

Help sought for Christmas dinner

By Brian Sanders

With little more than a week to go before Christmas, organizers of Holton's annual Community Christmas Dinner are hoping for the gift of a few more people to help out with the dinner.

"I still need people in the kitchen, and I need all the servers," said Freda Galer, who has helped to put the annual community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners on for several years.

This year's dinner is set from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 25 at the Evangel United Methodist Church Family Life Center. The dinner is open to all, regardless of age, religious affiliation, income bracket or residence.

Those who participate in the dinner have the option of dining in, getting a carry-out dinner or having one delivered to their home. But as far as put-

ting in an advance order for a dinner is concerned, Galer said she needs to know by 10 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

"Every year, there's somebody who calls me at home at 8 or 9 a.m. on Christmas Day, and if they called the church, they got an answering machine," Galer said. "I'll check the messages when I get up in the morning, and I can always call them from the church."

Dinner organizers have "done really well" on food donations thus far, she said, but a few more food items are needed. Those include one gallon of instant potatoes, two gallons of corn, nine gallons of green beans, six gallons of sweet potatoes, 20 dozen rolls, 19 fruit or vegetable salads, 10 Jell-O salads and seven pies.

But what the dinner needs is volunteer manpower, Galer noted.

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Police suspect alcohol poisoning in hotel death

By Brian Sanders

Alcohol poisoning is being suspected as the cause of death for a Valley Falls man who was discovered Thursday morning in a hotel room in Holton, according to Patrol Sgt. Steve Frederick of the Holton Police Department.

Sam Barrow, 43, was found dead by police in a room at the Super 8 Motel in Holton after police were called to the hotel at 8:30 a.m. that day for a welfare check, Frederick said.

"At this point, it doesn't look sus-

picious," Frederick added.

Evidence was found in the room that indicated "large amounts of alcohol" had been consumed, Frederick said. However, police are waiting for an autopsy report on Barrow before making a final statement on the cause of his death.

"Usually, they tell us up to eight weeks on the autopsy report," Frederick said. "But it's generally not that long before we get it back."

An obituary for Barrow appears on Page 5 of today's *Holton Recorder*.

Bullmasters hosting gun calendar as a fund-raiser

Northeast Kansans have a chance to win a new gun this year while also funding the construction of the new Jackson County fairgrounds.

A big part of 4-H is giving back to the community, and the Bullmasters 4-H Shooting Sports shooters are no different. Members of the club are giving back by helping the fair board raise funds to build the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex just south of Holton.

The grounds will include a new, updated complex that will be available to host many different events and competitions. There will be

a large arena, an amphitheater and several buildings for indoor events.

To generate funds for the construction of the Northeast Heritage Complex, members of the Shooting Sports auctioned off two BB guns during the fair and raised a total of \$500.

The club is currently holding a "52 Gun, Gun Calendar" fund-raiser. A gun calendar gives participants a chance to win a gun once a week for a whole year.

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County's "most wanted" fugitive captured here

Jackson County's most wanted fugitive, Roy Hector Waquahboshkuk Jr., was captured by Jackson County Sheriff's deputies early this morning in Holton, according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse.

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office received numerous tips concerning the whereabouts of Waquahboshkuk Jr. over the last several months.

"Waquahboshkuk Jr. has been on the run since early August following an alleged attempted theft of anhydrous in Atchison County," Morse said. "Soon after, Jackson County authorities served a search warrant on a Holton residence where Waquahboshkuk was believed to have been living."

During that search, items believed to be methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia were seized from the residence. Five additional individuals believed to be associated with Waquahboshkuk Jr. were previously arrested on drug-related charges.

Local authorities captured Waquahboshkuk Jr. minutes after he arrived in Holton this morning, Morse said.

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Members of Royal Valley Elementary School's kindergarten class held their winter program last week at the high school gym in Hoyt. The students sang several songs under the direction of Melissa Kimble including "Let's Build A Gingerbread House," "Winter Wiggles" and "Hip Hop Elves." Holton and Jackson Heights have holiday concerts planned throughout this week. Photo by Ali Holcomb

Holton, RV students participate in "Hour of Code"

By Ali Holcomb

Students at Holton and Royal Valley schools participated in a worldwide initiative last week that introduced them to computer science and taught them the basics of coding websites.

More than 74 million students participated in an "Hour of Code" last week at code.org, writing 4,018,788,352 lines of code. The act of "coding" is writing a program in programming language to create the building blocks of a website.

Designed as games and activities, students were taught code by familiar characters, such as Elsa and Anna from the movie "Frozen." But instead of building a snowman with the "Frozen" sisters; students were building websites.

"A few individual teachers participated in the 'Hour of Code' last year, but this is the first year the entire school district took part," said Annie Brock, Holton High School library media specialist.

Students across the district logged onto one of more than 20

tutorials on code.org last week to learn about computer science. The site is tailored to all levels of students - kindergarten through high school.

"The idea is that many schools don't offer computer programming classes, so this gives students exposure to coding and hopefully it sparks some of them to learn more," Brock said.

The "Hour of Code" is especially geared toward female students and minorities, it was reported.

"For whatever reason, coding is seen as a man's game," Brock said. "But it's really simple. We have kindergarten students doing it."

Besides the "Frozen" sisters, the tutorials also feature "Angry Birds" characters and zombies.

"Computer science is a growing field," Brock said. "In 2020, it's estimated that there will be one million coding jobs, and only 2.4 percent of kids right now are majoring in computer programming, and an even smaller fraction of those students are women and minorities. We're preparing kids

for jobs we don't even know exist right now."

Heather Hundley, kindergarten teacher at Colorado Elementary School, spearheaded the "Hour of Code" project at the school after participating in the program last year.

"It went really well," Hundley said. "The students were very engaged, and it really helps develop critical thinking skills like perseverance and problem solving."

Hundley said that students in the school worked on coding for 20 minutes a day last week, and noted that all the teachers in the school were excited to participate in the program.

Code.org also incorporates science standards and other curriculum as the students are working through its tutorials.

"It's real world application. The job growth in computer science is rising rapidly," Hundley said. "There are currently 4,840 computer jobs available in Kansas and the numbers keep going up."

Hundley said that with a building

wide commitment to participate in an "Hour of Code," the school was able to register for a drawing to receive a \$10,000 grant for technology purchases through code.org. A winner was selected from each state, and in Kansas, the winning school was Argentine Middle School.

Students at Royal Valley Elementary School also participated in the "Hour of Code" last week during computer lab, which is taught by Sandy Williams.

"I have every kid, every day so I thought this would be a great place to introduce coding to the students," Williams said.

With many students logging onto code.org on Monday, the site crashed, but Williams said that RV students had better success participating in the tutorials throughout the rest of the week. Kindergarten and first grade classes worked through the tutorials together as an entire class while the older students worked individually.

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Santa, played by Mikey Wamego, helped usher in "A Relaxing Christmas," with help from his elves and reindeer. Third and fourth grade students at Royal Valley held their winter program last week that featured a holiday parade, hip hop turkeys and the rules for Christmas. Photo by Ali Holcomb

Seematter enters no contest plea; sentencing scheduled for Jan. 23

By Brian Sanders

A Wetmore resident charged with exposing himself to two minor children in Hoyt in September pleaded no contest to charges against him and may likely receive probation, it was noted on Friday in Jackson County District Court.

Jason A. Seematter, 24, charged with two counts of lewd and lascivious behavior in connection with an alleged September incident in front of Royal Valley Elementary School, entered the no contest pleas Friday morning. District Court Judge Micheal Ireland accepted the pleas and sent Seematter's sentencing date for 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23.

Ireland noted that Russell Roe of Onaga, attorney for Seematter, and Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller had come to a plea agreement in which Seematter could receive "no servable jail time," but probation. However, he reminded

Seematter, "I'm not bound by their agreement."

Miller said Seematter's sentence could range from five to 17 months on each charge, depending on his criminal history, and "most of that is presumed probation." Ireland added that the sentences could run either concurrently or consecutively.

Seematter also was placed on "regular bond" by Ireland at Roe's request, keeping the provision that he not come within 50 yards of any minors and advising him to "stay at home" with his parents - Seematter had been placed under house arrest at his parents' home near Mayetta as a bond condition - when he is not working or looking for work. Miller agreed with the change of bond conditions, noting that the State of Kansas currently seeks "no jail time" for Seematter.

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5:15 p.m. - RISC
6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth
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DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Traffic

Colette A. Carter, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.

Martin Garcia-Alvarez, registration violation, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$336.

Kimberly K. Hoagland, registration violation, no seat belt, \$168.

Randy L. Hyatt Jr., driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.

Wesley K. Langat, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, diversion.

Lawrence D. Lovejoy, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.

Trey G. Martinez, registration violation, no proof of insurance, \$458.

Kirk W. Miller Jr., speeding, \$183.

Kristine R. Miller, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, diversion.

James P. Overturf, speeding, no seat belt, notice of change of address or name, \$240.

Charles H. Robinson, improper stop lamp or turn signal, \$153.

Monique J. Smith, speeding, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$334.

Christopher V. Spaar, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, refusal to submit to preliminary breath or saliva test, diversion.

Montana D. Stapel, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, \$183.

Michael A. Stovall, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, \$878.

Dakota C. Teter, purchase/consumption of alcoholic liquor/cereal malt beverage by a minor, diversion.

Nathan O. Villalobos, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, speeding, diversion.

Whitney N. Wilson, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, \$183.

Kurt G. Zibell, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, speeding, driving on left side of roadway prohibited, diversion.

Civil

Dispositions

Susan M. Johnson, heir-at-law of Donna F. Johnson, deceased vs. Donald O. Johnson, sought judgment of previously-reached settlement; dismissed.

Filed

Jackson County Sheriff's Department vs. 2011 Chevrolet Malibu, VIN 1G1ZC5EU9BF344622, \$204.49 U.S. currency and Smith and Wesson .380, serial number KBS0144, notice of pending forfeiture filed.

The estate of Justin Kennedy, de-

ceased, by and through Paul B. Kennedy as special administrator of the estate, and Paul B. Kennedy, individually and on behalf of the heirs at law of Justin T. Kennedy, deceased vs. Farm Bureau Property and Casualty Insurance Company, seeking judgment in excess of \$75,000 plus court costs.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Dana R. Patterson, seeking judgment of \$2,073.72 plus interest and court costs.

Limited Civil

Dispositions

Discover Bank vs. Gary Schuppener and R. Schuppener, sought judgment of \$5,672 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Tonia Booth and Joe Booth, sought judgment of \$796.20 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Scott Brockman and Penny Brockman, sought judgment of \$845 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Gary McGinty, sought judgment of \$2,494.55 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Harry L. Coker II, sought judgment of \$481.50 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Angel Kottman, sought judgment of \$502.35 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$202.35 plus interest and court costs.

Denison State Bank vs. Karen L. Earls, sought judgment of \$536.59 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Educational Credit Union vs. Benny J. Neuner and Christine M. Neuner, sought judgment of \$9,740.65 plus interest and court costs; granted.

K&N Pizza Huts Inc., doing business as Pizza Hut 103 vs. Jessica Cottrill, sought judgment of \$484 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. James A. Frommer, sought judgment of \$700.80 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Dona Wathor, sought judgment of \$1,722.47 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Autumn P. Brown, sought judgment of \$1,172.88 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Donald A. Wing and Nikki D. Wing, sought judgment of \$1,052.38 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Barbara A. Morfitt and Ted R. Morfitt Jr., sought judgment of \$3,664.93 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$3,439.93 plus interest and court costs.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Daina M. Moore, sought judgment of \$12,755.67 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Kevin Shea, sought judgment of \$316.03 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. George P. Fuqua, sought judgment of \$245.33 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Judy L. Childers, sought judgment of \$313.88 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Bobby Muller and Kim Muller, sought judgment of \$369.60 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Filed
Kansas Gas Service Company, a division of ONEOK Inc. vs. Marvin M. Cummings, seeking judgment of \$1,036.16 plus interest and court costs.

Wells Fargo Bank N.A., doing business as Wells Fargo Education Financial Services, successor by merger with Wachovia Bank of Delaware N.A. vs. Tracy L. Gulley, seeking judgment of \$10,178.51 plus interest and court costs.

Criminal

Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Jeremy A. Sporleder, Hoyt, domestic battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Austin Utterback, Hoyt, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Gretchen M.

Fortune, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Jason Kirkham, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on three months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Derek A. Meek, Topeka, interference with law enforcement-obstruction of official duty; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Alysha J. Murata, Topeka, possession of marijuana, no proof of insurance; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$800 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Lonnie W. Coker, Fairview, criminal damage to property; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Lonnie W. Coker, Fairview, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$1,250 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Alysha J. Murata, Topeka, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$850 plus court costs.

Filed
State of Kansas vs. Jodi R. Whitt, Silver Lake, residential burglary.

Domestic

Dispositions

In the matter of Donald L. Cohee vs. Hilary A. DeVader, sought custody and support judgment; settled.

In the matter of the marriage of Lisa Thomas and Sean Thomas, sought divorce; granted.

State of Missouri, Department of Social Services, Family Support Division and Ashley Howard vs. Bobby Cureton, sought registration and request of income withholding order; dismissed.

Filed
In the matter of the marriage of Jaelyn J. Long and Baron C. Long, seeking divorce.

Sheriff's officers investigate traffic mishaps

The Jackson County Sheriff's Department has reported the following accidents:

■ At 5:10 p.m. on Nov. 25, Daquari Hardman, 17, Holton, was driving a 2005 Chevrolet east on 270th Road near X Road when she lost control of the Chevrolet on some loose gravel, and the vehicle went through a fence. The Chevrolet sustained damage to its undercarriage, front left bumper, hood, left side and rear bumper that was estimated at more than \$1,000. It

was towed from the scene. The fence was owned by Robert Wareham of Whiting.

■ At 5:44 p.m. on Nov. 27, Cheyenne Filbert, 19, Wamego, was driving a 2008 Kia west on 110th Road when she stopped in a median to cross U.S. Highway 75. An unknown vehicle was also waiting to cross the highway in front of the Kia.

According to the accident report, the unknown vehicle backed into the front of the Kia, then left the scene of

the accident at a high rate of speed. The Kia sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was estimated at more than \$1,000.

■ At 7:15 a.m. on Dec. 6, Frank Blanton, 32, Hiawatha, was driving a 2010 Chevrolet Malibu south on U.S. 75 just south of the Holton city limits when the Malibu struck a raccoon in the road. Blanton's vehicle sustained damage to its undercarriage that was estimated at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

Recent city thefts followed by recovery of property

The following incident reports were issued in recent days by the Holton Police Department.

■ Sometime between 9:30 p.m. on Nov. 21 and 5:30 a.m. on Nov. 22, Brent W. Masters of Holton reported

that someone stole a 2000 Jeep Grand Cherokee valued at \$4,000 from in front of his residence in the 400 block of Cherokee Avenue. The vehicle was recovered on Nov. 22.

■ An employee at Casey's Gen-

eral Store in Holton reported that between 6:25 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 25, a suspect reportedly stole three packs of Marlboro menthol cigarettes, valued at \$21. The cigarettes were recovered that same day.

Holton police report arrests

The following arrests were reported in recent days by the Holton Police Department.

■ Dennis Stierwalt, 33, Holton, was arrested Nov. 25 on charges of violation of a protective order, domestic battery, criminal threat and intimidation of a witness.

■ Jesse Razo, 21, Mayetta, was arrested Nov. 25 on charges of theft, possession of methamphetamines and possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ Martin Garcia-Alvarez, 24, Sioux Falls, S.D., was arrested Nov. 29 on charges of driving without a license and obstructed tag.

■ Blake Rogers, 28, Holton, was arrested Nov. 30 on charges of speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs and defective tag light.

■ Dylan McClane, 18, Hoyt, was arrested Dec. 1 on an arrest-and-detain order for a probation violation.

■ Kierston Politte, 19, Mayetta, was arrested Dec. 6 on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, failure to maintain a single lane, improper backing and defective taillights.

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From left to right, Wetmore Elementary School students Tayan Shuler, Jenny Olguin and Alexis Larabee performed for the crowd in attendance at the school's annual Christmas concert.

Submitted photo

Wetmore Elementary School hosts annual Christmas show

By Cassidy Fund

WHS Student Correspondent

The sounds of Christmas were in the air on Monday, Dec. 8 as Wetmore Elementary School students presented their annual Christmas concert.

Under the direction of music teacher Seth Stiers, the Little Band performed first, playing five numbers, including "Jingle Bells."

Next came the choral portion of the program. Kindergartners were first, singing "Step Into the Spot Light" and "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas." Then first and second graders

shared "This Is Halloween" and "Jingle Bells" with the audience.

"I've Been Working on the Railroad" and "It's Time to Get Ready for Christmas" were the third-graders' offerings. The fourth grade performed "The Boogie-Woogie Ghost" and "December Nights, December Lights," while fifth-graders enchanted the audience with "Uncle Pen" and "Light One Candle."

The evening was capped with the entire elementary school singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," which left everyone in the holiday spirit.

Report ranks Kansas' health 27th in nation

Rising rates of obesity and physical inactivity threaten Americans' quality of life, even as Americans progressed in several key health metrics in 2014, according to the landmark 25th anniversary edition of "America's Health Rankings: A Call to Action for Individuals and Their Communities," released Wednesday.

Nationwide, obesity increased 7 percent, from 27.6 percent to 29.4 percent of adults. Likewise, the percentage of adults who reported not participating in any physical activity in the last 30 days increased from 22.9 percent to 23.5 percent. At the same time, the number of Americans who smoke continued to decrease, declining by 3 percent this year, and has consistently declined over the past decade.

According to "America's Health Rankings," Kansas ranks 27th compared with other states this year. The 2014 report illustrates Kansas has its share of strengths and challenges.

Kansas' strengths include:

- **Low rate of drug deaths.** Kansas ranks ninth in the U.S. with about 10 drug related deaths per every 100,000 people.

- **High rate of high school graduation.** A total of 89 percent of incoming ninth graders graduate high school, ranking Kansas fifth in the U.S.

- **Low prevalence of low birth weight.** About 7 percent of every 1,000 live births is considered underweight, ranking Kansas 15th in the U.S.

- **High occupational fatalities rate.** There are six deaths for every 100,000 workers in Kansas, ranking the state 40th in the U.S.

- **Low per capita public health funding.** Kansas ranks 42nd in the U.S., with \$50 in public health funding per person.

- **Low immunization coverage among teens.** Fewer than 54 percent

of teens aged 13 to 17 receive immunizations, ranking Kansas 47th in the U.S.

UnitedHealthcare watches America's Health Rankings closely to better understand the health of individuals and communities across the nation and in Kansas. UnitedHealthcare has several programs to address the nation's health challenges at a state level. These programs help educate people on living healthier lives and empower communities to take action to improve their health.

UnitedHealthcare's myHealthcare Cost Estimator tool is available to more than 522,000 people in Kansas. The health care price transparency tool shows consumers both quality and cost measures associated with the most common medical procedures, allowing consumers the opportunity to make more informed decisions about their care.

In addition, UnitedHealthcare's Health4Me app provides instant access to information such as nearby physicians, the status of a claim, or direct communication with a nurse. UnitedHealthcare's wellness benefits are available to Kansas businesses. The plan provides incentives and tools such as discounts on health premiums, health and wellness products such as vitamins or new tennis shoes, at-home biometric screening kits and one-on-one coaching to help people achieve their health goals.

UnitedHealthcare's Baby Blocks program is an interactive incentive program that helps pregnant women and new parents with prenatal and well-baby care. Women who enroll in Baby Blocks can earn rewards for completing prenatal, postpartum and health-baby appointments.

Users access interactive "baby blocks" via the mobile web app on the iPhones and Android smartphones that shows their prenatal visits, and opportunities to earn rewards for following prenatal and postnatal visit schedules.

"For the last 25 years, United Health Foundation's annual America's Health Rankings has provided an invaluable look at the challenges and opportunities facing Kansas and how the picture of health in our state compares with those of our region and our nation," said Dr. Tony Sun, medical director for UnitedHealthcare, Heartland States. "We look forward to continuing to use the report as a key tool for identifying and implementing solutions to our most pressing challenges and measuring the strides we've made to date."

Hawaii has again taken the title of healthiest state. Vermont came in second, followed by Massachusetts, which improved to third after being ranked fourth for two years. Connecticut came in fourth, rising three slots from last year. Utah came in fifth.

Mississippi ranked 50th this year, preceded by Arkansas (49), Louisiana (48), Kentucky (47) and Oklahoma (46). West Virginia and Alabama moved out of the bottom five.

To see the Rankings in full, visit americashealthrankings.org.

"We applaud hard-won advances in several key measures, including

smoking prevalence, even as this year's America's Health Rankings is a solemn reminder that we have a lot more work ahead of us," said Reed Tuckson, M.D., senior medical adviser to United Health Foundation. "It is inevitable that increases in the rates of obesity and physical inactivity will result in more people suffering from significant chronic diseases that compromise the quality of their lives, adversely affect their families and are unaffordable for the nation."

United Health Foundation is marking 25 years of America's Health Rankings by introducing new online tools to inspire health advocacy across states and communities, including:

- A "Change My Rank" online tool allows users to see how improving several key measures affects the state's overall rank (for example, if a state reduced its prevalence of obesity by 5 percent, what would its overall rank be?).

- A Thought Leader Perspectives portal showcases notable leaders from the public health, government, academic, business, technology and consumer arenas reflecting on the achievements and challenges in America's health over the last 25 years, and their thoughts for the next 25 years.

With the launch of this year's report, "America's Health Rankings" commemorates 25 years of comprehensive health reporting and advocacy for a healthier America. The special 25th anniversary report finds Americans have made meaningful strides in health since 1990, particularly as it relates to life expectancy:

- At 78.8 years, Americans' average life expectancy is at a record high.
- The past 25 years have seen considerable declines in:
 - infant mortality, decreasing 41 percent
 - cardiovascular death, decreasing 38 percent
 - premature death, decreasing 20

percent

- U.S. cancer mortality rates have also shown a steady decline, dropping 8 percent between 1996 and 2014.

The decline in smoking rates stands out as a significant health improvement over the past 25 years. Since 1990, smoking rates have decreased 36 percent, from 29.5 percent to 19.0 percent of adults who smoke regularly. Cigarette smoking is still associated with one of every five deaths in the United States, making it the leading cause of preventable death in the country.

While Americans are living longer, the past 25 years have seen a steady rise in chronic conditions, many of them preventable, that compromise their quality of life.

- Obesity — now a leading contributor to death in the United States — more than doubled over the last 25 years, from 11.6 percent of adults in 1990 to 29.4 percent of adults today. One possible explanation for the increase: levels of physical inactivity remain high, with 23.5 percent of adults reporting no physical activity or exercise in the last 30 days.

- Adults who say they have diabetes currently stands at 9.6 percent, more than double the number from 20 years ago when America's Health Rankings first started tracking diabetes.

"The challenge for the next 25 years is to achieve widespread, uniform success in fighting the chronic conditions that threaten Americans' quality of life and adversely affect our nation's health care system," said Rhonda Randall, D.O., senior adviser to United Health Foundation and chief medical officer and executive vice president, UnitedHealthcare Retiree Solutions. "Obesity, diabetes and physical inactivity rates are troublingly high. We must continue to promote positive health behaviors and help prevent the devastating consequences of chronic illnesses that are often left unchecked."

RV grad Curtis finishes basic training

U.S. Army Private Kira D. Curtis has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., it has been reported. The course of instruction included basic combat military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

Curtis is the daughter of Jerritt Curtis of Topeka and the granddaughter of Larry Curtis of Ellinwood and Stanley Curtis of Toronto. She is a 2013 graduate of Royal Valley High School.

During basic training, the trainee

received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

During AIT, the soldier was trained to be a bridge crewmember and learned to operate bridge trucks, light vehicles and bridge erection

boats; prepare bridge sites and handle shore lines; assist in rafting operations and assembly of military bridges and installation of overhead anchorage system components; launch and retrieve ribbon bridge bays; prepare and install demolition firing systems; and arm and disarm land mines.

KDOT names Hamm winning bidder on Jackson-Nemaha overlay project

Hamm Inc. of Perry has been named the winning bidder on a Kansas Department of Transportation project involving 16.9 miles of highway overlay work in Jackson and Nemaha counties, it was reported Thursday.

The overlay project includes work on two sections of highway in the two counties, it was reported. The project was among bids let on Nov. 19.

Part of the project involves overlay work on the entirety of Kansas Highway 79, which connects Kansas Highway 16 west of Holton and the Circleville city limits. The remainder involves work on Kansas Highway 62 north from its junction with K-16, through Soldier and into Nemaha County, ending at K-62's junction with Kansas Highway 9.

KDOT reported that Hamm bid \$1,949,399.95 for the project.

Clarification

The late Jim Potter, who has been selected as one of this year's Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame inductees and was profiled in a recent edition of *The Holton Recorder*, served on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Council from 1996 to 2014. Potter served as the council's treasurer from 1996 to 2004, then from 2006 to June 11, 2014, as its secretary.

Correction

Tickets for this year's "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes did not sell out as previously reported, according to Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce executive director Carolyn McKee. A total of 400 tickets was available and 160 were sold, generating \$2,400 for the Chamber, McKee said.

The Recorder apologizes for the error.

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A respectful remembrance of Sand Creek

By Tom Isern

Just after Thanksgiving we as a nation observed a sad anniversary. 150 years ago, on Nov. 29, 1864, federal troops commanded by Col. John Chivington assaulted a Cheyenne encampment on Sand Creek, in southeastern Colorado Territory. Such an event deserves solemn remembrance.



Years ago, I had occasion to do some detailed research on Colorado Territory in the 1860s, and so I think I follow the coverage of the Sand Creek observances in fairly informed fashion. In addition, I read the heavy literature that has come with 21st-century research on the Sand Creek site and with assumption of management by the National Park Service.

This is not happy reading, but it's my job. Based on this, I'd like to address five questions raised by the Sand Creek observances.

First, was this episode "forgotten"? Smithsonian Magazine intones, "The Horrific Sand Creek Massacre Will Be Forgotten No More." Well, no. Stan Hoig wrote a fine book about it in 1961, for Pete's sake.

There has been disagreement about

what to say about Sand Creek, and much angst in Colorado about that commonwealth's role in a violent and ugly chapter, but those things are obvious evidence that Sand Creek was never forgotten. The National Park Service publicists should take a pill.

Second, was Sand Creek a massacre? "Massacre" is a word I almost refuse to use, because it has been deployed to defame whole peoples as savage, rather than pinning specific responsibility on anyone. I make an exception for Sand Creek. The park service has it right. Not just the killings, but also the atrocities, not to mention the rhetoric, and the deliberate targeting of noncombatants — Sand Creek was a massacre.

Now, Blue Water Creek in Nebraska, 1855; Whitestone Hill in Dakota, 1863; Washita in the Indian Territory, 1868; and Marais River in Montana, 1870 — we can talk about those, deliberately, and choose terms of reference.

Was the Sand Creek massacre perpetrated by "militia" or untrained "volunteers"? This is a misconception common with many episodes of white-on-red violence on the plains. It doesn't hold up under examination. The core troops at Sand Creek, and their leaders, were three-year volunteers, the same type of troops that held the Peach Orchard at Gettysburg.

Let the record show, however, that Captain Silas Soule, who command-

ed a brigade assigned by Chivington to cut off the retreat of the women and children from Sand Creek, took a look at the action unfolding and ordered his men to stand down. Such things happened in other places, I am discovering; I'm pretty sure something similar happened with volunteer officers at Whitestone Hill.

Was this part of the Civil War, then? This angle is overemphasized to the point of misrepresentation. I think it is because there is more prestige and more money involved with Civil War research and remembrance. Events like Sand Creek happened during the Civil War, were affected and even driven by the Civil War, but were not the Civil War.

Is it time to forget about Sand Creek, and similar sorry episodes, and enter into what people like to call "reconciliation"? Well, you can try, but it's not going to happen. Although my fellow historians bandy about this term, "reconciliation," this is not what native peoples want, or what they deserve, or any of us deserve. They want remembrance, respectful remembrance.

As a white guy charged with telling the stories of this country, the Great Plains, respectful remembrance is where I propose to begin. Then we can argue about details.

Note: Tom Isern is a professor of history at North Dakota State University and co-author of the Plains Folk column.

Foreigners reminded to report ag land holdings

USDA Kansas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Adrian J. Polansky is reminding foreign persons with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States that they are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

"Any foreign person who acquires, transfers or holds any interest, other than a security interest, including leaseholds of 10 years or more, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction," Polansky said.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclo-

sure Act (AFIDA) reports with the FSA county office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

"Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land," Polansky said.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes

from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural. Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as the owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign.

Data gained from these disclosures is used to prepare an annual report to President Obama and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, contact your local FSA office or visit the USDA Web site at www.usda.gov

A report on middle school technology classes

By Gracie Frakes

HHS Correspondent

Kris Seymour teaches Holton Middle School's technology classes. Each grade level has different kinds of activities.

Students aren't all doing the same things. Seymour has come up with different kinds of activities for the middle school students from sixth grade to eighth grade.

Since the beginning of the school year, Holton Middle School sixth-graders have been building rockets and engineering structural bridges. In one project, they are putting together a rocket. Then they are seeing how many different ways everyone can make a bridge and which one is the strongest.

"What I find interesting is the

painting and getting ready to shoot the rockets," Kalinn Baumgartner said. "What I find least interesting is all of the glue; it goes everywhere!"

"I find making the bottom half interesting," Justin Reith said. "I find doing the top half not very interesting."

The seventh-graders have been doing animated pumpkin carving on iStop Motion. In this project, they are using iStop Motion to make it look as if they are carving a pumpkin. In the end, the pumpkin looks like they actually carved it themselves.

"The animated pumpkin carving is really creative and fun," Brady Boswell said. "I don't really like when we have to cut out the design of the pumpkin, though."

"What I find interesting about the

animated pumpkin carving is when you take out the seeds from inside the pumpkin," Olivia Yingst said. "But I also don't like how messy it gets."

The eighth-graders are creating a public service announcement. They are seeing what other people are eating. They are describing what they see other people eating and if it is good for them or not.

"I find it interesting seeing what other people order," Jacee Barnes said. "I don't really find any of it interesting."

Students spend one semester in this class and then spend the next semester in Lisa Baumgartner's computer class, or vice-versa.

Ginger Gudenkauf is new middle school teacher at Wetmore

By Elizabeth Hufles

WHS Student Correspondent

Ginger (Rogers) Gudenkauf is a new middle school teacher and support staff member at Wetmore School.

Formerly from Onaga, her duties at Wetmore include teaching sixth grade social studies along with seventh and eighth grade English/language arts in the morning. In the afternoon, she is a support staff member for the library.

As a whole, Gudenkauf has very positive things to say about teaching at Wetmore.

"I really enjoy being at Wetmore with the small rural atmosphere. I feel like you really get to know the students and staff," she said.

Any new job comes with obstacles that must be overcome, and working at Wetmore is no different. Mrs. "G" says the most challenging thing she has faced so far has been "just to remember all the kids' names when checking out books, but I am getting better!"

Gudenkauf graduated from Kansas State University. She majored in elementary education with endorsements in middle school education.

Although she is not in charge of any extracurricular activities within the school, she gladly helps wherever she is needed.

Gudenkauf has been married to her husband for 33 years. Kim Gudenkauf, (more commonly known as "Goober") works at Westar Energy. Mrs. Gudenkauf and her husband live together south of Centralia with their adopted dog. Together, they enjoy antiquing and any outdoor activities. They also love to entertain their friends at their personal vintage gas station.

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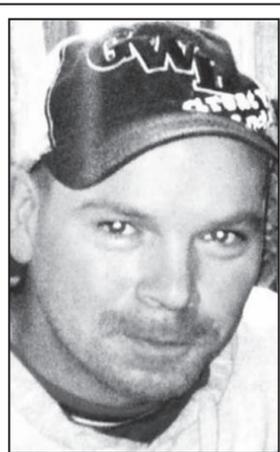
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OBITUARIES



Barrow

Sam Levine "Wah mi mi" Barrow, 43, Valley Falls, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 2014, in Holton.

He was born Dec. 19, 1970, at Holton, the son of Vernon Charles "Red" and Myra Matchie Barrow. He graduated from Valley Falls High School in 1990.

Sam had worked at Cretex Engineering at Oskaloosa and for Cook Brothers Fencing. He enjoyed supporting community athletic programs.

Sam was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

He married Stacy Vessar. They later divorced. He was preceded in death by his father, Vernon "Red" Barrow; and a brother, Paul Lawrence.

Survivors include his daughters, Montana Vessar, Sierra Vessar, Piper Barrow and Chesnie Barrow, all of Valley Falls; his mother, Myra Matchie, Mayetta; his stepmother, Debbie Barrow, Valley Falls; his companion, Brandi Clark, Valley Falls; five brothers, Dr. Willie Barrow, Baltimore, Md., Zac Brown, Arvada, Colo., Lacey Brown, Valley Falls, Bennie Nioce, Topeka, and Raymond Nioce, Mayetta; two sisters, Ruda Mendez and Marji Heim, both of Mayetta; and a granddaughter, Kensli Bond.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Gathering will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, at the Kendall State Bank Community Hall in Valley Falls. Refreshments will be served.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sam Barrow Children's Education Fund, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 6, Valley Falls, KS 66088. Online condolences are welcome at www.mercerfuneralhomes.com

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Long

Mary Margaret "Peggy" Long, 96, Topeka, died Friday, Dec. 12, 2014.

She was born April 8, 1918, at Truchton, Colo., the daughter of Joseph and Mabel Chamberlin Cody.

Mrs. Long was a long-time resident of the Topeka area.

She was a member of First Church of Christ Scientist.

She married Vernon Harry Long. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include three daughters, Marilyn Maddon, Apache Junction, Ariz., Carolyn Holliday, Ozawkie, and Marty Mavrovich, Holton; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Penwell-Gabel Parker-Price Chapel, 245 N.W. Independence Ave., Topeka. Private interment of remains will be held in Rochester Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's local Salvation Army.

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Elliott

Linda Sue Elliott, 64, Topeka, died Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014, at the House at Midland Care.

She was born June 16, 1950, in Holton, the daughter of William and Ella Marie Hersh Jones.

Ms. Elliott was an office assistant for the Kansas Highway Patrol for 13 years, retiring in 2012.

She was a member of Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church.

Survivors include two children, Gary Elliott and wife Lisa and Laura Elliott, all of Topeka; a sister, Mary Ranger, Atchison; two brothers, Bill Jones and Virgil Jones, both of Holton; and two grandchildren, Nickolas and Zackery Elliott.

Ms. Elliott was cremated. Memorial services were held Thursday, Dec. 11 at Brennan-Mathena Funeral Home in Topeka.

Memorial contributions may be made to Midland Hospice Care, sent in care of Brennan-Mathena Funeral Home, 800 S.W. Sixth Ave., Topeka, KS 66603.

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Stewart

Janicesue Stewart, 73, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 2014, at Midland Hospice House in Topeka.

She was born Jan. 4, 1941, at Soldier, the daughter of Roy and Nellie Cappen Bickford. She grew up in the Solier and Holton communities and graduated from Topeka High School.

Mrs. Stewart had worked for Luce Press Clipping and Channel Grocery Store at Rossville, and she was a supervisor at the Tupperware Distribution Center in Topeka, retiring in 1987 to become a homemaker.

She married Glen Stewart in Miami, Okla. He survives.

Other survivors include six daughters, Cindy L. Stewart, Chapman, Kelly S. Dick and husband Scott and Cheryl D. Crow and husband John, all of Rossville, Janelle L. Clark and husband Brian, McKinney, Texas, Penny Rippe and husband Steve, Berryton, and Darla Stewart, Mayetta; three brothers, Kenneth and Leo Bickford, both of Holton, and Leland Bickford, Pahrump, Nev.; a sister, Betty Mayo, Filer, Idaho; 12 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; eight siblings; LeRoy Bickford, Wendell Bickford, Clifford Bickford, Darrell Bickford, Opal Davis, Arlene Nott, Doris Redding and Barbara Hughes; and a daughter, Terry Stewart.

A memorial visitation will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Piper Funeral Home in St. Marys. Private inurnment will be held in Rossville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Midland Hospice or the American Cancer Society, sent in care of Piper Funeral Home, 714 Maple St., St. Marys, KS 66536.

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Humane Society board notes new members

Members of the Heart of Jackson Humane Society board of directors are pleased to announce that Becky Campbell and Bill Thomas have each been elected to a three-year term on its board.

Officers for 2015 were elected at

the December board meeting as follows: President Freda Galer, Vice President Amber Howard, Secretary Joan Dannenberg, and Treasurer Sally Moege.

Members also thanked past-president Danny Curl for his service.



Nott

Gary Lee Nott, 70, Richmond, Texas, formerly of Topeka and Oskaloosa, died Thursday, Dec. 4, 2014, in Houston, Texas.

He was born Nov. 15, 1944, in Topeka, the son of Paul and Arlene Bickford Nott. He graduated from Circleville High School in 1962 and from Washburn University with a bachelor's degree in business.

Mr. Nott served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, earning the Purple Heart and Silver Star accommodations. He later was an accountant for 20 years, prior to retiring as a fully-disabled veteran.

He was a lifetime member of American Legion Post 225 in Ozawkie. He also was a member of VFW, Masons and Arab Shriners.

Survivors include a daughter, Janis L. Longmire and husband Phillip, Richmond, Texas; a son, Jeffrey L. Nott and wife Misty, Cameron, Mo.; four sisters, Shirley Pool and husband Nick, Holton, Carol Tipton, Topeka, Bev Brucken and husband Pat, Soldier, and Linda Smith and husband Mitch, Wichita; two brothers, Greg Nott and wife Kathy, Wichita, and Don Nott and wife Linda, Topeka; and eight grandchildren, Jessica and Jayme Longmire, Jakeb and Carissa Nick, Tony Wheeler and Quentin, Olivia and Mackenly Carr-Nott. He was preceded in death by his father, Paul Nott; his mother, Arlene Bickford Nott; a brother, Leslie Nott; and two sisters, Patty Nott and Lavona Yates.

Memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Inurnment with full military honors will follow in Olive Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ozawkie American Legion Post 225, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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■ The Delaware River Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) Program will host a stakeholder leadership team meeting from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the Glacial Hills RC&D office at 334 Second St. in Wetmore. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Delaware River WRAPS coordinator Melissa Arthur at (785) 284-3422 or email delawarewatershed@gmail.com

■ The American Legion Auxiliary, Mary L. Bair Unit 44 of Holton will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the Veterans Club, 926 W. Sixth St. in Holton. A social hour will begin at 6 p.m. Please bring an appetizer to share, canned goods and Best Choice labels.

■ The Caregivers Support Group (formerly Alzheimer's Support Group) will meet every third Tuesday of each month from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Medicalodges Jackson County. For more information, contact Zennie McClintock at 364-9696 or Amy Spiker at 364-3164.

■ The Heart of Jackson Humane Society shelter is located at 414 E. Eighth St. in Holton and is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, call 364-5156.

■ A community Bible study on the book of Acts and "God's Work in the Church" will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at 704 Banner Road in Holton. Contact Rhett Totten at 364-2881 for details.

■ Beck-Bookman Library will host a Library Christmas Boutique during library hours until Saturday, Dec. 20. Proceeds from the sale of donated items will benefit the library. For more information call the library at 364-3532.

■ Hours at the JCMA New Hope Center Food Pantry, located at Fifth Street and Wisconsin Avenue in the Holton First Christian Church basement, are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information call 362-7021.

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- "Hair" producer Joseph
- Giraffa camelopardalis
- Indicates near
- Capital of Samoa
- Roving adventurously
- Help
- Deafening noises
- Spanish neighborhood
- Portable computer screen material
- 20th Hebrew letter
- "Blue Bloods" lead actor
- Scholarly
- Raleigh NC river
- Alongside each other
- Electronics Support Module
- Dogma
- New Deal statesman Harold
39. A corporation's first stock offer
- Slender tower with balconies
- Young eel
- Deviation from the normal
- CBS police drama
- Cliff
- Resting place
- Island in Venice
- 1981-82 Sec. of State
- Young man
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- Southern veggie
- Henry's 6th wife
- Practice fight
- Dinners
- Hermaphrodite
- Centers
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- SW Belarus city
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- Ability to begin
- Short whistle blasts
- Were introduced
- Glowing quality
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- Relative biological effectiveness
- Footed vase
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- English Univ. river
- Malaysian Isthmus
- Soft-finned fish
- Eyelid infection
- Fred & Wilma's baby
- New __, Louisiana city
- Tse-tung or Zedong
- Hindu weather god
- ___ May, actress
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- One suspender
- More peculiar
- N. Central African country
- Macaw genus
- Rhythmic swing or cadence
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Holton girls' offense comes alive on the way to big road win at ACCHS

When you're hot, you're hot and compared to the first two games of the season, the Lady Wildcats were practically scorching on the offensive end in Friday's basketball game at Atchison County.

After a blazing start in which Holton scored nearly as many points (38) in the first half as it did in the entirety of its most recent win over Perry-Lecompton (41), the team withstood a rally from the host Tigers and pulled away down the stretch to secure a 63-50 victory.

"I think that we just beat a pretty good basketball team," Holliday said. "I thought we did some good things to combat that. We had them on their heels in the first half. We played a great first half."

Holton scored quick and scored often to start the game and really dictated the tempo early. The Wildcats corralled the Tiger offense in the first half thanks to some high energy and while the team did get into some foul trouble, it was about the only setback for Holton on Friday night.

"We played hard. We played good. We've seen it in practice and finally saw it in a game," Holliday said. "The intensity level was way up. That's fun. The energy level was up and that's fun as well."

"I thought we did a pretty good job of making them shoot jump shots and not getting lay-ups and we did a better job, I thought, in the second half keeping them off the foul line," Holliday added.

Atchison County started to break through in the second quarter and went to work in the post as forward Courtney Coder scored six of the first eight points for the Tigers, all from nearly the exact same spot on

the left block.

Wildcat Courtney Boswell, who finished with a team-high 21 points, answered quickly with back-to-back three-pointers as Holton continued to shoot well, though Holliday also stressed he didn't want his team to have an over-reliance on the outside shot.

Holton may have struggled to set up its low post offense against the Tigers, as Holliday pointed out some opportunities it missed in the high post, but the Wildcats made up for that by getting their points in the paint off of putbacks with an improved rebounding effort on Friday.

As well as HHS was playing on offense, rebounding and defense were the keys early. Holton forced 10 turnovers in the first quarter and committed just three, while the team remained strong on the glass throughout the first half.

The Wildcats also continued to respond to any runs by Atchison County with some critical threes, including at the end of the first half when ACCHS got back to within four points.

With less than a minute left, Boswell hit her third three-pointer of the quarter, Holton forced a quick turnover and Ashlyn Weilert then came through by sinking a long jumper to beat the buzzer. Just like that, Holton was back up by nearly double digits, holding a 38-29 advantage at halftime.

"They expended all that energy to get back close and then we throw a dagger right back at them," Holliday said. "In a game like that, those subtle 30-second spurts, they're just invaluable."

As Holliday pointed out, though, there is a downside to relying on the

three-point basket. The Wildcats felt that in full effect in the third quarter as they went cold from beyond the arc.

Players continued to get deeper in foul trouble, but Holliday noted the bench helped negate that as every player who entered the game for the Wildcats made a contribution in some way so Holton never really lost that much with the various, necessary substitutions.

Shay Tanking was one of those Holton players to get into foul trouble, but she re-entered the game late in the third quarter and came up with a big three to alleviate some of those shooting woes and put HHS up by six.

Atchison County's Mallory Eckert did some hot shooting of her own, though, and immediately answered with her own three-pointer to cut the Holton lead to one possession.

It was a five-point game heading into the fourth quarter and it looked like HHS and ACCHS might be heading towards a wild finish, but the Wildcats refocused and made some adjustments on defense to keep the Tigers in check and pull away in the end. Basically, that boiled down to trying to take away the dribble drive, which ACCHS point guard Lillie Holtgrave was exploiting in the second half.

"She was beating us every way she could beat us and our quickest players were in foul trouble, so we backed up, tried to get in a stance, tried to keep it in front of us and make her go side-to-side instead of penetrating," Holliday said.

Holton did a good job of closing off the lane in the fourth quarter and also went back to controlling the offensive tempo, scoring 10 of

the first 12 points in the quarter to pull away in the 63-50 victory. The Wildcats also made nine of 12 free throws down the stretch to close out the win.

In another tough battle, the Wildcats learned a lot about themselves and Holliday had a lot to like about his team's energy and effort and he is hoping they keep pushing it moving forward.

"Hopefully we had a huge step in growing up tonight. Hopefully we get even better from here," Holliday said.

The Wildcats will have another tough test in which to potentially push themselves to continue getting better as Holton will take on Hayden in Topeka with games starting at 3:30 p.m. this afternoon (Monday).

Dec. 12, 2014
HHS: 18-20-10-15—63
ACCCHS: 11-18-14-7—50

Individual statistics:
HHS: Boswell 6 (3) 6-6 21, A. Weilert 4 (1) 1-3 10, Degenhardt 3 2-5 8, Thompson 4 0-0 8, S. Tanking 2 (2) 2-4 8, T. Weilert 1 1-3 3, Moore 1 1-4 3, Sweet 1 0-0 2. Totals- 22 (6) 13-25 63.

ACCCHS: Holtgrave 5 (1) 11-13 22, Coder 5 0-0 10, Eckert 3 (3) 1-2 10, Scherer 2 0-0 4, Sullivan 1 0-0 2, Fowler 1 0-0 2. Totals- 17 (4) 12-15 50.

Team statistics:
Rebounds: HHS- 31 (Thompson 7, Boswell 6, Sneypp 5); ACCCHS- 25 (Scherer 7, Eckert 5).

Assists: HHS- 9 (Boswell 3, Boyett 2, Tanking 2); ACCCHS- 12 (Holtgrave 5, Fowler 4).

Turnovers: HHS- 21; ACCCHS- 25.



Holton's Nils Bergsten (shown above, right) attacks the Tiger defense in the post for two of his six points in Friday's game. The post play was strong all-around for Holton, according to coach Ryan Noel, as HHS won big on the road.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Wildcats dominant in win over Tigers

Going into Friday's game at Atchison County, HHS boys basketball coach Ryan Noel admitted to being a little nervous. He wasn't sure what to expect from his team in its first road game and the Wildcats were going in down a starter with Indie Allen (illness) missing in action.

Any cause for concern was alleviated rather early, though, as Holton was strong on both ends of the floor on the way to picking up a 66-37 victory over ACCHS.

"I don't know the numbers, but I think we shot the ball as a team relatively well. I know Garrett (Beecher) had a really good night and what I told the boys I liked the most about how they played is their effort was very good," Noel said.

Beecher opened the game with a quick slash to the basket for two points and never really let up in the first half on the way to a game-high 24 points, missing only one field goal attempt along the way.

While Beecher got hot early, the Wildcats' offense was also fueled by its defense early on as nearly half of the team's 14 points in the first quarter came off of turnovers. That continued into the second quarter, though Noel said he will be looking for his team to push the pace even more in future games.

"I'm still not happy with our pace. I thought we did a nice job when we had opportunities, but we're trying to

make it more consistent," Noel said. "We don't want to be fast two or three possessions and then walk it up. We want to be fast, fast, fast. We're going to get there, but it's going to take a little time and a lot of work."

Holton didn't need to push the pace that much in the second quarter because even in its half court sets, HHS was far and away winning the battle on both ends of the floor. Holton started the quarter on a 19-0 run, stretching a seven-point lead into a 26-point lead, and didn't allow ACCHS to score a field goal until the final 39 seconds. Atchison County scored just four points total in the second quarter.

"We really thought we could win the game on the defensive end. We could play hard enough there to give ourselves offensive possessions and easy baskets, but also kind of grind it out on the defensive end," Noel said.

The only time HHS backed off was when Beecher picked up his third foul, though he could have fouled out in the first half and the Wildcats still would have been in good shape.

While Beecher and Tanking (12 points) we're in sync to help lead the Wildcats again, plenty of other Holton players stepped up as well, whether starters or bench players. Bryson Patch added nine points and Noel also said he got some great contributions from post players like Kaden Brandt and Nils Bergsten.

"Nils got aggressive in the second

half, attacked the rim a little bit and I think that's a place where he can continue to grow and develop as well," Noel said.

As a unit, Noel said the post players showed their growth as facilitators in Friday's game and that was important in running up against a zone defense for the first time this season.

"Our posts have really developed as passers. I thought we had good diagonal kicks Friday night. I thought we attacked when we needed to," Noel said. "The posts looked to each other. They rotated well, so I was pleased with seeing a zone for the first time for a whole game."

While Noel said he talked about getting some quick baskets and continuing to limit ACCHS after the half, only to have the Tigers knock down some shots immediately, he knew it would be tough again to keep pushing with such a large lead.

The good thing was that Holton responded, too, as the Wildcats ran a perfect inbounds play to set up Beecher for a three to answer the Tigers' early outbursts. Bergsten and Tanking then had back-to-back steals and scores to get the Wildcats back and running again.

Brandt then got things started in the fourth quarter with a quick basket that pushed the Wildcats' lead to 30 points and started the running clock for the final quarter.

Overall, Noel said his players

showed great effort in Friday's game and were strong in all aspects, including being patient and smart on offense in the second half. With that one down, Holton will move on to an even bigger test as the team gets set to take on Hayden in Topeka today (Monday).

It's no secret the Hayden game will be a challenge, but the Wildcats have faced their fair share of those early and Noel is hoping it will prepare his team for the games starting at 3:30 p.m. this afternoon (Monday).

"Practices have been hard and we've faced some adversity in practice, but they've responded well," Noel said.

Dec. 12, 2014
HHS: 14-26-17-9—66
ACCCHS: 7-4-17-9—37

Individual statistics:
HHS: Beecher 8 (6) 2-2 24, Tanking 5 (1) 1-1 12, Patch 3 (1) 2-2 9, Sides 2 (1) 0-0 5, Brandt 2 0-0 4, Bergsten 3 0-0 6, Wright 1 0-0 2, Strader 0 2-2 2, Scott 1 0-0 2. Totals- 25 (9) 7-7.

ACCCHS: Kimmi 2 (1) 5-8 10, Bowen 4 (2) 0-0 10, McAlexander 3 (2) 0-0 8, Noll 4 (1) 0-3 9. Totals- 13 (6) 5-11 37.

Team statistics:
Rebounding: HHS- 30 (Brandt 6, Sides 5, Tanking 5, Patch 5); ACCCHS- 15 (Baker 5, Kimmi 5).

Assists: HHS- 13 (Tanking 7, Patch 2, Wright 2); ACCCHS- 3 (Kimmi 1, Bowen 1).

Turnovers: HHS- 10; ACCCHS- 16.



Wildcat Ashlyn Weilert (shown above) fires a three-pointer in the second half of Friday's league contest against Atchison County. Weilert and the rest of Holton's shooters found their rhythm early and weathered a late cold spell on the way to a 63-50 victory on the road.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

RV teams pick up clutch wins in Hiawatha

It wouldn't be a Royal Valley girls basketball game without some drama—at least that's the vibe the Panthers have given off so far this season.

Friday's game in Hiawatha held true to that pattern, but this time Royal Valley was able to pull out a close win, holding on for a 53-50 road victory over the Red Hawks.

In the first half, the Panthers were knocking down some shots and built a 33-18 lead heading into the locker room at halftime, but RV coach Corey Katzer knew his players would need to be wary of a dangerous Hiawatha team in the second half.

"We knew at some point Hiawatha was probably going to make a run," Katzer said. "You hope not. You hope that your defense can keep that from happening, but a good team like that is bound to make a run."

Sure enough, the Red Hawks came out and attacked the post, with Panther forwards Kate Hanson and Cassidy Dahl getting into foul trouble and Hiawatha's Emily Gartner taking advantage. Gartner scored eight of her 18 points in the third quarter.

Outside of that, Katzer said Dahl did a good job of shutting down Hiawatha's top offensive weapon, while the Panthers themselves inserted a new offense this week to take advantage of some matchups.

Rather, Royal Valley re-inserted the offense it ran last year because of the

defensive match-up the Panthers were seeing from other teams, according to Katzer, and it worked to perfection against the Red Hawks.

"In doing so, it allowed us to get some really favorable match-up in the paint with Kate. Really, that was the key," Katzer said. "There was a stretch when we went four or five possessions in a row to her in the paint to score."

Hanson finished with a team-high 14 points, while Jaycee Worrell scored in double digits for the second consecutive game and Levanna Biggoose added 12 points off the bench as well.

The Panthers needed all three of those performances in the end and the contributions of grinders like Macy Putnam and Leslie Schuetz helped Royal Valley win a critically rebounding battle.

Rebounding is an area Katzer said he spent a lot of time on last week leading up to the Hiawatha game and he is hoping that will be a positive for the team moving forward, as well the tight, stressful contests that have characterized the Panthers' season so far.

"I think in the long run it's going to help us because our kids are learning how to play in those close games. They're learning how to compete when every possession coming down the wire counts," Katzer said.

The Panthers will see as they continue league play on Tuesday with a home contest against Riverside. Games will

start at 4:30 p.m.

Dec. 12, 2014
RVHS: 12-21-14-6—53
Hiaw.: 9-9-18-14—50

Individual statistics:
RV: Hanson 14, Biggoose 12, Worrell 11, Schuetz 6, Thomas 6, Baker 3, Dahl 1.

Hiaw.: Gartner 18, Brockhoff 7, Overdick 7, Barbary 5, Rosa 5, Kettler 4, Kunkel 4.

As far as RVHS coach Keith Pelton is concerned, he would like the Panthers boys to play like monsters every time out in so much as he wants them to accrue "monster points" by making hustle plays like diving for loose balls, taking charges, etc.

Royal Valley played like monsters on Friday night and while it didn't necessarily translate into points, the Panthers were still able to pull off a 37-33 win in double overtime on the back of those efforts.

"It's just a game of attrition. Neither one of us seemed like we could get anything going," Pelton said. "It was just one of those ugly matches. You always say you wrestle in the mud with them and it kind of got real muddy in there."

While the Panthers could have taken a little better care of the ball in their battle with the Red Hawks, as well as make some free throws to avoid every time all together, the team did make the plays when it needed them most to get

that little bit of separation needed for the win.

"I think we did a good job of working the ball and getting the shots we want. We just have to make sure we finish. I think they would say the same thing," Pelton said. "That was just a matter of who could do the most at the end and we hit a couple right there at the end for the difference."

Rebounding has been the Panthers' bread and butter early on this season and it played to the team's advantage again on Friday, with the players buying into the mentality of hard work Pelton is stressing this season.

That also showed in Royal Valley's team defense and consistent effort through the entire possession, which the team needed against a patient offensive team like Hiawatha.

It's something the Panthers will need again on Tuesday, with Riverside playing a similar offensive style (and being a bit more physical as well), so Pelton said he hopes his players continue the hard work and make progress heading into Tuesday's home games, which will start at 4:30 p.m.

Dec. 12, 2014
RVHS: 6-9-3-9-5-5—37
Hiaw.: 2-5-11-9-5-1—33

Individual statistics:
RV: Barger 12, Tessendorf 8, N. Rottinghaus 8, Cullen 5, Roy 3, Lee 1.

Hiaw.: Winters 11, Smith 8, Pierce 7, Barnhart 3, Lock 2, Reese 2.

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HHS wrestling has strong showing at Clay Center

While the Wildcats might have taken just a handful of wrestlers to the Clay Center Invitational this past weekend, the results belied their small numbers as Holton still ended up finishing fourth as a team and all seven individual wrestlers placed at the tournament.

Among that group, only Lucas Lovvorn was able to go undefeated on Saturday and claim an individual title, but several others came close as Tyler Price, Justin Rieschick and Mason Baum all finished as runners-up in their weight class.

Nathan Shields was the only other wrestler with a top three finish and the Wildcats came in fourth as a team behind two of the top-ranked teams in the state in Garden City (6A) and

Norton (3-2-1A).

The Holton wrestlers will be back on the mat this Thursday for a home dual against Sabetha at 6 p.m. before closing out competition before the Christmas break with a tournament in Ottawa this coming weekend.

Full results for the HHS wrestlers at the Clay Center tournament are listed below.

Clay Center Invitational

Team results:

1. Garden City 237, 2. Norton 172.5, 3. Marysville 145, 4. Holton 133.5, 5. Junction City 131.5, 6. Smoky Valley 114, 7. Salina South 91, 8. Blue Valley 84, 9. Clay Center 73, 10. Beloit 39, 11. Hoxie 31, 12. Rock Creek 31

Individual results:

HHS

(132): Justin Pool had a bye, won three matches, lost two matches and finished fourth.

(138): Tyler Price won three matches, lost one match and took second.

(145): Justin Rieschick had a bye, won four matches, lost one match and came in second.

(160): Lucas Lovvorn went undefeated, winning all five of his matches, and medaled in first place.

(170): Mason Baum had a bye, won four matches, lost one match and placed second.

(220): Nathan Shields had a bye, won two matches, lost two matches and finished third.

(285): Kegan Meister won one match, lost three matches and came in sixth.

RV wrestlers making strides

While the Royal Valley wrestling team continues to deal with injury and inexperience at the start of the season, the Panthers continue to show resilience through all of it.

Only four wrestlers competed at the varsity tournament hosted by Shawnee Mission Northwest over the weekend, but half of those individuals walked away with medals and all competed well.

Jerry Coan and Zach Lux were the two who didn't medal, but Coan finished just one round short of placing while coach Jason Puderbaugh noted Lux took a blow early in tournament action that may have hindered him on Saturday.

Noah Hart was a highlight for Royal Valley on the day as the junior and returning state qualifier went undefeated on the day on the way to an individual title. On his way to that title, Hart took down a Class 6A state medalist from a year ago in Washburn Rural's Trent Miles.

"Noah continues to impress and get better from all areas of his wrestling and every week is making strides towards his goal of becoming a state placer in the 2014-15 season," Puderbaugh said.

The other medalist, Jacob Box,

was wrestling in his first ever varsity tournament and had an impressive showing.

"Jacob Box had a great day on his feet dominating his opponents from the neutral position all day long making it to the semifinals before losing and then easily advancing to the consolation finals for a shot at third place," Puderbaugh said.

If not for a couple slip-ups in the consolation final, Box would've taken third before taking fourth instead.

Puderbaugh noted the team is hoping to get another of its returning state qualifiers back this coming weekend for the Tonganoxie tournament, with Matthew Bailey (ankle) potentially returning to action.

Charles Todd (shoulder) is also sidelined by injury and his return is more unclear, though Puderbaugh is hoping to learn more soon, especially after having three wrestlers quit in the past week.

That is a blow that thinned out the Panthers even more and could put more pressure on young wrestlers, but Puderbaugh said he will work to bring those inexperienced wrestlers along and he still sees the potential for this team down the road.

Right now, the Panthers are getting

ready for tournament action in Tonganoxie starting at 9 a.m. this Saturday, while the JV wrestlers will compete at Council Grove on Friday.

Full results for the Royal Valley wrestlers at the Shawnee Mission Northwest tournament are listed below.

Cougar Invitational

Team results:

1. Washburn Rural 133.5, 2. Olathe Northwest 122, 3. Wichita West 114, 4. Blue Valley Northwest 103, 5. Olathe East 97.5, 6. Lawrence Free State 90, 7. Derby 89, 8. Basehor-Linwood 83, 9. SM Northwest 79, 10. Leavenworth 65.5, 11. SM North 53, 12. Wichita Southeast 50, 13. SM West 44, 14. Royal Valley 49

Individual results:

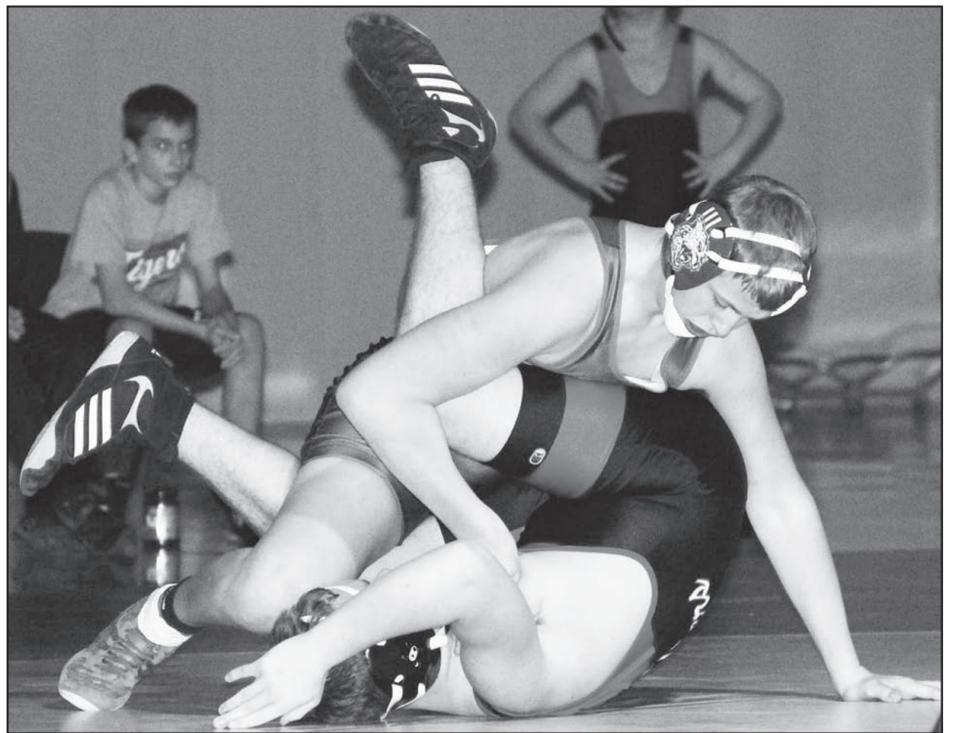
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(132): Zack Lox had two byes, lost two matches and did not place.

(138): Jerry Coan won two matches, lost two matches and did not place.

(145): Noah Hart went undefeated, winning all four of his matches, and medaled in first place.

(182): Jacob Box had a bye, won two matches, lost two matches and finished fourth.



Holton's Kyler Tannahill (shown above, top) flips his opponent on his back and holds him down for a pin in the Wildcats' dual against Jeff West Thursday night. Tannahill was one of two freshmen to pick up two wins on the night as Holton showed some all-around improvement on the way to two big wins.

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

Wildcat wrestlers cruise in comfortable dual victories

For a Holton wrestling team that went 4-1 in a dual tournament with several 5A and 6A teams to start the season, with its only loss coming by two points to the top-ranked team in Class 4A (Chanute), any minor strides forward would have been enough to make its next opponents wary.

Add in the fact that the Wildcats were hosting their first home duals on Thursday night and it was not a good combination for the visiting squads from Jeff West and Santa Fe Trail as Holton picked up two big, nearly identical victories against the Tigers (51-27) and Chargers (50-27).

"I thought the guys showed up and performed well. We worked on some specific things this week and we saw signs of improvement in those areas, so it was overall a pretty good night," HHS coach Cullen Jackson said.

While the Wildcats are young and inexperienced at the lower weights with room to grow, the middleweights are a strength for Holton early on as that's where the majority of the team's experienced (and state-qualifying) wrestlers return. It showed on Thursday as Holton dominated the duals after reaching the 132-lb. mark.

Jackson said it is important for those wrestlers to pick up bonus points and do so in big chunks, which the Wildcats did flawlessly on Thursday. In the dual with Santa Fe Trail, the Wildcats won eight straight matches from 132-lbs. to 195-lbs. and four of the first six were wins by pin.

Holton's experienced wrestlers were on point, with veterans like Lucas Lovvorn and Justin Rieschick making quick work of their opponents. In addition, some freshmen wrestlers showed glimpses of what could make the Wildcats a strong team yet again.

Both Ace Eisenbarth and Kyler Tannahill picked up multiple wins for Holton on Thursday night, showing their potential to add depth despite being tested early.

"They're growing as athletes and they're kind of learning on the go," Jackson said. "They've been thrown into the fire right away so they're kind of forced to do that and we need them to do that for the success of our team."

Another key cog with a little more experience, according to Jackson, is senior Trey Haverkamp. Haverkamp is slotted in at 152 lbs. following Lovvorn's bump up to 160 lbs., putting him right in the middle of the Wildcats' "murderer's row."

While that may put some more pressure on Haverkamp, he has handled it well so far and came up with two big wins in the final seconds of his two matches on Thursday.

"In order for us to be successful on the year, a lot is going to hinge on Trey and how he can improve. He showed tremendous improvement from week one to week two," Jackson said.

Rieschick and Tyler Price also picked up two wins on the night and Jackson said the Holton wrestlers overall did a good job on their feet, but he still saw some things the Wildcats can improve on moving forward, too.

"Technique-wise, in the neutral position, I thought we did really well. I felt like we dominated in that position," Jackson said. "We have to get better on bottom. It was evident in a couple close situations where we were struggling to get out from underneath guys. That has to improve otherwise we'll have issues in the end."

Still, Holton saw the blueprint for another successful season in Thursday's duals. If the Wildcats trust their training, then they are going to continue to see improvement and that is exactly what Jackson hopes for his team.

Home double dual

Team results:

Holton 51, Jeff West 27
Holton 50, Santa Fe Trail 27

Individual results:

vs. Jeff West

(106): Luke Holloman (JW) won by fall over Arturo Reveles.

(113): Austin Michaelis (JW) had an open round.

(120): Ace Eisenbarth won by fall over Kody Gibson (JW).

(126): Brandon Calahan (JW) won by fall over Jameson Lutz.

(132): Willie Bowman had an open round.

(138): Tyler Price won by fall over

Ryan Wisner (JW).

(145): Justin Rieschick had an open round.

(152): Trey Haverkamp won by decision, 7-4, over Nich Reeb (JW).

(160): Spencer Baum had an open round.

(170): Chase Montgomery (JW) won by fall over Logan Cannon.

(182): Kyler Tannahill won by pin over Keith Davy (JW).

(195): Mason Seals (JW) won by decision, 5-1, over Tel Wittmer.

(220): Eugene Harris had an open round.

(285): Kegan Meister won by fall over Michael Majors (JW).

vs. Santa Fe Trail

(106): Christian Davis (SFT) won by fall over Arturo Reveles.

(113): Brenden Hale (SFT) had an open round.

(120): Ace Eisenbarth had an open round.

(126): Bryce Erickson (SFT) won by fall over Jameson Lutz.

(132): Justin Pool won by fall over Zac West (SFT).

(138): Tyler Price won by fall over Collin Koger (SFT).

(145): Justin Rieschick won by tech fall, 16-1, over Cal Lyle (SFT).

(152): Trey Haverkamp won by decision, 6-4, over Nate Pawley (SFT).

(160): Lucas Lovvorn won by fall over Peyton Newton (SFT).

(170): Logan Cannon won by fall over Connor Ridgeway.

(182): Kyler Tannahill had an open round.

(195): Tel Wittmer had an open round.

(220): Ethan Dean (SFT) won by decision, 3-2, over Nathan Shields.

(285): Jake Hastings (SFT) won by fall over Kegan Meister.

JV

(132): Willie Bowman won by fall over Willie Buler (JW).

(160): Logan Cannon won by fall over Mason Heiden (JW).

(132): Yannick Schoenzler won (SFT) by fall over Willie Bowman.

(195): Brandon Lenherr won by fall over Scott Spoonmore (SFT).

(220): Ryan Clark won by decision, 11-6, over Tucker May (SFT).

(285): Trent Moore (SFT) won by fall over Eugene Harris.

Jackson Heights basketball falls in tough early tests at Maur Hill

After a hot start, the Jackson Heights boys couldn't quite keep up the pace on the court in Atchison Friday night.

While the Cobras held a lead over Maur Hill after one quarter of play, it would be their last as things started to go downhill in a 61-49 loss to the Ravens.

"We came out really hot. We shot the ball really well in the first quarter and then just kind of had a slow decline from there," JH coach Chris Brown said. "That's just hard to do for a full game. You're not going to make shots the whole game. We had a hard time getting easy buckets. In fact, we didn't have any easy buckets."

On the night, Brown noted the Cobras made just six two-point field goals, while the Ravens got several thanks to their aggressive play that picked up in the second quarter, which also led to several points at the free throw line.

"They were attacking the basket. They were forcing us to foul them and we were settling for jump shots with very little movement. That attack mode that they had that we certainly didn't have was the difference, I think, in the

end," Brown said.

While Jackson Heights picked up on the defensive end in the second half, it wasn't quite enough as Maur Hill continued to make plays and pull away down the stretch.

Brown noted his team was challenged by the physical style of the game, though he said they continued to exert a great amount of effort until the very end and the coach is hoping his players will learn from that.

"I was pleased with our effort. I thought we played very hard. We just didn't make enough plays to give ourselves a chance to win it," Brown said. "Hopefully they realize what it takes now to win a game like that and the next time we play one we'll have a better chance."

Jackson Heights will head back on the road Tuesday to take on Pleasant Ridge and Brown is hoping his team can get off on the right foot this week to close out with two wins before the Christmas break. The Cobras will try to pick up the first of those against the Rams with games starting at 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

Dec. 12, 2014

JH: 18-12-8-11-49

MH: 13-21-15-12-61

Individual statistics:

JH: Richter 6 (4) 1-1 19, Strube 6 (4) 1-2 14, Olberding 3 (3) 0-0 9, Holliday 0 2-2 2, Slocum 1 0-0 2, Jacobsen 1 0-0 2. Totals- 17-11 4-5 49.

MH: Kocour 5 (1) 6-9 17, Caudle 5 6-10 16, Kramer 4 (1) 2-2 11, Schmidt 3 3-4 9, Siebenmorgen 2 4-7 8. Totals- 19 (2) 21-32 61.

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It was a similar story for the Lady Cobras, as they were in a tight battle with Maur Hill early before faltering down the stretch in a 36-22 loss on the road.

While Jessica Keehn poured in 12 points for Jackson Heights, no other JHHS player scored more than three points in the game, while the Ravens got a little more balanced scoring.

Jackson Heights will now try to bounce back against Pleasant Ridge on Tuesday with games starting at 5 p.m. in Easton.

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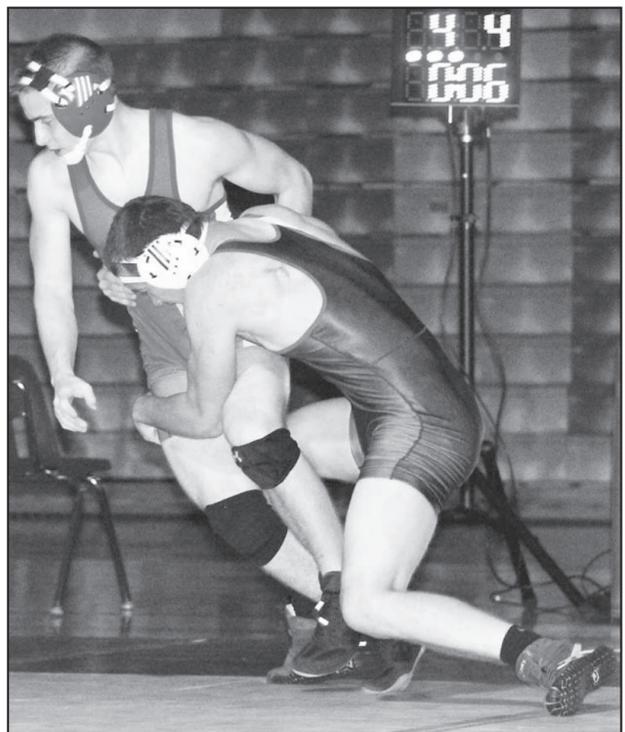
JH: 7-10-1-4-22

MH: 10-18-8-11-36

Individual statistics:

JH: Keehn 4 (1) 3-5 12, Allen 0 3-5 3, Strube 0 3-4 3, Thomas 1 0-0 2, Gibson 0 2-2 2. Totals- 5 (1) 11-18 22.

MH: Lewman 6 (1) 6-9 19, Colwell 2 5-7 9, Taylor 2 (1) 0-0 5, Ronnebaum 1 (1) 0-0 3, Weber 0 1-2 1. Totals- 11 (3) 12-20 36.



Holton's Trey Haverkamp (shown above, right) wraps up and works on a late takedown in a dramatic match in the team's dual against Santa Fe Trail. Coach Cullen Jackson noted Haverkamp will be a key cog for the HHS wrestling team this winter.

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

UPCOMING PREP SPORTS

TUESDAY, DEC. 16: JHHS Boys Basketball vs. Pleasant Ridge - 5 p.m. @ Easton; JHHS Girls Basketball vs. Pleasant Ridge - 5 p.m. @ Easton;

RVHS Boys Basketball vs. Riverside - 4:30 p.m. @ Hoyt; RVHS Girls Basketball vs. Riverside - 4:30 p.m. @ Hoyt;

THURSDAY, DEC. 18: HHS Wrestling vs. Sabetha - 6 p.m. @ Holton

FRIDAY, DEC. 19: HHS Boys Basketball vs. Riverside - 4:30 p.m. @ Elwood; HHS Girls Basketball vs. Riverside - 4:30 p.m. @ Elwood;

JHHS Boys Basketball vs. Oskaloosa - 5 p.m. @ Jackson Hts.; JHHS Girls Basketball vs. Oskaloosa - 5 p.m. @ Jackson Hts.; RVHS Boys Basketball vs. Santa Fe Trail - 4:15 p.m. @ Carbondale; RVHS Girls Basketball vs. Santa Fe Trail - 4:15 p.m. @ Carbondale; RVHS Wrestling - C. Grove JV Tourn. - 3 p.m. @ Council Grove

SATURDAY, DEC. 20: HHS Wrestling - Ottawa Invitational - 9 a.m. @ Ottawa; HHS Wrestling - Horton Invitational - 9 a.m. @ Horton; RVHS Wrestling - Tonganoxie Tourn. - 9 a.m. @ Tonganoxie



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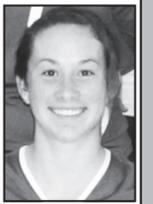
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Royal Valley junior Noah Hart continued his torrid pace to start the wrestling season at the Shawnee Mission Northwest tournament over the weekend. After picking up two wins in dual action earlier in the week against Topeka High and Lawrence Free State (both 6A schools), Hart once again hung tough with competition from much larger teams. The junior tallied four more wins and no losses on his way to an individual title in the 145-lb. weight class at the SMNW tournament and now boasts a 10-1 overall record.



Holton sophomore Courtney Boswell was a big part of the Lady Wildcats' offensive outburst on the basketball court Friday night on the way to the team's second consecutive victory. In the 63-50 win at Atchison County, Boswell filled up the stat sheet with a team-high 21 points, six rebounds, three assists and six steals. Maybe most importantly, Boswell was a perfect six-of-six at the free throw line and converted four attempts in the fourth quarter to help Holton secure the win.



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Adapting to change

By John Schlageck
Kansas Farm Bureau

Without question, agricultural research is one of the most vital investments we can make to feed our increasing population and protect our planet.

Agricultural research has been helping people by fighting hunger and lowering food costs for years. It also aids rural America which has a higher wage structure than some of developing countries and faces competition in the world marketplace.

High-yield farming is the result of agricultural research, and some would say it's the greatest achievement of human civilization for the environment.

Increased crop yields since 1960 are saving millions of square miles of wildlife habitat around the world from being plowed down for low-yield crops. Latest estimates put this saving in land areas equal to the United States, Europe and Brazil.

We cannot return to an earlier time period when new technology and research were not as much a part of the agricultural scene.

If the United States farmer attempted to produce the crops we harvest now with the technology that prevailed in the '40s, it would require an additional area of approximately 200 million hectares of land of similar quality, say those in USDA agricultural research. To find such land, most of the forests east of the Mississippi River would have to be chopped down and most pastures would have to be plowed up and these lands would have to be planted to annual crops.

With the use of innovative practices, farmers have reduced soil erosion. Today, most farmers are using systems that leave at least 40 percent or more crop residue after planting. No-till, ridge-till and mulch till account for the reduction in soil loss.

The most sustainable farming in the world today is that done with hybrid seeds, chemical fertilizer, integrated pest management and conservation tillage, according to the Soil and Water Conservation Society of the United States.

Kansas farmers, and their counterparts across the United States, take responsibility for the conservation of valuable topsoil seriously. This country has as much of the planet's valuable cropland as any other nation. U.S. farmers also have the infrastructure needed to make this land productive.

Farmers can, and will, do more to improve their environment. They will conserve more water, monitor grassland grazing and continue to implement environmentally sound techniques that will ensure preservation of the land.

Farmers will adopt new techniques spawned by agricultural research. High-yield farming works and will continue to work because it is flexible enough to accept and adapt to change.

No agricultural system, or any system, is perfect. Farmers must continue to search for better ways to farm through research and education.

John Schlageck is a commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas.

Thank You
Thanks to each of you for the beautiful birthday cards, flowers, gifts, hugs and the ice cream and cake. It was a wonderful day. Bless you,
Irene Cowger
"Merry Christmas!"

Greater protection available for crop insurance

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack recently announced that greater protection is now available from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program for crops that traditionally have been ineligible for federal crop insurance, it was reported.

The new options, created by the 2014 Farm Bill, provide greater coverage for losses when natural disasters affect specialty crops such as vegetables, fruits, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, syrup and energy crops.

"These new protections will help ensure that farm families growing crops for food, fiber or livestock consumption will be better able to withstand losses due to natural disasters," said Vilsack. "For years, commodity crop farmers have had the ability to purchase insurance to keep their crops protected, and it only makes sense that fruit and vegetable and other specialty crop growers should be able to purchase similar levels of protection.

"Ensuring these farmers can adequately protect themselves from factors beyond their control is also

critical for consumers who enjoy these products and for communities whose economies depend on them," he added.

Previously, the program offered coverage at 55 percent of the average market price for crop losses that exceed 50 percent of expected production. Producers can now choose higher levels of coverage, up to 65 percent of their expected production at 100 percent of the average market price.

The expanded protection will be especially helpful to beginning and traditionally underserved producers, as well as farmers with limited resources, who will receive fee waivers and premium reductions for expanded coverage. More crops are now eligible for the program, including expanded aquaculture production practices and sweet and biomass sorghum. For the first time, a range of crops used to produce bioenergy will be eligible as well.

"If America is to remain food secure and continue exporting food to the world, we need to do everything we can to help new farmers get started and succeed in agriculture," Vilsack said. "This program

will help new and socially disadvantaged farmers affordably manage risk, making farming a much more attractive business proposition."

To help producers learn more about the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program and how it can help them, USDA, in partnership with Michigan State University and the University of Illinois, created an online resource.

The Web tool, available at www.fsa.usda.gov/nap, allows producers to determine whether their crops are eligible for coverage. It also gives them an opportunity to explore a variety of options and levels to determine the best protection level for their operation.

If the application deadline for an eligible crop has already passed, producers will have until Jan. 14, 2015, to choose expanded coverage through the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program. To learn more, visit the Farm Service Agency (FSA) website at www.fsa.usda.gov/nap or contact your local FSA office at offices.usda.gov

The Farm Service Agency (FSA), which administers the program, also wants to hear from pro-

ducers and other interested stakeholders who may have suggestions or recommendations on the program. Written comments will be accepted until Feb. 13, 2015, and can be submitted through www.regulations.gov

These new provisions under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program were made possible through the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer.

Since enactment, USDA has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farbill

Arts themed license plates now being sold

The Kansas Creative Arts Industries Commission (KCAIC) has announced that arts themed license plates are now available for purchase at county treasurer offices across the state. The plates will directly fund grants to arts projects and communities in Kansas through one of the KCAIC's programs.

"Funds received through license plate sales help fund the projects of artists and organizations that are growing the Kansas economy and enhancing quality of life through the arts," said KCAIC Chairman Larry

Meeker. "Purchasing an arts plate is a great way for Kansans to support the arts in their communities and our state."

Individuals interested in obtaining an arts plate should take their current standard plates, along with proof of insurance and registration, to their county treasurer's office. The fee to purchase the plate is \$50, and 100 percent of the purchase fee will be used by the KCAIC to fund arts programs in Kansas. If registration is current, registration fees transfer from one plate to another,

although county processing fees will apply.

"During the holiday season, many Kansans are looking for opportunities to give back to their communities," said Kansas Commerce Secretary Pat George. "These plates are a way for Kansans to contribute to the work of numerous artists and organizations in the state, while displaying their support for the arts."

Arts license plate fees are eligible for matching funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. The KCAIC

has awarded more than \$1 million in state and matching federal funds since fiscal year 2014.

On Oct. 23, the KCAIC announced its latest round of grants, awarding more than \$40,000 through its Arts Integration and Strategic Investment programs to 11 projects and communities in Kansas.

For more information about KCAIC grants, please visit KansasCommerce.com/CAICPrograms. To learn more about arts license plates, visit KansasCommerce.com/ArtsPlate.

Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Case No. 14CV71

Court Number:

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-12

Plaintiff,

vs.

James Stahoski; Kimberly L. Stahoski; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Unknown spouse, if any, of James Stahoski; Unknown spouse, if any, of Kimberly L. Stahoski; Unknown Spouse, if any, of James Stahoski; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Kimberly L. Stahoski,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, praying to foreclose a real estate mortgage on the following described real estate:

A parcel of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter, Thence North 89°02'14" East along the North line of said North-

east Quarter 1517.38 feet to the True Point of Beginning; Thence South 0°51'21" East 434.09 feet, Thence South 89°02'14" West 147.09 feet, Thence North 36°14'26" West 531.74 feet to the North line of said Northeast Quarter, Thence North 89°02'14" East along said North line 455.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, and subject to any easements of record

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and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 27th day of January, 2015, in the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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Bullmasters...

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Some of the guns offered as prizes include a Ruger Mark III .22, Taurus .357 revolver, Bushmaster AR-15 .223, Taurus Judge and Springfield Armory 9mm.

Applications for the tickets are on the Bullmasters Gun Calendar Facebook page or you can ask any Bullmasters shooter or coach. There are also some flyers posted around the county with information as well.

The tickets are \$50 each, which is less than \$.96 per week, and members are limited to only selling 1,500 tickets. All tickets purchased are considered a donation and are considered a tax-deductible contribution.

This fund-raiser will benefit the Bullmasters 4-H Shooting Sports and the Jackson County Fair Association. The fair board is raising money to construct the buildings and arena, and shooting sports members use the building to shoot in and to store many of the supplies needed to continue teaching area youth.

The shooters are helping to raise money so that they will continue to have plenty of room to shoot and store their equipment.

Shooters are asking community members for their help to build the new Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex. They also want to thank residents for their continued support in their endeavors.

For more information on 4-H

Shooting Sports or the "52 Gun, Gun Calendar" call Ralph Cronkhite at 785-851-0685 or Lisa Cronkhite at 785-851-0498.

Each weekly winner is subject to an ATF background check. You must be 18 to win all firearms except handguns. You must be 21 to win a handgun.

Every ticket sold will be included in 52 separate drawings if the tickets are purchased by Dec. 15. Winners will be notified weekly, and they have 60 days to claim their prize.

Firearms can be picked up at Haverkamp's IGA in Centralia or shipped to any FFL at the winner's cost. The Bullmasters reserve the right to make substitutions depending on availability and/or age of winner.

Checks, money orders and cash are accepted, and returned checks are subject to a \$5 fee. Checks can be made out to Bullmasters Shooting Sports and mailed to Bullmasters Shooting Sports, P.O. Box 204, Holton, KS 66436.

More information can also be found on the Bullmasters 4-H Shooting Sports Facebook page or the Bullmasters Gun Calendar Facebook page.

An official ticket will be mailed to you upon receipt of your payment.

Note: This article was submitted by Jason and Katelyn Meggison, senior shooters for the Bullmasters 4-H Shooting Sports Program.



Coding...

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"The kids love it, and it's amazing all the other skills they are learning," she said. "The are collaborating. When one gets stuck, they'll ask a neighbor, and it's fun to sit back and watch. They really have to think ahead when they're coding. This also helps them with their organization skills and planning out their programs. It's a domino effect."

Williams said some students are progressing quickly through all the tutorials.

"The students are so adaptable," she said. "We're the ones who put limitations on them."

In January, Williams is taking the "Hour of Code" a step further by teaching a 20-hour course on coding through code.org.

"They have everything educators need to implement a course like this," she said. "It's so hard to keep up on the latest technology, but it's fun because I'm learning it too. We, as adults, might look at something and think it's too hard to learn, but these students grab a hold of it and embrace it because technology is their world."

Launched in 2013, Code.org is a non-profit dedicated to expanding participation in computer science by making it available in more schools and increasing participation by women and underrepresented students of color.

The organization's vision is that every student in every school should have the opportunity to learn computer science. Members believe that computer science and computer programming should be part of the core curriculum in education, alongside other science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) courses, such as biology, physics, chemistry and algebra.

Most Wanted...

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Waquahboshkuk was wanted on a Jackson County warrant for conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of certain precursors with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Bond was set at \$40,000. Waquahboshkuk Jr. is also being held on a Jackson County warrant on a charge of failure to appear with bond being denied in that matter. Waquahboshkuk also has outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions, it was reported.



In the top photo, elves (from left) Noah Matya, Richard Zeller and Kloie Street try to wrap their head around all the items still left to do before Christmas during "A Relaxing Christmas," which featured students from Royal Valley's third and fourth grade classes. In the photo above, members of the first and second grade classes performed "Kookaburra's Christmas Down Under" for their holiday concert. The theme of the musical was Christmas traditions in Australia.

Photos by Ali Holcomb

Christmas Dinner...

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"We still need one more person to cook turkey," she said. "We also need one or two people to help unload a pickup for the setup the evening before the dinner. We need cooks and servers, and we also need a couple of people for the deliveries."

Last year's Christmas dinner — the first held at the EUM Family Life Center after being held for several years at the St. Dominic Catholic Church Parish Hall — saw a record of 409 dinners being served. Galer said that with

the right number of food donations and volunteers, she is hoping to meet or exceed that number this year.

"I've heard from several families who weren't there at Thanksgiving, and they are planning on being there at Christmas," she said.

Galer may be contacted at 364-4160 for more information about food donations or volunteer work with the dinner. Cash donations are being accepted to help defray the dinner's costs; contact Francis DeVader at 364-2507.

Seematter...

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Charges against Seematter stemmed from an alleged Sept. 27 incident in which he reportedly exposed himself to two nine-year-old children who reportedly live in Hoyt, prompting the children to run from the scene and report it. Seematter was arrested on Oct. 1 at his home in Wetmore, and he originally was held on \$25,000 bond at the Jackson County Detention Center for most of

October.

Seematter's bond was later reduced to \$10,000, and he was placed on house arrest and given a work release. The money bond remains in place, Miller said.

Miller later noted that a condition of Seematter's probation, if granted, is that he would likely be required to register as a sex offender for 15 years with local law enforcement.

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Nice selection of late model upgrade equipment, sound & lighting equipment - If you're looking to expand or upgrade your operation, don't miss this auction! Partial listing!

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(4) Hobart & Vari mixer 80, 60 & 30 60 qt. mixers; Imperial 3-ft. salamander; (3) 3 compartment s/s sinks; 2-ft. 4-ft. 6-ft. & 8-ft. s/s tables; Hatco Flav-R-Savor display warmer; Cleveland steamer; Summerset dough sheeter, mdl CDR 2000; True 1, 2 & 3 door cooler; Bev air 1 & 2 door coolers; True & Bev Air 27-in, 4-ft., 6-ft. & 7.5-ft. sandwich & pizza make table; Metro HM2000 holding cabinet; Crescor proof box; (2) DCA conveyor donut fryers; Moline 440 donut sheeter/cutter w/10 cutters; Rankin Delux 36-in. radiant charbroiler; (2) 36-in. flat top grills; True 72-in. refrigerated equip stand; (2) Frymaster fryers, 40 lb. & 80 lb.; Blodgett & Duke 1/2-size convection oven; Manitowoc 200 lb. ice machine; Hot dogger; nice selection of s/s hotel pans; China, flatware & glassware. Cannon & Hitachi projectors; Targa 12-ft. projection screen; (14) Motorola handheld 2-way radios; Sports Select broadcast vision; (2) Elation Cyber Pak; (4) Accu Banker counterfeit money detector, mdl D63; Assida 6600 money counter; (6) Community speakers, mdl CPL 43; JBL-VRX 900 power subwoofer; (6) QDC outdoor speakers; (2) American audio speakers; (2) American DJ UFO Pro-rotating strobe light; (3) American DJ Roto Ball; (2) American DJ Galaxian Royale Laser; (2) American DJ Mystic LED; (2) American DJ LED & laser light; (9) American DJ 7-in. sequential spot; (3) American DJ spot light; (4) DMX LED light function switch; American DJ pinspots LED; American DJ Nuclear LED; (9) American DJ X-Move LED Plus; (9) Standard Stage Spots; (4) American DJ Mega Flash DMX strobes; J Tech quick call vibration; JBL speakers; Gemini DJ box; American Audio 8 channel mixer; Digital REF Receiver; DBX drive rack; DBX graphic equalizer; Altec Lansing MP3 adapter; Accent Acoustics subwoofer; (11) APC battery backups and a whole lot more!

(2) True glass chillers, mdl T-50; Bev Air 94-in. refrigerated back bar; True 4-ft. & 6-ft. bottle box; Multi Plex Beermaster; Rapid Cool misting system; Master Bilt 8-ft. x 30-ft. combo walking cooler/freezer; Over 150 bar stools with & w/o backs; over 350 stack chairs; (20+) bar height tables; (25+) 4-person & cocktail tables; (8) wrought iron patio tables w/chairs; (8) 4-person Plymold booths; Rowe candy vending machine; (8) patio heaters, nat. gas and more.

Please see website for further details.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS & EVENTS:

Dec. 22: Oriental Rug Auction • Dec. 22: Online Winter Collectors Gun Auction



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Christmas displays noted

If you or someone you know channels their inner Clark Griswold each Christmas season with hundreds of Christmas lights on their home, we'd like to know.

The Holton Recorder is compiling a list of addresses in Jackson County that exemplify the Christmas spirit.

If you know of a brightly decorated home, please call or e-mail the address to the Recorder, 364-3141 or holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com.

The following is the start of the

list of homes decorated in lights:

■ Debbie and Roy Calhoun, located between Y and Z Roads on 222nd Road. The display includes 1/8 mile of lights and displays and is lit between 5:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. each evening through Dec. 26.

■ Pat and Delaney Smith residence, 416 Navajo Dr. in Holton.

■ Dennis and Joni White residence, 725 Wisconsin Ave. in Holton.

■ Jeremy Ingels family, 204 New York Ave. in Holton.

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