

Recall election moves forward

By Jason Schock

Petition circulators, seeking to hold a recall election for Richardson County Assessor Regina Cummings, gathered enough valid signatures in time to get the issue on the May 15 primary ballot.

Richardson County Clerk Mary Eickhoff last Wednesday reported the certification of 935 valid signatures from registered voters - well surpassing the required number of 851 (35 percent of the 2,431 total votes cast in the 2010 election). Richardson County Commissioners were today during their regular meeting expected to order the recall election to be held on the same day as the May 15 primary.

The Commissioners would cancel the recall election if Mrs.

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Arrest made for felony child abuse

A neighbor's complaint led to the felony arrest of a 27-year-old man last Friday afternoon.

Michael W. H. Mayo was taken into custody by FCPD Officer James Wason, who responded to a call at 1916 McLean St. Neighbors reported to police that they heard shouting at the residence.

The alleged victim's grandmother told investigators that Mayo, who had been living there with his girlfriend and her three children, pushed the 11-year-old girl to the ground twice, causing bruises to her back. Mayo also allegedly held the girl's arm behind her back.

Part of the incident was caught on video and shows the victim being pushed to the ground as Mayo yells expletives at her.

Mayo, who was convicted of felony aggravated robbery in Kansas in 2006 and spent three years in prison, was also questioned and, according to the arrest affidavit, admitted the incident had occurred.

Mayo appeared in Richardson County Court Monday for a bond hearing. He remains in jail and is scheduled for arraignment April 9.

New development nears completion

Moving day in two weeks

By Jim Langan

An endeavor a year-and-a-half in the making is approaching completion in Falls City.

Spearheaded by Falls City's Economic Development Group Enterprise (EDGE) and the Lincoln-based Excel Development Group, Phase I of the brand new senior housing project, Wilderness Falls, located on 31st and Barada, is virtually completed and EDGE President Beckie Cromer and Excel Development Director Paula Rhian, formerly Paula Benitz a 1989 Falls City High graduate, have confirmed that the first tenants are scheduled to move in April 1.

"The first units are on schedule and I would venture to say all units on the south side of the project will be occupied by the end of April," Cromer said.

Cromer and Rhian, along with the help of many community members and groups in Falls City, set the plan for the new development in motion in late-2010. Interest was high and the need certain from the get-go.

"This project was in high demand from its early stages, even before Excel submitted their applications for funds in December of 2010," Cromer said. "We received 62 pre-applications from potential tenants



Photo by Jason Schock

with the first dating back to August 2010."

Cromer also noted they received inquiries from as far as California and Texas from seniors looking to come home to Falls City.

"It's been exciting to see Edge's efforts in spearheading new residential development in Falls City come to fruition," Cromer said. "This was a great project, which included collaboration of many partners, including the City, local businesses and contractors. The project also attracted new investments and workers to the Falls City area."

Cromer told the Journal that approximately \$500,000 was awarded in bids to local contractors/businesses, including Chaney Furniture, Johansen Drainage & Tile, Jones Air Conditioning and Plumbing and Top Quality Construction.

Eight duplexes containing 16 units make up Phase I of the development, which includes 14 two-bedroom units and two three-bedroom units. The

two-bedroom units will rent for \$425 per month and the three-bedroom units will rent for \$485 per month. All the units are one level and will include all appliances, grounds maintenance and snow removal services, as well as being handicap visitable and adaptable. Additional project activities involved infrastructure development, including electric, water, storm sewer, sanitary sewer and paving new streets.

Rhian and Cromer also noted that Phase I must be completed for one year before they begin Phase II of the project.

The units are available to individuals 55 years of age and older, or families with at least one member aged 55 years or older, who meet moderate income-based eligibility requirements. Single-person applicants can have an income no greater than \$23,940 and for two people that dollar amount is \$27,360.

FC Mayor launches weight-loss challenge

Obesity. A growing segment of the nation's population is overweight and out of shape. The growing problem is affecting the health of millions of American adults and children. Falls City is not immune from this health concern.

For those who would like to reverse this trend, Falls City's mayor and his wife are launching a challenge — specifically,

the "Biggest Loser Challenge." Tim and Amanda Hersh are organizing the challenge, which is set to begin this evening, Tuesday, March 20, at Prichard Auditorium. Those unable to attend tonight may register at next Tuesday's sessions.

"We want to do our part to help end the trend of obesity," the Hershes said. "A challenge and a support system are so important to keep people going."

Workouts will be held at the auditorium each Tuesday. An initial and discreet weigh-in, pictures and measurements will be part of registration. Low impact workouts will begin at 5:30 p.m., with high impact workouts from 6-7.

The challenge is completely free for all men and women. Childcare will be provided.

Those who would like to add some competition to the challenge will be asked to contribute \$1 per week toward a cash prize, based on weight loss percentage.

The challenge is scheduled for 90 days and goals will be established for that time period.

As part of the challenge, Falls City will be competing with a few other cities.

Register either this Tuesday or March 27 at Prichard Auditorium and then begin to personally reverse the obesity trend and enjoy a more healthy and rewarding lifestyle.

Anyone with questions may contact Tim and Amanda Hersh at 402-245-2274.

CMC annual meeting Thursday

Community Medical Center will have its Annual Community Meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 22, in the CMC Education Room at the hospital.

The meeting is open and the public is invited to attend. Ryan Larsen, hospital CEO, will provide information and answering questions about the state of the hospital and its performance in 2011 in terms of quality, patient experience, finance, and community benefit. The meeting is expected to last no more than 45 minutes.

Said Larsen, "We believe it's important for a community hospital to be accountable to the community. This is our chance to report to the people we serve on what we are doing to deserve their trust. Whether they attend in person or hear our report through the news media, I hope people can be proud of their hospital."



Tiger Booster Club President Robbie Craig presents a \$12,000 check to District 56 Board of Education President Scott Huppert to go towards the new high school strength and conditioning room at Jug Brown Stadium.

Tiger Booster Club chips in \$12,000 for new strength facility

Robbie Craig, President of the Tiger Booster Club, March 19 presented a check in the amount of \$12,000 to the Board of Education for the new strength and conditioning room project.

Members of the Board, meeting in regular session at the Central Office in FC Middle School, expressed their thanks to the Booster Club for all their efforts for this project and other projects that they participate in for the benefit of the girls and boys of School District 56. Mr. Craig stated that if there is a need to hire someone to provide training on the new equipment to be used in the new weight room, the Booster Club may have funds available for that also.

Progress on the strength and conditioning room, located in the northwest corner of Jug Brown Stadium, has advanced with the completion of the windows along the east side of the building while the electrical work is underway. Construction on the facility is expected to be finished by June 1. The 75-foot by 25-foot building will be insulated, wired for lighting and electricity and new heating and

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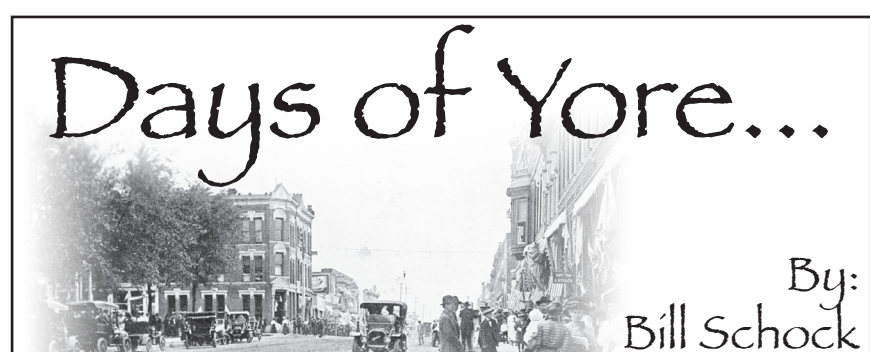
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50 Years Ago
(March 19-24, 1962)

The formal dedication of the new Elks building included the initiation of 95 new members. The total membership was 700.

Judy Huber, a junior at Sacred Heart, was selected to attend Girls State by the FC American Legion Auxiliary. The Humboldt Auxiliary selected Gwen Watsck.

The Richardson County All-Conference basketball teams included Joe Aitken and Mike Simon, FCSH; Larry Rogers, DV; Leroy Goings, Bratton Union, and Garry Schacht, Salem. The girls' all-stars included Nancy Simon and Janice May, FCSH; Judy Stewart and Nancy Schulenberg, DV; Lila Slagle, Shubert, and Donna Gerdes, Bratton Union.

First Lt. Jack Hixson, FC, was assigned to duty in SE Asia. He was among the "advisory" troops sent to Vietnam preceding the Vietnam War.

The stork report: son March 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Byron Meinzer, Falls City; son March 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Vollmer, Route 4; son March 19 to Mr. and Mrs. John Werner, Nelson; daughter March 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Simmonds, Rulo; son March 24 to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Godwin Falls City.

Lorna Heim, Dawson, was one of three undergraduates at the University of Nebraska with perfect grades the first semester. Other top scholars included Richard Law and Lewis Weick, FC, and Thomas Kotouc, Humboldt.

The U.S. Department of Commerce reported there were 5,237 housing units in Richardson County, 2,814 of them occupied by owners and 4,086 had flush toilets.

Marine Sgt. Fred E. Bauman, Falls City, was stationed at the El Toro, CA, Marine base.

Pvt. Roger W. Moritz, Humboldt, completed Military Police training at Ft. Gordon, GA.

Dawson-Verdon defeated Sacred Heart for the championship at the Peru State volleyball tourney.

Mary Ann Miller, Falls City, was capped at the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing in Lincoln.

The 60th annual state conference of the D.A.R. was held in Falls City with approximately 100 delegates attending.

Roger W. West, Falls City, roadmaster for the Omaha Division of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, was promoted to general roadmaster in the Northern District. As an aside, Roger was president of the FC Board of Education.

The engagement of Barbara Wheeler and William Ely Jr., both of the Stella area, was announced.

Six hundred persons attended the FCHS senior class play, "Grammercy Ghost." Members of the cast and their dates attended a post-play party at the Lanthan Camblin home.

The Humboldt Lions Club sponsored an amateur contest, attended by 360 persons. "The Bel Airs," a guitar and drum combo, brought down the house. In the combo were Terry Johnson, Frank Stradel, Dwight Billings and Bill Uhri.

25 Years Ago

Ron and Joyce Roggenkamp had collected 120 of the 180 John P. Falter *Saturday Evening Post* covers. Ron was the guidance counselor at FC High. Their favorite covers were the Water Tower and Stone Street.

The Shubert American Legion post had selected Kevin Kuker for Boys State.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bobbett, Humboldt, were the parents of a son born March 17.

Dwayne Kanel, Humboldt, was the president of the Richardson County Farm Bureau.

Edde Motors would clean your car inside and out and wax it for \$50.

Robert E. Simpson, Falls City, was promoted to sergeant in the Air Force at Hickam AFB in Hawaii.

Mary Little, social worker at FC Care Center, was honored during National Social Workers Month.

The FC Band Parents sponsored an Antique Show at Prichard Auditorium. Wayne Arnold of Timewise Clock Repair had 12 antique clocks on display.

Tracey Karas, Dawson, was selected to attend Girls State by the Salem American Legion Auxiliary.

M. O. Armbruster of Armbruster Motor Co. was elected first vice president of the Nebraska New Car and Truck Dealers Association.

Jerry Rhodd, meat department manager at Superfoods, was the Top Achievement Award winner for the third straight time.

FCHS art students whose work won various places at the Tecumseh show were Tom Wenz, Rachel Cook, Shannon Jenkins, Michelle Huebner, Jason Mez, Jason Merz, Lisa Gellert and Anne Simon.

15 Years Ago

The Pioneer All-Conference boys' basketball team included Brandon Sells and Monty Witt, FCSH; for the girls, the team included Janelle Findlay, SEC, and Andrea Weaver, Katie Simon and Denise Witt, FCSH.

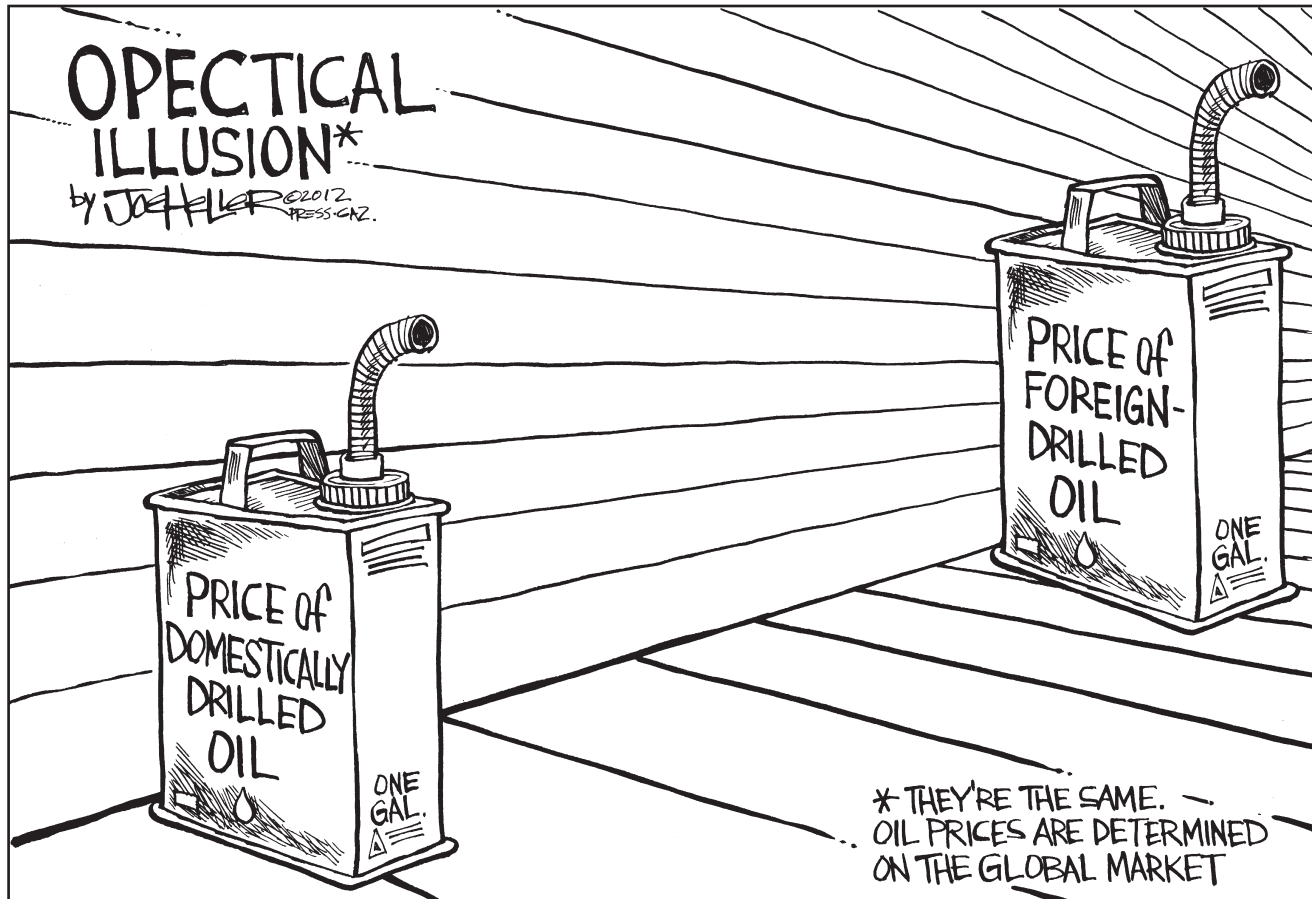
Nathan Parsons, Falls City High, was awarded a Presidential Scholarship to Nebraska Wesleyan University.

The Census Bureau reported Richardson County's population had declined by 2.5 percent.

Polly Duryea, Humboldt, presented an interesting program on Willa Cather at a meeting of the Richardson County Historical Society.

At the 78th birthday party of the American Legion, commander Ray Vinsonhaler presented a 50-year certificate to Leonard Kimmel.

Jane Werner, manager, advertised the opening of Sweetooth-Cedar Hollow Trading Post just west of the entrance to Indian Cave State Park.



Sez I

'Small clique' responsible for Martin's ouster

We, and many others, were impressed with Richard Martin and are very upset about this shortsighted decision of last week. His ideas were solid and his achievements, in such a short time, were impressive. He obviously was on the right path of guiding the chamber toward becoming more professional, proactive and tourist-friendly. He was developing projects to bring in more shoppers, and was fine-tuning Richardson County and Falls City's tourism promotion.

From what we have learned, Martin was the strongest and most experienced person ever to hold the job. So what happened?

We were very interested in Martin's remarks in The Falls City Journal that his leaving was a result of influences of a small clique led by one downtown service group. We believe Martin is right on the money.

We have discovered that several members of the board found out about the dismissal after the fact. We also discovered that the chamber president publicly admitted she was out of touch with downtown merchants, so she relied on the opinion of the chamber's liaison to the board of directors.

The tragedy here is that one person could manipulate the president's perception of Martin, causing the president to influence members of the board to oust him.

What additional injustices must take place before the merchants and chamber members' stand up to people who speak on their behalf with a forked tongue? Perhaps the members of the chamber need to send a message by calling for the president's resignation oust board members who do not represent their idea of the chamber's mission or drop their membership.

Our hope is that in time, the Chamber will see its mission to be the "Leadership Organization and Change agent" that it needs to be. Until that time, we will work together as volunteers for the City to prosper and continue to be our chosen place we call home.

Respectfully,

Volunteers of Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce
Dora Nussbaum,
Marlene McKim,
Wanda Jones
Cathy Falter

FRESH AIR, NO TOXINS, RESPECT

In reading the Sez I article in the March 13 Journal ('For or against burning isn't issue'), I do agree.

I see the words liberty and choice in all caps more than once so here are my caps. FRESH AIR, NO TOXINS and RESPECT. I have no problem with someone burning trash on their property as long as they keep every bit of the foul odor and microscopic toxic particulate on their property that is created by the fire they choose to create. If they choose to breathe in the dioxins, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, hexachlorobenzene and ash, then they have every right to, as far as I'm concerned.

What they don't have is the "right" to impose their will that I have to breathe it or eat food that has been exposed to these toxins. As far as I'm concerned, anybody has the right to do whatever they want to do on their property as long as they respect my rights on my property. I have the right not to be exposed to the chemicals produced by burning trash and that is the respect part I was capitalizing.

When you wave around words like liberty and choice, make sure you aren't stomping all over someone else's. I applaud Mr. Sutter's and the other councilman's attempts at making sure that those who don't want to breathe fouled toxic air, don't have to.

Sincerely,
Pat Redding

STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: Classic Novels

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- *Harry Potter's antagonist
 - Hole puncher
 - Attention grabber
 - Beyond suburban
 - Sheepish cry
 - Supports climbing plants
 - *Holmes would try to verify this
 - Make a mistake
 - Popular jewelry stone
 - *Toni Morrison's Pulitzer winner
 - *Emerald City visitor
 - Before tac
 - Sports award
 - Siesta
 - *"A Clockwork Orange" protagonist
 - Performed alone
 - Away from wind
 - Heart feeling
 - Mother-of-pearl
 - Live bait
 - "Now _____ entertainment!"
 - Not Sunni
 - Used to call someone's attention, pl.
 - Expression of pain
 - Dissenting clique
 - Street of shops, especially in orient
 - Fraud or impostor
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 - Mixed breed canine
 - de Janeiro
 - *It chronicles Leopold Bloom's journey through Dublin
 - *Twist and Heep creator
 - _____ Protocol on climate change
 - Consumed
 - China Grass
 - NBA great _____ Baylor
 - St. Louis player
 - Speak one's mind
 - Make hot and dry
 - _____ Lanka
 - Used as fertilizer and explosive
- DOWN**
- Not bright
 - "_____ of thumb"
 - Seed cover
 - 15th century North America explorer
 - Famous picture book pig
 - Tucked in
 - *One main topic in Tolstoy's 1869 classic
 - Hog fat, pl.
 - Jumping stick
 - A team reserved for emergencies
 - Comedian with red, curly hair
 - 3-point shot
 - Heavy elementary particle
 - Enthusiastic approval
 - Roman goddess of fertility
 - Car emission, e.g.
 - Honorific title given to Muslim rulers
 - Central Pacific greeting
 - Actress Rosie
 - Repeating sound
 - Lad's counterpart
 - Autumn color
 - *"Fear of Flying" author Jong
 - *It happened in Venice
 - *Jane Austen classic
 - _____ A Sketch
 - African river, also spelled "Chari"
 - Delilah's trusting victim
 - Street in Paris
 - One millionth of a meter
 - Former Russian leaders
 - Giraffe-like African animal
 - Short for ukuleles
 - Singer/actor Lovett
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 - Evoke emotion
 - Ashton's ex
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Dear Fellow Nebraskans:

I'm pleased to announce my plans to lead a delegation to China July 28 through Aug. 3. This trade mission will include stops in Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai, China. It will mark the eleventh trade mission of my administration.

China is a growing export market for Nebraska and it is important that we continue to explore new business opportunities. On this trade mission, we hope to generate new markets for many Nebraska products and our hope is to attract Chinese companies who want to expand into the American market, especially those interested in doing business in Nebraska.

It is evident that China is an important trading partner for our state. As Nebraska's fourth largest trading partner, China is one of the state's fastest growing markets. Nebraska exports to China have more than doubled during the past five years, with a 36% increase in 2011. Combined exports to China totaled more than \$380 million last year, up from nearly \$279 million in 2010.

I also want to note that Hong Kong is our sixth largest agricultural trade partner, and Taiwan is our seventh largest. As our exports to Asian countries increase, we want to continue fostering relationships with key importers and government officials.

Trade is becoming an increasingly important topic for our Nebraska businesses and agriculture economy. Nebraska has seen tremendous growth in its exports in recent years. Total exports totaled \$7.5 billion in 2011, representing a 31% increase from 2010, and a 19.4% increase from 2009.

Our leading trade partners in 2011 were Canada and Mexico, followed by Japan, China, and South Korea. Of the top five, the percent of export growth between 2009 and 2011 was largest for China and South Korea. China's annual growth was 34.8% during that time period, while South Korea's was 52.2%.

There is potential for even more growth in both these markets. That is why the Nebraska Department of Agriculture has been working to cultivate relationships there. For example, in China last year, Nebraska Department of Agriculture and representatives from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln conducted a workshop with Chinese food industry leaders to help them understand the nutritional value of incorporating dry edible beans in common Chinese food products.

In 2010, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with the Nebraska Beef Council, visited the Chinese Cuisine Training Institute in Hong Kong, a teaching facility for Hong Kong and mainland China chefs. The Institute is using Nebraska beef in its training classes as a way to familiarize future chefs with Nebraska beef and encourage its usage in their future employment.

We are in the early stages of developing relationships in South Korea, but there is great opportunity for growth with the passage last year of the Korean Free Trade Agreement.

The Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Office of International Trade and Investment, works with existing businesses to expand their international marketing efforts as well as foster a business climate conducive to recruiting and supporting international business investment in the state. In 2010, Nebraska products were sold to approximately 180 foreign countries, accounting for over \$5.8 billion in export sales, and increase of 60% over the past five years. There were 30,700 export-supported jobs linked to manufacturing and those jobs represented 3.8% of the state's private sector employment.

Approximately 50% of Nebraska's exports are agriculture-related products including corn, combines, soybeans, beef, pork, sprayers, hides and skins, veterinary medicine, and soybean meal. In 2011, this represented about \$3.8 billion.

I am a strong supporter of expanded trade. Continued interest in exploring trade opportunities with other countries is critical in helping Nebraska expand into new international markets.



Recall

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Cummings, who was first elected Assessor in 1994, resigns her position at least 16 days prior to the primary.

Terry Lotter and Fred Brewer, both of Falls City, submitted recall affidavits Feb. 6, each stating, "I feel that Regina Cummings is personally not performing her duties as County Assessor."

Mrs. Cummings submitted a defense statement, stating that while medical problems have kept her out of the office, the work of the Assessor's Office has continued.

"I do have health problems and for sometime have been taking intravenous treatments. However, when physically not present in the office, I am in constant contact and aware of what is being done in the office. For several months I have been preparing for the prospect of early retirement due to my medical problems."

Cummings ran unopposed in four different elections. She said she did not plan to run for reelection in 2014.

"I feel this is unnecessary because I'm going to retire anyway," she said.

The County Commissioners set the Assessor's annual salary at \$43,745, plus benefits.

County insurance bid to Miller-Monroe Co.

The Richardson County Commissioners voted unanimously during their March 13 meeting to award the bid for county insurance to Miller-Monroe Co. of Falls City.

The bid was for \$178,404, with additional elected coverage, bringing the total to \$180,549. Coverage will be effective July 1, 2012.

Board members Dave Sickel, Bill Ely and Jim Davidson also adopted a resolution giving notice that the county will withdraw from the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association effective July 1.

During their weekly meeting with Highway Supt. Scott Huppert, the commissioners adopted a resolution to authorize Chairman Sickel to sign the NEPA documentation services agreement with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig for the Verdon NW project and accepted and entered into a construction contract with M.E. Collins Construction Co., Inc., for the 704 Road bridge replacement project. An agreement with the State of Nebraska Department of Roads and Union Pacific Railroad for the installation of gate arms to current signals .5 miles west of Stella was reviewed, but no action taken.

At the March 6 meeting, the board discussed requests from the FC Area Jaycees that the county request from the Department of Roads that lighted traffic signs be placed on Highway 73 for the Jaycees' annual Demo Derby and Tractor Pull. The Jaycees also requested that county barricades be used to block off a portion of the road leading to the residential areas at the site, just south of Falls City. Traffic control assistance from the Sheriff's Office was also requested. The board discussed the possibility of placing dust control on the county road before the events.

Sheriff Randy Houser met with the board to review the purchase order he submitted to replace a patrol vehicle. Davidson said that purchasing a pickup with the expected future gas prices would not be a favorable decision.

Randy Gilsdorf, Jim Olberding, Matt Cromer, Harold Hunzeker and Jimmy Coonce of the Road Department union met with the board regarding negotiations for a contract retroactive to Oct. 1, 2011. The board said that their proposal was a 2.5% increase for the first year and 2.5% for the second year. The stewards were to take the proposal to the union for a vote.

A public hearing was scheduled for today's meeting to receive input on a proposal to make all county grounds and property, including vehicles, tobacco free.

Harsh political rhetoric akin to feeding frenzy

CAPITOL VIEW
 By Ed Howard
 Statehouse Correspondent
 Nebraska Press Association



LINCOLN – Have you ever been to a pet store where they let customers feed the piranha?

It's a draw for little kids, most especially, but not only them.

The customer pays a certain amount – based on how much food he wants to toss the toothy, finned meat eaters. When the food goes in the tank, the required number of piranha do their thing, to varying degrees. People are understandably fascinated, or at least entertained; maybe a little appalled.

Piranha are renowned for those famous National Geographic-type images of them ripping their dinner to shreds, literally eating it alive in a frenzy of splashing and thrashing and bloodletting.

It's the frenzied reaction people want. That's why customers tend to gradually feed the fish more and bigger portions.

It's no big deal to see one or two fish quickly grab and gobble a couple of others. But give those piranha something of substance to dig into and you will see the fish and the observers come to life. It will bring about the "Ooooooh" and "Ahhhhh!" and "Oh m' gawd!" type of thing.

Observers who were just standing in front of some glassed-in fish sometimes become surprisingly animated and even vocal. Throwing the piranha a dead minnow or two is a yawn – but toss 'em a recently deceased lab rat and see what happens!

It's a lot like politics. Truly.

Partisans who attend a political speech or rally look forward to hearing declarations of the faults, misdeeds and ignoble schemes of the opposition – but they don't want the mere recitation of an indictment.

They want blood in the water. And not just a smidgeon, either!

Come now to Republican Gov. Dave Heineman, who is not an orator. Listening to a Heineman speech can be less exciting than, say, staring at an empty fish tank.

However, during a recent appearance before cattlemen in Lexington, Heineman brought his cowboy-booted audience to its feet, whooping and applauding as he savaged a victim the crowd despised.

Heineman unleashed his latest salvo on Jocelyn Nickerson, head of the Nebraska office of the Humane Society of the United States – the outfit that spends part of its time raising hell nationally over the treatment of livestock. It has been involved in negotiating deals with the likes of McDonald's and Burger King over procurement and treatment of animals.

Heineman found much fault, again, with HSUS and Nickerson and what he believes is a leftist agenda. But he threw the crowd some frenzy food as his attack intensified.

His message to Nickerson, after an appropriate buildup condemning the HSUS as out to destroy agriculture, was: "We're gonna' kick your ass and send you out of the state!"

You would have thought someone dropped a fatted calf in the piranha pool.

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A sincere thank you to registered voters who signed the recent recall petition. Our special thanks to the citizens of Richardson County, whether it be carrying petitions, making phone calls, or signing the petition.

We truly appreciate the cares and concerns of the **Richardson County Taxpayers.**

Please exercise your right to vote in the
May 15th
Primary Election.

Sincerely,
Terry Lotter & Fred Brewer



HILL-KIMMI — Katelyn Hill and Jesse Kimmi of Everest, KS, are the proud parents of a son, Rhett Nicholas-John, born Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2012, at St. Francis Hospital in Topeka, KS. Rhett tipped the scales at seven pounds, one ounce, and was 20 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed home by a big sister, Justine. Maternal grandparents are Ann and Ron Hill. Mary Kimmi and the late Dale Kimmi are the maternal grandparents. Maternal great-grandparents are Charlotte Hill and the late Jim Hill and Jean and Bob Saal. The paternal great-grandparents are the late Rosie and Marvin Kimmi and Angela and George Madden.

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Andrea Scholl & John Neville
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Shower: June 23 & June 30
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Students

Eastern Star
Sixteen members attended the stated meeting of Humboldt Chapter #234 of the Order of the Eastern Star on March 1 at 7:30 p.m. Worthy Matron Elizabeth Ketner presided in the East. Chapter opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. All sang the opening ode, "Praise Him! Praise Him!"
Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. JoAnn Koso gave the treasurer's report. Thank you letters for recent memorial donations were read from the Children's Home in Fremont and the Masonic Home Foundation in Plattsmouth. Items from the Nebraska OES News were read. A Spring Tea fundraiser will be held at the Masonic Home on April 20 at 2:30 p.m. Chapters may decorate and host a table. Refreshments will be served with entertainment to complete the afternoon.
The "Let There Be Light"

session of Grand Chapter will be in Lincoln at the Pershing Center on May 8-10. Chapter Associate Matrons and the Star Point of Esther will be honored officers this year on Wednesday morning. Future sessions will be held in Kearney. The chapter voted to give a donation for the building of risers for seating at future sessions.

On March 31 Joyce Porter, the grand district 1 supervisor, will hold a school of instruction for members of Table Rock, Pawnee City and Humboldt chapters in Humboldt beginning at 8:30 a.m. Frances Albright was installed as the star point of Ruth. It was decided to issue two \$350 scholarships in cooperation with the Nebraska Grand Chapter for graduating seniors of FCHS and HTRS. Those wishing to apply for the scholarships may contact their school counselor for more information. Deadline for the completion of the applications is April 1.

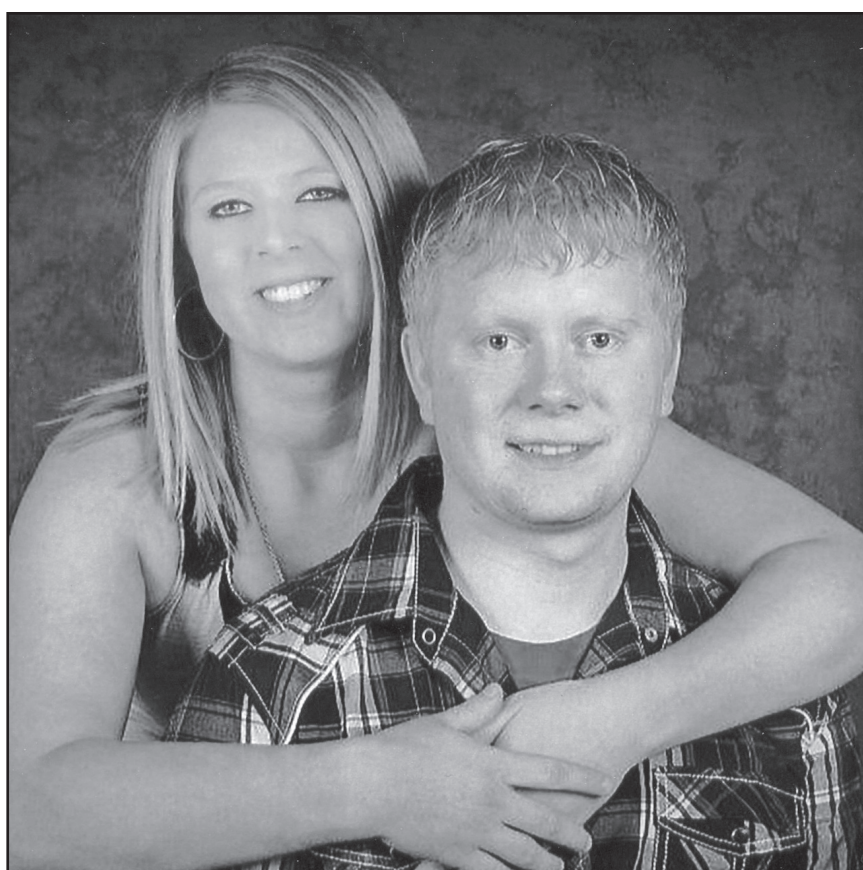
It was reported that Marie Busboom will have hip surgery after a recent fall and Frances Albright thanked members for their acts of kindness during her illness. On March 19 chapter will help with bingo at Colonial Acres. At the next stated meeting on April 5 the ceremony of initiation will be performed. Chapter closed in form. After the singing of the closing ode, "Find Us Faithful," and the retiring march, refreshments were served by Phyllis Kreutzer.

Nifty Sixties
Thirteen members of the Nifty Sixties met at the Senior Center at 6 p.m. on March 15 for a potluck meal. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer were repeated in unison prior to the meal.

President Bob Ferguson conducted the business meeting. He thanked Charlene Schuetz for providing a generous amount of corn-beef and cabbage with potatoes and carrots. Lee Ferguson read the minutes of the January meeting and gave the treasurer's report.

Thelma Swisegood gave three humorous readings: "The Mushroom and Old Spot," "What Would You Do If I Died?" and "The Skiing Trip." The door prize was won by Ed Huppert Jr. The birthday song was sung to

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Brown-Butrick engagement

Nancy Phroper of Falls City and Alan Brown of Pawnee City announce the engagement of their daughter, Terri Sue Brown, to Shane Thomas Butrick, son of Clayton and April Butrick of Falls City.

Terri graduated from Falls City High School in 2008. She is attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where she will graduate in May with her Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences. She has been accepted to UNMC's Clinical Laboratory Science Program and will begin in Omaha at the end of May.

Shane graduated from Falls City High School in 2007. He received his Associate's Degree in Accounting from Southeast Community College, Lincoln. He is currently attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for his Bachelor's of Accounting degree.

Terri is the granddaughter of Frances Davis of Falls City and the granddaughter of Betty Brown and the late Don Brown of Pawnee City. Shane is the grandson of Barb Werner of Falls City and the grandson of the late Thomas and Garnita Butrick.

Charlene Schuetz. The remainder of the evening was spent visiting and playing party games. The next potluck meeting will be April 19 at the Senior Center. Everyone over the age of 60 is welcome.

St. Peter's ELCA
On March 7, seven women of St. Peter's Lutheran Church ELCA met at 1:30 p.m. Lesson leader Roxann Stitzer opened the meeting with the hymn, "Trust and Obey," with Mrs. Stitzer at the piano. The lesson, "A Heart that Loves God," was from the book, *A Woman after God's Own Heart*, and was shared by each member. The lesson closed with the Missionary Benediction and

Lord's Prayer.
Roxann Stitzer opened the business meeting with Lois Cameron calling roll and reading the minutes from the February meeting. Becky Runyan gave the treasurer's report and Gertie Runyan reported on the flower fund balance. A thank you was extended to Linda Duerfeldt for Christmas bags for the children. In new business cookies and drink will be served after the Lenten service March 14. The altar committee will be Nelle Pfister and Gertie Runyan.
The next meeting will be April 3 with Lois Cameron as hostess and Verna Mae White lesson leader. At the close of the afternoon Mrs. White served refreshments.

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Students

Kylie D. Bek, of Falls City, has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2011 semester at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Kylie, a FCHS graduate, is a student in the Vet Assistant Program.

Society

Area Bridge

Renie Gerweck and Marilyn Kentopp were hostesses when Falls City Area Bridge met March 13 at the Elks Club. Three tables were at play. Prize winners were Nancy Kelley, Jeanie McGinnis and Renie Gerweck. The next meeting will be March 27 with Myrt Arnold and Vi Heim as hostesses.

Zion Women's Fellowship

Zion Women's Fellowship met Wednesday, March 14, at the church with Laura Kottich as the lesson leader. She opened with the group singing "I Will Bless the Lord." She then read a children's book written by her granddaughter, Krista Demmel, titled "Harry the Happy Hopper." The lesson was on prayer, taken from the Evangelical Catechism book. Members read scripture and then sang "Pray without Ceasing." Mrs. Kottich closed with prayer.

Lynn Reed presided over the meeting. Dianna Kottich read minutes from the November meeting. December was church brunch after the "Gleaming," the January meeting was canceled because of bad weather and February was dinner at the Richardson County Historical Museum. The Clefsmen performed. Liz Huettner gave the treasurer's report. In new business, a joint Maundy Thursday service with the First Christian Church will be held at Zion April 5 at 6:30. Arrangements for the service were discussed. Pastor Blaylock will prepare the program. Cleaning the altarware was discussed. Margaret Jones and Susan Sipple will look into refurbishing the offering plates or purchasing new ones. There will be a collection of items for SENCA in April.

The next meeting is April 11 with Mrs. Jones the leader. Palm leaves and lilies will be used on the altar. Mrs. Kottich closed with prayer and refreshments were served.

Town & Country 4-H

The Town and Country 4-H Club met March 11 at the First United Methodist Church. The meeting was called to order by president Will Burenheide and the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited. Roll was taken and eight members and seven adults were present. The minutes were read and the treasurer's report was given.

The club discussed enrollment due May 15. The next meeting was set for April 9 at the home of Will Burenheide at 7 p.m. Men from the Husker Beef Lab came and gave a presentation, then the meeting was adjourned by the president.

The club went out to the parking lot of the church and visited the Husker Beef Lab's steer and trailer and it was all very educational for the club members. The club then had a meal provided by the club members and their families.

Does Drove #56

Does Drove #56 Falls City met Monday evening, March 12, at the Elks Lodge.

President Mary Wiltse called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved. Committee reports were given. Mabel Morton, Ways and Means chairman, reported on the recent Potato Bar. She said the citywide yard sale will be on May 5 and plans are to have tables in the Elks parking lot of donated items to be sold. President Wiltse reminded the Drove of the two benefits coming up on March 31--the Elks PER BBQ and auction for the Richardson County Cancer Fund and the supper for Grandpa Bill Roberts at the Christian Church. Members are asked to donate in any way they feel they can to both events.

Marlene read from the Constitution duties that apply to some of the officers. It is hoped that the new Constitution will be printed and available at the Grand Lodge this year. The Coin March was held. There were no birthdays. The serving/entertainment committee included Connie Fiddler, chairperson, assisted by Cindy Witt, Caroline Werner and absentee hostess Kim Oliver. The theme was St. Patty's Day.

The next meeting will be March 26 with Beverly Bernhardt as chairperson, assisted by Susan Witt, Connie Taft and Karen Ramsey.

Shubert ALA #222

Shubert ALA Unit #222 met at the Shubert Library on Feb. 14. President Tana Brown called the meeting to order. It opened in regular form with the singing of the National Anthem. Chaplain Eleanor Last gave the opening prayer. Roll call was answered by nine members. Secretary Elizabeth Ketner read the minutes of the December meeting. There was no January meeting. Lana Willman gave the treasurer's report.

A copy of District 13's constitution and by-laws was passed around.

The American Legion membership chairman had called regarding the non-receipt of dues from Post 222 members. Mrs. Last mentioned that Jerry Joy is running for the Legislature. The unit will assemble tray favors for Flag Day and get poppies for Memorial Day. The Department has said that the unit can "adopt" children under the Children and Youth section. Members discussed things it could do for the family. The unit will get a movie and a gift certificate from Pizza Hut for the family. President Brown has been trying to get a time to make a presentation on Americanism at the school. Mrs. Ketner mentioned the Keystone pipeline issue.

National ALA has a 750-word writing contest on the value of female soldiers. Mrs. Ketner will contact Sherry Runnels' daughter, Major Kathryn Millwood, about entering. The unit will hold a bakeless bake sale in the spring, probably close to Easter. Mrs. Steele is in charge of poppies and will make a centerpiece for entry at the District convention.

LWML

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LWML met on Wednesday, March 7. Members read through scripture on the unusual and interesting facts from the Bible.

Janice Boden, president, called the meeting to order with roll call. Ten members and two guests, Pastor Gifford and Leona Damman, answered. Jan-

ice read a brief devotion from "Living in the Spirit." Reports were read and approved. Correspondence was read from Camp Luther regarding their 45 years Celebration and Quilt Auction and from Faith Lutheran regarding the Spring Workshop on April 14. The group voted to send \$150 to the Orphan Grain Train Project Feed 500. A visit to Mission Central in Mapleton, IA, on April 18 was discussed. The birthday song was sung for Kathy Niedfeldt. The visiting committee reported on several visits.

Kathy Niedfeldt and Norma Roland served Texas sheet cake. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Missionary Circle

Eleven members of Christ Lutheran Missionary Circle met Thursday evening, March 15, at Christ Lutheran Church.

Joann Baldwin led the program, "A Holy Week Q & A."

The president, Elaine Schwartz, opened the business meeting. The minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved. Committee reports were given by Bonnie Zentner on the afternoon quilting project for World Relief, Joann Baldwin on get well, sympathy and other cards sent to church members during the past month and Alice Eickhoff on the LWML history book. Members were reminded of the Spring Christian Life Workshop scheduled for April 14 at Faith Lutheran Church in Humboldt. Plans were made to have a reception for the students following the confirmation questioning and the Lenten service on March 28. Members were reminded of the bake sale March 31 at the Pamida store to benefit the Itha Krumme Arboretum. Marjorie Eames, Christian Growth chairman, read, "Stay with Me" and closed with prayer.

Sherry Harmon served refreshments in the St. Patrick's motif. The next meeting will be at 7:30 pm. April 19 at the church. Elaine Schwartz will be the program chairman and Bonnie Zentner the hostess.

Short story published

Sarah J. Boyer of Wayne, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kimes of Dawson, has published a short story, *Follow a Certain Path*.

Follow a Certain Path is the story of a depression-era farm family who believes their infant son has died. Twenty years later, in 1953, Leo hires a man to help work his farm, but he believes the man he has hired could be his dead son, Michael. But how to prove it? And how will his wife Louy take the news her son may be alive? But most importantly, why did it take 20 years to find out he was alive?

Sarah (Monte) Boyer is the mother of two daughters. A Wayne State graduate, she has been a small business owner for the last 12 years. She currently is working on a full-length novel set in 1880 with a real life land dispute trial in her home town of Stanton.

Mr. Boyer's grandparents ministered in Dawson for several years at the former Evangelical United Brethren Church.

The book may be purchased in paperback form at <https://creativecommons.org/works/3808230>.

Jam Session

The Historical Jam Session will be held Monday night at 7:30 at the Richardson County Historical Museum.

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County Court

Zachery M. Blunt, Falls City, 10 counts of junked automobile, fined total of \$500; 10 counts of junk or salvage yard violation, fined total of \$500.

Zachery J. Wright, Kansas City, engage in speed contest; continued to March 26 for entry of plea.

Ralph E. Adams, FC, count one, leave accident-fail to furnish info; count two, drive under suspension; continued to March 19 for entry of plea.

Scott D. Bek, FC, count one, DUI-.15+ or refusal (one prior conviction) to submit to test, amended to DUI-.15+, plead guilty, found guilty; counts two and three dismissed with prejudice; count four, no proof of insurance, plead guilty, found guilty; continued to April 9 for sentencing.

Jessica Andrade, FC, issue bad check-less than \$200, plead guilty, found guilty, fined \$40, plus restitution of \$53.59 to Pamida, and costs of \$49.

Jake A. Fritts, FC, count one, attempt of a class 3A or class 4 felony; count two, obstruct a peace officer; count three, possess K2 or marijuana - one ounce or less; continued to March 26 for disposition.

Nathan J. O'Grady, FC, crim-

inal trespass-1st degree; continued to May 18 for jury trial.

William S. Farmer, FC, drive under suspension/before reinstated, plead guilty, found guilty, fined \$75, plus costs of \$49.

Stephanie James, Humboldt, issue bad check-less than \$200, plus restitution of \$92 to Vice Oil and costs and fees of \$66.36.

Stephanie James, Humboldt, contempt of court, fined \$50, plus costs and fees of \$66.36.

Thera T. Hayes, FC, count one, no proof of insurance; count two, no operator's license; count three, disturbing the peace; count four, criminal mischief-less than \$200; plead not guilty to all counts; continued Apr. 19 for pretrial.

Thera T. Hayes, FC, count one, fail to obey lawful order; count two, license vehicle without liability insurance; count three, no registration in vehicle; count four, no operator's license; count five, possess K2 or marijuana one ounce or less; continued to Apr. 9 for suppression.

Wesley R. Johnson, Salem, speeding (16-20 municipal); continued to Apr. 25 for trial.

Dennis D. Nuzum, Humboldt, count one, dog running at large, plead guilty; count two, barking dog, plead guilty; count three, dog running at large, plead not guilty; continued to Apr. 9 for pretrial.

Jeffrey Morley, FC, count one, parking violation, no valid license plate; count two, leaving of wrecked, non-operational vehicle; count three, parking violation, obstructing alley; count four, parking violation, alley; continued to Apr. 9 for pretrial.

Amber D. Barr, FC, count one, DUI-1st offense; plead not guilty; count two, refuse to submit to test-1st offense, plead not guilty; count three, fail to use turn signal, plead guilty; continued to Apr. 9 for pretrial.

Galen P. McWilliams, Seneca, KS, speeding (11-15 county/state), plead not guilty; continued to Apr. 25 for trial.

Nathan Palmer, Nemaha, count one, DUI-.15+ or refusal (one prior); count two, possess or use drug paraphernalia; count three, possess/consume open alcohol container; continued to Apr. 26 for entry of plea.

District Court

Brittany D. Shafer, FC, filed for dissolution of marriage to Jacob A. Shafer, FC.

Avery Frank, Stanwood, WA, filed for dissolution of marriage to Kacie Roller, FC.

Codey S.A. O'Grady, FC, filed for dissolution of marriage to Nathan J. O'Grady, FC.

Civil Court

Collection Associates vs. Marc Pagnano, Dawson, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$727.56, pre-judgment interest of \$57.95, fees of \$77.76, costs of \$84.06 and post-judgment interest to accrue at six percent.

Capital One Bank vs. Eric S. Hestermann, Humboldt, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$543.34, costs of \$86.40, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

Credit Management Services vs. Eugene Farmer and Lisa Ramer, judgment entered against defendants in the amount of \$1,095.51, pre-judgment interest of \$99.58, fees of \$195.55, costs of \$56.68, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

Credit Management Services vs. Amanda Bechtold, FC, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$2,282.39, pre-judgment interest of \$86.91,

fees of \$233.24, costs of \$50.79, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

Credit Management Services vs. Tom Bletscher, FC, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$163.44, pre-judgment interest of \$18.23, fees of \$21.34, costs of \$50.95, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

Credit Management Services vs. James Coonce, Rulo, judgment entered against defendant in the amount of \$963.20, pre-judgment interest of \$58.10, fees of \$101.32, costs of \$56.58, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

Credit Management Services vs. Jennifer Judd, FC, defendant to pay pre-judgment interest amount of \$9.70, fees of \$10, costs of \$63.50, with post-judgment interest to accrue at 2.056 percent.

County Court Waivers (County costs not included)

Dennis C. Low, speeding (16-20), fined \$125.

Monico Mendoza II, nonresident violate 30-day imm., fined \$25.

Joshua D. Keyser, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Wesley G. Walton, speeding (6-10), fined \$25.

Tammy A. Williams, fail to yield ROW, fined \$25.

John C. Crofford, violate stop or yield sign, fined \$75.

Colby L. Catlett, stop sign violation, fined \$75.

David W. Kuhlman, violate hunting/fishing regulations, fined \$100.

Kevin R. Dandliker, fined \$75.

Timothy Svab, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Joseph P. Morgen, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Michael W. Hillery-Mayo, speeding (6-10), fined \$25; non-resident violate 30-day imm., fined \$25.

Julie C. Denniston, speeding (11-15), fined \$75.

Bradley A. Seber, two counts of overweight on axle or group, fined total of \$100; overweight capacity plates, fined \$75.

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Problems with deciduous trees?

Last week I addressed potential issues with coniferous trees. This week I will discuss potential problems with deciduous trees. With spring arriving in full force with the balmy temperatures, deciduous trees are starting to bud out in the area.

If you have trees that have been damaged by wind or ice or they are just over grown, it would be wise to prune them if you haven't already. If you do prune some trees, sap may flow from them for a while but this occurs normally this time of year. Your trees should recover fine. If you have had problems with your trees in the past with insects and/or diseases, it is important to evaluate them this spring to see if they look healthy. The deciduous trees should leaf out and green up as they normally do.

So what are some of the tree problems? Later in the spring and summer you may notice oak trees that have dead branches and leaves scattered throughout the tree. There have been several trees in southeast Nebraska with these symptoms over the years. There is a good chance this is the oak twig girdler that is causing the problem. We usually see a problem with this insect every other year. The good thing is it generally doesn't harm the trees. The bad thing is there is really noting you can do about it. A small beetle emerges from May to September and lays its eggs at the junction between current and previous year's growth of red and pin oak trees. These eggs hatch and the larvae bore into the twigs and remain inside feeding. This causes clusters of dead leaves throughout the tree. The second year the larvae continue feeding inside the twig and complete development, pupating in the autumn.

The dead twigs usually stay attached to the tree, giving it an unsightly appearance with dead branch tips scattered throughout the tree. If the twigs are blown or fall off, clean up and discard these twigs.

Another insect pest that you may see is aphids. They will make the leaves of the tree curl up. The leaves may also have a shiny appearance due to the honeydew that is from the aphids. Aphids will suck the sap out of the leaves of the tree. Aphids generally will not cause major damage to mature trees, but severe infestations for several years can weaken younger trees. Aphids sometimes can be removed with water from a high pressure sprayer. Natural enemies, such as lady beetles are also effective in controlling aphids. Use of an insecticide is generally not warranted.








There are also a number of borer species that attack deciduous trees. These include the ash/lilac borer, flatheaded borers, roundheaded borers and the bronze birch borer. Most of these adult borers emerge during the summer months. To reduce the potential for borers to lay eggs in your trees, you may have to spray your truck multiple times with an insecticide. There are also some systemic insecticides available. These can be used to treat the tree and treatment will last for the year. If you haven't treated your trees and you have a tree that does not look healthy and you do find holes on the trunks of trees, these may be from borers. Under these circumstances treatment with an insecticide may be required.

If you have further questions on tree problems, feel free to contact me at University of Nebraska Extension in Nemaha County at the courthouse at 1824 'N' St. in Auburn (402) 274-4755.

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TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
 Mostly cloudy, a t-storm Low: 48°	 Mostly cloudy, a shower 67° 56°	 Showers possible 72° 49°	 A shower possible 68° 45°	 Sunshine and mild 71° 48°	 Sunny and warm 74° 52°	 Clouds and sun 71° 47°

Almanac Data

Falls City for the week ending Sunday

Temperature
 High for the week 84°
 Low for the week 38°
 Normal high 53°
 Normal low 30°
 Average temperature 66.9°

Precipitation
 Total for the week 0.00"
 Total for the month 0.31"
 Normal for the month 1.14"

Snowfall (estimated)
 Snowfall for the week 0.0"

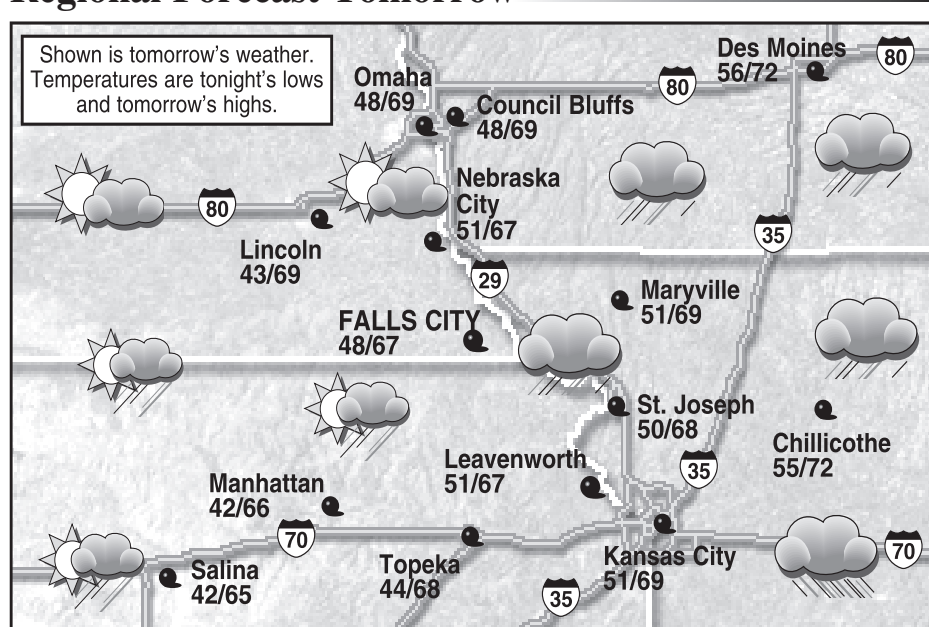
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Regional Forecast Tomorrow



River Stages Yesterday

Big Nemaha River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change	Missouri River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr. change
Falls City	23'	4.29'	-0.03'	Rulo	17'	9.12'	-0.17'

Sun and Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	7:24 a.m.	7:36 p.m.
Thursday	7:22 a.m.	7:37 p.m.
Friday	7:20 a.m.	7:38 p.m.
Saturday	7:19 a.m.	7:39 p.m.
Sunday	7:17 a.m.	7:40 p.m.
Monday	7:16 a.m.	7:41 p.m.
Tuesday	7:14 a.m.	7:42 p.m.

Day	Moonrise	Moonsset
Wednesday	6:35 a.m.	7:05 p.m.
Thursday	7:02 a.m.	8:04 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m.	9:02 p.m.
Saturday	7:59 a.m.	10:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	10:58 p.m.
Monday	9:05 a.m.	11:53 p.m.
Tuesday	9:45 a.m.	none

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Obituaries

Vernon L. Pike



Vernon L. Pike, 82, of Auburn, passed away Saturday, March 17, 2012 at the Bryan LGH East in Lincoln.

He is survived by his wife Lois (Houtz) Pike, of Auburn; daughters, Linda Avila of Atascadero, CA, Mary Martquez, Campo, CA; son-in-law Joe Parrino of Auburn; sisters, Ruth Harris

and Etta Caldwell; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A graveside service for Vernon Pike will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 23, at the Verdon Cemetery with full military honors.

No viewing or visitation is scheduled.

Hall Funeral Chapel of Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Tim A. Bryant

Tim A. Bryant, 53, of Royal Oak, MI, died Saturday, March 10, 2012, in Indian Rocks Beach, FL.

Mr. Bryant was married to the former Teresa Casey, formerly of Falls City. He is also survived by a son, Danny, of Athens, GA, and a sister, Vicki Henderson,

Independence, MO.

A memorial service was held Sunday, March 18, at the Fraternal Order of Police in Independence, MO.

To read the obituary and send the family a condolence, visit www.GramerFuneralHome.com.

Richard Lee Blecha Sr.



Richard Lee Blecha Sr., 77, of Humboldt, died Friday, March 16, 2012, at Colonial Acres Nursing Home in Humboldt.

He was born Dec. 16, 1934, to Rudolf and Elsie (Kunc) Blecha in Pawnee City, was raised on a small farm South of Table Rock and attended grade school at Pleasant Valley District #32. Richard attended high school at Table Rock where he graduated in 1952. He played basketball and football.

Richard joined the Army Reserve in February 1953 and served until 1961, taking Basic Training in Ft. Jackson, SC, and summer camps in Missouri, Kansas and Colorado, and reaching the rank of Sergeant First Class. He was a member of Company A, 1st Battalion, 335 Infantry Regiment, Pawnee City.

He married Phyllis Ann Shrauger at the Christian Church in Humboldt on April 20, 1958. The couple made their home on the farm with Richard's parents, then the "Bee" house on the Annalee Tomek farm. They lived for a short time east of Pawnee City, then moved to the Frank Tomek farm across the Luthy bridge on the east side of the Nemaha River. The couple then purchased the Frank Fritch farm in 1965. The farm lay on the east end to the section from his folks.

Richard farmed most of his life with his father and sons until Rudy's retirement in 1985. To supplement farm income, Richard took H&R Block's course on tax preparation and helped lots of people with their taxes for many years. Richard was a member of the IOOF, Rebekah, and ZCBJ lodges; Nebraska Association

of County Officials; he served on the Table Rock school board and was president for a term. He was a member of the Table Rock United Methodist Church. In 1979, Richard was appointed as County Tax Assessor, filling the unfinished term of Lawrence Stehlik. He ran successfully the next year and served in that capacity for 17 years before retiring in 1996.

Richard and Phyllis remained on the farm until poor health forced Richard into Colonial Acres in summer of 2010.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son Richard Jr.

Richard is survived by his wife, Phyllis Blecha, of Humboldt; sons, Howard Blecha and wife Debbie of Table Rock and James and wife Vicki of Junction City, KS; daughter, Barbara Dyas of Humboldt; and 11 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 21, at the United Methodist Church in Table Rock, with Pastor Jaclyn Hoy officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, at the United Methodist Church in Table Rock. Family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m. at the church.

Interment will be at the Bohemian Cemetery East of Table Rock.

Military honors will be conducted by the Table Rock Brown-Hayes Legion Post #289 and the Nebraska Army National Guard.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family's choice.

Online condolences may be registered at www.wherrymortuary.com

Carl M. Marrs

Carl M. Marrs, 86, of Forsyth, MO, formerly of Falls City, passed away March 12, 2012 at Forsyth. He was born Sept. 2, 1925 at Mound City, MO, to the late Matthew and Sarah (Kindred) Marrs.

On Dec. 24, 1945 he married Bette Cook at Omaha. She passed away Jan. 12, 2005.

Carl was raised at Falls City and following his schooling he operated a bread route. He worked for Edwin Towle for many years until they bought the Missouri Valley Advertising Co. in 1980, retiring in 1984. The couple moved to Forsyth, MO, in 1986 where he worked for Silver Dollar City. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Falls City where he had served as Deacon.

Carl is survived by his daughters, Linda Gowe of Falls City, Judy King of Forsyth, Sherry Wisdom and her husband David of Falls City, Nancy Mandery and her husband Ray of Ft. Walton Beach, FL; 16 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, a daughter, brothers, James, Clarence, Frank, Lawrence, Dearld "Bud" Marrs; sisters, Theda Shaffer, Emma Titus, Hazel Marrs, Blanche Moss.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 17, 2012 at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Pastor Fay Ann Blaylock officiating. Interment will be in Steele Cemetery.

Hazel L. Crouse

Hazel L. (Schultz) Crouse, 90, of Wichita, KS, passed away March 16, 2012.

Survived by her loving children, Theresa (Pete) Kirkendall, Wichita, Donald (Lois) Schultz, Overbrook, KS, Phyllis (James) Ramsey, Derby, Krys (Tim) Miller, Bonner Springs, KS; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2012. Visitation with family beginning at 1 p.m. at Believers Tabernacle, 2000 S. Hillside, Wichita. Graveside services will be 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, in Steele Cemetery, Falls City.

Memorials to Believers Tabernacle Dream Center, or Multiple Sclerosis Society, 9415 E. Harry, STE 706, Wichita, KS 67207. Share memories at watsonfuneral.com

Rolyne Eckerman

Rolyne Eckerman, 53, of Fairview, KS, passed away on March 4, 2012. She was born Jan. 21, 1959, in Beloit, KS, to Marlene Watson and Roy Gasswint.

Rolyne lived most of her life in the Centralia, KS and Humboldt areas. She married Edwin Hanika; he died in 1996.

Rolyne is survived by a daughter, Brandi Hanika Conner, and husband Jordan, of Lincoln; two sisters, Dixie Hein, Enterprize, KS, Roberta Watson, Humboldt; brother, Wayne Watson, of Mitchell, S.D.

Rolyne was preceded in death by her parents and an infant son, Willaim Shippers III.

A memorial service for Rolyne was held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 24 at the Falls City Church of the Nazarene with Pastor David Showalter officiating. Interment will be in the Barada Cemetery.

Russell McCartney

Russell McCartney, 47, of Hiawatha, KS, passed away March 18, 2012 at Hiawatha. He was born March 29, 1964 at Tacoma, WA, to Joyce (Van Eno) McCartney and the late Robert McCartney.

On May 11, 1992 he married Pam Blanton at Falls City.

Russell was raised in Falls City and attended Falls City Schools. He graduated from Southeast Community College at Lincoln as a truck driver in 1993. He drove over the road for Crete Carriers, Affiliated Foods and Herrman Trucking. He retired in January 2012 due to his health. He attended Good News Assembly of God Church at Falls City.

Russell is survived by his wife, Pam of Hiawatha; sons, Damon Gates and Russell McCartney, Jr., both of Falls City,

Christopher Lee of Quantico, VA; daughters, Stephanie McCartney and Charlene Lee, both of Falls City, Veronica Lee of Osawatomie, KS; mother, Joyce McCartney of Falls City; brothers, Mike of Willis, KS, James of Falls City; sisters, Cynthia Erpelding of Platte City, MO, Tammie Vice and Angie Wendtlandt, both of Falls City; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father and a brother, Robert.

Funeral services will be held on at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 22, 2012 at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Rev. Leonard Reimers officiating. Interment will be in Steele Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 7-8 p.m. at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Anna L. Nelson

Anna L. Nelson, 92, of Falls City, passed away, March 18, 2012 at Falls City. She was born Dec. 1, 1919 at Barada to the late Carl and Emmie (Duerfeldt) Mangold.

On Feb. 16, 1948 she married Lester G. Nelson at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Falls City.

Anna attended school at District 24 and the Barada School. In 1937 she graduated from FC High School and graduated from Peru State College in 1942 with a B.S. in Home Economics Education. She taught in Silver City and Akron, IA and later in Richardson County Schools, as well as Dawson, Dawson-Verdon, Hiawatha and USD 415. She had also worked at the FC Creamery and a clothing factory in Auburn. She worked in the munitions plant in Grand Island during World War II. After retiring from teaching she worked as a home care aide until she turned 80. Her career as a Home Extension Agent started in South Dakota and later accepted a job as Extension Agent in Burt County, where she met her husband, Lester. Their first home was on a farm near Oakland, NE. In 1956 they moved to a farm near Falls City. Anna led 4-H clubs in Burt and Richardson Counties. She was confirmed at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, northeast of Falls

City and later became a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 20th & Towle, Falls City, where she had held several offices in the WELCA organization and served as Secretary of the Sunday School.

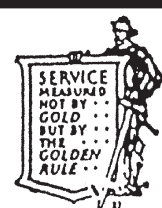
Ann is survived by her husband, Lester of Falls City; daughter, Barbara Watlington and her husband Michael of Falls City; grandsons, Mark and his wife Satin of Falls City, John and his wife Jo of Oklahoma; great-grandsons, Pierson Watlington and Carter McAdams. She was preceded in death by her parents and a great-grandson, Sean Watlington.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 22, 2012 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church with Rev. Andrew Chavanak officiating. Interment in Steele Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 7-8 p.m. Wednesday at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.

Make it Right

Eleanor Jean Meister Redfern, 86, of LaMirada, CA, passed away Jan. 25, 2012. The Journal misprinted Mrs. Redfern's name as "Ellen" in last week's paper.



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IN HOME AND EVENING APPOINTMENTS



On behalf of the Tiger Booster Club, President Robbie Craig presents a check in the amount of \$12,000 to the Falls City Public School Board of Education for the new high school strength and conditioning room project. Members of the Board expressed their thanks to the Booster Club for all their efforts for this project and other projects that they participate in for the benefit of the girls and boys of School District 56. Craig stated that if there is a need to hire someone to provide training on the new equipment to be used in the new weight room, the

Booster Club may have funds available for that also. Photographed, from left: BOE member Scott Hollens, FCHS Athletic Director Darwin Palmer, xxx, Judy Ivey, FCHS Principal Gale Dunkhas, Gina Scheitel, Craig (presenting to BOE President Scott Huppert), BOE members John Martin and Ed Harris, Kristen Poppe, Sherry Maddox, BOE member Teresa Olberding, Hank Schwartz, BOE member Kathy Bartek, Marc Merz, Shawn Thompson and District 56 Superintendent Tim Heckenlively.

School Board

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cooling elements will be installed. Plans are for much of the west wall to be fitted with 4-foot by 8-foot windows looking out to the football field.

Cost of construction is expected to be around \$60,000 and will be paid by the District's

Special Building Fund. Equipment, purchased from Power Lift, an Iowa-based company that outfits nearly 3,000 training facilities worldwide, including the University of Nebraska, will cost up to another \$70,000.

In other news from the meeting:

— The BOE voted 5-1 to increase Supt. Tim Heckenlively's annual base salary three

percent, to \$122,595.75. BOE members Kathy Bartek, Ed Harris, Scott Huppert and John Martin all voted in favor of the contract; Scott Hollens voted no. The Board also unanimously approved the 2012-13 Principal contracts with Gale Dunkhas, Rick Johnson, Ernie Valentine and J.P. Holys, with compensation to be determined at a later date.

— The Board accepted the resignation of Flag Corp Director Noala Fritz. The Board members expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Fritz for the many years she has worked with the band and flag corp. Heckenlively stated that there is a plan being worked on for a new Flag Corp Director.

— South School Principal J.P. Holys reported that the Improving Learning for Children with Disabilities (ILCD) Nebraska Department of Education Corrective Action Plan follow-up visit has been passed. ILCD plans are reviewed on a five-year cycle by the Dept. of Ed to ensure compliance.

— FC Middle School Principal Rick Johnson reported that the FCMS Band/Chorus Concert is April 12.

— FCHS Principal Gale Dunkhas reported that the Red Cross Bloodmobile would be at the school on March 28, with the Student Council and National Honor Society coordinating the event. This is the first year of the pint-sized hero's program that encourages elementary age students to recruit donors. Dunkhas also noted that the National Honor Society Induction

is March 22 at the High School auditorium, with 21 students being inducted.

— Heckenlively reported that ADT School Security will be installing a card reader lock security system in the upcoming weeks at the Parent Child Center. Parents will be provided with a card for entrance into the PCC during school hours.

— Heckenlively said faculty caseloads, class sizes and section size have been reviewed by the administration, as well as any teacher moving from probationary to permanent status. He said all faculty will be recommended for continuation of employment for the 2012-2013 school year at the regular Board meeting on April 9. Additionally, the District does not anticipate any resignations or retirements at the end of this school year and do not anticipate any certificated vacancies for the 2012-2013 school year. Considerations in staffing for next year may still include coaching assignments, an elementary teacher transfer to another grade based on enrollment projections, and the addition of the Energy Academy course at Falls City High.

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Pioneer All Conference Basketball

Falls City Sacred Heart's Sara Landis capped off a tremendous senior year by being named to the First Team of the Pioneer All-Conference team. Landis, the lone Irish basketball player in boys or girls hoops to garner first team status, led the Lady Irish to the state basketball tournament and was one of the most dominant players in the area. Landis averaged 16.7 points, 13 rebounds and 2.6 blocks per game, which included 16 double-doubles. Two single-game performances – 23 rebounds against Hampton in the district final and 20 rebounds against rival Sterling in the subdistrict final – rank among the state's all-time best single-game totals according to the Nebraska State Activities Association.

Landis' season total of 311 rebounds broke the school record previously held by Kristi Olberding (288, 1984-85) and is good for fourth best ever in the state. Her 350 career rebounds trails only Julie Froeschl (1997-2000, 725) and Allison Weaver (2000-03, 671). She also had the two best seasons for blocks in school history with 65 this year and 78 from a season ago and ranks second in school history with 179, trailing only Katie McGinnis who had 191 from



Photo by Jason Schock

Sara Landis

1995-98.

Joining Landis on the first team are junior Jenna Nieveen and sophomore Jordan Lempka of Sterling, senior Charlee Johnsen of Friend and junior Kylie Trobee from Freeman High School.

Freshman Elizabeth Magdanz received Second Team honors and twin sister Abby earned Honorable Mention.

On the boys' side, sophomore Matt Goltz was named to the Second Team. Goltz averaged 10.3 points and 7.8 rebounds per game and helped lead the Irish state tournament. Junior Clay Finck and Chaz Dunn received Honorable Mention nods, as did junior Kevin Beethe of Humboldt-TR-S.

The boys' First Team includes five seniors: Hadley

Sejkora and Garrett Borchert of Pawnee City, Kale Wolken from Johnson-Brock, Kellen Unvert from Freeman and Justin Hauder from Nebraska City Lourdes.

GIRLS 2012 PIONEER ALL-CONFERENCE BASKETBALL

First Team

Jenna Nieveen	Jr	Sterling
Sara Landis	SR	FCSH
Jordan Lempka	So	Sterling
Charlee Johnsen	Sr	Friend
Kylie Trobee	Jr	Freeman

Second Team

Taylor Menke	So	Friend
Kelsey Buss	So	Southern
Kellie Gaddy	Sr	Lewiston
El. Magdanz	Fr	FCSH
Sierra Friedly	Jr	PC

Third Team

Kim Osovski	Jr	NCL
Sarah Schmidt	So	D-O
Shannon Dierking	Sr	J-B
Savannah Banks	Sr	Freeman
Clare Stutzman	Sr	Friend

Honorable Mention

Erin Saathoff, D-O; Abby Magdanz, FCSH; Cody Vrtiska, HTRS; Lauren Heng, NCL; Taylor Rupprecht, D-O; Janae Koester, PC; Nicole Wenzl, Sterling; Amanda Andrews, Freeman; Annie Rohrig, Friend; Charli Tremain, Lewiston; Hanna Alberts, J-B; Erica Dorn, Southern.

FCWC members 1st at Humboldt Lions Club event

On Friday March 9, 19 members of the Falls City Wrestling club won first place at the 32nd annual Humboldt Lions Youth Wrestling Tournament.

FCWC results: Pre-school & Kindergarten: Robert Gilkerson, 4th; Derrick Helmick, 1st.

1st & 2nd Grade: Ely Olberding, 1st; Lance Olberding, 1st; Riley Nelson, 1st; Cameron Schramm, 2nd; Dalton Helmick, 3rd; Jocelyn O'Grady, 4th; Kellen McAfee, 2nd; Grayson Gibson, 2nd.

3rd & 4th Grade: Sara Black, 3rd; Pacer Chapple, 2nd; Sloan Lenard, 1st; Austin Licon, 2nd.

5th & 6th Grade: Keegan Hunzeker, 3rd; Ransom Campbell, 1st.

7th & 8th: Brett Black, 3rd; Blake Black, 3rd; Carter Hunzeker, 2nd.

FCMS Wrestling

FC Middle School eighth grader Blake Black went 2-1 at the 118 pound class and finished runner-up at the Palmyra Triangular last week.

Two other Tigers went 2-2 and placed fourth at the event: Carter Hunzeker, a 150-pound seventh grader, and Brett Black, a 105-pound seventh grader.

Also competing were: Parker Thompson (1-2), Brian Rose (0-2), Montana Mirelez (0-2); and Dalton Kennel (0-2).

Lady Irish win FCMS Tourney

The Sacred Heart junior high girls' basketball team won the gold division of the FC Middle School tournament held at FCHS March 5. Sacred Heart defeated Johnson-Brock 36-20 and Auburn 40-19 to claim the title.

Maggie Goltz and Haylee Heits led the Lady Irish with 11 points against J-B. Against Auburn it was Goltz with 19 points and Heits with 12.

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2012 Falls City High Golf Team. Front row, from left: Robert Hall, Dakota Pentecost, Claudia Uget, Preston Deckinger, Ching Kong, Weston Witt, Brendon Heckenlively, Jack Hartman and Coulton McCann. Back row: Zach Cornell, Jubal Ogden, Wade Witt, Jerrica Beckner, Tyler Ansel, Brent Maze, Raven Weinmann, Brody Weinmann and Brandt Vice.

2012 FCHS Tiger Golf Schedule

Mar. 20	HTRS/Auburn (V)	4 p.m.
Mar. 26	Auburn Invitational (V)	9 a.m.
Apr. 3	HTRS/Auburn @ Auburn (JV)	4 p.m.
Apr. 4	Lewiston Invite @ Beatrice (V)	10 a.m.
Apr. 5	Sabetha, KS, Invite (JV)	3 p.m.
Apr. 5	Hiawatha, KS, Invite (V)	3 p.m.
Apr. 10	Hiawatha, KS, Invite (JV)	3 p.m.
Apr. 10	Humboldt Invite (V)	9 a.m.
Apr. 12	Nebraska City Invite(V)	9 a.m.
Apr. 16	Falls City Invite (JV)	2:30 p.m.
Apr. 17	Tarkio/Rockport @ Rock Port (JV,V)	4 p.m.
Apr. 18	Wymore Invite	9:30 a.m.
Apr. 23	Falls City Triang. (JV,V)	4 p.m.
Apr. 24	Parent's Night - Jug Brown Stadium	TBA
Apr. 25	Palmyra Invite @ Woodland Hills (V)	8:30 a.m.
May 3	Johnson County Central Invite (JV,V)	9 a.m.
May 16	Class B Districts @ Beatrice Country Club	TBA
May 25	State Golf @ Meadowlark Hills - Kearney	TBA

(Home meets in bold)



Fourth graders on Falls City No. 1, coached by Jason Bredemeier, recently won the Pawnee City basketball tournament. After beating Auburn and Johnson Brock, the team came back from six points down with a minute left in regulation to beat Seneca in double overtime. Front row, from left: Brock Hogue, James Eickhoff, Dillan Huettner, Cole Kirkendall; back row, Coach Bredemeier, Braden Oliver, Keldon Campbell, Justin Reiss, Caden Simon and Kade Bredemeier.

Seek singer for National Anthem

The Nebraska Sports Council is inviting solo musicians across Nebraska to participate in its second annual National Anthem contest. The winner will perform the Star Spangled Banner before an estimated crowd of 8,000 at this year's Cornhusker State Games Opening Ceremonies. Contestants have until April 22 to complete and submit their audition video.

The Opening Ceremonies, which takes place on July 20 at 8 p.m. at Seacrest Field in Lincoln, also features skydivers, fireworks, National Guard chopper fly-in, parade of athletes, an appearance by Miss Nebraska Amy Spilker and the lighting of the cauldron by a mystery celebrity athlete.

The Opening Ceremonies provides a celebratory beginning to the 28th annual Cornhusker State Games with competition in 65 sports from July 20-29 at venues in Lincoln, Omaha and surrounding communities. More than 12,000 are expected to participate, each receiving a free shirt, yearbook, meal ticket and admission to the Opening Ceremonies. Registration is open at CornhuskerStateGames.com.

There is no cost to enter the National Anthem contest. Contestants, who must be solo performers, must upload their audition video to www.YouTube.com and email the link, along with their name, age, hometown, phone number and email address to ashley@nebraskasportscount

cil.com by April 22. A judging panel will then determine five finalists for online voting by the public via the Cornhusker State Games Facebook page after April 27th. The video which receives the most likes by May 11th will determine the winning performer.

The winner will also receive recognition in the 2012 Nebraska Sports Council Yearbook, and lodging will be provided if the winner lives more than 50 miles from Lincoln. The contest is restricted to amateur performers, defined as those whose main source of income is not derived from performing.

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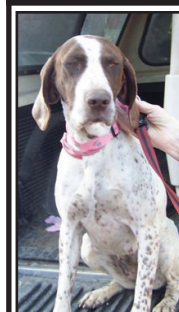
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USDA warns of fraudulent faxes UNL scientists: 'Plants remember drought'

LINCOLN — USDA officials learned late Friday afternoon, March 16, that fraudulent letters are being sent by FAX to individuals and businesses in at least four states. The letters purportedly come from a USDA procurement officer and seek personal information.

These letters are false and in no case should a recipient respond with personal and financial information. The fraudulent letters bear USDA's logo and seal and are signed by an individual identified as "Frank Rutenberg" using a title of "Senior Procurement Officer."

Letters have been received by FAX in Alabama, Nebraska, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, but may have also been sent to other states. Recipients should not respond and should not supply the requested information. USDA is investigating this matter through the Office of Inspector General.

If you suspect you have received such a letter of have questions, please contact USDA at: procurement.policy@dm.usda.gov or call 202-720-9448 or contact your local FSA office.

Students

Jessica Ramsey, daughter of Mike Ramsey, Salem, and Laura Bowe, Walla Walla, WA, earned a place on the Dean's List at the University of Idaho at Moscow, ID, for the first semester. Her GPA was 3.75.

Plants subjected to a previous period of drought learn to deal with the stress thanks to their memories of the previous experience, University of Nebraska-Lincoln research has found. The findings could lead to development of crops better able to withstand drought.

The research also confirms, for the first time, the scientific basis for what home gardeners and nursery professionals have learned, often through hard experience: Transplants do better when water is withheld for a few days to drought harden them before the move.

"This phenomenon of drought hardening is in the common literature but not really in the academic literature," said Michael Fromm, a UNL plant scientist who was part of the research team. "The mechanisms involved in this process seem to be what we found."

The work is the subject of an article this week in the online journal Nature Communications.

Working with Arabidopsis, a member of the mustard family considered an excellent model for plant research, the team of Fromm, plant molecular biologist Zoya

Avramova and post-doctoral fellow Yong Ding compared the reaction of plants that had been previously stressed by withholding water to those not previously stressed. The pre-stressed plants bounced back more quickly the next time they were dehydrated. Specifically, the nontrained plants wilted faster than trained plants and their leaves lost water at a faster rate than trained plants.

"The plants 'remember' dehydration stress. It will condition them to survive future drought stress and transplanting," Fromm said.

The team found that the trained plants responded to subsequent dehydration by increasing transcription of a certain subset of genes. During recovery periods when water is available, transcription of these genes returns to normal levels, but following subsequent drought periods the plants remember their transcriptional response to stress and induce these genes to higher levels in this subsequent drought stress.

"All of this is driven by events at the molecular level," Avramova said. "We demonstrate that this transcriptional memory is associated with chromatin changes that seem to be involved in maintaining this memory."

Arabidopsis forgets this previous stress after five days of watering, though other plants may differ in that memory time.

This is the first instance of transcriptional memory found in any life form above yeasts.

This discovery may lead to breeding or engineering of crops that would better withstand drought, although practical applications of these findings in agriculture are years away, Fromm said.

"We're a long way off. We're just starting to get a basic understanding," Fromm said. "It's possible plants overreact to a first drought stress. They panic, they slow down more than they need to."

Perhaps scientists can modify those instincts in plants to help maintain or improve productivity during times of drought, he added.

But home gardeners can make immediate use of these findings.

"If I was transplanting something, I would deprive it of water for a couple of days, then water overnight, then transplant," Fromm said.

Expect fewer grasshoppers this summer

Adult grasshopper numbers decreased in 2011 in western Nebraska rangelands, despite a high risk of grasshopper infestation. Subsequently, the odds are lower for 2012 outbreaks in many areas, according to several University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension entomology experts.

Average adult grasshopper numbers (per square yard) dropped from 17.8 in 2010 to 15.6 in 2011. Grasshopper numbers respond to environmental conditions; however, species respond differently to precipitation, plant communities, soil

characteristics and microclimate, said Sean Whipple, post-doctoral research associate at UNL's Panhandle Research and Extension Center in Scottsbluff.

A wet spring and rains from mid-May through June, when many grasshoppers hatch and develop, improves rangeland forage quality, reducing the loss from grasshopper infestation. He noted that ranchers and range managers should be prepared to monitor grasshopper densities from mid-May through June.

The 2012 risk category is based on 2011 surveys conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Numbers of adult grasshoppers last year are an index of the number of eggs laid, which is the overwintering stage of the most damaging species, said Bob Wright, entomologist in the university's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Whipple adds that most grasshopper species are not considered rangeland pests, and many increase plant production under certain circumstances. Of the more than 100 grasshopper species present in Nebraska, species of concern for 2012 include Ageneotettix deorum, Phoetaliotes nebrascensis, and Melanoplus angustipennis, which comprised 30 percent, 11.5 percent and 7.9 percent of the total adult numbers from 2011, respectively. Ranchers should look for elevated numbers of these species.



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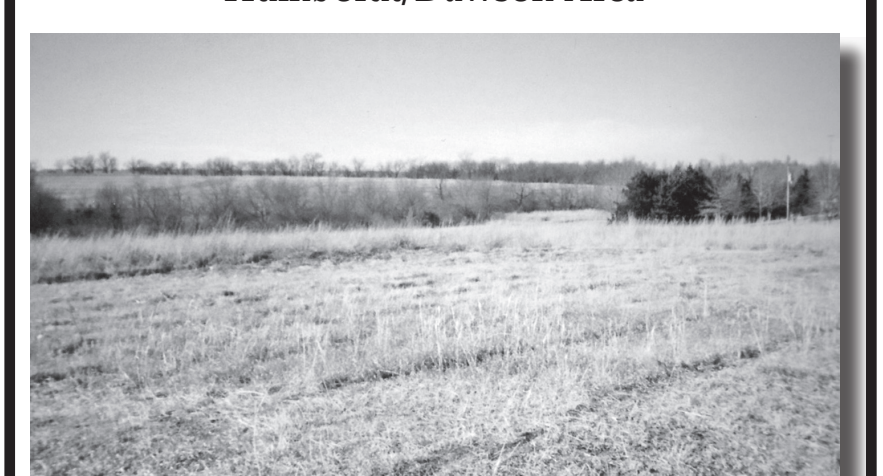
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On Monday morning, Humboldt-TR-S senior Hannah Volker signed a letter of intent to Midland University where she will play volleyball beginning next fall. Volker was joined by her parents, Lin and Sarah, H-TR-S volleyball head coach Kara Engles and Midland University volleyball head coach Paul Giesselmann. Volker was one of the most dominant players in the area and led H-TR-S to their first state tournament appearance in 2010. She finished her career with 1,490 kills, 262 ace blocks and 130 ace serves.

Midland finished 21-11 under Coach Giesselmann last fall. Giesselmann is entering his third season as head coach at Midland and has helped turn around a program that won just eight games in 2009, the year before he arrived. Giesselmann was recognized as the Omaha World Herald's Nebraska State College Women's Coach of the Year in 1999 and the NAIA coach of the year in 2000.

Engles said she was very lucky to have coached Volker for four years and knows Midland is receiving a great student-athlete. "It has been a pleasure to work with Hannah over the last four years," said Engles. "She is a very talented athlete and an outstanding overall volleyball player. Hannah is a natural leader, both in practices and games. Midland has a great volleyball program that already includes a few local girls who are big contributors on their team. I feel it is a really good fit for Hannah and I am excited to see what the future holds for her."

R. Patnode, Jordan C. Stoller, Baylee M. Vrtiska.

Regular Honor Roll

Seniors: Allison D. Bierman, Jessica L. Cochran, Phillip A. Doerr, Brandon T. Hayes, Eli W. Kuker, Jacy J. Lewis, Erin M. Lyons, Matthew T. McCann, Whitney M. Pounds, Victoria S. Roseberry, Allison D. Rowland, Rachel E. Shubert, Mystia D. Skirmont, Joshua M. Stoller, Chris S. Yoesel, Jessica M. Yoesel.

Juniors: Vincent C. Bennett, Joseph Brightwell-Kelley, Mitchell Q. Campbell, Tressa E. Chandler, Ashley K. Crawford, Kelsey J. Hayes, Desiree M. Herling, Kirsten A. Herling, Kristen G. Kean, Wade A. Maddox, Wade W. Witt.

Sophomores: Christopher M. Counce, Justin H. Doerr, Anastasia H. Finner, Chase P. Thompson, Emily A. Weaver, Emily F. Wilhide.

Freshmen: Desiree A. Dawkins, Justin C. Ernst, Shiloah M. Feighner, Brandon L. Gibson, Brenden Heckenlively, Montana C. Jones, Zachary S. Jordening, Taylor G. O'Brien, Hannah M. Peek, Maygan M. Ramsey, Marrissa N. Stark, Brody D. Weinmann, Weston G. Witt.

FC Travelers

The Falls City Travelers Softball Program will hold an organizational meeting for the 2012 season at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at Bredeaux Pizza.

Anyone interested in participating is urged to attend. Those unable to make the meeting should contact Carl Messner at 402-245-5588.

On this day in 1973, Roberto Clemente was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame - 11 days after his death.

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 For More Information Contact Brian Volkmer, Director, Nebraska City Museum Association - 402-209-0549 or ncma-brian@windstream.net

FCHS Honor Roll

Falls City High School's Orange and Black Honor Roll and Regular Honor Roll for the third quarter follow:

Orange and Black

Seniors: Logan D. Auffert, Shelby M. Duerfeldt, Justin M. Elwonger, Kenneth E. Frederick, Hannah F. Gilfillan, Florian Hofmann, Ashleigh A. Jordening, Ching L. Kong, Brent S. Maze, Mariah M. Peck, Kelsey C. Prichard, Ashley L. Sickel, Amber M. Stice, Sophia L. Weinert, Raven A. Weinmann.

Juniors: Courtney R.

Chapple, Jeffery A. Cornell, Elizabeth M. Eickhoff, Cord A. Huettner, Bethany J. Lampe, Claire E. Poppe, David M. von Behren, Amie D. Wiltse.

Sophomores: Kirstyn J. Buchholz, Haley D. Cochran, Tyler E. DiGiacomo, Karlene R. Embretson, Anne E. Gifford, Mitchell J. Harling, Reese A. Hogue, Madison M. Olberding, Brittany L. Ritter, Cody D. Schawang, Brooke M. Scheitel.

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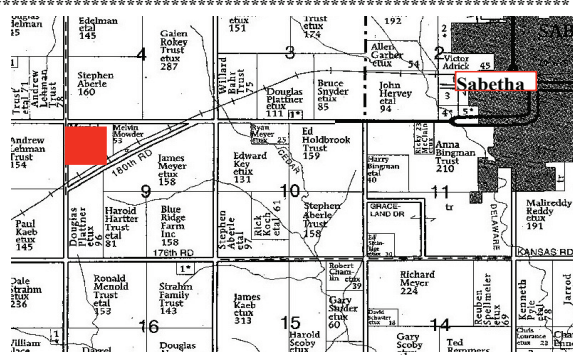
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Husker Beef Lab makes stop in FC

Recently, the mobile Husker Beef Lab made a visit to Richardson County. There were public viewing and visitations in both Falls City and Humboldt. In addition, the Lab visited students at Sacred Heart, Falls City Public, and HTRS.

The Husker Beef Lab is a fully enclosed, 20-foot trailer that has a fistulated (hole into the rumen – largest compartment of stomach) steer, a microscope, a TV, and a computer. The Husker Beef Lab provides hands-on experiences; teaches science principles through a ruminant animal; and teaches Nebraskans the value of, and support the production of, high quality, protein beef animals. Participants had the opportunity to look and/or reach inside of the fistulated steer to see and touch the stomach lining and digested feedstuffs. Participants also had a chance to see how the bacteria in the gut of the steer are working to break down forages.

This hands-on, educational opportunity has made an impression on the estimated 350 persons that experienced the fistulated steer. Days later, the schools reported the students were still talking about it!!

This event was sponsored by the Richardson County Extension Office and the Richardson County Commissioners.



For more information, contact Lindsay Chichester, Extension Educator, at the Richardson County Extension Office 402-245-4324 or lchichester2@unl.edu.

New preventative services for Medicare beneficiaries

Over the past several months, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has added five new preventive benefits to its roster of free services for Medicare beneficiaries. These new preventive services include:

- An annual depression screening for all Medicare beneficiaries
- An intensive obesity screening and behavioral counseling to help Medicare beneficiaries who are obese lose weight and sustain weight loss through proper diet and exercise
- An annual cardiovascular screening, which gives primary care providers the opportunity to screen for high blood pressure, provide counseling around maintaining a healthy diet, and when appropriate, recommend taking aspirin

• An annual alcohol misuse screening for all Medicare beneficiaries, as well as counseling sessions for individuals found to be misusing alcohol

• An STD/STI screening for Medicare beneficiaries who have certain risk factors

In addition to the new services, Medicare also continues to offer the following preventive services:

- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening
- Bone Mass Measurement
- Cardiovascular Screenings
- Colorectal Cancer Screenings
- Diabetes Screenings
- Diabetes Self Management Training
- Flu Shots
- Glaucoma Test
- Hepatitis B Shots



Sacred Heart students watch as their teacher, Mimi Santo, feels inside of the steer's rumen!

- HIV Screening
- Pap Test and Pelvic Exam
- Preventive Visits
- Pneumococcal Shot
- Prostate Cancer Screenings
- Screening Mammogram
- Tobacco Use Cessation Counseling

For beneficiaries that have Medicare Parts A and B, there will not be coinsurance or deductible payments required for these preventive services (as long as the doctor seen accepts Medicare assignment). If a Medicare beneficiary receives Medicare benefits through a Medicare Advantage plan, they will also pay no out-of-pocket costs. However, the Medicare Advantage plan may require that an in-network provider is used. Cost-sharing may apply if the doctor makes a diagnosis during a service or performs additional tests or procedures.

There are three ways for Medicare beneficiaries to get additional information regarding Medicare's preventive benefits:

- Get one-on-one help from the Nebraska Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP). Call the SHIIP toll-free hotline at 800-234-7119 to make an appointment.
- Visit <http://www.medicare.gov> to review a comprehensive list of all preventive services offered by Medicare.

- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) 24-hours a day/7 days a week to find out more about your covered preventive services. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Separate sealed proposals will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, 1820 Towle Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, until 4:00 p.m., local time, on the 30th day of March, 2012, for the furnishing of all labor, materials, use of Contractor's equipment and plant, and all else necessary to properly construct FALLS CITY SEPTIC WASTE AND GRIT UNLOADING STATION, FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA

At which hour, or as soon as possible thereafter, Falls City Utilities of Falls City, Nebraska, will proceed to publicly open in the presence of bidders and consider the bids received for the furnishing of said labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the proper construction of the improvements.

The purpose of the work for said project includes the construction of the items listed below and other related and preparatory work.

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The proposals shall be made on a form furnished by Kirkham Michael, and must be accompanied by a certified check on a bank whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or a bid bond in the amount of 5% of bid made payable to the City of Falls City, Nebraska, which shall be considered as liquidated damages and shall be forfeited to the City of Falls City, Nebraska, if said proposal or bid is accepted and the bidder fails to execute the contract and file the required bonds and insurance certificate as provided in the Contract Documents within ten days from award.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond on the form included in the Contract Documents and each in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, said bonds to be executed by a responsible corporate surety approved by the City of Falls City, Nebraska, and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee payment for all labor and materials used in connection with the work.

The City of Falls City, Nebraska, reserves the right to waive informalities and to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 15th day of March, 2012.

THE CITY OF FALLS CITY
Alan Romine,
Utilities Supt.
20-27

NOTICE OF HEARING ORGANIZATIONAL TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR 2012

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of April, 2012, at 8:45 a.m. the Richardson County Board of Equalization will hold a hearing in Room 202, Richardson County Courthouse in Falls City, to consider applications from organizations seeking tax exemption for 2012. The applications, descriptions of the property and the recommendations of the Richardson County Assessor are available at the office of the Assessor located in the Courthouse, Room 102, Falls City, Nebraska.

David D. Sickel, Chairman
Richardson County
Board of Commissioners

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Richardson County Clerk
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALL ORDER 110 FEDERAL PROJECT NO. ER-73-1(117)

LOCATION: US-73, FALLS CITY- US-75
COUNTIES: RICHARDSON

The Nebraska Department of Roads will receive sealed bids in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Hwy. 2 in Lincoln, until 1:30 P.M. on April 12, 2012. At that time the bids will be opened and read for BITUMINOUS

BIDDING PROPOSAL FORMS WILL BE ISSUED AND A CONTRACT AWARDED TO A CONTRACTOR WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR: BITUMINOUS

Length: 13.7 MILES
START DATE 05/14/2012
CALENDAR DAYS 174
Price Range \$4,000,000 to \$7,000,000
THIS PROJECT CONTAINS A DBE GOAL OF 4.0%

Plans and specifications may be seen beginning March 20, 2012, at the Lincoln Central Office and March 26, 2012, at the District Engineer's Office at LINCOLN

Additional letting information may be found at the Nebraska Department of Roads Web Site at <http://www.dor.state.ne.us/letting/>

This project is funded under the Federal-Aid Highway Act, all appropriate Federal requirements will apply. 20-27-3

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALL ORDER 115 FEDERAL PROJECT NO. ER-75-1(106)

LOCATION: US-75, KANSAS STATE LINE-AUBURN COUNTIES: NEMAHA, RICHARDSON

The Nebraska Department of Roads will receive sealed bids in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Hwy. 2 in Lincoln, until 1:30 P.M. on April 12, 2012. At that time the bids will be opened and read for BITUMINOUS

BIDDING PROPOSAL FORMS WILL BE ISSUED AND A CONTRACT AWARDED TO A CONTRACTOR WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR: BITUMINOUS

Length: 26.8 MILES
START DATE 05/14/2012
CALENDAR DAYS 174
Price Range \$7,000,000 to \$12,000,000
THIS PROJECT CONTAINS A DBE GOAL OF 5.0%

Plans and specifications may be seen beginning March 20, 2012 at the Lincoln Central Office and March 26, 2012 at the District Engineer's Office at LINCOLN

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Notice to Bidders

Notice: HTRS Schools is in search of contractors willing to bid on concession stand/press box/restroom facility at the football field in Humboldt. If you are interested, we hope you plan to attend an informational meeting to be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 in Board Conference Room in Humboldt. The purpose of this meeting is to provide anyone interested with specifications and hand out plans for bidding on the concession stand/press box/ restrooms project. We plan to go to the football field and visit the site also. If you are unable to attend, please contact Clinton Kimbrough to make special arrangements to get the information. Bids will be presented at the April regular board meeting. Clinton Kimbrough Superintendent of Schools, HTRS

Voting: Glen Kelley, Gerald Barber and Kevin Barber: Yea

Treasurer's Reports: Motion made to approve the treasurer's report by Gerald Barber, Seconded by Glen Kelley. Voting, Glen Kelley, Kevin Barber and Gerald Barber: Yea.

OLD BUSINESS: Street repair: FEMA will contribute \$10,000 for the building of a new out house at the boat dock. It was discussed that a concrete out house is what is needed, due to the flooding, but that would cost \$10 to \$12 thousand more than they will allow. The board looked at other options of a concrete base and wood top, it was discussed if the Boat Club would help build or contribute. Jan Price will contact them and see if they are interested. More rock is needed on Dupis Street. There needs to be a no outlet sign put up at the corner of Commercial and Rouleau, to stop people from driving down Ash Street trying to cross the bridge. Water Department: Jan Price gave the report. Stanley Suedmeier mentioned that 12 new meters for the Village were purchased. Library: No report. Fire Department: Kevin Barber brought up the safety reasons for two people to be in the fire truck when it leaves the fire house. The board said that the safety code had been in effect for over 20 years, and there should be two people in the truck when it leaves the fire house. Cemetery: Allen Donigan reported that he wont be mowing the out side of the Cemetery any longer, and to add it to the mowing description. Jan Price is to post bids for mowing for the Cemetery and the Village.

Auditorium: No report.
New Business: Jeannette Schulenberg requested approval to have Keno at

Wild Bill's Bar and Grill, formally The Bridge Bar and Grill. The council said they would review the contract and will give them an answer at next months meeting. The board discussed bidding on a dump truck for the village, they decided not to purchase.

Claims

SE NE Telephone \$51.20, FC Utilities \$1,440.93; FC Journal \$12.15., OPDP \$944.26, Heetco \$763.50,Whetrock Inc.\$1581.0, Merz Farm Equipment \$45.53, Farmers Repair and Machine Shop \$72.36, James Cooce \$235.87, Sandy Oswald \$92.35, Shirley Dupree \$92.35, Janice Price \$649.77, Stanley Suedmeier \$215.87.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Stanley Suedmeier to adjourn, Seconded by Gerald Barber, Voting: Kevin Barber, Gerald Barber and Glen Kelley. Yea

Jan Price/ Village Clerk/ Secretary

Village of Stella

March Claims, Payroll

Dan Sullwold, 130.00; Henry Sullwold, 50.00; Elizabeth Ketner, 84.97; Elizabeth Ketner, 71.88; Shadow Loveless, 57.50; USA Bluebook, 117.21; Diesel Power Equipment, 1,012.78; OPDP, 322.21; Farmers Repair & Machine Shop, 27.00; Midwest Labs Inc., 58.77; Paul Platter, 45.00; NE Public Health Env. Labs, 50.00; American Recycling & Sanitation, 1,040.00; FC Journal, 80.60; George Ketner, 167.09; NPPD, 1,291.75; George Ketner, 430.00; Vicki Owings, 525.00; Vicki Owings, 2.02; SE NE Communications, 146.12; IRS, 157.98.

City of Falls City Annual Water Quality Report For the period of Jan. 1 to Dec.31, 2011

The City of Falls City Utility Department served 2498 customers with approximately 204,000,000 gallons of water in 2011 alone. Customers are provided high quality safe drinking water that surpasses all federal and state standards.

In 1996, the U.S. Congress revised the Safe Drinking Water Act, requiring public water supply systems to send annual water quality reports to all of their customers, beginning with the year 1998.

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water.

For more information regarding this report, or public participation opportunities contact: **Alan Romine at Falls City Utility Department, (402) 245-2724** If you would like to observe the decision-making processes that affect drinking water quality, please attend the Utility Board regularly scheduled meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 5:30 P.M., City Hall, 1820 Towle St., Falls City. If you would like to participate in the process, please contact the City Clerk to arrange to be placed on the agenda.

This report is also available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.hhs.state.ne.us>, the Website of the Nebraska Health and Human Services System. Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Source of Your Drinking Water
The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

The source of drinking water used by the City of Falls City water system is Groundwater provided by eleven wells located south of Rulo, NE.

The water is lime-softened to remove iron and manganese hardness. It then flows through filters to remove fine particles which may be present in the

water. Before entering the distribution system, the water is disinfected with chlorine and the naturally occurring level of fluoride is raised to aid in the prevention of tooth decay.

Source Water Assessment Availability
The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) has completed the Source Water Assessment. Included in the assessment is a Wellhead Protection Area Map, potential contaminant source inventory, vulnerability rating, and source water protection information. The City, with assistance from the Nemaha Natural Resource District is further investigating potential contaminant sources and the possible avenues of mitigation. To view the Source Water Assessment or for more information please contact the Falls City Utility Offices or NDEQ at (402) 471-6988.

Contaminants in Drinking Water
Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 471-6998.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:
Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection of public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The City of Falls City is required to test for the following contaminants: Coliform Bacteria, Antimony, Arsenic, Asbestos, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Cyanide, Fluoride, Lead, Mercury, Nickel, Nitrate, Nitrite, Selenium, Sodium, Thallium, Atrazine, Benz(a)pyrene, carbofuran, Chloroform, Dieldrin, DDE, DDT, Dieldrin, Dieldrin, Dieldrin, Dibromochloropropane, Dioxin, Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, Diquat, 2,4-D, Endothal, Endrin, Ethylene dibromide, Glyphosate, Heptachlor, Heptachlor epoxide, Hexachlorobenzene, Hexachlorocyclopentadiene, Lindane, Methoxychlor, Oxamyl (Vydate), Pentachlorophenol, Picloram, Polychlorinated biphenyls, Simazine, Toxaphene, Dioxin, Silvex, Benzene, Carbon Tetrachloride, o-Dichlorobenzene, Para-Dichlorobenzene, 1,2-Dichloroethane, 1,1-Dichloroethylene, Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene, Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene, Dichloromethane, 1,2-Dichloropropane, Ethylbenzene, Monochlorobenzene, 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene, 1,1,1-Trichloroethane, 1,1,2-Trichloroethane, Trichloroethylene, Vinyl Chloride, Styrene, Tetrachloroethylene, Toluene, Xylenes(total), Gross Alpha (minus Uranium & Radium 226), Radium 226 plus Radium 228, Sulfate, Chloroform, Bromochloromethane, Chlorodibromomethane, Bromoform, Chlorobenzene, m-Dichlorobenzene, 1,1-Dichloropropane, 1,1-Dichloroethane, 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane, 1,2-Dichloropropane, Chloromethane, Bromomethane, 1,2,3-Trichloropropane, 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane, Chloroethane, 2,2-Dichloropropane, o-Chlorotoluene, p-Chlorotoluene, Bromobenzene, 1,3-Dichloropropane, Aldrin, Butachlor, Carbaryl, Dicamba, Dieldrin, 3-Hydroxycarbofuran, Methoxy, Metolachlor, Metribuzin, Propachlor Uranium-If disinfecting test for DBP's.

Cross-Connection Question And Answer
Q: What is a cross connection?

A: A cross connection is a direct arrangement of a piping line which allows the potable water supply to be connected to a line which contains a contaminant. An example is the common garden hose attached to a sill cock with the end of the hose submerged in a tub full of detergent, supply lines connected to bottom-fed tanks, supply lines to boilers,

TEST RESULTS (COLLECTED IN 2011 UNLESS NOTED)

Microbiological	Highest No. of Positive Samples	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination	Violations Present
Coliform (TCR)	One sample was found positive during the month of October in the Calendar Year of 2011	MCL: Systems that collect less than 40 Samples per Month – No more than 1 positive monthly sample	0	Naturally present in the environment	No

Lead and Copper	Monitoring Period	90 th percentile	Range	Unit	AL	Sites over AL	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper, Free	2008-2010	0.196	0.00816-0.401	ppm	1.3	0	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing.
Lead	2008-2010	9.27	1.04-26.3	ppb	15	2	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing.

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
ARSENIC	10/14/2008	14	3.11 - 14	ppb	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
BARIIUM	1/22/2008	0.0422	0.0422	ppm	2	2	Discharge from drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
CHROMIUM	1/22/2008	9.86	9.86	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural depo'sits.
FLUORIDE	1/1/2010-12-31/2010	1.22	0.967-1.22	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; Fertilizer discharge.
NITRATE-NITRITE	8/9/2010	0.582	0.582	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Disinfection Byproducts	Monitoring Period	Highest RAA	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (haa5)	7/1/2010-6/30/2011	5.99	5.99	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
TTHM	7/1/2010-6/30/2011	42.5	42.5	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Radiological Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
GROSS ALPHA, INCL. RADON & U	4/14/2008	1.4	1.4	pCi/l	15	0	Erosion of natural deposits.

Unregulated Water Quality Data	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range	Unit	Secondary MCL
SULFATE	10-13-2009	89	89	Mg/l	250

During the 2010 calendar year, we had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Type	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
No Violations Occurred in the Calendar Year 2010			

Additional Required Health Effects Language:

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system., and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Infants and children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other home's in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush you tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4761).

Note: The State requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore, some of this data may be more than one year old. MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. MCLG (Maximum contaminant Level Goal): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety: AL (Action Level): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. ppb: parts per billion ppt: parts per trillion pCi/l: picoCuries per liter (measurement of radioactivity)

CUSTOMERS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY WILL NOT BE MAILED A COPY OF THIS 2011 QUALITY WATER REPORT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE A COPY, YOU CAN PICK UP A COPY AT THE UTILITY OFFICE, LOCATED AT 1820 TOWLE STREET, FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M. WEEKDAYS.

School Board #56

FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Minutes of the March 12, 2012 School Board Meeting

The Falls City Board of Education met at 7 p.m. Monday, March 12, 2012, at the Superintendent's Office at Middle School in Falls City, NE.

1.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

1.1 ROLL CALL – School Board members present were: Kathy Bartek, Ed Harris, Scott Hollens, Scott Huppert, John Martin and Teresa Olberding. Absent: None. President Scott Huppert presided at the meeting.

1.2 VERIFICATION OF ADVANCED PUBLICATION – It was moved by John Martin and seconded by Teresa Olberding that it is hereby determined that this meeting was preceded by publicized notice in the Falls City Journal and is hereby declared to be duly convened in open session. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion was declared passed and adopted and the following proceedings were had and done at said meeting in open session.

1.3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA – It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by Kathy Bartek to approve the agenda as presented. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried. The agenda is as follows:

1.0 Business Items:

1.1 Roll Call
1.2 Verification of Advanced Publication

1.3 Approval of Agenda
1.4 Approval of Previous Minutes
1.5 Audiences
1.6 Approval of Treasurer's Report

1.7 Approval of Claims

2.0 Informational Items/Reports:
2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Reports: Tiger Booster Club, Gail Froeschl, Elementary Media Specialist

2.2 Principal's Reports
2.3 Board President's Report
2.4 Superintendent's Report

2.4a Legislative & Organization Update
2.4b Building and Grounds Update

2.4c School Improvement Process
2.4d SLP Endorsement Ad Hoc Committee

2.4e Staffing Planning Update
2.4f Superintendent Meetings
2.4g Board Member Meetings
2.4h Other

2.5 Board Member Comments and/or Reports
2.6 Additions

3.0 Old/New Action Items:
3.1 Adopt 2012 District Goals
3.2 Non-Resident Tuition Rate
3.3 Resignation of Flag Corp Director

3.4 Appointment of Legislation Committee Member #13
3.5 Superintendent Contract (closed session)

3.6 Principal Contracts (closed session)
3.7 Other

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

5.0 Adjournment and Next Meetings: The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 9, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Central Office in FCMS. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent. Board Committee meetings to be determined.

1.4 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – Superintendent Heckenlively asked that the minutes of the Feb. 13, 2012 School Board meeting be amended at paragraph 3.2, 2012 Project List, the third sentence, "bids" should be replaced with "cost proposals" so the sentence should read "It was reported that the cost proposals at this time are in the area of \$50,000.00 and that as much of the project that can be done by the school maintenance crew will be done to save on costs for the project." It was moved by Scott Hollens and seconded by Kathy Bartek to approve the minutes of the Feb. 13, 2012 School Board meeting as amended and approve the minutes of the Board of Education Planning Workshop held on March 3, 2012. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

1.5 AUDIENCES: Robbie Craig, President of the Tiger Booster Club, and various members of the club were present at the meeting. On behalf of the Tiger Booster Club Mr. Craig presented a check in the amount of \$12,000.00 to the Board of Education for the new weight room project. Members of the Board expressed their thanks to the Booster Club for all their efforts for this project and other projects that they participate in for the benefit of the girls and boys of School District 56. Mr. Craig stated that if there is a need to hire someone to provide training on the new equipment to be used in the new weight room, the Booster Club may have funds available for that also.

1.6 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT: It was moved by Kathy Bartek and seconded by John Martin to approve the Feb. 29, 2012 treasurer's report which shows a balance in the General Fund of \$1,129,050.76; in the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking of \$46,431.26; in the Student Fee Fund of \$1,825.00; in the ICI Fund of \$60,336.51; in the Special Building Fund Investment Account of \$470,041.72; in the Special Building Fund of \$13,972.09; and in the High School Bond Fund of \$161,866.42.

The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

MARCH 2012 CLAIMS

4-Corner Ag & Building Supply Inc., grounds supp.....	\$210.00
Ameripride, linen rental.....	\$558.28
AmSan, custodial supp.....	\$250.10
Apple, Inc., tech supp.....	\$1,075.00
Armbruster Motor, car lease.....	\$300.00
Blick Art Materials, HS art supp.....	\$859.17
CCS Presentation Systems, elementary equip.....	\$1,338.70
Central Office Account, mileage, workshop exp.....	\$2,967.27
C.O. Account, postage.....	\$479.55
C.O. Account, bus permits & cell phones.....	\$159.25
C.O. Account, misc. exp.....	\$4,250.18
C.O. Account, payables w/ due dates.....	\$594.04
Channing Bete Co., supp.....	\$354.30
Check-In Motel, Sped travel.....	\$480.00
Cornhusker International Trucks, bus supp.....	\$225.20
Decker Equipment, supp.....	\$30.14
Dietze Music, HS band supp.....	\$100.00
Ebsco, HS, MS supp.....	\$720.02
Edwards Chemicals, supp.....	\$243.09
Elementary Account - NS, teaching supp.....	\$312.63
Elementary Account -SS, teaching supp.....	\$70.69
ESU #6, District Internet.....	\$323.33
ESU#4 - Co-op, seminar.....	\$30.00
ESU#4- Contracted Serv, SPED serv.....	\$1,758.86
FC Journal, advertising.....	\$198.45
Farm and City Supply, supp.....	\$276.38
Farmers Repair & Machine Shop, LLC, supp.....	\$26.00
FC Auto Supplies, supp.....	\$306.42
FC Lunch Program, supp.....	\$2,141.10
FC Sanitation, waste rem.....	\$770.00
FC Utilities, utilities.....	\$26,250.96
Flashmaster LLC, SS supp.....	\$990.05
Flinn Scientific, supp.....	\$341.05
Follett Library Resources, media supp.....	\$627.03
Harmon's, bus repairs/maint.....	\$10.00
Holland Instrument Repair, MS instrument repair.....	\$40.00
Home Lumber, grounds supp.....	\$240.76
HS Activity Account, supp.....	\$847.54
Hullman's Ford Lincoln, bus repairs/maint.....	\$122.59
Inland Truck Parts and Service, bus supp.....	\$674.78
Interstate All Battery Center, bus supp.....	\$260.50
IXL Learning, license renewal.....	\$2,800.00
Jim Hill's, bus supp.....	\$73.60
Jo Crawford, SPED serv.....	\$3,641.31
Jones AC, repairs/maint.....	\$595.21
Kriz-Davis Co., supp.....	\$305.45
Lawson Products, bus supp.....	\$414.89
Mary Malcolm, SPED serv.....	\$2,371.00
Mechanical Sales Parts, maint. equip.....	\$428.95
Mid-Town Service, supp.....	\$12.00
Mr. Automotive, bus supp.....	\$260.84
MS Activity Account, supp.....	\$366.60
NCECBVI, SPED serv.....	\$269.50
NCSA, conference.....	\$314.00
NETA Conference, conf.....	\$370.00
Nodaway Valley Bank, copier lease.....	\$4,200.00
NT&T, Inc., phone serv.....	\$30.13
Omaha Truck Center, bus repairs/maint.....	\$344.65
Pamida, HS supp.....	\$116.28
Paper Tiger Shredding, district document shredding.....	\$120.00
PCC, Jan/Feb lunch.....	\$610.80
Pigtails N Inkwells, SS supp.....	\$19.33
Pro Serv, copier lease.....	\$50.00
PRTS, LLC, SPED serv.....	\$2,407.00
Quill, CO supp.....	\$99.96
Radio Shack, tech supp.....	\$725.79
Ram Ext., pest control.....	\$140.00
Reliable Office Supplies, CO supp.....	\$150.75
SAPP Brothers, fuel.....	\$20,188.40
Security Services, repairs/maint.....	\$981.32
SNC, Internet, phone serv.....	\$491.86
SNC Sales & Service, tech, CO supp.....	\$188.25
Stripes & Signs, bus supp.....	\$193.50
Sysco, kitchen equip.....	\$7570.00
Towle Realty, building lease.....	\$525.00
Tri State Truck & Tractor Repair, LLC, bus supp.....	\$115.88
UNL-Extension, wages.....	\$1,190.69
Verizon, cell phone.....	\$23.21
Water Engineering, maint. serv. agreement.....	\$237.32
Wolfe's Printing, supp.....	\$22.81
Zito Media, distance learn.....	\$176.45
subtotal.....	\$104,956.14
Payroll - March.....	\$669,708.31
Grand Total.....	\$774,664.45

Special Building Fund

Home Lumber, HS strength and conditioning room..... \$341.16

Student Fee

FCHS, fee for art class..... \$65.00

ICI Fund

Pearson Education, shipping..... \$54.46

1.7 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

It was moved by Kathy Bartek and seconded by Teresa Olberding to approve the claims as presented. Discussion was had by the board on various claims. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

2.0 Informational Items/Reports

2.1 Staff/Student/Organization Report: Gail Froeschl, Elementary Media Specialist, was present at the meeting and gave a presentation to the Board explaining the Accelerated Reading Enterprise program.

2.2 Principal Reports:

2.2a Ernie Valentine reported on the following for North School: School enrollment is at 213 students; Kindergarten Round Up is scheduled for Friday, April 27th, with 46 students presently signed up to attend; Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for March 13 and 15 and parents will receive their first copy of their Student's MAP Growth Chart; Principal Valentine participated in the NWEA Regional MAP meeting on February

29th and it was a great opportunity to learn more about the MAP Assessment and see how other schools are using it; Principal Valentine will attend the State Data Conference on April 2nd and 3rd in Kearney; the March 2nd in-service went very well and MAP Mentors did a good job assisting the teachers; NeSA tests have arrived and teacher training will take place over the next couple of weeks; students will begin NeSA testing at the end of March and continue through most of April.

2.2b J.P. Holys reported on the following for South School: School enrollment is at 180 students; NeSA test dates will be March 26 – May 4; teacher evaluations for the 2011-12 school year as per District policy have been completed; Improving Learning for Children with Disabilities (ILCD) Nebraska Department of Education Corrective Action Plan follow-up visit has been passed; ILCD plans are reviewed on a 5 year cycle by the Nebraska Department of Education to ensure compliance; 4th grade attended a performance by the Birmingham Children's Theater on February 29th at the High School Auditorium which highlighted the Lewis and Clark Expedition which the 4th grade is currently studying in their curriculum; 5th grade attended the Water Celebration at Peru State College on March 7th.

2.2c Rick Johnson reported on the following for Middle School: Students of the Month, Noah Milam, Alyssa Frederick and Carley Youde; Parent/Teacher conferences are March 13 and 15; no school on March 16; report cards go out on April 4th; end of 3 weeks is April 24th and report cards go out on April 27th; no school on April 6th and April 9th; 6th thru 8th grades Band/Chorus Concert is April 12th; May 10th the 5th and 6th grade teachers will have a transition meeting; May 11th 5th grade students will visit Middle School at 2:15 and parents will visit at 3:30; 8th grade field trip is May 11th and on May 14th will visit High School during PE time; Middle School Promotion is May 16th; PBIS Award Ceremony is March 21; 6th grade attended the performance by the Birmingham Children's Theater on February 29th at the High School Auditorium; testing schedule listed on the April calendar provided to the Board; sample Student Progress Report was given to students to inform them of the importance of the MAP tests; Student enrollment is at 182.

2.2d Gale Dunkhas reported on the following for High School: Student enrollment is at 266; March 2nd teacher in-service was a very valuable opportunity; curriculum guides and registration forms will be handed out on March 13th to all 9 – 11 grade students; 8th grade parents/students can pick up their registration forms and curriculum guides on the evening of March 19th at the parents meeting; Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the High School on March 28th with the Student Council and National Honor Society coordinating the event; this is the first year of the pint-sized hero's program that encourages elementary age students to recruit donors; spring sports have begun practice with the first golf match to be held on March 20th and the first track meet on March 23rd; reminder that March 15th is the deadline for option enrollment students to be eligible immediately in the fall; Falls City High School will be required to break any ties of our top students for some of the state newspapers and will use our adopted policy of G.P.A./A.C.T./Weighted classes/Grade Percentile which was developed when we adopted the Cum Laude system; Tom Weinert's Chemistry students participated in and demonstrated experiments for elementary students at the Peru Water Festival held on March 6th and 7th; thank you to Lindsay Chichester and Jami Rutt for arranging the Husker Beef Lab at the High School; National Honor Society induction is March 22nd at the High School auditorium with 21 students being inducted; congratulations to the February Students of the Month: David vonBehren, Bethany Lampe, Jordy Stoller and Anne Gifford; recognition to the Speech Team and sponsors, Kris Simon and Mark Junker, for the "Speech and a Treat" program which provided the community the opportunity to watch the hard work and preparation that goes into this activity; congratulations to David vonBehren and Justin Elwonger who will be participating at the State Speech competition.

2.3 Board President's Report: President Huppert read a thank you letter from the Falls City Summer Recreation organization for allowing them to use the High School Commons area and kitchen for the pancake feed fund raiser. President Huppert stated that he felt the Board retreat went very well and he is excited about the MAPS testing being used in the schools.

2.4 Superintendent's Report:

2.4a Legislative and Organizations Report: Superintendent Heckenlively reported on the NRCSA Legislative Forum which was held on February 21 in Lincoln. Senator Greg Adams, Governor Heineman, Senator Heide-mann, Russ Inbody – NDE, Senator Flood, and Senator Fischer all provided insight on the legislative session. Some key education related bills we are following include LB 870, school accountability system, LB 996 which eliminates allowing a student to leave school at age 16 with parent permission and moving the drop out age to 18, LB 990 requiring the Pledge and American Flag in every classroom K-collegiate level, LB 913 & LB 947 on School Finance and state aid, and LB 933 which makes amendments to the current truancy law.

The Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board voted to maintain

the state's revenue projections during its first meeting of the year Feb. 24. The board provides an advisory forecast of general fund receipts used by the Legislature to craft the state's budget. During the October forecast, the board revised its outlook upward by \$51.9 million, setting revenue projections at \$3.6 billion for fiscal year 2011-12 and \$3.8 billion for FY2012-13. The board voted not to revise the October projections. The next meeting of the board will be October 26, 2012. Senators have commented that the forecast was not bad, or good. There are pluses and minuses to consider in the forecast. A significant factor was that ag growth was offset by lower retail sales and sales tax receipts. The last day of the session is planned for April 12.

Key dates to consider for making final arrangements for the NRCSA Annual Spring Conference are March 22 and 23. Board members Scott Huppert, John Martin, and Ed Harris have confirmed attendance at this point.

2.4b Building and Grounds Update: Superintendent Heckenlively reported that progress on the strength & conditioning room advances with the completion of the windows along the east side of the building while the electrical work is underway. ADT School Security will be installing a card reader lock security system in the upcoming weeks at the Parent Child Center. Parents will be provided with a card for entrance into the Parent Chile Center during school hours. The Middle School wood gym floor overlay is being scheduled to begin immediately after school has been dismissed for the summer on May 17. Tremco has made recommendations to address current roofing concerns at each of the buildings with the primary focus being a roof coating application on a section of the North School roof.

2.4c School Improvement Process:

The Board and Administrative Council met on March 3rd for the purpose of strategic planning. The overall goal of focusing on student achievement was amended and refined to reflect the on-going district level initiatives impacting student performance. From this point, the School Improvement Committee will take the necessary steps to establish academic proficiency level goals and fall-to-spring growth goals to be addressed K-12. Additionally, the School Improvement Goals and activities at the building, teacher and student levels will be directly aligned with the overall district goal.

2.4d Speech-Language Pathologist Ad Hoc Committee: Superintendent Heckenlively stated that a Nebraska Department of Education nomination provided him the opportunity to serve on the Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE) Speech Language Pathologist Ad Hoc Committee. This committee met at the NCSA Building in Lincoln on February 28th. NCTE is a legally constituted body working under the State Board of Education, and part of its responsibilities includes reviewing endorsements at least once every seven years. Ad Hoc Committees are comprised of practitioners, higher education faculty members, specialists in the field, administrators, and representatives of the public at large representing each of the eight State School Board Districts. The task of the committee included a review of the current Speech-Language Pathologist endorsement and guidelines, drafting the proposed Speech-Language Pathologist endorsement and Guidelines, and discussing the possible elimination or amendment to the speech-language technician endorsement.

2.4e Staffing Planning: Faculty caseloads, class sizes and section size have been reviewed by the administration, as well as any teacher moving from probationary to permanent status. All faculty will be recommended for continuation of employment for the 2012-2013 school year at the regular Board meeting on April 9th. Additionally, we are not anticipating any resignations or retirements at the end of this school year and do not anticipate any certificated vacancies for the 2012-2013 school year. Considerations in staffing for next year may still include coaching assignments, an elementary teacher transfer to another grade based on enrollment projections, and the addition of the Energy Academy course at Falls City High.

2.4f Superintendent Meetings: GNSA meeting, March 21, Lincoln; NRCSA Spring Conference, March 22-23, Kearney; ESU4 Superintendent's Advisory Meeting, March 29, Auburn; NASBO State Convention, April 26-27, Omaha; NASB School Law Seminar, June 8, Kearney.

2.4g Board Member Meetings: GNSA, March 21, Lincoln; NRCSA Spring Conference, March 22-23, Kearney; NASB School Law Seminar, June 8, Kearney.

2.4h Other Items: None.

2.5 Reports by Board members and/or Board Committees: Board member Kathy Bartek stated that she felt the recent Board Retreat was very successful and appreciated Burma Kroger coming to the Retreat.

3.0 Action Items

3.1 Adopt the 2012 District Goals: It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by Teresa Olberding to adopt the 2012 District Goals as presented. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

3.2 Non-Resident Tuition Rate: Superintendent Heckenlively stated that he spoke with legal counsel regarding the setting of the non-resident tuition rate and whereas the District will not incur any additional expense for the students living in Kansas and Missouri and attending District 56 schools, it is his recommendation that the non-resi-

dent tuition rate be set at zero. It was moved by Kathy Bartek and seconded by John Martin to set the non-resident tuition rate at zero. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

3.3 Resignation of Flag Corp Director: President Huppert read a letter of resignation from Noala Fritz as Flag Corp Director. It was moved by Kathy Bartek and seconded by Ed Harris to accept the resignation of Noala Fritz as Flag Corp Director. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried. The Board members expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Fritz for the many years she has worked with the band and flag corp. Superintendent Heckenlively stated that there is a plan being worked on for a new Flag Corp Director.

3.4 Appointment of Legislative Committee Member #13: Kathy Bartek has held the position of Legislative Committee Member #13 for many years and would be will to serve again if nominated for re-election. It was moved by John Martin and seconded by Ed Harris to nominate Kathy Bartek as Legislative Committee Member #13. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

3.5 Superintendent Contract: Discussion of the Superintendent's Contract will be discussed in executive session.

3.6 Principals' Contracts: Discussion of the Principals' Contracts will be discussed in executive session.

3.7 Other: None.

4.0 Executive Session

It was moved by Scott Hollens and seconded by Teresa Olberding to go into executive session at 8:33 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent's Contract and Principals' Contracts. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

Declared to leave closed session by President Huppert at 9:30 p.m.

It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by John Martin to re-enter open session at 9:30 p.m. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

President Huppert noted that during the executive session the Board discussed the Superintendent and Principals' contracts.

3.5 Superintendent Contract: It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by John Martin that the Superintendent's compensation for 2012-2013 is increased by 3.0% for a total base salary of \$122,595.75. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, no; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

3.6 Principals' Contracts: It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by Teresa Olberding to approve the 2012-2013 Principal contracts with Gale Dunkhas, Rick Johnson, Ernie Valentine, and J. P. Holys with compensation to be determined at a later date. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

5.0 Adjournment

It was moved by Ed Harris and seconded by Scott Hollens to adjourn at 9:32 p.m. The voting was as follows: Bartek, yes; Harris, yes; Hollens, yes; Huppert, yes; Martin, yes; Olberding, yes. Motion carried.

The next regular monthly Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 9, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office in Falls City Middle School. Regular and special meeting agendas are kept in the Office of the Superintendent. Board Committee meetings to be determined.

E.S.U. #4

The Board of Educational Service Unit 4 held its regular meeting on Monday, March 12, 2012, at 5:15 p.m. at the Educational Service Unit 4 in Auburn, Nebraska. The following claims were paid for the month of March:

General Fund -- \$35,004.49
Payroll -- \$341,619.51
NCECBVI -- \$35,752.14
Federal Programs -- \$9,509.47

The Board of Educational Service Unit 4 will meet in regular session on Monday, April 16, 2012, at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room at the office of Educational Service Unit 4, 919 16th Street, Auburn, Nebraska. The Region 4 Preschool Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, March 28, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the ESU 4 Learning Center, 1109 R Street, Auburn, Nebraska. Agendas for both meetings, kept current, are readily available for public inspection at the office of the Administrator during normal business hours.

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City of Falls City MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2012

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 20th day of February, 2012, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Hersh called the meeting to order and City Clerk Jorm recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. Absent: Rieschick. 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. The Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council person Oliver and seconded by Council person Sutter 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 Feb. 6, 2012 meeting is hereby approved. 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the agenda for February 20, 2012 is hereby accepted. 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Police Report for January 2012 is hereby accepted. 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the Treasurer Report for January 2012 is hereby accepted. 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the Council that the appointment of James Liming to the Falls City Volunteer Fire Department is hereby accepted. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – ONE & SIX YEAR STREET PLAN

Mayor Hersh declared a public hearing open at 7:03 P.M. for the purpose of obtaining input on the resolution for the 1 & 6 Year Street Plan. Mayor Hersh then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said resolution as submitted. Justin Stark of Olsson Associates presented the 1 & 6 Year Plan. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Mayor Hersh then declared the public hearing closed at 7:11 P.M. A motion was made by Council member Oliver and seconded by Council member Moore to approve the resolution for the 1 and 6 Year Street Plan as follows: Whereas, the City of Falls City, Nebraska, has conducted a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Public Roads Classification and Standards, NOW, Therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council that the One and Six Year Plan for streets as presented at said public hearing has been accepted and approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WEDDING RECEPTION – ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – APRIL 21, 2012

A motion was made by Council person Campbell and seconded by Council person Moore to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a wedding reception on April 21, 2012 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – SPIRIT SHOPPE – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – APRIL 21, 2012

A motion was made by Council member Campbell and seconded by Council member Rieschick to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Spirit Shoppe, 1123 Harlan Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Wedding Reception at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on April 21, 2012, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Richard A. Lemerond 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 members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

showing they carry Liquor Liability and the City of Falls City is an Additional Insured. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WEDDING RECEPTION – ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – JUNE 16, 2012

A motion was made by Council person Rieschick and seconded by Council person Scholl to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a wedding reception on June 16, 2012 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WEDDING RECEPTION – ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – APRIL 14, 2012

A motion was made by Council person Oliver and seconded by Council person Rieschick to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for a wedding reception on April 14, 2012 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – WHITETAILS UNLIMITED – ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD – MARCH 17, 2012

A motion was made by Council person Moore and seconded by Council person Wisdom to approve the request to rent Prichard Auditorium for Whitetails Unlimited on March 17, 2012 and to allow alcohol to be served. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – RICHARD A. LEMEROND – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – MARCH 17, 2012

A motion was made by Council member Campbell and seconded by Council member Sutter to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Richard A. Lemerond, 2724 Harlan Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Whitetails Unlimited Banquet at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on March 17, 2012, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Richard A. Lemerond 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 members voted as follows: "YEA" Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – RICHARD A. LEMEROND – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – APRIL 14, 2012

A motion was made by Council member Campbell and seconded by Council member Sutter to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Richard A. Lemerond, 2724 Harlan Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Wedding Reception at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on April 14, 2012, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Richard A. Lemerond 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 members voted as follows: "YEA" Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION – RICHARD A. LEMEROND – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – JUNE 16, 2012

A motion was made by Council member Campbell and seconded by Council member Sutter to give favorable comment to the Special Designated Liquor License Application submitted by Richard A. Lemerond, 2724 Harlan Street, Falls City, Nebraska, for a Wedding Reception at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th Street, Falls City, Nebraska on June 16, 2012, as presented and to direct the City Clerk to notify the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the same. Richard A. Lemerond 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 members voted as follows: "YEA" Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. "NAY" None. Motion carried.

2012 AUTOMATIC LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

A motion was made by Council person Oliver and seconded by Council person Rieschick to approve the 2012 Liquor License Renewals. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: AYE@

Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO USE STREETS AND PARKS FOR: MARCH 24, 2012, JULY 28, 2012 AND NOVEMBER 24, 2012

A motion was made by Council person Campbell and seconded by Council person Robidoux to approve the request to use the Streets and Parks for: March 25, 2012(5-K Spring Break-away), July 28, 2012(FCAC's 3rd Annual Sprint Triathlon) and November 24, 2012(2nd Annual Turkey Trot). Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Rieschick, Robidoux, Scholl, Sutter, Wisdom. ANAY@ None. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO AMEND CITY CODE 7-218 FIRE PREVENTION: FIRE REGULATIONS

A motion was made by Council person Campbell and seconded by Council person Moore to request the City Attorney to prepare the Ordinance to amend City Code #7-218. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: AYE@ Campbell, Moore, Oliver, Sutter, ANAY@ Rieschick, Scholl, Wisdom. "ABSTAIN" Robidoux, Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on February 20, 2012; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Gary Jorm, Clerk
Tim Hersh, Mayor

County Board

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MARCH 6, 2012 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sichel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012. Roll call was answered by Ely, Davidson and Sichel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sichel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Ely. Chairman Sichel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2012, meeting as read. Motion was seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sichel to approve the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting from February 21, 2012 as presented. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Sichel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse on the First Floor Lobby, the Commissioner's Meeting Room and on the Third Floor of the Sheriff's Office.

CONNIE KENNEDY, COUNTY TREASURER

The Board requested to meet with Connie Kennedy, County Treasurer to review the audit findings from the fiscal year end June 30, 2011 audit report.

A listing of the current pledged securities from Richardson County Bank & Trust Co. and First Nat'l Bank & Trust Co. was presented which indicated that a receipt from First Nat'l Bank & Trust Co. #392112007 was replaced with receipts #557004997 and #57004998.

ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPT.

Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week.

JIM GERWECK, EMA DIRECTOR

A discussion was held with Jim Gerweck, EMA Director and Scott Huppert, Highway Superintendent of the rural addressing signs and what procedures should be taken to replace those that have faded and/or have been damaged.

The Board also discussed with Mr. Gerweck the claims held from last week's meeting.

FALLS CITY AREA JAYCEES
Members of the Falls City Area Jaycees requested that the County make a request from the State of Nebraska Department of Roads for lighted traffic signs to be placed on the highway for the Falls City Area Jaycees upcoming events this season.

They also requested the use of county barricades on the County Road to block off a portion of road leading to the residential areas and also requested assistance from the County Sheriff's Department to help with traffic control. Discussion was also held on the placement of dust control on the county road before the events.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the issuance of a special designated liquor license from the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for the date of June 22, 2012, for an event to be held at the Falls City Area Jaycees Arena located south of Falls City on Highway 73. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF HOUSER
Sheriff Houser requested to meet with the Board to review the purchase order that he has submitted to replace a patrol vehicle. Commissioner Davidson stated for the record that purchasing a pickup with the expected future gas prices would not be a favorable decision.

Discussion was also held on the drug dog and future training.

DISCUSS TOBACCO FREE ENVIRONMENT ON ALL COUNTY PROPERTY AND VEHICLES

Motion was made by Ely to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at 11:40 a.m. for the purpose of receiving input from the public to make all County grounds and property including vehicles tobacco free. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

RECESS

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and returned at 3:10 p.m.

NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Commissioners Sichel and Davidson attended a training session beginning at 1:30 p.m. to receive their certification for the National Incident Management System.

ROAD DEPT. UNION

Randy Gilsdorf, Jim Olberding, Matt Cromer, Harold Hunzeker, David Feek and Jimmy Coonce of the Road Department Union requested to meet with the Board to further the negotiations to develop a contract retroactive to October 1, 2011.

The Board stated to the group that their proposal was 2.5% for the first year and 2.5% for the second year. The stewards will take this proposal to the Union for a vote.

County Attorney, Bob Meyer requested that an authorization be obtained from the Union Office giving authority for the stewards to negotiate without their Union representative present.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER Monthly Operating Statement

The Board reviewed the February, 2012, monthly operating statement.

Fee Reports

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees they collected during the month of February, 2012:

Mary L. Eickhoff,
County Clerk.....\$416.25
Mary L. Eickhoff,
Register of Deeds.....\$6,978.25
Pam Scott,

Clerk of Dist. Court.....\$498.00

Letters to Bureau of Indian Affairs

Motion was made by Sichel to authorize the Chairman to sign letters to the Bureau of Indian Affairs regarding the removal of the following described property from the tax rolls to a trust: Parcel 1) The SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 1 North, Range 18 East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Richardson County, Nebraska containing 40 acres, more or less; Parcel 2) The NW ¼ SE ¼ and NE ¼ SE ¼, Section 34, Township 1, North, Range 18 East of the 6th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska and NE ¼ SW ¼, NW ¼ SE ¼, NW ¼ SW ¼, and 20 feet off SE ¼ SW ¼, Section 35, Township 1 North, Range 18 East of the 6th P.M. Principal Meridian, Richardson County, Nebraska containing 200 acres, more or less; Parcel 3) The S ½ SW ¼ and SW ¼ SE ¼ of Section 26; and SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 27; and NE ¼ NE ¼ of Section 34, except a tract of land containing 1.23 acres, and NW ¼ NE ¼ and N ½ NW ¼ of Section 35; all in Township 1, North, Range 18 East of the 6th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska containing 319 acres, more or less; Parcel 4) NW ¼ SW ¼ of Section 34, Township 1, Range 18 East of the 6th P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska except 1 acres used as an Indian Cemetery containing 39 acres, more or less. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

The loss of tax revenue for Richardson County political subdivisions reflecting on 2011 tax year would be \$11,648.84.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sichel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today with the exception of 11 to Jim Gerweck which will continue to be held for further information. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried.

(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)

GENERAL FUND	
Alamar Uniforms, supp.....	88.39
Ameritas, retire	2,189.80
Animal Health Center, serv.....	221.00
Bob Barker Co., supp.....	433.22
Culligan Water, serv.....	145.72
D & D Communications, serv	142.50
FC Journal, adv	531.38
FC Sanitation, serv.....	126.00
FC Utility Dept., serv.....	3,674.77
Farm & City Supply, supp	63.98
Farmers Repair & Machine Shop, serv.....	288.32
Galls LLC, supp	122.37
James Gerweck, reimb	93.60
Halbert, Dunn & Halbert, fee.....	465.00
Home Lumber Co., supp.....	18.03
Interstate All Battery, supp.....	24.95
Jones Air Conditioning, serv	395.75
Kawres, serv	523.85
Kochs Auto Service, serv	1,779.69
Meyer Home Center, serv	51.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems, serv	75.00
NE Dept of Labor, fee	100.00
Paper Tiger Shredding, supp.....	84.00
Pro Serv Business Systems, serv	100.50
RCB&T, supp.....	27.39
Sheriff Petty Cash, set-up.....	1,500.00
Richardson County Vendor, FICA.....	2,531.06
SE NE Communications, serv	1,270.61
Spectra Assoc., supp	23.65
Sunmart, supp	8.00
US Cellular, serv	469.48
Verizon Wireless, serv	312.22
Veterinary Supply Co., supp	70.90
Wings Locksmith & Shoe Repair, serv	92.00
Wolfes, supp	146.58
Payroll Expense	6,252.46
Total General Fund.....	\$24,443.17
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	
City of Humboldt, serv	80.48
FC Sanitation, serv	55.00
FC Utility Dept., serv	1,472.98
4 Corners Ag & Bldg Supply, supp	90.00
HGM Assoc., serv	2,500.00
Home Lumber Co., supp	556.83
Jim Hills Paint & Glass, LLC, supp	15.00
MINK, fee	55.00
NPPD, serv.....	58.26
Operation & Expense Acct., reimb	45.60
Power Plan, serv.....	294.43
Quill Corp., supp.....	92.89
Village of Rulo, serv	24.00
Village of Salem, serv	20.00
Sapp Bros., fuel.....	23,811.53
SE NE Communications, serv.....	157.33
TriState Truck & Tractor Repair, serv	25.20
Village of Verdon, serv.....	20.00
Payroll Expense	27,155.59
Total Road/Bridge Fund.....	\$56,530.12
NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND	
Darren Eickhoff, per diem/exp.....	49.98
William Ely, per diem/exp	25.00
James Ramsey, per diem/exp	30.00
Darrell Rannebeck, per diem/exp.....	54.42
Eldon Snoko, per diem/exp	48.87
Dan Wittwer, per diem/exp	46.65
Total Noxious Weed Control Fund	\$254.92

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Sichel to adjourn the meeting at 4:58 p.m. Motion seconded by Ely. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ely-aye, Davidson-aye, Sichel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sichel, Chairman
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Lease on Brome Grass

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 1820 Towle Street, Falls City, Nebraska, until 12:00 P.M. on March 30, 2012, for the following described below:

Cash lease for the purpose of harvesting brome grass on approximately 6.77 acres, located at the Falls City Municipal Airport. This will be a one (1) year term cash lease with an additional (1) year option for renewal. Leases will be dated from March 1, 2012.

The Falls City Airport Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to accept any bid it feels most advantageous to the City of Falls City. A Copy of the current specifications or the lease agreements are on file at the office of the City Clerk.

If additional information is needed or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk.

Gary Jorm, City Clerk 20

NOTICE

The Rulo Cemetery Board will be accepting bids for mowing 2012 season. Specifications will be posted on the window of the Rulo Library and at the Rulo Post Office.

Bids must be received by March 31, 2012. Sealed bids only.

Submit bids to: Village of Rulo, Cemetery mowing bids, 414 West Martin, Rulo, NE 68431.

6-13-20-27

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Richardson County Clerk until March 27, 2012, at 11:00 a.m., for the abutment/wing repairs at four sites throughout the County and other related incidental work. The bids will be opened at 11:00 a.m. The project sites are:
COO7400420 — 5.2 miles west and one mile north of Stella.
COO7401425 — 4 miles south of Stella.
CO7403215 — 9.3 miles west and 2 miles south of Salem.
COO7410820 — 1 mile south and 0.5 miles east of Stella.

All sites are located in Richardson County, Nebraska.
The project is referred to as "2011 Abutment/Wing Replacements" and shall include all labor, materials, transportation and equipment required for the construction/repair of the abutments and wings at the four sites indicated (approximately 5,600 sq. ft. of sheet pile, 610 lin. ft. of steel pile and 16,100 lbs. of steel).

Copies of the Bid Documents and Specifications are open to public inspection at the offices of the Richardson County Highway Superintendent, 65087 706 Trail, Falls City, Nebraska. A set of documents may be obtained from Mainelli Wagner & Associates Inc. for a non-refundable fee of \$20.00 (6920 Van Dorn, Suite "A" Lincoln, Nebraska 68506. PH: 402-421-1717). All Bid Proposals must be submitted on the forms furnished with the Bid Documents.

The sealed bids may be mailed or delivered to the Office of the Richardson County Clerk, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska 68355, and should be plainly marked as, "Construction Bid Proposal - 2011 Abutment/Wing Replacements."

Along with its Bid Proposal, each bidder shall submit an unconditional Bid Bond or Certified Check made payable to the County Treasurer of Richardson County, Nebraska, in an amount equal to five (5) percent of the Bid Proposal. Also, each bidder is to include an estimated time of beginning and completion for the project with its Bid Proposal. The required completion date of all sites is November 15, 2012. The successful bidder (i.e. Contractor) will be allowed twenty-five (25) calendar days for completion of each project site after beginning work at the site.

Within ten (10) days following the award of the Contract, the successful bidder shall furnish a surety bond or bonds in an amount equal to or greater than the full amount of the contract. The surety and form of the bonds are subject to the acceptance by the Richardson County Commissioners.

The Richardson County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any irregularities in bids received. Award of the Contract will be in accordance with the County Purchasing Act's competitive bidding considerations as set forth in Neb.Rev.Stat. § 23-3110 to 23-3114, and the Richardson County Board of Commissioners will, at its discretion, award the contract on the basis of the lowest responsible bid received. Richardson County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

David Sickle
Richardson County
Board of Commissioners 6-13-20

Notice of Organization of Sue's Chef Inn, LLC

Notice is hereby given that Sue's Chef Inn, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, has been organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska with its registered office located at 1719 Stone Street, Falls City, NE 68355. The Limited Liability Company is organized to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of Nebraska. Said Liability Company was organized on February 17, 2012, and shall have perpetual existence. The affairs of the Limited Liability Company are to be conducted by one or more managers as provided in the Operating Agreement and the initial manager is D. Sue Jennings.

D. Sue Jennings, Manager

WEAVER & MERZ
Douglas E. Merz, #12807
Robert J. Meyer, #22281
1719 Stone Street
P.O. Box 569
Falls City, NE 68355
402-245-3015 6-13-20

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of April, 2012, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Falls City, meeting as a Board of Adjustment, shall hold a public hearing to determine the amount, if any, of mowing, demolition, and/or clean up costs to be specially assessed against the following real estate located at 1201 McLean Street, Falls City, Nebraska, and legally described as follows: Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Block 130, ORIGINAL TOWN of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska.

DATED this 5 day of March, 2012.
Gary Jorn, City Clerk 13-20-27

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Southeast Nebraska Community Action Council, Inc. (SENCA) is requesting financial assistance from the Federal Transit Administration, pursuant to the Federal Transit Act, generally described below. Public hearing will be on March 27, 2012 at 10:30 am.

Description of the Project: Purpose of the project is operating assistance to provide general public transportation in Richardson County.

A copy of the financial assistance application is available for public inspection at SENCA Central Office, 802 4th Street, Humboldt, NE. Written comments for consideration by SENCA will be accepted at the SENCA Central office, 802 4th Street, Humboldt, NE for a period of 10 days ending March 26th, 2011.

Robert Curry, Chairperson,
SENCA Board of Directors 13-20

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by Drainage District No. 7 of Richardson County, Nebraska to remove silt and mud from the outlets; said bids shall be submitted to Weaver and Merz Law Office at 1719 Stone St., Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska until 8:00 o'clock A.M. Central Time on April 2, 2012 at which time and place all bids will be opened and read in the presence of the bidders for said project.

Complete specifications may be obtained from Stephen Johansen, Supervisor of Drainage District No. 7 at 66082 703 Trail, Rulo, Nebraska 68431, phone number 402-245-4676.

Drainage District No. 7 reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to Drainage District No. 7 and to reject any and all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of thirty days after bids are opened.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7.

Paul Benitz, President
Robert Keller, Secretary

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NOTICE

Village of Rulo will be accepting bids for mowing 2012 season. For specifications on locations, contact Stanley Suedmeier at 402-245-2262.

Bids must be received by March 31, 2012. Sealed bids only.

Submit bids to: Village of Rulo, Mowing bid, 414 West Martin, Rulo, NE 68431. 6-13-20-27

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of April, 2012, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Falls City, meeting as a Board of Adjustment, shall hold a public hearing to determine the amount, if any, of mowing, demolition, and/or clean up costs to be specially assessed against the following real estate located at 1407 Fulton Street, Falls City, Nebraska, and legally described as follows: The South Five Feet (S 5') of Lot Eight (8) and all of Lots Nine (9) and Ten (10), Block Ninety-seven (97), Original Town, City of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska.

DATED this 5 day of March, 2012.
Gary Jorn, City Clerk 13-20-27

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Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of April, 2012, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Falls City, meeting as a Board of Adjustment, shall hold a public hearing to determine the amount, if any, of mowing, demolition, and/or clean up costs to be specially assessed against the following real estate located at 1604 Morton Street, Falls City, Nebraska, and legally described as follows: Lots Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15) and Sixteen (16), Block Sixty-seven (67), Original Town, City of Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska.

DATED this 5 day of March, 2012.
Gary Jorn, City Clerk 13-20-27

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids, sealed and clearly labeled, "Mowing Bid" will be accepted at the County Clerk's Office, Room 203, Courthouse, 1700 Stone Street, Falls City, until 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at which time bids will be publicly opened for the mowing and trimming of the Courthouse lawn and the grounds at the "Armory" building during the 2012 season.

Specifications for the bid may be obtained at the Office of the Richardson County Clerk or on the Richardson County website at www.co.richardson.ne.us.

David D. Sickle
Chairman
Richardson County Board
of Commissioners
Mary L. Eickhoff
Richardson County Clerk
20-27

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bid will be received by the City of Falls City, Nebraska, Gary Jorn, City Clerk at the City Building, 1820 Towle Street, until 4:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on March 23, 2012, at which time and place all bids will be opened and read in the presence of the bidders for the purchase of a One (1) Ton Truck.

Complete Specifications on the unit to be purchased may be obtained from the Office of the Utility Superintendent or the Office of the City Clerk. The proposed unit shall be in strict accordance with specifications. Bids will be received only upon the approved proposal form furnished by the City of Falls City, Nebraska.

The City reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to the City, and to reject any or all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of thirty (30) days after bids are opened.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA.

GARY JORN, CITY CLERK 13-20

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by Drainage District No. 7 of Richardson County, Nebraska for cleaning out Mooney ditch and adjacent lateral; said bids shall be submitted to Weaver and Merz Law Office at 1719 Stone St., Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska until 8:00 o'clock A.M. Central Time on April 2, 2012 at which time and place all bids will be opened and read in the presence of the bidders for said project.

Complete specifications may be obtained from Stephen Johansen, Supervisor of Drainage District No. 7 at 66082 703 Trail, Rulo, Nebraska 68431, phone number 402-245-4676.

Drainage District No. 7 reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems most advantageous to Drainage District No. 7 and to reject any and all bids submitted and to hold as many bids as it desires for consideration for a period of thirty days after bids are opened.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8

Annual election for a Director of Drainage District No. 8, Richardson County, Nebraska, will be held from 8:00 o'clock A.M. to 5:00 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at the office of the County Clerk, Courthouse, Falls City, Nebraska, at which time and place a Director will be elected to fill the vacancy of Kevin Vonderschmidt whose term is expiring. Candidates for Director shall file with Raymond Finck, Board Member, by March 30, 2012. A business meeting will be held at 7:00 o'clock P.M., April 10, 2012, at the First National Bank Meeting Room, West Entrance, Falls City, Nebraska. It is requested that all owners within the District be present.

Kevin Vonderschmidt
Secretary

NEAL E. PARSONS
Attorney at Law 13-20

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Farm Lease

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 1820 Towle Street, Falls City, Nebraska, until 12:00 P.M. on March 30, 2012, for the following described below:

Cash lease for the purpose of farming a tract of ground, approximately 9.2 acres, located at the Falls City Municipal Airport. This will be a one (1) year term cash lease with an additional (1) year option for renewal. Leases will be dated from March 1, 2012.

Cash lease for the purpose of farming a tract of ground, approximately 3.56 acres, located at the Falls City Municipal Airport. This will be a one (1) year term cash lease with an additional (1) year option for renewal. Leases will be dated from March 1, 2012.

Cash lease for the purpose of farming a tract of ground, approximately 6.16 acres, located at the Falls City Municipal Airport. This will be a one (1) year term cash lease with an additional (1) year option for renewal. Leases will be dated from March 1, 2012.

The Falls City Airport Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to accept any bid it feels most advantageous to the City of Falls City. A Copy of the current specifications or the lease agreements are on file at the office of the City Clerk.

If additional information is needed or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk.

Gary Jorn, City Clerk 20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Board of Supervisors of Drainage District No. 7

Time and place of meeting:
Monday, April 2, 2012 at 8 o'clock a.m. at 1719 Stone Street, Falls City, Nebraska

Meeting Agenda:

1. Announcement of Public Meetings Act;
2. Agenda approval;
3. Open and review bids;
4. Discussion and action regarding bids;
5. Approval of minutes;
6. Treasurer's report;
7. Supervisor's report;
8. Approve claims;
9. Discussion of District levee maintenance.

Paul H. Benitz, President
Robert Keller, Secretary
DRAINAGE DISTRICT No. 7 of Richardson County, Nebraska

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Village of Stella

Village of Stella Board of Trustees Meeting March 5, 2012, at 7 p.m. at Stella Community Building

Present: Andy McMullen, Aaron Davis, Danny Sullwold, Henry Sullwold and Jerry Joy. Absent: None.

Guests: Elizabeth Ketner, Dennis Lynn Lockard, Vicki Beilke.

Chairman Joy called the regular meeting to order at 7 p.m. and noted the posting of the Open Meeting Act.

Motion by McMullen and second by H. Sullwold to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yea.

Motion by Davis and second by D. Sullwold to approve the treasurer's report as presented. All voted yea.

Motion by McMullen and second by H. Sullwold to pay the claims as presented. All voted yea.

Chairman Joy reminded everyone about the \$250 limit on purchases without prior approval, which applies to all board members and employees.

Communications: Construction permit from the State of Nebraska. SENDD - asking if the village is interested in rehab work. The board will explore this further.

Committees: Streets - OK. Lights - OK. Park - A mowing bid of \$125 per time was submitted by Roger Sullwold. Motion by McMullen and second by Davis to accept this bid for park mowing. Voting yea - McMullen, Davis and Joy. Abstaining - D. Sullwold and H. Sullwold. W&S - written report. Library - written report. Ketner noted that the heater was not sufficient heat for the library. The board questioned what happened with excess books. Maintenance Man - none. Planning - none. Tree - none. Health - none. Community Building - Exit sign not working and some lights need replaced.

WWT UV project: Bids will be

opened on Thursday with McMullen and Joy present. Special meeting will be held March 12 at 5 p.m. to present bids to the board and recommendations from Olsson.

Zoning approval of 208 N. Vine from residential to commercial was discussed. Vicki Beilke was present for the zoning committee and stated that in trying to find a compromise for removal of unlicensed vehicles from Main Street, they recommend changing 208 N. Vine to commercial. She was hopeful that changing this property to commercial would accomplish this. Chairman Joy read over the Agreement List between the Board and property owner. Motion by D. Sullwold and second by McMullen to change 208 N. Vine from residential zoning to commercial. All present voted yea. The agreement was signed by Chairman and the Board and property owner.

Dogs - D. Sullwold stated that many complaints are being received about dogs running loose.

Spring Clean-Up Day - Motion by McMullen and second by Davis to tentatively set the date for April 21, depending on the availability of dumpsters. All voted yea.

Tower Maintenance - Cleaning for tower is done.

Water Survey list is prepared for 2012.

Water shut-offs were signed. Motion by H. Sullwold and second by McMullen to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. All voted yea.

Village of Stella Special Board Meeting March 12, 2012, at 5 p.m. at Stella Community Building

Present: Jerry Joy, Henry Sullwold, Andy McMullen, Dan Sullwold, Aaron Davis. Absent: None.

Guests: Joel Jirak, Olsson Associates; and George Ketner.

The purpose of the special meeting was to review bids and select contractor for the UV Disinfection Improvement Project in Stella on recommendation of Olsson Associates. Chairman Joy called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. and noted the posting of the Open Meeting Act.

Roll call was taken with all board members present.

Joel Jirak from Olsson Associates presented a bid summary and recommendations to the board. Five bids were submitted. Olsson recommended using General Excavating, which had the low bid and noted that they are a very capable contractor for the job. Their bid was \$48,738.00. McMullen had questions for Jirak about frequency of payments to the contractor, what the duties of the consulting engineer are and what happens if the contractor leaves before the job is finished (how much is covered by bond and the process.) Following the discussion, there was a motion by McMullen and second by D. Sullwold to go with Olsson's recommendation of General Excavating from Lincoln for the Stella UV Disinfection Improvements Project. All voting yea.

Motion by H. Sullwold and second by McMullen to adjourn at 5:15 p.m. All voted yea.

Vicki Owings, Clerk

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Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.

110 West 17th Street
Falls City, NE 68355
(402) 245-4451

Village of Verdon

Regular Meeting - March 7, 2012
7:30 p.m. - Village Hall

Chairperson Denise Koso informed the room at large that the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall. The meeting was called order by Chairperson Denise Koso at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call: Present - Jacob Bents, Bill Guilliams, Denise Koso, Brenda Streit. Absent: None.

Guests: Ed and Shirley Bivans, Mike Reif, Lana Willman, Tammie Bents and Clerk Brenda Daniels.

Minutes: Motion by Koso, second by Bents to approve, all the Trustees present voted YEA.

Agenda: Motion by Guilliams, second by Koso to approve, all Trustees present voted YEA.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Bents, second by Streit to approve, with all the Trustees present voting YEA.

March, 2012 Claims: Motion by Koso, second by Bents to pay the claims, all the Trustees present voted YEA.

Communications: 1. The March 2012 shut-off notices were reviewed by the Trustees and it was noted that there were 50% less notices than the previous month. 2. The Trustee vacancy has yet to be filed. Any qualified Verdon resident please contact Chairperson Denise Koso if you would be willing to finish the vacant term that ends in December 2012.

Old business: 1. Committee reports - tabled until next month. 2. Mike Reif representing Terracon was on hand to go over the proposal they sent for cleaning up the contaminated areas around the gas station. This is from Farmers Coop when they had the station. One resident will not let them on his property to clean up the ground area so they will be working from a building they will put up by the station. They will trench across 3rd Street to the S.E. corner and discharge on the surface corner. Total clean-up time could take from 5-10 years. If all things work out, it's possible they will start the project this fall. 3. Ed Bivans discussed with the Board members that a neighbor has put a fence into the alleyway area owned by the Village and it's very difficult to get his trailer out down the alley now. This will be discussed with the Village Attorney about the best way to enforce this.

New business: 1. Motion by Guilliams with second by Bents to approve a building permit for Robert Lewis Fullerton and all the Trustees present voted YEA. 2. Motion by Bents, second by Streit to purchase up to 15 totes to finish cleaning out the older papers and files for storage. All Trustees present voted YEA. 3. Motion by Koso, second by Streit to purchase a new door and fix up the storage building so it's weather and insect proof tight for the village storage area. All the Trustees present voted YEA.

Resolutions and Ordinances:
ORDINANCE 2012-101: "AN ORDINANCE TO ASSESS A \$100.00 FINE TO ANY PERSONS OBTAINING WATER ILLEGALLY AND TO ASSESS A PENALTY TO HABITUAL DELINQUENT WATER BILL CUSTOMERS. TO REPEAL PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT, AND TO PRESCRIBE THE TIME THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT" came up for the second reading and was read by J. Bents. Motion by Guilliams, second by Koso to pass the second reading. Voting YEA: Bents, Guilliams, Koso, Streit. Second reading passed and approved.

ORDINANCE 2012-102 "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE DATES AND TIMES FOR WATER BILL PAYMENTS; TO STATE WHEN THEY SHOULD BE PAID AND WHEN A SHUT-OFF WILL BE MADE; TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY ON THE PAST DUE ACCOUNT AND SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THIS TO TAKE EFFECT," was introduced and read by J. Bents. Motion by Streit, second by Guilliams to pass the first reading. Roll Call vote: Voting YEA: Bents, Guilliams, Koso, Streit. NAY: None. First reading passed and approved.

Miscellaneous: 1. Clerk was told to send two letters to residents who are in violation of the Litter ordinance and littering ordinance also. The debris blows into other people's yards and complaints have been made about this. 2. The Village has received many written dog complaints against three dogs who reportedly tried to attack a resident while walking to their mailbox and one of them allegedly bit the resident when they were en route to pick up their mail. This was reported to the Sheriff and they have been investigating the incident. An ambulance was also called, but not needed as the resident was taken to the doctor by neighbors for treatment of the bite and trauma the person went through. 3. Another complaint was filed against another dog but no action was taken as only one person filed a complaint. 4. Tammie Bents reported on her visit to the Richardson County Commissioners regarding gravel for the roads to the wells. Funds are not available at this time for this project and other resources were checked out but without any solution.

Adjournment: Motion by Bents, second by Streit to adjourn with all the Trustees present voting YEA. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Next regular Verdon Board Meeting will be April 4, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Brenda Daniels,
Verdon Clerk/Treasurer

CLAIMS

EFTPS, EX.....	\$424.28
Petty cash, SE & SU	\$81.35
Brenda Daniels, MI	\$38.30
Verdon Library, EX	\$75.00
RCRWD #2, SU	\$904.34
Seneca Sanitation, SE	\$1,222.00
SNC, SE	\$84.85
Slama Electric, SU	\$83.00
Tammie Bents, RE	\$174.79
Great Plains One-Call, FE	\$1.01
Farm & City Supply, SU	\$68.88
NE Public Health Lab, FE	\$10.00
Travelers Insurance, EX.....	\$1,849.00
OPPD, SE.....	\$72.15
NPPD, SE.....	\$1,403.77
Bret Townsend, MI & SE.....	\$54.78
Tammie Bents, SA	\$502.90
Brenda Daniels, SA	\$435.40
Tammie Bents, MI	\$46.62
US Postal Serv, SU	\$32.00
Tammie Bents, RE	\$249.41
Brenda Daniels, RE.....	\$237.26
Brenda Daniels, RE.....	\$37.22
Tammie Bents, SA	\$633.32
Tammie Bents, MI	\$62.72
Brenda Daniels, SA.....	\$435.40

Verdon Library Claims, Feb.

Doubleday Book Club, SU	\$21.47
Doubleday Book Club, SU	\$19.98

EX-Expense; FE-Fee; MI-Mileage; RE-Reimbursement; SA-Salary; SE-Service; SU-Supplies

School Board #70

Board of Education District #70
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education will meet for a workshop. It will be held at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 26, 2012, in the Board Conference Room in Humboldt. The purpose of the workshop to discuss priorities and boardmanship. A copy of the agenda is available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent of Schools at 810 Central Ave.

Steve Schaardt
Board President

Miscellaneous

Legion Club Fish Fry every 2nd and 4th Friday, 5-8 p.m. 59-tf

BANKRUPTCY: Low Rates, No charge for initial office conference. Contact Wm. VonSeggern Attorney at 105 East 17th St. Falls City, or call 402-245-3815. I help people file bankruptcy petitions under the United States Bankruptcy Code. 46-tf

Bridal Registry — The unconventional but so useful wedding gifts! Whether the couple is registered here or not, we are glad to help you find the perfect gift. We, of course, have gift certificates and we gift wrap! Farm & City, Ace Hardware. 59-tf

OUTBACK HAIR SHACK moving to new location, 201 W. 21st starting March 6. Call for your appt. today. 402-245-5672. 9-11P

PREGNANT—Give life a chance. We care for you and your unborn child. Birthright - 402-477-8021. T-1st-e-3rd-tf

Anniversary, birthday, shower, wedding - Chaney Furniture Gift Certificates are always a great idea. 34-eeT-tf

Bruno curb sider. super XL3 scooter lift. Never been used. 402-245-2865. 11-12P

BE READY FOR SPRING Huge selection of rain gauges - thermometers - and NOAA weather alert radios. Farm & City Supply, Ace Hardware. 11

JD 3010 Tractor NF, gas, 2 Hyd. Good condition, 150 hrs on over haul. \$5,900. 402-855-3935. 9-11P

CHANGE FILTERS for clean air and allergy reduction! See us and we special order sizes. Farm & City Supply, Ace Hardware. 11

Farm Fresh Eggs, \$1.50 a dozen. 402-883-2135. 8-11P

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Sale Dates

Sat. March, 24, 10:00 a.m.. Farm Auction 3 mi. north of Shubert and 2 1/2 mi. east. Estate of Eugene Lewis. Fleskoski Auction Service.

Sat. March 31, 10:30 a.m., Estate Auction. 10 mi. west of Falls City and 1/2 mi. south for the late Arnold Phillips. Fleskoski Auction Service.

Sat., April 14, 10:00 a.m. Auction, Machinery and Household. 6 mi. west of Falls City 3/4 mi. north. Owners Ken and Pat Vonderschmidt. Fleskoski Auction Service.

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2222 Abbott, 3BR, 1BA, 4 Lots (Corner) 1700 sq.ft., Detached 1 Car Garage Newer HVAC, Roof, Siding, Windows Beautiful Location with Mature Trees (402) 650-8745 or (816) 835-7346. 41-TF

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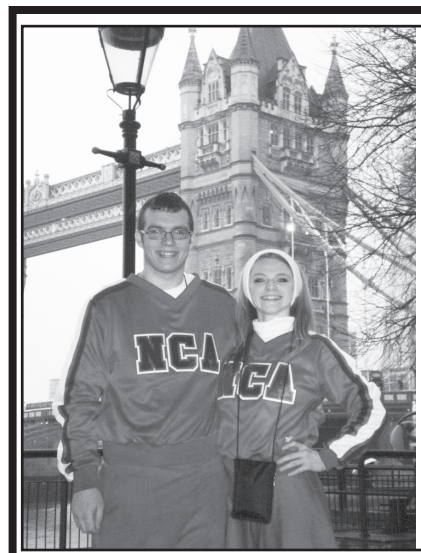
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Wanted Drill Press, 402-245-2314. 11-12P

Cards of Thanks

The family of James Raney wish to express appreciation for the thoughtfulness at the time of his passing. Our thanks to everyone assisting in his care at Falls City Care Center. Thank-you to the Falls City Veterans Color Guard for their services and also to Pastor John for his kind words. We thank those that sent flowers, memorials & cards. Orlin & Sue Kuhlmann John & Rita Raney

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We took a trip to London, England in December of 2011 and stayed until January 3, 2012. We would like to thank everyone that helped us get there. We would like to thank everyone personally, but that would be impossible because there were so many people from the Falls City Community that helped us.

THANK YOU!
Tabitha Nickell & Trevor Wisdom

SERVICES

Lawn Mowing, Call Dwight & Krista at 402-883-2238. 11-12P

Marilyn Capps Tax Preparation, 516 E. 13th St., Falls City, 402-245-5413; capps@sentco.net. All types of returns prepared, evening and weekend appointments a specialty, reasonable rates. 52-tf

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I operate a large dozer specializing in tree clearing and removal. I also take on flood damage and dirt moving projects. The hourly rate is \$150/hr. If interested please call 402-883-7413. Free estimates. 11-13P

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GRADING SUPERINTENDENT needed for Adams Construction Co., a grading contractor based in southwest Nebraska that performs work in central and western Kansas and Nebraska. Responsibilities would include managing employees and equipment on assigned grading projects, plan a safe work environment, build team spirit by attitude and example, and prepare and meet schedules. Knowledge in Highway Construction, site work, feedlot, Ag work, and subgrade preparation is required. Experience with GPS/Laser is desirable. This is a long-term position with growth opportunity and advancement. Salary and benefits to match qualifications. Travel will be required. Adams Construction Co. is an equal opportunity employer. Contact Adams Construction Co., PO Box 657, Arapahoe, NE 68922, office 308-962-7918, fax 308-962-5312, or e-mail adamsc@atcjet.net.

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HELP WANTED: Careers available. Grosshans International Inc. of Aurora and Grosshans Inc. of Central City, Nebraska, have full-time positions available for additional shop technicians and sales personnel. Prior experience is preferred. Please send resume to or contact Alan Anderson, Grosshans International, Inc., 1471 West Hwy. 34, Aurora, NE 68818 or call 1-402-694-2121 or 1-800-742-7423.

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WANTED

WANTED: Recycling aluminum cans, M-W-Sat., 9:30-2:30. Old N. Hwy 73 south of swimming pool, Falls City, NE. 31-tf

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HELP WANTED

The Housing Authority of Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska is currently accepting applications for a Secretary Assistant. This will be a permanent part-time position (20 hours per week). Applicant must be willing/able to work a flexible schedule no nights or weekends. Must possess computer skills with experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, and Quick Books. Applicant must have reliable transportation. Applicant will be required to travel for training on Indian Programs. Indian Preference will be used in selection process to greatest extent feasible. Applications and job description must be picked up at the Housing Authority Office located in White Cloud, Kansas or submit resume to Iowa Tribe Housing Authority, PO BOX 68, White Cloud, Kansas 66094. Closing date for applications will be 4:00 P.M., March 30, 2012. Applicants will be required to maintain confidentiality. All questions are to be direct to Mr. Brad Campbell, Executive Director, at 785-595-3380.

10-12

LABORMAX STAFFING IS CURRENTLY SEEKING QUALIFIED APPLICANTS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- Packagers
- Welding
- Control Panel Assemblers
- Assembly
- General Labor

Qualified applicants are welcome to apply at 621 Main St Sabetha, KS 66534

9-11

Ag Partners Cooperative, Inc. with headquarters located in Hiawatha, KS is looking for an individual to operate our custom application equipment along with other duties as required. This position will be at our Humboldt, NE location. We offer a competitive compensation and benefit package in a fun and fast paced environment. CDL & Commercial Pesticide Applicators license or ability to get is a requirement. Spraying experience and/or farm background a must. Applications can be filled out or resumes sent to us at 708 South 10th Street in Hiawatha KS 66434. Contact Meryl Charles @ 785-741-0526 or Craig Gilbert at 785-741-1502.

10-11

Crosswind Petfoods located in Hiawatha is accepting applications for a second shift supervisor. The production supervisor assists in the production process and the training of personnel. A college education is preferred. This person needs to have a proven ability to work in a safe manner, the ability to solve problems, and be able to direct people, tabulate and record data, and have a mechanical aptitude.

Crosswind Petfoods is an equal opportunity employer. Drug screening and physical capacity testing is required. Benefits include health/dental, life and disability insurance, 401K, flex plan, paid vacation and personal time off. Crosswind Petfoods offer a drug, alcohol, and tobacco free environment.

Get an application on crosswindindustries.com, e-mail zan-an@crosswindindustries.com or mail application to P.O. Box 29 Sabetha, KS 66534. A resume will be helpful.

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Assisted Living CMA Job Opening

Colonial Acres Assisted Living of Humboldt, NE, has an opening for prn position. The position would cover 6 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 10 p.m. shifts, as needed.

Colonial Acres Assisted Living offers excellent wages.

Please call Beverly Stake at 402-862-2558 or 402-862-3123 to set up an interview.

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CW Mill Equipment Co., Inc. CW is currently staffing welding positions. Although welding experience is preferred, potential company training is possible.

All positions offer very competitive wages based on experience. All qualifying full time positions are eligible for full company paid health insurance as well as other benefits.

Stop by our manufacturing facility at 14 Commerce Drive in Sabetha, KS, or call 785-284-3454. (E.E.O.E.) Website: www.cwmill.com



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If you would like to Join Our Winning Team
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Eric Haider, Administrator

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DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Sabetha Manor, an Americare Skilled Nursing Facility in Sabetha, KS is seeking a Director of Nursing with a positive attitude who has the ability to manage and direct the delivery of nursing services to our 45-bed facility. The ideal candidate will be experienced in long-term care and have knowledge of Federal and State regulations.

If you are looking for a place where teamwork is more than talk, Sabetha Manor is the place for you! We provide care in an intimate care setting where you will really get to know the residents who make Sabetha Manor their home. We are a progressive facility and are several years into our culture change journey and are moving forward with our person-centered care initiatives.

The Director of Nursing on our team will enjoy excellent compensation packages that include top benefits and incentives. You will not find any provider more devoted to those we serve. Please send your resume to sabetham@americareusa.net.

Ron Hicks
Administrator
785-284-3411
E.O.E.

10-12

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Registered Nurse: Full time/ part time

Director of Nurses: Full time

For more information visit our website www.pawneehospital.com or call 402-852-2231. Applications may also be picked up from:

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11-14



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Fairview Express, Inc.
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Drug Testing Required

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604 Nemaha
Drug Testing Required

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Mutt & Jeff Drive-In Opening Soon. Cooks needed, nights & weekends. Apply at Heritage Falls Candles at 1614 Stone St. 9-11

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Motive Power - Boiler/Refrigeration Specialist: previous experience with refrigeration and/or boilers required as well as knowledge of pumps, cooling towers and chillers. 4-10 hr. days, weekend work required

Send resume to MBA Poultry - Tecumseh HR Dept., complete an application at 333 S. 3rd, Tecumseh, NE 68450 or apply online at www.smartchicken.com. MBA Poultry is an EOE.



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HELP WANTED

The Nemaha Natural Resources District is accepting applications for the position of NRD Clerk located at the Auburn NRCS office. Computer experience required. Applications and job descriptions are available at the Natural Resources Conservation Service, 918 26th St, Auburn NE 68305 or the Nemaha NRD, 62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh NE 68450. Closing date for applications is April 6, 2012. For more information, contact the NRD in Tecumseh at (402) 335-3325 or the NRCS in Auburn at (402) 274-4987, Extension 3. The Nemaha NRD is an equal opportunity employer. 11-12

Full-Time Meat Cutter, 401K, paid vacation, paid holiday's, competitive wages. Apply in person at Sunmart, Falls City. EOE 10-11

Kitchen Aide needed at the Falls City Senior Center. M., W., F. 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and T., Th. 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (19 hrs/wk.) Serving food, dish washing, janitorial. Apply at 221 W. 16th or call 245-3871. Closing date 3-26-12. 10-11

Wanted: Child Development Director for a New Christ Centered Early Childhood Development Center beginning May 1, 2012. Twelve month position, salary negotiable, insurance and vacation included. Must be qualified, experience preferred. A background check will be required. Send letter of application and resume to Kids of His Kingdom at 1320 20th St., Auburn, NE 68305. Additional information at <http://kohk.trinityaubne.net> 10-11

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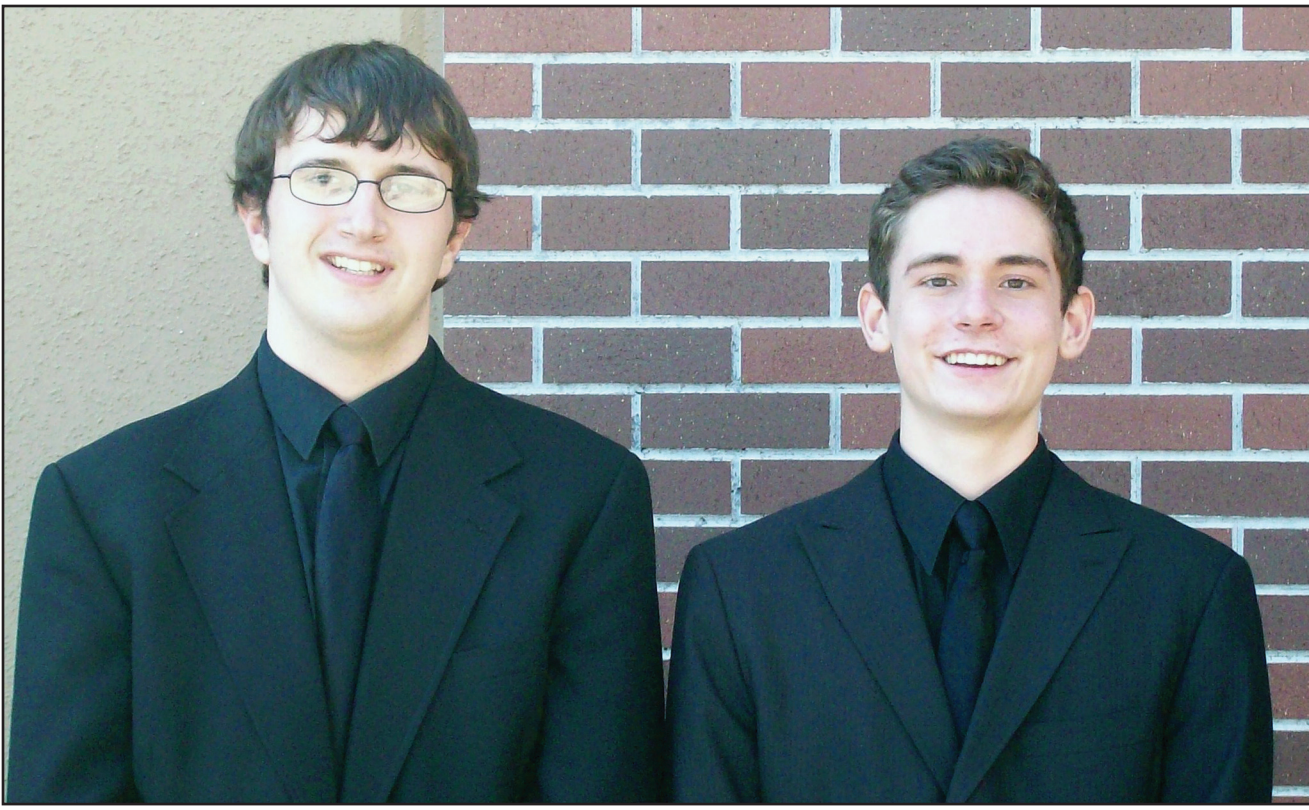
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10-11



The Falls City High School Speech team collected a fourth place finish at the B-1 District meet and two members earned berths at the State Tournament on March 22 in Kearney. The Duet Acting Team of Justin Elwonger, left, and David von Behren placed first and von Behren then went on to capture first place in Informative Speaking. Also earning points for the team were Taylor O'Brien, who placed fifth in Extemporaneous Speaking and the OID of Anastasia Finner, Chelsea Campbell, Shiloah Feighner and O'Brien that placed sixth.

FCSH speakers win D2-1 District

The Falls City Sacred Heart Speech Team captured first place out of 10 teams in the Class D2-1 District Contest last Wednesday at Meridian.

Sacred Heart scored 131 points, followed by Bruning-Davenport, 108, Giltner, 92, and Hampton, 85.

FCSH and Bruning-Davenport were tied at 71 points in preliminary rounds going into finals, and Hampton had 68 points. Sacred Heart had 15 events in finals and Bruning-Davenport had 11.

"Even though Sacred Heart had more finalists, the outcome of the team standings was still very close," Coach Diana Eickhoff said.

"This was a great team effort, and I am very proud of every team member," she said.

The D2 State Speech Meet will be held at the University of Nebraska at Kearney this Friday.

Seven FCSH students qualified for the state contest in nine events: David Bangert - first place in Humorous Prose and first place in Duet Acting; Janey Malcolm - first in Serious Prose and second in Duet Acting; Colin Niemeyer - first place in Duet Acting; Tami Rethman - first place in Persuasive

and third in Serious Prose; Chaz Dunn - first place in Entertainment; Matt Mullins - second place in Duet Acting and third in Informative Speaking; Kathryn Bieker - third place in Extemporaneous Speaking.

Sacred Heart medalists not qualifying for the state competition: Kathryn Bieker - fifth place in Poetry; Jarod Fiegenger - fourth place in Extemporaneous Speaking; Emma Schock - fifth place in Humorous Prose; Rachel Aitken - sixth place in Informative Speaking; Molly Chapple - fourth place in OID; Sandy Bangert - fourth place in OID; Colin Niemeyer - fourth place in OID; Emma Schock - fourth place in OID; Casey Martineau - fourth place in OID; Rachel Aitken - fifth place in OID; Kelsi Fouraker - fifth place in OID; Sawyer Kean - fifth place in OID; Ben Mullins - fifth place in OID; Will Burenheide - fifth place in OID.

Competitors earning team preliminary team points: Shelby Stice - Oral Interpretation of Poetry; Molly Chapple - Entertainment Speaking; Angie Gotlz - Persuasive Speaking.

30th year for Fire Stompers

The Falls City Volunteer Fire Department will conduct an extensive fire safety education program for all students between third and fifth grades, although no child will be turned down. "Fire Stompers" classes begin Thursday, April 5, at 7 p.m. and continue for six weeks at the Fire Station at 18th and Towle Streets.

This program is designed to provide all children with life saving skills and information needed to protect themselves from fire. There are examples of this — come to classes and be informed. Registration will be held the first night of class. Registration forms may be obtained at the Fire Station in advance (if possible) and some registration forms will be at the local schools.

For further information call the Fire Station at 402-245-3555

or contact any City Volunteer Firefighter. Topics to be covered are facts about fire, home fire safety, chemistry of fire, electrical hazards, self protection, classifications and types of fire, ABCDs of fire, actual fire extinguisher use, hose and nozzle use, and matches and lighters. If you need to contact anyone during a Fire Stompers class, feel free to call 402-245-3555.

Each student completing the full requirements will receive a certification and a Fire Stompers t-shirt. Full requirements include selling candy bars, which help fund the class. Please return dollar bills only — No Change Please. Every student needs to bring a shoebox with their name on the outside of the box. Each student must attend a minimum of five out of six classes, participate in class work and pass a final oral exam. Parents are

encouraged to attend any or all of the classes. Each class will last about one and a half hours. The final class will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 12 — the Fireman's Track Meet and Graduation, with a picnic lunch.

Fire claims 9,000 lives per year in this country — 300,000 people are injured and 30 percent of them are children. A child is badly burned every four minutes and this does not include those not reported. Children are curious about fire and do not understand the consequences. Falls City Firemen was to try to make sure all children know the good and bad about fire safety. Parents are encouraged to attend and get involved in this fire safety program and help their children with the materials that they bring home. Feel free to call and give your comments both pro and con about this program. This will be the 30th year for Fire Stompers, a program started by the late State Fire Marshal Steve Lincoln and C. Ken Simpson. Steve was killed while on duty one night at a bar brawl in Omaha. Thus this program is continued in his memory.

CONGRATULATIONS
Sacred Heart Speech team on winning Districts and Good Luck to those who made it to State!

SACRED HEART IRISH BOOSTER CLUB



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HTRS fourth at District Speech

Humboldt Table Rock Steinauer High School competed in the C2-1 Speech District held at Superior on March 13.

Freeman won the District with 120 points and Sutton was runner-up with 100. HTRS finished fourth with 95 points, behind third place finisher Nebraska City Lourdes, with 99 points.

The HTRS speech team qualified four events for the State Speech competition, to be held March 23 at UNK. Taylor Schafer qualified in two of her events, with a first in Serious Prose and second in Poetry. Both Entertainment speakers qualified, with Logan Niedzielski's second place and Jacob Herr's third place. Other medalists were Jana Joy, fifth in Serious Prose, Liz Railsback, fifth in Extemporaneous and fifth in Persuasive, Elliot Gonnella, sixth in Extemporaneous, and Joel Svoboda, fifth in Humorous Prose.

Masons offer scholarship to FCHS students

The members of Falls City Lodge No. 9 AF&AM and the Grand Lodge of Masons of Nebraska are offering a scholarship to a graduating senior of Falls City High School in 2012.

A \$250 scholarship will be presented this spring to a senior who plans to attend a two-year or four-year college or vocational school.

Academic qualification, work ethics, ambition, attitude, integrity and leadership abilities and financial consideration will be considered in the selection of the recipient.

Scholarship application forms are available through the guidance counselor's office at Falls City High School.

All applications must be returned to the guidance counselor's office by Tuesday, April 3. The winner will be notified at a later time.

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