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Mon., Feb. 17

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The Haralabidis family with Amber Holle



Annie Zirfas with Amber Holle

Falls City celebrates a year of growth and community at Annual Chamber Banquet

The Falls City Chamber of Commerce & Main Street held its annual banquet on Wednesday, January 29, 2025. The event is held each year to recognize a small business that has made contributions to the area and a frontline employee who has gone above and beyond the call of duty in their field. It's also a night celebrating a year of growth, collaboration, and success for businesses and the community. The event, which brought together entrepreneurs, business leaders, employees, and community partners, highlighted the city's accomplishments and recognized key contributors.

Executive Director Amber Holle opened the evening by thanking attendees for their "dedication, forward thinking, and resilience." Holle said it's what "sets our community apart from others."

The past year saw significant developments in Falls City, including a thriving downtown and Harlan Street corridor. Businesses

have expanded, and the community has made improvements that will shape the future of the town. The Chamber itself had several accomplishments, including:

The creation of "The Quilted Truck," a 100-foot-long, 30-foot-tall mural on Harlan Street.

The expansion of the Hot Air Balloon Festival into a two-day event, which brought more than 2,000 visitors to Falls City.

The successful execution of community events such as Lemonade Days, Cobblestone, and the Lighted Christmas Parade.

The Chamber also secured a \$10,000 grant from Visit Nebraska for tourism marketing promotions, which was used for a billboard, photography of Falls City attractions and businesses, and placing ads in various tourism magazines. Another \$10,000 grant from Main Street America will be used to start a revolving loan fund to

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Kirkendall addresses concerns about job performance

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners met at the Courthouse on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, for its regularly scheduled meeting. Commissioners Karas, Caverzagie and Campbell answered roll call.

County Treasurer Amanda Bartek-Ramsey presented the members with pledge security receipt replacements, which the Board approved.

Bartek-Ramsey told the Board that she currently had only \$85,000 in unpaid taxes, compared to \$120,000 last year.

The Commissioners met with Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr., to discuss road and bridge maintenance.

Darveau advised the members that his crews would begin stockpiling rock soon while the weather permitted. He also advised the Board that they would soon be installing stop signs to finish the

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Friends and family we lost in 2024

The following is the list of county residents and former county residents whose obituaries appeared in the *Falls City Journal* in 2024:

January

1. Margaret M. Maytag, 74, of Colorado Spring, CO.

1. Duane "Frank" Gene Sailors, 92, formerly of Barada, NE.

5. Patty Schawang, 71, of Omaha, NE.

6. Katherine Gilbert, 103, of Falls City, NE.

6. Isaac N. Deckinger, 31, of Kansas City, MO.

9. Nancy Sue Palmer, 89, of Stewartsville, MO.

23. Dearl Eickhoff, 87, of Falls City, NE.

27. Jack Elmo Oslin, 95, of Richardson, TX.

30. Roy Charles Wittwer, 88, of Sabetha, KS.

31. Rosa Lee "Rosie" Trull Coots, 82, of Hiawatha, KS.

February

1. Colleen (Coke) Joyce Tillman, 94, of Omaha and Falls City, NE.

4. Donald P. Vonderschmidt, 90, of Falls City, NE.

4. Ike (Ron) Eickhoff, 80, of Auburn, NE.

6. Shannon Jordan, 51.

12. Phyllis Joan Reeves, 77, of Auburn, NE.

13. Rita D. Goll, 76, of Falls City, NE.

15. Colleen Vice, 88, of Oma-

ha, NE.

19. Keith Gerweck, 71, of Falls City, NE.

19. Charles Edwards, 77, of Falls City, NE.

19. Michael Edward Mason, 75, of Humboldt, NE.

25. Richard Harpenau, 92, of Prairie Village, KS.

March

1. Sandra Eickhoff, 71, of Falls City, NE.

26. Theodore "Ted" Meinheit, 74, of Verdon, NE.

26. Frances E. Burns, 84, of Falls City, NE.

27. Caroline Chapp, 93, of Falls City, NE.

28. Betty Stoller, 90, of Falls City, NE.

29. Shirley Reimers, 78, of Shubert, NE.

29. June Hayward, 95, of Humboldt, NE.

31. Shirley Ann (Pyle) Fritz, 77, of Falls City, NE.

April

5. Lawrence Edward "Dick" Frederick, 98, of Falls City, NE.

5. Donald William Eis, 78, of Humboldt, NE.

10. Elaine Griebel, 75, of Falls City, NE.

11. Sharon "Sue" Rose (Birkert) Harris, 80, of Breckenridge, TX.

14. Lawrence James Woods, 66, of Falls City, NE.

16. Ronald Morris, 44, of Falls City, NE.

18. Fred W. Brewer, 80, of Falls

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Vicki Beilke honored with an award from the Child Savings Institute

Vicki Beilke, president of the Stella Research Club and District 1 President of the General Federated Woman's Clubs/Nebraska Federated Woman's Clubs was recently honored with an annual award from the Child Savings Institute for her dedication to this organization.

The Institute is located in Omaha, Nebraska and has served the needs of thou-

sands of children and families for 131 years providing diverse programs and services, strengthening families and communities, and offers a spectrum of support for the people they serve.

Vicki has personal ties to the Institute as she was adopted from the Institute 75 years ago by Stanley and Nadine Hall of Stella. She has encouraged and directed



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Prairie Doc It's Here

Debra Johnston, MD

Lately I've been reminded of a blockbuster movie from my youth. It contains a scene that even those who never saw the film are likely to recognize. A sleeping family is jolted awake, and from the foot of the bed the young daughter sings "they're here!"

One might wonder why I'm thinking so much about Poltergeist. That quote started ringing in my brain during our last monthly clinic meeting, when our lab director reported on the previous day's influenza statistics. Nearly 90% of the tests were positive. Respiratory viruses may not seem like a natural comparison to malevolent ghosts, but they're here, and things are likely to get worse before they get better.

Last season, there were over 20,000 confirmed cases of influenza in South Dakota. Over 800 people were hospitalized. Nearly 50 died.

When I diagnose someone with influenza, I warn them to expect misery. They will likely have fevers, body aches, exhaustion, and of course cough. Some people are out of commission for only a few days, others for two weeks. Some people can barely get out of bed, and some people just feel a bit run down.

The flu shot helps, but it is far from perfect. People who get the shot can still get influenza. Generally it is between 40 and 60% effective at preventing infection. Still, those who had the shot and get sick anyway are significantly less likely to be hospitalized. So long as influenza is circulating you should still get your shot. It isn't too late even if you already had influenza, as the shot contains 3 different strains.

Of course, things like washing your hands, not touching your face, and avoiding sick people are also useful. It can be hard to distinguish one respiratory virus from another.

Influenza tends to strike more suddenly than many others, but symptoms have significant overlap. Testing is the best way to distinguish whether or not your illness is influenza. Influenza is also one of the few viruses for which we have specific treatments, so getting that answer can be useful. Treatment is generally used for those at higher risk, such as young children, people over 65, those who have chronic health conditions or are pregnant. Importantly, medicine should be started within the first 48 hours of illness.

So what can you do if you get sick? First, stay home! Get lots of rest. Drink lots of fluids. Fever reducers and over the counter pain medications can help you be more comfortable. Pseudoephedrine can help the congestion. Guaifenesin can help thin the mucous. Dextromethorphan or honey can help soothe the cough.

Finally, watch out for signs that you are getting sicker instead of better. Influenza can lead to ear infections, sinus infections, pneumonia, and things that are even more serious, like bloodstream infections, inflammation of the heart or brain, and kidney failure. If something doesn't seem right, get it checked out.

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All things Nebraska It's 'Groundhog Day' when it comes to vouchers for private/ parochial schools

By Paul Hammel, Retired Senior Reporter for Nebraska Examiner
George Norris must be rolling of really enjoyed the film, "Groundhog Day."

It starred Bill Murray – who is generally hilarious – as a TV weatherman covering Groundhog Day in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, home of the famous groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil. But Murray is caught in some kind of time warp in which the day's events, and mis-adventures, keep repeating themselves.

I lost track of how many times Murray's alarm clock rang to start one more, identical day.

You might be feeling the same way about a couple bills just introduced in the Nebraska Legislature concerning public dollars for private education.

You might recall that there were similar bills introduced, and passed, during the 2023 and 2024 sessions, only to be nullified and replaced by the Legislature a year ago, and then resoundingly voted down in a referendum in the general election not quite three months ago.

Well, it's Groundhog Day again.

A new state senator, Tony Sorrentino of the Elkhorn area of Omaha, introduced legislation last month, nearly identical to the 2023 bill, to allow state tax credits to those who donate funds to organizations that provide scholarships to students to attend religious or private schools.

And Norfolk Sen. Rob Dover introduced a slimmed-down version of a private school voucher bill repealed by voters in November, seeking to call it an "appropriation," something that can't be repealed by voters.

On social media, some folks reacted with "didn't we just vote against this idea?"

Well, yes. In November, Nebraska voters decided, by a margin of 57% to 43%, that they didn't want their public tax dollars to be spent on private education, but to be used for public schools and other public needs. That's not quite a landslide (which generally requires more than 70% of the vote) but let's just say that vote wasn't very close.

Still, some people wondered why, after voters rescinded a law a couple of months ago, there's new attempts again, so soon, to provide public funds for private schooling?

There appears to be nothing in state law or the state constitution that prevents another bill from being introduced, and Sorrentino told Omaha TV station KETV that voters were misinformed when they resoundingly voted to rescind the law passed in 2024.

To be fair, Sorrentino's new bill wasn't exactly the one defeated in November. It is more like the law passed in 2023 – it gives taxpayers a tax credit, dollar-for-dollar up to \$100,000 each, for donations they make to scholarships to private or religious schools. The bill starts by giving away \$25 million in the first couple of years, when it would start growing eventually \$100 million a year.

This idea of "school choice" tends to get more and more expensive once it's enacted. In Arizona, the cost of its program ballooned to five times its initial estimate, helping to cause a \$1.6 billion budget deficit there (along with some deep cuts in state income taxes, something underway here).

Personally, I'm a big fan of Catholic schools. I volunteer



every year at a fish fry that helps fund a parochial grade school in Omaha and I put my money in the collection plate each month to help a school in Lincoln. That's kind of what private/parochial schools signed up for – and such schools, to their credit, provide scholarships for families who can't afford the tuition.

The state's teachers' union hates these voucher ideas, arguing that public funds should be devoted to public schools and students already have "choice" to select another public school.

After the 2023 bill was passed, and after the 2024 bill was signed, the Nebraska State Education Association (twice) mobilized supporters to put the school choice law to a vote. They collected plenty of signatures from people who think public tax dollars should be used for public purposes.

They'll do it again if the bills introduced by Sorrentino or Dover are passed.

Welcome to Groundhog Day. Again.

Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He retired in April as a 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: SYNONYMS

ACROSS

1. Half of half-and-half
6. *Gratuity
9. Remain unsettled
13. Pita, alt. sp.
14. Uncle Sam wants whom?
15. Played violin, e.g.
16. "Encore!"
17. Young canine
18. Amber warning
19. *Entice
21. *Agreement
23. "___ Te Ching"
24. Goose egg
25. Antonym of keep
28. *Affection
30. Open wine, e.g.
35. Frosts a cake
37. Leave in a bucket
39. *Parlor
40. Coating of aurum
41. Like many bathroom floors?
43. Border pass
44. Full of emotion (2 words)
46. Opposite of talker?
47. Tel ____, Israel
48. Auto ____ website
50. *Module
52. Compass point between NE and E
53. *Insane
55. Old-fashioned before
57. *Prevent
60. *Ditch
63. Peninsula of 38th parallel fame
64. Single-____ plastics
66. Donkey + horse, pl.
68. All told (2 words)
69. '80s band "____ At Work"
70. Bay window
71. Chapter 11 issue
72. Mouse turf
73. Email option

DOWN

1. Tax pro, acr.
2. Capital of Latvia
3. Bibliographical abbr.
4. Not upright
5. Instructions handbook
6. Use an Underwood
7. Promissory note letters
8. Cocoon dwellers
9. Horse and mallet sport
10. *Pitcher
11. One ridiculed for studiousness
12. Banned insecticide, acr.
15. Kevin ____ and Sir Francis ____
20. Resting spot for a chicken
22. French vineyard
24. *Avid
25. *Correct
26. *Slipperier
27. 4th letter of Greek alphabet
29. *Nothingness
31. Spanish sparkling wine
32. Martini garnish
33. Violinist's pine resin
34. *Rogue
36. Wall support
38. It often precedes "eye"
42. Laundry room appliance
45. Correspondence friend
49. Feel remorse
51. Seismic shake
54. Card game move
56. Accustom
57. *Sharpen
58. A in UAE
59. Cheesy patty
60. Be inclined
61. Paper holder
62. Dog command
63. Baby goat
65. Pirate's turf
67. "Rocky" creator

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From the Journal Files

By Brian McKim

75-50-25 Years Ago

75 Years Ago, February 5, 1950 to February 11, 1950

Arthur E. Stoddard, president of the Union Pacific Railroad, spent a quiet Sunday in Falls City visiting Mr. and Mrs. P.S. "Nick" Carter. The two men had been friends when they were both youthful railroaders at Valley.

A bomb of dynamite tore out a bedroom wall of gambler Mickey Cohen's home, causing \$50,000 in damages, but the dapper mobster escaped with only a scratch on his hand. It was the second time in less than a year that the mobster was wounded in an attempt to end his life.

A prank went wrong when two local youths were charged with disturbing the peace charges. Clarence Algieri, 20, and Donald Aue, 19, had charges placed against them in police court. Algieri obtained a Frankenstein mask, entered several local eating places and stood in the doorway, not speaking. After several seconds, he would leave the establishments. Aue didn't wear a mask but was charged for driving Algieri around.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lichty held an open house at their home at 2205 Barada St. to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ralph R. Andrews was re-elected superintendent of Falls City Schools under a two-year contract, and Cecil Weddle was re-elected high school principal. Andrews would receive a salary of \$4,750 and \$4,900 the following year, while Weddle was paid \$4,150.

Artificial respiration efforts by Mrs. R. A. Hanika of Shubert saved the life of Gary Alexander, the five-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Alexander. Mrs. Alexander reported that he had rolled off the bed, was caught in the blanket next to the wall and was blue and lifeless. Mrs. Hanika, a neighbor, answered the calls for help and administered the life-saving efforts.

A concentrated effort to improve game and fishing conditions in southeast Nebraska was launched over the weekend. Ralph Tucker and Bob Heinzelman headed the effort, which included a membership drive for a revitalized Southeast Nebraska Sportsmen's Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sinnett of Dawson celebrated their 50th anniversary with a dinner given to them by their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harold Sinnett.

A potluck supper was held at the S.B.A. Hall for Catholic Daughters of America members. Thirty-two guests attended the meal with Miss Helen Gagnon, vice grand regent, presiding at the business session. The committee in charge included Mrs. Paul Murphy, Mrs. L. P. Duey, Mrs. Tom Schroedl, Mrs. Marvin Bolejack, Mrs. Percy Caverzagie and Miss Mayme Mahoney.

A Pan-American World Airways Strato-cruiser set a new record for a commercial airliner flight from Honolulu to Los Angeles, a 2,625-mile trip, at seven hours, 35 minutes, 45 seconds.

Simanton & Pence Greenhouse or Flower Store advertised a dozen of daffodils for \$3.00 or 12 red roses for \$4.00 and \$5.00 for Valentine's Day.

Joe W. Tomek & Son, Table Rock real estate brokers, advertised a 240-acre farm near Humboldt, with good improvements, electricity, and a good road, for sale for \$24,000.

50 Years Ago, February 5, 1975 to February 11, 1975

The Red Cross Bloodmobile had its second successful day in a row in Richardson County as Humboldt donors gave 93 pints of blood, seven over the quota of 86. Mrs. Elmer Rexroth was the head of the project.

Leonard Krueger was elected president of the Rotary Club as announced by Duane Duey. Mr. Krueger, who was associated with Gerhardt Radio and Electric, Inc., assumed his office on July 1.

Stephenson Rexall Drug was close to filling its 100,000th prescription. To mark the occasion, the business advertised a contest for locals to guess the day and time the mark would be met. The winner would receive an Instamatic Pocket 30 Camera outfit valued at \$57.95.

The American Legion District 13 awarded a traveling trophy in honor of the late Steve Kopetzky of Sacred Heart at the district oratorical contest at Tecumseh. The award went to Beth Kerl, a Pawnee City senior.

Tedd Gentry, Chris Campbell, Steve Dunn and Judy Karst, members of the Falls City High band, were selected for the honors band at the Nebraska Wesleyan University Plainsman Honors Music Festival.

Falls City High wrestler Ed Kirkendall was ranked No. 4 in the 126-pound class by the Omaha World-Herald. Kirkendall was currently 19-1 for the season.

Arthur J. Weaver, of Nebraska City and formerly of Falls City, purchased a controlling interest in the Nishna Valley State Bank of Riverton, IA and was named chairman of the board. His son, James Weaver, was named executive vice president.

The nation's unemployment rate reached 8.2 percent in January, the highest level in 33 years.

An application was being prepared for a Rural Nebraska Transportation program, including a proposal for bus service between Rulo and Beatrice through Falls City, Salem, Humboldt, Table Rock, Pawnee City, Burchard, Lewison, Virginia and Rockford.

The Lady Tigers scored their first basketball trophy since 1927, placing third at the Peru State Invitational. FC defeated Weeping Water 44-31 to win the award. Marta Prichard was named captain of the All-Tournament team. Prichard scored 30 points in the Tigers win over Weeping Water.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Ebel, 1703 Towle Street, observed their 50th wedding anniversary. A dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ebel to celebrate the event. The pair lived in the Reserve area for 32 years and worked for the University of Illinois in Urbana, Illinois for seven and a half years. The couple retired in 1964 and moved back to Falls City.

For the second year in a row, the FCHS Junior-Senior swing choir won the Class A choreographed division trophy at the Midland Jazz Festival in Fremont. The Tiger Stage Band also won first place in Class B at the Midland Jazz Festival.

25 Years Ago, February 5, 2000 to February 11, 2000

The \$1.8 million renovation was underway at Prichard Auditorium. Two rooms off the entrance were being demolished to make room for the new men's and women's restrooms.

Mayor Marshall Maddox appointed Mel Harmon as Third Ward Councilperson, filling the vacated position left by Dawn Ross's resignation.

The Tiger wrestling program wrapped up the best regular season in school history and finished the year with a dual record of 12-1-1. The team had ten wrestlers with winning records and seven guys who had won more than 60 percent of their matches.

The Falls City FFA Junior Parliamentary Procedure team qualified for the state contest with a first-place purple ribbon at the district meet. The team consisted of Jake Ankrom, Matt Buckminster, Jason Sneathen, Luke Goff, Nathan Deckinger, Anthony Nussbaum and Darren Elliott.

Lil' Red appeared in Falls City, taking the court at Prichard Auditorium during action at the Falls City Tigers boy's and girl's games. The trip to FC was sponsored by the Tiger Booster Club and spearheaded by Gerald Hoppe. The Lady Tigers fell 36-56 to Nebraska City and the boys lost 30-45.

Former Southeast Consolidated standout Cheryl Patchen was honored at her Nebraska Wesleyan basketball game. The senior started every game in her final year and was among the school's career assist leaders.

Bredeaux Pizza advertised two medium, two-topping pizzas for \$12.99 or one large pepperoni for \$7.99.

Ye Ole Tyme Saloon in Rulo advertised a Valentine's Special of spiced shrimp with potato, salad bar and coffee or tea for \$11.50. BKM Karaoke was entertaining from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Melanie Stauffer and Dana Dill were the Falls City Journal Athletes of the Week. Stauffer scored 19 points and grabbed 13 rebounds in her team's 53-31 win over D-V, and Dill went 5-0 with three pins at the Ashland Dual wrestling tournament.

Falls City celebrates a year of growth and community at Annual Chamber Banquet

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assist small businesses.

A partnership with the Falls City Journal and the Sacred Heart journalism class will feature articles on local entrepreneurs launching this spring.

A pilot program called "My Hometown is Cool" had students evaluate Falls City and develop ideas to make their hometown "cooler". The winning idea, from four Sacred Heart students is called "SLAP" (Student Lead Activities at Prichard). Students from both schools plan to work with the new Parks & Recs director, to create a series of activities for the community to enjoy. There will be more information on this coming in the future.

The banquet also included the presentation of annual awards. Annie Zirfas was named the 2024 Frontline Employee of the Year, recognized for her hard work and dedication at the Falls City Care Center.

The nomination letter for Annie said, "She never stops working. Always on the move, she greets the residents with a smile, and more of that familiar ease, as many of those she cares for are lifelong customers at the businesses she so diligently worked at before coming to the Care Center.

Even with her many duties, she always takes her time to ensure that all staff, residents, and visitors feel welcome as soon as they walk through the door. She treats the residents as though she were caring for her own mother, father, aunt, or uncle and, in turn, they love her back as if she was their own."

The letter continued saying, "Many of the aging in our community come to the Care Center at a changing point in their life. They are coming to terms with an adjustment in their body, mind and/or lifestyle. Our winner, equipped with a positive attitude and willingness to help, eases their burdens and encourages them to connect with the FCCC community. She encourages those staying for rehabilitation to remain positive on their journey and welcomes home those who come to stay."

A&G Steakhouse & Pizza was honored as the 2024 Small Business of the Year for their excellent service, food, and dedication to the downtown area.

In their nomination letter, it stated "In small towns like ours, the heartbeat of the community often lies in our downtown areas a place where history, com-

merce, and connection come together. Having a restaurant like tonight's winner downtown makes all the difference in having a vibrant downtown. This establishment has been cornerstone of downtown Falls City since 1994!

The work to keep a restaurant open often goes unnoticed, it's long hours, dedication, and an endless balancing act. But in recent years, the challenges have been even greater. From navigating the trials of the pandemic to weathering the impacts of inflation, staying open and thriving has required resilience, innovation, and an unwavering commitment to serving this community.

With a wide variety of food options to please every palate, they've created a menu and an atmosphere that invites everyone to pull up a chair and stay awhile. But this is more than just a place to eat. It's a gathering spot, where neighbors catch up, families celebrate milestones, and visitors get their first taste of what makes our town so special."

The letter ended by stating that, "At the heart of their success is Costas, Lee Ann and incredible team/group of dedicated, friendly, and hardworking individuals who make every visit feel like coming home."

The speaker for the night, Jill Brown, spoke about embracing change through creativity, grit, and supporting one another.

Holle also thanked outgoing board members Angie Phroper, Jessica Fischer, Kelly Bletcher, and Sara Ruiz, for their service thanking each of them for how special they were to her in their own way and how helpful they had been over the years.

Holle said Phroper had been one of the Chamber's largest advocates and personal supporters. Fischer her "right-hand woman, never missing an event." Ruiz, the first to volunteer and always eager to help and Bletcher someone she couldn't have orchestrated events without her help, knowledge and experience.

New board members Andrea Burgess, Briar Burr, Levi Clifton, and Crystal Scrivens were welcomed.

Holle ended the night by expressing excitement for the future, citing opportunities for innovation, attracting new businesses, and fostering community pride.

Babies of 2024

THIS YEAR IN FULL COLOR!!!

ATTENTION PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS AND UNCLAS OF BABIES BORN IN 2024

Whether you live near or far, *The Falls City Journal* would like to show off your pride and joy in a special section in the **February 19th, 2025** edition of the *Journal*. The rules are simple:

- The baby must have been born in 2024.
- The baby doesn't have to be a resident or have to have been born in Falls City.
- Send or bring in the form below along with a photo of the baby (A digital (computer) file is preferred) to The Babies of 2024 C/O Chelsie Alexander, 1709 Stone St., Falls City, NE 68355 or email them to chelsie@fcjournal.net
- The deadline is Friday, February 14th, 2025***
- If the provided information does not fit the required space, (example: twins, extra grandparents, etc.) an additional charge will be required.
- All ads must be paid for before the run date.

Please Print Legibly Per Baby

Child's Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Weight at Birth: _____

Parents: _____

Parents City/State: _____

Living Grandparents: _____

Living Great-Grandparents: _____

Daytime Phone # _____

Size Ad: 1x3 1x3.5 1x4/2x2

YOUR PAYMENT PER BABY MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER

-Child's Name-
-Date of Birth-
-Weight-
-Parents-
-Residence-

1x3 - \$40

Information only includes parents names and residence

-Child's Name-
-Date of Birth-
-Weight-
-Parents-
* -Residence-
-Grandparents-



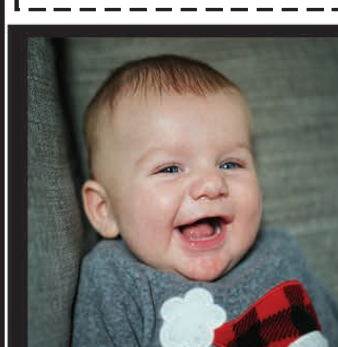
1x3.5 - \$45

Information only includes parents names & residence, and living grandparents names.

-Child's Name-
-Date of Birth-
-Weight-
-Parents-
-Residence-
-Grandparents-
-Great-Grandparents-

2x2/1x4 - \$50

Information only includes parents names & residence, living grand & great-grandparents names.

FALLS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS AND STATISTICS

January 18 through January 19 calls: three ambulance/EMS, two accidents, one found or lost property, one referred to another agency, one 911 hang up/misdial, two miscellaneous, one disturbance, one domestic disturbance, one 911 call, one citation for careless driving.

January 19 through January 20 calls: one check welfare, one noise disturbance, one animal call, one ambulance/EMS, one miscellaneous, one citation for screeching tires.

January 20 through January 21 calls: one referred to another agency, one burn permit, three disturbances, one possible death, one ambulance/EMS, one check welfare, one animal call, one information only, one 911 call.

January 21 through January 22 calls: one motorist assist, one found or lost property, two gun permits, two parking complaints, one HHS intake/referral, two 911 calls.

January 22 through January 23 calls: one HHS intake/referral, two burn permits, two gun permits, one theft, three ambulance/EMS, two miscellaneous, one animal call, one house watch, one 911 hang up/misdial, one 911 call.

January 23 through January 24 calls: one parking complaint, two ambulance/EMS, three miscellaneous, three burn permits, one referred to another agency, three 911 calls, two warnings for unlawful display of plate/renewal tab, one citation for expired registration.

January 24 through January 25 calls: two nuisance, one motorist assist, one gun permit, one burn permit, one investigation, one 911 hang up/misdial, one ambulance/EMS, one 911 call, one citation for no valid registration.

January 25 through January 26 calls: one burn permit, five ambulance/EMS, one 911 hang up/misdial, two miscellaneous, one disturbance, five 911 calls.

January 26 through January 27 calls: two accidents, one information only, three burn permits, one ambulance/EMS, one HHS intake/referral, one motorist assist, one referred to another agency, one animal call, one citation for stop sign violation.

January 27 through January 28 calls: one burn permit, one HHS intake/referral, four records checks, one miscellaneous, one animal call, one noise disturbance, one 911 call.

January 28 through January 29 calls: three animal calls, three 911 hang up/misdials, two burn permits, four ambulance/EMS, one check welfare, one gun permit, one found or lost property, one motorist assist, one referred to another agency, two 911 calls.

Nebraska City Coin Club Coin Show

The 60th annual Nebraska City coin Club Coin Show will be held this Sunday, February 9, 2025 at the Nebraska City Eagles club, 600 First Corso in downtown Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Doors will open at 9:00 a.m. The show concludes at 4:00 p.m. Dealers from a four-state region will be attending to buy, sell, and trade coins, currency, tokens and medals.

The Nebraska City FCCLA will serve refreshments, including homemade soups and pies. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

SOCIETY

Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Unit 222

By Tana J Brown
Secretary

The Shubert American Legion Auxiliary Unit 222 met January 14, 2025 at the home of Elizabeth Ketner. Co-president Elizabeth Ketner called the meeting to order and called for a moment of silence. Chaplain Dona Hall offered the opening prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The second verse of "My Country Tis of Thee" was sung and the preamble was recited.

Roll call was answered by 10 members.

Secretary Tana Brown read the minutes of the November 12, 2024 meeting. The Checking account balance for December was corrected. Then they were approved.

Treasurer Judy Schlosser shared the Treasurer's report. Linda Patchen made a motion to accept the report, Vicki Beilke seconded and all approved.

A Thank you was read from NSWIHCS for the socks, hats, gloves, food, and kid's items that were delivered to the Lincoln, VA.

Tana Brown delivered a Christmas decoration to Falls City Nursing and Rehab, Falls City Care Center and Jonesbrook to the Veterans for December. Dona Hall and Linda Patchen delivered signs and cookies to the Veterans for Christmas. Cards were sent out for Christmas to the Veterans. Vicki Beilke delivered treats to Falls City Nursing and Rehab for January.

Pam Pickard baked cinnamon rolls for Falls City PD and the Richardson County Sheriff's office and Tana Brown and Jodie Uhri delivered them. The Sheriff's office posted a nice thank you on Facebook.



The picture shown was purchased over the Internet and loaned. It was sent to Mrs. G.W. Henry in Kansas City, MO from C.P. Henry and postmarked August 1, 1910 from Rulo, Nebraska

The Rulo Public School

The Rulo Public School building was erected in 1888 at the cost of ten thousand dollars. Before it was erected the children in the city attended school in a small two story building just North of the Catholic Church. A tornado demolished that school. It was then that our school was constructed. During the process of construction the pupils attended classes in a frame structure near the site of the old school.

The school site was one of the higher points of Rulo. A broad view of the town, the Missouri River and valley, and the picturesque bluffs was at hand. Few schools could rival the scenic setting of ours.

In attendance the Rulo Public School ranked third in the county. It held that rank in the early history of the school. Enrollment for the 1948 term was one hundred fifty-four.

More information still needs to be gathered for the commemorative coins.

Marilyn Capps shared that the weather the day for the Wreaths Across America ceremony was so bad they didn't linger and returned another day to finish laying the wreaths.

District 13 meeting will be February 15 in Tecumseh with several unit members planning to attend. The publicity book will be ready to take then. The history book is finished.

The EOY reports should be arriving soon and will be due in April.

The Cornhusker Girls State packet was received. June Bowers will work in the Falls City Schools and Tana Brown will check with HTRS.

We currently have 88 members paid with a requirement this year of 96. Seven more current members need to pay dues.

The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2025 at 6:30 at the home of Vicki Beilke.

Chaplain Dona Hall gave the closing prayer.

Co-President Elizabeth Ketner declared the meeting adjourned.

NBO gears up for Nebraska's future with high-speed internet initiative

The Nebraska Broadband Office (NBO) is excited to announce it has completed a major milestone in the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) program. NBO has received approval from National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA) of its final inventory of 29,597 homes and businesses eligible for the \$405M federal funding allocated to Nebraska to deploy broadband.

"As Nebraskans, we pride ourselves on innovation and progress," said Governor Jim Pillen. "This investment into our state will be a defining moment. I encourage all internet providers to join us in building a stronger, more connected Nebraska that ensures every resident has access to the opportunities and resources needed to thrive for generations to come."

Last year, as part of the challenge process, members of the public could look at the broadband map and help improve it. As a

result, NBO reviewed service data for over 90,000 locations across Nebraska. The final inventory is the outcome of NBO's previous challenge process, additional information from other grant program funding, and incorporating updates from the FCC Fabric Version 4. The Fabric is the basis of the National Broadband Map which identifies locations where fixed broadband internet access service is or could be installed.

These 29,597 BEAD-eligible locations have been strategically divided into 133 Defined Project Areas (DPAs), using multiple criteria to maximize their attractiveness to internet service providers seeking funding opportunities and encourage competitive applications.

Upon completion of BEAD, every Nebraskan – urban and rural – will have reliable high-speed internet access, with minimum speeds of 100/20 Mbps. This connectivity will fuel Nebraska's economy, creating pathways for economic growth, expanding telehealth services, and enabling precision agriculture.

"Nebraska is on the brink of a major transformation," said Director Patrick Haggerty. "Our vision is to position Nebraska as a leader in connectivity, creating opportunities for every resident. We're excited to achieve this milestone and excited for what lies ahead."

NBO has also published its NTIA-approved Initial Proposal Volume II (IPV2), which is available on its website at broadband.nebraska.gov. IPV2 details how NBO will utilize BEAD funding and outlines key project milestones and highlights how this innovative initiative will bring lasting benefits to Nebraska.

As the state prepares for the next phase of the NBEAD program, NBO is committed to partnering with internet service providers to deliver high-speed internet to every corner of the state.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor, Jan. 28, 2025

The overwhelming generosity of the people of Falls City, helped provide joy to children in need through Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts this season. Across the U.S., the Samaritan's Purse project collected 10.5 million shoebox gifts in 2024. Combined with those collected from partnering countries in 2024, the ministry is now sending over 11.9 million shoebox gifts to children worldwide.

Shoebox packers brought joy and hope to children around the world through fun, full, personalized gifts. For many children, this is the first gift they have ever received. Each shoebox gift is a tangible expression of God's love, given to children in need around the world. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 232 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 170 countries and territories. Across the region, shoebox packers often shop for deals on shoebox items throughout the year, and many serve at a deeper level by becoming a year-round volunteer. Information about ways area participants can get involved year-round can also be found at samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Although local Falls City drop-off locations for shoebox gifts are closed until Nov. 17 – 24, 2025, anyone can still be a part of this life-changing project by conveniently packing a shoebox gift online in just a few simple clicks at samaritanspurse.org/buildonline.

These simple gifts, packed with love, remind children around the world that they are loved and not forgotten.

Sincerely,
Molly Miller

Samaritan's Purse/Marketing/Media Relations Associate
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Friends and family we lost in 2024

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City, NE.

19. Elaine E. Hamilton, 83, of Medford, OR.

19. Doyle Ramer, 97, of Falls City, NE.

24. Roxann Stitzer, 73, of Salem, NE.

24. D. Leon Frederick, 74, of Falls City, NE.

25. Linda Kay Fisher-Perue, 76, of Falls City, NE.

26. Lila Mae Stafford, 77, of Falls City, NE.

30. Mary Ann Rieschick, 79, of Falls City, NE.

May

1. Harold Niedfeldt, 89, of Falls City, NE.

6. William B. Bueth, 86, of Elk Creek, NE; Charles Fritz, 87 of Hiawatha, KS.

8. William Jensen, 59 of Hiawatha, KS.

11. Alan (Al) Wayne Bachman, 71, of Bentonville, AR.

17. Sandra Kaye "Sandy" Gantz, 82, of Reserve, KS.

25. Jerry Crofford, 87, of Falls City, NE.

27. Darrell Schulenberg, 67, of Falls City, NE.

28. William "Bill" Woods Sr., 76, of Falls City, NE.

31. Dion Charles Grier, 73, of Rulo, NE.

June

4. Brittany Jo Munoz, 33, formerly of Falls City, NE

7. Elta Verna (Kracke) Whitney, 85, of Auburn, NE

8. Doris Schimke, 90, of Falls City, NE

10. Marilyn Coulter, 83, of Falls City, NE

11. Charles Radatz, 81, of Falls City, NE

12. William Dazel Vernon Maddux, 17, of Omaha, NE.

23. Douglas "Doug" Voegele, 81, of Falls City, NE.

23. Nelle Pfister, 95, of Falls City, NE.

23. Karolyn Kay Chadwell, 83 of Hiawatha, KS.

24. Mary A. Woltemath, 50, of Rural Sidney, IA.

27. Ronald Dale Bauer, 83, of Lincoln, NE.

July

3. Howard Lee Frey, 61, of DuBois, NE.

5. John Anno, 98, of Rulo, NE.

5. Evelyn Pollock Herold, 84, of Topeka, KS.

6. Vernon D. Bletscher, 85, of Arapahoe, NE.

7. Elizabeth "Betty" Wilson, 77, of Shawnee, KS.

7. Paul Ernst, 68, of Rulo, NE.

10. Myron G. Nussbaum, 88, of Falls City, NE.

10. William "Bill" Campbell, 93, of Rulo, NE.

14. James "Jim" Dennis Joy Sr., 82, of Humboldt, NE.

16. Todd Anthony Landis, 60, of Falls City, NE.

23. Polly A. Koelzer, 62, of Falls City, NE.

23. Ronald D. Young, 81, of Falls City, NE.

24. David "Dave" Harold Beckner, 87, of Falls City, NE.

25. Alan L. Shubert, 75, of Shubert, NE.

25. Darlene Stockard, 93, of Dawson, NE.

28. Karen Joy, 83, of Auburn, NE.

28. Darlene Wright, 83, of Peru, NE.

30. Deane "DeeDee" Marie Overfield, 64, of Humboldt, NE.

31. Virgil D. Brackhahn, 92, of Falls City, NE.

August

7. Alan Arthur Heim, 87, of Pawnee City, NE.

8. Cynthia "Cyndi" Ann (Weaver) Reynolds, 76, of Hiawatha, KS.

9. David Hall, 69, of Falls City, NE.

14. Marguerite Packett, 76, of Falls City, NE.

16. James D. Neeld, 94, of Lenexa, KS.

18. Larry Eugene Vohl, 76, of Humboldt, NE.

18. David C.J. (Joe) "Dave" Schawang, 78, Hastings, NE.

21. Patricia "Pat" Scott, 86, of Falls City, NE.

22. Connie Lynn (Lawson) Brandt, 75, of Lincoln, NE.

27. Phil Aitken, 72, of Falls City, NE.

30. Lawrence "Bo" Kirkendall, 80, of Falls City, NE.

September

1. Dean Edward Bogle, 84, of Humboldt, NE.

8. Tammy Lea Leslie, 52, of Beatrice, NE.

10. Thomas Joseph Marquis, 76, of Falls City, NE.

12. Deborah Kae (Larson) Breauer, 68, Auburn, NE.

14. Randy Lee Kermoade, 67, of Broomfield, CO.

17. Vicki Jean Owings, 72, of Stella, NE.

20. Karey Ann Marrs, 78, of Osceola, MO.

21. Galen Harring, 72, of Nemaha, NE.

26. Louis Edward Rhodd, 83, of Eudora, KS.

27. Virgil Feighner, 82, of Falls City, NE.

27. Everett Stanly Gilkerson, 73, of Waveland.

29. Shirley Ann Wilhelm, 86, of Auburn, NE.

30. Denzil Murry Bell, 91, of Falls City, NE.

30. Richard "Dickie" Adams, 81, of Falls City, NE.

October

7. Lee Ferguson, 90, of Falls City, NE.

7. John Charles Marx, 80, of Seal Beach, CA.

8. Robert Plattner, 63, of Sabetha, KS.

9. Kathy Oliver Last, 69, formerly of Shubert, NE.

16. Linda Gowe, 83, of Falls City, NE.

17. Michael L. "Mike" Rowell, 67, of Robinson, KS.

20. Michelle Sailors, 57, of Falls City, NE.

20. Marilee Joyce (Boden) Drumm, 90, of Auburn, NE.

22. Joseph Edward Heim, 74, of Dawson, NE.

23. Darrell Alan Hopper, 77, of rural Nemaha, NE.

27. Glen E. Oliver, 89, of Lincoln, NE.

27. Heidi Marie Hall Bahrs, 49, of West Columbia, SC.

31. Paul Malcolm Weinert, 94, of Falls City, NE.

November

2. Ensley Meyerkorth, 7, of Shubert, NE.

10. Tina Irene (Chandler) Ferris, 60, of Falls City, NE.

13. Gailya "Gay" J. Mason, 89, of Lincoln, NE.

17. Thomas "Doc" Burton, 98, of Falls City, NE.

18. Kathern Jean (Fritz) Faller, 88, of Omaha, NE.

23. Nancy L. Foster, 77, of Falls City, NE.

24. Diane Ruth Berlett, 84, of Plattsmouth, NE.

26. Thomas Bangert, 63, of Falls City, NE.

27. Joyce Burghart, 87, of Falls City, NE.

December

2. Dorothy Marie Kirkendall, 78, of Falls City, NE.

3. Earl Schawang, 91, of Falls City, NE.

9. Robert John Koelzer, 64, formerly of Falls City, NE.

11. Rebecca A. (Foster) Buttrick, 89, of Hiawatha, KS.

12. Clarence Lippold, 94, of Salem, NE.

13. Barbara Paddy, 94, formerly of Falls City.

13. Richard F. "Dick" Hall, 74 of Salt Lake City, UT.

21. Deborah "Debbie" Lynn Kirkendall Ebel, 66, of Verdon, NE.

22. Carol J Urbom, 80, of Falls City, NE.

23. Irene Heineman, 101, of Wahoo/Fremont.

25. Bill Dean Timmerman, 78, of Stella, NE.

28. Don Spencer Campbell, 92, of Falls City, NE.

29. Lauralee E. (Bexten) Bucker, 84, of Auburn, NE.

31. Larry Schwarting, 90, of Falls City, NE.

31. Nona L. (Wagoner) Lechtenberg, 75, of Ceresco, NE.

BUILDING PERMITS

Kurt Kirkendall, 520 Fulton St., Replace Roof; \$10,000.00.

Darin Davis, 1619 Stone St., Replace Roof and Gutters; \$36,420.50.

Robert Aitken, 1621 Stone St., Replace Roof and Gutters; \$36,420.50.

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS MOUND CITY SWIMMING POOL

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FEBRUARY 2025 EVENTS & PROMOTIONS

SUNDAY, FEB. 2ND
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Hot Seat Drawings to win up to \$150 in free play every ½ hour 12pm-4pm. Hot Seat Drawings to win up to \$300 in free play every ½ hour 6pm-12am.

FRIDAY, FEB. 14TH
CUPID'S ARROW POINTS TO BIG WINS
THIS VALENTINE'S DAY!

Happy Valentine's Day! Hot Seat Drawings to win up to \$250 in free play or CASH, plus a box of chocolates every ½ hour from 12pm-4pm. Hot Seat Drawings to win up to \$500 in free play or CASH, plus a box of chocolates every ½ hour from 6pm-1am. Note: Due to possible inclement weather, this promotion could be rescheduled and/or modified.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEB. 21st & 22nd
CASH IN ON LOVE!

Pick your Valentine to reveal your Prize!! Hot Seat Drawing every ½ hour from 12pm-4pm to win up to \$300 in free play or CASH. Hot Seat Drawings every hour from 6pm-1am to win up to \$500 in free play. Registration CASH drawings to win up to \$1,500 in CASH every hour from 6:30pm-12:30am.

Rules for Feb 21st and 22nd
Cash in on love drawing:

One entry per person per day on February 21st and 22nd, you must be present in the casino to qualify, and you can only win one of the big cash drawings. Registration will start at 4:30pm for the CASH drawings. You can win a hot seat and qualify for a big cash drawing. Registering more than once a day is a violation of the rules and could result in being disqualified from the drawings. Note: Due to possible inclement weather, this promotion could be rescheduled and/or modified.

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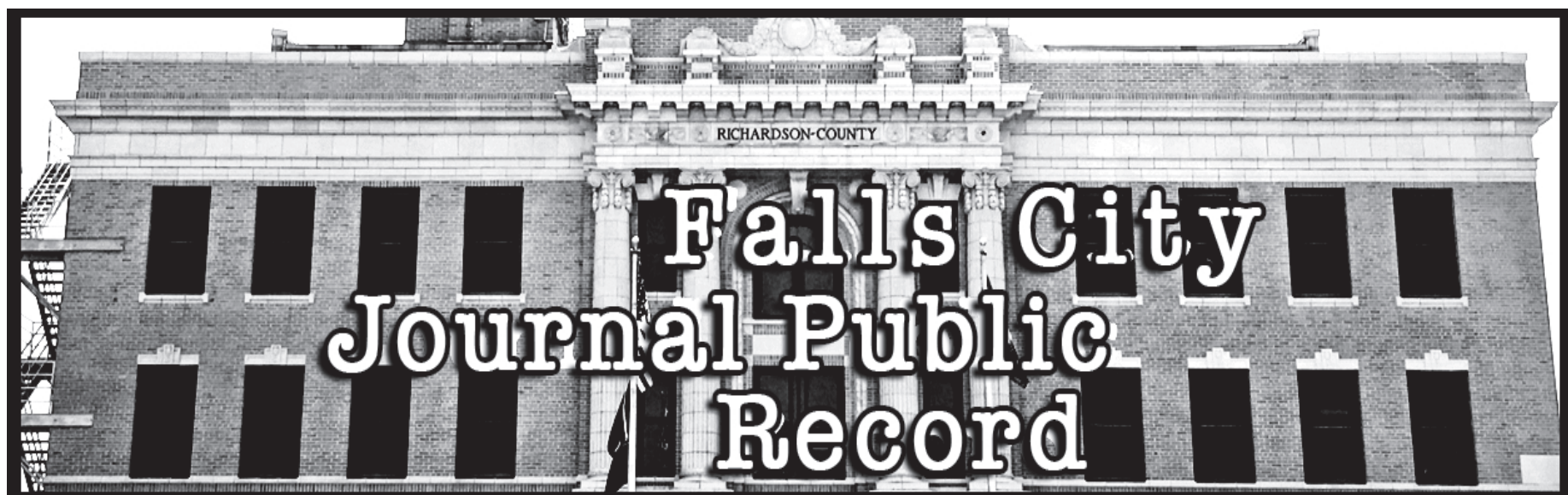
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(Editor's Note - dismissal without prejudice means the government did not waive its right to litigate the matter in a subsequent action).

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

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

The *Falls City Journal* publishes the Public Record as part of its obligation to inform readers about the business of public institutions and to serve as a keeper of the local historical record. The information contained in this list is processed from an electronic copy of the official record, which is submitted by the Richardson County Courthouse

COUNTY COURT

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

Austin T. Braddy, count one, plates not clear and visible, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25; count two, possess marijuana 1 oz or less-first, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$300.

Janet J. Shafer, count one, theft-unlawful taking \$0-500, plead guilty, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for March 17, 2025, restitution hearing.

Joseph L. Scotton, count one, no proof of insurance, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100.

Burton J. Studie, count one, resist arrest-first, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for February

10, 2025.

Camie R. Vaughn, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-500, plead no contest, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for March 19, 2025.

Clara E. Abreu-Morales, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead guilty, found guilty; count two, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty. Sentencing scheduled for March 3, 2025.

Pedro D. Deltoro-Orona, count one, drive during revocation/im-pound-first, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$200, license revoked for one year; count two, speeding 6-10 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

Dalton L. Herwig, count one, theft/shoplifting \$0-500, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for February 19, 2025.

Dalton L. Herwig, count one, unauth use fin tran device/under \$500, plead not guilty; count two, criminal poss-fin trans devicee, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for February 19, 2025.

Dalton L. Herwig, count one, theft-shoplifting \$0-500, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for February 19, 2025.

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

Jordan A. Lunsford Sr., count one, obstruct a peace officer, plead not guilty; count two, resist arrest-first, plead not guilty. Entry of plea scheduled for February 19, 2025.

Hayden J. Fairchild, count one, speeding 21-35 mph, plead not guilty; count two, no motorcycle operator's license, plead not guilty; count three, possess marijuana 1 oz or

less-first, plead not guilty. Pretrial scheduled for February 12, 2025.

Cherlyn R. James, count one, drive under susp/before reinstated, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$100; count two, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25.

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 February 19, 2025.

Jessica R. Stewart, count one, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$150; count two, amended to dropped/dropped; count three, amended to dropped/dropped; count four, amended to dropped/dropped; count five, abandon/cruelly neglect animal, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$100.

Joseph E. Stewart, count one, commit child abuse negligently/no injury, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$150; count two, amended to dropped/dropped; count three, amended to dropped/dropped; count four, amended to dropped/dropped; count five, abandon/cruelly neglect animal, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$100.

Karyssa A Deleon, count one, drive without ignition interlock, plead no contest, found guilty and fined \$500; count two, amended to dropped/dropped; count three, amended to dropped/dropped.

CITATIONS

Buckley Auxier of Tecumseh, count one, speeding 11-15 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Holliday)

Farrah Wissler of Falls City, count one, speeding 6-10 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Jerry Lheureux of Nebraska City, count one, speeding 11-15 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75 and court costs. (Geyer)

Wyett Karpinski of Stella, count one, speeding 16-20 mph, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$125 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Thad Harms of Reserve, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$200 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Montana Mirelez of Falls City, count one, no operator's license, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$75; count two, improper/defective vehicle lighting, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Zachary Schawang of Falls City, count one, speeding 6-10 mph municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$50; count two, no license on person, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Matthew Davis of Shubert, count one, speeding 11-15 mph municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$150 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Alexis Bruckner of Falls City, count one, speeding 11-15 mph municipal school, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$150; count two, fail to use seat belt, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Ramirez)

Samuel Gunter of Sierra Blanca, TX, count one, no valid registration, plead guilty, found guilty and fined \$25 and court costs. (Holliday)

Bowen's 30 points lead Titans to win

HTRS improved to 9-8 for the season, winning its third game in four tries, and defeated East Atchison 55-41 on Thursday night in Humboldt.

The Lady Titans fell behind 8-12 after the first but battled back to make it 20-21 at the half. The Titans offense exploded in the second half, outscoring East Atchison 35-20 to secure the 14-point win.

HTRS went 21/60 from the floor, including a 7/24 effort from deep. Meanwhile, East Atchison went 14/43 from the floor and 8/11 from the foul line. HTRS won the rebound battle, 35-27, the assist battle, 15-10, and forced 18 turnovers while committing 15.

Junior Lillian Bowen had a career night, hitting six treys on her way

to a game-high 30 points. Elie Bstandig added 12 points, 12 rebounds and three steals. Maddie Bredemeier was the top playmaker for HTRS, setting her teammates up for five buckets.

Scoring for HTRS: Bstandig 12, Glathar 6, McClarnen 2, Bredemeier 5, Bowen 30.

Scoring for E-A: Windham 5, Schlueter 16, Oswald 6, Caudill 5, Nordhausen 9.

The Lady Titans will look to make noise at this week's Pioneer Conference Tourney. The No. 6 seeded Titans played No. 3 seed Lourdes Central on Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart High School. The winner will likely face Sacred Heart on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Roh Activity Center in Falls City.

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Ethan Morris drives past Auburn's Brenton Wenzl in the first period on Tuesday night.

Tigers are showing signs of improvement as season winds down

The Class C1 No. 4 ranked Auburn Bulldogs came to McIntire-Henderson Field House on Tuesday night to do battle with the Falls City Tiger basketball team. The Bulldogs, a thorn in the Tiger's side for years, entered the contest on an eight-game winning streak, having last lost on January 2 against Ashland-Greenwood. Falls City was just outmatched on Tuesday, falling behind 22-6 after the first period and 35-9 at the break. Auburn continued to pull away in the second half, outscoring FC 42-16 as they defeated the winless Tigers 77-25.

The Tigers made 8/30 shot attempts in the contest, while the Bulldogs converted 27/68 tries, including a 12/32 effort from deep. Auburn owned the glass, holding a 51-11 rebound edge, which resulted in 26 second-chance points for the visitors. FC did better protecting the ball, turning it over 15 times; however, Auburn ended the game with only three miscues.

Keifer Adams was the only Tiger to reach double figures, finishing with 10 points on 4/14 shooting. Quenton Adams added six points on 2/6 shooting and Ethan Morris, Paxton Armbruster and Jacoby Bangert all added two rebounds. Cam Leslie led Auburn with 17 points, going 6/8 from the field and adding seven boards.

Scoring for FC: Morris 2, Q. Adams 6, Armbruster 3, Stewart 2, K. Adams 10, Heinzelman 2.

Scoring for Auburn: Emshoff 12, Gardner 9, Wenzl 5, Binder 6, Leslie

17, Jeanneret 3, Keeling 2, Lavigne 6, Guenther 5, Ligouri 6, Krause 6.

On Friday, FC hit the highway for Weeping Water to take on the Indians. The Tigers were up to the challenge early, staking a two-point lead, 12-10, after the first period. FC continued to play hard, trailing 21-23 at the half. The Indians began to pull away in the third, outscoring FC 18-11 to push their advantage to 41-32 with eight minutes to go. The home team played well down the stretch, pulling away from the Tigers for the 19-point win, 62-43. The win improved Weeping Water to 6-11, while FC fell 0-17.

The Tigers hit 31 percent of their shot opportunities, including an impressive 10/22 from deep. FC also shot well from the foul line, taking advantage of 9/13 attempts. Falls City won the rebound battle 30-28 but turned the ball over 25 times while forcing just 11.

Paxton Armbruster finished his night with a team-high 15 points, making 4/8 shots, including three from deep. Keifer Adams added 13, going 4/9 from beyond the arc. Bangert and K. Adams added eight rebounds apiece, while Armbruster dished out four assists.

Scoring for FC: Morris 3, Q. Adams 3, Armbruster 15, K. Adams 13, Bangert 5, Heinzelman 4.

Scoring for Weeping Water: Tehan 17, McGill 32, J. McGill 3, Fulton 4, Wipf-Dieter 5, Brack 1.

Falls City will enter the 2025 ECNC boys basketball tourney as the

No. 8 seed and will play top-seeded Freeman on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at Freeman High School. The Falcons enter the game as the No. 1 team in Class C2 and a 16-1 record. The Falcon's only loss was a 51-55 setback to Johnson-Brock at the MUDECAS Championships.



Somehow no foul was called on the drive late in the game by Katelynn Titus.

Lady Tigers finding footing late

The Lady Tigers hit big shots when they mattered most, holding on Tuesday night for a 33-27 win over the visiting Auburn Bulldogs. The Tigers got out quickly, leading 13-7 after the first and 18-15 at intermission.

A three at the five-and-a-half-minute mark of the third by Auburn tied the game at 19 and gave the Bulldogs life. Moments later, an offensive rebound led to Auburn taking a 21-19 lead, its first advantage of the contest. The lead was short-lived as FC tied the game at 21-21 with 3:30 to play in the third. A Tiger offensive rebound and bucket by Izzy Armbruster put FC back on top 23-21 one possession later. Another bucket from the elbow from Jayme Ewers gave FC a four-point advantage, 25-21, with 1:25 to go in the period. Auburn hit a late drive to make it 26-23 with eight minutes to play. On the first possession of the fourth, freshman Joah Anderson sank

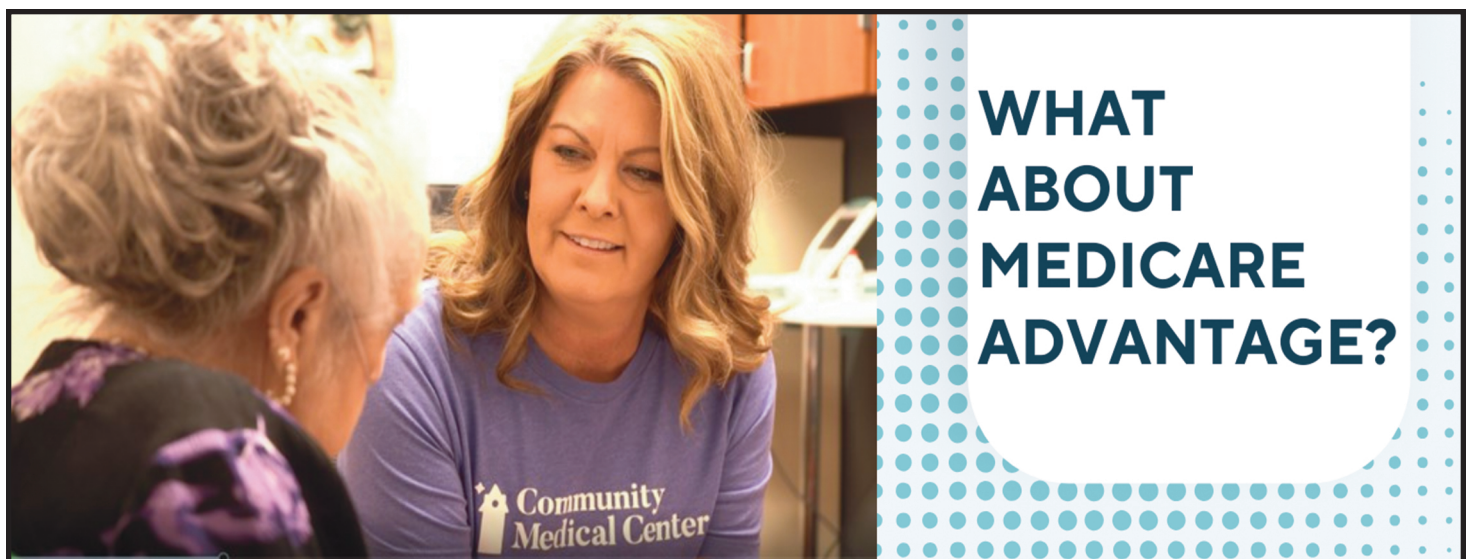
a three from the wing to push the Tiger advantage to 29-23. Auburn kept chipping away, getting within two points at 29-27 with 2:21 to play. A three in the corner from Armbruster at the 1:08 mark ended a six-plus minutes drought for FC and gave them some breathing room at 32-27. Delaney Godemann sank 1-2 from the charity stripe with fifteen seconds remaining to secure the Tiger's six-point win, 33-27.

The thrilling win over their rivals pushed FC to a 6-11 record, marking their third win in five games.

FC outshot Auburn 31 percent to 26 percent and went an impressive 6/19 from beyond the three-point line. The Tigers forced 21 turnovers, leading to 17 points for FC. FC also finished with an 8-3 assist advantage.

Every Tiger that played in the contest scored. Kaitlyn Kirkendall led the way with eight points, while Carlea Dunkhas

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Lady Tigers finding footing late

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added seven. Ewers led the team with six rebounds, while Kirkendall dished out three assists. Addie Darnell led Auburn with 16 points, going 7/10 from the floor.

Scoring for FC: Ewers 2, Anderson 4, Titus 2, Dunkhas 7, Armbruster 6, Godemann 4, Kirkendall 8.

Scoring for Auburn: Wehenkel 3, Darnell 16, Franke 4, Stanley 4.

On Friday, FC took on the Weeping Water Indians. Falls City was in the contest throughout, leading 12-11 after one and trailing 19-22 at the half. A challenging third period put FC down 22-32 with eight minutes remaining. However, the Tigers weren't packing it in just yet. A drive by Carlea Dunkhas cut the Weeping Water lead to five at 32-27. After a long two by the Indians, Izzy Armbruster put a bucket off the glass to keep the Weeping Water advantage at five, 34-29.

FC had two opportunities to make it a one-possession game, but Tiger turnovers allowed Weeping Water to push their lead to 36-29 and eventually win the game 38-29.

FC went 11/34 from the floor, while Weeping Water finished 14/44. The Lady Tigers secured a 27-22 rebound advantage, but 30 FC turnovers led to 20 points for the Indians.

Delaney Godemann led FC with 14 points, finishing the game 5/15 from the floor, including four from deep. Ewers led the Tigers with seven rebounds and Kirkendall dished out four assists.

Scoring for FC: Ewers 3, Dunkhas 6, Armbruster 6, Godemann 14.

Scoring for Weeping Water: Brack 5, Miller 12, Mogensen 2, Mcadams 10, McCauley 9.

Falls City entered the 2025 ECNC Tourney as the No. 7 seed and played the No. 2 seed, the 13-6 Freeman Falcons, in Adams on Monday.

Lechtenberg hits 1,000th-point milestone, but Lady Irish fall to Johnson-Brock

For the second time in two weeks, the Lady Irish went toe-to-toe with the Johnson-Brock Lady Eagles, and for the second time, SH came up just short. On Thursday night at Johnson, the Lady Irish had multiple possessions late with a chance of cutting into the five-point deficit. Unfortunately for the Irish, the Eagle defense forced turnovers down the stretch, allowing the Eagles to maintain the lead and earn their 17th straight win, 47-52. The Irish were in the game throughout, trailing 13-17 after the first period and 25-27 at the half. The Irish continued to battle, keeping the game tight at 39-44 heading into the final period. The teams battled to an 8-8 tie in the final quarter, as the Eagles held on for the five-point win. Two of the three Irish losses this season have come at the hands of Johnson-Brock—the first time by six and Thursday night by five. Outside of the season-opening loss to Lincoln Christian, no team has kept the score to less than a 12-point deficit other than the Irish.

The Lady Irish outshot the Eagles 42 percent to 37 percent and outrebounded J-B 27-18.

Senior star Jentry Lechtenberg poured in 16 points, reaching the 1,000th career point plateau, but it wasn't quite enough to propel the Irish to the win. Lechtenberg entered Thursday night's game needing five points to pass the milestone. She scored her fifth and sixth points in the second quarter to join the elite club. Lechtenberg added a team-best 11 rebounds as well. Daycee Witt went 2/6 from deep for 11 points while dishing out a team-best four assists.

Scoring for SH: Santo 5, Crouse 2, Witt 11, Reschke 5, Lechtenberg 16, Jones 8.

Scoring for J-B: Behrends 6, Knippelmeyer 3, Pelican 4, Buchmeier 12, Vice 2, Ottemann 25.

The loss dropped SH to 16-3, while the Eagles improved to 16-1.

On Tuesday night, the Lady Irish hosted the Southern Raiders, winning 44-24. The Lady Irish went 18/57 from the floor, while Southern finished 9/36. SH struggled from the foul line, going 6/15, but outrebounded the Raiders 41-24. The Irish defense forced 19 turnovers, including 12 steals. Lechtenberg led the offense with a game-high 21 points. She added 10 rebounds and five steals. Dorothy Crouse added six points and five assists.

Scoring for SH: Santo 3, Crouse 6, Westengaard 3, Witt 7, Lechtenberg 21, Hones 4.

Scoring for Southern: Forney 3, Bernard 6, Eisenhauer 4, Maxson 2, Klover 4, Glynn 5.

The Lady Irish will participate in the 2025 Pioneer Conference Tournament next week. The No. 2 seeded Irish will play the Pawnee City/Lewiston winner on Tuesday, February 4, at 6:00 p.m. at the Roh Activity Center. With a win, SH will play the winner of Lourdes and HTRS on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The championship will be on Saturday, February 8, at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart. It could be the third meeting between the Irish and the Eagles in a three-week span.

Tigers earn medals at Raymond Central

The Tiger JV wrestling squad competed at the Weeping Water JV Invite on Monday, January 27. Jayden Mirelez had the best finish of the day, going 4-0 and winning the gold. In the 190-pound final, Mirelez defeated Colby Pomajzl of Norris by fall at 2:25.

At 150, Caden Collier went 2-1 and placed second. Collier lost an 8-5 decision to Hudson Miller of Nebraska City in the finals. Vaden Leyden went 1-2 at 175 and placed third. Leyden fell to Kyler Peterson of Lincoln Standing Bear in the third round by tech fall (17-2).

At 138, Zane Elms went 1-2 and placed fourth. In the third-place match, Elms lost by tech fall (17-2) to Stevie Prasch of Millard South. Brandon Feighner also placed fourth, finishing his day at 1-2. Feighner lost a 12-8 decision to Koltin Crandall of Louisville in the third-place match. Dayton Snethen went 2-1 and placed fifth at 106 pounds. Snethen pinned Kellen Knutson of Louisville in thirty-seven seconds in the fifth-place match. At 113, Wyatt Coonce went 0-3 and placed sixth. In the fifth-place match, Coonce lost by fall to Derek Gates of Millard South in fifty-three seconds.

On Friday the JV team competed at Raymond Central. Dayton Snethen went 4-0 and claimed a gold medal. In the finals, Snethen pinned Christian Munguia of Omaha South at 2:49. At 190, Jayden Mirelez went 3-1 and placed first. Zane Elms went 2-1 and placed second, while Vaden Leyden, 1-2, Wyatt Coonce, 1-2 and Brandon Feighner, 2-2, all placed third. Caden Collier finished his day at 0-3 and placed fourth.

On Saturday, the varsity competed at Raymond Central, scoring 113 points and placing sixth. Syracuse won the meet with 181 points, Minden was second at 163.5, and Raymond Central was third at 157.

Robert Gilkerson was the top finisher for FC, improving to 34-3 and placing second. Gilkerson fell in the title match to James Kansteiner (34-1) by a 19-17 decision. Orion Cattrell went 3-1 and placed third. Cattrell defeated Wyatt Higgins of Syracuse by a 2-0 decision to win the third-place match. Bailey Thimmes placed fourth, finishing his day 3-2. In the third-place match, Thimmes lost by fall to Liam Moline of Mount Michael Benedictine. At 175, Blakely Sells went 2-2 and placed fourth. In the third-place match, Sells lost a 6-3 decision against Cael Smith of Minden. Ashton Martin also placed fourth, ending his day at 4-2. In the third-place match, Martin lost a MD (8-0) to Caleb Redstrom

Irish boys hoping to turn things around at Pioneer Conference Tourney

The Irish boys' basketball team picked up an important 50-42 win over Southern on Tuesday night, ahead of a matchup versus the undefeated Johnson-Brock Eagles on Thursday.

Sacred Heart moved to .500 on Tuesday, improving to 8-8, while the Raiders dropped to 8-8 with the loss. Southern led early, 12-8, after the first period. The Irish were cold in the early going, hitting on just 3/12 shots in the first. The Irish began to warm up in the next eight minutes, taking a 25-22 lead into halftime. SH picked it up offensively, hitting 7/14 attempts, including three from deep. Cole Taft led the first-half scoring for SH with eight points, going 2/6 from beyond the arc.

Southern battled out of the break, retaking the lead, 39-36, with eight minutes of action remaining. The Irish defense dug deep and forced Southern into just one field goal on eight attempts in the final period. The Irish outscored the Raiders 14-3 in the fourth quarter, securing the eight-point win, 50-42.

The teams were nearly identical in shooting, with the Irish going 18/52 and Southern hitting 17/51 attempts. The difference came from the three-point line. SH went 9/28 from deep, while the Raiders were 3/23.

Taft led the Irish with 17 points and added six rebounds. Bo Fletcher scored 11 points and had two steals, and Brenden Lemerond went 3/8 from deep for nine points.

Scoring for SH: Taft 17, Fletcher 11, Lemerond 9, Baxter 4, Wilcox 3, Knobbe 6.

Scoring for Southern: Warford 21, Adams 10, Whitman 2, Meece 5, Seeman 4.

The Irish JV won a two-period contest 15-9. Baxter had seven points, and Clow added three.

On Thursday night, SH traveled to Johnson to face the undefeated and top-ranked Eagles. Johnson-Brock controlled much of the contest, leading 22-13 after one and 44-24 at the break. A 27-10 third-period advantage put the game on ice, as the Irish fell to the Eagles 80-45. The loss dropped Sacred Heart to 8-9, while Johnson-Brock improved to 16-0.

SH went 16/38 from the field, including a 5/17 effort from deep. The Eagles finished the game at 29/58, going 12/29 from deep. J-B outrebounded SH 31-21 and won the assist battle 20-11. SH turned the ball over 18 times against the Eagle defense, while J-B committed just 10 turnovers.

Bo Fletcher was the high man for the Irish with 11 points, going 4/8 from the floor. Fletcher added four rebounds, two steals and three assists.

Scoring for SH: Taft 10, Fletcher 11, Lemerond 7, Clow 4, Baxter 9, Wilcox 2, Knobbe 2.

Scoring for J-B: Bowhay 5, Meyer 6, Cam Dalinghaus 24, Koehler 14, Casen Dalinghaus 16, G. Bowhay 8, Behrends 3, Gravatt 4.

The Irish entered the 2025 Pioneer Conference Tourney as the No. 7 seed and played Sterling on Monday night. With a win, SH would play No. 2 seed EMF on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart High School.

Lady Tigers place fourth at ECNC

The Lady Tiger grapplers had an incredibly successful Tuesday, placing fourth at the ECNC wrestling tourney despite only three athletes competing. Falls City went 9-1 for the tourney, earning two gold medals and one silver. FC finished the day with 66 points. Auburn won the team title with 141 points; Benson was second at 139.5 and Palmyra was third at 79.

Paige Young earned the gold and improved to 25-12, winning the 120-pound East Central Nebraska Conference title. Young won her first match by pin at 1:10 over Pretty Soe of Omaha Benson. She won by medical forfeit in round two and in the final, she won a 10-9 decision over Scarlett Weitzel of Palmyra.

At 145, Gabi Young earned a silver medal and improved to 22-16. Young pinned Hailey Schroeder of Lincoln Standing Bear at 1:00 to win her first match. In round two, Young defeated Shayla Buzby of Palmyra by fall in thirty seconds. In the championship match, Young fell to Lucia Campbell of Auburn by fall at 5:16.

The final wrestler for FC was Taytum Maddox at 155 pounds. Maddox defeated Emma Wisell of Stand Bear in forty-six seconds in round two. In round three, Maddox dominated Graycen Jones of Auburn, earning a pin at :40. Maddox defeated Samantha Levy of Benson in round four at 3:11 to punch her ticket to the championship. It took Maddox one minute and 59 seconds to pin Hailee Buresh of Meridian to capture the gold medal.

The Lady Tigers traveled to Raymond Central on Friday for a varsity invite. Due to illness and injuries, Paige Young was the only wrestler to compete for FC.

Young fell in the quarterfinals by fall to Kristi Raue by fall at 1:24. In the consolation second round, Young won by fall over Kendall Magana-Torres in just fifty-five seconds. Young pinned Lili Huegel in fifty-four seconds in the consolation third round to stay alive. Paige lost to Deja Judd of Lincoln North Star by fall at 2:02 in the consolation semis and then fell to Leah Thompson of Yutan by major decision (12-1) in the fifth-place match.

of Raymond Central. Caleb Zimmerman also placed fourth, ending his day at 1-2. In the third-place match, Zimmerman lost to Myles Ide of Cozad by fall at 1:37. At 165, Mason Collier improved to 30-13 for the year, going 3-2 for the day. In the fifth-place match, Collier won a 13-6 decision over Jaden Rodriguez of Cozad.

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Ramona June (Fritz) Ebel (Moni)

Ramona June (Fritz) Ebel (Moni), age 89 of Falls City, NE, passed away January 31, 2025 at Falls City.

She was born December 22, 1935, Verdon NE rural area the eldest of 6 daughters to Robert and Deloris (Niemeyer) Fritz. Ramona attended Verdon Public School, graduating in 1953. She went on to the Omaha School of Commerce, attaining secretarial skills while working at Safeway. Returning to Falls City area she worked at the Richardson County Extension Office in Falls City NE., where she met Charles W Ebel. Ramona was a lifelong active member at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, north of Falls City, having been baptized, confirmed and then married there to Charles on March 9, 1957.

Charles and Ramona first farmed and lived south of Reserve KS, moved west of Morrill KS and finally settled in 1968 at the current Ebel family farm on the Kansas Nebraska state line south of Falls City. Ramona was a typical farm wife proudly raising their 4 children, cooking great healthy meat and potato meals, putting out a large garden, canning the produce and sharing the bounty of their farm with friends and family. There was always a cake in her covered cake pan or a cherry or fruit cobbler in the summer, or an apple crisp in the fall, sitting at the back or to the side of the oven. Having lived through the Depression Era she believed in making do with what you could grow, do yourself, and make use of everything in other ways. One way was by saving and using containers like Cool Whip, Cottage Cheese, or jars that once held mayonnaise. Those were used to put away food for future use in the freezer. Her feistiness came out when she was confronted about getting rid of items. She was a saver of the highest order and didn't mess with her things!

When not doing farmwife chores Ramona was an active member at St. Paul's belonging to Altar Guild, LWML, choir, Stewardship Committee and with Charles the Couples Club. She followed and watched her children in their many activities while they were at home and continued by following the Grandchildren, as a proud grandmother.

Charles passed away on October 23, 2020. Ramona continued living at their family home until 2022 when she moved to Jonesbrook Estates Assisted Living in Falls City. On January 5 Ramona's health deteriorated and she was hospitalized. She went peacefully to our Lord on January 31, 2025.

Ramona is survived by her 4 children David Ebel of Verdon NE, Deanne Johnson and husband Lowell (LD) of Diagonal IA, Bradley Ebel and wife Sue of Hiawatha KS, and Lori Ebel May of Lincoln NE. Sisters Joyce Stanley, Auburn, Barbara Jones (Larry), Lincoln NE and Linda Iloff (Bill), Monticello IL. Sister in laws Marilyn McKinsey, Falls City and Carolyn Hall, Omaha. Nine grandchildren, Tyler Johnson (Kristina), Nick Johnson (Siglinda), Lindsey O'Brien (Matt), Bryce Ebel (Emma), Ahren Klement (John), Lainey Ebel, Paige Brennan, Blair Linton (Shaun), Cooper May and 13 great grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by husband Charles, her parents, two sisters Donna Mae and Delora Lou, great grandson Royce Linton and daughter-in-law Debbie Ebel.

Her Funeral will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 10:30 AM at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, six miles north of Falls City, with Reverend Ken Humphrey officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 7-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Joyce Kay Bachman

On Sunday, February 2, 2025, at 1:34 p.m. our beloved wife, mom, grandma, and sister entered peacefully into the presence of God while surrounded by her family and dear friends. Joyce Kay Bachman was born September 14, 1952, in Falls City, Nebraska to Keith Aaron and Irene Martha (Fischer) Johansen, a loving Christian family. She loved and honored her mother and father.

Joyce's five siblings were not just her brothers and sisters but her closest friends. With her older sisters, Linda Sue and Marcia Ann, they formed an inseparable trio. In the next four years, the girls were joined by two ornery brothers, Stephen Keith and Larry Lynn, and the family enjoyed farm life north of Rulo. When Joyce was elementary age, the family moved on the Nebraska/Kansas state line, and she attended the Reserve School. Almost two decades after her oldest sibling was born, Angela Jo, was welcomed as the baby of the family. These six siblings lived life together from going to church every Sunday to family vacations to regular drop by visits at their homes. Joyce loved her brothers and sisters and their families. She was especially close with Steve's wife, Rita, who was also Bob's sister and their lifelong neighbor. In 1998, she lost her brother Larry, and in 2023, she lost her sister Linda. Their deaths broke her heart, but she held fast to the hope of reuniting with them in heaven.

Joyce was a proud graduate of the class of 1970 from Hiawatha High School in Hiawatha, Kansas. She made lifelong friendships and enjoyed attending class reunions. In the fall of 1969, Joyce was a senior in high school, and Robert (Bob) Dean Bachman was working at his brother's home cutting wood. Joyce was at the same home babysitting their children. She thought 24-year-old Bob was very handsome and unplugged his saw to get his attention. It worked, and on December 10, 1969, he appeared on her doorstep with a box of French mint melt aways and took her on the first of many dates. Just two months after her high school graduation, 17-year-old Joyce married the love of her life. Immediately following their wedding ceremony, Bob and Joyce traveled to Yellowstone National Park in their 1969 Ford Galaxy starting a lifetime of family vacations to the National Park System. Throughout their almost 55-year marriage, they made their home on the family farm south of Rulo where Bob still resides today.

In 1973, they welcomed their first of three daughters, Merci Dawn followed by Jill Kristin in 1976 and Kara Brooke in 1977. Bob and Joyce ensured their daughters knew they were loved and cherished from birth to adulthood. They dedicated their daughters to God raising them in the Falls City Church of the Nazarene. As their daughters grew their families, Joyce loved their husbands, Jared and Corey, just as sons to her. All three of their daughters and their families are faithful followers of God and rest in the knowledge of His hope and promise of eternity.

In the fall of 1981, Joyce dual enrolled in both the Methodist Medical Center School of Nursing in St. Joseph, Missouri and Highland Community College. In just three years, she graduated at the top of her class as a registered nurse (RN). She maintained her nursing licenses in Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska working at Methodist Medical Center (Heartland Health System), Hiawatha Hospital, In-Home Health, Searight Family Practice, Oak Ridge Acres, Midland Villa, Falls City Care Center, NEK-CAP, Inc. and White Cloud Health Center. Joyce loved working as a nurse, pro-

viding care to our community, and developing lifelong friendships with her fellow nurses. She volunteered for hospice care and served on the Richardson County Cancer Society board including as a term as president. She was instrumental in organizing the Relay for Life fundraiser and also volunteered at her church. In 1992, she was teaching women how to do self-exams for breast cancer when she found a cancerous lump in her own breast. At the age of 38-years-old, she underwent treatment at the University of Nebraska and was a proud breast cancer survivor.

In 2005, Joyce suffered a brain injury during surgery known as a cognitive impairment associated with perioperative surgery. As that area of her injured brain aged faster than the rest, it allowed for the onset of early Alzheimer's Disease which required her to retire from nursing in 2009. Joyce's family never allowed this horrible disease to define her worth and value. As Bob promised to her during their marriage vows, she was loved and

cherished by them at her home until her death. Surpassing her love of work and community was her love for her family. Joyce spent countless hours attending events for her children and grandchildren, traveling with immediate and extended family, and gardening. Joyce knew no strangers, welcoming all she met. Her beautiful smile and contagious laugh will be missed by all.

Joyce is survived by her devoted husband and best friend, Robert Bachman and their daughters: Merci (Jared) Kirkendall of Rulo, NE; Jill (Corey) Kenney; and Kara Friedline both of Olathe, KS. She is survived by three siblings: Marcia (Jim) Frederick, Falls City, NE; Steve (Rita) Johansen; and Angie (Bobby) Hunziker, both of Rulo, NE as well as sisters-in-law Louise Pfankuche, Kansas City, MO; Marjorie Surman, Rulo, NE; Marlene McKim, Falls City, NE; Ruth Lieneman, Robinson, KS; Wauneta (Jim) Catlett, Kansas City, MO; and brothers-in-law Ben (Sandy) Bachman and Gary (Cindy) Bachman both of Falls City, NE. Joyce was a proud grandma to thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren: Zavan (Kathy) Kirkendall, parents of Lyla, Kayson, and Clay; Emmet (fiancée Naomi) Kirkendall; Cole (Gracie) Kirkendall; Zoie Kirkendall; Asher, Amelia, and Alice Kenney; Sage, Ruby, Iris, Mara, Oliver, and August Friedline, and many nieces and nephews and their children. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister and brother-in-law, Linda and Bob Lehmkuhl; brother Larry Johansen; brothers-in-law Thomas Ode and Ronald Bachman; sisters-in-law Bernice (Red) Adams and Alice (Jimmy) Crouch.

A funeral will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at River of Hope Fellowship, 27765 US-159, Forest City, MO with Paster David Showalter, dear family friend, officiating. Interment will be in the Rulo City Cemetery in Rulo, NE. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, February 5, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at River of Hope Fellowship.

Funeral services will be handled by Chamberlain Funeral Home of Mound City, MO. Online condolences may be left at www.chamberlainfuneral.com.

The family wishes to thank Saint Croix Hospice who provided excellent care to her and friendship to Bob and Merci during their daily care of Joyce. Memorials may be designated to Rulo City Cemetery or family choice.

Vernon "Jake" Shafer

Vernon "Jake" Shafer, 69, of Falls City, NE, passed away January 30, 2025 at Lincoln, NE. He was born September 14, 1955 at Falls City to Charles and Phyllis (Rowell) Shafer.

He married Debra Kirkendall on August 17, 1974 at Falls City.

Jake was raised east of Shubert and graduated from Southeast Consolidated High School in 1973. Following graduation, he farmed and livestock. In 1995 he stopped farming and began working at Hinky Dinky as the frozen food aisle manager. He retired in 2021. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, wildlife photography, spending time at Big Lake, riding 4-wheelers and family. He was a member of the Church of

Christ.

Jake is survived by his wife, Debbie of Falls City, sister, Charlotte Timmerman of Bellevue, NE, brother, Marlyn and his wife Linda of Springdale, AR, brother-in-law, Bruce Kirkendall and his wife Janet of Auburn, NE, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother and sister-in-law, Luday and Donna Shafer, niece, Holly Shafer, brother-in-law, Jere Timmerman and his in-laws, Jesse and Donna Kirkendall.

A graveside service was held on Monday, February 3, 2025 at 2:00 PM at Harris Cemetery.

The family received friends on Sunday from 4-5:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home

Beilke honored with an award from the Child Savings Institute

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support for this organization for many years. As a district president for the NFWC, her encouragement has led to other clubs and districts in Nebraska supporting the efforts of the Child Savings Institute.

The annual award is entitled the William T. Gibble Award and is given to faith-based groups or individuals in honor of extraordinary service. Evell Thomas of the Child Savings Institute presented the award to Vicki at a Nebraska GFWC/NFWC State Board meeting on November 9, 2024.

Falls City Rural Fire Department Community Benefit Pancake & Sausage Feed

Football Sunday
Feb. 9, 2025 7:30am-1:30pm
@ the FC Rural Fire Station
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12 crocks (Redwing & Western), Pyrex sets, stereoscope & cards, cast iron skillets, coins & paper currency, Tupperware, Rulo Catholic Church Centennial book & Richardson Co. atlas. Toys, books, games. Totes, holiday decor and lots of misc.

Nice Coleman folding camp table & cooler, lanterns, misc coolers, fishing reels, tractor seats, garden plow, iron wheels. Nice set of vtg aluminum & redwood lawn chairs, lawn art, 12' Quick Set pool (NIB). Child's wagon & sleds. Wash tubs, primitive cabinet. Lots of misc.

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717 Rd./652 Blvd.
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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Services held in Barada on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month. Services held at St. Peter's ELCA on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month "...with God all things are possible." Matt. 19:26
Pastor Mike Hader
402-245-4584

Bethel Global Methodist Church

(70654 656 AVE) (1/2 mile N of Preston Corner)
Sunday: Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday Choir, 7:30 p.m.
Pastor Mike Hader
402-245-4584

Big Lake Baptist Church

(213 Lake Shore Drive)
Sunday: Fellowship breakfast, 8:45 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Monday: Prayer and Share Monday, 8:30 a.m. Wednesday: Children's, Youth & Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m. We welcome you to all of our services.
Dick Lionberger, Intern pastor

Church of Christ

2701 Barada St.-245-5857
Sunday: Worship service, 10:30 a.m.; Bible study (classes for all ages), 9:30 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study for all ages, 6 p.m. "Preach the Word . . . for the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." 2 Timothy 4:2-4.
Josh Maxwell, Preacher,
402-245-7148

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church LCMS

(23rd & Barada)
402-245-3324
www.fallscitylcms.blogspot.com
Holy Communion celebrated 2nd and 4th Sundays. Sunday: Divine service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m. First Tuesday Care & Outreach - 6:30 PM Third Thursday of every month: Lutheran Women's Missionary League, 2:00 p.m.
Kenneth Humphrey, Pastor om

Corner Stone Baptist Church

(Independent & Fundamental)
N. Highway 73 to Blue Valley Behavior Health Inc., turn east (or right) Sunday: Sunday School Bible Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hours, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday: Bible study and prayer time, 7 p.m. Lively Stone Kids Klub, (ages K-6 grade). We welcome you and your family to come worship the Lord with us.
Pastor Mike Dunleavy
402-245-2049 (home)
402-245-4245 (church)
http://www.csbc.vpweb.c

First Brethren Church

(1902 Lane St.)
Sunday: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, Nursery (or pre-school), Adult, 10:45 a.m.; Fellowship Hour, 6 p.m.
Don Shafer, Moderator
402-245-5209

First Christian Church Disciples of Christ

(1322 Stone Street)
Office Phone, 245-2398 or Parsonage, 245-2397
Sunday: Adult School, 9:30 am; Worship Service, 10:45am
http://www.facebook.com/fallscitycooperativeministry
Pastor, Grant Speece
402-980-5960 cell

First Church of Nazarene

(1812 Wilson)
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:00-10:00 a.m.; morning worship, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Rob Wheeler, Pastor
402-245-3755

First Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)

(20th & Harlan)
Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m., Facebook Live & Youtube Live
Mondays: Diaper Closet, 4:00-6:00 pm. 2nd & 4th Wednesday: Mosaic Table 6:00-7:15 pm. Basement-Use East side door (Chairlift Accessible)
Richard Kent Martin, Pastor
402-245-2650

First United Methodist Church

(1700 Harlan St)
fumc@sento.net
402-245-3281
Sunday: Worship Service, 11 a.m. Broadcast live on KTNC AM 11 and 107.1 FM. Adult Bible Study, 9:45 a.m., Lauri Beach, Pastor
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Good News Assembly of God

(600 Reavis St) 245-3977
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:40 a.m. Wednesday: Good News Kids, 6:30p.m. A variety of small group Bible studies are available for adults throughout the year. Listen to sermons online, www.mynag.com
Tim Boatright, Pastor

Grace Bible Fellowship

(Highway 62, east of Stella)
Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Church Service, 10:15 a.m. Web page: www.gbfcchurch.com
Office: 402-883-2110
Dave Lockard, Pastor



Immaculate Conception (Rulo)

Sunday Confessions, 8 a.m.; Mass, 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass schedule: Monday-Friday, 6:30 a.m.
Fr. Ben Rynearson, Pastor

Lighthouse Church of God

(2202 330th, White Cloud, KS) One quarter mile west of Iowa Tribal Com-plex
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Sunday: Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Please join us to worship the Lord.
Communion is served the first Sunday of every month.
Bob Heusman, Pastor

Riverside Fellowship

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Sunday Worship 9 am
Fellowship, Sunday School, & Adult Bible Study 10 am
Following Worship
David Showalter, Pastor

St. Mary's (Arago)

Sunday: Confessions, 10:10 a.m.; Mass, 10:30 a.m.
Fr. Ben Rynearson, Pastor

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Sacrament of Penance: Saturday, 3:45-4:45p.m., or by appointment.
Fr. Jim Meysenburg, Pastor
402-245-3002

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church - ELCA

(20th and Towle Street)
402-245-3828
Sunday: 9a.m.-Sunday School (pre-school thru adult, during school year); 10a.m.-Worship; Wednesday: 6:30p.m.-Confirmation; 7:30p.m.-Choir Practice. Call for Youth, Bible Studies and Women's Group schedules.
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Joanna Kathol, Pastor

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)

12 miles Northeast of Falls City (Williamsville)
Sunday: Worship 9:15 a.m., first, third and fifth Sundays with communion on the first Sunday. We worship on the second and fourth Sundays at Barada Global Methodist Church in Barada, Nebraska. Fellowship and Sunday school following worship.
WELCA 1:30 first Monday Church Council, 7:30 p.m. on third Tuesdays
Mike Hader, Pastor

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LCMS

(6 miles North of Falls City)
402-245-4643
www.fallscitylcms.com
Sunday: Sunday School/Bible Study-9:30 am (Sept-May)
Divine Service-10:30 am with Holy Communion celebrated 2nd and 4th Sundays. Second Tuesday of the month: Dorcas Circle-7 pm First Wednesday of the month: LWML-9 am (August) then 2 pm (Sept-May)
Kenneth Humphrey, Pastor

St. Thomas Episcopal Church (16th & Harlan)

www.stthomasfallscity.org
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship, Holy Eucharist (coffee, tea and conversation follow worship) We invite you to worship with us at any of our services. We will pray for you, your friends and loved ones.

Stella Community Church

Sunday: Church service, with children's Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; adults Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
John States, Pastor

The Four Mile Church (South of Humboldt)

Sunday: Church services, 9:00 a.m. A Reformed church endeavoring to teach and to practice Biblical principles of the Reformation.
Howard Blecha, Pastor

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Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Services, 10:30 a.m. Sunday Night Services: 6:00 p.m. Midweek: Wednesday Services, 7:00 p.m. Bible preaching, and a warm welcome. Building is handicap accessible.
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verdonchristianchurch@gmail.com
Rev. Daniel Spencer
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The following is a list of all lands and lots in Richardson County, Nebraska on which taxes are due and unpaid for the tax year 2023 and prior years. This list is published in accordance with State Statute #77-1804. Therefore, notice is given that all delinquent taxes on these following lands and lots will be offered for public sale on Monday, March 3rd, 2025 at the Richardson County Treasurer's Office from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and will continue from day to day until all taxes have been offered for sale according to State Statute #77-1806. PLEASE BE ADVISED OF ALL STIPULATIONS TO PROVIDE NOTICE according to State Statute #77-1818. The following amounts listed for each property represent the delinquent tax, but does not include interest and advertising. We now offer online tax services by going to www.nto.us and clicking on Richardson County. You can look up taxes by owner name, parcel number, or legal. Once you select a parcel you will have access to the payment and tax history, and can also pay the tax online in most cases. PLEASE NOTE - according to Statute 77-1802 the names listed here are the names for the 2023 delinquent taxes which MAY BE DIFFERENT than the 2024 owner. These are the 2023 taxes we are advertising. TO ATTEND THIS SALE YOU MUST BE PREREGISTERED BY 2-24-25 and have paid the registration fee.

REAL PROPERTY

Amanda Bartek-Ramsey

Richardson County Treasurer

Table with columns: County Name, Count, Item#, District2, Parcel, Multiye Name, Property Address, Legal, Total Due. Contains a long list of property records with their respective details and tax amounts.

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Richardson	74	133	35	740092847	FOOTE, NELLIE A	5TH STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 28 LOTS 4-8 LESS HWY (4.65L)	97.12
Richardson	74	134	147	740039148	ALEXANDER, MICHAEL J & JOANN L	63874 708 TRL DAWSON NE 68337	33-2-14 4.56A TRACTSE/C SW 1/4 NE 1/4	96.74
Richardson	74	135	25	740090828	WENDTLANDT, STEPHEN	2ND ST DAWSON NE 68337	DAWSON HEIM ALL BLK 39 (4L)	93.3
Richardson	74	136	35	740092634	HULLMAN, ROBERT	STUTSMAN STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 12 LOTS 1-2 & 15-16 40X296 CLOSING STUTSMAN ST & 16X100 VA	88.22
Richardson	74	137	35	740093908	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	2ND STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 66 LOTS 5-8 (4L)	85.58
Richardson	74	138	35	740093916	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	1ST STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 66 LOTS 9-12 (4L)	85.58
Richardson	74	139	35	740093924	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	1ST STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 66 LOTS 13-16 (4L)	85.58
Richardson	74	140	35	740095730	PECK, DEANNA E	BROADWAY STRULO NE 68431	RULO BEDARD BLK 61 LOTS 1-3 (3L)	82.3
Richardson	74	141	35	740094335	WINTZ, TYLER	221 S MAIN STRULO NE 68431	RULO BEDARD BLK 2 W 110' LOTS 13-16 (2L)	75.72
Richardson	74	142	25	740091212	STEWART, JOSEPH E & JESSICAR	8TH ST DAWSON NE 68337	DAWSON METES & BOUNDS 15-2-14 .35APT SW 1/4 SE 1/4 (95 X 116.3 & 47 X 90)	74.9
Richardson	74	143	35	740093894	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	2ND STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 66 LOTS 2-4 (3L)	74.06
Richardson	74	144	5	740062735	BLACK, TAMARAS	8TH MORTON ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY OTBLK 195 LOTS 13-16 (4L)	73.82
Richardson	74	145	35	740095099	TOLLEFSON, CHRISTIAN & TABITHA	306 S 1ST STRULO NE 68431	RULO BEDARD BLK 29 LOTS 15-16 (2L)	70.78
Richardson	74	146	35	740093983	LEWIS, LAURAH	MAIN STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 67 LOTS 15-16 & 40X100 CLOSING MAIN ST (.41A)	69.14
Richardson	74	147	5	740055402	STEVENS, JASON	1806 CHASE ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY - OTBLK 39 W 32' LOTS 13 -16 (1.07L)	68.9
Richardson	74	148	55	740104063	MOORE, NATHAN	4TH ELM ST VERDON NE 68457	VERDON OTBLK 8 LOT 1 (1L)	61.54
Richardson	74	149	35	740095323	KOENEKE, DENNIS & KIMBERLY E	KENCELEUR MAIN STRULO NE 68431	RULO BEDARD BLK 35 LOT 16 & 40X140 CLOSING KENCELEUR ST (.28A)	60.24
Richardson	74	150	55	740103954	EATON, EDWARD J & JULIA A	302 MAIN ST VERDON NE 68457	VERDON OTBLK 6 LOT 13 & 14 (2L)	55.36
Richardson	74	151	5	740060767	MURPHY, DONALD	1102 WILSON ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY OTBLK 159 LOTS 13 & 14 (2L)	53.72
Richardson	74	152	35	740170836	GENTRY, MICHAEL S & BRYAN	RULO OTBLK 69	RULO OTBLK 69 N 10' LOTS 7 & 10 (.33L)	52.74
Richardson	74	153	25	740090747	WENDTLANDT, STEPHEN	4TH ST DAWSON NE 68337	DAWSON HEIM BLK 36 S 71' LOTS 1 & 2 (1.06L)	52.04
Richardson	74	154	50	740103032	NEWMAN JR, BOBBIE C & TIM MERRILL	MAIN ST STELLA NE 68442	STELLA CLARKS NORTH BLK 10 LOT 3 (1L)	50.42
Richardson	74	155	5	740059807	GRIMM, SCOTT	1203 LANE ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY OTBLK 133 LOTS 11 & 12 (2L)	49.22
Richardson	74	156	5	740060775	GRIMM, SCOTT M	1116 WILSON ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY OTBLK 159 LOTS 15 & 16 (2L)	49.22
Richardson	74	157	35	740093886	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	2ND WOODFIN STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 66 LOT 1 (1L)	42.8
Richardson	74	158	35	740094092	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	2ND GOLDSBERRY STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 75 LOT 1 (1L)	42.8
Richardson	74	159	35	740094483	TOLLEFSON, CHRISTIAN & TABITHA	1ST BEDARD STRULO NE 68431	RULO BEDARD BLK 4 LOT 11 (1L)	42.8
Richardson	74	160	25	740090801	WENDTLANDT, STEPHEN	3RD ST DAWSON NE 68337	DAWSON HEIM BLK 38 S 50' LOTS 3 & 4 (3/4L)	42.34
Richardson	74	161	10	740084534	STEPHENSON, LARRY JAMES & AMANDA J	914 MECHANIC ST HUMBOLDT NE 68376	HUMBOLDT AR & LUTHERNIMS BLK 25 N 88' LOT 6 (2/3L)	34.84
Richardson	74	162	100	740091611	OGDEN, DWAYNE R & ESPERANZA E	2ND ST	PRESTON OTBLK 4 W 66' LOTS 98-99 (1L)	28.84
Richardson	74	163	5	740058932	KIRKENDALL, TIMOTHY	212 E 13TH ST FALLS CITY NE 68355	FALLS CITY OTBLK 124 W 1/2 LOTS 11 & 12 (1L)	24.6
Richardson	74	164	40	740097199	BACHMAN, JOSH	2ND ST SALEM NE 68355	SALEM OTBLK 66 PTS 1/2 LOT 4 (4L)	21.62
Richardson	74	165	35	740093592	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	6TH STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 47 LOTS 1-4 (1.05A)	18.7
Richardson	74	166	35	740093657	KOELZER, TIMOTHY J	6TH STRULO NE 68431	RULO OTBLK 48 LOTS 12-16 & 8X250 ALLEY & 40X50 VAC 6TH ST (.9A)	12.8
Richardson	74	167	100	740116754	GORE OIL CO	SCHAWANG LEASE 36-3-16	36-3-16 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SCHAWANG LEASE	11.96
Richardson	74	168	100	740270961	GORE OIL CO	RURAL 36-3-16 RIESCHICKL	36-3-16	11.96
Richardson	74	169	45	740270779	AUSTIN, KATHERINE L	2ND ELM ST SHUBERT NE 68437	SHUBERT OTBLK 10 W 41' OF S 30' LOT 5 (.17L)	8.82
TOTAL								\$76,248.10
								ZNEZ

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JANUARY 22, 2025 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice-Chairman Karas at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. Roll call was answered by Karas and Campbell. Caverzagie was absent. The Invocation was given by Vice-Chairman Karas and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Campbell. Vice-Chairman Karas announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Campbell to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2025, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

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

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this past week. He also reported that the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan was being developed and that notice has been given that the public hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 12 at 10:00 a.m.

PAM SCOTT, CLERK OF DIST COURT

Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist Court submitted to the Board the information on the grant that has been received from the NE Dept of Health & Human Services, Office of Child Support Enforcement for enforcement service in Richardson County.

Motion was made by Karas to accept the grant funding from the NE Dept of Health & Human Services, Office of Child Support Enforcement for Child Support Enforcement IV-D as a subrecipient, awarded on October 1, 2024, assistance listing number is 93.563, FAIN is 2501NECSSE. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. He reported that there are currently 19 inmates in the Jail and that there are plans to provide more training for the jailers to improve the workflow in the Jail.

QUARTERLY JAIL INSPECTION

The Board traveled to the Law Enforcement Center and conducted the quarterly jail inspection where they found the facility to be in good order.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER December operating statement

The Board reviewed the December 2024 monthly operating statement.

Resolution 2024-2025-24 Sub-Division

Motion was made by Karas to adopt Resolution 2024-2025-24 to approve a sub-division for Robert D and Joyce K Bachman located in S30, T1, R18. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 28)

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Karas to allow the payment of all claims submitted today. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE:

Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried. (The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND

AT&T, serv1231.62
Candlewood Suites, lodg ..1499.40
Dakota County Sheriff, serv ..18.00
DAS State Accounting, serv507.50
Datashield Corp, serv170.00
Falls City Journal, adv383.38
First Concord, fees211.00
Generators for Sale, sub69.99
Hy-Vee, supp94.08
Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins1526.94
Medica, ins55581.14
NE Assoc. of District Court Clerks, dues50.00
NE Health & Human Services, serv93.00
Nestor & Mercure, serv9166.66
ProServ Business Systems, serv410.76
Quill, supp104.04
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb8.68
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb828.41
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc23178.82
Sapp Bros., fuel5932.71
Stateline Propane, supp100.00
SummerOne, serv76.00
Wolfe's Printing, supp66.89
Payroll Expense105910.27
TOTAL GENERAL FUND\$207,219.29

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Energy, serv220.74
Falls City Auto Supply, supp511.60
Farm & City Supply, supp162.28
Inland Truck Parts, supp405.71
NMC, serv3206.87
NPPD, serv138.11
Northern Safety Company, supp120.71
Operation & Expense Account, reimb150.00
Rulo, Village of, serv25.00
Safety-Kleen Systems, supp390.70
Stella, Village of, serv107.80
Unifirst, serv54.91
Payroll Expense35588.79
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND\$41,083.22

DRUG COURT FUND

Hawkins, Seth, serv1200.00
Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv1200.00
TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND\$2,400.00

ADJOURNMENT

After completing the Jail Inspection at the Law Enforcement Center, a motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City, NE. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

Rick Karas, Vice-Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk
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Titan's Grimes places second at both meets last week

The HTRS girls wrestling team competed at the ECNC wrestling invite at Auburn High School on Tuesday, January 28, 2025. The Titans scored 14 points at the invite. Ava Grimes scored the silver medal at 235, finishing her day at 3-1. Grimes lost by fall to Evelyn Bryan-Alldrich of Palmyra in the championship match at 2:21. Grimes won her first match by decision and her next two by pins.

At 125, Shawwna Richey finished her day at 0-5. Richey lost by fall in all five of her matches.

On Friday, the girls' team competed in the Raymond Central Invite. At 125, Richey went 0-2 and failed to score points. At 235, Grimes scored 22 points and placed second. Grimes won her first two matches by fall. In the championship bout, she lost to Addison Marschman of Fairbury by fall at 3:36.

On Monday, HTRS competed at the Weeping Water JV boy's invite. Alexander Drewberry finished 3-1 and placed third. Drewberry won his first match by fall, lost in round two by fall, then pinned Tucker Bickford of Weeping Water at 3:59. In the third-place match, Drewberry pinned Yakue Tegegna of Omaha Bryan at 1:52 for the win.

Kirkendall addresses concerns about job performance

(Continued from Page 1) program they started in the fall.

Darveau also stated he was trying to contact the State to see if they would be hosting a tire collection this year. It has been two years since the County hosted a tire collection site.

He also mentioned looking into a resurfacing grant, possibly for the "Dustless" blackout.

"You can't do anything except chip and seal on it," said Darveau. "That's the only thing we can do. Otherwise, you have to redo it. This grant helps with that, with going in and completely tearing up your surface and cutting down the hills and doing all of that. They are usually an 80/20 split."

The Board met with Sheriff Hardesty to discuss business at the Jail and Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff advised the Commissioners that ads were being run for contract labor in the kitchen to prepare meals for the inmates. The County will provide the food, and the contract laborer will be in charge of preparing the meals.

"It's going to cost us the same amount of money, whether we have one or twenty-four (inmates), with the labor side of it," said Hardesty.

"I don't know what we're going to save until we find somebody who is interested in it and sit down and have a conversation about it," said Hardesty.

He also discussed the possibility of providing service to villages within the County to enforce village ordinances when asked to do so by the village. Hardesty said he has been contacted by multiple villages asking the Sheriff's Department to assist with enforcing ordinances. Hardesty advised the Board that the problems should be dealt with on a per-call basis, allowing the villages to control how much they pay the Sheriff's Office.

After a conversation, the Commissioners agreed to ask for a fee of \$150 per call across the Board. Sheriff Hardesty acknowledged the figures and said he would relay the Board's request to the villages. He stated most of the ordinance issues involved junk cars, dogs running at large, dilapidated houses and free-range chickens getting into yards and gardens.

Emergency Management Director Brian Kirkendall addressed the Board, relaying his concerns about the vote to re-appoint him as EMA/Noxious Weed

Control Superintendent. "I thought it would be in my best interest to find out what aspects of my job I need to improve on or what I'm not doing," said Kirkendall.

Commissioner Karas, who voted no on Kirkendall's re-appointment, said that he would like to see Kirkendall being more aggressive in his EMA work.

"I'm not just picking on you, Brian, and I don't want you to think so," said Karas. "I just want to try to get things, I want it better, is what I guess I'm trying to say."

Karas said he would like Kirkendall to attend more mutual aid meetings with the County firefighters.

Kirkendall replied that he usually attends mutual aid meetings only when requested to be there, which is about one per year.

Karas said he wants to be able to help the rural fire departments and ensure that if something were to happen, everyone (law enforcement and fire) would be on the same page.

Commissioner Campbell raised the question of the Emergency Management Trailer being ready, to which Kirkendall responded, "The radios are in it, the antennas are mounted on the towers, the radios are working, the internet modems that you need, we have those, they are hooked up in there."

Kirkendall said it is ready to be used as a mobile command center.

"The big holdup on it was actually getting the radios," said Kirkendall.

Karas also advised Kirkendall that people are still unhappy about the lack of warning when the wind-event storm passed through the area at the end of October.

Kirkendall advised the Board that what needed to be discussed was the siren policy of the County.

"Whatever we need to do, we need to get that changed," said Karas. "I don't ever want that to happen again."

Kirkendall responded that he "had no qualms about that."

The sirens in Richardson County are automatic and go off when the National Weather Service issues an alert.

No sirens sounded on that day because the National Weather Service never issued a warning.

"This is not an excuse, okay?" said Kirkendall. "We have a video of that storm hitting, the whole wind event in Falls City lasted twelve seconds. We

couldn't have sounded them in twelve seconds."

Karas addressed a tornado spotted on the ground northeast of Sabetha and asked why sirens weren't sounded as a precaution with the storm headed in this direction.

Kirkendall responded that he had received notification of the tornado spotted near Sabetha approximately five minutes after the wind event hit Falls City.

EMA Director Kirkendall explained to the Board that this area sits in a Doppler radar wasteland. The closest radars are near Topeka, KS and Valley, NE and by the time they reach this far out, they don't catch as much as they need to.

"We are in an area that they cannot see very well," said Kirkendall.

Kirkendall said the current siren policy says the County will not sound the warning sirens unless it is issued by the National Weather Service for a tornado warning, or by a trained spotter, or somebody in the public calling in a tornado that cannot be proven otherwise.

Kirkendall also stated that the policy can be changed to add other warnings such as high wind speeds.

Kirkendall and the Commissioners agreed that a high wind speed warning, likely 70 mph, should be added.

Kirkendall also said no federal or State disaster was declared for the area due to the wind event.

"It was such a small area; we filed a disaster declaration," said Kirkendall. "It wasn't even considered a state disaster, let alone a federal disaster."

Kirkendall said the highest reading he received from the wind event was 108 mph. He also advised the Board that the National Weather Service never sent anyone down to inspect the damage to determine if the storm did, in fact, include a tornado.

County Clerk Mary Eickhoff also addressed a \$1,400.00 bill the County received for insurance for warning sirens in the City. The City has paid the insurance for years but is questioning if they should be paying that. The County currently pays a maintenance contract for all the warning sirens. The contract costs \$12,000.00 per year for the 14 sirens throughout the County. Four of the County's 14 sirens are in Falls City.

Claims were paid and the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Richardson, Nebraska will meet weekly for a regular meeting on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m., Room 202 in the Richardson County Courthouse for the purpose of conducting any and all county business that will come before the board. The agenda for the meetings are kept continuously current and are available for public inspection at the office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, Room 203, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE during normal working hours. The agenda is closed 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting and is posted on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door, the 1st floor lobby and the lower level lobby of the Courthouse and also on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

The Board of Equalization of the County of Richardson, Nebraska meet when times may necessitate for the purpose of conducting any and all business that requires the action of the County Board of Equalization. The agenda for the meetings are kept continuously current and are available for public inspection at the office of the Richardson County Clerk, Courthouse, Room 203, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, NE during normal business hours. The agenda is closed 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting and is posted on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door, the 1st floor lobby and the lower level lobby of the Courthouse and also on the Richardson County

Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk
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NOTICE OF COMPLAINT IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA CASE NO. CI24-161 LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, A Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
CHARLES D. ROCK, JR., THE HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, OR ASSIGNEES OF ELIZABETH A. CHOATE, DECEASED, REAL NAMES UNKNOWN, DEVIN CHOATE, BRENNAN CHOATE, THE HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES OR ASSIGNEES OF KAMI CHOATE, DECEASED, REAL NAMES UNKNOWN, RYAN WAGAR, AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE TO -WIT: LOTS 15 & 16, BLOCK 187, ORIGINAL TOWN TO THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, REAL NAMES UNKNOWN, Defendants.

TO: Charles D. Rock, Jr. and Elizabeth A. Choate and their Grantees, assigns, heirs, devisees or legatees or any persons claiming an interest in the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 15 & 16, Block 187, Original Town to the City of Falls City, Nebraska.

You are hereby notified that on the 18th day of December 2024, Plaintiff filed its Complaint in the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, against you, the object and prayer of which is to abate the nuisances at the described real estate and for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable. You are required to answer said petition on or before March 14, 2025.

City of Falls City, Plaintiff, By: Tracy A. Burns, Deputy City Attorney

Tracy A. Burns, #25398
Michael R. Dunn, #16825
Halbert, Dunn & Burns, LLC
111 E 17th Street, PO Box 447
Falls City, Nebraska 68355-0447
Phone: (402) 245-4486
29-5-12
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VILLAGE OF RULO NOTICE OF ONE AND SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN HEARING

Public notice is hereby given in compliance with the revised statutes of Nebraska, that the Village Board will meet at 6:00 p.m. on the 11th Day of February 2025 at the Village Hall, for the purpose of hearing comment relating to the proposed One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for 2025.

Julie Vollmer
City Street Superintendent
22-29-5
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Nemaha Natural Resources District is accepting applications for the position of Water Resources Technician located at the NRD headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska. This is a full-time, salaried position with a comprehensive benefits package. The position is responsible for assisting with water programs in the field and in the office as needed. Resumes may be mailed or delivered by 4:30 p.m. Friday, February 21, 2025, to Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager, Nemaha NRD, 62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh NE 68450 or emailed to jobs@nemahanrd.org. See the full job description at <https://www.nemahanrd.org/>.

29-5-12
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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION Rock Bottom Well Services LLC P.O. Box 477 Falls City, NE 68355

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

1. The name of this limited liability company is Rock Bottom Well Services LLC.

2. The Initial Designated Office Address is 63891 706 Rd., Dawson, NE 68337, and its Registered Agent is Cory Sneathen, 63891 706 Rd., Dawson, NE (Physical) & P.O. Box 477 Falls City, NE 68355 (Mailing).

3. The limited liability company shall engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The period of duration of the Company is perpetual existence from the date the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Secretary of State on January 10, 2025. Affairs are to be managed by the Members authorized by the Certificate of Organization and the Operating Agreement.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO.2 RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

To All Participating Members:
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the participating members of Rural Water District No. 2, Richardson County, Nebraska, will be held at 8:00 o'clock P.M. on February 13, 2025, at F&M Bank, 1701 Stone St., Falls City, Nebraska. At said meeting there will be the Annual reports of the officers, discussion of requirements needed to purchase a benefit unit, an election of two (2) board members for the term of three (3) years and election of a voting delegate.

A copy of the agenda for said meeting is on file with Secretary, Joseph Fischer 656 44 709 Rd., Falls City, Nebraska.

Dated this 2-5-2025
Rural Water District No. 2
Richardson County, Nebraska
By Joseph Fischer, Secretary
Dylan Handley
Attorney at Law
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NOTICE OF MEETING RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO.2 RICHARDSON COUNTY, NE. FEBRUARY 13, 2025-8PM.

To All Participating Members:
Notice is hereby given that the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Rural Water District No. 2, Richardson County, Nebraska will be held following the Annual meeting of the District. The following business will come before the Board:
-Call the meeting to order.
-Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.
-Read and approve claims.
Rural Water District No. 2
Richardson County, Nebraska
By Joseph Fischer, Secretary
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RICHARDSON COUNTY NOTICE OF ONE AND SIX YEAR ROAD PROGRAM PLAN HEARING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Nebraska § 39-1503, a public hearing will be held in the office of the Richardson County Commissioners, Room 202, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska on the 12th day of February 2025, at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of presenting to the public, the One and Six Year Highway Improvement Program for Richardson County, Nebraska.

Steven J. Darveau, Jr.
Richardson County Highway Superintendent

22-29-5
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The Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors will hold their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 13, 2025, at the NRD headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska. Committee meetings, if necessary, begin at 6:00 p.m. An agenda is being kept current at the office, 62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh, NE 68450.

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NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Estate of Dorothy M. Kirkendall, Deceased.

Estate No. PR25-2

Notice is hereby given that on January 15, 2025, in the County Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, the Registrar issued a written statement of Informal Probate of the Will of said Deceased and that Patricia A. Madsen, whose address is 806 Minnetare Lane, Hiawatha, Kansas 66434, and Jared W. Kirkendall, whose address is 66062 703 Trail, Rulo, Nebraska 68431, have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. Creditors of this estate must file their claims with this Court on or before March 24, 2025 or be forever barred.

Bethany K. Godemann,
Clerk Magistrate
County Court of Richardson
County
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Falls City, Nebraska 68355

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION Frederick's Service and Repair LLC 704 E 21st St., Falls City, NE 68355

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

1. The name of this limited liability company is Frederick's Service and Repair LLC.

2. The Initial Designated Office Address is 704 E 21st St., and its Registered Agent is David M. Frederick, 704 E 21st St., Falls City, NE 68355.

3. The limited liability company shall engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The period of duration of the Company is perpetual existence from the date the Certificate of Organization was filed with the Secretary of State on January 27, 2025. Affairs are to be managed by the Members authorized by the Certificate of Organization and the Operating Agreement.

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5-12-19
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CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Name of the limited liability company: Froeschl Concrete Construction LLC. Street and mailing address of the initial designated office: 1014 E 17th St., Falls City, NE 68355. Name of the initial agent for service of process: Max Froeschl. Street, mailing address and post office box (if any) of the initial agent for service of process: 1014 E 17th St., Falls City, NE 68355. Effective date if other than the date files: 1/16/25.

Max D. Froeschl
/s/ Name of Organizer
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VILLAGE OF RULO

Village of Rulo Board Meeting Minutes

Notice of meeting provided to the public by 1PM on Sunday, January 12, 2025 at Swingin' Doors, Wild Bill's and the Rulo Library on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:00pm at Rulo Library

Board Chair, Rebecca Simmonds, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Roll call - Present: Rebecca Simmonds, Kraig Counce, Regina Barber, Todd Thompson, Mike Keller and Clerk, Rachel Jean

Open Meetings Act announcement provided, posted and copy available upon request.

Motion made by Counce to approve December minutes and seconded by Keller. Roll - AYE: All, NAY - none. Motion carried

Keller made a motion to move up Recreation discussion to hear from Shawn Thompson. Motion seconded by Thompson. Roll call - AYE: All, NAY - none. Motion carried.

Comments taken from Shawn Thompson regarding a request for long term mobile home rental for Summer 2025. Topic will be added to February agenda for consideration.

Board discussed snow removal from the January 2025 blizzard and offered many thanks to those that volunteered and offered services. No other action taken.

Board received comment from Steve Johansen regarding upcoming cemetery mowing season with request to match funds as previously done. Suggestion to be considered with Thompson making a motion to approve posting bid request for 2025 mowing season for the Rulo Cemetery. Motion seconded Counce. Roll call - AYE: All, NAY: none. Motion carried

Highway light repairs with OPPD and Fire Department Grant updates tabled for February. No action taken.

Ralph Popejoy reviewed equipment repairs needed for backhoe and city truck. Quotes to be reviewed at future meeting. No action taken.

Thompson made a motion to approve payroll and claims as presented. Motion seconded by Barber. Roll call - AYE: All (with board members receiving reimbursements abstaining from their line items only), NAY: none. Motion carried

GENERAL - Hamilton Recycling \$50.00 (svcs), OPPD \$1095.80 (svcs), SNC \$51.13 (svcs), True Value \$132.71 (supplies), Robert W Aitken, CPA \$1320.00 (svcs), Rebecca Simmonds \$196.23 (reimb-supplies), Dept of Treasury \$50.00 (taxes), Dept of Treasury \$2364.04 (taxes), NE Dept of Revenue \$164.58 (taxes), Mike Keller \$141.40 (reimb-mileage), payroll \$2977.26

FIRE - Rulo Volunteer Fire Dept \$424.00 (equipment maintenance)

KENO - NE Charitable Gaming \$3176.00 (Keno quarterly tax)

ROADS - Falls City Auto Supply \$448.45 (supplies), Bletscher Trucking Inc \$1014.03 (svcs), Jimmy Counce \$300.00 (svcs), K. Counce \$129.98 (reimb-supplies), R. Simmonds \$23.65 (reimb-supplies), Dakota Keller \$100.00 (svcs)

WATER - NE Dept of Revenue \$36.38 (sales tax), City of Falls

City \$2496.91 (svcs), NE Public Health Env Lab \$29.00 (svcs), S. Johansen \$32.80 (reimb-postage), USPS \$219.00 (postage)

R. Jean presented the November Keno report and reviewed 23-24 fiscal year report.

Counce made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:10pm. Motion seconded by Thompson. Roll call - AYE: All, NAY - none. Motion carried.

Next regular board meeting Tuesday, February 11, 2025 immediately following the 1 & 6 Year Hearing scheduled at 6:00pm.

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Public Meeting Notice Board of Education District #70

Notice is hereby given that a regular board meeting of the Board of Education of the Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer School District #70 will be held at 7:00 PM on February 10th, 2025 in the Conference Room. The purpose of such meeting is to do regular business. A current agenda is available at the Superintendent's Office.

Kyle Hilgenfeld
Board President
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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE NAME

Trade Name: Roland Enterprises.
Name of Applicant: John Roland.
Address: 1817 Harlan St., Falls City, NE 68355. Applicant is: Individual. Date of first use of name in Nebraska: 1/1/2025. General nature of business: Electrical contracting, woodworking, and custom fabrication.

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HELP WANTED

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Sac and Fox Nation**

The Sac and Fox Nation has an immediate opening for a full-time Chief of Police. Under the direct supervision of the Tribal Council, this position is responsible for managing a complete public law enforcement program ensuring the protection of people and property in the Sac and Fox jurisdiction. Duties include managing police department staff, investigating complaints, patrolling, providing emergency response, monitoring traffic safety, resolving disputes, executing warrants, and overseeing the hiring and development of staff. Managerial duties include filling out paperwork, reviewing patrol logs, managing budgets, and working with Tribal Council as necessary to ensure funding requirements are met. Previous Law Enforcement and management experience, general knowledge of law enforcement techniques, computer applications and emergency medical technology preferred. Must have the ability to operate communication equipment, computers, weapons, radar units, and emergency vehicle equipment. Criminal and civil background check required. Applicants must be 21 years or older and possess a high school diploma or higher. KLETIC Certification or equivalent mandatory. Native preference does apply. For additional information or to apply visit www.sacandfoxks.com or contact us at 785-742-7471. Application form & resumes can be emailed directly to employment@sacandfoxks.com or delivered to the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska, 305 N. Main, Reserve, KS 66434. Position open until filled.

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HELP WANTED

CONTRACT OPPORTUNITY: MEAL PREPARATION FOR RICHARDSON COUNTY

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office is seeking a qualified contractor to provide labor-only services for preparing meals for the Richardson County Jail.

KEY DETAILS:

- Meals Required: 3 meals per day (breakfast, lunch, & dinner).
- Schedule: 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
- Scope: Labor only (ingredients & supplies will be provided by the Sheriff's Office).

REQUIREMENTS:

- Experience in meal preparation for large groups is preferred.
- Must comply with dietary and nutritional guidelines.
- Commitment to reliable and consistent service.

This is an excellent opportunity for individuals or businesses with expertise in meal preparation looking to secure a year-round contract.

TO APPLY: Interested parties should contact the Richardson County Sheriff's Office for more details or to submit a proposal to Sheriff Hardesty, 402.245.2479 or sheriff@richardsoncountyne.gov



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**Position Vacancy - Office Manager/
EXTENSION Education Support Staff**

Full-time OR part-time position (will be decided based on applicant preferences/needs) performing administrative and clerical support to maintain efficient operation of the Richardson County Extension Office.

APPLY NOW! Application information and position description are available at the Extension Office in the lower level of the courthouse or online at extension.unl.edu/statewide/Richardson-1/.

The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found; however, applications are encouraged by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 7. Richardson County is an equal opportunity employer.

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FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



The Falls City Public Schools is accepting applications for a Full-time Grounds Director. This is a 12-month position. Benefits include health insurance, single dental insurance, retirement, vacation, sick leave, and paid holidays.

Key Responsibilities:

- Maintain grounds, including lawn care, snow removal, and seasonal upkeep
- Manage equipment and supplies
- Ensure school cleanliness and safety standards are met
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JOB OPENINGS

The Nemaha County Hospital,

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Full Time Certified Scrub Tech : Nemaha County Hospital's Surgical Services Department is seeking a motivated individual to join our team. The position is full-time, Monday through Friday. Hours can vary slightly, but are typically 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with flexibility when needed. No weekends or holidays are required. Applicants must have surgical scrub experience and be BLS certified. Sterile Services experience is preferred.

This position also comes along with a cross-training opportunity in our outpatient clinic. Come be a part of our fun, fast-paced environment and work alongside our close-knit team of physicians, nurses, and techs!
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Pawnee County Memorial Hospital POSITION OPENINGS

Pawnee County Memorial Hospital is seeking

- » Food Service
- » Radiology Tech
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- » Registered Nurse

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For a full description of this position and to apply, visit our website at www.pawneehospital.com to complete an application.
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LPN or MEDICATION AIDE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are looking for vibrant and dynamic Caregivers to join our team at Jonesbrook Estates, LLC Assisted Living. If you are a compassionate, caring person who holds a Medication Aide or Nebraska LPN license, this is the job for you. Offering a Full-time or PRN position. Willing to train as a Medication Aide for the right person. We offer shift differential for nights and weekends.

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We encourage you to apply in person at Jonesbrook Estates, LLC Assisted Living, located at 1010 East 21st Street Falls City, NE 68355. 402.245.6033 or email: Jonesbrook@sentco.net

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Brantly Sells

Falls City wrestlers battle across the region

The Falls City Wrestling Club hit the road this past weekend, competing in three different tournaments—traveling north, west, and east to take on tough competition. On Sunday, January 26th, we had wrestlers competing in Savannah, MO, and Beatrice and Plattsmouth,

NE. At Savannah, Brantly Sells placed first in the 14u division. At Beatrice, 22 Falls City wrestlers competed over the course of the day alongside 600 other wrestlers and 40 teams. The team scored 13 pins with a record of 31-32 and finished 10th in points overall. Individual awards were as follows: first place, Cohen Crabtree, Grant Goff, Nash Vollan,

Easton Ansel, Hudson Eickhoff, Axton Donahoo, Leo Rue and Braxtyn Bauman. Second place: Elliott Dettmann, Erickson Dettmann and Mason Cave. Third place: Bowen Gerdes, Huxlee Gerdes, Cameron Sailors, Kenton Cochran and Barrett Johansen. Fourth place: Cole Goff, Collin Kaster, Cooper Lotter, Cayden Goff and Hadley Crabtree.

Three Falls City Wrestlers competed at Plattsmouth with 20 other teams and approximately 225 wrestlers. Falls City as a team went 8-2 on the day with three pins total. Individual placements were: First place, Bowen Randall and Tristan Randall. Fourth place: Kenton Cochran. Falls City Wrestling Club will be hosting their home tournament Sunday February 9th at Prichard Au-

ditorium. Last years tournament saw 266 wrestlers from 31 different teams. A record number of participants are expected again this year. This is a great opportunity to not only watch what the wrestlers have been working all on season, but also a chance to showcase the incredible community we call home. From the dedicated volunteers and passionate fans to the local businesses and organizations that make Falls City special, this is an opportunity to come together, cheer on our wrestlers, and celebrate the strength and pride of our town. Let's pack the

stands, make some noise, and show visiting teams what makes Falls City truly great. If you would like to donate to or volunteer during the tournament please contact the club at FallsCityWrestlingClub@hotmail.com or Sara Rue 402-801-2733.



Some of the Wrestlers that competed 1/18-1/19: Back row: Mason Cave, Cooper Lotter, Barrett Johansen, Remi Marlowe, Kenton Cochran, Eli Cattrell, Leo Rue, Axton Donahoo, Hadley Crabtree, Collin Kaster, Easton Ansel. Front row: Dax Vonderschmidt, Cooper Vonderschmidt, Bowen Gerdes, Elliott Dettmann, Grant Goff, Cohen Crabtree, Huxlee Carroll, Nash Vollan, Erickson Dettmann.

Falls City Wrestling Club continues to grind

The youth wrestlers have been hitting the mats hard, both in practice and competition. They have been putting in the work over the past few weeks, sharpening their skills and building strength through intense practices. Focusing on conditioning, technique, and match strategy, these young athletes have been dedicated to improving their performance on the mat.

Their hard work is paying off in competition, as they continue to showcase their growth and determination in matches. With each tournament, the wrestlers are gaining valuable experience and proving that their efforts in practice are translating to success.

As the season progresses, the team remains committed to training, pushing themselves to new levels, and representing Falls City with pride. Keep an eye on these young competitors as they continue to make strides and put their skills to the test! Falls City Wrestling Club will be competing at home on Sunday February 9th at Prichard Auditorium.

Syracuse-Max Hughes Memorial 2025 (1.18.25), 47 teams, 480 wrestlers, 30-26, 19 pins, team finished 12th

PreK-K: Cohen Crabtree-first; Cooper Vonderschmidt-second; Dax Vonderschmidt-first.

First-second: Elliott Dettmann-first; Nash Vollan-fourth; Huxlee Carroll-fourth; Erickson Dettmann-third; Mason Cave-first; Hudson Eickhoff-first.

Third-fourth: Cooper Lotter-fourth; Aiden Seeba, Cameron Sailors and Kenton Cochran-fourth.

Fifth-sixth: Barrett Johansen-fourth; Leo Rue-second.

Seventh-eighth: Ryder Hullman, Gavin Dean and Braxtyn Bauman-first.

Nebraska City Youth Tournament 2025 (1.19.25) 400 wrestlers, 32 teams, 24-14, 14 pins, team finished 14th.

PreK-K: Cohen Crabtree-first; Grant Goff-first.

First-second: Nash Vollan, Easton Ansel and Mason Cave-first.

Third-fourth: Cayden Goff, Collin Kaster and Kenton Cochran-first; Eli Cattrell-fourth; Axton Donahoo-first; Hadley Crabtree-third.

Lincoln Warriors/Rocket Wrestling (1.19.25) 650 wrestlers, 51 teams, 12-5, 6 pins, team finished 20th.

Third-fourth: Cooper Lotter-second.

Fifth-sixth: Barrett Johansen-third; Leo Rue-second.

Seventh-eighth: Gavin Dean, Brantly Sells-first; Braxtyn Bauman NC-first.

Plattsburg Tigerfest (1.19.25)

8u: Bowen Gerdes-fourth.



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