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City enters into agreement with engineering firm for Sanitary Sewer Rehab and Improvements

The City Council met at City Hall on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, with all board members answering the roll call.

In the City Administrator's report, Anthony Nussbaum updated the group on the sale of the Senior Citizen Center. The City received payment for \$175,000, and Apace is now the property owner. According to Nussbaum, the money will be used to offset budgets during the current cycle.

On the human resources side, new hires include Josh Chesnut (Water Distribution), Sara Connelly (City/Utility Cashier part-time) and Rayce Farmer (Electric Distribution). The City is accepting applications for Operator or Assistant Operator-Power Plant, Parks and Recreation Director, Janitor/Custodial Worker and Utility Bookkeeper.

Nussbaum advised the Council that there are currently 61 properties on the vacant property list. Since the implementation of the code enforcement, 24 properties have been demolished, and five more are in the process of being demolished.

Police Chief Jamie Baker reported on the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" grant. The FCPD completed 56 hours of overtime due to the grant and responded to 183 calls. Officers issued 37 warnings and 55 citations.

The second reading of Ordinance 2024-100 to amended section 6-317 Offenses; Discharge of Fireworks and Firecrackers passed on an 8-0 vote.

The Board also unanimously passed a resolution to rescind Resolution 2024-R105, authorizing a termination letter submittal regarding the Memorandum of Understanding with Richardson County for transferring 911 calls to a secondary Public Safety Answering Point.

The MOU is null and void because the 911 Advisory Committee denied the Sheriff's Department's request to act as a secondary PSAP.

Call procedures will be revised according to Nussbaum, and some language will change as the City moves forward with 911 dispatch with the County.

A public hearing was held regarding an application for a \$480,000 Community Block Grant from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to address Sewer improvements. The City works with SENDD to submit the application.

According to the city administrator, the revised project amount will be \$458,000. The City will pay \$107,000, which will come from the Capital Improvement Fund or Sewer Match Funds.

The Board authorized the execution to secure Miller and Associates for engineering services for the Sanitary Sewer Rehab and Improvements, as recommended by the BOPW.

"Thirty-two thousand five hundred is the design component of that," said Nussbaum. "An additional \$38,000 is estimated on a time and material basis if observation would need to be done." Nussbaum noted that much of the work will be done in-house, saving thousands of dollars.

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The office of FC Journal closed this Friday - early deadline this week

The Falls City Journal office will be closed on Friday, September 13, 2024. The deadline for the September 18 paper will be Thursday, September 12 by 1:00 p.m.

The Journal office will operate on a "flex schedule," for the foreseeable future. Some afternoons the office may need to close early if staff needs to be away for appointments, meetings or events or we may step away for periods of time in the morning and return later. We appreciate your understanding.



Lori and Randy Gottula on August 31 at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Lincoln.

Gottula has successful Barnes and Noble book signing

On Saturday, August 31, former Falls City resident, Lori Gottula, sat at a table at the front of the Barnes & Noble store at SouthPointe Pavilions in Lincoln. She was there from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to sign copies of her book, Broken and Chained: My First Thirty Days in the Hell Called Detox. Although the author has given numerous presentations about her story and has sold her book in four different states, this was the first time she had appeared at a Barnes and Noble store.

"It was surreal," she said. "A lifelong dream. A lot of people showed up to support me, and I am really grateful. We only sold 15 books, but the people at Barnes & Noble were thrilled with that. They told me that local authors usually only sell five or six. Plus, at least 200 people passed by me and saw my posters, so the exposure was priceless."

The 63-year-old wrote her book twelve years ago, when she was going through detoxification from opiate painkillers and alcohol. Her book tells the story about that process in gut-wrenching detail.

"I had become addicted to prescription painkillers because of a chronic back injury,"

Gottula said. "I never took more than the prescribed amount, but I took them for twelve years! My mind and body had completely changed. And I couldn't grasp that because the medication steals your soul so gradually that you have no idea anything is even happening to you."

Throughout her recovery, she took notes when she was able, and wrote a book about the horror that she went through. Her counselor, Brad Shay, encouraged her to publish the book.

"Your story might be the key that unlocks someone else's prison," he said, "so if you've got it in you, you need to tell it."

Lori battled that thought for nearly twelve years. She didn't know if she wanted to "put herself out there" so publicly.

"I was so afraid of what people would think," the author said. "Randy and I were pretty visible in southeast Nebraska, and I didn't want people to think less of me. But God just kept pokin' at me, so I knew this was part of His plan for me."

Once she renewed her relationship with God, and began to walk in faith, she knew she had to follow her calling. In January of this year, she published the book, and in May, held her book launch at the

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Richardson County Fair starts this week with traditional crowning of king and queen

The Richardson County Fair kicks off tonight, Wednesday, September 11, 2024 with the traditional crowning of the fair king and queen. The program begins at 7:00 p.m.

Ted Harshbarger of rural Humboldt will crown the king and queen. Harshbarger is a 1974 graduate of Southeast Consolidated and a 1977 graduate of Peru State College. He served as a senior escort in fall of 1973. His mother Louise Peterson Harshbarger was queen in 1941. Harshbarger has had many roles at Peru State College where he serves on many boards and organizations, more recently he serves as the Executive Director of the Peru State College Foundation.

Richardson County Queen votes as of September 3, 2024 were, Arrison Lowe 143,319,701; Shayfer Cumro 74,900,101; Lillian Bowen 67,859,389; Adisen Fischer 51,876,851; Kenadi McClarnen 34,261,662; Macy Vrtiska 21,631,511; Hannah Lindsey 14,628,343; Jorja DeJonge 13,739,782; Erynn Anderson 11,462,964; Maddie Bredemeier 9,709,790.

Thursday through Saturday, DC Lynch Carnival rides, concessions and other vendors will be set up around the city square/park. The parade will be held each morning (Thursday through Saturday) at 11:00 a.m.

On Thursday, September 12, the Ag Building will open to enter exhibits at 8:00-noon. Judging will be at 1:00 p.m. Enter goats and sheep at Powell Pavilion at 8:00 a.m.-judging will be at 1:00 p.m. The Sidewalk Chalk Art contest will begin at 1:00 and judging will be at 2:00 p.m. The Southeast Community Band performance will be held at 6:15 p.m. and the AKSARBEN Farm Family awards

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Commissioners hear report from Cooper Nuclear Station about plans to transition to IPAWS

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 4, 2024. Roll call was answered by Karas, Sickel and Caverzagie all present.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. didn't have much to report about the road and bridge maintenance being done during the week.

A motion was made and carried by Karas to adopt Resolution 2024-2025-10 to authorize the Chairman to sign the Annual Certification of Program Compliance with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards.

Sheriff Rick Hardesty updated

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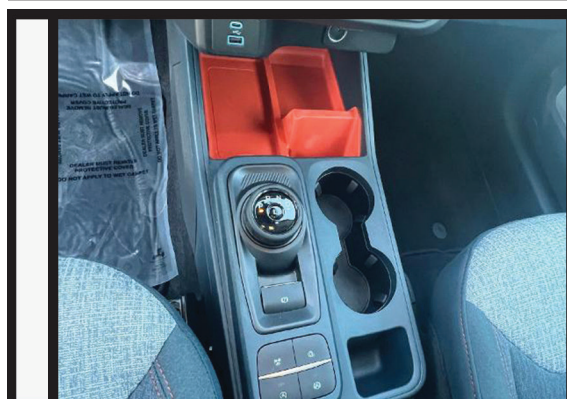
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All things Nebraska

Governor names advocate for banning books to State Library Board, ruffling feathers

By Paul Hammel, Retired Senior Reporter for Nebraska Examiner

The State of Nebraska has more than 200 boards and commissions staffed by professionals and regular citizens.

They deal with a broad range of subjects, from the recently created Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council and State Child Death Review Team, to more recognizable boards, such as the Board of Parole and Board of Trustees for State Colleges.

The governor gets to appoint members to many of these boards, and the appointments often go to supporters of the governor and people he knows.

Gov. Jim Pillen has already earned a reputation for picking folks he knows from growing up in Columbus.

His Lieutenant Governor, Joe Kelly, is a Columbus guy, and, among others, he tabbed folks who were from the Platte River town as his chief of economic development (K.C. Belitz) and to fill a vacancy at the State Legislature (Carolyn Bosn).

But one of his recent appointments left some people scratching their heads.

I'd compare it to naming an anti-hunting advocate to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

Last month, Pillen tabbed Terri Cunningham-Swanson of Plattsmouth to serve a six-year term on the State Library Board.

That five-member board's purpose is to promote, develop and coordinate library services across the state. It is also to be "an advocate for the library and information service needs of all Nebraskans," according to its website.

So the head-scratching commenced after the appointment of Cunningham-Swanson, who called for banning more than 50 books at her local middle school and high school libraries in Plattsmouth, according to reporting by Chris Dunker in the Lincoln Journal-Star.

That advocacy earned her the dubious distinction of being recalled from her spot on the Plattsmouth School Board by 62% of local voters. The vote was supported by four of her colleagues on the school board, and the controversy brewed up prompted a student protest walk out and the resignation of the high school librarian.

The hub-bub resulted in the formation of a review committee that removed one book - "Triangles," by Ellen Hopkins - from the school libraries. It also led to the placement of some other books in a restricted section (a section I'm sure school kids have gravitated to, because it was "restricted").

Book banning, in the name of protecting kids, is on a roll nationally.

More than 2,500 books had been banned through the 2022-23 school year across 41 states and 247 public school districts, according

to PEN America, a group that tracks and advocates against such bans.

Some of the banned books might surprise you. George Orwell's 1984, Toni Morrison's The Bluest Eye, and Khaled Hosseini's The Kite Runner are among titles removed from the shelves.

Even Charlotte's Web, a beloved children's book about a friendship between a pig and a garden spider, was banned after a Kansas group objected. Two talking animals must be the work of the devil they reasoned, according to The Week magazine, and only humans, God's highest creation, should be depicted talking.

I've been out of school for quite a while, but I recall respecting the judgment of my teacher, my principal and my local librarian - people specially trained to deal with kids - to use common sense on what I should be reading.

Cunningham-Swanson told the Journal-Star that she was proud of her record on the school board, which she described as doing "right" by students and "honoring God."

But a leader of the recall effort said that Plattsmouth voters rejected such "extremism" by a wide margin. "Book bans have no place in Nebraska. We will continue the fight to keep it that way," Jayden Speed told the newspaper.

If the governor's goal was to stir things up on the low-profit Library Commission, the appointment of a book-ban advocate to it will surely do that.

But naming someone that a local community has already deemed unfit to serve over libraries in their town seems like an unusual way to do that.

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BACKPACKS AND BACK TO SCHOOL

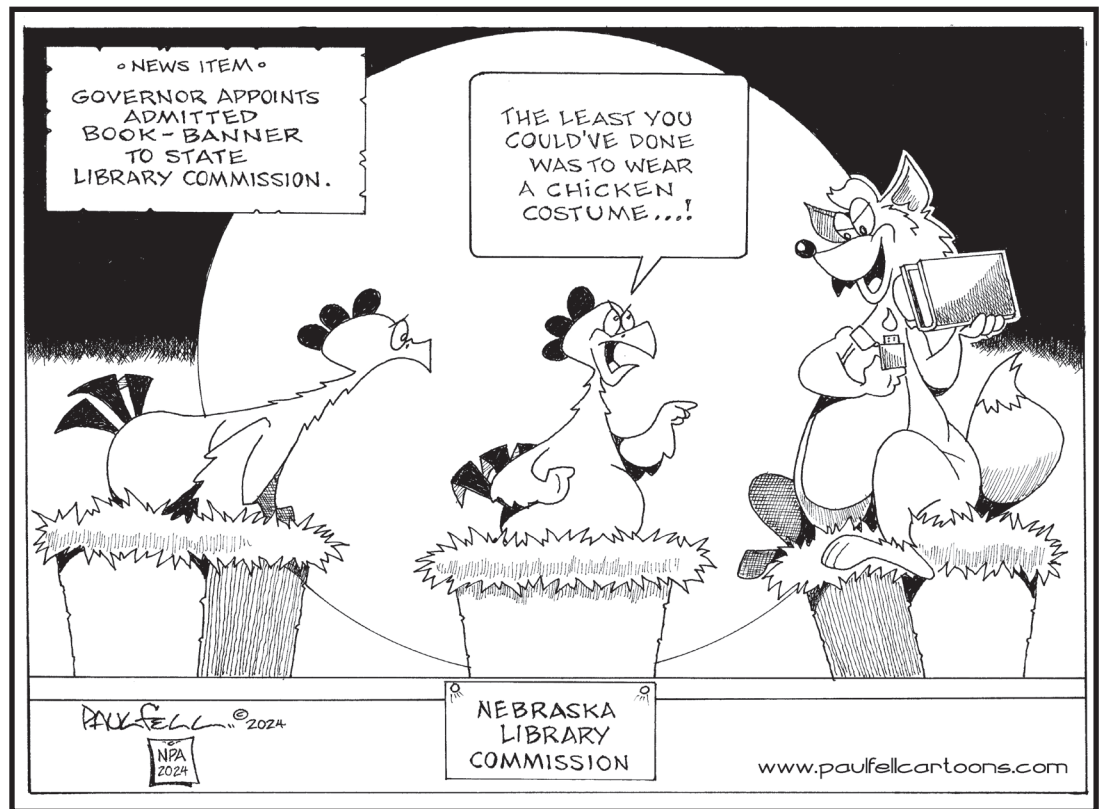
By Jill Kruse, D.O.

School is back in session so it is time for a little pop quiz. What is an item that almost every student carries? If you said backpack you are off to a great start. Do you know what it takes to be at the head of the class? Let's find out if you are a star student or need to brush up a little on your backpack knowledge.

Most students carry a backpack filled with their books at some point during their school day. Did you know a heavy back pack can cause neck, shoulder, or back pain. Those narrow straps can also compress on nerves in the shoulder leading to arm numbness, tingling, or weakness. Overweight backpacks can also change the center of balance making it easier to trip.

Here is the first quiz question. A student's backpack should not weigh more than what percentage of the student's weight? A) 50%, B) 25%, or C) 15%? Answer: (C) The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that a backpack weigh no more than 15% of a child's weight. For example, a 60 pound child's backpack should weigh no more than 9 pounds.

Next question: What is the best way to wear a backpack? A) with one strap slung over one shoulder, B) with both straps used and using any additional chest or waist straps to help distribute the weight, C) dragging on the ground behind? The answer is, of course (B). Injuries are reduced when the backpack's load is distributed across the body. Padded wide shoulder straps help distribute the weight evenly across the shoulders. Chest or waist clips can help take some of that load off the shoulders.



There are some backpacks now that have wheels like suitcases. In that case, (C) rolling, not dragging, your backpack behind you may be a better option, but dragging a regular backpack is not a great idea if you want your backpack to last.

Here is the last quiz question. Where should you put the heaviest items in your backpack? A) at the very top of the backpack, B) on one side of the backpack, or C) at the bottom and center of the backpack? The answer is (C) at the bottom and center of the backpack. The load should be closer to the wearer's center of gravity at the small of the back. This helps decrease risk for tripping or falling from the wearer being off balance.

How did you do? Before your student heads off to school, or you head off for a weekend hike, it is important for everyone to consider these wear and safety tips. Hopefully you do not find a forgotten sandwich from last year still stuck in the bottom. With this knowledge your students can be standing tall and proud at the head of the class. Have a great school year by staying safe and healthy out there.

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ACROSS

- 1. Command to Fido
- 6. Sheep not yet sheared
- 9. Cap and gown accessory
- 13. Blood line
- 14. Ancient Chinese dynasty
- 15. Ringworm
- 16. Driver's license notation
- 17. Not outs
- 18. Like Cheerios
- 19. *Piece of football equipment required since 1943
- 21. *Peyton or Eli
- 23. Napkin spot
- 24. Eminem's 2002 hit "___ Yourself"
- 25. Embargo
- 28. Feed storage cylinder
- 30. Like house from a kit
- 35. Greek god of love
- 37. Smokes
- 39. *Super Bowl I M.V.P. Bart ___
- 40. Taj Mahal locale
- 41. *Career rushing yards record holder
- 43. Equals squared
- 44. Regretting
- 46. *Highest college football level: Division I
- 47. Extend credit
- 48. *Seventeen games in NFL
- 50. Somewhat (2 words)
- 52. "Whatever Will Be, Will Be" singer
- 53. Mare's baby
- 55. Not a friend
- 57. *55 of them
- 61. *Home of the NFL Hall of Fame
- 64. Hole-borer
- 65. For every
- 67. Color red on coat of arms
- 69. Birds of ill omen
- 70. Outrage
- 71. ___ shopping cart
- 72. Party barrels
- 73. Sound from one of #69 Across
- 74. Homes for #69 Across

DOWN

- 1. Down in the dumps
- 2. Cry of contempt
- 3. Marine eagle
- 4. Wake Island, e.g.
- 5. Kismet, pl.
- 6. Foolish one
- 7. Even, poetic
- 8. Useful contraction
- 9. Lamborghini model
- 10. Unfavorable prefix
- 11. "As ___ on TV"
- 12. Suspend
- 15. Astrigents
- 20. "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey," e.g.
- 22. Venomous Egyptian snake
- 24. Deducible
- 25. *One of 2 NFL founding teams still in league
- 26. Lock horns
- 27. Waterwheel
- 29. Outline
- 31. Et alii, abbr.
- 32. Got along
- 33. *Like indoor eight-men football
- 34. *Career NFL passing yards record holder
- 36. Without
- 38. Wild guess
- 42. Israelian port
- 45. Errand-runners
- 49. Neither's partner
- 51. Nuku'alofo language
- 54. Meat jelly dish
- 56. Musician's exercise
- 57. "Go ___ Go!"
- 58. Fishing decoy
- 59. Awestruck
- 60. Archery wood
- 61. "Ship, Captain, ___"
- 62. Cutlass or Delta 88, for short
- 63. Remaining after deductions
- 66. ___ of Good Feelings
- 68. Lusitania's last call

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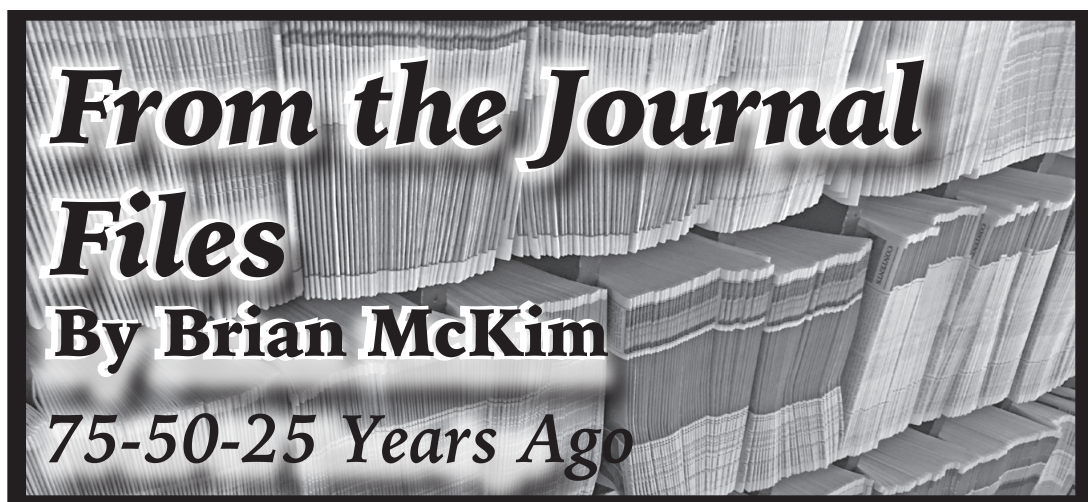
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75 Years Ago, September 11, 1949 to September 17, 1949

A 16-year-old Humboldt High School senior was named Queen of the Richardson County Fair. The winner, Joan Uhri, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Uhri of Humboldt.

Highway 73, south of Falls City, was closed at 6:00 p.m. while a new 70-foot approach span was wheeled into position on the south end of the Nemaha River Bridge. The Midland Construction Company built the concrete and steel span at the side of the highway and slid it into position on tracks and rollers. The job took ten minutes to roll into place and was believed to be the first of its kind in Nebraska.

A crowd of nearly 300 gathered at the Dawson Evangelical United Brethren Church to attend a recital by Ernest Ulmer, a pianist from Dawson.

Clubs that were operating slot machines or other gambling devices were put on warning by county authorities that the lid was on gambling in Richardson County. According to Nebraska Attorney General James H. Anderson, "All information indicated that these laws are being disregarded on an extremely large scale."

Seven Falls City Business and Professional Women's Club members went to York to attend the District 2 meeting. Those attending included Mrs. Kenneth Winkler, Miss Wilma Heiser, Mrs. Fred DeWald, Mrs. Lydia Knight, Mrs. Glenn Carver, Miss Eleanor Lowe and Mrs. Agnes Nelson.

The Hoos family reunion was held at City Park, and 55 members and two guests were present. John Nutzman, president of the group, presided over the business portion of the get-together.

A general alarm fire destroyed a section of the famous "Million Dollar Pier" in Atlantic City, New Jersey, but favorable wind and tide helped firemen save the half-mile-long structure.

The Kansas City Monarchs defeated the Indianapolis Clowns 6-5 in the Lions Club Benefit at City Park. An estimated 850 fans donned cold-weather gear to watch the two Negro League teams battle it out on the diamond. Three funny men on the Clowns team, King Tut, Jugglin' Joe Taylor and Spec Bebob, provided entertainment for the fans. It took an RBI single by the Monarch's Herb Souell in the bottom of the ninth to break the deadlock and give Kansas City the win.

Raymond "Junior" McKim, 20, escaped serious injury when his car ran into a ditch and became wedged under a bridge between the old Highway 73 and the grounds leading to the Missouri Pacific roundhouse. McKim was traveling north when he lost control as his car passed over the railroad tracks.

The Tiger football team defeated Tecumseh 39-0 in front of 1,200 Falls City High School fans. The game's biggest play involved team captain Charley Hunley running for a 56-yard touchdown in the first quarter.

50 Years Ago, September 11, 1974 to September 17, 1974

The Park Hotel in Humboldt was gutted by a fire that began around 3 a.m. Local firefighters were still on hand six hours later, standing by as a precautionary measure.

Lightning from a storm struck a bale of hay on the Howard Hunzeker farm around 11:00 p.m., causing a fire that destroyed the barn and 1,500 additional bales.

The Falls City Lions Club planned a special 40th anniversary meeting on October 29. Lions and their ladies from neighboring clubs were invited to the dinner and entertainment.

"The Great Gatsby," featuring Robert Redford and Mia Farrow, was shown at the Rivoli Theater.

Kip Nanninga, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nanninga of Humboldt, was pictured on a 137-pound squash that won first place at the county fair for George Bucholz of Falls City.

Fertilizer, with a retail value of nearly \$10,000, was stolen from the Sur-Gro Plant Foods in the former Missouri Pacific roundhouse. Taken were sixty-one five-gallon cans of Lasso Liquid, nine five-gallon cans of Treflan and 184 gallons of Atrex.

All large pizzas at Pizza Hut in Falls City were \$3.17.

A federal aviation agency-approved air taxi service was inaugurated here, bringing Omaha, Kansas City and Lincoln within 30 minutes of flying time from Municipal Airport.

Funeral services for Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, a college basketball coaching legend at Kansas, was set for Thursday, September 19.

The 13th annual Hunker reunion was held at City Park and was attended by 40 family members. Mrs. Ida Hunker Goldsberry, 80, was the oldest member present, and Heather Dawn Stevens, 11 months old, was the youngest.

The Sacred Heart Reserves defeated Dawson-Verdon 46-0 on the football field. Dan Hill had TD runs of 15, 4 and 20 yards, while Bob Aitken ran and threw for a score.

The Katherine T. Lindquist-Edward Whittingham Thomas Memorial Park between St. Thomas Episcopal Church and Richardson County Bank and Trust was formerly dedicated.

25 Years Ago, September 11, 1999 to September 17, 1999

Although the contractor, Western Engineering Company, Inc., was expected to begin work on October 4 on Highway 159, west of Rulo, the road would remain open to traffic until April of 2000.

Watkins Aircraft Support Products (WASP), Farm and City Supply, Falls City Economic Development and Alanco Environmental Manufacturing Inc. were recognized by the Nebraska Labor Commission.

Radio personality Orion Samuelson told the hundreds in attendance at Conklin's National Field Days that American farmers are the "envy of the world" because they represent the "family farm," which he said "is the most efficient food-producing unit in the world today."

The Nebraska Supreme Court ruled that death row inmate Michael Ryan received a fair sentence hearing regardless of a meeting Judge Robert Finn had with the families of Ryan's victims.

The Tigers defeated Omaha Central Christian 41-0 behind a four-TD night from senior fullback Jordan Cudney. Cudney rushed 21 times for 140 yards and three TDs while catching two passes for 41 yards and a score. Through two games, FC had outscored their opponents 104-0.

The Oasis Restaurant would begin serving lunch specials on September 20, and the Jeff Lux band was scheduled to play every Wednesday, starting at 8 p.m.

Humboldt-Table Rock got a late 14-yard TD run by Matt Mezger to seal a 24-18 win over Bern, Kansas.

The Irish volleyball team was off to a 6-1 start and was ranked No. 3 in Class D-1 by the Omaha World-Herald.

The Mustang football team defeated Omaha Brownell-Talbot 46-0 win improve to 2-0 for the year. Matthew Noa ran six times for 83 yards to lead Southeast.

Tessi Herr was crowned Queen of the Richardson County Fair, while community and business leader Dean Bogle was named King.

The campaign for donations for the Richardson County Military History Museum reached \$10,000. The final goal of the project was \$22,000.

Shannon Stemple, a junior at Southeast Consolidated School, was named the Journal Athlete of the Week. Stemple, playing softball for Falls City, held Crete to five hits, all singles and went 2-3 at the plate with an RBI.

Cori Harmon scored 10 points, and Bridget Huppert had six, but the DV junior high volleyball team fell to Humboldt-Table Rock 15-12 and 16-14.

The Lady Tiger volleyball team fell to 3-4 with a 6-15 and 8-15 loss to Auburn. Carrie Dunn and Kim Weaver were the top scorers for the Tigers.

Gottula has successful Barnes and Noble book signing

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Falls City Library and Arts Center. Since then, scores of people have reached out to her to tell her their own stories, and to thank her for having the courage to write her book.

"I've received messages of encouragement and thanks from people from New York to Oregon and a lot of places in between," she said.

Lori's book is currently available online through all of the major booksellers, and locally at Blessed x3 Boutique, Life in the Spirit, and The Stella Vault. And now, it's available in Lincoln at the SouthPointe Barnes & Noble, in the personal memoir section, right next to Elizabeth Gilbert's bestseller, Eat Pray Love.

"To have my book on the same shelf as a book written by a New York Times

bestselling author just blows my mind," Gottula said.

She is currently promoting Broken and Chained to other brick and mortar stores in the cities, and added that she is very grateful to the small-town vendors who signed on early to carry her books.

"They are helping me help people change their lives," she said. "Every one of us has that chain that keeps us from living our best lives, and people tell me that my book is helping them find the grit to break their own chains, no matter what those might be. That just makes my heart sing."

Lori has also given numerous presentations about her story at churches, schools, meetings, and conventions. To hire her to give her motivational presentation, contact her at (402) 245-8145.

City enters into agreement with engineering firm for Sanitary Sewer Rehab and Improvements

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The Council also passed a resolution to execute the Public Works application for the NDED Community Block Grant program within the City.

An additional 1% Additional Growth Percentage to the Restricted Funds Authority for the FY 2024/2025 passed on an 8-0 vote.

"Typically, annually, we look at the 1% allowable growth increase," said Nussbaum. "As that moves into next year, this will likely go away, with LB 34 that passed."

Nussbaum reiterated that the Restricted Authority is not raising taxes, "It's the access to that growth and how that compounds over time."

The Board also authorized an agreement for Safety Management Services with Kansas Municipal Utilities. According to Nussbaum, KMU will conduct monthly training with staff in the office and on the utility side.

KMU will also manage the safety committees and conduct audits throughout the City. The agreement will cost \$23,000 annually.

A Special Designated Liquor License for the Annual Quarter Auction was granted for November 9,

2024, at Prichard Auditorium.

A request to solicit vendors and sponsors for the 2024/2025 Community Clean-Up event passed. Councilperson Holle advised the Council that she is working on bringing a hazardous waste and tire disposal vendor back to the Clean-Up.

"Ever since Five Rivers Agency, their non-profit status got pulled, we haven't been able to find a provider to come to Falls City to do the hazardous waste collection," said Holle. "I've had a lot of calls from community members missing that, so we're hoping by putting out this wider request for vendors, we can cast a wider net around the state

and find somebody to come in and do that."

Resolutions authorizing the City to assess unpaid vacant property registration fees totaling \$750 for properties located at 906 Stone Street and 1701 Wilson Street passed with 8-0 votes.

According to Nussbaum, the property at 1024 Chase Street was ready for a lien, but the owners paid their fees and are in compliance at this time.

A property at 2022 Crook Street was also brought into compliance, and the City no longer needed to place a lien on it.

With no further action on the agenda, the meeting was closed at 6:29 p.m.

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Richardson County Fair starts this week with traditional crowning of king and queen

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will be held at 7:30 p.m.

The Fireman's Bingo will be held daily before and after the free acts under the tent.

The free acts will perform daily at 2:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Billy Troy will perform Thursday, High Heel will perform Friday and Them UKE Boys will perform Friday.

On Friday the Ag building will be open-enter poultry at Powell Pavillion before noon-judging will be at 1:00 p.m. The kiddy tractor pull will be held at 4:00 p.m.

On Saturday, the Ag building will open – enter Dairy and Beef cattle at Powell Pavilion before noon with judging at 1:00 p.m. The Antique Tractor Show will go on throughout the day on the lot west of the Methodist Church beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Quad County Museum will be open for tours all three fair days from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The City of Humboldt Auditorium will be open every day for restrooms.

The free act entertainment is sponsored by the Richardson County Agricultural Society and the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce.

FCPD participates in "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" mobilization

The Falls City Police Department participated in the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" mobilization from August 16, 2024, through September 2, 2024. During this time officers conducted 95 traffic stops with 55 citations and 37 warnings being issued.

Beyond the ticket activity, includes Falls City officers answering 183 calls for service including four accidents. Additionally, officers arrested five fugitives from justice. Other investigations conducted included assaults, disturbances, thefts, shoplifting, child neglect, possession of controlled dangerous substances and possession of and distribution of child pornography.

Falls City police officers worked 56 hours of overtime during the mobilization period. The cost of the overtime was funded through a grant provided by the Nebraska Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Traffic Office.

The Falls City Police Department would like to thank the citizens of Falls City and all of our community partners for their continued support. We encourage all drivers to drive safely, don't drink and drive and remember, buckle up every trip, every time.

Humboldt Colonial Acres Nursing Home and Assisted Living citizen support making an impact

Submitted by Kevin Burnison

Results speak volumes. Results re-affirm that the CANHome is open and vibrantly in business.

In its first week, the Citizen Support Campaign is pleased to report that \$22,500 in donations have been received by the Humboldt Area Community Foundation, targeted for the Humboldt Colonial Acres Nursing Home and Assisted Living. The Humboldt Area Community Foundation is a free standing 501(c) three playing a major role in this community response. Also, early payment this week by some private pay clients provided another cash infusion, as the community fund drive continues to build momentum.

See you at the Fair: We all look forward to renewing friendships and greeting old and new friends at the annual celebration of the Richardson County Free Fair and Humboldt Fall Festival. If you find yourself in Humboldt and have questions about the Citizen Support Campaign to get the CANHome through this post COVID cash flow challenge, we look forward to the opportunity to sit down over a bowl of St. Mary's chili or a bowl of chicken noodle soup from the Band Parents stand and have a real conversation. Feel free to call or text Kevin Burnison at his personal cell 402-862-5805 or call or text Ben Steffen 402-862-5274. (Kevin suggests that you bring your check book. While he will buy you soup, he is confident you will want to be more involved than just a good fair chat.)

Mark Novak is the Chair and Deb Lewis is Treasurer of the Humboldt Area Community Foundation.

Sunday following the Fair, if you are looking for a post Fair stop, Kevin and Joyce Burnison want to suggest the opportunity that takes place each Sunday at 4:00 PM. Each Sunday afternoon in the lobby of the Colonial Acres Nursing Home, residents and family members gather and the Humboldt Area Ministerial Association facilitates a song and prayer gathering. (Typically lasting 30 minutes.)

Betsy Packett and the staff at CANHome are proud to show you the five star rated facility. (Call ahead for a formal tour.: 402-862-3123.)

The creation and sustaining of the Colonial Acres Nursing Home has always been a community effort. Community leaders feel that the results shown in this first week is the tip of the community support to continue that tradition of commitment.

ACCIDENT REPORTS

On August 24, 2024 according to Falls City Police Department accident reports a gray Dodge Ram 1500 driven by Caleb Kirkendall of Falls City was traveling northbound on Lane Street between 17th and 18th Street. Kirkendall attempted to merge right to the East side of the road to allow oncoming traffic to pass. While moving to the right, the passenger side middle and rear areas of the Kirkendall vehicle made contact with the driver side front corner of a vehicle owned by Andrew Fichter of Shanendoah, IA, which was parked at the East curb with no occupants. Due to the collision the front driver side bumper and headlight area was ripped off the Fichter vehicle. The front driver side wheel rim appeared to have shallow scraping damage. The damage could be seen on the front driver side panel behind the headlight area as well as on the black plastic fender which sits over the area of the front driver side wheel. An estimated \$1,500 in damage was done to the Kirkendall vehicle; an estimated \$3,000 in damage was done to the Fichter vehicle.

BUILDING PERMITS

Brian Vice, 807 Chase St, Brick Driveway/Sidewalk; \$300.00.

Debbie Raney, 2502 Towle St., Installation of Wall Support for Bowing Walls; \$29,052.37.

Donald and Elizabeth Coolidge, 2122 Crook St., Replace Fence; \$5,800.00.

Kim Kruse, 1617 Stone St., Replace AC and Furnace; \$12,000.00.

Richard Malcolm, 402 W 31st St., Replace Roof; \$10,000.00.

Tom Rawley, 2115 Abbott St., Replace AC and Furnace; \$8,000.00.

Megan O'Grady, 2201 Fulton St., Replace Roof and Gutters; \$13,721.50.

Aaron Moore, 1301 Fulton St., Replace Sewer Line; \$250.00.

Johnson Monument, 1823 Harlan St., Install Monument Sign; \$500.00.

Brandon Gibson, 1610 Valley Ave., Replace Roof; \$15,458.00.

Jason Bredemeier, 2624 McLean St., Replace Roof; \$17,633.00.

Zachery Blunt, 1809 Chase St., Install Carport; \$100.00.

James Slominski, 2600 Fulton St., Replace Roof and Gutters; \$45,727.00.

Gene Campbell, 2601 Abbott St., Replace Roof and Gutters; \$14,820.25.

Carla Bird, 1923 Morton St., Replace Roof; \$8,000.00.

Sarah Bangert, 1207 E 21st St., Replace Roof; \$26,467.20.

FALLS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS AND STATS

August 26 through August 26 calls: one miscellaneous, three ambulance/EMS, one referred to another agency, two information only, three records check, three 911 calls, one warning for unlicensed animal, one citation for traffic control violation.

August 27 through August 28 calls: one suspicious activity/person/vehicle, two animal calls, one nuisance, two ambulance/EMS, one burn permit, one miscellaneous, one information only, three 911 calls, one warning for driving without headlights.

August 28 through August 29 calls: two motorist assist, one miscellaneous, one suspicious activity/person/vehicle, one theft, two information only, one referred to another agency, one animal call, four ambulance/EMS, three 911 calls, one citation for improper/defective vehicle lighting, one citation for nonresident violate 30-day immunity, two warnings for improper/defective vehicle lighting.

August 29 through August 30 calls: one suspicious activity/person/vehicle, three referred to another agency, five miscellaneous, one gun permit, two records check, one information only, one warrant arrest, two domestic disturbance, one ambulance/EMS, two 911 calls, one citation for fugitive from justice, one warning for improper/defective vehicle lighting, one warning for speeding, one warning for animal running at large.

August 30 through August 31 calls: information not received.

August 31 through September 1 calls: two 911 hang up/misdial, one noise disturbance, two check welfare, two ambulance/EMS, three animal calls, one miscellaneous, two referred to another agency, three HHS intake/referrals, five 911 calls.

September 1 through September 2 calls: two referred to another agency, two ambulance/EMS, one check welfare, one alarm, one miscellaneous, two 911 calls, one citation for invalid registration.

September 2 through September 3 calls: one noise disturbance, one suspicious activity/person/vehicle, one investigation, one check welfare, one animal call, one traffic/driving complaint, one 911 hang up/misdial, two information only, one check welfare, one 911 call, one citation for disturbing the peace, one citation for misuse of school permit, one citation for careless driving, two citations for fail to use seatbelt, one citation for improper/defective vehicle lighting, one citation for speeding, one warning for no valid registration, one warning for speeding, one warning for improper/defective vehicle lighting.

September 3 through September 4 calls: three check welfare, one theft, two HHS intake/referral, one accident, three miscellaneous, one law enforcement assist, one referred to another agency, two 911 calls, two citations for speeding, one citations for no seatbelt, one citation for no valid registration, one warning for no valid registration, two warnings for speeding.

September 4 through September 5 calls: two suspicious activity/person/vehicles, one vandalism, one records check, one alarm, two ambulance/EMS, two referred to another agency, one information only, one disturbance, four 911 calls, one warning for improper/defective vehicle lightning, four citations for invalid registration, one citation for no proof of insurance, one citation for possess or use drug paraphernalia, one citation for possess marijuana one ounce or less-first offense, one citation for two assault - cause bodily injury.

September 5 through September 6 calls: one alarm, five miscellaneous, seven information only, one check welfare, three ambulance/EMS, one nuisance, three 911 hang up/misdial, one fingerprint, one gun permit, one referred to another agency, one fire call (Dawson Fire), two HHS intake, referral, two animal calls, five 911 calls, one citation for invalid registration.

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This test will consist of sounding of sirens located in Nemaha and Richardson Counties, and activation of IPAWS Test Alert messages within the 10-mile radius of Cooper Nuclear Station. The sirens will sound for approximately three and 1/2 minutes. IPAWS messages may be received on your phones. No action by members of the public is required for this test.

If you have any questions about this test, please call the Cooper Nuclear Station Emergency Preparedness Department at (402) 825-5682 for more information.



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**RICHARDSON COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**ALL SUSPECTS ARE INNOCENT UNTIL
PROVEN GUILTY.**

August 27, 2024

Daniel L. Cash, 48, Humboldt, NE was arrested on a Court Commitment.

August 29, 2024

Jose A. Laurido, 46, Omaha, NE was arrested on Richardson County warrant for Failing to Appear for a Probation Sanction.

Kasey J. Knight, 20, Wichita, KS was arrested for Driving Without an Interlock Device.

August 30, 2024

Dennis D. Shafer Jr, 49, Falls City, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance (Meth), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Possession of Marijuana Less than one ounce.

Kayla D. Knight, 42, Arkansas City, KS was arrested for Driving Under Suspension and False Reporting.

Tammy L. Spargo, 51, Arkansas City, KS was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance (Meth), Habitual Criminal Enhancement Charge, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

August 31, 2024

Matthew Wilhelm, 40, Rulo, was arrested for Terroristic Threats, Intimidation by Phone Call/Electronic Device and third Degree Assault.

September 1, 2024

Tomee S. Ogden, 21, Falls City, was arrested for Driving Under Revocation.

September 2, 2024

Lalo A. Maldonado, 42, Gering, NE was arrested for Driving Under Revocation.

Michael J. Potter, 47, Holton, KS was arrested for Driving Under Revocation and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Andres Quevado-Maldonado, 41, Omaha, NE was arrested for Driving Under Suspension and an Extra-ditable warrant out of Iowa.

Octavio Quebrado Nava, 31, Omaha, NE was arrested for No Operators License, Open Title and No Proof of Insurance.

Alexander J, Pablo-Jose, 23, Omaha, NE was arrested for Driving Under Suspension.

September 3, 2024

Rylee J. Ralston, 40, Falls City, NE was taken into custody and transported to the Nebraska Department of Corrections.

Gold, M.D., installed as ninth UNL president

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents formally installed Jeffrey P. Gold, M.D., as the ninth president of the University of Nebraska today, in a ceremony attended by hundreds of faculty, staff, students, alumni, donors, elected officials, community leaders and other Nebraskans at the State Capitol.

The theme of the day was "From Excellent to Extraordinary," as Dr. Gold reflected on the University of Nebraska's 155-year history of successful service to the state and opportunities in the years ahead. The setting at the Capitol, he said, was intentionally chosen to convey the university's role and mission as the peoples' university.

Dr. Gold began his tenure as president on July 1, following a decade as chancellor of the University of Nebraska Medical Center with additional service as chancellor of the University of Nebraska at Omaha and executive vice president and provost of the NU system.

His installation as president came 10 years to the day after his UNMC installation, and five years to the day after his UNO installation.

In remarks following his acceptance of a presidential medallion from Board of Regents Chairman Rob Schafer of Beatrice, Dr. Gold said that the University of Nebraska has a "deeply embedded legacy" of providing affordable education to Nebraskans; academic leadership in areas like health care, agriculture, public policy, early childhood and national security; and athletic success at the highest levels.

"And yet, our legacy of excellence is a solid foundation to build upon, but is not adequate," he said, calling on the extended University of Nebraska community to join together on an "odyssey" to an even higher level of achievement. "Our legacy serves as an inspiration, but not as a roadmap for the pathway ahead."

Dr. Gold shared observations from his first 10 weeks as president, during which he has traveled the length of the state and met with students, faculty, staff, as well as business, government, philanthropic, agricultural, military and civic leaders to hear their thoughts on the university's future.

Again and again, he said, he has heard about the crucial importance of an affordable, accessible university that provides the highest-quality education, delivers cutting-edge research and serves as "a strong and sustainable economic engine" that meets Nebraska's workforce needs.

"I believe Nebraskans expect that the University of Nebraska can and should set bold goals for our odyssey to extraordinary," Dr. Gold said. "Goals regarding student retention and degree completion, regarding the scope, excellence and impact of our research, bold goals for workforce and economic development. Bold goals for new and trusted partnerships, and for the confidence of our public and private supporters across all sectors."

Gen. (Ret.) John Hyten, who served as vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff after a 40-year career in the U.S. Air Force, delivered keynote remarks, reflecting on his long personal friendship and professional partnership with Dr. Gold.

"He loves Nebraska. He is all in. He wants this University to be the best in everything it touches," Gen. Hyten said. "And he will put forth all the energy necessary to make that happen. Academics, leadership, athletics, everything. I am convinced the University of Nebraska is about to achieve new greatness under his leadership, because I have seen him in action."

As is customary during university investiture ceremonies, representatives of various stakeholder groups also shared remarks offering well-wishes and support to Dr. Gold. Following are quotes from greeters at today's ceremony.

U.S. Sen. Deb Fischer: "The University of Nebraska has grown in size, in scope and in excellence over the years. Today, it is thriving: from its agriculture research to its medical center, and from its institution in our state's heartland to the campus in our urban core. The future of the University of Nebraska holds even more excellence, and even more progress. President Gold will be at the helm of that progress, and I know he will do a remarkable job."

Chancellor Rodney Bennett, University of Nebraska-Lincoln: "As administrators, we are pleased that the Board of Regents has selected a president with a distinguished academic background, as well as proven leadership ability, and an established lengthy record of achievement. And as administrators, we know how high the stakes are that you succeed. Nebraska is depending on us, and we offer our full support to you."

Nancy Keegan, trustee, University of Nebraska Foundation: "President Gold has demonstrated that he is an outstanding ambassador to the philanthropic community. Educational philanthropy is more than just financial support; successful educational philanthropy is a partnership with visions that are shared between the university and the private sector. It is about investing in ideas, people and projects that will elevate lives and communities."

Summer 2024 graduates

Washburn University is pleased to announce the students in its summer 2024 graduating class.

Karrington Payne and Marissa Cox both of Sabetha were part of the graduating class.

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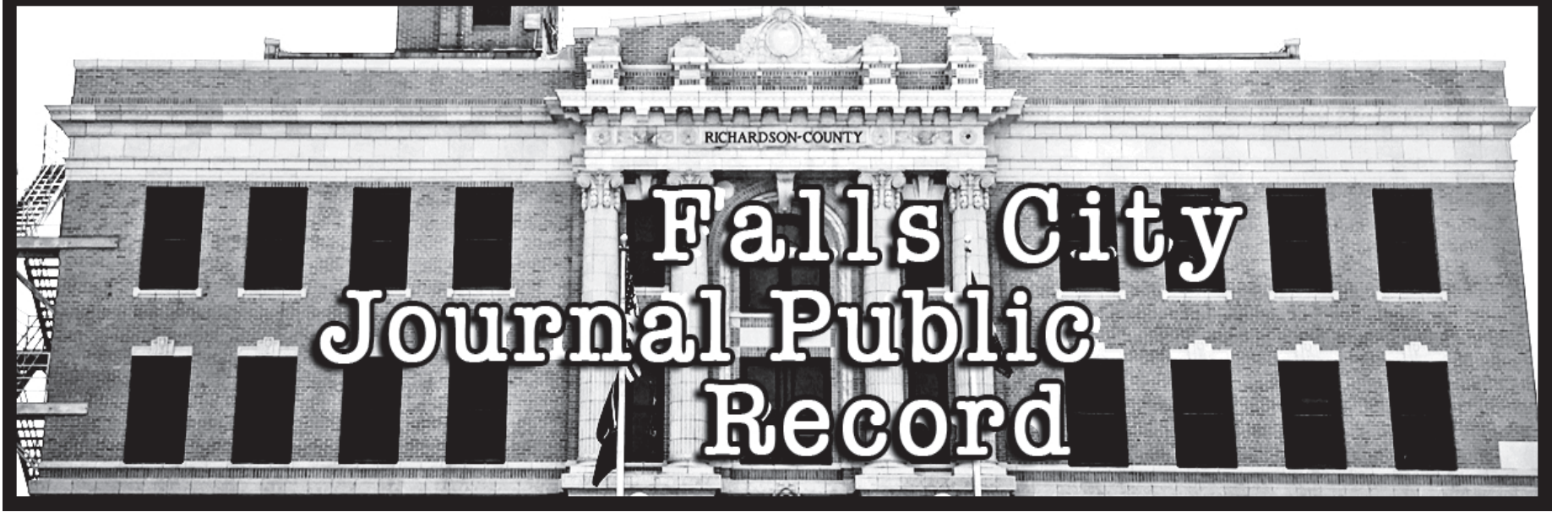
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(Editor's Note - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge).

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

District Court

Rylee J. Ralston, count one, possess controlled subs, amended to attempt of a class four felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence includes jail for minimum of six months, maximum of one year, credit for 13 days served; count two, amended to dropped/dismissed.

Rylee J. Ralston, count one, conspiracy to commit a class two felony, plea changed to guilty, found guilty. Sentence includes jail for minimum of one year, maximum of five years, credit for 18 days served.

Marcus W. Bratsovsky, count one, amended to dropped/dismissed; count two, carry concealed no disclosure-first, plead no contest, found guilty; count three, no operator's license, plead no contest, found guilty; count four, possess marijuana 1 oz or less, plead no contest, found guilty; count five, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for September 24, 2024.

Kyle S. Embretson, count one, del/dsp/dst/man/pos except haz drug, amended to attempt of a class two felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence included probation for term of two years, probation admin enrollment fee of \$30, probation fee-regular of \$600, drug testing fee of \$120; count two, amended to dropped/dismissed; count three, possess controlled subs,

plead no contest, found guilty and sentenced to two years' probation; count four, possess controlled subs, plead no contest, found guilty and sentenced to two years' probation; count five, unlawful acts relating to drugs, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$300; count six, possess marijuana 1 oz or less, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$300; count seven, amended to dropped/dismissed.

COUNTY COURT

Detroit D. Muhammad, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100.

Orrin J. Zeigler, count one, DUI-alcohol-3rd, amended to DUI-alcohol-2nd, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence includes fine of \$500, jail for term of ten days, probation for term of 12 months, drug testing fee of \$60, probation admin enrollment fee of \$30, probation fee-regular of \$300, license revoked for 18 months, interlock device; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz or less-3rd, amended to possess marijuana 1 oz or less-2nd, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence includes fine of \$400, probation for term of 12 months; count three, amended to dropped/dismissed; count four, amended to dropped/dismissed.

Terry L. Kohler, count one, DUI-alcohol-2nd, amended to willful reckless driving-first, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$250 and license revoked for 30 days; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz or less-first, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$300; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$100; count four, possess/consume open alcohol container, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$50.

Anthony S. Uitts, count one, assault-cause bodily injury, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for September 11, 2024.

Sommer D. Bullard, count one, criminal trespass-2nd degree, plead

not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Entry of plea scheduled for September 23, 2024.

Nathaniel Craine, count one, criminal mischief-\$1,500-4,999, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$75.

Terry L. Kohler, count one, drive during revocation/impound-2nd/3rd, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for September 25, 2024.

Nicole Harkendorff, count one, criminal trespass-2nd degree, plead not guilty; count two, criminal trespass-2nd degree, plead not guilty; count three, criminal trespass-2nd degree, plead not guilty. Trial scheduled for September 30, 2024.

Hector Alvarado, count one, nonresident violate susp/rev order, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, amended to dropped/dismissed; count three, unlawful/fict display of plate/renew tab, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50.

Dustin A. Garrison, count one, speeding 21-35 mph, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$200.

Anthony R. Picou, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, speeding 21-35 mph, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$200.

Daniel S. Newman, count one, leave accident-fail to furnish info, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for September 25, 2024.

Julian M. Cooper, count one, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for September 11, 2024.

Jesse L. Rosenberger, count one, no proof of ownership, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50; count two, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count

three, nonresident violate 30-day immunity, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

Darlene F. Funk, count one drive under susp/before reinstated, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, no valid registration, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count three, nonresident violate 30-day immunity, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

Karyssa A. Deleon, count one, drive without ignition interlock, plead not guilty; count two, speeding 11-15 mph, plead not guilty; count three, acts declared unlawful-license/driving, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for October 2, 2024.

Ysabella J. Gonzalez Song Hawk, count one, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz or less, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300.

Hunter P. Traversie, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, no operator's license, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count four, possess marijuana 1 oz or less, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300.

Travis J. Batley, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead guilty, found guilty; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz

or less, plead guilty, found guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead guilty, found guilty; speeding 6-10 mph, plead guilty, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for October 9, 2024.

Savage Z. Paden, count one, unlawful/fict display of plate/renew tab, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50; count two, improper/defective vehicle lighting, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count three, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count four, violate load contents requirement, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100.

CITATIONS

Alejandro Gonzales of Donna, TX, count one, speeding 11-15 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Franks)

Martyna Holthus of Humboldt, count one, speeding 16-20 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs. (Jones)

Tiffany Creamer of Burchard, NE, count one, fail to obey RR crossing gates/signals, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs. (Shiley)

Rodolfo Reyes of Borup, MN, count one, speeding 11-15 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Wissmann)

Danny Whithorn of Omaha, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Novak)

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Bailey Lemerond, Payten Georges, Kinlee Jackson, CeeJay Tisdell and Mike Trader.

Area youth excel at basketball camp

Several youngsters from the area were honored this summer when they attended the Mike Trader Mid-America Basketball Camp at Doane University.

A pair of local girls were named Hustle Award Winners in the Girls Major League. Winners included Bailey Lemerond and CeeJay Tisdell. Lemerond also won the Major League free throw and three-point championships.

In the Girls Red League, Kinlee Jackson was the assist leader for the week and a nightly assist leader.

Lemerond and Tisdell were both nightly scoring leaders as well.

Lemerond, Tisdell and Payten Georges were all named to the Girls Major League all-star team at the camp, and Jackson was honored in the Girls Red League.

Tiger XC hits the trail at Plattsmouth

The Falls City cross country teams traveled up Highway 75 on Tuesday to compete in the Plattsmouth High School Cross Country Invitational at Rhylander Park. The boy's team scored 216 points and finished 12th, while the Lady Tigers placed seventh with 109 points.

Ryker McCullough was the top placer for the Tiger boys, running the 5k in 19:21.35 for 27th. Lathan Richey was 58th in 23:09.78, Emmett Daake was 65th in 24:47.22, and Hayden Findlay was 66th in 24:49.20. Mesach Nkurubujango of Mount Michael won the race in 17:17.69.

Joah Anderson and Jennifer Sweeney ran solid races for the Lady Tigers again. Anderson ran a 23:14.70 for 17th, and Sweeney was 18th in 23:21.66. Destiny Pierce ran a 26:03.12 for 38th, Kinsie Riggs was 42nd in 27:02.70, and Madalynn Hawley was 44th in 28:43.13.

For the middle school runners, Martin Irizarry was 12th, running the

course in 8:49.77, while Ryder Hullman was 20th in 9:16.03. Joshua Nakai of Gretna won the event in 7:54.82.

In the girl's 2400-meter run, Audrey Scrivens placed sixth in 9:13.07, Peyton Weddle was 11th in 9:21.14, and Alaina Jackson ran a 10:09.06 for 24th. Brindley Mazzulla of Auburn won the race in 8:38.73.

"Tough and challenging race at Rhylander Park in Plattsmouth," said Coach Cody Hawley. "The runners competed well and made some nice personal records on the course from last year."

Scrivens cut nearly four minutes off her time from last season, while Irizarry and Hullman were two and a half minutes faster.

In high school, Daake and Findlay each trimmed over a minute from their time last season, while Sweeney (two minutes) and Riggs (one and a half minutes) also showed significant improvement.

The teams will compete again on Thursday, September 12, at Fairbury beginning at 4:00 p.m.



Sacred Heart's Rob Froeschl follows the block of Elijah Canonico for a gain versus BDS on Friday night.

The Fighting Irish can't keep pace with Eagles

The 0-1 Sacred Heart Irish ran into a tough and disciplined BDS squad on a perfect football Friday night at Jug Brown Stadium, falling to the Eagles 8-40. The Class D-2 sixth-ranked Eagles were fresh off a 38-6 win over Elmwood-Murdock, while SH was trying to regroup after an 8-60 season-opening loss to Lourdes Central.

The contest was one-sided on Friday. The Irish hung with BDS early, trailing 0-14 after the first, but the Eagles pulled away with 20 unanswered points in the second to make it 34-0 at the break. The Irish got the first points of the second half, cutting the lead to 8-34 with 7:08 on the clock, but BDS answered with a score of their own two minutes later to seal the win.

The contest opened with punts by both teams, but BDS finally got something cooking on offense on their second drive. The Eagles moved the ball with ease, going 63 yards in three plays to make it 0-8 with 6:26 on the clock in the first.

An Irish fumble on the following drive gave the Eagles the ball back. This time BDS covered 49 yards in five snaps, culminating with a 14-yard run by Carson Loos to make it 0-14 with 3:02 to go in the opening period.

The Irish moved the ball on the ensuing drive, but the drive stalled at the Eagle four-yard line. BDS struck quickly, covering 76 yards in six plays to make it 0-20 with just under eight minutes to go in the half. The drive ended with Loos scoring his third TD of the game, this time on a 52-yard run. After an Irish three-and-out, BDS added its fourth TD of the night when the Eagle QB ran for a three-yard score, putting the Irish behind 0-26 with three and a half minutes before the break.

Again, the Irish drove deep into BDS territory, but a fumble on fourth down by Sacred Heart's Tate Wilcox gave the

Eagles the ball late in the half. BDS moved quickly as the Eagle QB found his receiver on the fourth play of the drive for a 48-yard TD strike to make it 0-34 with :21 remaining. The Irish got some momentum to begin the third. Elijah Canonico pounced on an Eagle fumble, setting the Irish up at the BDS 36-yard line. Wilcox called his number four plays later for a five-yard TD run. The conversion pass from Wilcox to Cole Taft made it 8-34 with 7:08 to play in the third. Unfortunately, the celebration was short-lived. BDS scored three plays later to seal the win, 8-40.

BDS controlled the tempo of the contest by controlling the line of scrimmage. The Eagles finished with 348 yards on the ground on 43 attempts. On the other hand, SH ran for 120 yards on 31 carries. BDS was also efficient through the air when they needed to be, completing 5-6 passes for 92 yards. Sacred Heart finished 9-20 for 128 yards through the air.

Wilcox led the Irish with 69 yards and a score on 15 carries. Canonico carried six times for 28 yards, and Rob Froeschl finished with 22 yards on five carries. Wilcox completed 8/17 pass attempts for 115 yards, and Taft led the receivers with 93 yards on four catches.

Defensively, Canonico led the way with 19 total tackles. Wilcox was close behind with 18 stops, Evan Bailey stopped nine runners, and Brenden Lemerond finished with eight.

The road doesn't get any easier for Sacred Heart—the Irish travel to Tecumseh on Friday night to take on the Johnson County Central Thunderbirds. JCC is fresh off a 52-16 win over Southern and will be looking to continue their momentum. Meanwhile, the Irish will look to regroup and turn their season around. Kickoff at JCC High School is 7:00 p.m. on Friday.

Tigers rolling

The Falls City Tiger football squad moved to a perfect 2-0 after another solid effort, resulting in a 43-8 win at Omaha Brownell-Talbot.

After forcing a punt on their first defensive possession, FC took over at their 25. On the first play, QB Blakely Sells hit Orion Cattrell on a play-action pass that covered 24 yards. A sweep left by Isaac Frederick covered 31 yards, and the Tigers looked good. Two plays later, Sells hit Frederick for a 13-yard strike. The PAT run by Sells made it 8-0 with 7:20 on the clock.

On the ensuing drive, Frederick got credit for a blocked punt, and big man Chase Simpson corralled the ball and rumbled four yards for the score. The conversion run by Sells put

the Bengals in front 16-0 with 5:26 to go in the first.

The Raiders ate clock and yardage on the following drive. Talbot worked down the field 76 yards and 12 plays to cut the lead in half, 16-8, with 11:40 to go in the half.

The Tigers responded with their own clock-management drive. FC marched down the field 80 yards in 11 plays, ending with a three-yard sneak by Sells. The PAT kick by Jaxten Jorgenson put FC in front 23-8 with just over six minutes to go in the half.

A fumble recovery on the following drive by Mason Collier gave FC the ball at the Raider 49. Frederick had his second TD three plays later, this time on a decisive three-yard run. The PAT was no good, and FC led 29-8 with 5:21 remaining on the clock.

The Tiger defense forced another punt, giving Sells and Company time to get to work. FC wasted no time driving down the field 73 yards in three plays to put

the Orange and Black in front 36-8 with 1:26 before intermission. On second and five at the 46, Sells hit a wide-open Cattrell sprinting down the right sideline for a 54-yard score.

Things went south for the Raiders on the following kickoff as FC recovered a pooch kick, setting them up at the Talbot 30-yard line. Four snaps later, Sells carried it up the middle for a one-yard score. The PAT kick by Jorgenson split the uprights, and the Tigers iced the contest, taking a 43-8 lead with :37 to go before the break.

With the clock running in the second half, neither team scored again, leaving FC with a dominating win, 43-8.

FC again led nearly every category in the contest. The Tigers had a 146-70 rushing advantage and a 194-63 upper hand through the air.

Frederick had his second straight 100-yard performance on the ground, rushing for 124 yards on 15

carries and scoring once. Sells did most of the passing, completing a remarkable 11-12 attempts for 194 yards and two scores. He also carried the ball nine times for 28 yards and a pair of TDs. Cattrell was the go-to man on Friday night in Omaha, catching seven passes for 159 yards and a score.

Defensively, the Tigers surrendered 133 total yards, 80 of them coming on the lone Raider scoring drive.

Tegan Alexander was active defensively, securing eight tackles, including a sack and three tackles for loss. Collier added seven stops, while Derek Helmick had six.

After two consecutive road contests to open the year, FC will host Conestoga on Friday at 7:00 p.m. at Jug Brown Stadium for homecoming. The Tigers will enter the game riding high at 2-0, while Class C-2 Conestoga is 0-2, with losses coming to Archbishop Bergan and Arlington.

Thank you, Community Medical Center!

With the need to grow childcare capacity and impending closure of Falls City's only childcare center, CMC was approved for a license and has assumed operations of the facility at 18th and Fulton. Special thanks to Falls City Sixpence, Communities 4 Kids, Nebraska DHHS, CMC Administration, and Sacred Heart Administration.

Without childcare services, parents are forced to stay home or move out of the community resulting in reduced community services.



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Tiger catcher Kenley Alexander patiently waits on the ball as the Freeman runner heads for home plate.

Tigers make a thrilling comeback to earn the win against Buena Vista

The tough luck continued on Tuesday night when the Lady Tiger softball team fell to Freeman 1-19, dropping to 0-10 for the season. Tuesday night's game was marred by unearned runs as the Tiger pitchers combined to allow just six earned runs in the four-inning contest.

Delaney Godemann opened the game in the circle, surrendering two hits and seven runs (three earned) while walking five in one inning of action. Jazzy Streckler came on in relief, scattering seven hits and twelve runs (three earned) over three innings of work. The Falls City fielders committed nine errors in the contest.

Using five walks and two errors, Freeman raced to a 7-0 lead after the first. The Tigers loaded the bases with no outs in the bottom of the first, but three consecutive strikeouts ended the frame with no runs crossing the plate. The Falcons added two runs in the second and ten in the fourth to secure the win.

FC's lone run came in the third frame. Godemann ripped a double past the third baseman to open the inning. After stealing third, Godemann scored on a sac fly, making it 1-9. The contest ended after four innings due to the run rule.

Streckler led the offense with two base hits, while Godemann went 1-1 with a double and a walk.

On Saturday, FC played in the Auburn Softball Tourney. The Lady Tigers drew Nebraska City in the first round, falling 0-15 in three innings.

FC had a pair of singles by Streckler and Brylee Liberty in the first inning, but consecutive strikeouts ended the threat. The Pioneers scored twice in the first and 13 times in the second to earn the win.

Godemann took the loss, allowing nine hits and 12 runs (six earned) over 1 1/3 innings.

Plattsmouth got the best of FC in game two, 12-0 in three innings. The Blue Devils plated five runs in the bottom of the first and never looked in the rear-view mirror. Plattsmouth added two in the second and five more in the third to get the win.

FC was out-hit 13-2 in the game. Malori Kuker and Bristol Titus each singled for Falls City. Streckler took the loss, going 2 1/3 innings, allowing 13 hits and 12 runs (ten earned).

In the seventh-place contest, FC bounced back in a big way, defeating Buena Vista 13-10 to earn their first win of the season.

The Bison raced out to a 7-0 lead after three, but Falls City stormed back for the win.

In the fourth, Schulenberg got FC going with a leadoff single. A follow-up base hit by Liberty and a fielder's choice by Godemann made it 1-7.

FC really got things turned up in the fifth. Reagan McNeely worked a walk to open the frame. A Schulenberg single and double by Liberty made it 2-8. Godemann followed up with an RBI single to make it 3-8, and a huge double by Kuker cut the lead to 5-8. The final run of the inning came when Kaydence Rego ground out to score Kuker, making it a two-run contest, 6-8.

The Bison tacked on two runs, but FC put together an amazing two-out rally in the sixth. Streckler began the comeback with a two-out single. A three-bagger by Schulenberg cut the lead to 7-10. Liberty followed it up with her second double, cutting the lead to two. An RBI single by Godemann and a double

by Kuker tied the contest at ten, but FC wasn't done. A walk by Rego and an RBI single by Titus gave FC the lead 11-10. Three consecutive walks led to two more runs, making it 13-10.

Buena Vista made it interesting in the bottom of the final inning, loading the bases with no outs. However, pitcher Jazzy Streckler settled down and struck out three straight batters to give FC the win.

The heart of the batting order came up big for FC on Saturday. Liberty finished 4-4 with two doubles and two RBI. Schulenberg went 3-5 with a triple, Kuker finished 3-4 with two doubles and three RBI and Godemann was 2-4 with three RBI.

FC, now 1-12, plays at Mid-Buchanan on Tuesday and will host the Falls City Tourney at the Fiedler Family Ball Complex on Saturday, with the Tiger's first game coming against Wilber-Clatonia at 10:00

Lady Titans take home opener

The HTRS Titan volleyball team made quick work of the Lewiston Tigers on Tuesday, September 3, at HTRS High School. The Titans swept the Tigers, 25-9, 25-12 and 25-17, to improve to 1-0 for the year.

The Titans had great success hitting the ball, finishing with 34 kills on 66 attempts for a .394 hitting percentage. Meanwhile, Lewiston struggled, converting just 5/53 kill attempts for a -.132 percentage. Elie Bstandig led the way for Coach Sikora with 14 kills. Lillian Bowen was close behind with nine, and Laramie Glathar added eight. Bstandig added six ace serves and 12 assists, while Glathar finished with six digs and 13 assists.

On Thursday in Falls City, the Titans fell to Johnson County Central in straight sets, 23-25 and 10-25. Bstandig led the attack against the T-Birds with seven kills, while Glathar had a team-best seven assists.

In the night's second match, HTRS fell to Falls City 25-21, 22-25 and 24-26. Macy Vrtiska finished with ten kills on 25 attempts, while Bstandig added nine kills on 18 tries. Glathar, Maddie Bredemeier and PJ Howe each had eight digs.

The Lady Titans competed in the Weeping Water

Lady Tiger split games at home triangular

The Falls City Lady Tiger volleyball squad improved to 2-2 last week, splitting a pair of home contests on Thursday evening. In the opener, FC fell to a strong Johnson County Central team in two sets, 13-25 and 7-25. The win improved the Thunderbirds to a perfect 5-0 to open the year.

The Lady Tigers struggled at the net on Thursday against JCC, finishing with a -.071 hitting percentage. FC finished the match with five kills and nine errors on 56 attempts. Meanwhile, the T-Birds were nearly unstoppable, finishing with 33 kills on 59 tries for a .508 hitting percentage.

Kaitlyn Kirkendall led the team with four ace serves, while freshman Bella Johansen had four kills to lead the FC attack. Paige Young finished with a team-best nine digs, while Taylor Kreifels added six. Kirkendall and Gabi Young each had two assists for Coach Allison Haines' squad.

Falls City got back on track in the second game of the evening, surviving a tough match against HTRS 21-25, 25-22 and 26-24 to get the win. HTRS led 19-22 in

the third set before FC mounted the comeback. Three straight points by the Lady Tigers tied the game at 22, but a service error by FC put the Titans back in front, 22-23. Trailing 22-24, FC closed the game with four straight points to earn the win. A hitting error by HTRS made it 24-24, and an ace serve by Carlea Dunkhas gave FC the 26-24 win.

The Tigers finished with a .038 hitting percentage, converting 18 of 79 kill attempts. Dunkhas led the way with seven kills, while Ella Glathar was next with four. Taylor Kreifels finished with a team-best four ace serves and 15 digs, while Gabi Young had a team-high 12 assists.

HTRS finished with 29 kills on 95 attempts, with Macy Vrtiska leading the way with 10 kills. Lillian Bowen added three ace serves, and Elie Bstandig added five assists.

The Tigers played at East Atchison on Monday, Elmwood-Murdock on Tuesday, and Sterling on Thursday, September 12, for a triangular versus the host school and Pawnee City.

Irish VB team looking for a spark

The Sacred Heart volleyball team finds itself at a point in the season where it could use a little spark to get things turned around. Sacred Heart dropped three of five matches last week and fell to 2-4 for the season.

The week began well for the Lady Irish as they traveled to Rock Port and earned a four-set win, 25-15, 21-25, 25-22 and 25-16.

The Irish looked to keep momentum going on Thursday when they hosted Bishop LeBlond. Instead, the Eagles swept the Irish 15-25, 13-25 and 15-25 and improved to 2-0.

On Saturday, September 7, SH traveled north to play in the Weeping Water Invitational. The Irish defeated Wilber-Clatonia in the day's first match in straight sets.

Next, Sacred Heart dropped a three-set match to Fort Calhoun, 20-25, 25-17 and 18-25.

In the day's final match, Sacred Heart fell to an undefeated Yutan team, 22-25 and 18-25.

Stats for the week were not provided. Sacred Heart played at 4-1 Diller-Odell on Tuesday, September 10 and at 2-3 Sidney, Iowa on Thursday.

Bohling scores six TDs to push Titans to victory

The HTRS Titan football team won its home opener on Friday night, defeating Omaha Christian Academy 52-38. It was slow out of the gates for both teams, as the first quarter ended in a 0-0 tie. With 6:37 on the clock, Hunter Bohling raced in for a four yard score to make it 6-0 Titans. OCA went down the field and quickly tied things up. Moments later, a TD by OCA made it 12-6 with 3:14 to go in the half.

A 30-yard TD pass from Bohling to Brogan Dunlap tied the game, and the PAT made it 14-12 with 1:38 to play in the half.

The third quarter opened with a bang as Bohling took the second-half kickoff for a 69-yard TD. The PAT made it 22-12.

After OCA botched the kickoff, HTRS scored quickly again. This time, Bohling went 18 yards for the score, making it 30-12 with 9:28 to play in the third. OCA stormed back, cutting the lead to 30-

24, but Bohling broke free for another score, this time from 37 yards out, to put HTRS in front 38-24 at the end of the third.

Bohling added a 27-yard run for a score to open the fourth, putting the Titans comfortably in front 46-24.

The final HTRS score came when Bohling broke free for a 25-yard TD on a busted play, making it 54-24 with 10:25 to play.

Bohling had a fantastic game for the Titans, rushing 25 times for 276 yards and five touchdowns. Dunlap led the receivers with four grabs for 82 yards and a score.

Defensively, Emmett Glathar led the way with nine tackles, while Bohling finished with eight stops.

Kameon Dettman and Axton Wamsley each had interceptions for the Titan defense.

The 1-1 Titans play the 0-2 Deshler Dragons in Deshler on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

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Commissioners hear report from Cooper about plans to transition to IPAWS

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the Commissioners on the business within the Law Enforcement Center. It was reported that the State Jail Standards will be doing the annual inspection of the facility during this month.

Sheriff Hardesty gave stats on the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" grant period of August 16 through September 2 in which there were a total of 509 total calls received which includes 48 arrests made (seven from other agencies and 41 from the Sheriff Office and 363 traffic stops. The total statistics for August were calls for service at 1,028 which includes 562 traffic stops, 58 arrests (10 from other agencies and 48 from Sheriff Office).

The Sheriff's Department will be revisiting the possibility of getting approved as a secondary PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point—a type of call center where the public's telephone calls for first responders—such as police, fire department, or emergency medical services/ambulance are received and handled) option.

Hardesty said it was disappointing they were not approved to be a secondary PSAP, but it was understandable. He understands that the committee wants to have regulations in place, but would still like to revisit it.

He said he hears that people think "we're going backwards," because there is a push to regionalize everything, but in the case of the PSAP situation the Sheriff explained that he would like those calls to continue to be local in the case of callers referred to local landmarks such as "Prichard Corner."

Hardesty said another issue is that there is talk of legislation making dispatchers just dispatchers meaning they would not be allowed to run jail doors or cameras which could be a very serious matter. It would be a matter of making it so if you're hired to do dispatch you're strictly dispatch, and you're not allowed to do anything with the jail.

"We would need to look into this and see how this works," said Hardesty.

The board said they would discuss that at a later meeting.

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director met with the Board to review the grant application for the State of NE Emergency Program grant funding (EMPG).

The Board approved the 2024 EMPG job description and salary verification form to provide with the Fiscal Year 2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) sub-recipient application form in which \$72,491.51 is being requested by Richardson County EMA.

Kimberly Tanner, Emergency Preparedness Offsite Coordinator with the Cooper Nuclear Station at Brownville, NE presented to the Board a report on the station which included their plans to transition to the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS), which is FEMA's national system for local alerting that provides authenticated emergency and life-saving information to the public through mobile phones using Wireless Emergency Alerts, to radio and television via the Emergency Alert System, and on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Weather Radio. This will eventually eliminate NPPD to no longer maintain sirens located in the 10-mile radius of Cooper Nuclear Station which impacts Shubert and the Indian Cave State Park.

Ian Shada of Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. met with the Board to review the employee health insurance needs and current options of coverage. Shada informed the Board that he could prepare a quote for coverage options that Alliant offers for review and consideration at renewal.

Joseph Harry of Beacon Bid requested to visit with the Board via teleconference regarding the services that they have to offer with assisting public entities with the solicitation of obtaining bids for supplies and services, etc. The Board relayed to Harry that Richardson County would not have a need for these services at this time.

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees collected during the month of August, 2024: Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk, \$112.75; Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds, \$11,036.00; Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist. Court, \$1,581.00.

Jerry Pigsley was appointed as special legal counsel to represent Richardson County for Case No 1569 with the Court of Industrial Relations filed by the NE Association of Public Employees/AFSCME Local 61, Road Department Union.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Karas. The Board held the Public Budget Hearing on Tuesday, Sept. 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. for the regular weekly meeting. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

OBITUARIES

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(CHECK ONLINE FOR LATE OBITUARIES THAT DIDN'T MAKE THIS WEEK'S PRINT EDITION)

Dean Edward Bogle

Dean Edward Bogle was born the seventh of eight children of Julius and Ila Bogle on May 22, 1940 in Mound City, MO. The family relocated to Auburn, NE when Dean was young. He attended Auburn Public Schools, graduating with the class of 1958. Dean was a hard worker all his life starting full-time employment at age 13, working at Midway Grocery store after school and on weekends.

Following high school graduation, Dean attended barber school in Omaha. He began his barbering career in Falls City, NE, eventually owning his own barber shop on Stone Street, in the Falls City business district.

In June 1961, Dean married Sharon Norvell, and they enjoyed 63 years of marriage. Their married life started in Falls City, where their daughter, Dena, and son, Delyn were born and raised.

A life-long entrepreneur, Dean sold his barber shop and opened the Sears & Roebuck store where you could pick up your Sears catalog orders and buy Kenmore appliances. Always a car guy, his trusty appliance delivery van was fondly named Gentle Ben.

While owning the Sears store, Dean began selling Allstate insurance, a Sears company, along with other lines as an independent agent.

After he sold the Sears store, he continued as an independent insurance agent until he was recruited to work at Falls City Meat Company, also known as Mickleberry Meats. Dean worked in a variety of roles in bookkeeping, eventually serving as General Manager. After leaving Falls City Meat Company, Dean was hired as General Manager of Woodings Verona Tool Works, a Budd Company, which made striking tools such as sledgehammers and axes. He helped establish and operate the Woodings plant in the south industrial park in Falls City.



Dean left Woodings to return to owning his own business, purchasing the NAPA Auto Parts store located in Humboldt, NE in 1984. Dean ran the store until his retirement in 2002, working six days a week, selling auto parts for 18 years.

Dean was actively involved in community service in both Falls City and Humboldt. Dean was an active member of the Falls City Jaycees for several years. He served on the board, as Vice President, President, and State Vice President. Dean extended several new chapters in southeast Nebraska as the State Vice President.

Dean worked in the press box for the Falls City Public Schools during football season. Taught middle school Sunday School at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and served on the church council.

He served on the Chamber of Commerce boards in Falls City and Humboldt. Dean was a member of the Economic Development Industrial Committee of Falls City and was a 60-year member of the Falls City Elks Lodge.

He was a member of Humboldt Shares, a board member and past President of Humboldt Lions Club and served as chairman of the Pawnee Area Regional Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Dean served a five-year term on the board of directors of Colonial Acres Nursing Home and a five-year term on the board of River Country Economic Development. Dean was chairman of the Humboldt START Committee for two years. Through community input, Humboldt identified a need for adult recreation in the area which led to the development of Kirkman's Cove Golf Course. He was the founder and driving force for the Quad County Golf Association and served as president from 1991 to 1998. He also served on the Humboldt Community Foundation, another achievement of the START program.

Dean was recognized for his community development work in both Richardson County communities where he lived, worked, and volunteered. Dean received the Falls City Distinguished Service Award from the Falls City Jaycees and received the Community Service Award from the Humboldt Rotary. Dean was also honored as King, Richardson County Fair, in 1999 for his community contributions.

Dean served on the board of the Quad County Historical & Research Society in Humboldt, where he helped establish the Fourth of July Car Show, and proudly shared his restored 1940 Fords and his convertibles with car enthusiasts. He was instrumental in applying for and obtaining the Historic District designation for Humboldt Square. Dean served on the Humboldt City Council.

Family was always first. Dean was preceded in death by his parents, Julius and Ila Bogle; his in-laws, Laverne and Helen Norvell, and all seven of his siblings, brothers, Wilbur, Robert, Harley, Loyd; sisters, Ialine Critser, Idaline Wrightsman, and Donna Stricklett; in-laws, Dorothy Bogle, Shirley Bogle, CaroLee Bogle, Alan Wrightsman, Justin Critser, and Lorren Stricklett; three nephews, Michael Bogle, Mark Sharp, and Robert "Lee" Bogle; one niece, Kathy Wrightsman Barron.

Left to treasure his memory are his wife, Sharon Bogle, Humboldt, NE; daughter, Dena Bogle Stevenson (friend, Jim), Auburn, NE; son and daughter-in-law, Delyn (Betsy) Bogle, Cameron, MO; grandchildren Corbin (Andrea) Bogle, Morton, IL; Taylor Bogle, Des Moines, IA; Darby (Logan) Eggers, Huntington Beach, CA; Ivy Bogle (fiancé, Nat), Storm Lake, IA; Paxton Bogle, Cameron, MO; great granddaughters Nelta & Nora Bogle, Morton, IL; Bonus Grandkids; Shelley Stevenson Ball (Brad), Omaha, NE; and Ryne Stevenson (fiancé, Jessica), Prospect Park, PA; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

A funeral service was held Friday, September 6, 2024, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Auburn, officiated by Rev. Jackie Gfeller. Taylor Bogle was soloist and Edith Schlange played accompaniment. Serving as casket bearers were Randy Bogle, Rick Bogle, Paul Bogle, Jim Joe Bogle, Wendell Bogle, and Frank Critser. Honorary bearers were Kevin Burnison, Jerry Brannen, Duaine Stalder, and Dick Ogle. Burial followed in Sheridan West Cemetery at Auburn.

Services were entrusted to Hemmingsen Funeral Home of Auburn.

Lawrence "Bo" Kirkendall

Lawrence "Bo" Kirkendall, 80 of Falls City, NE, passed away August 30, 2024 at Falls City. He was born August 15, 1944 at Falls City to Dale and Loretta (Goddard) Kirkendall.

He married Janice Prior on September 6, 1964 at Falls City. She passed away April 24, 2018.

Bo was raised at Falls City and graduated from Falls City High School in 1964. Following graduation, he started farming with his father. He was a life-long farmer. He passed his love of farming and horses onto his son, grandson and granddaughter. In later years he worked at Airlanco retiring from there in August of 2009. His greatest joy though was spreading Christmas cheer and bringing Santa Clause to all the local Falls City and Richardson County children. His Santa Claus schedule was filled from Thanksgiving to Christmas Eve and New Years and sometimes in the summer months. He was uptown in the Little Red Santa house for many a night making sure to get all the Christmas requests from the kids and checking to see if they were naughty or nice. He spread the Christmas spirit for 45 years. He was a member of First Christian Church and was a deacon, elder

and board member. He was also a member of the Elks Lodge, Saddle Club and Quarter Horse Association.

Bo is survived by his sons, Scott and his wife Karen of Urbandale, IA, Brian and his wife Roberta of Falls City, brother, Norman and his wife Theresa of Wichita, KS, sisters, Roxane Darveaux of Valley Falls, KS, Donna Stumbo of Falls City, NE, grandchildren, Lucas Kirkendall and his fiancé, Savannah Grant and Hannah Kirkendall both of Falls City and a great-grandson, Holden James Kirkendall of Falls City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, a grandson, Jacob Wayne Kirkendall and a sister, Sondra Bryan.

His funeral was held on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 10:30 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Pastor Grant Speece officiated. Interment was in Steele Cemetery.

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

Viewing began on Thursday afternoon at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

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Thursday, September 12
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Friday, September 13
NO SCHOOL-Fair Day
Monday, September 16
Mini Corndogs, Garlic Noodles, Carrot, Pears, No Bake Cookie, Milk
Tuesday, September 17
Chicken Tenders, Mashed potatoes & Gravy, Mandarin Oranges, Roll, Milk

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Wednesday, September 11
Pepperoni Bake Sandwiches, Fruit & Vegetable Bar, Texas Cake, Milk
Thursday, September 12
NO SCHOOL-Fair Day
Friday, September 13
NO SCHOOL-Fair Day
Monday, September 16
Toasted Pizza Sandwich, Corn, Fruit & Veggie Bar, Milk
Tuesday, September 17
Ham Patty, Green Beans, Fruit & Veggie Bar, Milk

Falls City Public Schools

Wednesday, September 11
North & South School: Pizza, lettuce Salad, Cherry Star, Pears, Vanilla Pudding, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Pizza, Lettuce Salad, Mixed Fruit, Vanilla Pudding, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Pizza, Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Vanilla Pudding, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Chicken Strips, Seasoned Fries, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, 8ounce Milk

Thursday, September 12
North & South School: Chicken Alfredo, Cooked Carrots, Broccoli, Applesauce, Breadstick, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Chicken Alfredo, Cooked Carrots, Pineapple, French Bread, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Chicken Alfredo, Peas & Carrots, Fruit, French Bread, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Cheeseburger Sandwich, French Fries, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, 8ounce Milk

Friday, September 13
NO SCHOOL
FAIR DAY

Monday, September 16
North & South School: Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Apple Juice, Biscuit, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Peach Cup, Biscuit, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Fruit Cup, Biscuit, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Pizza Slice, Chips, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, 8ounce Milk

Tuesday, September 17
North & South School: Fish Sticks, French Fries, Green Beans, Peaches, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Fish Sticks, Au Gratin Potatoes, Broccoli, Mixed Fruit, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Rib Patty Sandwich, Macaroni & Cheese, Green beans, Fruit, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Crispitos, Curly Fries, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, 8ounce Milk

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Early League results for September 3, 2024.

Team 1 (8.00) Kurpgeweit, Lee 42-34; Foster, Tim 46-36. Team 2 (0.00) Liberty, Brandon 43-40; McNeely, Erik 47-39.

Team 3 (8.00) May, Mark 41-31; Simon, Mike 45-30. Team 7 (0.00) Kopf, Tom 50-40; Bennett, Chuck 50-39.

Team 4 (0.50) Hays, Gary 42-37; Vorseggern, Bill 45-33. Team 6 (7.50) Heinzelman, Denny 43-33; Romine, Alan 45-33.

Team 5 (0.50) Daake, Brian 40-33; Hankins, Dan 46-36. Team 8 (7.50) James, Charles 38-29; Mullins, Jim 48-36.

Late League results for Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

Team 1 (4.00) Dunn, Joe 40-38; Malone, Kevin 48-38; Merz, Mitch 65-38. Team 10 (6.00) Gist, Dick 41-36; Witt, Weston (F); Craig, Robbie 47-31.

Team 2 (5.00) Simon, Steve 36-36; Gilkerson, Keith 44-36; Chesnut, Justin 51-43. Team 9 (5.00) Simon, Dan 42-38; Harmon, Galen 49-40; Gooch, Blake 45-33.

Team 3 (4.00) Bachman, Eli 38-36; Poppe, Brian 42-34; Jordening, Ron 52-39. Team

8 (6.00) Kirkendall, Jeremy 35-32; Liberty, Brandon 43-40; Witt, Rich 48-36.

Team 4 (8.00) Montgomery, Carter (F); Dunkhas, Gale (F); Keller, Bart (F). Team 7 (2.00) Siel, Jake (F); Aitken, Bob (F); Fiegenger, Jarod (F).

Team 5 (4.50) Daake, Brian 43-37; Ferguson, Don 44-36; Malcolm, Terry 46-34. Team 6 (5.50) Witt, Tom 36-32; Froeschl, Ethan 51-42; Buckminster, Blake 52-34.

Team 11 (8.50) Davis, Darin 39-34; McNeely, John. 42-34; Leyden, Derrick 52-38. Team 19 (1.50) Hill, Dan 43-35; Ebel, Bryce 45-37; McNeely, Erik 45-37.

Team 12 (8.00) VanDyke, Kyle 45-36; Witt, Wade 47-36; Scheitel, Lane 63-47. Team 18 (2.00) Froeschl, Nathan 44-36; Heckenlively, Tim 50-39; Waller, Doug (F).

Team 13 (3.50) Gerweck, Rob 43-37; Courtney, Justin 51-39; Meysenburg, Fr. James 49-37. Team 17 (6.50) Craig, Jake 49-38; Kopf, Tom 45-31; Dunn, Mike 55-40.

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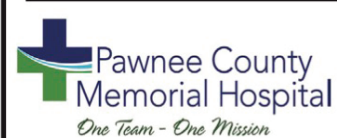
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How to incorporate tech into a farming business

The agricultural industry long has been a vital part of society, providing foods for billions of people across the globe. Farming can be a challenging profession, and farmers routinely find creative solutions to overcome obstacles to effective production. Thanks to technology, finding solutions has become that much easier.

Yet not every farmer who is set in his or her ways is ready to welcome changes that incorporate technology right away. In fact, reluctance to turn over operations in some part to artificial intelligence or smart technologies could be due in part to farming being such a nuanced skill and the role intuition plays in the growth of crops. The following are some ways for seasoned and novice farmers to seamlessly incorporate technology into their operations.

Start with peripheral tech

Farmers can begin implementing technology that does not directly relate to farming operations. Examples include switching to efficient and intuitive accounting and payroll systems to save time. If a farm also includes a retail enterprise, such as a farmers market, upgrading point-of-sale technology, like credit card readers or e-commerce websites for new revenue potential, can be good a good starting point.

Assess operation weaknesses

Figure out where the business is lacking and could use some help. Perhaps you're having difficulty maintaining adequate irrigation or plant nutrition is compromised due to soil deficits? Precision automation farming advancements that employ remote sensors can assess conditions and fine tune adjustments to alleviate these issues.

Get training

Novel technologies can increase crop yield and make for more efficient use of limited resources. However, people who may never have employed drones, IoT devices or soil sensors can expect a learning curve. Visiting a nearby farm operation to learn how they have implemented technology and gaining hands-on experience can be invaluable. In addition, request that a tech vendor provide thorough instruction on products to make it easier to seamlessly integrate new technology into an agriculture business.

Tap into workforce talent

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations says agriculture and food production accounts for 28 percent of the entire global workforce. There are more than 570 million smallholder farms worldwide. Technology can be utilized by agricultural businesses to zero in on intelligent and qualified employees who can take operations to the next level. Websites like Glassdoor, Indeed and ZipRecruiter remain helpful tools when looking for qualified job candidates. The internet is an essential employment resource, and farms can utilize it to acquire new hires.

Agricultural businesses can explore various ways to gradually and seamlessly make technology part of their operations.

Tips for safer farming

Tractor accidents, grain entrapment and injuries from ornery livestock are just some of the dangers agricultural workers face every day. In fact, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health says agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries in the United States.

In 2016, the agricultural industry had a rate of 21.4 deaths per 100,000 workers, and each day agricultural workers experienced 100 non-fatal, lost-work-time injuries.

Agricultural dangers are not limited to North America. In Ireland, farm accidents have increased by 13 percent in the last five years and by 31 percent in the last decade, according to a national survey of farm accidents conducted by the Teagasc National Farm Survey. Furthermore, 97 percent of all farm accident victims required medical treatment.

Farms are dangerous places, and while carelessness can and does contribute to many incidents, accidents also take place during routine, seemingly safe activities. These farm safety guidelines can help lower the risk of injuries.

- Know farm equipment. Read and follow all instructions in the equipment operation manuals. In addition, attend local farm safety workshops to learn more about specific equipment and products.

- Conduct routine safety checks. Look around buildings and grounds for obvious hazards, such as fire hazards and hazardous materials, including farm chemicals that are not stored correctly.

- Practice cleanliness. Maintain clean and neat work areas with tools stored properly and out of the way after use.

- Be mindful of your clothing and hair. Many accidents involve a power take-off system, or PTO, which is a common component of large rotary mowers, tractors and forage choppers. Clothing can easily get caught in an engaged but unguarded PTO stub. It's easy for laces or coveralls to become wrapped around a spinning stub shaft. The PTO driveline and other protrusion points also can be dangerous if people do not pay attention.

- Use rollover protection structures. ROPS can be used on tractors and other equipment to prevent injuries. In addition, wear seat belts and employ other safety equipment as advised.

- Avoid extra passengers. It can be tempting to take the kids for a spin, but do not allow additional passengers to ride on agricultural equipment.

- Exercise caution when handling chemicals. Take extra precautions when handling any chemicals, including pesticides.

- Wear protective gear. Wear appropriate gear and equipment as outlined by NIOSH or the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Make sure the skin, feet, ears, eyes, and hands are protected at all times.

- Employ lock out/tag out control. This is a process where one can work on equipment only after every energy source has been controlled, such as hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanical, and electrical, according to Rural Mutual Insurance Company. Turning off equipment and using certain controls or locks on devices can prevent equipment from restarting before it is safe to do so.

Farm safety should be a priority for owners, their families and employees so that agricultural injuries can be reduced.

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