Kids, a public outreach campaign to build support for quality early childhood education for all Nebraska families. A virtual event kicked off the campaign and featured an array of state and community leaders who spoke about the value of early childhood education, including University of Nebraska President Ted Carter and Senator John Stinner.

We Care for Kids is a collaborative, community-based initiative to help meet the need for quality early childhood programs and services across the state. According to the Nebraska Community Foundation which works in more than 250 communities across the state, child care consistently ranks as one of the most urgent issues facing communities. More than three-fourths of Nebraska children under the age of six live in homes where all adults work, making it essential that families have access to safe, loving, and stimulating early childhood education with the help of quality early childhood educators.

"Children who receive quality early childhood education are better prepared to learn, more likely to read by the fourth grade, graduate school, and go on to college," said Sam Meisels, Founding Executive Director at the Buffett Early Childhood Institute at the University of Nebraska, which is coordinating the campaign. "The more we care about bringing quality early childhood education to all families, the more we ensure that Nebraska thrives."

Access to quality early childhood education for all Nebraska children is at the heart of We Care for Kids. The campaign aims to support families with resources and tools to help them recognize and seek out quality early care and learning for their children, especially in under-resourced communities. A special focus is the importance of early childhood professionals and the need to ensure that they are supported and can afford to stay in the profession.

The campaign provides families with information on quality early childhood education through a new website that provides easy access to local early education programs and providers and a host of other resources that have been developed by state agencies and organizations, including the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, the Nebraska Department of Education, Nebraska Extension, and First Five Nebraska. A new community toolkit provides resources to support local efforts and comes ahead of a state media campaign that begins later this summer.

"As a campaign partner, Communities for Kids is already working in 51 Nebraska communities to help address the shortage of options for quality early childhood education," said Marti Beard, Vice President of Early Childhood Programs at the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation and a driving force behind supporting local efforts. "We Care for Kids will bring the stories of Nebraska communities to light and is an important galvanizing force for our efforts statewide."

We Care for Kids launches at a time of great strain for early childhood programs and, in particular, the professionals who care for and teach young children. In addition to a statewide shortage of programs - 91 percent of Nebraska counties with child care facilities do not have enough available places to meet the demand - the ongoing pandemic has taken a toll on the early childhood workforce. Two-thirds of licensed center-based providers recently surveyed by the Buffett Institute said they were experiencing turnover, and of those providers, nearly 70 percent reported that staff had left the profession. Nine in 10 providers employing staff have had extreme difficulty hiring for open positions, citing a lack of applicants and inability to offer sufficient pay, among other reasons.

"We Care for Kids embraces the critical role early childhood educators have in our children's lives. My community, like many others in Nebraska, needs more quality early childhood educators so that families can work and know that their children are being prepared for success in school and life," said Colten Venteicher, who is a member of the campaign's advisory group and helps lead community efforts in Gothenburg. "Early childhood educators become an important part of families with young children and play a huge role in helping Nebraska communities thrive. They are an extension of our community and an important part of our family."

Nebraskans are encouraged to visit NebraskaCaresForKids.org to learn more and sign up to join the campaign. Early childhood educators are invited to share their stories via the website and the campaign will offer additional resources over time. Information and materials are available in Spanish at

Portodoslosninos.org.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Preschool Development Birth-Five Grant, the Holland Foundation, and the Buffett Early Childhood Institute provide funding for the campaign.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

B.O.P.W.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS June 20, 2022 2307 Barada Street Falls City, Nebraska

A special meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street in said City on the 20th day of June, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. Present were: Board Members: Campbell, Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. Absent: None. Ray Luhning recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

None. Absent: Campbell, Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. Ray Luhning recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

DUE TO THE LACK OF A QUORUM, NO MEETING WAS HELD.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board on 16th day of June, 2022; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Anthony Nussbaum, City Clerk
Ray Joy, Secretary
Merle Veigel, Chairman
ZNEZ

CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 2022

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 20th day of June 2022, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Bindle called the meeting to order and Clerk Nussbaum recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. Absent: Holle. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Bindle publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and

WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the June 6, 2022, special and regular meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for June 20, 2022, is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Police Report for May 2022 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Treasurer's Report for May, 2022, is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for June 20, 2022, is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Holle. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – BENEFIT MANAGEMENT DAN DUREN

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Rhodd to switch providers for the group health insurance benefit including the rate schedule to Medica effective August 1, 2022 as recommended by the Health Insurance Committee. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" Wisdom. "ABSENT" Holle. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – HOBBYIST PERMIT FOR VIRGIL WILSON FOR A 1950 FORD CAR LOCATED AT 406 FULTON STREET – VIRGIL WILSON

Mayor Bindle declared a public hearing open at 6:09P.M. for a Hobbyist Permit for Virgil Wilson for a 1950 Ford car located at 406 Fulton Street. Mayor Bindle then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said permit. A discussion was made by the public. Mayor Bindle then declared the public hearing closed at 6:10P.M. A motion was made by Council member Leyden and seconded by Council member Merz to approve said permit. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" Buckminster, Wisdom. "ABSENT" Holle. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO BLOCK OFF LANE STREET FROM 14TH TO 16TH STREET FOR THE BACK TO SCHOOL CARNIVAL ON AUGUST 2ND, 2022, HOSTED BY PARTNERS IN EDUCATION (PIE)

A motion was made by Council member Ractliffe and seconded by Council member Buckminster to approve the request to block off Lane Street on August 2nd, 2022, from 14th to 16th Street for the Back to School Carnival hosted by Partners in Education (PIE). Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Holle. Motion carried.

APPROVE REPLAT OF WEST PLAZA ADDITION FOR 33RD STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECT - EDGE

A motion was made by Council member Buckminster and seconded by Council member Ferguson to approve the replat of West Plaza Addition for 33rd Street Construction. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Holle. Motion carried.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:15pm

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by Mayor Bindle and Council on June 20, 2022; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least

twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Anthony Nussbaum, City Clerk
Shawna Bindle, Mayor
ZNEZ

CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 2022

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AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Leyden to approve the agenda as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Holle, Merz. Motion carried.

COST OF SERVICE RATE STUDY – JK CONSULTING

A discussion was held. No action taken.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:42pm

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by Mayor Bindle and Council on June 6, 2022; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meet-

ings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Anthony Nussbaum, City Clerk
Shawna Bindle, Mayor
ZNEZ

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION JUNE 21, 2022 CALL TO ORDER

The Richardson County Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Sickle at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Roll call was answered by Commissioners Karas, Caverzagie and Sickle; County Assessor, Kim Riggs and Clerk Eickhoff.

Chairman Sickle announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickle-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.

PROPERTY VALUATION PROTEST

The Board reviewed the property valuation protests that have been filed 2022-001 through 2022-023.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 3:24 p.m. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickle-aye. Motion carried.

David D. Sickle, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk
ZNEZ

Agenda for the Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 PM, Monday, July 11, 2022 at the Central Office at Falls City Middle School

The agenda sequence is provided as a courtesy. The board reserves the right to consider items in the sequence it deems appropriate. Therefore, we encourage patrons to attend the meeting from the beginning.

- 1.0 Business Items:
1.1 Roll Call, Open Meetings Act Notice, and Pledge of Allegiance
1.2 Approval of Absences
1.3 Verification of Advanced Publication
1.4 Approval of Agenda
1.5 Approval of Previous Minutes
1.6 Audiences
1.7 Approval of Treasurer's Report
1.8 Approval of Claims

- 2.0 Informational Items/Reports:
2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Report: FCPD Chief Baker & Officer DiGiacomo
2.2 Principal Reports: none
2.3 Board President's Report:
2.4 Superintendent's Report:
2.4a Legislative & Organization Report
2.4b Building & Grounds Update
2.4c Continuous School Improvement & Strategic Plan Report
2.4d District Resources / Budget
2.4e Policy Governance
2.4f Superintendent Meetings
2.4g Board Member Meetings
2.4h Other
2.5 Board Committee Reports:

- 3.0 Old/New Action Items:
3.1 Final Reading on Policy Reviews and Revisions
3.2 Set Budget and Property Tax Hearings for September 12, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.
3.3 Set substitute teacher rates
3.4 UNL Extension Assistant Funding Commitment
3.5 Set bus/van per student use rates (non-activity)
3.6 Other

- 4.0 Executive Session: Requested by member, approved by majority, as per statute

- 5.0 Adjournment and Next Meetings: The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent. Board Committee meetings TBD.

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B.O.P.W.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS June 16, 2022 2307 Barada Street Falls City, Nebraska

A special meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street in said City on the 16th day of June, 2022, at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: Board Members:

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Richardson, Nebraska will meet weekly for a regular meeting 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 Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, Room 203, 1700 Stone Street, 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.

The Board of Equalization of the County of Richardson, Nebraska meet when times may necessitate for the purpose of conducting any and all business that requires the action of the County Board of Equalization. The agenda for the meetings are kept continuously current and are available for public inspection at the office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, Room 203, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE during normal business 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
ZNEZ

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 2021-2022-40

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Richardson County, Nebraska received a petition to vacate or for the abandonment of the following described road:

As described in the Road Record Book #1, Page 313, dated March, 1887 beginning 415' South of Main & 3rd St. in Town of Arago, thence 385' in a southeasterly direction to Klopstock St., thence E. of S. along the top of the ridge following the old road for about 170 rods to Section line between Secs. 12 & 13 to a point about 180 rods East of the corner of Secs. 11, 12, 13 & 14-2-17. Thence South about 60 rods, thence East about 70 rods to Range line between Range 17 & 18, thence South on the road located on the Range line Section 13, T2, R17 and Section 18, T2, R18, approximately 490' South, East of the 6th P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have received a report from the Richardson County Department of Roads in favor of closing and vacating said road, and

Dated June 6, 2022

As per Resolution 2021-2022-38 I was directed to study the use of 660 Avenue between 711 Road and 712 Trail in Richardson County, NE. This road is a minimum maintenance and has very limited travel on it. The road has become very narrow which had made maintaining this road with a road grader very difficult. This road has been mainly used by ATVs and UTV's. I see know reason why this section of 660 Avenue cannot be closed. No landowner will be without access to their properties.

I would suggest that the 660 Avenue be closed 415 feet South of the intersection of 712 Trail and 660 Avenue and then 3,168 feet North of the intersection of 711 Road and 660 Avenue. Steven J. Darveau, Jr., Richardson County Highway Superintendent

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

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that on **July 19, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.** in the Board of Commissioners Meeting Room, Richardson County Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska, a public hearing will be held to hear input from the public pertaining to the closure and vacation of the above described road.

ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

David D. Sickel, Chairman
John Caverzagie
Rick Karas

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk
29-6-13
ZNEZ

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Estate of Elizabeth Esther Duerfeldt, Deceased.
Estate No. PR22-25

Notice is hereby given that on June 13, 2022, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Deceased and that Dale E. Duerfeldt, whose address is 65616 715 Rd., Falls City, Nebraska 68355 and Stacey A. Bailey, whose address is 70938 650 Avenue, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before August 22, 2022 or be forever barred.

Cassandra R. Bueth
Clerk of the County Court

Michael R. Dunn #16825
Tracy A. Burns, #25398
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111 East 17th Street
Post Office Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

CALL ORDER: 100
CONTRACT ID: 13307
FEDERAL PROJECT NO. NH-73-1(119) LOCATION: US-73, VERDON EAST & WEST IN COUNTY: RICHARDSON

The Nebraska Department of Transportation will receive sealed bids in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Hwy. 2 in Lincoln, until 1:30 PM on July 21, 2022. At that time the bids will be opened and read.

Bids will be opened and the bid totals will be read via Webex. The Webex information will be available on the BidX Letting webpage a minimum of 2 days prior to the opening, and can be found by selecting the applicable letting from: <https://www.bidx.com/ne/lettings>

Plans, specifications, and additional letting information may be found at the Nebraska Department of Transportation's Web Site at <http://dot.nebraska.gov/business-center/business-opp/hwy-bridge-lp/>.

This project is funded under the Federal-Aid Highway Act, all appropriate Federal requirements will apply.

29-6-13
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF TS REALTY LLC

Notice is hereby given that TS Realty LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its registered office located at 2410 Chase Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355. The Limited Liability Company is organized to engage in and to do any act concerning any and all lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. Said Limited Liability Company was organized on June 23, 2022 and shall have perpetual existence. The affairs of the Limited Liability Company are to be conducted by one or more managers as provided in the Operating Agreement and the initial manager is Trenton L. Scheitel.

Trenton L. Scheitel, Manager

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Samantha K. Scheitel, #26389
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6-13-20
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

COUNTY OF RICHARDSON, A Political Subdivision of the State of Nebraska Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT S. SANDERS and ALLISON M. SANDERS, CITY OF FALLS CITY, STATE OF NEBRASKA, ON BEHALF OF THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, et al., Defendants,

Case No. CI21-100

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of and pursuant to the Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court of the 1st Judicial District of Nebraska within and for said County of Richardson on June 13th, 2022, in an action to foreclose delinquent real estate taxes wherein the County of Richardson, a Political Subdivision of the State of Nebraska, is Plaintiff and Robert S. Sanders and Allison M. Sanders, City of Falls City, State of Nebraska, on behalf of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, et al. are Defendants, I will at 1 o'clock P.M. on the 22nd day of July, 2022 at the corridor inside the west front door of the Courthouse in the City of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, the following-described tract of land in Richardson County, Nebraska, to-wit:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Original Town, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska

Said sale to be held open for one hour. Purchasers will be subject to real estate taxes for 2022 and all subsequent years.

Terms of said sale are one hundred percent down on date of sale and Sheriff's Deed delivered to purchasers on confirmation of sale by the District Court, subject to the right of redemption of the United States, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2410.

Given my hand and seal this 15th day of June, 2022.

Douglas E. Merz County Attorney of Richardson County, Nebraska

Richard Hardesty, Jr.
Sheriff of Richardson County, Nebraska

22-29-6-13
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION UpCycled Jewelry 27 LLC

71898 648 Ave
P.O. Box 72
Shubert, NE 68437

Notice is hereby given that Shannon Alexander has formed a limited liability company under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act.

1. The name of this limited liability company is UpCycled Jewelry 27 LLC.

2. The Initial Designated Office Address is 71898 648 Ave, P.O. Box 72, Shubert, NE 68437, and its Registered Agent is Shannon Alexander, 71898 648 Ave, P.O. Box 72, Shubert, NE 68437.

3. The limited liability company shall engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The period of duration of the Company is perpetual existence from the date the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Secretary of State on June 9, 2022. Affairs are to be managed by the Members authorized by the Certificate of Organization and the Operating Agreement.

Handley Law Office
Dylan L. Handley (24152)
217 E. 18th Street
Falls City, Nebraska 68355
Telephone: (402) 245-3088
Fax: (402) 245-2664

6-13-20
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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 21, 2022
CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Roll call was answered by Karas, Caverzagie and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Caverzagie. Chairman Sickel 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 June 14, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

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

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. was unable to meet with the Board due to staff shortage at the Road and Bridge Department. The Board reviewed the bids that were received at the June 7 meeting for the construction of a County shop at the Rulo site. Motion was made by Caverzagie that the County Board will not accept the bids for further consideration at this time and will consider to rebid the project at a later date. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

The Board received from the Highway Superintendent a report on the use of 660 Avenue between 711 Road and 712 Trail which has been requested by petitioners to be closed. Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-40 to set the public hearing date of Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. to receive public comment in support of or opposition to the closing of a road as described in the Road Record Book #1, Page 313, dated March, 1887 beginning 415' South of Main & 3rd St. in Town of Arago, thence 385' in a southeasterly direction to Klopstock St., thence E. of S. along the top of the ridge following the old road for about 170 rods to Section line between Secs. 12 & 13 to a point about 180 rods East of the corner of Secs. 11, 12, 13 & 14-2-17. Thence South about 60 rods, thence East about 70 rods to Range line between Range 17 & 18, thence South on the road located on the Range line Section 13, T2, R17 and Section 18, T2, R18, approximately 490' South, East of the 6th P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska, also known as a portion of 660 Avenue between 711 Road and 712 Trail. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. (Resolution Book 26, Page 72)

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty was unable to meet with the Board due to staff shortages within the Department and was called to an accident. Kristen Morehead, Jail Administrator did update the Board on the business within the Law Enforcement Center.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve and enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Humboldt for the County to provide law enforcement services for a period of 3 years beginning September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025 at a cost of \$228,887.70 (\$6,358.00/month). Motion seconded Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a request from the Sheriff for salary increases for Law Enforcement Center employees and were told what the salary increases have been for these positions at Nemaha, Johnson, Pawnee and Otoe counties to help with comparisons. Motion was made by Karas to approve salary increases for the following positions within the Law Enforcement Center with an effective date of July 1, 2022: Clerical #1-\$19.00/hour; Clerical #2-\$18.00/hour; Jailers-\$18.00/hour; Jail Supervisor-\$20.00/hour and Jail Administrator-\$22.00/hour. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

In the ongoing attempt to attract and retain staffing, a request was made that the Board consider eliminating the 90% of pay for the first 90 days of employment. Motion was made by Karas effective July 21, 2022, to approve the elimination of the following clause within the Richardson County Employee Handbook: "During the first 90 days of employment, employees earn no more than 90 percent of their pay." Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Region V Systems EPC Services
Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve an agreement with Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Care Services for the time period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 at a cost of \$214,000/day. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Mileage Reimbursement

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-41 to comply with the mileage reimbursement rate for county employees as set forth by the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services at a rate of .625 cents effective July 1, 2022.

Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page 73)

Road Dept. Union

A request was received from Justin Hubly, Executive Director of NAPE/AFSCME Local 61 representing the Richardson County Department of Roads employees requesting that the Richardson County Board of Commissioners consider entering into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding vacation leave. The Board will review this request further with the County's legal counsel in this matter, Jerry L. Pigsley of Woods Aitken LLP.

Other

Motion was made by Caverzagie that the Board has determined that an emergency exists with some repairs that need to be made to the exterior of the north side of the Courthouse in an effort to stop further water damage to the interior of the building and therefore approve the quote received from the firm of Andrew Tuckpointing, LLC from Clarinda, Iowa for a price of \$12,590.00. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sickel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-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

ABK Fire & Safety, supp.....275.50
Alcohol Countermeasure Systems, supp46.80
Centec Cast Metal Products, supp754.77
Charm-Tex, supp564.22
Clerk of District Court, fees648.00
Comfort Inn, lodg309.90
CMC, serv250.00
Creative Product Sourcing, supp275.19
Eickhoff, Mary, reimb340.82
Falls City Journal, adv127.50
Falls City Mercantile, supp.....286.21
Family Medicine, serv43.00
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv427.50
CR22-261 L. Horne
Farm & City Supply, supp100.95
Microtel, serv282.00
Handley Law Office, serv5785.50
CR21-145 T. Snethen, CR22-77, M. Dean, CR21-211 T. Snethen, CR21-117 M. Dean, CR21-650 D. Nuzum, CR21-320 T. Snethen, CR22-97 P. Schawang III, CR22-234 J. Stuart, CR22-226 L. Scholl
Holiday Inn, lodg338.85
Holiday Inn Express, lodg500.90
Hullman's, supp133.23
Jim Hill's, serv1534.00
Jones Air Conditioning, serv ...255.00
Kollasch Law Office, serv1710.00
CR21-6 B. Mackey
Lynn Peavey Co., supp419.59
Meyer Laboratory, supp369.15
Morehead, Amanda, reimb5.80
911 Custom, supp1940.59
O'Reilly Automotive, supp912.73
OPPD, serv53.15
Petersen Reporting, serv547.50
Postmaster, supp290.00
Quill, supp279.79
Ram Exterminators, serv45.00
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb370.90
Sapp Bros., fuel8013.97
True Value, supp181.26
W&D Auto Care, serv562.30
Weaver & Merz, reimb41.80
Wolfe's Printing, supp473.72
TOTAL GENFUND\$29,497.09

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Agco Finance, supp1360.07
Black Hills Energy, serv37.68
Falls City Journal, adv49.80
Farm & City Supply, supp29.09
KS HCl, supp180.00
Martin Marietta Materials, rock18889.64
NPPD, serv73.28
OPPD, serv35.53
Rose Equipment, supp10330.32
Sapp Bros., fuel27346.23
Syn-Tech Systems, supp400.00
Unifirst, supp45.49
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND.....\$58,777.13

COUNTY DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT

Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb20.00
TOTAL COUNTY DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT\$20.00
SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUNDS Office Depot, supp327.99
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUNDS\$327.99

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 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. Sickel, Chairman
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The Spirit of '76: Protecting us against the Putin Playbook

By Ken Paulson

As we gather to celebrate Independence Day, it's a good time to reflect on how our most fundamental freedoms have served this nation well.

It's an even better time to think about what would happen if those liberties were taken away.

Sadly, the latter doesn't take much imagination in 2022. Your closest video screen will show you scenes of Russian troops pummeling Ukraine with the support of a majority of the Russian people.

The Russian public has been told that their country is doing noble work ferreting out "Nazis" and that the West is engaged in its usual persecution of Russia and its people. Surveys say most Russians believe it.

In times of war, people always want to see their government as the good guys, but it's still a little hard to grasp how that many people can be so thoroughly misled.

That's the power of the Vladimir Putin playbook. The Russian president quickly and with little opposition eliminated the freedoms of speech and press.

First, Putin banded around allegations of "fake news," undermining domestic news media that had far more latitude than their Soviet Union counterparts.

Then he coordinated a plan with the national legislature to pass a law imprisoning those who "lied" about the war, including even calling it a war. Russian media of integrity had to close up shop, and international journalists in Russia had to temper their reporting.

That left the internet as the one avenue for Russians to learn the truth about their country's misdeeds. Putin then banned social media outlets and sharply limited access to international news sites.

In short order, the Russian people were isolated, left to believe the lies of their government.

It took just weeks for Putin to wipe out freedoms of press, speech and dissent.

Could anything like that ever happen in the United States? As unlikely as it may seem, there are some areas of concern.

After all, over the past 60 years, certain presidents from both parties have been known to mislead the public about the purpose and progress of wars. And the use of "fake news" claims to evade responsibility began with politicians in this country, only to be adopted by totalitarian leaders around the globe.

Today there are active efforts to overturn *New York Times v. Sullivan*, the 1964 Supreme Court decision that made investigative reporting viable in the United States. And there are many politicians, again of both parties, who want to control how private social media companies are run.

Do I believe that America could fall victim to something resembling the Putin playbook? No. But it's also no longer unthinkable.

It's not a coincidence that the first step would-be dictators take is to shut down the press. That eliminates questions and accountability, both of which are anathema to those who abuse power.

There are some today who choose not to be informed, saying the media are biased. Well, there are tens of thousands of media outlets in this country, including manipulative cable channels, partisan sites that

masquerade as news providers and those sites that would entice us with clickbait. But there are also many core news organizations of integrity, including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *PBS* and the very newspaper you're reading right now. They're the ones we need to support with readership and subscriptions.

From the very beginning of this nation, Americans understood the importance of a free press aggressively reporting on people in power. In an era when newspapers were fiercely partisan and unfair, that first generation of citizens still insisted on journalists being protected by the First Amendment.

That shouldn't surprise us. After all, the model was right there in 1776 in the document we celebrate this week.

The Declaration of Independence called out King George III, reporting a list of injustices perpetrated by the mother country against its colonies. We had "unalienable rights," it said, and they were being violated. Americans were no longer going to put up with this "long train of abuses and usurpations."

That is the same spirit with which America's free press has exercised its duties since 1791. Abolitionist newspapers took on slavery, suffragist papers focused on injustices against women and news organizations spanning centuries have reported on scandals, corruption and racial injustice.

We live in a highly polarized time, when it's easy to dismiss the views of those with whom we disagree and deride those who publish the facts we don't want to acknowledge.

We have to take care, though, that our internal political wars don't turn us away from the core principles contained in the Declaration of Independence.

We remain a free people and need to be vigilant in protecting our rights and documenting the abuses in people in power, not just when the other guy's party is in office. That's the real spirit of '76.

Ken Paulson is the director of the Free Speech Center, a non-partisan and non-profit center based at Middle Tennessee State University. www.freespeechcenter.com

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