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THURS., DEC. 19

9AM-4PM: Frontier Bank Open House

TUES., DEC. 24

4:30PM: Communion & Candlelight Service at First Presbyterian Church.

6:30PM: Prairie Union Baptist Church Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

6:30PM: Shubert Christian Church Christmas Eve Service

The Post Office has a new phone number. Check last week's paper for details!

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December 24 paper: Deadline December 19 by 10AM.

December 31 paper: Deadline Thursday, December 26 by 9:00PM.

January 8 paper: Deadline Thursday, January 2 by 3:00PM. Via email.

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Falls City overcomes October storm thanks to hard work and support

Though the scars can still be seen and some families are still picking up the pieces, most of the city of Falls City, has recovered from the October 30, 2024 "straight line wind event" that left significant damage in its wake. The storm primarily impacted the city's electrical infrastructure, leaving many residents without power. Thanks to the combined efforts of city crews, neighboring utilities, and community stakeholders, power was restored to all services by 8:40 p.m. the evening of November 3.

The storm caused widespread damage, affecting both in-town and rural areas. Crews had to rebuild approximately 2,055 feet of electrical infrastructure within the city limits, including repairs on Industrial Road, Wilson/McLean, 26th and McLean, and East 9th, Frosty Queen and Four Corners and numerous streetlight drops.

In rural areas, approximately 1,740 feet of infrastructure needed to be rebuilt, with repairs necessary on 703 Loop, 650 Avenue, 656 Avenue, and Highway 159.

The extent of the damage required the replacement of eight transformers and 23 poles, with five more pole replacements still pending. Additionally, around 100 services were damaged, necessitating the restringing of 1,500 feet of secondary lines.

City departments worked tirelessly in the aftermath of the storm, logging over 1,200 man-hours in the first five days of cleanup and repair efforts. This rapid response was bolstered by the crucial support of mutual aid partners.

The Auburn Board of Public Works contributed 117 hours of assistance, sending five line-men, two bucket trucks, and a digger derrick. Nebraska City Utilities also provided support, contributing 186 hours with nine linemen, two bucket trucks, a digger derrick, and a service truck.

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Journal holiday deadlines, print schedule and hours

The deadline for the December 24, 2024, paper will be Thursday, December 19 at 10:00 a.m. The paper will be sent off early for print, so please plan accordingly.

The office will be closed on Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25. The deadline for the December 31, 2024, paper will be Thursday, December 26 by 9:00 p.m. via email to Nikki or Brian (see Page 2). The paper will be sent off early for print, so please plan accordingly.

The office will be closed on Tuesday, December 31, and remain closed through the week. The staff will be working from home and on the road, but will

accept ads and information via email. The deadline for the January 8 paper will be Thursday, January 2 by 3:00 p.m. Some late ads may be accepted via email to Nikki or Brian if sent by Sunday morning. Please plan ahead.

The Journal office will operate on a "flex schedule," for the foreseeable future outside of holidays.

Sometimes the office may need to close if staff needs to be away for appointments, meetings or events or we step away for periods of time in the morning or afternoon and return later. Brian and Nikki are accessible most nights and weekends via email. Please see page two for email

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LOCAL LETTERS TO SANTA



At the tip of the North Pole resides a jolly man who collects letters from children asking him to deliver all of their hearts' desires. Although Santa Claus does a thorough job of making sure children's treats are delivered, sometimes he needs assistance with reading and responding to the thousands upon thousands of letters sent to him each year. The Journal was able to intercept some of these letters from years past and this year before they made their way up to the big man himself.

1981

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Barbie swimming pool and sock, shirt and a lot of other thing but I cant name them all of it would take the hole pad how is Mrs. Santa I hope she is doing well and how are you of coures I hope you don't get sick before and have to have somebody els take your place. I have been good.

Love Kim

Dear Santa

I would like 1. Baby Buggy 2. Wagon 3. Doll 4. Doll House 5. Cowboy Boots 6. Lipstick

Love Candace

Dear Santa,

I would like a Stomper 4x4, and a pair of cover-alls. So I would like to know how the elves are doing, and how Mrs. Clause is doing, and how the reindeer are doing. Merry Christmas!

Love Gary.

Dear Santa

I have been a good girl. I would leik a Strawberry Shortcake Doll and orange blossom and lemonmeri. I also wat apricot and her babe and the Bake Shop.

Ruth Ann

PS I will lef you som cookys

Dear Santa,

I wanta record player, a game called rabbitt, and a doll called Pretty Cut and Grow. My brother Jeff wants a race car set, a MacBath and box of colors also (??) my friend Cory something nice.

Thank you
Love Lisa

Dear Santa,

I want bunk beds with ladder, a doll, games

Kendee

1997

Dear Santa,

Hi, this is Shayla Dunn. would like to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a giga pet, a lava lamp, a Hanson cd or cass., a CD player, errings, smile face, yin yang, or peace sign neckless. Well I better go. Bye. Tell Mrs. Claus and the elves that I said hi.

Your friend, Shayla

Dear Santa,

Hi, this is Evan Dunn. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a bb gun and bbs and a target. I two walky talky. I also want some jeans I want a K C shirt and a cornhusker shirt, a go kart. I want a nike hat, some toy cars. And some 22 shells.

Your friend, Evan

Dear Santa,

My name is Peyton and I live in Shubert. My mom says I've been pretty good all year and help her alot around the house too. For Christmas this year, I would like you to bring me Barbie and Ginger, A Barbie van, and other Barbie things. I will go to bed early on Christmas Eve and leave you a treat for when you stop by.

Peyton Kucker
Age 4

P.S. Could you also bring something for my new puppy, Samantha?

Dear Santa Claus,

I would very much like to have the Winnie Pooh play gym set. Not only can I lie under it but when I get older it converts into a toddler toy. I'd also like to have the Winnie the Pook crib mirror. It plays lullabies and Winnie the Pooh and friends dance across the mirror. I am really looking forward to seeing you since this will be my first Christmas.

Thank you. Teara Ramer

Dear Santa Claus,

I would very much like to have the remote control Tonka dump truck. It is a yellow dump truck. I would also like to have lots of dinosaurs. I love dinosaurs. My favorite movie is Jurrasic Park but don't bring that because I already have it.

Thank you.
Trae Ramer

P.S. Will you tell the reindeer that I said hellow and I have some special straw mix for then when they arrive at my house.

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Giga Pet. A Giga Pet Dog. I would also like Pick Me Up Baby. She talks when you pick her up. I would also like a nail kit so that I can make my nails pretty. How is Mrs. Claus doing?

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WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

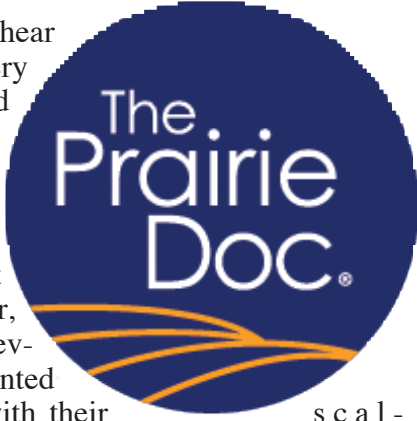
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Prairie Doc

“Plastic Surgery: Transforming Lives Inside and Out”

By Jill Kruse, DO

When many people hear the term plastic surgery images of Hollywood stars trying to fight back the effects of aging come to mind. It is easy to assume that plastic surgeons just deal in vanity. However, that would minimize everything that these talented surgeons accomplish with their scal-



pels. The term “Plastic Surgery” comes from the Greek term “Plastikos” meaning “to shape or form.” Plastic surgeons work to form or change the outward appearance of people for a variety of reasons. They work on reconstructing how a person looks after having a disfiguring injury such as a severe burn or major trauma. They can also help with patients who have had an amputation. The goal is to try to give the person the appearance closer to what they had prior to the injury or minimize the outward appearance of damage.

For patients who were born with cleft lip and/or palate, plastic surgeons perform surgeries to close the defects in the lip and roof of the mouth that did not close properly prior to the patient being born. These abnormalities can make eating and speech development difficult. Plastic surgeons will often need to perform a series of surgeries to slowly repair and restore the appearance and function of the lips, nose, and mouth.

Women who have suffered from breast cancer may elect to have surgeries to repair or replace the breast tissue that was removed in order to remove the cancer to save their life. After major weight loss, many patients have excess skin folds that do not go away when the weight is lost. The extra abdominal skin can hang down like an apron and chafe surrounding skin as well as get skin infections. Plastic surgery can be performed to remove this excess skin.

Whether for cosmetic or reconstructive reasons, the surgeon’s job is the same. Their job is to help improve how someone feels about their appearance and improve function. What may seem like a minor issue to a stranger could be the only thing that patient sees when the look in the mirror. While we say beauty is only skin deep, many people have been teased or criticized for the way they look. Plastic surgery can change this if the patient desires.

The plastic surgeon can help change the outward appearance of a person to help them feel more confident and comfortable with their body. The various applications of their skills are so numerous, that it is hard to list them all. In the hands of a skilled plastic surgeon, the transformation goes far beyond appearances, helping patients reclaim their confidence, functionality, and quality of life. Thus, plastic surgeons truly can transform lives both inside and out.

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All things Nebraska Traveling’s greatest gifts are the people you meet

By Paul Hammel, Retired Senior Reporter for Nebraska Examiner
My family has always loved to travel.

Whether it was camping trips, a road trip to the 1967 World’s Fair in Montreal, or a drive to the Black Hills to see relatives, we could put some miles on the family car.

My dad was exposed early to international travelers.

The family farm hosted agricultural exchange visitors from France and India. My dad served in Japan during the Korean War, so he’d seen a far flung part of the world, and befriended a family there who later sent a daughter to live with us one summer.

Traveling introduces you to different areas of the world, but one of the greatest gifts is encountering interesting people, who invariably give you the memories you recall most.

Which brings us to “The Chach.”

On a recent visit to Chicago to visit a European-style Christmas Market (much cheaper than jumping on an eight-hour plane ride across the Atlantic), we were in search of supper.

Our smart phones told us that just a couple of blocks away was a restaurant that featured deep-dish, Chicago-style pizza, something the city is known for.

Soon after being ushered to a booth in the back of the place, a short, stooped-over, 70ish man waddled up to the table, informing us that we were “in luck” because he was famous.

“Just Google it. ‘The Chach,’” he said. “I’ve been here for 40 years. People from all over the world come to see me.”

Quite an introduction from a gruff-looking guy whose back was bent over, presumably, by decades of hoisting plates of pizza and pasta.

Sure enough, if you Google “The Chach,” you find out that he’s an icon in downtown Chicago, a famed dispenser of relationship advice and life philosophies, who takes credit for helping successfully pair nearly 300 couples.

“I’m a life changer,” he said.

Over maybe 90 minutes at Pizano’s Pizza and Pasta, we learned that Joe “The Chach” Chacho had been mentored by 10 Greek and Sicilian aunts who gave him a yearly quiz on life lessons they’d related to him over the dinner table.

“Be yourself,” The Chach said, “because everyone else is taken.”

“Live in the moment,” he advised, because you never know what the future might hold.

“Lead with goodness and kindness.”

When listening, make sure you’re looking at who is speaking.

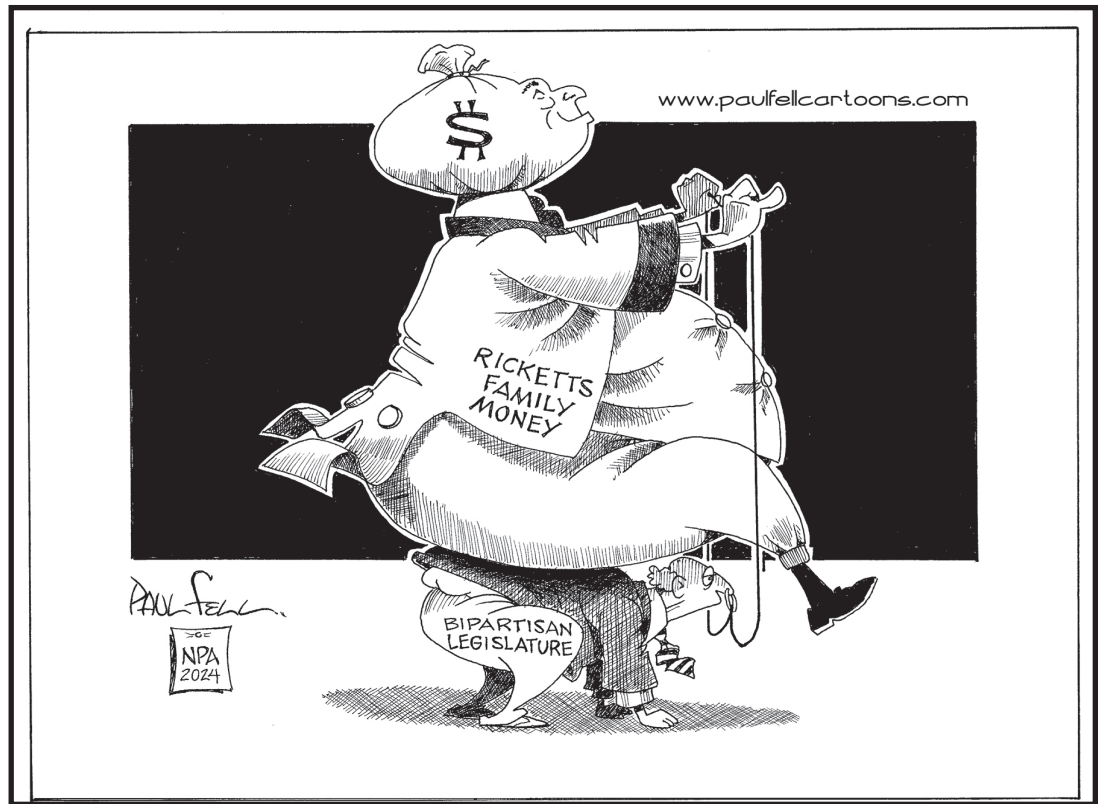
The Chach poured out his life story and his guiding philosophies as he leaned over our table.

We learned that he was a Nebraska football fan as he rattled off names of some of the star Huskers of the past, Jerry Tagge, Jeff Kinney, Johnny Rogers.

He used to sing in the choir at old St. Patrick’s Church in Chicago; used to work two jobs, a city job during the day and as a waiter at night; he now works five nights a week, and takes the bus to and from the restaurant.

We also learned that The Chach had been “left at the altar” by one loved one, and had given up on finding a spouse in his 50s, though he didn’t express one breath of regret. “I have the biggest family in the world,” he said, referring to his many fans and customers.

As he spoke, he autographed



the sheet of paper covering our table:

“The Chach. God Bless the Huskers. La Familia forever.”

Not everyone gets to join La Familia, The Chach explained. Some people are “un-Chachifiable,” some are pieces of “you know what,” he said.

We just sat mesmerized listening to his rapid-fire, entertaining monologue that continued long after our pizza was delivered to our table. “Chachification,” is what he calls it.

Once, his performance was interrupted by a middle-aged woman, who had stopped to say “hello” to the legendary waiter. Another time, The Chach excused himself so he could go sing “Happy Birthday” at a table across the room.

There were plenty of sights to see in Chicago, some great shows and some shops you can’t find around here.

But it’s the people not the places that are most memorable, including one incredible new friend, “The Chach.”

Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He retired in April as senior contributor with the Nebraska Examiner. He was previously with the Omaha World-Herald, Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha Sun. A native of Ralston, Nebraska, he loves traveling and writing about the state.

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: FAMOUS ACTORS

ACROSS

1. QA’s focus, pl.
5. “Swan Lake” steps
8. Evite request, acr.
12. Long stories
14. Final, abbr.
15. Opposite of neo-
16. Synagogue scroll
17. Poseidon’s domain
18. One-eighty
19. *Mary Poppins and Maria von Trapp
21. *Vivian Ward and Erin Brockovich
23. Kum Ba follower
24. Cry out loud
25. Stolen, slangily
28. Greek salad cheese
30. Popular clubs of the 1970s
35. Chimpanzees, e.g.
37. Porcine fat
39. Great divide
40. Cat o’ how many tails?
41. Podium, pl.
43. Dead against
44. Work the dough
46. Urban haze
47. Manner of walk
48. Parlor piece
50. Riyadh native, e.g.
52. Sixth note
53. Common fairway club
55. Brewed beverage
57. *Red” Redding and Nelson Mandela
61. *Ricky Bobby and Buddy
65. Beat the Joneses
66. Outrage
68. Adjust, as laces
69. Tears violently
70. Anointment liquid
71. Talks and talks and talks
72. a.k.a. Operation Neptune
73. “Just kidding!”
74. Billy Joel’s “___ Always a Woman”

DOWN

1. Between Phi and Kappa
2. Second word in a fairytale
3. Encircle
4. Like Freddy Krueger, e.g.
5. Boot-wearing feline
6. Draft pick
7. Impolite look
8. Miles per hour, e.g.
9. Insult
10. Between bleu and jaune
11. Connection between brain and spinal cord
13. Bundle of wheat
15. Like certain libraries
20. Pup
22. Hemingway’s “The ___ Man and the Sea”
24. Railyard worker
25. *Forrest Gump and Jimmy Dugan
26. Offer two cents
27. Doctrine
29. New Mexico town
31. Deep pile carpet
32. Atlantic Ocean/Pacific Ocean waterway, e.g.
33. Ostium, pl.
34. *Violet Crawley and Minerva McGonagall
36. Center of authority
38. “The New Look” main character
42. September stone
45. Phobos’ brother, Greek mythology
49. Time period
51. *Catwoman and “Jinx” Johnson
54. Vidalia one
56. Regions
57. *Han Solo and Indiana Jones
58. Wished undone
59. Europe’s highest volcano
60. *Nelson, star of 8 films with Jeanette MacDonald
61. Matted wool
62. Write on tombstone, e.g.
63. Facebook button
64. More is ___?
67. Duran Duran’s 1982 album

CROSSWORD grid with numbered starting points for across and down clues.

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From the Journal Files By Brian McKim 75-50-25 Years Ago

75 Years Ago, December 18, 1949 to December 24, 1949

Due to heavy traffic in the block, the Falls City Police Department ordered no parking on the west side of Harlan Street between 14th and 15th. Residents protested the ban at the next Council meeting, stating there was nowhere for residents or business owners of the affected area to park or unload supplies. City officials promised to look into the situation to alleviate the issues. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Zorn, Floyd McCarty, Mrs. A.B. Kirk, and Mrs. Elizabeth Krause appeared before the Board.

In Barada news, pupils and teachers were preparing a Christmas program they planned to give on December 23. A birthday dinner was also given for Leonard Ramer and Mrs. Sarah Gilbert at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ora Ramer.

Edde Motors advertised a 1937 Plymouth for \$99.00 and a 1941 Chevy Truck for \$199.00.

A.F. Rears of Stella sold 47 hogs, averaging 215 pounds, in St. Joseph for \$15.25 per hundredweight.

Firemen were called to extinguish a blaze in James Stafford's car. The fire was caused by a short in a cigarette lighter while the car was parked at 16th and Harlan St.

"The Wizzard of Oz" was showing at the Rivoli Theater, while "White Heat," starring James Cagney, was showing at the Oil City.

Mrs. Virginia Hunley of Rulo was in charge of the school in District 91. The school had 14 students enrolled, including Judy Adams, Wauneta Bachman, Harold Lewis, Wayne Lewis, Alice Bachman, Margaret Lewis, Roy Adams, Benny Bachman, Harold Dunn, Coralie Roberts, Robert Lewis, Ruth Bachman and Carol Dunn.

Sportsman Bar, the newest addition to the Weaver Hotel, was opening for business soon. The bar was in the hotel's basement and had space to accommodate more than 50 persons at tables and another 15 stools around the horseshoe-shaped bar.

Dick Lafferty hit for 24 points as Humboldt defeated Bratton Union 59-26 in a Little Ten matchup. Jerry Reagan led Bratton Union with 18 points.

"Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, was shown at the Rivoli, while another Bogart film, "They Drive by Night," was shown at the Oil City.

The girls Clark Gable left behind were flabbergasted that the actor sneaked away to wed Lady Sylvia Stanley, the widow of the late Douglas Fairbanks.

The sixth and largest Cooper Company annual Christmas party was held at the City Auditorium in Humboldt, with over 400 attendees.

Over 500 children from the area attended the Lions Club free Christmas movie party at the Rivoli Theater. The youngsters saw a western, two comedies and two cartoons. Bruce Shelton, manager of the Tri-States Theaters in FC, said the free shows the day before drew nearly 2,300 at the Rivoli and Oil City Theaters. The continuous performances lasted from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

50 Years Ago, December 18, 1974 to December 24, 1974

A Sikorski helicopter lifted a 3,800-pound air conditioning unit over the First National Bank building to place it on the adjoining roof of the former Kenny's Food Center building. The project was part of the bank's remodeling operation.

The *Journal's* front page featured the new vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, Rodney Vandenberg, and President Richard Halbert.

With reports of a recent economic recession, the *Journal* asked 14 Falls City merchants how the holiday business was doing. Six claimed business was better; four said Christmas buying remained the same, while the final four said business was down.

A fire, reportedly from a spark from a welding torch, caused extensive damage at the Red-D-Mix concrete plant of Bohrer Bors. on West 14th Street.

The Falls City seventh-grade basketball team defeated Dawson-Verdon 53-25. John Farmer led FC with 14 points, while Mike Pagnano and Todd Harring had six apiece for the Jets.

James. M. Cole graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center in Great Lake, Illinois.

Canned ham was \$4.39, while boneless ham was \$1.19 per pound at Hinky Dinky. Deborah Brecht and Gilbert Sanborn, two Falls City High School graduates, received their diplomas from Kearney State College.

Mark Hodge scored 14 points and Max Milam grabbed ten rebounds, as the Falls City freshman team defeated Hiawatha 43-35.

"Jimmy the Greek" Snyder was granted a full pardon by President Ford for a conviction on gambling violations 11 years prior. The Las Vegas odds-maker was one of 47 pardons issued by Ford.

The Falls City water tower could be seen for miles as it was decorated for the Christmas season. Motorists entering the city from the north and west were treated to the festive lights display.

The Sacred Heart Irish defeated Dawson-Verdon 74-63 for their first win of the season. Mike Bird had 23 points and 22 rebounds, while Bob Aitken added 18 for the Irish. The Jets were led by Bill Bruhn with 38.

The first Flying L unit was complete and ready for shipment to a Kansas distributor. Pictured with the trailer were Steve Hill, Ed Cunningham, Ken Meyer and plant manager Marlen Luff.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hillyard were the parents of a son, Thomas Jason, born at the Community Hospital.

25 Years Ago, December 18, 1999 to December 24, 1999

Four Richardson Countyans were among the 1,400 graduates receiving degrees from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. The list included Jack Bangert, Becky Duerfeldt, Eric Hunzeker and Bradley Knorr.

Nate O'Grady poured in 34 points as the Irish defeated Dawson-Verdon 82-54. Jason Eickhoff has a team-best 15 points for the Jets. Meanwhile, the Irish girls defeated the Jets 76-12 at Prichard Auditorium. Julie Froeschl recorded a triple-double with 20 points, 10 rebounds and 10 steals.

The Oasis Restaurant and Lounge was ringing in the Millennium with a New Year's Eve celebration, offering free limousine service to and from dinner, the dance or dinner and the dance. The meal consisted of a choice of prime rib, king crab or steak and crab, while the band Zero Tolerance took the stage at 9:00.

The Falls City Drove #56 honored Kenna Nixon as the 1999 Doe of the Year. Desie Scholl, the 1998 winner, presented the award.

Sports Illustrated created a list of the Top 50 Nebraska athletic figures, and Falls City High School graduates Gil Dodds and Lloyd Hahn made the list. Dodds came in at No. 25, while Hahn was listed at number 30.

Bredeaux Pizza offered a Christmas coupon celebration with two large single-topping pizzas for \$15.99.

Falls City overcomes October storm thanks to hard work and support

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The Richardson County Roads Department played a vital role in clearing downed trees from city streets, ensuring safe passage for residents and repair crews. Rulo Transportation stepped up to assist with the increased demand at the Tree and Yard Waste Facility, providing additional equipment and operators to help manage the influx of debris and help keep deliveries to the facility operating smoothly.

City Administrator, Anthony Nussbaum expressed gratitude for the dedication and hard work demonstrated by all involved in the recovery process.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the city crews'

hard work, the support from neighboring cities and community stakeholders. Their tireless efforts were vital in the rapid recovery of our community. We also appreciate the understanding and patience of residents during this process."

The "Straight Line High Wind Event" tore through Falls City and east of Falls City downing trees and power lines, damaging homes and derailing a train on the south side of town. Despite the widespread devastation, there were no reported injuries. The storm's aftermath has continued to lead questions surrounding the official classification of the event as a "straight-line wind event" by the National Weather Service (NWS).

Zoning regulations discussed at Commissioner meeting

The Richardson County Commissioners met on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, for their regularly scheduled meeting. Chairman Caverzagie called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Sickle and Karas in attendance.

The Board, along with Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau Jr., County Assessor Kim Riggs and County Attorney Samantha Scheitel, discussed implementing zoning regulations in the county. After a discussion, Commissioner Karas made a motion to move on with updating the County's Comprehensive Plan and meet with the County Planning Commission to begin adopting and implementing zoning regulations in Richardson County. The current Comprehensive Plan is over two decades old (2001) and will need updating.

"We are only one of like five counties in the whole state that doesn't have zoning," said Karas. "I know it would help Steve (Darveau) and definitely Kim (Riggs) if we do." Karas specifically cited the issues with chicken farms that move into areas and are tough on county roads. Highways Superintendent Darveau stated that a company had recently begun work on a chicken farm and, in the process, crossed a 7-ton bridge with heavy equipment.

"As it sits right now, that bridge is closed," said Darveau. "It's barricaded, it's everything until we can get an engineer down here, and that's going to cost us money."

The motion was seconded by Sickle and carried.

Superintendent Darveau also updated the Board on county roads and bridges. According to Darveau, county employees were readying equipment for snow removal. He also advised the Commissioners that the One- and Six-Year Plans were being developed.

Sheriff Rick Hardesty met with the Board and discussed routine business at the Law Enforcement Center. The Sheriff advised the Board that patrol vehicle maintenance and repairs were being carried out. Research is also continuing to provide a generator to the entire area of the Law Enforcement Center when electricity is down. Currently, only the jail and part of the dispatch area are covered.

The Department also received a grant through the Nebraska Department of Transportation to pay deputies to work overtime from December 13, 2024, to January 1, 2025, for the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign.

Linda Volker from Nemaha County presented a grant application for the Four County Juvenile Services Program. The Four County Community Plan needs to be revised this year and will be in effect from 2025-2029. Caverzagie made a motion to enter into two Memorandums of Understanding with Johnson, Pawnee, Nemaha and Richardson Counties to approve that Nemaha County will apply for County Juvenile Services Aid Program Funds and that Nemaha County will be responsible for the distribution of grant funds, quarterly program reporting and financial reporting. The motion

was seconded by Karas and carried.

Mark Joy of Humboldt Shares, Inc. presented the organization's quarterly report to the Board.

Sickle moved to adopt a resolution to cancel an error-issued check. Caverzagie seconded the motion, which was carried.

Caverzagie moved to enter into an agreement engagement letter with the Nebraska State Auditor to perform the fiscal year-end audit for 2025, 2026 and 2027. The motion carried.

Commissioner Karas moved to designate the Falls City Journal as the official county newspaper for 2025. Sickle seconded, and the motion carried.

Sickle motioned to allow the payment of all claims before the Board. Karas seconded the motion, which carried.

With nothing further on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

*'Twas the night after Christmas,
all relaxed in his house.
Santa reading a book, a gift from his spouse.
The book was the Bible, the story was old.
Now Christ, came at Christmas;
as the Prophets foretold.
"I can hardly believe it," said Jolly St. Nick,
as he pondered God's message,
it cut to the quick.
"I thought I was Christmas!"
I made presents each fall.
But! God sent the world the best gift of all.
He sent his son, "Jesus,"
to die for my sins.
I'm really not Christmas —
for Christmas — is — "HIM."*

**HOTEL
BARBER
SHOP**
Teresa McQueen

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA
206 EAST 20TH STREET
FALLS CITY, NE 68355

First Presbyterian Church - Falls City, Nebraska

Someone you may have noticed is waiting, longing for healing, for justice, for hope
You only mean to be passing by, but they say you. And even if they don't know
they are asking, they are asking.
"Are you there?"
Not necessarily the Messiah, but perhaps one to bring hope to be a light in the darkness.
There may be someone in some kind of prison looking for some kind of encouragement,
someone longing for healing or appreciation or forgiveness.
Will you be there or should they wait for another?
Will you be there to shine light in their darkness
or are they to wait for another?
Sit still in the grace of God.
Let that light that is dawning for the world dawn in you.
Let that light grow and radiate. Bear it with you through the day.
You will meet someone who seeks grace, who longs for a sign of hope
And for them you will be there.

-See Gamma-Horns

**Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2024 ~ 4:30 pm
Communion ~ Candlelight Service**



Big Lake Improvement Fund unveils Bad Boyz II Big Lake Pump Fund Calendar

On a Saturday evening in early November, residents of the Big Lake area attended an unveiling of sorts. A group of men was on hand at the Big Lake Improvement Building to sign calendars that the group of 15 had posed for. The Bad Boyz II Big Lake Pump Fund Calendar is being sold to help raise money for a water pump at the lake.

The calendar, designed for adults, was paid for by local advertisers. The estimated cost of replacing the lake's pump is nearly \$250,000. The Village of Big Lake has secured \$95,000 for the project, and additional fundraisers will help pay off the loan. According to the BLIA website, "The Big Lake Improvement Asso-

ciation is committed to improving the beauty and quality of life in the local area, with its main goal being to maintain consistent lake levels, especially during times of drought. The pump is our main resource for maintaining the desired water level should Mother Nature choose to withhold rain."

The new pump will move water from the river to the lake in six to eight hours, proving to be much more efficient and less labor-intensive. The oxbow lake is the former loop of the Missouri River and is the largest oxbow lake in Missouri at 646 acres. The calendar costs \$20 and is on sale now.

Nebraska Corn Board Seeks Candidates for Vacancies

Notice is hereby given that the terms for three members of the Nebraska Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board (Nebraska Corn Board) will expire June 30, 2025, and Nebraska's corn checkoff program is seeking candidates to petition for those districts. The open positions represent Districts 1, 4 and 5.

- District 1 – Includes the counties of Richardson, Pawnee, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Cass, Sarpy, Douglas, Gage, Jefferson, Saline, Seward, Butler, Saunders and Lancaster. (Note: Dan Nerud, the current District 1 director, has indicated he will pursue re-appointment.)

- District 4 – Includes the counties of Knox, Cedar, Dixon, Dakota, Thurston, Burt, Washington, Dodge, Colfax, Stanton, Cuming, Wayne, Madison and Pierce. (Note: Debbie Borg, the current District 4 director, has indicated she will not pursue re-appointment.)

- District 5 – Includes the counties of Howard, Sherman, Hall, Buffalo, and Dawson. (Note: Adam Grabenstein, the current District 5 director, has indicated that he will pursue re-election.)

Appointments to the board for these three districts are made by the Governor of Nebraska. Any candidate seeking appointment may place his or her name on the candidacy list by filing a petition with the Nebraska Corn Board. Qualified candidates include those individuals who are citizens of Nebraska, reside in an open district, are at least 21 years old, have been actively engaged in growing corn in Nebraska for a period of five years and derive a substantial portion of their income from growing corn. Board members who currently represent these districts are also eligible to re-petition.

Petitions may be obtained by writing the Nebraska Corn Board (245 Fallbrook Blvd. Suite 204, Lincoln, NE 68521), calling 402-471-2676 or emailing ncb.info@nebraska.gov. A candidacy petition must carry the signatures of at least 50 corn producers from that district. All petitions must be received by the Nebraska Corn Board no later than 5:00 p.m. central time on Friday, May 16, 2025. Faxed copies do not qualify.

The Nebraska Corn Board is funded through a producer checkoff investment of one-cent-per-bushel checkoff on all corn marketed in the state and is managed by nine farmer directors. The mission of the Nebraska Corn Board to increase the value and sustainability of Nebraska corn through promotion, market development and research.

BUILDING PERMITS

APACE, 221 W 16th St., install new sign; \$3,000.00.

Karl Steele, 721 E. 16th St., replace roof and gutters; \$11,800.00.

nance and AC; \$10,000.00. John VonBehren, 2711 Fulton St., partial roof replacement; \$5,658.88.

Armbruster Motor Company, 305 W. 17th St., replace roof; \$20,000.00.

Dennis Miller, 2208 Towle St., replace roof; \$9,000.00.

Joe Froeschl, 913 Reavis St., replace roof and gutters; \$6,168.09.

Mike Koso, 1315 Morton St., replace roof; \$16,500.00.

Jarrod Chapple, 1410 Nemaha Ave., replace roof; \$12,056.00.

Shawn Fouraker, 421 E. 18th St., replace roof; \$22,500.00.

Shawn Fouraker, 1719 Wilson St., new driveway; \$12,000.00.

Amy Olberding, 1515 Nemaha Ave., replace roof and gutters; \$19,580.25.

Kathy Young, 1906 Fulton St., partial roof repair; \$18,029.70.

Judy Huettner, 2603 Schoenheit St., replace roof and gutters; \$10,383.25.

Don Rash, 2019 Lane St., replace water heater, Fur-

FALLS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS AND STATISTICS

November 29 through November 30 calls: three ambulance/EMS, three referred to another agency, one vandalism, one miscellaneous, one suspicious person/vehicle, one theft, one parking complaint, one burn permit, one fire call (Humboldt Fire), one 911 hang up/misdial, two accidents, one animal call, seven 911 calls, six citations for disobey stop sign, one citation for speeding, one citation for fail to use seatbelt, one citation for drive under suspension, one citation for fail to yield right of way, three warnings for improper/defective vehicle lighting, one warning for disobey traffic control device.

November 30 through December 1 calls: three ambulance/EMS, two referred to another agency, two 911 hang up/misdial, two animal calls, four 911 calls, five citations for disobey stop signs, two citations for speeding, one citation for fail to use seatbelt, one citation for no valid registration, one citation for improper/defective vehicle lighting, three warnings for disobey stop light, three warnings for improper/defective vehicle lighting, one warning for excess window tint.

December 1 through December 2 calls: two check welfare, one alarm, one noise disturbance, one burn permit, one vandalism, one referred to another agency, one ambulance/EMS, one parking complaint, one suspicious person/vehicle, one motorist assist, one law enforcement assist, two 911 calls, one citation for stop sign violation, one citation for careless driving, one citation for improper/defective vehicle lighting, two warnings for improper/defective vehicle lighting.

December 2 through December 3 calls: one referred to another agency, one animal call, one records check, four ambulance/EMS, one alarm, one information only, one 911 hang up/misdial, one HHS intake/referral, three 911 calls, one warning for invalid registration, one warning for ATV and UTV operate on city street for pleasure, one warning for ATV insurance and permit required.

December 3 through December 4 calls: information not received.

December 4 through December 5 calls: two referred to another agency, eight ambulance/EMS, one assault, three records check, one 911 hang up/misdial, seven 911 calls, two citations for speeding, one citation for no proof of insurance, two warnings for speeding, one warning for no valid registration.

December 5 through December 6 calls: information not received.

December 6 through December 7 calls: two referred to another agency three ambulance/EMS, one parking complaint, one house watch, four 911 hang up/misdial, one gun permit, one miscellaneous, two traffic/driving complaints, one disturbance, one burn permit, one information only, one vandalism, nine 911 calls, two warnings for improper/defective vehicle lighting.

December 7 through December 8 calls: one theft, one vandalism, two 911 hang up/misdial, one fire call, one miscellaneous, one suspicious person/vehicle, one noise disturbance, one HHS intake/referral, one ambulance/EMS, one warrant arrest, two 911 calls, one warning for invalid registration, one warning for no operators license on person, one citation for fugitive from justice, one citation for theft by unlawful taking \$0-\$500, one citation for drive during revocation-first, one citation for improper/defective vehicle lighting.

December 8 through December 9 calls: one motorist assist, two miscellaneous, one ambulance/EMS

A Card Shower is being held to honor Doris Yoesel who is celebrating her 90th Birthday on December 28th. Cards may be sent to: Doris Yoesel at 1480 230th St., Hiawatha, KS 66434

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LOCAL LETTERS TO SANTA

I hope her cookies are good. How are the elves doing? Tell the reindeer that I have some special straw mix for them. Thank you and have a safe journey.

Tessa Ramer

Hi Santa,

I want Fire Truck and some food.

Love Riley Quinn Willman, 2 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you Santa? I'm just fine. I would like rollerblades, belt, BB gun, football for Christmas this year. Take care and Be careful. Merry Christmas Santa.

Thank you, Trevor Bennett

Dear Santa,

I would like a 22 rifle, a computer, a real puppy, and a snowboard, plus a Hot Wheel track. Merry Christmas Santa.

Thank You, Kalem Bennett

Dear Santa

How are your reindeer doing Santa? I just fine. I would like to have for Christmas is a puppy (real one), Hot Wheels track, with cars, rollerblades. Thank you and be careful Christmas Eve.

Thanks Jacob Bennett.

Dear Santa

I would like a Nebraska shirt or Nike stuff. I have been a very good girl.

Love, Macie Kuker age six

Dear Santa

I would like to have a 675X60mm astronomical refractor telescope and a 50X-1,200X zoom microscope with hood and case, a XRC Crashback Vehicle, turbo slammer, a bow and arrow and some coveralls and a tent and a CD player and a dog.

Jordan Keithley

Dear Santa Clous I would like a Sweet Dreams Baby and a Potty Training Kelly Doll and a Barbie Doll house and a Barbie CD Player and a Barbie Talking Telephone and That will be fine hohoho. Hohoho we're eating hohos. Hohoho. It's Just a Joke

Love Brittany Keithley

Dear Santa,

I want a dump truck with a loadr and 2 more. And a shed thing to put my little tractors in and cars. And, And that car thing that has cars with it and some new slipper things so my feet aren't cold. I asked my baby sister Rachael what she wanted. She is only 3 mo. old and says she just wants me to smile and talk to her. She's so funny. That funny baby.

Love, Brandon and Rachel Keithley

2024

Jennifer Bauman's 4th Grade Class at Falls City South School

Dear Santa, my name is Brantley. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a bike, and a new PS4 controller. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Uryah. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a BMX bike because my tire is broken. I want hot wheels because I am collecting them. I also want football cards. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is

Jordan. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have Madden 25, new shoes, Meta Quest 3, and football cards. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Quinne. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like new clothes and some new animal toys to play with and some new shows. This one will be hard to make true, but I want my arm back to normal. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Alucard. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a DVD player and a WWE set for me. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Mackenzie. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a new bike, my own room, and some toys to give to other little kids. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Anson. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have \$25 PS4 gift card, Madden 25, Meta Quest 3, NFL Wilson Football and new shoes. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Bailee. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a piano, Doctor Barbie set, a bike, something to give my mom, brother, grandma, and grandpa. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Gabriel. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have operation, dumset, drone, my house to be done. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Gus. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a mova globe, a globe using gravity to spin. I would also like to have more time with my family. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Hadley. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have UGG shoes, heated blanket, electric tooth brush and winter clothing. I have been good. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Walker. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have new shoes, Madden 25, a bike because my bike broke. Also, pit vipers and football cards.

Dear Santa, My name is Jona. I am 10 years old. This year I am trying. I would like to have an electric go kart and a mobiglo ball, food for the homeless animals. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Bria. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like new clothing, new UGG shoes and room décor. A lot of drawing stuff would also be good and a new blanket. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Amerikus. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a real pet cat, Barbie Dream House, rockstar Barbie and Rockstar American Girl Doll. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Collin. I am 9 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have a PS5, Mr. Beast toys, Hulk toys, Patrick Mahomes cards, Pokemon cards. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Corbin. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have Under Armour clothes, VR head-

set and a remote control car. Thank you.

Dear Santa. My name is Reagan. I am 10 years old. This year I have been nice. I would like to have an electric scooter, hoverboard, and skin care, and some Nike shoes. Thank you.

Dear Santa, My name is Joshua. I am 9 years old. This year I am trying. I would like to have a Batman action figure that has accessories. I would also want to have a Batman cosplay. Also, a Bataran and grapple gun. Thank you.

Mrs. Ebel's 1st Grade Class at Falls City Sacred Heart

Dear Santa, my name is Marcus and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Noah. For Christmas I would like: Apple phone, PS5, paint ball gun, dirt bike, my sister wants a Barbie, my brother wants a football, Pokemon cards, Xbox controller and Apple iPad. Tell Mrs. Claus hi. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Hayden and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Bowen. For Christmas I would like: Xbox, ninetendo Switch PS5, go kart, windmill. Tell rudolph hi thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Kayden and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Marcus. For Christmas I would like: PS5, Spiderman sut, Iphone and an Apple watch, Than you I will leave you and Mrs Clous cookies.

Dear Santa, my name is Bowen and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Aspen. For Christmas I would like: dog, windmill, xbox, phone, truck ps5, head phones, erepods and a bow and arrow, painteball gun. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Mila and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Mary and Bowen. for Christmas I would like: a lego set, baseball bat and base ballset, a watch go cart new shoes, a Baby deer stuffed animal, and A Baby doll. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Colton and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Noah. For Christmas I would like: PS5 dirte bike foot ball cards and a binder and a flag foot ball and a patrick mahomes back pack spiderman toys and a Nerf Gun Madden for Xbox 360 bring my little sister a toy bottle thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Lylah and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is

Mila Aspen Milely Laina. For Christmas I want a real life new born kitten. My sister wants a bike big. my mom wants a back massager. My dad wants a back massager. I want a little back massager. and I am getting American girl Doll. I want a ninetendo swich thank you. I will leave a carrot for rudolph.

Dear Santa, my name is-Charlie and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Knox. For Christmas I would like a paint ball gun or a go kart. Mason wants a spider roller coaster and a combine. Molly wants a Ninetendo Switch. I will leave you and Mrs. Claus come cookies.

Dear Santa, my name is Myra and I am 7 years old. My best friends name is Paityn Mary. For Christmas I would like: Pokeman Cards. Kittens. Nerf guns. Stuffed Unicorn a fake Santa beard and a horse. I will leave out milk and cookies.

Dear Santa, my name is Mary and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Myra and Mila and Nash. For Christmas I would like: Walkie talkies, American Grl named Lyah American - Grl named Ariel, Crystals, and a bike with a extra seat on the back with no training wheels. Pokemon and pokemon for my. Tell Mrs. Claus hi I leave you some cookies.

Dear Santa, my name is Kaneand I am 6 years old. I have been very nise this year. My best friends name is Konx. For Christmas I would like: PS5pro tractors, cat, Iphone, and a tablet, please bring Kroy a blanket. Thank you

Dear Santa, my name is-Nash and I am 10 year old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Knox. For Christmas I would like: my singing mosnters, bike, bot wheels, five nights at feddies, cat, spiders, Ps5, please bring Minnie mouse for my little sister. Thank you. I'll leave you some cookies.

Dear Santa, my name is Noahand I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Colton. For Christmas I would like: mint gum, football krds, watre botle, paint ball gun, my bruthr wunts a gameng char. I'll leave you a treat. Can you give my elf a note back. Can you give my baby bruthr a baby sark blankite.

Dear Santa, my name is-Knox and I am 7 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Charlie. For Christmas I would like: paint ball gun, go cart, a new dirt bike, a new four wheeler, axel wants more spiderman toys and

haleigh wants a Ninetendo switch thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Aspen and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Maelynn. For Christmas I would like: a dog PS5 a gaming chair XBOX to love Jesus for the rest of my life, new shoes and a paint gun. Thank you.

Dear Santa, my name is Laina and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Lylah. For Christmas I would like: stuffed animal, Santa stuffed plush, PS5 and a babe kitten. I'll leave you a treat.

Dear Santa, my name is-Miley and I am 6 years old. I have been very nice this year. My best friends name is Mila and Aspen and Lylah. For Christmas I would like: barbie dream house and I also want a toy stuffed elf and colt would like a black power ranger please bring my mom and dad their own back massagers! thank you! I will leave you and mrs. clause cookies and I'll leave a carrot for roudolph! ps. colt also wants a PJ masks.

Dear Santa, my name is Huxley and I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. My best friends name is Knox. for Christmas I would like: a pet caterpillar a gaming chair lap top water bottie, lunch box Christmas book ninetendo switch phone.

Mrs. Hunzeker's Kindergarten Class at Falls City North School

Dear Santa, I wdt phone and a Spiderman watch and an ipad. Beckham

Dear santa, I want fake mustash. I want remot car. I want diggim (digging gem). Waylon.

Dear Santa, I want RC car. I want camo crocs. I want bic. Love, Patrick

Dear Santa, I want dirt bik. I want ar pods. I want a Lap-top. Love Rhett.

Dear Santa, I want a pnc Ipad. ranbo shoos, ranbo

bo (rainbow bow), necies, I want to go to Mrs. Leyden hous. Love Joelle

Dear Santa, I want punch bag, cotn cande mushen (cotton candy machine) wegos (legos). Love Maverick.

Dear Santa, I want popcon mashen (machine), tub uv ras crs (tub of race cars), talking robot. Love Myles.

Dear Santa, I want mrs Hunzeker to be mi techr forever. I want elf karr (cart). I want uynkon (unicorn). Love Blair.

Dear Santa. I want rel dol. I want dol clos. Lov, Delaney

Dear Santa, I want rmot kr. I want robot. I want skatbord. Love Ryker

Dear Santa, I want babe dol. I want stufe dog. I want faten got (fainting goat). Love Sophie.

Dear Santa, I want stufe cat. I want ranbo unicrn. I want srfbrd (surfboard). Love Lydia.

Dear Santa, I want gn lambrige (golden Lamborghini), and I want PS5. Love Watson G.

Dear Santa, I would like a purple dragon, Elmo phone and a baby shark. Love Bristol.

Dear Santa, I would like a Paw Patrol car, train and motorcycyle. Love Anox

Dear Santa, I would like a rocking horse stuffed animal unicorn and real kitchen to cook for my parents. Love Octavia.

Dear Santa, I want watch. I want babe dol. I want sliprs. Love Ayla Cooper.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Prairie Union Baptist Church
64571 719 Rd.
Stella, NE

Dec. 24
6:30 pm

THE SALEM VILLAGE BOARD

would like to **THANK** everyone who volunteered, donated items or services, and gave money to help make the **Hunters Breakfast a success.**

After expenses \$4,292.30 was raise to help upcoming repairs to the Community Building.

With all sincerity, thank you everyone.



Thanks to the support of these local businesses and people. The Humane Society of Richardson County Halloween party was a success. We are so blessed to have their support.

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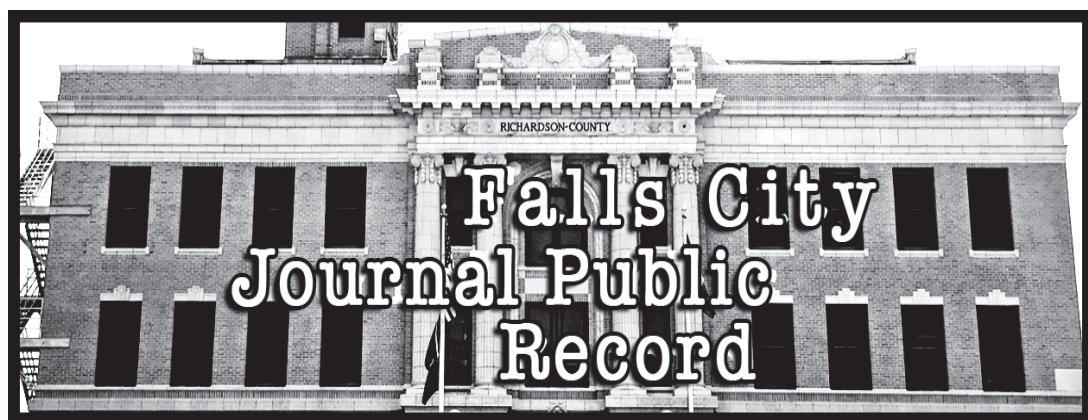
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COUNTY COURT

Juan F. Alvarez, count one, no proof of insurance, plead not guilty; count two, no operator's license, plead not guilty; count three, operate a vehicle w/o proof of ownership, plead not guilty; count four, no valid registration, plead not guilty; count five, unlawful/fict display of plate/renew tab, plead not guilty; count six, possess marijuana 1 oz or less-first, plead not guilty; count seven, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for January 15, 2025.

Jennifer L. Calvert, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-500, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for January 15, 2025.

Latesa L. Ruckstuhl, count one, possess controlled subs, amended to attempt of a class 4 felony, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for February 5, 2025.

Clayton E. Adams, count one, plates not clear and visible, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, no operator's license, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$75.

Alicia M. Parnell, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead not guilty; count two, speeding 11-15 mph, plead no contest. Pretrial scheduled for January 15, 2025.

Pedro D. Delotoro-Orona, count one, drive during revocation/impound-first, plead guilty, found guilty; count two, speeding 6-10 mph, plead guilty, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for January 22, 2025.

Amy J. Phroper, count

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

Thomas J. Galvin III, count one, willful reckless driving-first, plea changed to guilty, found guilty and fined \$350.

Aidan C. Wilkinson, count one, criminal impersonation-\$500-1,500/first, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for January 13, 2025.

Avia E. Basche, count one, nonresident violate rev/impd order-MSD 2, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$150, probation to the court for three months.

Jeffrey A. Morley, count one, assault-3rd degree, plead not guilty; count two, disturbing the peace, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for January 8, 2025.

Wade M. Tackett, count one, escape, amended to resist arrest-first, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence includes jail for term of 60 days, credit for 41 days served; count two, amended to dropped/dismissed; count three, criminal mischief-\$0-500, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentence includes jail for term of seven days; count four, amended to dropped/dismissed.

Robert D. Moyer, count one, criminal trespass-first degree, plead not guilty; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz or less-first, plead not guilty; count three, possess or use drug paraphernalia, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for December 18, 2024.

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Caitlyn Jones of Falls City, count one, speeding 16-20 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs. (Novak)

Dennis Price of Mount Horeb, WI, count one, nonresident violate 30-day immunity, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Jones)

Pat Beer of Falls City, count one, speeding 6-10 mph municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Amy Flowers of Fargo, ND, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Novak)

Jodi Rezabek of Wilber, NE, count one, speeding 11-15 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Holliday)

Donald Haveman of Avoca, NE, count one, speeding 16-20 municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined

\$250 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Jared Gerdes of Auburn, count one, fail to yield to pedestrian in crosswalk, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Kaelyn Courtney of Rulo, count one, no operator's license, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Franks)

Aziz Atula of Fargo, ND, count one, no operator's license, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Anderson)

Daniel Hanusek of Broken Arrow, OK, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Jones)

Xander Jamison of Sterling, count one, careless driving, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100 and court costs. (Franks)

Sarah Mount of Falls City, count one, speeding 11-15 mph municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$150 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Bradley Unruh of Falls City, count one, speeding 6-10 municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Memphis Cochran of Sabetha, count one, speeding 16-20 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs. (Franks)

Justin Courtney of Rulo, count one, no license on person, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Jose Vargas Ramirez of Topeka, count one, speeding 6-10 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Geyer)

A remarkable Nebraska success story

A community, just like a person, is an unfolding process. Ever changing, growing and maturing, a community always needs to appreciate the present while focusing on the future.

This year Nebraska Community Foundation (NCF) is celebrating its 30th anniversary of helping Nebraska hometowns do just that: create new community capacity, better teamwork and a progressive vision for a future that motivates and inspires the next generation to want to be in community with us.

In November NCF held its Annual Celebration, which always includes training and peer learning for advisory committee members of NCF affiliated funds. The day culminates in a dinner celebrating success stories from some of the 269 Nebraska hometowns that benefit from NCF affiliated funds. This year, nearly 300 volunteers participated in training and more than 450 proud Nebraskans attended the celebratory dinner.

At the center of this celebration is a remarkable Nebraska success story. Over the past three decades, thousands of Nebraskans in every corner of the state have dedicated their time, talent, treasure and talk to NCF's community-building work. Since 1994, the NCF network has amassed \$256 million in assets - \$164 million of which are endowed - in furtherance of its mission to unleash abundant local assets, inspire charitable giving and connect ambitious people to build stronger communities across Greater Nebraska. Since NCF's establishment, the network has reinvested more than \$553 million into rural hometowns, forever transforming the philanthropic landscape of the state and the lives of future generations who will call Nebraska home.

Through the years, NCF has remained staunchly committed to keeping its work community centered and locally controlled. Drawing from decades of complex community development experience, NCF's 24 staff members provide expertise in accounting, legal work, investments, IRS compliance, fundraising, gift planning, communications, marketing, data management, group facilitation and leadership training. Above all, the organization supports local volunteers in their efforts to build unrestricted endowments - financial resources that grow in perpetuity and are available for whatever challenges or opportunities Nebraska hometowns face in the future.

Nebraska Community Foundation's national and international reputation has grown alongside its statewide influence. Not only is the organization known for its innovative community-building work and volunteer-led network, NCF has become increasingly well known for its studies on the inter-generational transfer of wealth as well as statewide youth surveys designed to better understand the perspectives and desires of young Nebraskans as they choose where they want to build their futures.

Today there are dozens of community success stories throughout the NCF network. Here are four examples:

- Five NCF affiliated funds that benefit Boone County support afterschool programming, health and wellness, and fine arts in the K-12 school district. Collectively, they have raised and contributed more than \$5 million to help build a trails system, a world-class early childhood education facility, and an agricultural education and performance facility at the fairgrounds.

- Shickley's \$2.3 million unrestricted endowment has payout of \$99,000 per year, which is greater than the Village's annual property tax receipts. And 15 generous donors have already included Shickley in their estate plans.

- NCF affiliated funds that benefit Thayer County have now hosted 17 Hometown Interns in the past four years. Many of these young adults, after discovering the abundance in their hometowns, have returned after college to make Thayer County their home. Thayer County affiliated funds now hold \$6.2 million in assets.

- Valley County has built a world-class entrepreneurial ecosystem; an incredible arts and culture scene prompting some to call Ord "the Nashville of the Sandhills;" and now has nearly \$10 million endowed, including \$4 million to support Valley County Health System.

At the heart of every one of these stories are amazing, passionate people. And these amazing people are "paying it forward" in their hometown and in neighboring communities as well. Communities that once considered each other rivals are now mentoring one another in pursuit of collective success. That's the power of the NCF network.

Dozens of NCF affiliated funds throughout Greater Nebraska are accomplishing their vision of helping their hometown be a community of choice for the next generation.

In the next few decades, billions of dollars will be transferring from one generation to the next. Now is our opportunity to invite one another to build community together. We can do this by making a gift today or making provisions in our estate for a gift in the future. If we act to benefit the next generation, the next 30 years and beyond will be incredibly bright for all Nebraskans.

Jeff Yost is president and CEO of Nebraska Community Foundation. Learn more about NCF's work at NebraskaHometown.org.

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Paxton Armbruster spits a pair of Eagle defenders in the first half Friday night.



Katelynn Titus fires a three versus Johnson-Brock on Friday.

Eagles run away from Tigers

The Class D1 top-ranked Johnson-Brock Eagles scored early and often as they pulled away for a 56-point win, 75-19, over the Tigers on Friday night. Falls City fell behind early, trailing 5-32 after one period and 8-53 at intermission. FC shot 27 attempts from the floor on Friday, making seven of them. Mean-

while, the Eagles went 31/60 from the floor. FC was outrebounded 39-15 and turned the ball over 23 times, leading to 30 points on the opposite end of the court. Johnson-Brock held a 30-2 advantage in points scored in the paint.

Keifer Adams was the top point man for FC, dumping in eight points

on 5/16 shooting. Jacoby Bangert had a team-best four rebounds and two assists.

Brody Koehler had 21 points and seven rebounds, while Cam Dal-inghaus added 19 points, four assists and five steals for the Eagles.

Scoring for FC

Morris 2, Q. Adams 2, Stewart 3, K. Adams 8, Bangert 4.

The schedule maker didn't do the Tigers any favor this year as FC turned around to play the No. 3 rated team in Class C2, the Freeman Falcons. Freeman sealed the win early, taking a quick 19-2 lead after the first period and a 39-12 lead at the break. Freeman dominated FC and improved to 4-0 with the 66-22 win.

FC shot 33% from the floor, making 10/30 attempts, while the Falcons went 28/60 (47%) from the field. Falls City turned the ball over 26 times, which led to 31 points for Freeman. The Falcons committed just five turnovers, leading to three points. FC lost the rebound battle, 20-29, including a 5/13 deficit on the offensive glass.

Senior Eric Heinzelman went 5/6 from the field for a team-best nine points. Keifer Adams added seven points on 3/16 shooting. Quenton Adams led FC with nine rebounds, while Bangert had two steals and two assists.

Scoring for FC

Q. Adams 4, K. Adams 7, Heinzelman 9, Leyden 2.

Scoring for Freeman

Buss 2, O. Buss 4, Vetrovsky 15, Glanz 11, Jansen 12, Reed 5, Jurgens 4, White 11.

Falls City plays at 0-2 Elmwood-Murdock on Tuesday and at 0-3 Palmyra on Friday.

Lady Tigers drop pair of contests

It didn't take long Friday night for the Johnson-Brock Eagles to put a gap between themselves and the Lady Tigers. The 2-1 Eagles outscored FC 23-0 in the first period and led 40-6 at the break as the Eagles cruised to a 62-14 win. The Lady Tiger made just 6/38 (16%) of their shot attempts, while the Lady Eagles went 23/39 (59%) from the floor. J-B went 12/15 from the foul line and had a 29-16 edge in rebounds. Falls City turned the ball over 25 times, leading directly to 28 points on the other end of the court. The Eagles also dominated the paint, outscoring FC 34-6.

Katelynn Titus led FC with six points, going 4/9 from the field. Joah Anderson and Carlea Dunkhas each had three rebounds, while Izzy Armbruster and Katelyn Kirkendall each dished out two assists.

Scoring for FC

Anderson 2, Titus 6, Armbruster 2, Godemann 2, Kirkendall 2.

Scoring for J-B

Behrends 13, Knippelmeyer 5, Pelican 9, Smith 3, Gravatt 2, Buchmeier 2, Vice 5, Ottemann 19, Nickels 2, Bohlin 2.

On Saturday, FC hosted the 3-0 Freeman Falcons. Freeman outscored Falls City 22-1 in the first quarter and led 37-3 at intermission. FC continued to fight but fell 62-16, dropping to 1-3 for the year.

Turnovers again were a problem for the Lady Tigers as they committed 19 to just three by the Falcons. The 19 Tiger turnovers led to 24 points on the opposite end of the court. The paint also belonged to Freeman as they held a 38-8 scoring advantage and a 33-17 rebound advantage.

Izzy Armbruster led FC with nine points, finishing 5/15 from the floor. Carlea Dunkhas led the team with three rebounds and two steals, while Titus added two assists. Savannah Mahler led Freeman with 14 points and seven rebounds.

Scoring for FC

Ewers 4, Anderson 2, Dunkhas 1, Armbruster 9.

Scoring for Freeman

Veerhusen 12, Johansen 7, Lenner 5, Lang 6, Wallman 6, Pella 12, Mahler 14.

Falls City will look to get on track when they travel this week to take on Elmwood-Murdock (3-2) on Tuesday and Palmyra (1-2) on Friday.

Tiger JV competes at Syracuse

The Falls City junior varsity wrestling team competed at Syracuse on Friday, December 13. At 132, Kaleb Kaiser went 2-0 for first place. Kaiser pinned Jackson Heng of Nebraska City in the finals at 1:50 for the win.

Vaden Leyden went 2-0 to secure the gold at 165 pounds. In the finals, Leyden won by fall over Harper Weldon of Nebraska City at 3:00. The final first place of the day went to Jayden Mirelez at 190. Mirelez went 3-0, including a win by fall over Emilio Badillo

of Crete at :46 in the championship match.

At 113, Wyatt Coonce went 0-2 and placed third. Ryker Jones finished his day at 1-2 and placed third. Jones pinned Grady Eggert of Beatrice in the third-place match at :59 for the win. At 215, Brandon Feighner placed third, going 2-2 for the day. Feighner pinned Noah Boyko of Beatrice in the third-place match at 1:40 for the win.

At 138, Zane Elms finished 0-4 and placed fifth.

Titan wrestlers compete at Meridian

The HTRS Titan wrestlers hit the road on Saturday to compete in the Bob Oliver Pin Invitational in Meridian. The Titan boys scored 20 points and placed 12th. Tri County won the meet with 340 points.

At 157 pounds, Alexander Drewberry went 4-1 and placed third. After dropping his first match, Drewberry won his next four. In the third-place match, Dewberry pinned Gabriel Alarcon of Tri County at 1:38 for the win.

Justin Hoagland competed at 190, finishing his day at 2-2. In the seventh-place

match, Hoagland won a 9-7 decision over Gabriel Covarrubias of EMF for the win.

The Lady Titans scored 45 points and placed fifth. Meridian won the meet with 105 points.

Ava Grimes improved to 5-1 for the year, winning the 235 division. Grimes pinned Rebecca Vinsonhaler of Meridian in the finals at :43 to win the gold.

At 130, Shawna Richey went 0-2 and placed second. Richey fell to McKenzie Hofstetter by fall at :48 in the finals.

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ACCIDENTS

On November 8, 2024 according to Falls City Police Department accident reports, a Richardson County vehicle operated by Nicholas Novak was northbound on Morton Street. Novak failed to yield right of way to a second vehicle operated by Stacey High of Mount Gilead, OH. High was westbound on 18th Street and was unable to stop from hitting the Novak vehicle. An estimated \$1000 in damage was done to the Richardson County vehicle; an estimated \$3,000 in damage was done to the High vehicle.

On November 10, 2024 according to Falls City Police Department accident reports, Bailey Thimms of Falls City backed into a parked vehicle owned by Keith Adams of Falls City in the east 300 block of 18th Street. An estimated \$3000 in damage was done to the vehicle driven by Thimms; an estimated \$3,500 in damage was done to the Adams vehicle.

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Clarence Lippold

Clarence Lippold, 94, of Salem, NE, passed away December 12, 2024 at Salem. He was born March 17, 1930 at Barada, NE to Joseph and Julia (Bauman) Lippold. He married Doris Schuetz on June 19, 1950 at Rulo, NE.

Clarence enlisted in the U. S. Army on February 8, 1952 at Omaha, NE. He earned a Korean Service Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars, United Nation Service Medal and a Good Conduct Medal. He was honorably discharged on January 15, 1954 at Camp Carson, CO.

Clarence was raised in the Barada area and attended Williamsville School. When married the couple lived in various places due to his service. When he was discharged, he returned and they lived in rural Richardson County and he farmed and raised livestock, moving into Salem in 1962 where they have lived since. He also worked as a machinist at Rolf's, Frontier Homes

and Falls City Millworks. He retired from Schuetz Tool and Die in Hiawatha, where he worked until he was 90. He was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church and served the town of Salem in many capacities over the years.

Clarence is survived by his wife, Doris of Salem, children, Steve and his wife Nancy of Salem, Ed and his wife Robin of Rulo, Angie Strauch and her husband Casey of Salem, brother, Albert of Falls City, nine grandchildren and twenty-four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Vickie Morehead, sister, Anna Margaret Schawang and a sister in infancy.

His funeral will be held on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 10:30 AM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Father Jim Meysenburg officiating. Interment will be in Maple Cemetery at Salem. Military Graveside Honors By Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard.

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

Robert John Koelzer

Born June 26, 1960, to Barney and Betty Koelzer of Falls City, Nebraska.

He was the youngest of three boys. His upbringing started in a simple, but memorable rural setting on a farm South of Rulo, Nebraska. He would describe his life growing up as a perfect as a Norman Rockwell Painting. He grew up Catholic, worshipping at the Immaculate Conception Church and attended the one room Red Brick School through 7th grade where he and his brothers walked or rode their bikes the 2 miles to school...everyday...up-hill...both ways.

He graduated from Falls City High School in 1978 and SCC Milford in 1980 with a degree in Diesel Tech. Within weeks of graduation he moved to Grand Junction, Colorado to work for John Deere. Shortly after with Ag business suffering and the oil industry booming, he started what would be a lifelong career in the Oil field. Within 18 months the oil field entered the first of many down turns he would endure when the company he worked for closed that district. He was the only mechanic from that district offered a transfer and in '83 off to Brighton, Colorado he went.

With the move to Brighton came heavier workload in the field and several promotions. One of the most active operators in the basin at the time was Golden Buckeye Petroleum. When they offered him the opportunity to head the maintenance department for their newly formed service company, Bob at the age of 27 jumped at the opportunity. Golden Buckeye soon merged with Prima Oil and Gas to become the premier operator in the DJ Basin.

While working for Prima O&G he came to know his future stepchildren and

his soul mate and future wife Pam. The birth of their son, Landon, in 1995 completed their blended family and after a 19-year journey together they wed on July 27th, 2013.

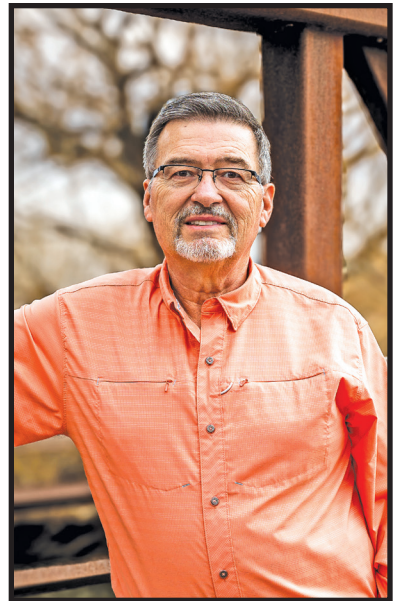
Bob loved his family, both immediate and extended and adored any time spent with them, doing anything to put a smile on the face of those he held close to the heart. He also had a deep passion for exploring the Rocky Mountains on snow-mobles or four wheelers.

On December 9, 2024 Bob peacefully ended his 11 month battle with cancer surrounded by loved ones.

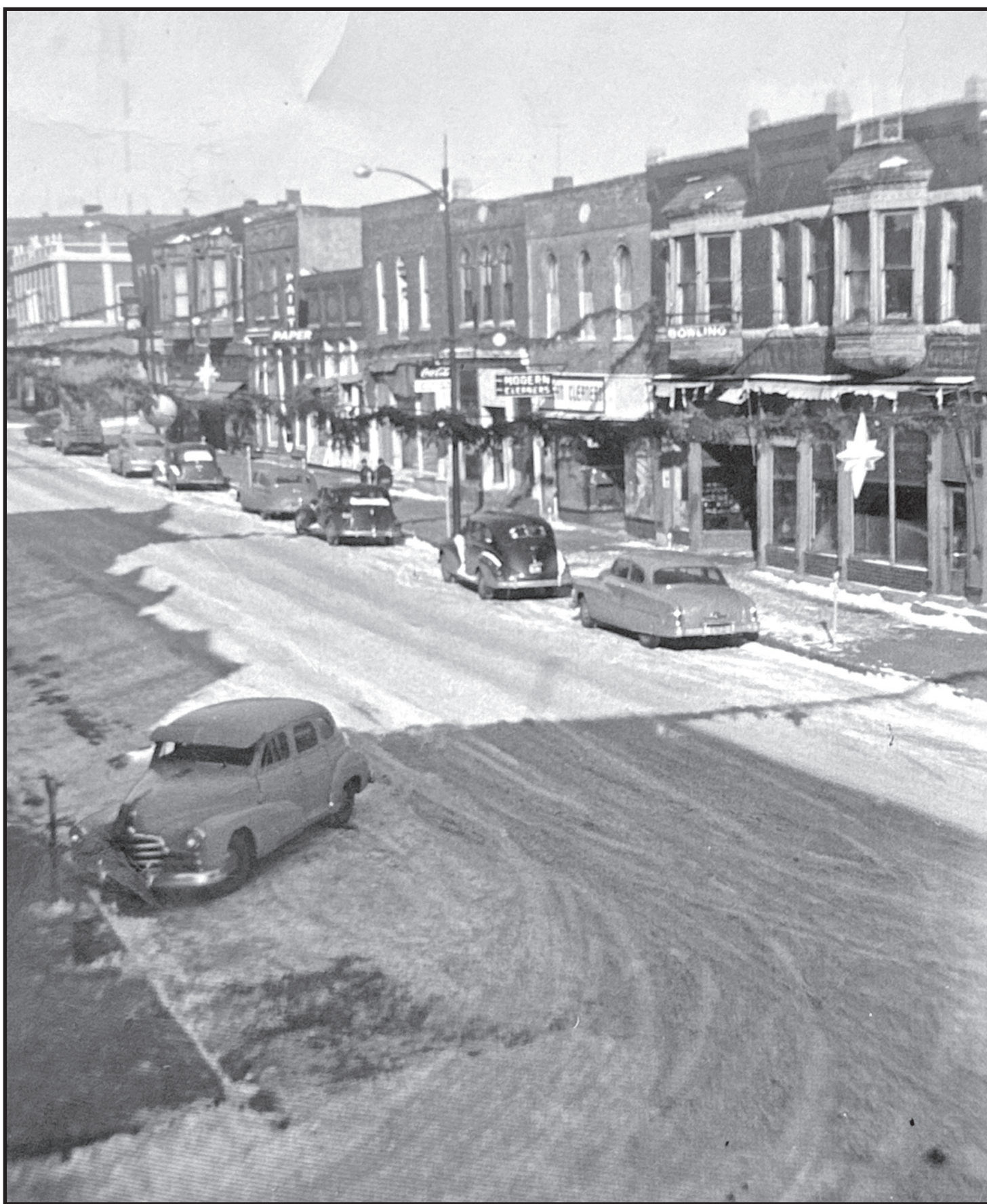
Bob is survived by his wife Pam of Eaton, three stepchildren Nicole (Jarrod) Ley of Kersey, Mindy Hager of Eaton, Tyler Greene of Fort Morgan and Son Landon of Evans, Daughter-in-law Cassie Greene. Four Grandchildren, Shelbie (Riley) Chestnut, Kyle Ley, Addison Hager and Dawsyn Greene and two Great Grand Children Rowan and Cooper. Brother Steve Koelzer of Falls City, Nebraska, brother Tim Koelzer of Rulo, Nebraska, Nephew Jason (Carrie) Koelzer of St. Joseph, Missouri, Niece Kim (Jeff) Smith of Fautett, Missouri, Nephew Nicholas Koelzer of Falls City, Nebraska, plus many great nieces, nephews, and numerous cousins.

Bob is preceded in death by both parents, in-laws Roy and Ruth Wohlford, stepson Randy Greene, sister-in-laws Frankie Koelzer and Polly Koelzer, brother-in-law Bill Wohlford, son-in-law Jeff Hager and niece Danielle Koelzer.

Services are pending at this time. Please visit www.AllnuttGreeley.com for updates on celebration of life service following the holidays.



FROM THE JOURNAL ARCHIVES



From the Journal Archives: "Taken from my apartment window on Christmas Day. The buildings are: starting from, this end Bowling Alley, Modern Cleaners, Johnnie Place, Dewalds Paint Shop, Reves Furniture Store, (street), Hills Shoe Store - Christmas Decorations." 1952

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Houseplants

By Nicole Stoner

Houseplants can be a great way for a gardening fanatic to get through the winter season. I recently have gotten a nice collection of houseplants started. As we move into the holiday season, we may be receiving houseplants as gifts. Care for these houseplants can be difficult and longevity of the plant depends on proper light, irrigation, and humidity.

Houseplant Care: Light is critical for any plant, but houseplants can have real problems if placed in incorrect lighting, especially in the shorter days of winter. You may need to supplement light for proper growth. You can purchase plant lights from many stores and online shopping locations. Light requirements differ between plants, so research the best lighting for your plants.

South facing windows provide the brightest light, while across the room from a north window is the darkest location. As a comparison, if light intensity near a south window is ranked as 100%, east and west windows provide about 60% as much light intensity, and north windows only provide about 20% light intensity. This should help you decide which window is best for your plant.

Many houseplants are tropical in nature and our homes are quite dry in comparison, especially in winter. Plants need 70-80% humidity for best growth. Increased humidity in the room can be accomplished using a humidifier or a pebble tray. Place plants on a tray of pebbles with water among the pebbles, keep the water level below the plant container. Do not leave plants sitting in water, this can lead to root rot.

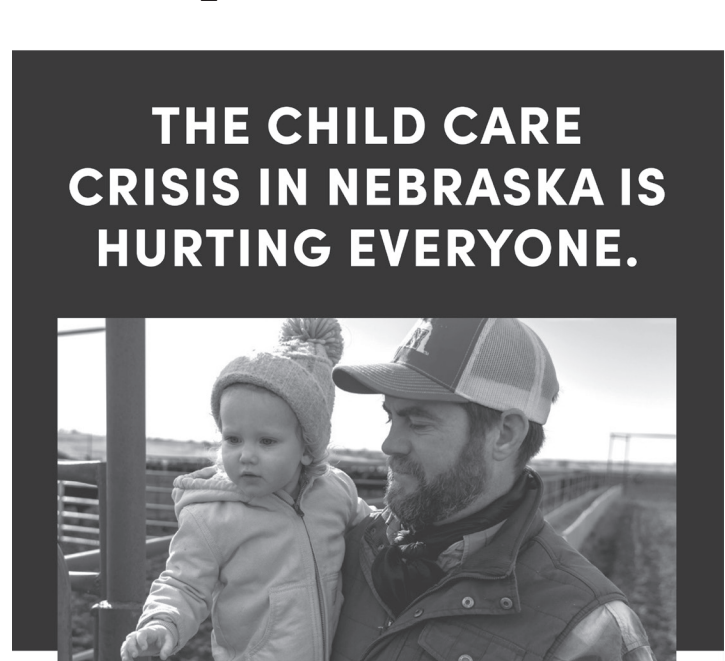
Keep plants sufficiently irrigated, but only water as needed. It is best to test the soil prior to irrigating. If the soil feels wet, don't water, if it feels dry water the plant. Some plants, such as my philodendron, will tell you when they need watered with droopy or wilted leaves. Add water until it runs out of the drainage holes in the container.

Fungus Gnats: Fungus gnats are a common problem with houseplants. They are the tiny black insects that fly around out of the soil and bother us. These can be difficult to control because the eggs are laid in the soil and will stay dormant until the plant is watered again which leads to the gnats emerging. Reducing frequency of irrigation and improving the drainage in your soil can help. There are also houseplant insecticides that can be used but be sure to use a systemic insecticide labeled for houseplant insect control. It can also help to repot the plant and try to shake off as much of the soil as possible when moving the plant to the new soil.

Poinsettias: A common plant of the holiday season is the poinsettia. Protect poinsettias through transportation. Wrap it in a plastic bag when you take it outside to protect the plant from the cold, windy conditions. This should be done when you leave the store, when you move it from your car to your home, and if you take it to another house as a gift. Remove that plastic bag each time it gets to the house. Once in its permanent location, remove the decorative foil wrapping from the pot of the plant. This foil can hold onto water around the roots leading to root rot.

Water poinsettias when the soil becomes dry to the touch, but don't wait until the plant wilts prior to watering again. Place poinsettias where they will get indirect light for 6 hours a day. Keep the plant away from cold drafts and keep them from touching a window. More on Houseplants

If you have any further questions please contact Nicole Stoner at (402) 223-1384, nstoner2@unl.edu, visit the Gage County Extension website at www.gage.unl.edu, or like my facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/NicoleStonerHorticulture> and follow me on twitter @Nikki_Stoner



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Lady Titans rout Lewiston for first win of the season

Coach Schuyler Kuhlmann's team scored early and often as they ran away from the Lewiston Tigers, 53-16, in action on Tuesday. The Titans outscored Lewiston 20-3 in the opening eight minutes and grew the lead to 35-7 at the half. HTRS kept its foot on the gas pedal after intermission, dominating the third period with an 18-0 performance. Lewiston battled to win the fourth period, 9-0, but it dropped the lopsided affair by 37 points.

The Lady Titans went 19/56 (34%) from two-point range but just 3/22 from beyond the arc. HTRS dominated the boards, finishing with 53 rebounds, 31 on the offensive end of the court. The Titans also owned the turnover battle, forcing 28 while committing just 10.

Junior Lillian Bowen led the Titans with 22 points and five steals. Classmate Eli Bstandig hit for a double/double, scoring 16 points and securing 17 rebounds. Maddie Bredemeier led the squad with four assists.

Scoring for HTRS

Cumro 3, Bstandig 16, Glathar 8, McClarnen 2, Bredemeier 2, Bowen 22.

The Titans' tough luck continued on Friday night, as they fell for the second time this season by five points or less. On Friday night, HTRS dropped a home contest to Lourdes Central 49-54. The first period proved to make all the difference, as the Titans were outscored 7-17. HTRS outscored Lourdes 42-37 over the final 24 minutes of action.

HTRS (1-3) plays at Freeman (4-0) on Tuesday, at Sacred Heart (3-0) on Friday and will host Southern (1-3) on Saturday, December 21.

Journal holiday deadlines, print schedule and hours

(Continued from Page 1) addresses for staff.

The dropbox in our entryway will be monitored closely for any advertising, subscriptions and information you wish to place in the paper. Please feel free to place things there for us to pick-up when we return to the office.

We appreciate your understanding at this time and hope to return to regular hours in the future.

DISTRICT #70

Board of Education Regular Meeting - Monday, December 9, 2024 7:00 PM - Humboldt Board Conference Room

Attendance Taken at 6:45 PM
 Kyle Hilgenfeld: Present, Mike Kanel: Present, Neal Kanel: Absent, Dave Mezger: Present, Scott Ogle: Present, Leah Reyes: Absent.
 1. Open Meeting Notice - Call Meeting To Order- Roll Call -Pledge Of Allegiance*
 2. Welcome Patrons And Guests
 3. Patron Comment
 4. Early Learning Center Presentation
 Chelsey Sullivan provided information related to the Six Pence Program and The Early Learning Center
 5. Approve Consent Agenda
 Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mike Kanel and a second by Dave Mezger. Yea: 4, Nay: 0

5.1. Meeting Minutes
 5.2. Bills for Payment
 5.3. Review Treasurer's report
 6. REPORTS
 6.1. Principal Caniglia
 6.2. Principal Standerford
 6.3. NASB Report - Neal Kanel
 6.4. Committee Reports
 Motion to approve the negotiated agreement as presented with a motion by Dave Mezger and a second by Kyle Hilgenfeld. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 6.5. Audit Report
 7. AGENDA ITEMS
 7.1. Approve board member's leave of absence
 Motion to approve Neal Kanel & Leah Reyes' leave of absence passed with a motion by Mike Kanel and a second by Dave Mezger. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.2. Negotiations
 Motion to approve 2025-2026 Negotiated Agreement passed with a motion by Mike Kanel and a second by Kyle Hilgenfeld. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.2.1. Sick Time Donation
 Motion to not approve allowing the donation of sick time or PTO passed with a motion by Mike Kanel and a second by Dave Mezger. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 This was discussed during negotiations. It was decided by the board team not to move forward with this option.
 7.3. Classified Pay
 Step \$0.50
 Single insurance all hourly \$141,692 = 3.48%
 Approve recommendation passed with a motion by Mike Kanel and a second by Dave Mezger. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.4. Mid-Year Policy Updates
 Move to waive the three read policies for the adoption of policy due to legal requirement for application on January 1, 2025 passed with a motion by Dave Mezger and a second by Mike Kanel. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 Move to approve the policies as presented passed with a motion by Dave Mezger and a second by Mike Kanel. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.5. Personnel Resignations
 Samantha Wamsley
 Candy Blecha
 Motion to approve the resignations of Samantha Wamsley & retirement of Candy Blecha at the end of the year passed with a motion by Dave Mezger and a second by Kyle Hilgenfeld. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.6. Personnel Hires:
 Taylor Schafer - Transition to teach Life Science effective Spring 2025.
 Motion to approve the hire of Taylor Schafer passed with a motion by Kyle Hilgenfeld and a second by Dave Mezger. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 7.7. 2023 - 2024 Annual Report
 Motion to approve the annual report passed with a motion by Kyle Hilgenfeld and a second by Mike Kanel. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 8. Superintendent Griffith Report
 9. Board Member Concerns
 10. Adjourn
 Motion to adjourn 7:53 passed with a motion by Scott Ogle and a second by Mike Kanel. Yea: 4, Nay: 0
 Respectfully submitted,
 Chantel Farwell

Vendor Name	Description	Invoice Amount
Amazon Capital Services	Dec 2024 Orders/Steam	830.27
Boongarn, Renee,	Vehicle Parts/Supplies	299.93
Cardmember Service,	Credit Card Charges-Gen Fund	6,310.15
City Of Humboldt,	Utilities-Water/Sewer	1,668.03
Cleaning Cousins, LLC		40.46
Coffey, Michael,	Parking	
Reimbursement		43.50
Das State Accounting	- Central,	

Tech / Ocio Finance	292.87
Dell Inc, Tech-Computers	
Hardware	216.00
Dietze Music House, Po 8206	25.20
Dstk Phillips, Inc Daycare Repairs/Parts-Sink	466.25
Eakes Office Solutions,	
Maintenance Supplies	4,216.69
Ebsco Subscription Serv Magazine Subscriptions	299.69
Electronic Contracting Co., Alarm Monitoring Services	176.40
Esu #4, Hal/Sped/Network	10,451.64
Esu #6, Tech Hosting	
Services	61.23
Esu 5, Speech To Print	60.00
Falls City Journal, Ads	69.43
Falls City Mercantile Co.,	
Cups	64.43
Falls City Sanitation	590.00
Fiber Platform, LLC, Distance Learning	428.98
Griffith, George, Tiny House	
Supplies	405.00
Hometown Leasing, Staple Copier Lease	1,377.80
Htmc, Ad Messages	162.00
Htrs Activity Fund, Jr. Class Reimb-Indian Caves	450.00
Htrs Payroll Acct, Payroll	
Expenses	601,368.26
Johnson County Clerk, Post Card Hearing	40.71
Ksb School Law, Legal	
Services	22.00
Kurita America Inc, Water Soft Contract	467.64
Malcolm, Mary, Occ Therapy - Sped Services	1,902.75
Nasco, Po 8207 Maintenance	65.90
National Therapeutic Associates, Physical Therapy - Sped Services Inc	2,381.75
Ncs Pearson, Inc, Nov 2024	18.50
Nemaha Co, Election Fees	212.75
Nifco Mechanical Systems Repairs Bkflw Preventer	899.01
Pawnee Republican, Legal/Advertising	191.25
Richardson County Clerk, Election Costs	732.54
Richardson County Treasurer, Sro Monthly Contract	5,879.10
Schendel Pest Control, Pest Control-Spraying	72.00
School Nurse Supply, Nurse Supplies	4,361.70
Station Service Center Inc., The, Fuel/Sped Fuel	4,801.00
Stepware, Inc, Po 8114 Keyboard Curr	262.00
Sumali, LLC, Ee Drug Testing	100.00
T-Mobile USA Inc, Monthly Charges	177.81
Tk Elevator Corporation, Elevator Maintenance	543.26
Truck Center Companies Repairs & Parts	241.50
Umiland, Katie, Fuel Reimbursement	25.05
Verizon Business, Long Distance	87.91
Wilcock, Joy, Occ Therapy - Sped Services	3,487.86
Windstream Nebraska, Phone Utilities	110.74
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VILLAGE OF VERDON

VERDON MINUTES REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 4, 2024 – 7:15 PM. – VILLAGE HALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 p.m. by Chairperson Denise Koso.

She called attention to the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall.

ROLL CALL: Present: Cody Bahr, Denise Koso, Herman McAdams, Lois Miller. Absent: None.

Clerk Dawn Bennett was also present.

GUESTS: Tiffany Jorn, Sandra McAdams

MINUTES: Motion by Koso, second by Bahr to approve, all Trustees present voting YEA.

AGENDA: Motion by Bahr, second by McAdams to approve, all Trustees present voting YEA.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Koso, second by Bahr to approve, all Trustees present voting YEA.

DECEMBER 2024 CLAIMS: Motion by Koso, second by McAdams to approve, all Trustees present voting YEA.

All claims were verified and checked over by Chairperson Koso.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. December 2024 Shut Off Notices were reviewed. All have been paid.

2. A letter from the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy concerning the WWTF was reviewed.

3. Clerk reported that since Christmas and New Year's Day holidays are falling on the regular trash collection days, that the trash will be

collected on December 26, 2024 and January 2, 2025 for those weeks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS: General: 1. One estimate for the Community Center window replacement was received. Still need two more estimates and they will be reviewed at the January 2025 meeting. Streets: It was reported that the street Christmas lights have been put up. Water: 1) Viking submitted their Visual Assessment Report that was completed in October 2024. 2) It was reported that the winterization of the water tower has been completed. Sewer: The replacement of the #1 pump at the lagoon still needs completed. Cemetery: The entrance sign has not been installed yet. Parks: 1) It was reported that the new playground equipment installation is almost completed. 2) It was reported that we are still waiting on ideas for the Mini-Park mural painting.

SCHOOL MENUS

Falls City Sacred Heart

Wednesday, December 18

Hamburger/Bun, Corn, Pineapple, Orange, Milk

Thursday, December 19

Breaded Chicken Patty/Bun, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Friday, December 20

Sack Lunch-PBJ Uncrustable, Chips, Veggies-Carrots, Fruit-Pre Pkgd, Cookie, Milk

Monday, December 23

Christmas Break

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Break

HTRS Titans

Wednesday, December 18

Calzones, Mix Vegetables, Fruit/Veggie Bar, Milk/Water

Thursday, December 19

Ham Patty/Bun, Green Beans/Lettuce, 2 Choices of Fruit, Milk/Water, No Fruit/Veggie Bar

Friday, December 20

Pizza Anytimers, 2 Choices of Fruit, 2 Choices of Veggie, Milk/Water, No Fruit/Veggie Bar

Monday, December 23

Merry Christmas

No School until Jan 7th

Tuesday, December 24

Merry Christmas

No School until Jan. 7th

Falls City Public Schools

Wednesday, December 18

North & South School: Chicken Noodle Soup, Grilled Cheese Sando, Baby Carrots, Dragon Punch, Peaches, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Chicken Noodle Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Baby Carrots, Applesauce, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Chicken Noodle Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Baby Carrots, Fruit, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Pizza Slice, Chips, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, 8ounce Milk

Thursday, December 19

North & South School: Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Celery, Broccoli, Grapes, Choc. Crinkle Cookie, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Sloppy Joe Sandwich, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Grapes, Choc. Crinkle Cookie, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Beef Burger Sandwich, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Grapes, Choc. Crinkle Cookie, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** Grape Uncrustable Sandwich, Chips, Fresh Fruit & Veggie Bar, 8ounce Milk

Friday, December 20

North & South School: Mini Corn Dogs, Au Gratin Potatoes, Corn, Mixed Fruit, 8ounce Milk **Middle School:** Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Celery, Cucumbers, Pear Cup, Chips, 8ounce Milk **High School: Hot Lunch:** Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Celery, Cucumbers, Fresh Fruit Cup, Chips, 8ounce Milk **Combo Line:** No Combo

Monday, December 23

Holiday Break

No School

Tuesday, December 24

Holiday Break

No School



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THUR: Lasagna

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USDA to Begin Issuing \$2.14 Billion to Agricultural Producers through Key Conservation and Safety-Net Programs

An Additional \$21 Million Awarded for Monitoring, Assessment and Evaluation Projects to Enhance the Delivery of the Conservation Reserve Program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced that it will begin issuing more than \$2.14 billion in payments to eligible agricultural producers, and landowners—providing much needed support through key conservation and safety-net programs. Producers should soon receive payments from USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) for their participation in these programs aimed to conserve natural resources and keep family farms economically viable.

Specifically, program participants are expected to receive more than \$1.7 billion through the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and CRP Transition Incentive Program (CRP TIP) and more than \$447 million through the Agriculture Risk Coverage and Prices Loss Coverage (ARC/PLC) programs. Additionally, FSA is announcing an investment of \$21 million for projects to better measure the effectiveness of CRP.

"Conservation and safety net program payments are significant investments in preserving and protecting our valuable and vulnerable natural resources and they provide protection for producers impacted by market volatilities," said Tim Divis, Acting FSA State Executive Director in Nebraska. "These programs support voluntary land stewardship and provide agricultural producers with risk protection and production stability, keeping them in business and feeding the world."

Conservation Reserve Program Payments : FSA is issuing more than \$1.7 billion in annual rental payments to agricultural producers and private landowners through the Conservation Reserve Program and CRP Transition Incentive Program. These annual rental payments are made to eligible farmers and ranchers throughout the country who establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees, to control soil erosion, improve water quality and enhance wildlife habitat on cropland taken out of production. The duration of CRP contracts is between 10 and 15 years.

FSA accepted offers for more than 2.2 million acres through this year's Grassland, General, and Continuous CRP signups, bringing current enrollment to nearly 26 million acres.

These conservation-minded producers help provide invaluable benefits to the nation's environment and economy.

Top five states for current acreage in CRP:

- Colorado: 2,978,741
- South Dakota: 2,626,430
- Nebraska: 2,423,361
- Texas: 2,225,310
- Kansas: 2,040,412

Investments in CRP Monitoring, Assessment, and Evalua-

tion: FSA invested \$21 million in 15 projects to further the monitoring, assessment, and evaluation of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). Projects funded this year include the adoption of emerging technology to increase knowledge on subjects such as the benefits of wetland restoration to mitigate flooding, contributions of CRP to wildlife habitat, and role CRP plays in strengthening the resiliency of agricultural operations.

FSA originally committed \$10 million to the Notice of Funding Opportunity in May, but due to the quality of project proposals submitted FSA awarded more than \$20 million. Since 2021, FSA has invested over \$70 million into monitoring, assessment, and evaluation efforts.

The monitoring, assessment, and evaluation projects are designed to produce information that enables USDA to better target CRP toward conservation outcomes by improving data, models, and planning tools while supporting USDA's goal of putting American agriculture and forestry at the center of climate-smart solutions. The land currently enrolled in the program improve water quality, protect soil resources, provide critical wildlife habitat and aid to climate resiliency within agricultural systems. Further quantifying program benefits allows the USDA to better target CRP to achieve continued conservation wins across environmentally sensitive lands while strengthening the program's modeling and conservation planning resources for all producers.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest voluntary private-lands conservation programs in the United States. It was originally intended to primarily control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits.

Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage Programs. USDA has started to issue payments to producers of 2023 crops that are estimated at more than \$447 million through the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs. ARC and PLC provide financial protections to farmers from substantial drops in crop prices or revenue and are vital economic safety nets for most American farms. ARC and PLC program and crop specific data is available online and through your local FSA county office.

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The deadline for the December 24, 2024, paper will be Thursday, December 19 at 10:00 a.m. The paper will be sent off early for print, so please plan accordingly.

The office will be closed on Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25. The deadline for the December 31, 2024, paper will be Thursday, December 26 by 9:00 p.m. via email to Nikki or Brian (see Page 2). The paper will be sent off early for print, so please plan accordingly.

The office will be closed on Tuesday, December 31, and remain closed through the week. The staff will be working from home and on the road, but will accept ads and information via email. The deadline for the January 8 paper will be Thursday, January 2 by 3:00 p.m. Some late ads may be accepted via email to Nikki or Brian if sent by Sunday morning. Please plan ahead.

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Help Wanted

is accepting applications for the following positions:

REGISTERED NURSE-DAY SHIFT

Full-Time or Part-Time hours working 5am-5pm with every 3rd weekend required. Responsible for total patient care within assigned nursing unit.

DAY WEEKEND WARRIOR NURSE

Full-time position (36 hours/week) working weekends plus 1 other shift a week. Weekends are considered Saturday and Sunday. May request every 4th weekend off, however 3 shifts per week still must be worked. Shifts are 5am to 5pm. Responsible for total patient care within assigned nursing unit. Weekend Differential \$3.00/hr. Weekend Warrior differential for Saturdays and Sundays only \$6.00/hr-RN or \$4.00/hr-LPN.

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Part-time position working 32 hours a week and some On-Call required. Must be a Registered Nurse or a Practical Nurse, licensed in the state of Kansas. Job duties include providing skilled nursing care in the patient's home to individuals who qualify.

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Full-Time position working 40 hours per week with every 4th weekend required. On-Call approximately 6 nights per month. Must have an MLT or MT degree. Responsible for collecting, preparing, analyzing and interpreting lab specimens.

ADMISSIONS SPECIALIST

Full-time position working 40 hours per week with every 5th Saturday morning required. Responsibilities include greeting & directing patients and updating demographic & insurance information.

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Part-Time position working 20-30 hours a week with every 4th weekend required. Housekeeping duties include cleaning and disinfecting assigned areas of the hospital. Dietary duties include assisting the cook and doing dishes.

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Sacred Heart's Daycee Witt drives for a bucket in the first half against Lourdes Central on Tuesday evening.

Lady Irish remain perfect

The Sacred Heart Lady Irish got off to a great start on Tuesday night, then held on late to secure the win over Lourdes Central, 38-33.

The Irish wasted no time sprinting to an early lead. An assist from Jentry Lechtenberg to Hallie Jones gave SH an early 2-0 lead just thirty seconds into the game. Consecutive buckets by Dorothy Crouse and another assist from Lechtenberg to Daycee Witt made it 10-0 with 4:40 to go in the first. Lourdes finally got on the board with just over two minutes to go in the period, cutting the lead to 12-2. Another bucket and two free throws from Crouse helped the Irish to a 16-5 lead at the end of one.

Lourdes stormed back, cutting the lead to 20-14 at the half. The Knights' press gave the Irish ball-handlers fits, allowing just four points to Sacred Heart in the period. At 4:45, Alise Reschke hit a bucket; seconds later, Witt scored on a drive to make it 20-7. Lourdes scored the final seven points of the half to make it a six-point game at the

break.

Nebraska City hit the first bucket of the third to cut the Irish advantage to four, but SH held on and led 24-19 after three periods of action.

A three-pointer by Nebraska City made it 24-22 with 6:30 to play, but Reschke answered with a three from the corner to push the advantage back to five. However, another three by Lourdes made it a two-point game on the ensuing trip down the court. After a steal and layup, Nebraska City made it a two-point game with just over a minute to play.

A drive by Lechtenberg and four free throws down the stretch by Witt enabled the Irish to secure the five-point win.

Scoring for SH

Crouse 8, Witt 15, Reschke 5, Lechtenberg 6, Jones 4.

Scoring for Lourdes

Fulton 5, White 4, Haag 4, Benedict 15, Madison 5.

Friday night, Sacred Heart played Exeter-Milligan/Friend. The game was tight in the first half, with SH leading 11-8 after the first period and

23-22 at the break. The game took a turn in the third as the vaunted Irish defense stepped forward. SH outscored E-M-F 12-1 to make it 35-23 heading into the final eight minutes. SH was outscored by two in the fourth, 9-11, but it held on for the ten-point win, 44-34.

The Irish went 14/40 from the floor and took advantage at the charity stripe, making 14/18 to seal the win. Each team turned the ball over 17 times and E-M-F held a 27/26 rebounding edge.

Lechtenberg was unstoppable on Friday night, going 8/14 from the field for 25 points. Jentry added nine rebounds and three steals. Witt added nine points, 10 rebounds and seven assists.

Scoring for SH

Santo 5, Crouse 2, Reschke 1, Lechtenberg 25, Jones 2.

Scoring for E-M-F

Schluter 4, Bartley 2, Tuttle 8, Oldehoeft 7, Tuttle 2, Meints 11.

The 3-0 Irish host Tri County on Tuesday night, HTRS on Friday, December 20 and Bishop LeBlond on Saturday.

Irish fall at E-M-F

The Sacred Heart Irish boys felt the pain of defeat for the first time this season when they fell at Exeter-Milligan/Friend on Friday night. The 4-0 Bobcats controlled the game early, taking a 23-8 lead over the Irish after the first period. The Bobcats continued to pour it on the Irish in the second, pushing their advantage to 39-15 at intermission. Sacred Heart continued to battle but ultimately didn't have the firepower to hang with the Bobcats, dropping the road contest 71-34.

The Irish hit just 33% of their shot attempts on Friday, going 14/43 from the field. SH also struggled at the foul line, making 2/8 attempts. Meanwhile, E-M-F shot 58% from the floor, finishing the game by making 30/52 attempts and going 7/9 from the line. The Bobcats controlled the boards with a 37-12 edge. The Irish finished with six offensive and six defensive rebounds.

Bo Fletcher led the Irish offense, finishing with a team-best 12 points on 5/10 shooting. Fletcher added a team-high four rebounds and four assists. Brenden Lemerond was next for the Irish with 11 points on 5/15 shooting. Lemerond also dished out three assists to lead Sacred Heart.

The loss dropped the Irish to 1-1 while E-M-F improved to 4-0.

Scoring for SH

Taft 3, Fletcher 12, Lemerond 11, Lancaster 2, Clow 3, Knobbe 3.

Scoring for E-M-F

Vossler 2, Bartu 6, Bresson 22, Conley 10, Kirchoff 7, Vossler 12, Mueller 5, Klooz 1, Kallhoff 6.

On Saturday, the Irish JV competed in the HTRS Tourney. In the opener, SH defeated HTRS 39-21. The Irish led 6-5, 13-9 and 28-12 before securing the 18-point win. Hayden Clow had 11 points and Toby Baxter and Cooper Knobbe each had ten. Darius Bohling led HTRS with 13.

The Irish defeated Johnson-Brock in the championship 38-11. The Irish led 12-2 after the first and 17-5 at the half. SH outscored the Eagles 21-6 in the second half as they earned the win. Clow led SH with 12 points, while Baxter added eight.

The Irish have a busy week ahead of them. SH will host 0-4 Tri County on Tuesday, 3-1 HTRS on Thursday and 3-2 Bishop LeBlond on Saturday.

NIGHT SKATING

DECEMBER 16, 1944



John Falter's cover proves, among other things, that his reputation among illustrators for having a remarkably retentive visual memory is well deserved. Last fall, the Post asked him to see what he could do in the way of dreaming up a skating cover. Falter said he knew just the setting---Moyer's Pond, in Blooming Glen, Bucks, County, Pennsylvania, where the children stop on their way home from nearby Fretz public school on winter afternoons to do a little figure-cutting. Falter had seen Moyer's Pond only once. That was when he had driven past it last winter while returning to his farm near Perkasio from a village shopping tour. But the details of the winter scene were still sharply etched in his mind. He made one more trip to the pond, in September, when Blooming Glen was still blooming and the pond was a mass of wavelets, to get his topography correct. Then he went back home and began painting his skating scene from memory. Moyer's Pond is the fourth in a series of Falter scene covers.

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