

SEXUAL PREDATOR RESIDENCY RESTRICTION ACT

Proposal fails on Mayor's tie-breaking vote

By Jason Schock

The City Council last week by the smallest possible margin voted down a proposal that would restrict the distance a registered sexual predator can live in proximity to a school or licensed day care facility.

Meeting in regular session Jan. 4 at City Hall, Mayor Jerry Oliver cast the tie-breaking "nay" vote, sending councilman Mike Dougherty's motion, seconded by Steve Scholl, to the cutting room floor. Council members Judy Murphy and Jim Wisdom also supported the drafting of an ordinance, but Don Ferguson, Angie Nolte, John Vaughn and Anthony Nussbaum all cast "nay" votes, knotting it up at four apiece and forcing the mayor to decide the proposal's fate. Mayor Oliver didn't elaborate at the time of the vote, but later intimated that such legislation would, in his view, prove ineffective in Falls City.

"I can understand how (proponents) feel," he said. "I just don't think it would change anything. I felt that there should be a state law on the books."

Prior to taking the vote, Joan Stoller, of East 21st Street, the leader of the ordinance movement who first approached the Council Dec. 7, spoke on the merits of residence restriction legislation. Mrs. Stoller was spurred into action when a registered sex offender moved into her family's neighborhood and in close proximity to "Little Bees Daycare,"

a facility established within the last year by owner and operator Steph Beckner.

Then, in one of the more surreal scenes you'll find inside City Hall (post-Jim Smith era, of course) in Falls City or elsewhere, a rebuttal was delivered by a recently registered sex offender, former radio announcer Matthew Leaf. His argument was pragmatic and supported by empirical and observational evidence, but it followed an introduction in which Leaf proclaimed himself the new registered sex offender in Mrs. Stoller's and "Little Bees" neighborhood. It took courage, to be sure, but it also shackled minds to the messenger and provoked indifference — if not disdain — to the message.

The 42-year-old is less than a year into a four-year probation term for a felony conviction of possession of child pornography. He is required to register as a sex of-

fender under Nebraska law for 25 years after pleading guilty to the one count, in exchange for three others being dismissed by prosecutors. Leaf was arrested and jailed in the fall of 2014 after investigators with the State Attorney General's Office, along with FC Police, served a search warrant at his Falls City apartment, seizing a computer that allegedly contained graphic videos. The investigation was conducted over the course of a full calendar year, according to Court documents.

Public revulsion nonetheless, Leaf presented a solid argument, supported by evidence gathered throughout the country that overwhelmingly suggests residence restriction policies do little or nothing to prevent or reduce sexual violence and/or deter or reduce recidivism.

"Mentioning feel-good laws - that accomplish absolutely nothing," Leaf said. "There is no research that

shows the proximity of a sex offender to a day care or school increases the likelihood that they will re-offend.

"The vast majority of new sex offenses will be committed by someone not now on the sexual offender registry - something along the lines of 90-95 percent. Protecting children from sexual abuse is a wonderful thing. But this ordinance doesn't do that."

Scholl, who questioned why a registered sexual offender would return to the community where he (95 percent are committed by males) committed the crime or crimes — "not too bright," he said — asked Leaf to consider the children's perspective.

"How do these children feel about the sex offender coming back to their town?," he asked. "The City should be watching out for the children."

"I agree," Leaf said, "but preventing someone from living a certain distance from a school doesn't prevent them from committing sexual abuse. People have cars. There is no evidence that this type of ordinance will protect children. It could be pointless, but also harmful in many respects."

Many critics agree: Residency restriction laws they say are, in fact, feel-good legislation that at best has no effect on public safety or, at worse, makes communities

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Graphic by Jason Schock

'Fox River Ice Skating'

January 11, 1958



Mrs. Nature, smiling with frosty affection on her children young and old, has solidified the water of the Fox River at Batavia, IL; and on this glorious rink a person can skate for many miles, if he can skate. Pity the poor denizens of great, highly civilized metropolises who can only skate round and round in small circles on frapped ammonia pipes. Well, in this teeming scene we have figure skaters, chair skaters, collapsing skaters; we have jumpers, pucksters, walkers, lovers; and we have those dare-devils who are following the leader—presently they will link hands and play snap the whip, a maneuver which practically always goeth before a fall. John Falter declares that by the time he had finished painting all those portraits he had a sore wrist.

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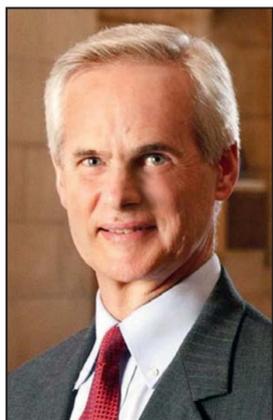
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Lt. Governor Mike Foley

Lt. Governor in FC following Ricketts' State of State address

Nebraska Lt. Governor Mike Foley will visit Falls City from 2-2:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, at the Grand Weaver Hotel, following Governor Pete Ricketts' State of the State address highlighting his legislative priorities.

"This is a great opportunity to hear an update on how Nebraska is growing, and some of the priorities being discussed this legislative session," Taylor Gage, the Governor's Public Relations Director, said.

Questions should be directed to the Governor's Office at 402-471-2244.

Murphy elected Council President

Judy Murphy was elected President, and Don Ferguson Acting President, during annual reorganization of the City Council last Monday, Jan. 4 at City Hall.

The Council unanimously confirmed the following appointments by Mayor Jerry Oliver: Gary Jom as City Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator; Duane Armbruster as Chief of Police; Mike Dunn as City Attorney with Ryan Dorcey, and Richard and Chris Halbert as Assistant City Attorneys.

The Council also approved the appointments of John Nixon to the Citizens Advisory Committee; John von Behren, Darrell Huettner, Gerald Hopp and Ed Harris to the Tree Board; Marshall Nelson to the BOPW; Kim Oliver to the Library Board; Charlie Radatz to the CRA Committee; and Deb Harris, Paul Kiekhaefer and Pam Scott to the Cemetery Board.

A resolution to increase the dog and cat license and tax fees was approved and the dates for meetings in February, July and September were moved to Tuesdays due to Monday holidays.



Judy Murphy



F&M to recognize those who give back

F&M Bank is excited to announce that they will be bringing their Hometown Spirit to the Falls City community in 2016. The campaign is a celebration of the community's individuals, businesses and groups. Throughout the year, two major opportunities will highlight and showcase the community.

The first major showcase is the "You've Got the Hometown Spirit" award. This award will recognize area individuals, businesses and groups for excellence in community service. F&M Bank prides itself on its contributions to the community and wants to take the opportunity to recognize others giving back. These awards will be announced and presented on a monthly basis starting this month.

The second showcase is the "Photo Shoot & Share" event. This showcase is an invitation for the community to submit photos celebrating Hometown Spirit.

All submitted photos fitting content specifications will be reviewed and voted on. Winning photos will be used in the F&M Bank 2017 calendar. Information regarding content and submission details will be announced in early spring 2016.

Additional showcases will be announced throughout the year. Each showcase will focus on Hometown Spirit and the charitable contributions of those in the community including a "Month of Giving" by F&M Bank.

F&M Bank is excited to join the community as we showcase and celebrate our Hometown Spirit!



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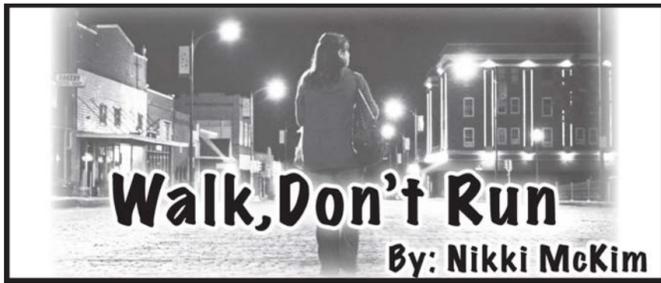
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Christmas and New Year's are over and it's time to tighten the boot straps around our house. No more going out to eat, buying extremely ridiculous things we don't need because it was on sale (15 rolls of wrapping paper? Why?), and we will be taking fewer adventures. This weekend it all hit me that my trip to Hollywood is going to be here before I know it and I have no money saved up. Sure the apartment and tickets are paid for but I still have to purchase airline tickets and save spending money.

When I imagine this dream trip, I feel like I am going to stick out like a sore thumb. The small town girl in the big city who says things like 'Gee Wiz,' (a habit I picked up from my sister recently) and good grief, (a habit I picked up from my mother). I'm afraid I'll be that girl who calls Uber for a ride that ends up costing a house payment. I'd be angry and I'd yell, but I would probably hand over the money and slink away, completely defeated.

This is my first grown-up trip alone. That may sound insane or childish, but I have always had a safety net for my trips. Someone who helps me book them and goes with me. My mom or Brian are always with me to make sure that I am doing the right thing. Things like not getting scammed. Like the time in Vegas nearly eight years ago when a nice gentleman was holding a sign for free hugs. This idiot right here actually considered hugging the stranger on Fremont Street-until my mother yanked me back and explained that these nice, happy people were picking pockets. And as we watched them, that is exactly what they were doing. There is a time and a place to see the good in all people-Vegas in the middle of the night on Fremont Street may not be that place.

I've had to become more cynical and leery of people. The lesson we are generally taught is to live life, seeing the good, but in this world, we need to see the bad too. Sure, not everyone is out to get me and rob me blind, but the chances are pretty good that one in 10 people will probably - definitely - rob me and the chances are even higher on Hollywood and Vine.

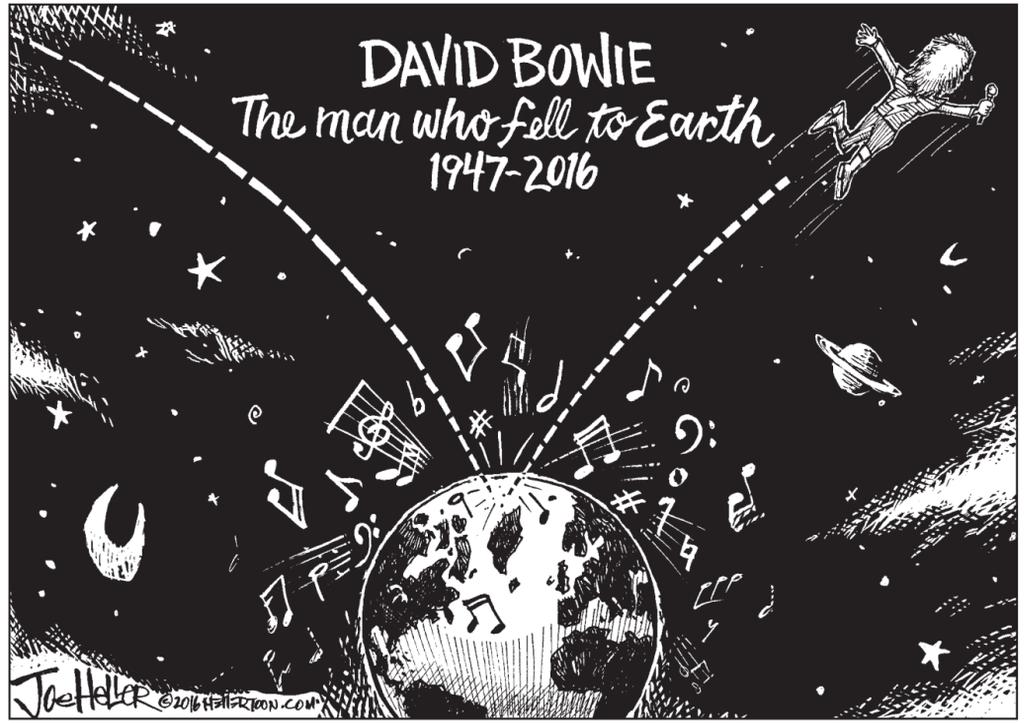
I won't have the security of my husband walking alongside me. I will though, be walking back and forth with a few other girls who I will be living with for the week. They have done this before and know where to go and where not to go, so I will have a bit of protection. The more I read about the area we will be in, the more I realize that I need to be more aware of my surroundings. While Brian attended meetings in New Orleans, I took morning walks along the river by myself to get to Cafe du Monte. I was comfortable and aware of my surroundings the entire time. I know Los Angeles and downtown Hollywood is going to be a bit of a culture shock for this Dawson girl, but I need to grow up and do things on my own at some point. I'm lucky it took as long as it did, but the fear is still there. A cabbie will scam me, my purse will get stolen or I will get lost at LAX and never be found or heard from again.

I've spent many nights talking to other people who attend this film festival every year. Most of them are from larger areas like Detroit, Chicago and New York City. They live in areas like this and spend their lives constantly aware of their surroundings while I go out to get the mail in my pajamas each Saturday. They have the life experience I lack and almost laugh at my questioning who I can avoid walking alone at night.

Each year, thousands of film fans travel from all over the world to land in downtown Hollywood for this event. I won't be alone by any means; other small-towners will be joining me. In fact, I am trying to talk to a friend of mine - who is flying out of Kansas City the same day I am - into being my travel buddy. I've never flown alone and the idea scares me to death. I am already deathly afraid to fly and I doubt any strangers will let me grip their hand during take off and through turbulence. I won't have anyone to tell me that we are not crashing, we are just landing.

Even with my lack of life experience, I am beyond excited about this trip. The excitement almost outweighs the terror of it all. I know once I step foot in California for the first time it won't be as scary as I imagined. The fear will lift and I'll end up having the time of my life. Besides, I won't be out on the streets much at all. During the 108 hours I will be in California, at least 80 of those hours will be spent in a dark movie theater with thousands of other like-minded souls or on the red carpet for interviews and photos. I've been told to pack many snacks, such as nuts, granola bars and other things that will give me just enough energy to keep going. They say there's no time to eat or sleep. You shower, go to a couple movies, hit a party, take some photos, nap, then do it all over again the next day.

This trip is going to be an amazing learning tool for me. I hope to learn to overcome my fear of talking to people and be able to ask questions during interviews, after I hope to be able to get the person to stop in the first place. I hope to learn, to not be so timid while taking photos, and get in there in the middle of it all. I hope to learn that I can do things on my own and rise above my anxiety and fear and I hope to learn that I don't always need someone to hold my hand through everything-sometimes I can succeed on my own.



Lawmakers convene for '16: What gifts are in store?

Capitol View
By J.L. Schmidt
Statehouse Correspondent
Nebraska Press Association

The One Hundred Fourth Legislature Second Session convened on Jan. 6, a day known in Christendom as Epiphany. That's the 12th day after Christmas, which celebrates the visit of the Magi (the three wise men) to the Christ Child. They came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Lawmakers who are entering the session with a revised revenue forecast that is \$110 million short would probably appreciate gold. Just envision a joint meeting of the Appropriations and Revenue Committees and Governor Pete Ricketts as they look to take \$26 million for new prison facilities and \$12 million to cover lost federal dollars for the Department of Health and Human Services. Just think about the amount of property tax - and maybe some state income tax - relief that would buy.

A gift of frankincense would be subject to review by the Health and Human Services Committee with some input sought from the General Affairs Committee, which would likely want to license the distribution while keeping it away from vape shops and head shops.

Likewise, myrrh - a fragrant anointing oil with some healing properties - would likely catch the interest of the same two committees. Perhaps it could be used instead of a plan to cover 77,000 Nebraskans who have fallen through the cracks and can't afford health care insurance. Sick? No insurance? Just rub some myrrh on it!

Of course, myrrh comes from the Near East and may not be made available by the most reputed pharmaceutical dealers. Maybe Nebraska could get credit for the \$54,000 spent with one of those dealers for illegal execution drugs that were never delivered.

As for the Magi, it would be interesting to see the stir caused if Melchior (a Persian), Caspar (an East Indian) and Balthazar (a Babylonian) could get through customs and TSA to even deliver the gifts. And just how welcome would they be in Nebraska? It would probably be OK as long as they didn't say they wanted driver's licenses.

But, I digress. Perhaps the real epiphany for the Legislature will be in the other meaning of the word: "a moment when you suddenly feel that you understand, or suddenly become conscious of, something that is very important to you."

Yes, the honeymoon is over for the Governor and the 19 new senators in the 104th Legislature. No more blaming any of this on the learning curve. Time to take off the kid gloves and act like you "get it," like you have truly experienced that epiphany.

So, here's what's on the table for the short (60-day) session, which ends mid-April:

Corrections: New Director Scott Frakes wants \$26 million to build 150 beds, mostly for abused women who are now housed in facilities too close to the types of men who may have caused such abuse. That's just one area that needs to be addressed while the big picture of alternative sentencing and alternative treatment is studied.

Health Care: The Governor is

adamantly against tapping unused federal Medicaid funds to provide private health insurance for an estimated 77,000

Nebraskans - mostly the working poor - who can't afford coverage under the Affordable Care Act. A bi-partisan coalition has offered a plan similar to one used in Arkansas, but the governor says that isn't a proven solution and he fears that federal dollars are too unstable.

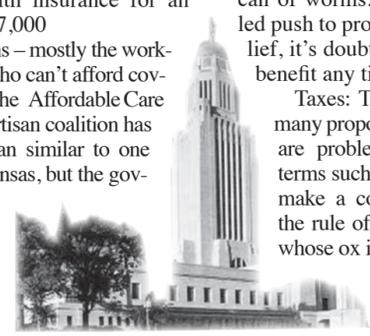
Schools: There's a renewed push for more equitably distributed funding. But school funding is largely

dependent on property taxes, which puts the two issues in a common can of worms. Given a Governor-led push to provide property tax relief, it's doubtful that schools will benefit any time soon.

Taxes: There are probably as many proposed solutions as there are problems. Expect familiar terms such as freezes and lids to make a comeback. Remember the rule of thumb: it's all about whose ox is getting gored.

Welcome back 104th Legislature. Let's hope the 36 Re-

publicans, 12 Democrats and one Independent can work together in a true non-partisan way to experience an epiphany.



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SNC 2016 Towle Memorial Scholarships

Southeast Nebraska Communications announces that, for the 13th consecutive year, two scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$2,000 each to graduating seniors — one from Falls City High, another from FC Sacred Heart — who plan to continue their educations at a two- or four-year institution for the 2016 fall term.

To be eligible to apply, students must be an immediate family member of an SNC landline customer in the 245, 883 or 801 exchanges. Immediate family members of employees of SNC, or Towle Realty Co. are *not* eligible. Please return the completed scholarship application form, a wallet-sized photograph (for publicity purposes), an official copy of your high school

transcript, a 300-word essay and educator's recommendation form to:

Scholarship Committee, Southeast Nebraska Communications, 110 W. 17th St., Falls City, NE 68355.

Each school counselor will have the information for the students.

Applications are due by March 15. Winners will be announced by April 15.

The scholarship is for one year and is nonrenewable. The money will be disbursed to the college at which the applicant enrolls and be co-payable to the student and college. One half of the total award will be disbursed each of the first two semesters.

Sez 'I'

*Honor Plates

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Dear Governor Ricketts,

Many months ago we had the opportunity to meet in a "Town Hall" setting in Falls City (July 31, 2015) and I was able to ask you directly about your position on Veteran Benefits and Nebraska's poor record compared to other states when it came to Veteran support. At that time, you stated that you felt our Veterans deserved the best we could do for them and that once elected you would "look into" making changes to improve Nebraska's standing.

I followed up by offering a simple suggestion when I told you that we had to pay an extra \$5 just to have a Disabled American Veteran license plate on our cars. Why not remove that fee, or even reduce licensing fees for all military and veterans like many other states do? You asked me if I'd be willing to work on an "ad hoc committee" to review that and I said "Yes," but I have not heard back from anyone on your staff.

Now I see where Active Duty and Veterans can obtain Military Honor Plates from the Nebraska DMV. The plates are a great idea, but again they cost the Veteran or Active Duty Member from \$5-\$40 extra to obtain. How is that "honoring" the military, Mr. Governor? As I see it, Nebraska isn't honoring its military service members and Veterans, it is extracting extra money from them! When we are awarded or "honored" for our service in the military, the government or service branch "GIVES" us our medals or awards, they don't charge us for them!

You said you wanted to do better by the military and the Nebraska Veterans. This doesn't show any changes for a positive future for our state and Veterans sir.

Respectfully,
Terrence E. Flynn
Lieutenant Colonel (Retired)
US Army

(ED NOTE: The above letter was submitted to the office of Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts this week).

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this day in 2010, an earthquake measuring a magnitude 7.0 struck Haiti, devastating its capital city, Port-au-Prince. An estimated 150,000 were killed and buried later in mass graves.

Making your health care choices known if you can't speak for yourself

Community Medical Center wants you to be prepared in the event that you must obtain medical treatment and are unable to speak for yourself. An Advance Directive is that legal document which will state your intentions or name the people you want to make medical decisions if you are unable to make them for yourself.

There are two types of advanced directives in Nebraska: *the Power of Attorney for Health Care* and the *Rights of the Terminally Ill Declaration or Living Will*. It is your right as a citizen of Nebraska to sign either or both of these documents.

A *Living Will* is a written statement, which describes the type of care a person wishes to receive, in the event that he or she is suffering from a terminal illness or is in a persistent vegetative state. A medical *Power of Attorney for Health Care* is a document which you sign, appointing an agent to make your medical decisions for you, if you aren't able to make those decisions for yourself.

By completing Advance Directives and talking with your health care provider and family about your decisions, you can guide the direction of your future care.

Copies of your documents need to be given to your family or close friends who might be involved in your health care, your priest or pastor, your doctor, your attorney, and your health care facility.

Advance Directive booklets can be obtained from Kim Goff R.N. Director of Social Services at Community Medical Center in Falls City or from your attorney or the Department of Health and Human Services of Nebraska.

Clean Fuels Director to recap Renewable Fuels Standards, what it means to ethanol industry

Doug Durante, Clean Fuels Development Coalition executive director, will give a recap of the Renewable Fuels Standard and what it means for the Nebraska ethanol industry during the Nebraska Ethanol Board meeting Thursday, Jan. 21, in Lincoln.

After years of uncertainty, the final volumes for the amount of corn ethanol were announced late last year, and corn ethanol is essentially at its limit under the RFS, according to Durante. He will discuss the specific regulatory roadblocks that, if eliminated, would open the market for higher ethanol blends.

"The Nebraska ethanol industry, capable of producing significantly more ethanol than current levels, cannot count on the RFS to ensure a market," Durante said. "The industry needs to move beyond the RFS and create new, consumer-driven demand that capitalizes on the health benefits of clean octane and the ability to meet low-carbon fuel standards."

Durante's national ethanol advocacy efforts and his relationship with the Nebraska ethanol industry span more than 35 years. He frequently consults on international biofuel projects including initiatives that focus on the use of biofuels to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

CFDC works closely with the Urban Air Initiative, which has

conducted a significant body of research over the past several years showing how toxic compounds known as aromatics, which are added to gasoline to boost octane, are causing a host of respiratory illnesses in urban populations. Durante advocates for a cleaner alternative — ethanol — which is a natural octane enhancer and a clean, low-carbon fuel choice.

GUEST EDITORIAL

The Pros: Doctors, lawyers and...teachers?

By Craig R. Christiansen, Executive Director
Nebraska State Education Association

The common meaning of "professional" is partly captured by such words as expert, ethical, responsible. The problem is not the common meaning of professionalism, but its meanings in statutes, policies, and practices. Debates focus on two major approaches to professionalism: 1) a managerialist view that emphasizes efficient school management by private sector business models; and 2) a democratic professionalism vision that focuses on collaboration and learning between teachers, university researchers, and community stakeholders.

For several decades, the question of whether to describe the job of teaching in public schools as a profession has been argued and debated among legislators, academic researchers, and the general public. But besides a sense of pride and accomplishment, what real difference does it make to teachers what the job is called? It matters a great deal. Recognized professionals enjoy significantly higher salary and, perhaps more importantly, more control over their work and greater autonomy in the professional decisions they make on behalf of their students.

'Semi-Professionals'

So, although common practice may recognize skilled work as "professional," what really makes an occupation a recognized profession? For the last century, doctors and lawyers have successfully distinguished their work as professional on the basis of three major criteria: 1) Development of highly specialized knowledge; 2) The autonomous direction of their own work; and 3) An ethics-based duty of care for their clients that is enforced by sanctions or loss of licensure. These three points are significantly interrelated in defining who can make decisions about professional work.

Critics defend the designation of teachers as so-called "semi-professionals" by pointing to the fact that medicine and law create and develop new professional knowledge through their practice, while teachers and other semi-professionals, instead of creating knowledge, only apply or communicate knowledge to others. The subordinate relationship of teachers to administrative authority is justified by the assumption that much of the authority for autonomous, professional work is based on the expert creation of specialized knowledge.

Further Complications

Some claim that teachers, nurses, social workers, and engineers are in a sort of middle ground between a broader category of employees and the professions. These occupations are part of the semi-professions that are employed by others and are administratively directed by others (who are also not necessarily professionals). Sites include schools, medical facilities, and social agencies. In these situations, administrators decide whether the decision of a semi-professional is appropriate by comparing it to the policies and directives of the organization.

In contrast to medicine and law, teachers (as employees in bureaucratized systems) generally do not control licensure, entry or expulsion from the profession, although teachers as well as doctors and lawyers are held to high standards of professional conduct. The situation for teachers is further complicated by the public nature of the service of teaching, in which the determination of specific educational goals and methods is primarily a political decision of the system, rather than a professional judgment of the individual teacher.

The current public and political debates on educational issues are very much debates on the control of teachers...and their classrooms. Teachers are already subject to controls and supervision that is more appropriate to the factory than to democratic professionalism. The vision of the teacher as a professional practitioner is a vision that offers substantive improvements for our current educational model. Unfortunately, this vision is in direct opposition to the current managerialist reforms that seek "designer employees" that are compliant, efficient, and willing to produce educational results as market commodities. Principals used to be collegial "principal teachers." Now they are increasingly asked to be line managers for a business model system. The definition of professionalism is a struggle that will determine the very nature of teaching in our schools. And that matters for all of us.

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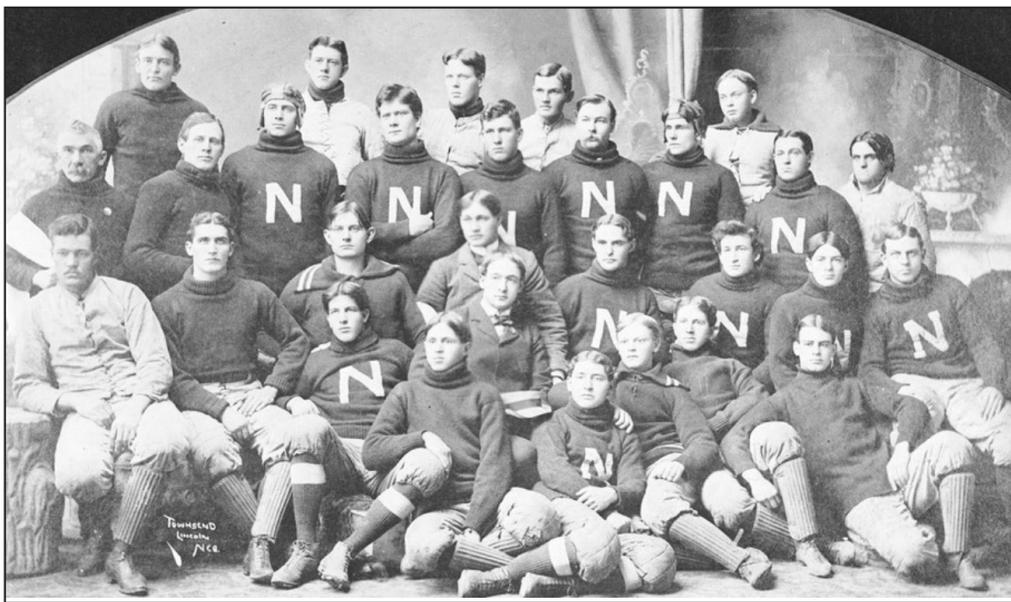
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The University of Nebraska football team, 1898

Student William Rice at the University of Nebraska, 1898

William Rice of Central City matriculated at the University of Nebraska in 1898 and, for a time, sent letters describing his experiences that were published in the Central City Republican. His letter dated Oct. 17, 1898, gave some insight into Nebraska football of that era.

"The most important foot-ball game of the season to be played in Lincoln took place last Saturday... The game was between the teams of the Nebraska State University and Iowa State College. The game was close at first, but Nebraska's strong team eventually won by a score of 23 to 10. One Iowa man had one of the bones of his leg broken and several players on both teams were 'laid out' temporarily. The Nebraska team has several gi-

ants. One guard is six and a half feet tall and weights two hundred and thirty-five pounds and another, though not quite so tall, is fully as heavy. There are several other players who are not far behind in point of size. When the regular team plays a practice game with the second 'eleven,' there is as much hard playing and as many brilliant plays as in a championship game. Some of the giants in the line will plunge into the opposing line and tackling as many of their opponents as possible will go down with them on top of him. It is wonderful that so few are injured; perfect physical condition is all that saves them."

On Oct. 24, Rice described the facilities and collections of the Nebraska State Historical Society, which were then housed in the basement of the university library. (The building, now known as Architecture Hall, still stands on the campus.) "The Library Building of the State University is two stories high, not including an ample, well-lighted basement. In the basement are several recitation rooms and an especially large room given up to the State Historical Society. This society has a large collection of rarities, many of historical value. Records of early settlements in the state and their subsequent development are preserved. Old documents and old newspapers are in the collection but they are so worn that they are not open to inspection.

A majority of the county newspapers are on file here. In a large glass case uniforms worn by the Nebraska soldiers in the Civil War and also the attire of the early Indian fighters are displayed. Then there are teeth and bones of ani-

mals, both of those which are now, and of those which once were native to Nebraska; specimens of native minerals and woods, and pieces of petrified substances picked up in the bed of some rivers, and numerous other relics, all displayed to good advantage. This room is visited daily by a large number of students, many to make historical investigations and many more to consult the daily papers which are delivered to the society."

The State Historical Society still holds many of the collections Rice described. The collection of "old newspapers" has grown to comprise some forty thousand rolls of microfilm, which is open to the public at the Society's reference room in its headquarters at 15th and 'R' Streets in Lincoln.

To learn more about the programs and services of the Nebraska State Historical Society, call 1-800-633-6747 or visit our website at www.nebraskahistory.org

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To place an order, request NRD planting services, or for more information, contact the Nemaha NRD in Tecumseh at (402) 335-3325; or check the NRD's website, www.nemahanrd.org

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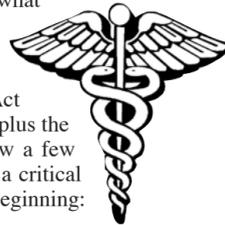
On this day in 1966, "Batman" with Adam West and Burt Ward premiered on ABC.

Low premium insurance may not always be the cheapest option

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

The enrollment period for choosing an Obamacare policy ends on Jan. 31. That means if you haven't already signed up and think you want coverage from your state's insurance marketplace, now's the time to check your options and make a decision. But what decision will be best?

Over the last several months I have received many e-mails from readers of this column telling me about their experience with Affordable Care Act policies—some good, some bad. Their comments plus the close of open enrollment offer a chance to review a few of the basics for choosing a plan and to examine a critical question that's been plaguing the law since the beginning: Are policies affordable?



A 61-year-old woman in South Dakota wanted me to tell readers to look carefully at the so-called silver plans because they provide what are called cost-sharing subsidies—extra help paying those sky-high deductibles and out-of-pocket costs Obamacare policies require. Silver plans cover 70 percent of someone's medical expenses. The woman explained the subsidies had made it possible for her to switch from a platinum policy with a high premium (and lower deductible) to the silver variety, which lowered her premium and required what she called "minimal" copays for doctor visits and medications.

She had discovered silver plans are indeed the key to affordability for most people buying policies in the state exchanges. But there's a catch. Even though savings on out-of-pocket costs can be substantial, only certain people who buy silver plans are eligible for those subsidies. Congress concluded there wasn't enough money in the federal budget to help all Obamacare policyholders.

Only those with incomes between 100 and 250 percent of the federal poverty level are eligible for extra help. In dollars and cents that means individuals with incomes between \$11,770 and \$29,425 and families of four, for example, with incomes between \$24,250 and \$60,625.

What about people with incomes above those thresholds, say, someone with income of \$35,000 or a family with \$65,000? Considering the average annual deductible for silver plans last year was about \$3,000 and out-of-pocket maximums averaged close to \$6,000, uncovered medical expenses can add up.

Subsidies protect those with the lowest incomes the most, says Sara Collins, a vice president of The Commonwealth Fund, which studies health insurance trends and is a funder of the Rural Health News Service. "They substantially reduce out-of-pocket costs for people with incomes under 200 percent of poverty," but "there's a significant cost exposure to people in the middle income range." If deductibles continue to rise, there's a risk they'll be underinsured, she adds.

Families will struggle to pay their medical bills even with Obamacare insurance and find themselves mired in medical debt, which the Affordable Care Act was supposed to eliminate. The federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau says medical debt is still responsible for more than half of all debt collection actions. The Kaiser Family Foundation reports one-third of Americans have trouble paying medical bills even though seventy percent of them have insurance.

Even with subsidies offered on silver plans insurance is not affordable for many families. A woman who lives in the middle of Wyoming wrote that she and her husband were uninsured last year. "We studied the premiums a lot and have found our best price option would cost us about \$800-\$900 each a month (about \$400 to \$500 with a subsidy)," she said, adding, "I don't know many people who have an extra \$400-\$500 in their household budget to spend on insurance. It is certainly not available in our monthly budget."

At first, she said, "I thought maybe I'm not managing our money properly," but the more she studied the ACA and premium requirements, she became convinced that was not the case. "We just don't have it (the money)," she told me.

For those who think they can swing a premium for 2016, silver plans are worth considering. Collins says not everyone who is eligible for cost-sharing subsidies is taking advantage of that help.

One-quarter of Obamacare policyholders with incomes between 200 and 250 percent of the poverty level bought bronze plans last year that cover only 60 percent of your medical costs and generally have the cheapest premiums. As a trade-off, though, out-of-pocket limits are higher, averaging about \$6,400. When you consider the extra subsidies available only with silver plans, a silver plan may be cheaper after all.

As helpful as the silver plan subsidies may be, they mask the underlying problem. The cost of health care for both the insured and the uninsured is still too high and likely to get higher.

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Cervical Cancer Awareness Month

January is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month. Cervical cancer is highly preventable as screening tests and vaccines to prevent human papillomavirus (HPV), which is the main cause of cervical cancer, are available. However, half of cervical cancers are rarely or never screened for cancer, and another 10%–20% of cancers occur among women who were screened but did not receive adequate follow-up care. When cervical cancer is found early, it is highly treatable and associated with long survival and good quality of life.



For women aged 21–65 years, regular cervical cancer screening can help prevent cancer. The Pap test detects pre-cancers, that might become cancerous if they are not treated appropriately. Women should start getting Pap tests at age 21 years and every three years thereafter. Women who are aged 30 years and younger may choose to have an HPV test along with the Pap test. It is important to also have regular checkups according to your medical provider.

To help prevent cervical cancer, vaccines are available to prevent HPV infection. HPV vaccines of-

fer the greatest health benefit to persons who receive all 3 doses before exposure to HPV. Routine HPV vaccination is recommended for girls and boys at age 11 or 12 years, but can be given as early as age 9. Vaccination also is recommended for males and females through age 26 years who have not been vaccinated previously. HPV vaccine protects against many types of cancer in males and females. Chris Eltiste, Immunization Nurse with Southeast District Health Department, stresses “Who would have ever thought we would have a vaccine to prevent cancer? We all want what is best for our children. This is one place to start. Gardasil is safe, effective and immunity is best when the vaccine is given at a younger age.”

HPV vaccine prevents cervical cancer and if your preteen or teen has not received all doses of the HPV vaccine, make an appointment with your healthcare provider or stop into one of SDHD’s seven Immunization Clinics.

For more info on the HPV vaccine or to find an Immunization clinic near you, call 877-777-0424.



FCMS Students of the Month of December, from left: Lindsey McNeely, sixth grade, Thayer Armbruster, seventh, Kade Bredemeier, eighth.

Middle School Students of the Month of December

The students of the month for December at FC Middle School were: Kade Bredemeier, eighth grade, Thayer Armbruster, seventh, and Lindsey McNeely, sixth. Each student received a T-shirt printed with the Student of the Month logo. The shirts are compliments of Stripes and Signs. The Elks Club will sponsor a complimentary meal during Youth Week for all of this year’s student of the month recipients and their parents.

To receive student of the month, students must first be nominated by one of their teachers. The criteria for nomination this year once again focuses on the 212 degree message. Criteria includes: turning work in on time, exemplary behavior everywhere, goes out of their way to help peers, good grades and/or improvement; always showing effort, active and/or involved in the community, leadership accomplishments: academic, athletic, or in the community, school attendance, positive attitude toward others, honest and trustworthy, cooperative and dependable, helpful to teachers, positive attitude toward school, and considerate of other’s feelings.

Teachers vote by private balloting. Those students who don’t win

are given honorable mention and are eligible in future months.

Lindsey is the daughter of Erik and Sandra McNeely. She is an outstanding student that serves as a positive role model for others. She always strives to do her best, and is always willing to help others. Lindsey is a regular on the honor roll, while also participating in chorus, band and Clown Troupe. Outside of school, Lindsey is active with CCD, church group, Falls City Travelers softball and basketball.

Thayer is the daughter of Andy and Sarah Armbruster. She is an awesome middle school student who strives to do her best, is helpful and pleasant to others, and seems to smile a lot! She has received recognition for honor roll and ABBIT. Thayer participates in band, chorus, show choir, volleyball, cross country, basketball, track, quiz bowl, Clown Troupe and FCA. Outside of school, she is active in her church youth group and FC Recreation softball.

Kade is the son of Jason and Mandy Bredemeier. He is described as an extraordinary student. He is a regular on the honor roll and ABBIT lists each quarter. Kade participates in band, chorus, show choir, football, basketball, track, and quiz bowl. Be-

yond middle school, Kade is in CCD and FC Rec baseball. He is also a member of the FC Barracudas Swim Team!

The students who received honorable mention for December include: Carson Simon, Josie Riggs, Abby Fritz, Abigail Boatright, Justin Brewer, Madilyn Scholl, Stephen Acton, David Kuker, Shaylee Mackey, Lukas Aldana, Abby Harms, Hannah Clary, Ali Ivey, Cydney Forsyth and Faith Zimmerman.

Library Events

Falls City Library and Arts Center, 1400 Stone St., Falls City. Hours: Monday-Thursday, 10a.m.- 8 p.m. Saturday, 9a.m.-noon.

Creative Night: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, knitting for beginners! Scarf or Cowl neckwear. Scarf: Sport weight yarn with size eight or larger needles. Cowl: Bulky yarn and size 10 circular needles, 16 inches long. Please call to sign up.

“I HAVE A DREAM!” Martin Luther King Jr. Day Craft and Discussion. 4-5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18.

Film: “Night at the Museum — Secret of the Tomb,” 4-5:40 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19.

Film: “About Time,” 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20. *At the age of 21, Tim discovers he can travel in time and change what happens and has happened in his own life. His decision to make his world a better place by getting a girlfriend turns out not to be as easy as you might think.*

Book: “The Nightingale,” by Kristin Hannah, 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21.

Project Response: Helping families in crisis, answers questions, gives assistance to those in need, 10 a.m.-noon Thursdays. Call 1-800-456-5764 on days when closed.

Technology Tuesdays: come for an hour with Pat, our I.T. expert, who will teach the basics or help. 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 6-7 p.m.

Yoga with Charity Zimmerman, 10 a.m. Saturdays. Adults and students fourth grade and up. Beginners are welcome!

Toddler Story Time! Babies, up to three years, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays.

Snack & Craft Story Time! Pre-K and up, 5:30 p.m. Thursdays. 45 minutes of stories, fun activities, crafts and snacks!

Film and Lit Club (high school). 5:45-7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20. Be ready for discussion and trivia competitions about “The Adoration of Jenna Fox,” by Mary E. Pearson.

Game Night: 5:45-7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26. There’s nothing wrong with a little healthy competition!



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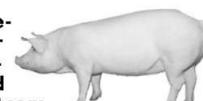
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- Your baby must have been born in the year 2015.
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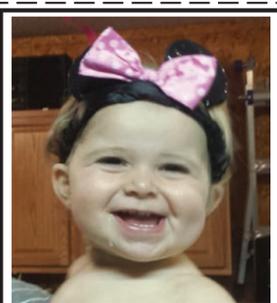
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Scarlett Katharine
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Public Record

DISTRICT COURT

-Vicky L. Willey, of Falls City, has been granted dissolution of her marriage to Daren L. Willey, of Falls City.

-Matthew F. Oetjen, 46, of Falls City, sentencing for domestic assault in the third degree, a Class I Misdemeanor; placed on 18 months probation, must complete cognitive group and domestic violence intervention programs, obtain a drug and alcohol evaluation within 30 days and pay probation fees of \$570, plus Court costs of \$135.

Oetjen was arrested last May and originally faced felony counts of strangulation, terroristic threats and domestic assault.

-Mark W. Gaede, 30, of Falls City, sentencing for domestic assault in the third degree, a Class I Misdemeanor; placed on 18 months probation, must complete cognitive group and domestic violence intervention programs, obtain a drug and alcohol evaluation within 30 days and pay probation fees of \$570, plus Court costs of \$135.

Gaede was arrested last spring and originally also faced a felony count of strangulation.

-Sarah B. Smicklas, of Falls City, has been granted dissolution of her marriage to Chase A. Smicklas, of Alamosa, CO.

-Thomas L. Bassett, 33, of Falls City, count one, fourth offense DUI (.15-plus or refusal), a Class III Felony; count two, first offense driving during revocation (15-year license revocation), a Class IV Felony. Defendant requested his Court-appointed counsel be removed and additional time be allowed to find different counsel. Request granted; hearing scheduled for March 1, at which time a trial date will be set.

-Candace Mortorff, 28, of Sabetha, KS, count one, issuing a bad check (more than \$1,500), a Class III Felony; count two, issuing a bad check (\$500-\$1,500), a Class IV Felony. Pled not guilty to both counts. Trial set for March 28.

COUNTY COURT

-Jordan A. Lunsford, 24, of Falls City, felony criminal mischief; case bound over to District Court for arraignment on Jan. 19.

-Ryan C. Bennett, 30, of Verdon, count one, license vehicle without

proof of liability insurance; count two, no valid registration; count three, speeding (11-15). Trial on Count three set for Feb. 10.

-Tia L. Hall, 31, of Falls City, count one, DUI (.15-plus), first offense; count two, leaving the scene of an accident (failure to furnish information). Case continued to Jan. 20 for entry of plea.

-Hailey N. Moyer, 18, of Falls City, assault in the third degree; admitted to probation violation. Disposition hearing set for Feb. 10.

-Richard O. Farber, 44, of Pawnee City, count one, carrying a concealed weapon, first offense; count two, DUI, second offense; count three, refusal to submit to pretest, first offense; count four, unauthorized use of a propelled vehicle, first offense; count five, possess/consume open alcohol container. Case continued to Feb. 10 for entry of plea.

-Sarah A. Lock, 35, of Morrill, KS, count one, leaving the scene of an accident (failure to furnish information); count two, no proof of insurance; count three, unlawful or fictitious display of plates; count four, nonresident violate 30-day immunity; count five, violate stop or yield sign. Pretrial hearing set for Feb. 1.

-William A. Woodruff Jr., 60, of Shubert, excess windshield tint. Pled not guilty; trial set for Feb. 3.

-Gary M. Dumont Jr., 29, of Falls City, assault of an officer in the third degree, a Class IIIA Felony. Preliminary hearing set for Feb. 1.

-Gary M. Dumont Jr., 29, of Falls City, count one, resisting arrest; count two, violation of protection order; count three, driving during revocation; count four, criminal mischief (\$500-\$1,500); criminal mischief (less than \$500). Pled not guilty to all charges. Pretrial hearing set for Feb. 1.

-Chelsea Yocum, 18, of Bern, KS, disturbing the peace. Pled no contest; fined \$50, plus Court costs of \$49.

-James Bassett, 57, of Falls City, disorderly conduct. Sentencing set for Feb. 3.

-Jason W. Stevens, 42, of Falls City, count one, DUI - first offense; count two, no operator's license (waiverable); count three, possess/consume open alcohol container; count four, driving left of center.

Suppression hearing scheduled for Feb. 10.

-Lisa Bottom-Finch, 44, of Falls City, sentencing for assault in the third degree; ordered to serve 10 days in Richardson County Jail (with credit for 10 days previously served), placed on six months probation, to pay probation fees of \$30 and Court costs of \$49.

-Jeffrey A. Morley, 26, of Falls City, disturbing the peace, fined \$125 and ordered to serve three days in jail (with credit for three days previously served).

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, count one, no operator's license (non-waiverable); count two, failure to use seat belt. Sentencing set for Feb. 1.

-Jeffrey A. Morley, 26, of Falls City, sentencing for theft by receiving stolen property (less than \$200); fined \$125, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Jeffrey A. Morley, 26, of Falls City, sentencing for criminal mischief, fined \$125, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Jason M. Brownell, 35, of Falls City, count one, driving under suspension; count two, improper/defective vehicle lighting. Case continued to March 1 for entry of plea.

-Richard T. Chesson, 22, of Falls City, count one, procuring or selling alcohol to a minor, amended to attempt of a Class I Misdemeanor; count two, theft by receiving stolen property (\$500-\$1,500). Pled guilty to amended count one; count two dismissed with prejudice (**Editor's Note** - dismissal with prejudice bars the government from prosecuting the accused later on the same charge). Fined \$300, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Kristen N. McNett, 31, of Falls City, count one, procuring or selling alcohol to a minor, amended to attempt of a Class I Misdemeanor; count two, possess or consume an open alcohol container. Pled no contest to amended count one; count two dismissed with prejudice. Fined \$300, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Scott A. Delome, 36, of Morrill, KS, DUI - first offense; refusal to submit to pretest; count three, possess or consume an open alcohol container; possess K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); possess or use drug paraphernalia; failure to use seat belt. Sentencing Jan. 20.

-Jason N. Berger, 30, of Falls City, count one, assault; count two, disorderly conduct. Trial scheduled for Feb. 3.

-Lucas M. Morehead, 31, of Falls City, count one, domestic assault in the third degree, amended to attempt of a Class I Misdemeanor; count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia. Pled no contest to amended count one and count two; sentencing set for Jan. 20.

-Steven H. Hernandez, 34, of Falls City, count one, driving under suspension; count two, failure to use turn signal. Pled guilty to both counts; sentencing set for Feb. 17.

-Robert S. Hillard, 44, of Falls City, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, no operator's license. Trial set for Feb. 10.

-Michael J. Potter, 38, of Reserve, KS, count one, DUI - first offense; count two, refusal to submit to test - first offense; count three, exhibition driving; count four, non-

resident violate 30-day immunity. Pled no contest to count two; counts one, three and four dismissed with prejudice.

-Alexander S. Nelsen, 18, of Falls City, count one, driving during revocation; count two, speeding (11-15). Pled guilty to both counts; sentencing set for Feb. 3.

-Jordan Keller, 32, of Rulo, count one, possess K2 or marijuana (one ounce or less); count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia. Pled guilty to both counts; fined \$400, plus Court costs of \$48.

-Jeffrey M. McNeely, 36, of Falls City, driving during revocation. Fined \$100, plus Court costs of \$49.

-Lee A. Gutzmer, 46, of Table Rock, count one, DUI (.15-plus), amended to DUI - first offense; count two, engaging in a speeding contest; count three, possess or consume open alcohol container. Pled guilty to amended count one and three; count two dismissed with prejudice. Driver's license revoked for 60 days (ignition interlock permit), fined \$500, placed on probation for eight months, and must pay \$371.14 in probation and lab costs on count one; fined \$50, plus Court costs of \$49 on count three.

ACCIDENTS

Saturday night (11:29 p.m.), Jan. 2, 2016, 21st and Abbott Sts. Driver: Colton D. Hayworth, 17, of Falls City. Hayworth, according to the accident report submitted by FC Police Officer Patrick Stamper, was westbound on 21st Street when he lost control of his 2001 Dodge pickup, left the roadway and struck the north side of the Harold Nussbaum house at 2024 Abbott St. An estimated \$500 damage was sustained to the Hayworth truck, \$3,000 to the Nussbaum residence. No injuries were reported; Hayworth, who allegedly left the scene without contacting the homeowner, was cited for reckless driving and accident - driver's duty.



-Incumbent **Michael L. Dougherty**, of 2624 Schoenheit St., has officially declared his non partisan candidacy for a four-year term as Ward 1 representative on the City Council.

-**Richard K. "Rick" Martin**, of rural Dawson, has placed his name on the ticket for a four-year term as District 3 representative on the Richardson County Board of Commissioners.

The men's names will be placed on the ballot for the May 10 primary election.

Incumbent candidates have until Feb. 16 to file, while the deadline for non-incumbents is March 1.

Shubert theft - Jan. 4

A lock box containing medications, cash and two vehicle titles was reportedly stolen from a pickup on Monday night, Jan. 4, outside of Centerfield Bar in Shubert as the owner shot a game of pool.

The owner of the lock box is disabled and urgently needs those medications. He has since been admitted to the hospital, according to a brother, Jason James, of Shubert.

Anyone with information regarding the theft Jan. 4 is urged to call the Richardson County Sheriff's Office at 402-245-2479.

"To whoever stole it, I don't anticipate that he will ever get his pain meds back or the money, but if you could return the paperwork and the rest of his meds, I live in Shubert; you can put it at the bar and someone will return it," James said.

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MARYSVILLE had **NO ANSWER** for Tiger senior Trent Pentecost, who went off for a career- and game-high 22 points last Tuesday night south of the border. He made 9-of-16 shots and led the Tigers with four steals in a 56-45 victory. Thursday at Johnson, FC had a fast start and a fast finish and avoided the upset with a 48-43 comeback win over the Eagles. Sophomore sensation Brandt Chapple led the way with 19 points, eight boards and three steals for FC, which is 6-2 and riding a six-game winning streak into tonight's rematch at 5-6 Auburn.

Comeback road wins bring FC's streak to six

The Falls City High boys' basketball team won consecutive games Nos. 5 and 6, both in comeback fashion, and improved to 6-2 on the season with victories at Marysville, KS, (56-45) last Tuesday and at Johnson-Brock (48-43) Thursday.

Tuesday, senior guard Trenton Pentecost had a career night, scoring 22 points and recording four steals in leading the Tigers back from a four-point halftime deficit. Fifteen of his points came after intermission and propelled FC to a 37-22 run to finish.

"We played better defense in the second half," FC Coach Don Hogue, the school's all-time winningest basketball coach, said. "We talked to the players about creating offense on the defensive end. We made some good plays getting to the rim and creating plays for our teammates."

FC shot it at an outstanding clip after half, hitting 8-of-10 in the third period and 7-of-12 in the final frame. Bradley Rose and Brandt Chapple (11 points) each finished with three assists and Kyle Leafy pulled down six rebounds to go with 14 points. Rudy Vrtiska scored eight.

The Tigers kept it in gear, for a while

anyway, two days later at Johnson, outscoring the Eagles 15-7 in the opening period. Leafy scored seven of his 16 in the period. Pentecost also went 2-for-2 at the line and Leafy made his "and-one" as FC was a perfect 3-for-3 at the stripe. But then the bottom dropped out, as the Tigers missed all seven of its free throw attempts in the second quarter and didn't get to the line in the third, finding themselves down 34-32 to a 4-4 Class D1 Johnson bunch.

They got it together in the nick of time, as Rose and Chapple (team-high 19 points, eight rebounds, three steals) each converted both ends of critical one-and-one opportunities and FC went a perfect 5-for-5 at the line down the stretch. Leafy was a super-efficient 7-of-10 from the floor and added seven rebounds. Pentecost (five rebounds), Vrtiska (four) and Bryan Sichel (three) helped the Tigers own a 30-20 edge on the glass.

The Tigers were haunted by turn-

over issues and shooting woes in at two quarters of the game, which has become somewhat of a theme, despite the six-game winning streak. The team is barely making more than half its foul shots (51.5 percent) and turning it over more than their opponents (14.3 per game, to 13.9). That's not the stuff that sent them to Lincoln each of the last two years.

FC, the two-time defending C1-1 District Champions, dropped its first two games of 2015-16, but now haven't suffered a defeat in more than a month - since a Dec. 8 trip to Atchison, KS. FCHS should make it seven in a row tonight at Auburn against a Bulldog team it hammered 47-30 Dec. 11, setting up a big weekend for Tiger hoops. It starts Friday with a showdown at 7-2 Maryville, MO, and then, after playing five straight on the road, the Tigers return for home cookin' Saturday to face 10-2 Elmwood-Murdock.

SH girls get knocked down, bounce back up

"So, when was the last time you lost a game?," the dullard writer asked FCSH Head Basketball Coach Luke Santo a couple weeks into December.

He didn't want to answer - uttered the word "jinx." The writer scoffed, forgetting the Santo fellas like the Chicago Cubs, so...yeah, makes sense they'd be superstitious.

That said, none of it prevented the aforementioned stupid scribe from celebrating Santo and his team's perfect 29-0 2015 campaign by opining at great length in last Tuesday Journal about a possible run at history because the winning would only continue...another three years and 81 games. Bold, at least.

Sure enough, hours after turning in the ill-advised literary gem, the top-ranked and D2 Lady Irish suffered defeat, falling 45-37 at Mound City, MO.

A 14-point Panther third quarter was the difference, though Maggie Goltz scored nine of her 13 points to bring SH back from a 12-point deficit to tie it at one point, but MC guard Kendey Eaton made 7 free throws in a row and Kameron Freemeyer hit two more to ice it, giving FCSH its first loss in more than a calendar year. Eaton was a handful, scoring 22 game-high points on 9-of-10 shooting from the stripe and making three of her four attempts from downtown. As a team, MC was 13-of-18 from the line.

Haylee Heits scored 14 team-high points and added six rebounds and a block for the Irish.

Heits then sat out Friday's 34-22 win at Diller-Odell and last night's MUDE-CAS opener, nursing a sore hamstring. Didn't matter, as at Odell, Goltz scored 14, Lauren Parrish had nine and Jade Hill seven. FCSH held DO to seven total field goals - one the entire second half.

Monday, the Lady Irish improved to 11-1 as Lexi Barnes drained five threes and scored 19, while Hill and Parrish each added eight in a 52-30 win over HTRS. The defending champs will face BDS at 5 p.m. Thursday in the semifinals; the championship game will be late Friday, back at the Beatrice City Auditorium against either Freeman or Sterling.

Win those and it makes it, what, five in a row?

The Irish guys, winners of two blowouts last week at Mound City (64-26) and at Odell (51-39) are 7-3 entering today's opening round game against 7-4 HTRS. The winner will most likely face an 8-3 JCC team coming off double-digit wins over teams with a collective 28-8, including a 63-50 win over Elmwood-Murdock. That semifinal is slated for 8 p.m. Thursday.

BIG RED

Recruiting Report

By Sean Stevens

(Falls City native and former staff writer for HuskerIllustrated.com and Rivals.com)

We're less than a month from Signing Day 2016 and Nebraska has been stuck at 15 commitments since Nov. 28. This class should grow to 23-25 prospects by Feb. 3. Who are the most likely to join the squad?

Tops on NU's list this entire recruiting cycle has been **OL Matt Farniok** (6-5/319) of Sioux Falls, SD. Farniok played in the Army All-American Bowl Jan. 9 and recently eliminated Florida State to trim his list to Iowa, Michigan State, and Nebraska. NU seems to be a slight leader over Iowa right now, but Farniok has official visits scheduled to the other two schools Jan. 15 and Jan. 22 respectively.

The top-ranked national recruit on NU's board is **DB Lamar Jackson** (6-2/206) of Elk Grove, Calif. Jackson, Rivals' No. 5-ranked safety and No. 89 player overall nationally, recorded an interception in the Under-Armour All-American game. NU leads here also, but must fend off UCLA and USC and potentially Oregon who may get a late unofficial visit. Jackson will announce via Bleacher Report video in late January.

WR Desmond Fitzpatrick (6-2/189) of Waterford, Mich. and **DB Tony Butler** (6-2/197) of Lakewood, Ohio are good friends, and Fitzpatrick is also tight with Jackson from their official visit to Lincoln. Both are also leaning to NU at this point.

Fitzpatrick still has visits to Arizona (Jan. 15) and Louisville (Jan. 22) scheduled, but he's been strongly peer-recruiting both Butler and Jackson along with **DE Collin Miller** (6-3/230) of Fishers, Ind. and **OT Alaric Jackson** (6-7/285) of Detroit, Mich. for NU.

Butler will trip to Arizona State Jan. 15 and is also considering West Virginia. He will announce his commitment Jan. 20, and all signs point to Nebraska at this point.

Miller has yet to receive his scholarship offer from NU, but that's simply because the NCAA-mandated "dead period" started before he could have that conversation with the coaches. NU is scheduled to take an in-home visit when that period ends Jan. 15 to deliver the offer, and most anticipate that Miller will commit on or before his official visit Jan. 29.

With Alaric Jackson, Nebraska will get his last official visit Jan. 29 after an Iowa trip Jan. 22. Wisconsin is also in the picture, and he hopes to visit the Badgers. Michigan State has backed off Jackson a bit recently and is likely out of the picture.

Athlete **Isaiah Simmons** (6-3/212) of Olathe, Kan. is another versatile guy whom NU has been pursuing since before Mike Riley took over the program. Simmons can play receiver, safety, linebacker, and could even spin down to defensive end with added weight. NU offered him a shot at receiver, which is what he prefers. In a video interview at the Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl, Simmons said that Nebraska was his leader and team to beat. He will officially visit Missouri (Jan. 15), NU (Jan. 22) and Louisville (Jan. 29), and Illinois and Arizona State are still in the picture as well. This one feels like a Husker, though.

DE Tramal Ivy (6-5/245) of Butler (Kan.) Community College was previously committed to Oklahoma State. His decommitment from OSU raises questions about his academic eligibility, but NU is willing to take a chance on a guy who had 18 tackles for loss including 5.5 sacks this past season in the always tough Jayhawk Conference.

DT Amir Watts (6-3/260) of Chicago, Ill. will also visit Lincoln Jan. 29 after trips to Indiana (Jan. 15) and Pittsburgh (Jan. 22). Minnesota is also in the picture after his Dec. 11 visit. Watts played in the Semper Fidelis Bowl all-star game and showed the flexibility to play either inside or outside on the defensive line. NU is in good shape here, but if Miami were to offer all bets are off. Watts grew up a Hurricane fan.

Nebraska is still in the mix with Iowa-committed **TE Noah Fant** (6-5/210) of Omaha South, Georgia-committed **LB Jaleel Laguins** (6-1/210) of Watkinsville, Ga. and uncommitted **OL Jauan Williams** (6-6/314) of Washington, DC., but they're all relatively unlikely at this point.

Two more recent offers who seem very high on the Huskers are **TE Chase Allen** (6-7/225) of Nixa, Mo. and **DB K.J. Sails** (5-11/163) of Gibsonsonton, Fla.

Allen has visited Minnesota and will be at Michigan Jan. 15. He also lists offers from Florida State and Missouri, but told HuskerIllustrated.com that the NU offer was, "...a bigger one for me for sure. I know all about the tradition up there and I did really enjoy the time on my (unofficial) visit (Sep. 4). It's a place I'm going to be looking to take a visit to in January."

Sails has visited Iowa and Wisconsin and will trip to Cincinnati Jan. 15. He had committed to Iowa in early November, then rescinded that pledge later in the month to consider all of his options. He became close with Husker **LB commit Greg Simmons** (6-2/225) of Fort Pierce, Fla. during a post-season all-star game and Simmons turned the NU coaches on to Sails.

Look for both Allen and Sails to visit Lincoln before Signing Day.

Jan. 22 will be a huge recruiting weekend, not only for 2016 but also 2017. Five-star **DB Darnay Holmes** (5-11/185) and Rivals 250 **WR Keyshawn Johnson, Jr.** (6-1/195) of Calabasas, Calif. will be in town along with Columbia, Mo. 4-star **WR Jaevon McQuitty** (6-2/190) and Bettendorf, Iowa, **OL Mark Kallenberger** (6-6/240). Rivals 100 **QB Tristan Gebbia** (6-3/180), also of Calabasas, is hoping to make the trip as well.

The 2016 prospects in Lincoln will include the aforementioned **Isaiah Simmons** and **Tramal Ivy**, along with NU commits **OL Bryan Brokop** (6-5/278) of New Lenox, Ill. and **DB Marquel Dismuke** (6-2/170) also of Calabasas.

Important among this group is that Johnson is narrowing his list very quickly and NU sits in excellent position along with Alabama and Ohio State. It appears that he will make his decision roughly a month after Signing Day, and a pledge to NU could really jump-start a fantastic 2017 class for the Huskers.

Two members of NU's 2016 class are getting a head start on their future teammates, as **QB Patrick O'Brien** (6-3/230) of San Juan Capistrano, Calif. and **WR Derrion Grim** (5-11/191) of Stockton, Calif. are already on campus and will start classes Jan. 11.

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B.O.P.W.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS Dec. 17, 2015; Falls City, NE

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, NE, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada St. in said City on the 17th day of December 2015, at 5:30 p.m. Present were: Board Members: Albu, Bartek, Veigel, Absent: Nelson, Murphy, Alan Romine recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Bartek to approve the minutes for the Dec. 3, 2015 meeting as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to approve the Dec. 17, 2015 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CUSTOMER #291- SEWER ADJUSTMENT

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to deny the request for a claim for a sewer adjustment for Customer #291. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CUSTOMER #1944- SEWER ADJUSTMENT

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Bartek to approve the request to credit Customer #1944 for half of a sewer adjustment for \$34.81. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CUSTOMER #1945-SEWER ADJUSTMENT

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to approve the request to credit Customer #1945 for half of a sewer adjustment for \$21.56. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

WATER PLANT PICKUP REPLACEMENT

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Bartek to authorize the Utility Superintendent to advertise for bids on a pickup for the Water Plant. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, NE, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board on Dec. 17, 2015; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorn, City Clerk
Marshall Nelson, Secretary
Merle Veigel, Chairman

City of Falls City

NOVEMBER 16, 2015

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, NE, was held in said City on the 16th day of November 2015, at 7 p.m. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: Dougherty, Scholl. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Oliver began his report by telling the city council that earlier that day Chief of Police Armbruster, Animal Warden Lindsey Jones, Administrator Jorn and himself met with a representative from the Nebraska Dept. of Agriculture to inspect the city-owned dog pound. The representative was pleased with the upgrades to the facility. His inspection report had no reportable conditions. Next, the mayor told the council and the public in attendance that any incumbents interested in running for a council seat will need to have been registered by Feb. 16 and all non-incumbents by March 1.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Nolte and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the Nov. 2, 2015 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for Nov. 16, 2015 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Police Report for October 2015 is hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Treasurer Report for October 2015 is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for Nov. 16, 2015 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Murphy. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR METAL BUILDING – 1723 MCLEAN ST. - GARAGE

A motion was made by Nolte and seconded by Nussbaum to table the request for a metal build-

ing at 1723 McLean St. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SUBSTATION IMPROVEMENTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM JERRY'S ELECTRIC, INC. FOR \$132,150 AND HAROLD SCHOLZ FOR \$62,100

A motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Nolte to approve the recommendations from the Board of Public Works for substation improvements from Jerry's Electric, Inc. for \$132,150 and Harold Scholz for \$62,100. Utility Supt. Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT – DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY RYAN DORCEY

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Nolte to approve the appointment of Ryan Dorcey to Deputy City Attorney. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – MID-PROJECT REPORT FOR #14-DTR-006 DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PLAN-NING GRANT

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 7:11 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining input on the Mid-Project report for #14-DTR-006 Downtown Revitalization Planning Grant. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Grant. Lisa Beethe from SENDD spoke. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Mayor Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:13 p.m. No action was taken.

PUBLIC HEARING – MID-PROJECT REPORT FOR #13-HO-6060 – OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION GRANT

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 7:14 P.M. for the purpose of obtaining input on the Mid-Project report for #13-HO-6060 Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Grant. Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Grant. Lisa Beethe from SENDD spoke. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:15 p.m. No action was taken. ZNEZ

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT SOUTHEAST REGION 911 COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROCUREMENT AND DELIVERY

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Nussbaum to approve the second amended and restated Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Southeast Region 911 Communications Services Procurement and Delivery. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION AND MOVE THAT THE STATUTORY RULE REQUIRING THAT ORDINANCES BE READ BY TITLE ON THREE DIFFERENT DAYS BE SUSPENDED SO ORDINANCE 2015-104 MIGHT BE INTRODUCED. READ BY TITLE AND THEN MOVED FOR FINAL PASSAGE ON THE SAME DAY

A motion to introduce Ordinance 2015-104 and that the statutory rule requiring that ordinances be read by title on three different days be suspended so that the Ordinance might be introduced, read by title and then moved for final passage on the same day, without the same being read in full was made by Ferguson and seconded by Nolte. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

FINAL READING – ORDINANCE 2015-104 – FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS TO LOAN TO COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER FOR REFINANCING THEIR ORIGINAL INDEBTEDNESS; NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000,000

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Murphy to approve the final reading of Ordinance #2015-104 as follows: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS (COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER PROJECT), IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING LOANS TO COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER, INC., A NEBRASKA NONPROFIT CORPORATION, (THE "BORROWER") TO (A) REFINANCE INDEBTEDNESS ORIGINALLY ISSUED TO PAY THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A 24-BED, APPROXIMATELY 68,000 SQUARE FOOT, CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT OF THE BORROWER AND (B) PAY ALL OR PART OF THE COSTS OF ISSUING THE BONDS; MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE BONDS; APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND RELATED MATTERS, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, NE, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on Nov. 16, 2015; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorn, City Clerk
Jerry Oliver, Mayor

DECEMBER 7, 2015

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, NE, was held in said City on the 7th day of December 2015, at 7 p.m. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: Dougherty, Nolte. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Murphy to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the Nov. 16, 2015 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for December 7, 2015 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Claims for November 2015 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for Dec. 7, 2015 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

FIRST READING – ORDINANCE 2015-105 – LICENSING AND IMPOUNDING DOGS AND CATS

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Wisdom to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2015-105 as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY TO AMEND SECTIONS 6-101 AND 6-107 OF THE FALLS CITY MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING LICENSING AND IMPOUNDING OF DOGS AND CATS. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

REQUEST THE CITY COUNCIL PASS AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING THE DISTANCE A REGISTER SEX OFFENDERS CAN LIVE TO A SCHOOL OR LICENSED DAYCARE

A motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Scholl to table the request for an ordinance restricting the distance a register sex offender can live to a school or licensed daycare. Joan Stoler, Jim Liming and Duane Armbruster all spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT – JOINT AERIAL PHOTO PROJECT BETWEEN THE CITY AND RICHARDSON COUNTY – RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A motion was made by Nussbaum and seconded by Vaughn to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and Richardson County for joint aerial photo project as recommended by the Board of Public Works. Utility Supt. Alan Romine spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – PRELIMINARY PLAT OF HELENA SUBDIVISION LOT 1 – RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 7:26 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining input on the preliminary plat of Helena Subdivision Lot 1. Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Plat. Since no one wished to be recognized, Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:27 p.m. A motion was made by Scholl and seconded by Nussbaum to approve the preliminary plat of Helena Subdivision Lot 1 as recommended by the Planning Commission. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE CHIEF KEN SIMPSON, FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF MATT BEER AND SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF JR. VERNON WISDOM

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Vaughn to approve the appointments of FC Volunteer Fire Dept. Chiefs. Fire Chief Kenny Simpson spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-101 TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR OLIVER TO SIGN THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND NE DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OF THE PURPOSE OF REPAIRING AND IMPROVING THE CITY PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Vaughn to approve the resolution 2015-101 to authorize Mayor Oliver to sign a loan agreement between the City and NDEQ for improvements to the water supply system. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – HARKENDORF EVENT CENTER – JANUARY 2, 2016

A motion was made by Nussbaum and seconded by Ferguson to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone St., Falls City, NE, at Harkendorf Event Center, 3423 Barada St., Falls City, NE on Jan. 2, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WHITETAILS UNLIMITED - ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – JAN. 16, 2016

A motion was made by Wisdom and seconded by Scholl to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a Whitetails Unlimited on Jan. 16, 2016 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – JAN. 16, 2016

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Nussbaum to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone St., Falls City, NE, for a Whitetails Unlimited at Prichard Auditorium, 312 W. 17th St., Falls City, NE on Jan. 16, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Eric D. Froeschl is required to file a Certificate of Insurance with the City showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn, Murphy. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – FC SACRED HEART GREEN AND WHITE FUN'D NIGHT – ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD FEB. 27, 2016

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Nussbaum to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a FC Sacred Heart Green and White Fun'd Night on Feb. 27, 2016 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Nussbaum, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Scholl, Vaughn. Due to a split vote, the Mayor voted "YEA." Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – FEB. 27, 2016

A motion was made by Wisdom and seconded by Ferguson to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone

Street, Falls City, NE, for a Fun'd Night at Prichard Auditorium, 312 W. 17th St., Falls City, NE on Feb. 27, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Eric D. Froeschl is required to file a Certificate of Insurance with the City showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Nussbaum, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Scholl, Vaughn. Due to a split vote, the Mayor voted "YEA." Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – HARKENDORF EVENT CENTER – FEB. 27, 2016

A motion was made by Nussbaum and seconded by Ferguson to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone St., Falls City, NE, at Harkendorf Event Center, 3423 Barada St., Falls City, NE on Feb. 27, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Scholl, Wisdom. "NAY" Vaughn. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, NE, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on Dec. 7, 2015; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorn, City Clerk
Jerry Oliver, Mayor

DECEMBER 21, 2015

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, NE, was held in said City on the 21st day of December 2015, at 7 p.m. Council met in regular session. Mayor Oliver called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Nolte, Vaughn, Wisdom. Absent: Scholl. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Oliver publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Clerk Jorn gave a year end report on construction projects started and projects completed during 2015 to the Mayor and city council prior to the Mayor's report. Oliver told the council during his report that gutting has been placed on the shelter house at Stanton Lake. He went on to say he received bids for placing guttering on Candle Light Cabin and the east side of the bath house. The Mayor told the council that this would prevent water from running under the foundation and causing the foundation to settle. Lastly, he told the council that the collector well will need to be moved east towards the levee where there is better water formation.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Nussbaum to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the minutes from the Nov. 16, 2015 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for Dec. 21, 2015 is hereby approved. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Police Report for November 2015 is hereby approved. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Treasurer Report for November 2015 is hereby approved. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for Dec. 21, 2015 is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Nolte. Motion carried.

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE 2015-105 – LICENSING AND IMPOUNDING DOGS AND CATS – AS AMENDED

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Vaughn to approve the second reading of Ordinance #2015-105 as amended. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Nolte, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

REMOVE FROM TABLE - REQUEST THE CITY COUNCIL PASS AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING THE DISTANCE A REGISTER SEX OFFENDERS CAN LIVE TO A SCHOOL OR LICENSED DAYCARE

No action was taken.

PUBLIC HEARING – FINAL PLAT - HELENA SUBDIVISION LOT 1

Oliver declared a public hearing open at 7:17 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining input on the final plat of Helena Subdivision Lot 1. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Plat. Attorney Neal Parsons spoke. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:18 p.m. A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Murphy to approve the final plat of Helena Subdivision Lot 1 as recommended by the Planning Commission. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Nolte, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Dougherty. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR HELENA SUBDIVISION LOT 1 TO ALLOW A COMMERCIAL USE OF (TA) TRANSITIONAL AGRICULTURAL ZONED PROPERTY

Mayor Oliver declared a public hearing open at 7:19 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining input on the application for conditional use permit for Helena Subdivision Lot 1 to allow a Commercial use of (TA) Transitional Agricultural Zoned Property. Mayor Oliver then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said Plat. Attorney Neal Parsons spoke. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Oliver then declared the public hearing closed at 7:20 p.m. A motion was made by Wisdom and seconded by Nussbaum to approve the application for a permanent conditional use permit for Helena Subdivision Lot 1 to allow

a commercial use of Transitional Agriculture zoned property. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Murphy, Nussbaum, Nolte, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Dougherty. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WEDDING RECEPTION ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD SEPT. 10, 2016

A motion was made by Nussbaum and seconded by Dougherty to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a Wedding Reception on Sept. 10, 2016 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn, Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – SEPT. 10, 2016

A motion was made by Council person Dougherty and seconded by Council person Ferguson to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone St., Falls City, Nebraska, for a Wedding Reception at Prichard Auditorium, 312 W. 17th St., Falls City, NE on Sept. 10, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Eric D. Froeschl is required to file a Certificate of Insurance with the City showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WEDDING RECEPTION -ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – APRIL 30, 2016

A motion was made by Nolte and seconded by Ferguson to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a Wedding Reception on April 30, 2016 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR \$6,600 TO PURCHASE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS – HARLAN STREET AND THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Ferguson to approve the request for \$6,600 from Capital Improvement Sinking Fund for Christmas decorations for Harlan Street and Downtown Business District. Eleanor Last spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION ERIC D. FROESCHL – HARKENDORF EVENT CENTER – JAN. 13, 2016

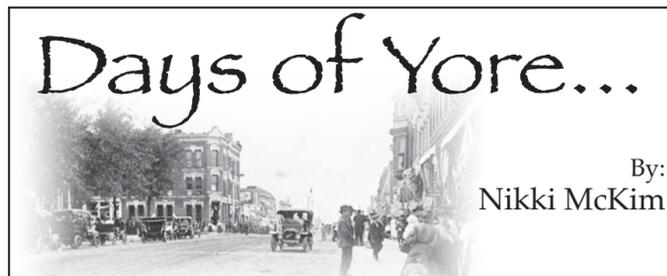
A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Wisdom to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Eric D. Froeschl, 1821 Stone St., Falls City, NE, at Harkendorf Event Center, 3423 Barada St., Falls City, NE, on Jan. 13, 2016, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the NE Liquor Control Commission of the same. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Doughty, Ferguson, Nolte, Nussbaum, Wisdom. "NAY" Murphy, Vaughn. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POLICE OFFICERS PERSONNEL UNION CONTRACT

Nolte moved that we go into Executive session for the purpose of discussing Police Officers Personnel Union Contract. Nussbaum seconded the motion. Oliver stated a motion has been made and seconded to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Police Officers Personnel Union Contract. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. The Mayor stated that the pending motion is to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the Police Officers Personnel Union Contract. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Dougherty, Ferguson, Murphy, Nolte, Nussbaum, Vaughn, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried. A motion to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Police Officers Personnel Union Contract has been adopted. A motion was made by Wisdom and seconded by Nolte to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in regular session at 7:51 p.m. Roll was called on this motion

Days of Yore...

By:
Nikki McKim



50 Years Ago
(January 12 - Jan. 18, 1966)

Members of the school board of the new RN-1 consolidated district, lying along the Richardson-Nemaha County line held their first meeting at the Stella School.

Good neighbors and organizations pitched in to help the Pat Leeper family of Rulo, who lost virtually all of their possessions in a fire.

A young lady in New York modeled the latest in winter fashions, an "instant heat," seat cushion used in autos and at sporting events. While unconventional looking, it was reported to work.

Ex-Verdon resident Clyde Harden was named manager for manpower planning for the Quaker Oats Co., in Chicago.

Sacred Heart seniors Mary Schroedl and Tom Dunbar were named the winners in the annual Elks Leadership contest.

Frederick Otto, a senior at Falls City High and son of Anthony Otto, was nominated by Congressman Clair Callan to fill a vacancy at the US Military academy at West Point.

A headline on the front page of the *Falls City Journal* declared, "Telephones Signify Status Symbol."

Temperatures in the area dipped below zero and were accompanied by snow and freezing rain leading to several car accidents, including a four car accident on Lane Street.

The instillation ceremony for the Order of Rainbow for Girls was held at the Masonic Temple. Those installed included Vonnie Vaughn, Debbie Joy, Linda Koso and Vickie Auxier.

A \$150,000 upgrade was announced at the FC Meat Co.



25 Years Ago

In the second week of the New Year, the donations contributed to the FC Educational Foundation totaled over \$17,000, with most of those funds earmarked for the renovation of Jug Brown Stadium.

An item from the Associated Press - The Bush Administration announced that hopes for peace were growing dim 'as the clock ticks.' Sen. Sam Nunn said "the opportunity to resolve the Persian Gulf Crisis now must come from Baghdad."

The Sacred Heart Irish and the SE Consolidated Mustangs split a doubleheader for the second time in the year. The SE girls won 70-42, and the Irish boys took the second game, 79-59. Leading scorers for the Mustangs were Leland Shubert with 16 and Jenny Findlay with 20. Leading scorers for the Irish were Steve Simon with 26 and Katie Kiekhaefer with nine.

The Dawson-Verdon girl's basketball team kept their perfect record with a 36-31 victory over Nemaha Valley.

Ralph Huettner was elected to his third consecutive term as president of the Falls City School Board.

A good-sized crowd attended the ribbon cutting at the Friends and Neighbors Craft Store at 1602 Stone St.

Richardson County Athlete of the Week went to Dave Humm of Humboldt High School, who scored 36 points and pulled down 22 rebounds in the Cards' first win of the season.

An item from the AP - Warplanes hit missile launchers. U.S. warplanes struck at Iraqi missile launchers, acting in the stead of an Israeli government that was still considering vengeance for the attack that rained rockets on TelAviv and Haifa.

15 Years Ago

The previous year's building permits showed plenty of remodeling in Falls City and other residential improvements but no new residential construction.

Jim Sefried was re-appointed chairman of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners during the re-organizational meeting.

Mayor Marshall Maddox and members of the City Council held a discussion centered on the whopping increase in natural gas bills. City Administrator Dick Gist warned local residents to be prepared for a "very sizeable" increase.

Both Sacred Heart basketball teams swept the MUDECAS tournament titles in Beatrice. Troy Taft led the boy's team with 20 points, while Katie O'Grady led the ladies' scoring 11.

The Dawson-Verdon basketball teams split a couple of close ones with Nebraska City Lourdes; the girls claimed a 39-34 victory and the boys fell 52-53. Erin Fritz led the girls with 14 points, while Kris Glathar and J.J. Dean led the boys with 11 points each.

A rash of thefts from locked vehicles prompted a call for caution and cooperation from the FCPD. Within two weeks, between 10 and 12 un-locked parked cars were hit by thieves.

OBITUARIES

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Martha Higgins

Martha Ann (Simmons) Higgins, 83, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016 at Creve Coeur, MO. She was born in Rulo on Dec. 22, 1932.



She graduated from FC Sacred Heart in 1950.

Beloved wife of the late Herbert Higgins for 59 years; devoted and loving mother of Kevin (Carol) Higgins, Eileen Munoz, Herb (Patrice) Higgins, Patrick (Bonnie) Higgins, Brendan (Kristi) Higgins, Kathleen (Scott) DeAvilla, and Maureen (Steve) Talbott; cherished and devoted grandmother of 21 and great-grandmother of seven; loving sister of Catherine Wheat, of Lawrence, KS, and Fran Sedlik, of Seward, AK; loving sister-in-law of Mary Ellen Higgins, of Atlanta; loving aunt of many nieces and nephews, cousin and friend.

Services were held Monday, Jan. 11, 2016 at Ascension Catholic Church, Chesterfield, MO. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Diabetes Assoc. or American Heart Assoc.

Carol Rieschick

Carol L. Rieschick, 92 of Falls City, passed away, Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016 at Falls City. She was born Dec. 21, 1923 to the late Henry and Alma (Winkler) Gerlt.

Carol was raised at Falls City and moved to Hamlin, KS, with her parents for a few years where she graduated from Hamlin High School in 1942. On July 29, 1942 she married Milton A. Rieschick at Hiawatha. He passed away Jan. 29, 1975. The couple established their home in FC and then moved to San Pedro, CA in 1944. They returned in 1945 and lived here since. After Mr. Rieschick's death, she and her son, Roy, operated Rieschick Well Drilling until she retired in 1988.

She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Falls City and the Auxiliary of Nebraska Well Drillers Association, where she was a past President and Secretary-Treasurer.

Carol is survived by her son, Roy (Kathy) Rieschick, of FC; daughters, Lois Rieschick, of Springfield, NE, and Lucinda Rieschick, of FC; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, Donald; daughter, Linda Walton; and grandchildren, Eric Rieschick and Heidi Drew.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, 2016 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 20th and Towle Sts., with Rev. Andrew Chavanak officiating. The family will receive friends from 7-8 p.m. Wednesday at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Society

St. Peter's ELCA

Six members of WELCA of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church met Jan. 4. The hymn, "Count Your Blessings," was sung with Roxann Stitzer at the piano. Lesson leader Linda Duerfeldt led chapters six through eight, from the book "Morning Splendor," by Marcia Schwartz. The lesson period closed with missionary benediction and Lord's Prayer.

President Roxann Stitzer opened the business meeting, Lois Cameron read December minutes and called roll, Treasurer Becky Runyan reported on bank transactions and Linda Duerfeldt reported on flower funds.

The Christmas Program presented by the children was very good. A "thank you" was given for Christmas bags given to the children. Thank you's were read for donations at Christmas. Norma Lee Duerfeldt served refreshments at close of the afternoon.

The Altar Committee for January is Joni Milam. This month was designated for new officers and everyone stayed as is. The next meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 1. Lesson leader will be Norma Lee Duerfeldt and hostess will be Nelle Pfister.

Allan E. Brown

Allan Edward Brown, 80, of Pawnee City, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016 at the Pawnee County Hospital. He was born on Nov. 7, 1935 to Clifford and Hazel (Thiemann) Brown in Pawnee City.



He was raised on a farm south of Pawnee City, with the exception of about two years when he was a small child and the family moved to Grand Island. He was a life-long resident of Pawnee County. He attended Greendale country school through the 8th grade and then graduated from Pawnee City High School with the Class of 1953.

He married Jacquelyn Packett in 1954 and to this union three children were born: Allana "Lani", Kelly and Allan, Jr. They were divorced in 1975.

He was married to Karen Hoffman Foster in 1976 and they were later divorced.

During his early working years he farmed and then in 1961 moved to Pawnee City and went to work for Frank Brinkmann at the Texaco filling station. He later worked for the State Roads Dept. In the early 70's he purchased the filling station, known then as Brown Oil and then built the "Little Brown Jug." After selling the "Jug," Allan went to work for Terry Kerl at the same filling station and in 1998 went to work for Pawnee County, running the motor grader. He retired in 2010.

He was a member of the Pleasant Valley EUB Church and attended First Christian Church as long as his health permitted. He was a member of the Pawnee City Historical Society, which he volunteered, again until his health no longer permitted this activity. He was also a member of the local AARP chapter and the Pawnee City Athletic Boosters.

His horses were his love and he enjoyed raising registered quarter horses, training and riding in parades. He spent many hours watch-

ing the 4-H kids and "offering" advice. He loved all sports; the Nebraska Cornhuskers, Kansas City Royals and the Pawnee City High Schools teams were his greatest love. He enjoyed our local kids and was one of their biggest fans, attending all activities as long as possible. He took real pride in his local school and community and was always proud to say he was from Pawnee City.

He is survived by his life partner, Karen Harlow; daughters, Allana "Lani" (Richard) Little, and Kelly (Marlin) Carpenter, all of Falls City; step-son, John Brown; step-daughters, Anne Brown-Pollard, Lisa Brown, and Karen's daughter, Debra (Dennis) Bitzer; daughter-in-law, Sue (Bryan) Brown-Honnor; brother, Rex (Doris) Brown; sisters, Betty Kimes and Barbara Kotalik, sister-in-law, Ardis Brown; grandchildren: Leah Carpenter and friend Ben Symonds, Jill (Jake) Bartek, Garth Brown and fiance' Devin Salvo, Heath Brown, Lily, Rose, Jack and Caeden Brown, Emeline Pollard, Logan and Hannah Ellis, Darren (Tamara), Derek (Alyssa), and Nathen Bitzer; great-grandchildren, Haddie Bartek and Briar Bitzer and another due in February; uncle, Ross (Mary Alice) Thiemann; many nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Allan E. Brown, Jr.; grandson, Cael Pollard; brother, James Brown; and brother-in-law, Ivan Kimes.

Services were held Friday, Jan. 8, 2016 at the First Christian Church/First United Presbyterian Church, Pawnee City, officiated by Rev. Duane Westing. Visitation was Thursday at Wherry Mortuary, Pawnee City. Interment at the Pawnee City Cemetery. Memorials to Pawnee City Athletic Boosters or Pawnee County Medical Foundation.

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Gladys Schulenberg

Gladys Louise Schulenberg, 85, of Leavenworth, KS, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016 at St.

Lemke, and Bob (Jeed) Schulenberg, all of Leavenworth, and Brad (Jerrrie) Schulenberg, of Kansas City, MO; she is also survived by her 10-year-old grandson, Alex Schulenberg, of Leavenworth; sister, Peggy Munoz, of Wellington, KS; brothers, Byron (Janice) Marteny, of Custer, SD, and Charles Marteny, of Falls City; five step-grandchildren; 13 step-great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and others who knew and loved her as "Grandma Gladys."



the day after her 85th birthday. She was born Jan. 4, 1931 in Falls City, the third of nine children of Odin Kinnard and Ruth Evelyn (Robinson) Marteny.

She was preceded in death by the love of her life, husband Robert W. Schulenberg, in 1997, after more than a 25-year battle with Parkinson's disease, during which she lovingly cared for him in their home.

Bud and "Gladys" founded and operated Midwest Marine in Leavenworth with long-time friends Jim and Rose May and the late Frank and Evelyn Clark, until Bud's illness. Subsequently, Gladys retired in 1988, as a budget analyst with the Engineering Dept. at Ft. Leavenworth.

Gladys and Bud were married for almost 50 years and are survived by their three children, Cindy (John

Visitation was Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016 at the R.L. Leintz Funeral Home. A funeral service was held Monday, Jan. 11 at the funeral home, with Rev. Tim Hutabarat as celebrant. Burial followed at Sunset Memory Gardens Cemetery with her husband. Memorials are suggested to St. Luke's Home Health and Hospice House of Kansas City, the Leavenworth Council on Aging, or St. Vincent Clinic.

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Here are a few quick tips to consider:

- **Contribute to a vacation savings account:** Big travel purchases, like airfare and hotel accommodations, are hefty withdrawals if you don't set aside money specifically for a vacation. Earmark a portion of each paycheck to send straight to a dedicated vacation savings account. Once it's there, don't touch it until it's time to pay for your trip.

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- **Budget your time:** Before making any travel plans, check your job's vacation policy so you can budget your days off from work accordingly. If you don't get paid time off from work, the pay cut is also an important item to consider in your financial budget.

- **Temporarily skip extras:** Which of your daily expenses are necessary and which are optional? Consider packing your lunch for a month or using the company coffeemaker instead of indulging in a daily latte at the café around the block. At the end of the month, calculate the savings and "pay yourself" by directing this money to your vacation fund.

- **Consider coupons:** Vacation packages found on daily deal sites can be just the ticket you need to get the vacation you want for less. Other travel sites often offer special rates if you bundle purchases. Investigate these options before resigning yourself to an expensive a la carte plan.

- **Be on time:** A missed flight or train could cost you a pretty penny you did not account for when drawing up your vacation budget. Invest in a watch that will help you stay true to your itinerary, such as Casio's line of EDIFICE timepieces. These watches automatically adjust to the time zone and come with daily alarm settings and countdown timer settings.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE following-described property will be sold by GREGORY L. GALLES, Successor Trustee, at public auction to the highest bidder in the lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone St., Falls City, NE, on Jan. 26, 2016 at 1 p.m.:

LOTS 17 AND 18, BLOCK 3, WEAVER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

The successful bidder shall submit payment in cash or certified funds of the winning bid in full on the day and time of the sale, January 26, 2016, at the offices of Locher Pavelka Dostal Braddy & Hammes, except this requirement is waived when the highest bidder is the Beneficiary.

DATED this 10th day of December, 2015. GREGORY L. GALLES, Successor Trustee

For: LOCHER PAVELKA DOSTAL BRADDY & HAMMES LLC 200 The Omaha Club 2002 Douglas Street Omaha, NE 68102 Phone: (402) 898-7000 Fax: (402) 898-7130 ggalles@lpdbllaw.com Gregory L. Galles, #21748 15-22-29-5-12

NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01, a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2016, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

FALLS CITY COUNTRY CLUB 64870 706 Trail FALLS CITY, NE 68355 Pt. NE ¼ Sec. 7-1-16

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of Richardson County on or before February 10, 2016, in the office of the Richardson County Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

Mary L. Eickhoff, Richardson County Clerk 12

NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to section 53-135.01 Liquor License may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2016, for the following Retail Liquor License, to-wit:

Tracy L. and Debra K. Milke, dba "The Hitch'n Post Bar & Grill" 207 West Main Stella, Nebraska Bottle Club License Retail Class D License

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the Village of Stella, Nebraska, on or before February 10, 2016, in the office of the Village Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearings will be held to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

Vicki Owings, Village Clerk 12

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following-described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder inside the First Floor Lobby of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska, on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, at 11:00 a.m.:

Tract 1: Beginning at a point on the East Line of the NE1/4 of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., in Richardson County, Nebraska, said point being 525.84 feet North of the southeast corner of the said NE1/4, and running thence S89°15'47"W for 345.71 feet; thence N00°56'04"E for 362.69 feet; thence N89°22'17"E for 339.79 feet to the East line of the said NE1/4 and thence S00°00'00" for 361.92 feet along the said East Line to the point of beginning, and containing 2.85 acres, more or less.

Tract 2: From the Porter Survey of 8-27-97 a tract of land containing 5.870 acres West of Cherry Lane, Humboldt, Richardson County, Nebraska, and more particularly described as: Beginning at a point 418 feet North of the East Quarter Corner of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., thence West 807.66 feet, thence North 470.55 feet, thence East 807.66 feet to the center of the County Road known as Cherry Lane, thence South 470.55 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with all Trustor's right, title, and interest in the property, now or hereafter acquired, including: all buildings, fixtures, crops and improvements now on or hereafter placed upon the property; all appurtenances, water, irrigation, and drainage rights; all rents, issues, incomes, profits, and rights to possession; all oil, gas, gravel, rock, or other minerals of whatever nature, including geothermal resources; all personal property that may integrally belong to or hereafter become an integral part of the real estate whether attached or detached, including any appurtenances and accretments of any structure or residence secured hereby; easements and other rights and interests now or at any time hereafter belonging to or in any way pertaining to the property, whether or not specifically described herein; all above and below ground irrigation equipment and accessories; and all leases, permits, licenses, or privileges, appurtenant or nonappurtenant to the property, now or hereafter issued, extended or renewed by Trustor(s), any State, the United States, or any department, bureau, instrumentality, or agency thereof.

subject to any and all real estate taxes, special assessments and easements, covenants, restrictions of records which affect this property. Successful bidder shall be responsible for applicable transfer fees or taxes, including the documentary stamp tax. The sale is made without any warranties as to title or condition of the property.

The successful bidder at sale will be required to deliver to the Trustee's attorney the total amount of the purchase price in cash or certified funds at the time of sale, except this requirement is waived when the highest bidder is the Beneficiary, Farm Credit Services of America, F.L.C.A. This sale is being held pursuant to power of sale granted in a certain Deed of Trust filed of record on Nov. 2, 2010 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Richardson County, Nebraska, recorded in Book 242, Page 41.

AGRI BANK, FCB, Trustee By:/s/ Jim R. Titus Jim R. Titus, #16064 Morris & Titus Law Firm, PC, L.L.O 4645 Normal Blvd., Suite 272 Lincoln, NE 68506 (402) 434-5200 - phone (402) 434-5209 - fax jtitus@morristituslaw.com 29-5-12-19-26

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ORDINANCE NO. 2015-105 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY TO AMEND SECTIONS 6-101 AND 6-107 OF THE FALLS CITY MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING LICENSING AND IMPOUNDING OF DOGS AND CATS:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 6-101 of the Falls City Municipal Code be amended to read as follows:

§ 6-101 DOGS AND CATS; LICENSE

Any person who shall own, keep, or harbor a dog or cat over the age of five (5) months within the Municipality shall within thirty (30) days after acquisition of the said dog or cat, or within thirty (30) days of the dog or cat becoming five (5) months old acquire a license for each such dog or cat by payment of the annual license fee and state tax fee as set by Resolution of this City Council. All license shall be renewed annually by payment of the license fee and state tax fee by or before (1st) day of May of each year. This section shall not apply to any dog or cat placed in the care and custody of the Humane Society of Richardson County, Inc.

The said license fee and state tax fee shall be delinquent from and after May thirty-first (31st) and a delinquent fee as set by Resolution of the City Council shall be imposed in addition to the annual license fee and State tax fee. The possessor of any dog or cat brought into or harbored within the corporate limits subsequent to May first (1st) of any year, shall be liable for the payment of the dog or cat annual license fee and state tax levied herein and such amounts shall be delinquent if not paid within thirty (30) days. Licenses shall be issued by the Municipal Police upon the payment of the appropriate license fee and state tax fee subject to the requirements of §6-112 if applicable. Licenses shall not be transferable and no refund will be allowed in case of death, sale, or other disposition of the licensed dog or cat.

A certificate that the dog or cat has had a rabies shot, effective for the ensuing year of the license, shall be presented when the license is applied for and no license or tag shall be issued until the certificate is shown. A re-issue fee as set by Resolution of the City Council shall be charged for all lost or destroyed licenses.

(Ref. 17-526, 54-603, 71-4412 RS Neb.) (Amended: Ord. #2004-100; Ord. #2008-111)

Section 2. That Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 6-107 of the Falls City Municipal Code be amended to read as follows:

§ 6-107 DOGS AND CATS; IMPOUNDING

It shall be the duty of the Animal Warden and the Municipal Police to capture, secure, and remove in a humane manner to the Municipal Animal Shelter any dog or cat violating any provision of this Article.

If any owner of keeper is present, in lieu of impoundment, a citation may be issued to that person and that person may retain possession of the animal. The dog or cat so impounded shall be treated in a humane manner and shall be provided with a sufficient supply of food and fresh water each day.

Each impounded dog or cat shall be kept and maintained at the Municipal Animal Shelter for a period of not less than five (5) days unless reclaimed earlier by the owner.

After the impounding of any animal where a citation has not been issued to the owner or keeper as provided pursuant to this section, the Animal Warden shall promptly notify the owner or keeper of such animal of its impoundment if the owner or keeper of such animal can be determined and located by reasonable investigation; however, no liability shall be attached to the City of Falls City, the Animal Warden, the Municipal Police, or any staff member of the same for failure to give such notice beyond reasonable investigation.

A fee shall be charged when any animal is picked up by the Animal Warden or the Municipal Police and transported to the Municipal Animal Shelter or other City designated place of impoundment. Such fee shall be established by Resolution of the City Council.

A fee for the care of any animal during the period of impoundment at the Municipal Animal Shelter shall be at the rate established by Resolution of the City Council for each day or portion thereof that such animal is actually impounded; provided, however, that such cost shall be increased by the actual amount of any expense, excluding food and water, incurred either in the impoundment or the care of said animal. The owner or keeper must pay these costs in full to obtain custody of said animal, but the payment is not required and the same waived for adopted animals from the Municipal Animal Shelter. The owner or keeper shall also be required to comply with the licensing and rabies vaccination requirements prior to release of said animal. If the dog or cat is not claimed at the end of five (5) days, the Municipal Police or Animal Warden may dispose of the dog or cat in accordance with applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the same; provided, that, if, in the judgment of the Municipal Police or Animal Warden, a suitable home can be found for any such dog or cat within or outside of the Municipality, that said dog or cat shall then be turned over to that person and the new owner shall then be required to pay all fees and meet licensing and vaccinating requirements provided in this Chapter.

The Municipality shall acquire legal title to any unlicensed dog or cat impounded in the Municipal Animal Shelter after five (5) days. All unclaimed or unwanted dogs and cats shall be destroyed and buried in the summary and humane manner.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Municipality from entering into an agreement with a private veterinarian, clinic, or humane society to provide the facilities or to operate the Municipal Animal Shelter. If such an agreement were entered into, the provisions of this Article should apply to such party as would be in control of the Animal Shelter as it applies to those Municipal employees mentioned herein with respect to the operation of the Animal Shelter. (Amended: Ord. #2004-101)

Section 3. That the current Sections 6-101 and 6-107 of the Falls City Municipal Code and all the other ordinances passed and approved prior to the passage, approval and publication or posting of this ordinance and in conflict with its provisions are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage approval and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed and approved this 4 day of January, 2016.

Jerry Oliver, Mayor Gary Jom, City Clerk 12

STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF APPLICATION A-19410

Richardson County Water Division 1-F On December 24, 2015, Leon P. & Kay Beth Eickhoff, trustees of the Eickhoff Revocable Trust, filed in the Department of Natural Resources (Department) application A-19410 for a permit to appropriate water.

Summary of Application: Type: Natural flow (out-of-stream use) Purpose: Irrigation Source: Little Muddy Creek Point of Diversion: SW¼SW¼ S10 T03N R14E Location of Use: SW¼ S10 T03 R14E Amount: 1.16 cubic feet per second (521 gallons per minute)

Procedures to respond to this notice may be obtained by contacting the Surface Water Permits section of the Department at (402) 471-2363 or through the Department's website at http://dnr.nebraska.gov/ opportunities-for-participation-in-the-permitting-process. Additional project information may be obtained by contacting the Department at the phone number indicated above.

Objections must be received by the Department at 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509 by 5:00 p.m. on January 27, 2016.

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NOTICE OF MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of an order of sale issued by the District Court of Richardson County, Nebraska, and pursuant to a decree of said Court in an action therein indexed at Case No. CI 15-92, wherein Nationstar Mortgage LLC, is the plaintiff, and Jeremy S. Olson, Lisa M. Olson a/k/a Lisa Popham a/k/a Lisa Anderson, Spouse of Jeremy S. Olson, real name unknown, Spouse of Lisa Olson, real name unknown, Collection Associates, Inc., John Doe and Jane Doe, real names and marital status unknown, are the defendants, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following property at 10:00 a.m., on the 27th day of January, 2016, on the first floor, lobby area of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone St., in the City of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska, to-wit:

Commencing 160 feet North of the South-east corner of Lot Five (5), Block Thirty-seven (37), Luther Nim's Addition, City of Humboldt, Nebraska, running thence North 76 feet, more or less, thence West 132 feet, thence South 76 feet, more or less, thence East 132 feet to the place of beginning, City of Humboldt, Richardson County, Nebraska,

to satisfy the liens and encumbrances therein set forth; and to satisfy the accruing court costs, all as provided by said order and decree. The purchaser is responsible for all fees or taxes, including the documentary stamp tax. The purchaser will deposit with the Master Commissioner, at the time of sale, a nonrefundable personal or cashier's check in the amount of \$5,000.00, with the full purchase price, in certified funds, to be received by the plaintiff's attorney immediately upon confirmation of the sale by the Court. This sale is made without any warranties as to title or condition of the property.

Dated this 15th day of December, 2015. Dylan L. Handley Master Commissioner 22-29-5-12

Notice of Trustee's Sale

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on Jan. 25, 2016, at 10 a.m. in the 1st floor corridor at the West door of the Richardson County Courthouse, 1700 Stone St., Falls City, NE 68355:

LOTS 10, 11 AND 12, BLOCK 2, FORNEY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

All subject to any and all: (1) real estate taxes, (2) special assessments, (3) easements, covenants, restrictions, ordinances, and resolutions of record which affect the property, and (4) unpaid water bills, (5) prior mortgages and trust deed of record and (6) ground leases of record. The purchaser is responsible for all fees or taxes. This sale is made without any warranties as to title or condition of the property.

By: Kerry Feld, Trustee, NSBA# 24614 Kozeny & McCubbin, LC 12400 Olive Blvd., Suite 555 St. Louis, MO 63141 (314) 991-0255

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NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01, a liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2016, for the following retail liquor licensee, to wit:

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

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of Richardson County on or before Feb. 10, 2016, in the office of the Richardson County Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

Mary L. Eickhoff Richardson County Clerk 12

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids, sealed and clearly labeled, "Radio Purchase Bid" will be accepted at the County Clerk's Office, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone St., Falls City, until 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016 at which time bids will be publicly opened during the regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners for the purchase of radios to be used for the county's public safety.

The radio specifications are: 14--Motorola XPR5350 mobile radios, 25W, with standard options, Model# AAM28JNC9KA1_N; 20--Motorola XPR5550 mobile radios, 45W, with standard options, Model# AAM28JQN9KA1_N; and 10 Motorola XPR7550 portable radios VHF with standard battery and charger, antenna QA02310 152-174 Hellix.

Questions regarding the bid specifications may be addressed at the Office of the Richardson County Emergency Management Agency located in the Lower Level of the Courthouse in Falls City, phone 402-245-3054.

Richardson County Board of Commissioners Mary L. Eickhoff Richardson County Clerk 12-19

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Six Year Road and Street Plan for the Village of Salem, NE as required by NEB. REV. STAT. Sec. 39-2119 et seq. R.R.S. has been recommended for approval by the Mayor and City Council, and that a Public Hearing be held on said Six-Year Road and Street Plan on the 2nd day of February, 2016, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at the City Hall at which time objection to or recommendations for said Plan will be heard.

Carolyn Glathar, Clerk 12

NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01 Liquor License may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 2016, for the following Retail Liquor License:

Linda Patchen, Kym Haynes, Kristina Haynes Madnes LLC DBA: Still Centerfield 102 Main St., Shubert, Richardson County, Nebraska

For the renewal of Retail Class ID Beer, Wine, and Distilled Spirits on and off sale License Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the Village of Shubert, Nebraska on or before March 7, 2016 at the Village Board meeting at 7 p.m. at the Shubert Library.

Jennifer Buchner, Village Clerk 12

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Six Year Road and Street Plan for the Village of Shubert, Nebraska as required by NEB. REV. STAT. Sec. 39-2119 et seq. R.R.S. has been recommended for approval by the Mayor and City Council, and that a Public Hearing be held on said Six Year Road and Street Plan on the 1st day of February, 2016, beginning at 7:00 P.M., at the City Hall at which time objection to or recommendations for said Plan will be heard.

Jennifer Buchner, Village Clerk

Village of Stella

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING, JAN. 4, 2016; COMMUNITY BUILDING

Present: Heath Stanley, Jim Owings & Jerry Joy. Chastity Davis arrived at 7:25 p.m. Absent: Adam Stanley. Guests: Tracy Milke, Andy McMullen, Mike Dunn, Steve and Diane Bantz, Jim Donahoe.

Chairman Joy called the regular board meeting to order; roll call was taken and Joy noted the posting of the open meeting act. Motion by H. Stanley and second by J. Owings to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yea. Motion by J. Owings and second by H. Stanley to approve the treasurers report as presented. All voted yea. Motion by H. Stanley and second by J. Owings to pay the claims and payroll. All voted yea.

Communications: Letter noting extension of WWT permit extended to March. NPPD will take down Christmas lights tomorrow.

Mike Dunn presented a subdivision request and resolution to be signed by chairman on the Southeast Training Center property. Motion by Joy and second by J. Owings to pass the resolution. Dunn explained the request and offered to answer any questions. All voted yea.

Committees: Streets - Snow removal went well. Evan Wickersham will be down this week to talk to Joy and Owings about some street needs. Lights - OK. Park - OK. W&S - Written report by Milke. Library - Written report by James. Maintenance Man - None. Planning - None. Tree - None. Health - None. Community Building - None. Main Street Improvement - None. Library - C. Davis not present; tabled. WWT Permit - Extended to March. Playground - Committee Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21.

Bus Barn - Have been doing some cleaning up in the building. Committee - Jim Donahoe, Jerry Joy, Jim Owings with contracts by Chery. propane tanks were discussed and Heath will talk to Noha Vice about them.

Flags - Motion by Joy and second by J. Owings to order 12 new flags for the light poles at \$29 each. All voted yea.

Committee Structure - Motion by H. Stanley and second by C. Davis to accept the new structure presented. All voted yea.

Water shut-offs were signed. Milke discussed some needs for the water tower.

Motion by J. Owings and second by H. Stanley to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. All voted yea. Vicki Owings, Clerk

JANUARY CLAIMS AND PAYROLL

OPPD, \$315.91; Noah Vice, \$245.00; Sue James, \$117.00; Tracy Milke, \$164.98; Tracy Milke, \$250.00; American Recycling & Sanitation, \$1040.00; Deluxe Check Order, \$137.61; USA BlueBook, \$135.93; League of Ne Municipalities, \$41.95; Ne Public Health Environmental Labs, \$333.00; FC Journal, \$39.96; Casey Agency, \$5044.00; Midwest Labs, \$71.09; Vicki Owings, \$525.00; Vicki Owings, \$43.79; Aaron Davis, \$225.00; SE NE Communications, \$204.77; IRS, \$187.89; NPPD, \$1180.91.

B.O.P.W.

Regular Meeting of Board of Public Works Nov. 5, 2015; Falls City, NE

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, NE, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada St. in said City on the 5th day of November 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Present were: Board Members Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson and Veigel. Absent: None. Alan Romine recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to approve the minutes for the Oct. 15, 2015 meeting as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. "ABSTAIN" Murphy. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Bartek to approve the Nov. 5, 2015 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Albu to approve the Superintendent's report as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

21ST AND 28TH STREET SUBSTATIONS -BIDS FOR TRANSFORMERS

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Bartek to recommend to the Mayor and City Council to accept the bid from Jerry's Electric as recommended by the Engineer for \$132,150.00. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

21ST AND 28TH STREET SUBSTATIONS -BIDS FOR INSTALLATION

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to recommend to the Mayor and City Council to accept the bid from H.K. Scholtz as recommended by the Engineer for \$62,100.00. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CUSTOMER #1944; #1945

SEWER ADJUSTMENT

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Murphy to use average usage of 800 cubic feet for #1944 and 700 cubic feet for #1945 for calculating the sewer usage fee and adjust accounts for October 2015 bill. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Nelson to approve the claims for October 2015 as follows: Electric Dept. - \$287,162.40, Water Dept. - \$62,610.75; Mechanic Shop - \$7,753.11; Gas Dept. - \$77,836.91; Sewer - \$38,318.44. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Murphy, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, NE, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board on Nov. 5, 2015; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible

to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jom, City Clerk Marshall Nelson, Secretary Merle Veigel, Chairman

Dec. 3, 2015; Falls City, NE

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, NE, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada St. in said City on the 3rd day of December, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. Present were: Board Members Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. Absent: Murphy. Alan Romine recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairman and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to approve the minutes for the Nov. 5, 2015 and Nov. 19, 2015 meetings as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Albu to approve the Dec. 3, 2015 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A motion was made by Albu and seconded by Bartek to approve the Superintendent's report as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT - RICHARDSON COUNTY - PICTOMETRY

A motion was made by Bartek and seconded by Albu to recommend to the Mayor and City Council to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Richardson County for joint aerial photo project. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Albu, Bartek, Nelson, Veigel. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

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JAILER-DISPATCHERS

The Richardson County Sheriff's Office is seeking applicants for openings in the Richardson County Jail. Jailer/Dispatchers perform intakes of arrestees, supervise and control inmates, maintain detailed records of inmate issues and jail operations, answer emergency and routine calls from the public, provide customer service, and dispatch law enforcement operations. The ability to multi-task while maintaining a high degree of accuracy, confidentiality, and accountability is essential. Successful applicants will attend two, 2-week paid training sessions after OJT plus CPR/AED/First Aide training. Jailer/Dispatchers earn \$14.01 per hour after 90 days probation. Must be available to work varying shifts/days/holidays as part of a dynamic 24/7 operation. Applicants must pass a background check and meet certain physical qualifications, including the ability to complete rigorous self-defense training. Some positions will include benefits on a prorated basis for part-time employees. Richardson County is an EEO Employer and a drug/tobacco free workplace. Applications available at the Sheriff's Office. Only application accepted after Jan. 1, 2016.

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 Applications are available on our website: www.lanipet.com EOE

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The Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska Boy's and Girl's Club in White Cloud, Kansas is currently accepting resumes for a Full Time Kidzlit Program Leader. Minimum qualifications include hours completed toward elementary or secondary education degree, a valid driver's license with a clean driving record, experience working with children, knowledge of youth development and interest in childhood literacy, ability to use/follow a curriculum to instruct students. Benefits include paid health, dental, life, vision insurance, vacation and sick time and holiday pay. Wage is negotiable depending on experience. Native American Preference is given. Resumes will be accepted until January 21, 2016 at 4:30 P.M. contact Brenda Lunsford or Rob Craig if you have any questions regarding this position at 785-595-3258. Resumes can be mailed to 3345 B Thrasher Road, White Cloud, Kansas 66094. ATTN: Brenda Lunsford or Rob Craig.

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IN MEMORY

In Memory of Valerie Snow & Ann Marx

Years ago, you two were taken away from us. We all know a piece of us went with you, however we did not realize how large a piece it was. We miss you two as much today, if not more, than the day you left us. You are now and will be forever, on our minds and in our hearts. We love you two.

Rick, Maggie & Family
 Chuck, Bobbee & Family
 Pat, Eric, Jordan & Treyden

CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you so much for all the cards, flowers, phone calls and Facebook comments for our 60th wedding anniversary. Also to our family for the wonderful evening they gave us. John (Jack) & May Gose 1P

Thank you to our family and friends for comforting words, lovely cards, food and flowers at the loss of my brother, Melvin. God's blessings for a happy and healthy new year. Elden and Madalyne Vonderschmidt 1P

MISC.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids, sealed and clearly labeled, "Radio Purchase Bid" will be accepted at the County Clerk's Office, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at which time bids will be publicly opened during the regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners for the purchase of radios to be used for the county's public safety.

The radio specifications are: 14—Motorola XPR5350 Mobile Radios 25W w/ Standard Options Model# AAM28JNC9KA1_N; 20—Motorola XPR5550 Mobile Radios 45W w/ Standard Options Model# AAM28JQN9KA1_N; and 10 Motorola XPR7550 Portable Radios VHF w/ Standard Battery and Charger, Antenna QA02310 152-174 Helix.

Questions regarding the bid specifications may be addressed at the Office of the Richardson County Emergency Management Agency located in the Lower Level of the Courthouse in Falls City, phone 402-245-3054.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
 Richardson County Board of Commissioners
 Mary L. Eickhoff
 Richardson County Clerk
 12-19

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) Operations Division, 5001 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68512 until 3 p.m. CT on Feb. 18, 2016. Bids from pre-qualified contractors will be publicly opened and read for providing Right-of-Way Mowing Services for NDOR District 1.

A mandatory attendance pre-proposal conference will be held at NDOR, District 1 Headquarters, 302 Superior St., Lincoln, NE on Feb. 3, 2016, 10 a.m. CDT.

Those interested in bidding on this proposal can view the Prequalification information and Request For Proposal (RFP) at the NDOR web site at: <http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/operations/procure/>

Copies of the RFP may be obtained from the NDOR. If any questions, please send an e-mail to DOR.OperationsProcurement@nebraska.gov or call (402) 479-4356. 29-5-12

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SEXUAL PREDATOR RESIDENCY RESTRICTION ACT

(Continued from Page 1)

less safe. Iowa, in 2002, passed perhaps the toughest residency restriction laws in the country, prohibiting child molesters from living within 2,000 feet of a school or day care facility. Des Moines in 2006 took it further with their own version, adding parks, libraries, swimming pools and recreational trails to the list of protected zones. According to a report by the *Des Moines Register*, the number of sex offenders unaccounted for more than doubled in a span of six months as a consequence.

According to a federally funded study conducted by the Medical University of South Carolina, and provided to the U.S. Dept. of Justice in 2010, over a 10-year period between 1995, when South Carolina first implemented sex offender registration and notification, and 2005, eight percent of those registered had new charges, but only half of them were convicted. Registered offenders were not less likely to recidivate than those non-registered, but were far more likely to have charges reduced.

"South Carolina's policy has no effect on deterring the risk of sexual recidivism, and the state's policy does exert unintended effects on judicial decision-making with respect to adult sex crime cases.

"The net effects could be to reduce community safety by increasing the likelihood that defendants guilty of sex crimes pleaded to non-sex crimes or were acquitted altogether."

Not that it isn't a national epidemic, because it is: According to the US Dept. of Justice Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking, 1.8 million adolescents in the U.S. have been victims of sexual assault, yet just 30 percent of sexual assaults - and 16 percent of rapes - are reported to authorities; a staggering one in four girls are sexually abused between the ages of 12 and 17. Most perpetrators of child sexual abuse are family members - 10 percent, according to the DOJ, are strangers.

Still, sex offenses represent one percent of all arrests, according to the Center for Sexual Offender Management.

The Nebraska Legislature, to the behest of then-Governor Dave Heineman and Attorney General Jon Bruning, in 2006 passed the Sexual Predator Residency Act as part of the Sexual Offender Registration Act (LB 1199) and essentially enacted guidelines for cities who chose to adopt a living restriction ordinance. It is not a statewide law. Therefore, it only applies to those cities or designated entities that pass such an ordinance.

Stoller expressing a commitment to "protecting the innocence of our city's children" and was armed with research findings that defied the argument that such an ordinance could force people out of town, but in the end, the data conflicted with the assertion that residence restriction is needed in Falls City and might have damaged the proposal's chance at passage. She cited McCook (0.27 percent), Nebraska City (0.43 percent) and Beatrice (0.38 percent) as three communities to enact such an ordinance and all three have higher populations, proportionately, of registered sex offenders than does Falls City (0.24 percent).

Just 10 of the community's 4,216 citizens are registered sex offenders; half of them wouldn't be affected by a restricted residence ordinance, as state law requires it to pertain to sexual "predators," not sex "offenders." A sex offender has been convicted of a crime and is required to register as a sex offender, while a sexual predator has committed an *aggravated* offense and victimized a person 18 years of age or younger. It once was the State Patrol's job to differentiate the two and make a determination based on risk of recidivism. The law was amended in 2009.

Stoller quoted former Governor Heineman, who in 2006 upon LB 1199's passage, said "feel-good legislation will not protect our children and guard them from sexual predators."

Falls City Police Chief Duane Armbruster said he was "neither for or against" the passage of an ordinance.

"I can see pros and cons," he said. "A lot of issues would come up. In Falls City it would be difficult; and just because a person did something wrong doesn't mean they're bad forever.

"But we can live with whatever you guys decide. You make the laws, I just enforce them."

In December, Armbruster cautioned the Council.

"You're going to find that if you make a statute, sometimes its good and sometimes it's bad because you put more pressure on the sex offender and sometimes it drives them harder to re-offend," he said.

According to the CSOM, the most effective type of treatment approach involves "helping offenders change unhealthy thinking patterns, understand factors that are linked to their offending, and develop effective coping skills.

"When re-entering the community, sex offenders may face many challenges that can cause their lives to be unstable, including negative public feelings, including being ostracized or victims of hostile acts, restrictions on where they can live and difficulties finding a job. The instability can put them at greater risk to re-offend."

Beef Conference Thursday in Beatrice; pesticide applicator training in FC Feb. 11

By Gary Lesoing,
University of Nebraska Extension

The 3-State Beef Conference is designed to provide beef cattle producers and agricultural professionals in Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska a regular update on current cow-calf and stocker topics. The conference is a forum of specialists from the nation's leading beef cattle land grant universities. The conference in Nebraska is scheduled for the evening of Jan. 14 at the Gage County Extension office at 1115 Scott St. in Beatrice.

Registration starts at 5:30 p.m., with the program beginning at 6.

The first topic of discussion focuses on, The Veterinary Feed Directive: What You Need to Know as a Producer or Feed Supplier. Dr. Craig Payne, DVM, University of Missouri will address this issue. He will discuss VFD implementation and VFD Producer requirements.

Following dinner, Dr. Mary Drenowski, University of Nebraska Beef Systems Specialist, will speak about Cover Crops: Establishment, Forage Yield, Forage Quality and Calf Performance. Specific areas of discussion include: double-cropped cool-season annuals (cover Crops) for late fall and early spring, annual cool-season forages for late-fall or early spring double crop, and herbicide use and how it may restrict grazing options for cover crops.

In the final presentation of the evening, Joe Sellers, Iowa State University Beef Specialist, will discuss, Converting Row Crop Ground to Pasture: the Process, the Cost, and What is the Best Land Use of Your Farm? He will look at, A Tool to Compare Land Use Alternatives and a spreadsheet.

For more info, contact the Gage County Extension office at (402) 223-1384 or goto www.extension.iastate.edu/feci/3stbeef/ and click on the email link for the Beatrice site.

Cost of this program is \$25 and includes dinner and a copy of the proceedings of the conference. Registration deadline is Jan. 8.

Private Pesticide Applicator Training Sessions have been scheduled in Nemaha, Johnson, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson and Cass Counties for 2016 to provide an opportunity for farmers to renew their license or for initial certification. Sessions have been scheduled at different locations in each county in February, with a final night session scheduled in March.

Two sessions in Falls City will be held at Dickey's Barbeque at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11. A session is offered in Humboldt at the Ag Building on the County Fairgrounds at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 17.

All the locations and dates for Private Pesticide Applicators Training in the six county region are available at the Nemaha County Extension office, in your local extension office or online at pested.unl.edu/classes

There are 13 trainings scheduled in this six county area. For more info, call (402) 274-4755.

These training sessions will serve as a method for farmers to become informed about recent advances in agronomy. We want producers to be made aware of some of the advances in crop production and some of the things we have observed in agronomy in southeast Nebraska this past year. The first two hours of the program will focus on current and important agronomic issues, with the last hour addressing general standards for Private Pesticide Applicators. Topics that will be discussed include: Roundup resistance in weeds, IPM in crops, invasive weeds, updates on soybean studies, insect and disease issues in soybeans, disease control in corn, insect issues in corn, late season application of nitrogen, and use of cover crops/secondary forage crops in cropping systems.

For initial certification or recertification, farmers must attend the complete three-hour program.

MLK Day of Service collection drive Jan. 22

Please join Senior Corp. Programs across the State of Nebraska, the Pioneer Foster Grandparent Program and their volunteers in supporting Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service by collecting items that warm your hands and hearts. Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, socks, slippers, blankets, etc., will be collected and given to local organizations serving those in need.

Drop off items at SENCA Head Start at 320 W. 14th St., Falls City, between 8-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19 and/or Friday, Jan. 22, or call (402) 245-4983 for more info.



Photo by Lori Gottula

Falls City's Alyssa Frederick scored 14 points and pulled down 10 rebounds in a 39-27 Lady Tiger victory at Johnson-Brock last Thursday. FCHS, now 5-4, snapped a three-game skid, winning for the first time since Dec. 18's trip to Nebraska City Lourdes. FC travels to Auburn tonight for a rematch with the surging Bulldogs. Auburn, 8-3, has won five straight and captured the Syracuse Holiday Tournament. Their last three victories have been double-digit blowouts. In the team's previous meeting, back on Dec. 11, Auburn's full-court defensive pressure led to a plethora of FC turnovers in the second half and a 44-27 Bulldog win.

FC gets back in win column; head to Auburn tonight for rematch with red-hot Bulldogs

Alyssa Frederick scored 14 points and pulled down 10 rebounds and the Falls City Lady Tiger basketball team snapped a three-game losing skid with a 39-27 victory at Johnson-Brock last Thursday. FCHS, now 5-4, won for the first time since a Dec. 18 trip to Nebraska City Lourdes.

At Johnson, FC owned the glass against the out-manned Eagles, pulling down 41 rebounds to JB's 22. In addition to Frederick, Meredith Poppe had eight rebounds (four on the offensive end) to go with a team-high five steals. Molly Brown added eight points and three steals, while Bailey Gilkerson, Poppe, Frederick, Josie Lunsford and Libby Bauman each dished out a pair of assists.

JB, 3-8, was 8-of-50 shooting from the floor (16 percent). FC led 10-0 after one and 15-5 at halftime.

The Lady Tigers were all-too-familiar with shooting woes, two days off a frigid 14-of-60 performance in a 66-37 loss at Marysville, KS. FC committed more than twice as many turnovers (30) than made baskets (14). Frederick scored nine and Gilkerson and Poppe each had eight in the loss.

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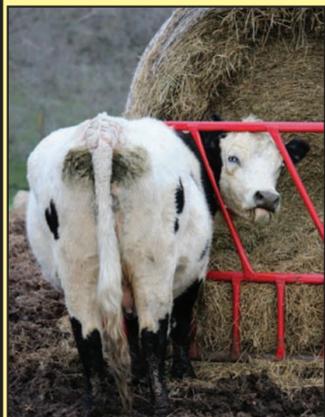
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