

DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Limited Civil Dispositions

Meritrust Credit Union vs. Samantha A. Wahquahboshuk, also known as Howerton, sought judgment of \$13,351.67 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Kelli R. Royer, sought judgment of \$219.20 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$194.20 plus interest and court costs.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Tammy Burch, also known as Berns, and Patrick Burch, sought judgment of \$2,749.44 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Delores J. Hooper, sought judgment of \$450 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$275 plus interest and court costs.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Carol I. Buehler and Darold Buehler, sought judgment of \$451.42 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Community HealthCare System Inc. vs. Michael C. Corrigan Sr. and Mary Corrigan, sought judgment of \$988.70 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Harley J. Evans, sought judgment of \$5,987.40 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Malea Blancas and Marshall Boell, sought judgment of \$358 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Joshua Baxter and Carrie Baxter, sought judgment of \$129 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Micah L. Moore and Justin Moore, sought judgment of \$916.22 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Kimberly R. Oliver and Donald L. Oliver, sought judgment of \$1,570.11 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Casey Huskey, sought judgment of \$245.70 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Raymond G. Tilton, sought judgment of \$147.75 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Ashley W. Hoaglen, sought judgment of \$390 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Andrew Winter and Jessica Winter, sought judgment of \$196.01 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Cynthia Groshong, sought judgment of \$366.25 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Philip G. Flewelling and Misty Flewelling, sought judgment of \$766.25 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Deborah Beck and Ronald Beck, sought judgment of \$366.52 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Garnet Williams and Christopher Williams, sought judgment of \$1,410.25 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Holton police report arrests

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

■ Angel Moorshead, 34, Holton, was arrested March 5 on a Jackson County failure to appear warrant.

■ Shelby Thomas, 20, Horton, was arrested March 7 on charges of expired tag, no proof of insurance and possession of a controlled substance and on a City of Horton failure to appear warrant.

■ Levi Dudoit, 23, Holton, was arrested March 7 on a charge of possession of marijuana and on a Kickapoo Tribal failure to appear warrant.

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Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Jennifer Wingender and Michael D. Wingender, sought judgment of \$1,892.89 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Roberta C. Olberding and Albert P. Olberding, sought judgment of \$599.25 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Michelle A. Bond, sought judgment of \$1,740 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Cathy K. Kroeger, sought judgment of \$2,545.89 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Casey Tucker, sought judgment of \$2,209.50 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Alex Alvarado, sought judgment of \$1,726.63 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Roxie Bazan, sought judgment of \$1,390.29 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Morgan Cashier, also known as Thompson, sought judgment of \$1,968.25 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Myka Speer and Brandon Speer, sought judgment of \$935.18 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Blake E. Garrison and Audria M. Garrison, sought judgment of \$126 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Rebecca J. Winegar, sought judgment of \$398.29 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Jennifer Quaney, sought judgment of \$516.75 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Kenneth D. Reamer and Colleen A. Reamer, husband and wife, convey and quit claim to Kenneth D. Reamer and Colleen A. Reamer, the north half of the northwest quarter of Section 11, Township 8 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Quit Claim Deed: Claudia J. Beck, a single person, conveys and quit claims to Brent L. Beck, a single person, a tract of land in the west half of the southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 12 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Warranty Deed: Douglas F. Martinek and Patricia A. Martinek, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Ernest L. Kratina Jr., a tract of land in the southwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 9 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy Quit Claim Deed: Loyola Holt-Ritenour and Gerald W. Ritenour, wife and husband, convey and quit claim to Loyola Holt-Ritenour and Gerald W. Ritenour, Lot 75, Pennsylvania Avenue, City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Troy Proffitt and Tonya Proffitt, husband and wife,

convey and quit claim to Michele L. Houk, Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 19, City of Whiting, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy Quit Claim Deed:

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Barbara (right) and Johnathan Holmes (left) of Holton recently served as pages for Kansas Sen. Dennis Pyle (second from left) at the Kansas Capitol. They participated in the legislative process and received a behind-the-scenes tour of the Kansas Statehouse. Also shown is Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback.

Submitted photo

Bauman working for Adjutant General

A Holton man known throughout northeastern Kansas for his work in radio and television has been selected as the new director of the Public Affairs Office for the Adjutant General's Department, it has been reported.



Ben Bauman, filling the position vacated by Sharon Watson, began his duties with the department on Monday.

"Ben has the communication experience and professional character this job demands," said Maj. Gen.

Lee Tafanelli, Kansas adjutant general. "His experience in the news media has made him a familiar and trusted figure throughout Kansas. We welcome Ben to the agency and know he will do a great job of keeping the public well-informed about the activities of the Kansas National Guard and Kansas Division of Emergency Management."

Bauman is a long-time professional communicator. He was a fixture in northeast Kansas broadcast journalism for many years, and has also served as a public information, public relations and communications professional.

Bauman was the primary morning news anchor for 580-WIBW and the Kansas Radio Networks for most of two decades, also serving as news director for more than 10 years. From 2006 to 2012, Bauman was the

anchor of evening newscasts on Topeka TV stations KTKA, KSNT and KTMJ.

In 2002, Bauman was public information officer for the Kansas Department of Administration and served as communication director for Kansas Governor Bill Graves. Most recently, Bauman was public relations and communications manager for St. Francis Health in Topeka.

Bauman has been honored for his work in broadcasting by the Kansas Association of Broadcasters, Associated Press Broadcasters of Kansas and the Kansas American Legion.

He is a graduate of Washburn University with a degree in communications. He is a 2001 graduate of Leadership Kansas, has served on his local school district's board of education, and he and his wife are active in the leadership of their local church.

Auctions advertised in *The Holton Recorder* qualify to be included in this free auction calendar. Contact Allen, Shannon or Errin at 364-3141, email us at holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com or stop by our office at 109 W. Fourth St. in Holton for details.

- Friday, March 20, and Saturday, March 21. View cattle from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Angus Genetic Alliance bull and female private treaty sale. Rinkes Cattle Company Ranch, Holton. For more information, contact Bruce Rinkes at 364-3517 or Brandon Rinkes at (785) 817-2328.
- Saturday, March 28. Annual Harris Auction Service consignment auction. Holton Livestock Exchange, Holton. For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 364-7137, (785) 249-4236 or 364-4114.

MARKETS

STOCKS		
Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	32.91	-0.15
CenturyLink	35.12	+0.62
Lowe's	74.56	-0.88
Target	81.02	+0.53
Hershey	100.03	-0.83
Walmart	82.61	-0.68
Phillips 66	75.95	-0.34
US Bancorp	44.94	-0.03
Pfizer	34.17	-0.27
Deere & Co.	88.61	-0.53
United Parcel	99.60	-0.66
Apple	127.04	+2.09
Facebook	79.36	+1.29
Westar Energy	37.90	+0.09
Goodyear	25.06	-0.25

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, March 17, 2015.

GRAIN

Description	Price at Close
Wheat	\$4.85
Corn	\$3.54
Milo	\$4.16
Soybeans	\$9.05

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, March 17, 2015. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.

FUEL PRICES

	Current	Last Mo.	Last Year
Kansas Average	\$2.33	+\$0.199	-\$1.093
National Average	\$2.43	+\$0.180	-\$1.093
Holton Average	\$2.37		

Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Sunday, March 15, 2015.

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NEWS BRIEFS

■ Vintage Park in Holton invites the public to "Coffee with Friends" every Thursday at 10 a.m. Coffee and conversation are open to the public and free. Vintage Park is located at 410 Jupiter Drive, Holton.

■ Banner Creek Science Center is hosting a Chairman's Open House from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 at the science center, 22275 N Road.

■ A retirement reception for longtime Mayetta firefighter Frank Winter will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29 at the Mayetta fire station.

■ The Holton Ball Association will hold a baseball and softball sign-up from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 21 at the Holton Parks and Recreation Center, 211 W. Fifth

St. in Holton. A notary will be present. Baseball and softball sign-up forms are now due.

■ A moving sale will be held from 8 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, March 19-21, at 13555 162nd Road, Mayetta. Proceeds will benefit the Hoyt Baptist Youth Group.

■ The Jackson Heights FFA Alumni are sponsoring a farm succession and estate planning workshop, to be held from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26 at First United Methodist Church, 1401 W. Fourth St. in Holton. Topics include estate and business planning, family dynamics and legal considerations.

■ The Holton Ball Association will hold a baseball and softball sign-up from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 21 at the Holton Parks and Recreation Center, 211 W. Fifth

with meal planning.

■ The Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Iota Chapter will meet at 4 p.m. Monday, March 30 in Karen Ford's room at Holton High School. Ford and Debbie Harshaw will be hosts, with Sandee Morris as key polisher.

■ The Mayetta Senior Citizens will meet at noon Thursday, March 19 at St. Francis Xavier Church in Mayetta. Ham will be provided with carry-in side dishes and desserts. All are welcome to attend.

■ Hoyt United Methodist Church will hold a St. Patrick's Day potato bar from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 17 at the church, 405 Highland Ave. in Hoyt. Baked potatoes with toppings, salads, desserts and drinks will be served for a free-will donation.

■ The next Lenten Dinner will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, March 20 at St. Dominic Parish Hall in Holton. Lenten dinners are sponsored by the Altar Society, Knights of Columbus and youth groups. Free-will offerings will be accepted at all dinners.

■ The Heart of Jackson Humane Society is seeking donations of several items for continued operations, as well as more volunteers to walk dogs at the shelter. For more information, call the shelter at 364-5156 or stop by the shelter at 414 E. Eighth St. in Holton.

■ Quote of the day: "Most people are good. They may not be saints, but they are good." — Jimmy Wales

School Lunch Menus

Jackson Heights USD 335

Monday, March 23: Breakfast – Whole-grain cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken tetrazzini, tossed salad, fresh baby carrots, whole-grain bread stick, pine-apple tidbits and milk.

Tuesday, March 24: Breakfast – Pancake on a stick, sliced pears, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, leaf lettuce and tomato slice, oven fries, red bell pepper strips, orange smiles, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Wednesday, March 25: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, sliced peaches, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Breaded beef patty, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, wheat bread (5-12), sliced peaches and milk.

Thursday, March 26: Breakfast – Waffle stick with syrup, sausage patty, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Sloppy joe on a bun, whole-grain Sun Chips, baked beans, fresh grapes and milk.

Friday, March 27: Breakfast – Biscuit with sausage gravy, cereal, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Cheese pizza, broccoli florets, fresh baby carrots, pineapple tidbits, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Holton USD 336

Monday, March 23: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Chicken tetrazzini, garlic bread, tossed salad, seasoned peas,

applesauce, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

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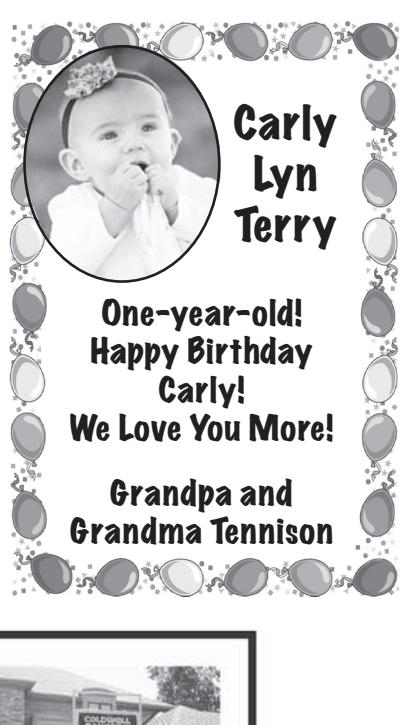
Thursday, March 26: Breakfast – Sausage breakfast sandwich, mandarin oranges, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Chicken tenders, savory rice, roll and jelly, fresh broccoli, cherry tomatoes, fresh banana, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Friday, March 27: Breakfast – French toast with syrup, applesauce, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Cheese pizza, broccoli florets, fresh baby carrots, pineapple tidbits, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Royal Valley USD 337

Monday, March 23: Breakfast – Bagel with cream cheese, fruit and milk;

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NATIONAL NEWS

Family-owned farms backbone of ag industry

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) reports that family-owned farms remain the backbone of the agriculture industry.

The latest data comes from the Census of Agriculture farm typology report and helps shine light on the question, "What is a family farm?"

"As we wrap up mining the 6 million data points from the latest Census of Agriculture, we used typology to further explore the demographics of who is farming and ranching today," said NASS Statistics Division Director Hubert Hamer. "What we found is that family-owned businesses, while very diverse, are at the core of the U.S. agriculture industry. In fact, 97 percent of all U.S. farms are family-owned."

The 2012 Census of Agriculture Farm Typology report is a special data series that primarily focuses on the "family farm."

By definition, a family farm is any farm where the majority of the business is owned by the operator and individuals related to the operator, including through blood, marriage, or adoption. Key highlights from the report include the following five facts about family farms in the United States:

1. Food equals family – 97 percent of the 2.1 million farms in the United States are family-owned operations.

2. Small business matters – 88 percent of all U.S. farms are small family farms.

3. Local connections come in

small packages – 58 percent of all direct farm sales to consumers come from small family farms.

4. Big business matters, too – 64 percent of all vegetable sales and 66 percent of all dairy sales come from the 3 percent of farms that are large or very large family farms.

5. Farming provides new beginnings – 18 percent of principal operators on family farms in the U.S. started within the last 10 years.

"Whether small or large - on the East Coast, West Coast, or the Midwest - family farms produce food and fiber for people all across the U.S. and the world," said Hamer. "It's due in part to information such as this from the Census of Agriculture that we can help show the uniqueness and importance of U.S. agriculture to rural communities, families, and the world."

The 2012 Census of Agriculture Farm Typology report classifies all farms into unique categories based on three criteria: who owns the operation, whether farming is the principal operator's primary occupation, and gross cash farm cash income (GCFI).

Small family farms have GCFI less than \$350,000; midsize family farms have GCFI from \$350,000 to \$999,999; and large family farms have GCFI of \$1 million or more.

Small farms are further divided based on whether the principal operator works primarily on or off the farm.

*By Lynn Jenkins
U.S. House of Representatives*

Meals on Wheels is the oldest and largest national organization representing local, community-based senior nutrition programs across Kansas and nationwide that are dedicated to addressing senior isolation and hunger. Helping and witnessing their good deeds is particularly appropriate during the Hunger Awareness Month of March.

Recently, I was privileged to join the staff and volunteers who work for the Meals on Wheels organization to ensure that some of the most vulnerable folks in our community receive the food they need to survive.

I also recently launched the bipartisan House Hunger Caucus. We must help stimulate existing ideas like Meals on Wheels — effective food programs that have proven capable of combatting hunger without Washington handouts. Even one person unable to get enough food to live is one person too many, and my heart goes out to everyone suffering. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the House to help end hunger once and for all.

Lecompton Historical Society

The Lecompton Historical Society is doing fantastic work updating our artifact records after receiving a grant from the humanities council, and it was fascinating to get to witness an important part of Kansas and national history. Preserving our his-



tory for generations, present and future, to learn from is an essential and valuable part of Kansas culture.

In the last Congress, I was proud to introduce a resolution to recognize the historic decision by the House to reject the pro-slavery Lecompton Constitution of the territory of Kansas. It was also an opportunity to recognize the profound significance of the city of Lecompton in American history as the place "Where Slavery Began to Die."

Let's Support Small Brewers

I also had the opportunity to tour the Free State Brewing Company in Lawrence. The company opened in 1989 as the first legal brewery in Kansas in more than 100 years, and on May 21, 2010, Free State Brewery began to distribute bottled beer to stores in Lawrence.

I loved seeing first-hand the magic that goes into crafting every beer. Small businesses like Free State are the lifeblood of the economy here in Kansas and across the country. As a member of the Congressional Small Brewers Caucus, I recognize the challenges facing this growing industry. It is up to lawmakers in D.C. to start fixing our cumbersome tax code so that companies like this don't face an overwhelming regulatory burden.

Protecting Your Second Amendment Rights

In recent weeks, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) announced a unilateral ban on certain ammunition. Upon hearing of the ATF's proposed ban, I immediately joined with 238 of my colleagues in the House to send a letter to their director. Additionally, the ATF received more than 80,000 comments after their announcement. After that, the ATF tweeted "you spoke, we lis-

tened" and reversed the earlier decision to ban these bullets.

Thankfully, the ATF listened to Congress and your concerns and chose to reverse an action that unfairly targeted and punished law-abiding gun owners across the country.

Reducing College Loan Debt Needs Simple Solutions, Not Bankruptcy

Recently, President Obama introduced a new student loan program aiming "to make the borrowing process less painful for college students." Yet his plan would likely just drive up borrowing costs for everyone. Both Republicans and Democrats recognize this is a serious issue that needs to be addressed.

As I recently wrote in an op-ed to CNBC, "Student loan debt across the country now stands at an astronomical \$1.2 trillion — a number which is higher than the combined GDPs of Australia, New Zealand and Ireland, and exceeds the combined credit card debt in America."

However, if the president was serious about helping students with crippling student loan debt, he would support my solution to encourage families to use 529 college savings plans to plan for their future and hopefully lessen the painful process of paying back student loans. Instead, the president proposed taxing these very savings accounts that are already used by millions of Americans to help pay for college.

I know that we should be encouraging folks to save and plan for their future as opposed to looking to the government, going deeply in debt, or both. The House clearly agreed and passed my legislation, H.R. 529 with an overwhelming vote of 401-20 to "empower folks to

save for higher education."

This also comes at a time when 529 college savings plans are more popular than ever. The total number of 529 accounts increased 4.1 percent in 2014, going from 11.6 million to 12.1 million as of December 2014.

This should be a no-brainer for the president. If he wants to help hard-working families plan ahead and save for higher education, he should encourage the Senate to act quickly on my legislation and sign the bill into law.

We Need A Balanced Budget

Recently, the Congressional Budget Office released their evaluation of the president's latest budget. According to the CBO, the president's proposal would add \$6 trillion to an already \$18 trillion debt.

America already spends well over \$100 billion a year just to pay the interest expenses on the national debt, making interest payments one of the largest areas of government spending. This sort of book-keeping is unsustainable and it's time to stop spending money we don't have — it's simply common sense.

2015 Congressional Art Competition

The Congressional Art Competition deadline is coming up soon! Since 1982, the Congressional Art Competition has been a fantastic opportunity to recognize the talents of young Kansans. Since its creation, more than 650,000 high school students have been involved nationwide, and I look forward to seeing the incredible entries this year.

More information about the competition and how to enter can be found on my website or by contacting Melissa in my Topeka office at (785) 234-5966.

Hutchins explains her vote for block grant plan

*By Rep. Becky Hutchins
Kansas District 61
(R-Holton)*

The current school finance formula was passed by the Kansas Legislature in 1992 (23 years ago).



Fast forward to 2015. Many of the same issues are still being debated. Court battle after court battle has cost you, the taxpayer, significant money in the ongoing debate over school finance.

I supported SB7 (block grants) because:

- It provides stability and budgetary certainty to schools for the next two years.

- It allows school districts to have more flexibility at transferring funds within their budgets to put monies where they are needed most. Excluded from this flexibility would be three funds: bond and interest, special education and special retirement contributions fund (KPERS).

- It lessens the red tape and micro-managing of government and gives more local control over where the dollars go within the school districts. I trust my locally elected officials to do what is best for the students and their schools.

- It provides more than the governor's proposed budget.

- It picks up 100 percent of KPERS where the governor recommended school districts provide 20 percent of that funding (from local taxes).

Restored the allotments that were imposed by the governor for fiscal year 2015.

- Under SB7, school funding will increase beginning with the current year. (\$3.405 billion in 2014-15 school year; \$3.506 in school year 2015-16; \$3.568 billion in 2016-17 school year).

Total estimates for Holton USD 336 school years are as follows:

- 2013-14: \$3,299,066.
- 2014-15: \$3,549,379.
- 2015-16: \$3,614,882.
- 2016-17: \$3,666,791.

Total estimates for Royal Valley USD 337 school years are as follows:

- 2013-14: \$8,931,599.
- 2014-15: \$9,367,595.
- 2015-16: \$9,669,377.
- 2016-17: \$9,870,091.

Total estimates for North Jackson USD 335 school years are as follows:

- 2013-14: \$7,274,850.
- 2014-15: \$7,757,890.
- 2015-16: \$7,936,395.
- 2016-17: \$8,065,494.

It establishes an "Extraordinary Needs Fund" to provide a safety net for school districts that come into

unforeseen circumstances that require additional funding. The fund will be administered by the State Finance Council.

- It provides a mechanism that allows local decisions on how much money goes directly into the classrooms for such items as supplies and teacher's salaries. Currently, approximately 55 cents of each education dollar actually makes it to the classroom.

The fact is...we have no money.

I am trying to do the responsible thing by giving modest increases to education while we are truly cutting other agencies' budgets, restoring the governor's allotments, providing more flexibility and local control to our school boards and administrators thereby enabling more money to get to the classrooms.

I asked to come to Topeka to make the tough choices. (Someone has to.) My hope is to help make our state become solvent again (capable of meeting financial obligations).

You can reach me by phone at 785-296-7653 in Topeka, or e-mail me at becky.hutchins@house.ks.gov



SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENT FEATURE: Home appraisals explained

When homeowners think about renovating their properties, many first need to secure some funding to finance such projects.

Some may tap into the equity of their homes by refinancing an existing mortgage, while others may apply for home equity loans. Taking the latter approach may require certain steps, including an assessment of how much the home and property is worth.

Home appraisals compare your home to neighboring properties to determine your home's current market value. Homeowners can facilitate the process by having cer-

tain information readily available for the appraiser. When preparing for appraisers, homeowners should consider and collect the following information:

- If your home was built on the largest lot in the community.

- If you have made significant upgrades since it was last appraised, such as installing a new roof or siding. Don't overlook smaller renovations, like extra insulation added or sealing drafty windows, which can increase a home's value.

- Proof that you have used sustainable resources or if you participated in any energy-savings programs.

Naturally, any expansion projects, such as adding another bedroom or extending the footprint of the home, should be mentioned.

A real estate appraiser is a certified, licensed professional who will do his or her best to determine the value of your home. The appraisal provides banks with information that can tell loan officers if the house is worth the loan amount. Expect to pay a fee for the appraisal, which is generally included in your closing costs.

The appraiser gathers information for the appraisal report from a number of sources, but the process often begins with a physical inspection of the property, both inside and out. He or she also will compare your home against a few others in the neighborhood, which are known as comparables, or comps. Appraisals will be based on recent prices of comparable properties as well as other factors.

Apart from the improvements done to the home, there are other ways to get a higher appraisal amount. The appraiser may consider the overall maintenance of the home and property. It is wise to consider curb appeal and ensure the home is clean and maintained when the appraiser arrives.

Minor repairs or common maintenance can impress the appraiser.

Removing clutter and cleaning up the home's interior can make the home appear larger, possibly increasing its value as a result.

It may be worth it to invest some more money into the property before having an appraisal done. A study sponsored by the National Association of Realtors says wood floors, landscaping and an enclosed garage can lead to a more favorable appraisal.

An appraiser will spend roughly 30 minutes in a home. Try to give that person space to do his or her job. Following the appraiser around during an inspection can raise a red flag that something is wrong with

the house that you don't want to be seen. Turn lights on throughout the house, make sure the heating or cooling system is functioning at full capacity and keep pets locked away. Move items that can impede access to basements or attics.

An accurate assessment of the value of your home will give banks the information they need to determine loan amounts for future renovation projects. Providing background information on the home and having a well-maintained property can improve the chances of a favorable appraisal.

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OBITUARIES



Hackathorn

Gordon Lee Hackathorn, 82, Holton, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at Holton Community Hospital.

He was born Sept. 26, 1932, in Wyandotte County, the son of Giles Reginald and Alma Udell Bingling Hackathorn. He graduated from Oskaloosa High School and was a member of the Oskaloosa and Valley Falls communities until 1956 when he moved to Holton.

Mr. Hackathorn served with the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had owned and operated a Sinclair gas station, owned a shoe repair shop, worked as a lineman and later worked for the street crew for the City of Holton, from which he retired. He later worked at Country Mart in Holton.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Holton. He was also a volunteer fireman, a member of Holton VFW Post 1367 and a member of the Eagles Club.

He married Betty Lavon Burk on Feb. 22, 1953, in Valley Falls. She died July 20, 1985. He later married Carol Elizabeth Craft Mayfield on Aug. 13, 1988, in Holton. She died Feb. 8, 2005. He also was preceded in death by a son, Reginald "Reggie" Hackathorn, on Dec. 9, 2000.

Survivors include two daughters, Pamela K. Buser and husband Gary, Lincoln, Neb., and Candy S. Wiser, Bedford, Texas; two stepdaughters, Patty Murphy and husband Mike, Alma, Mo., and Angie B. Webster and husband Harvey, Holton; a stepson, Douglas W. Mayfield and wife Karla, Smithville, Mo.; four brothers, Grant Hackathorn, Kansas City, Mo., and Marvin "Bub" Hackathorn, Norman Hackathorn and Larry "Pete" Hackathorn, all of Kansas City; 20 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 21 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial with full military honors will follow in Holton Cemetery. The family will greet friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to City of Holton Parks and Recreation Department, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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Irwin

Garry Lee Irwin, 71, Topeka, died Monday, March 9, 2015, at his home.

He was born Oct. 17, 1943, in Topeka, the son of Evan Dennis and Loneita Boling Irwin. He graduated from Havensville High School in 1962 and attended Butler County College for two years.

Mr. Irwin served in the U.S. Air Force for four years.

Survivors include a sister, Marietta Lowery, Swansea, Ill.; and two nephews, Jerry Lowery, Atlanta, Ga., and John Lowery, Swansea, Ill.

Private family inurnment will be held in Havensville Cemetery at a later date. Mercer Funeral Home in Holton is in charge of arrangements.

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Ogden

Roy Ogden, 76, Mayetta, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at St. Vrain Regional Medical Center in Topeka.

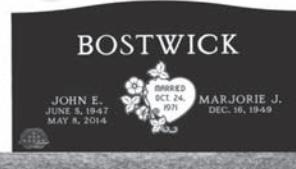
Funeral arrangements are pending with Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. A full obituary will appear in Monday's *Holton Recorder*.

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Rinkes

Martha Lucille Rinkes, 91, Harrisville, Ohio, died Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at Adena Health and Rehabilitation Center.

She was born Jan. 9, 1924, in Jockey Hollow, Ohio, the daughter of Marion J. and Martha Grace McFadden Dunlap.

She married Charles W. Rinkes Sr. He died Feb. 25, 2004. She was also preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Marjorie Booth and Helen Larch; and a daughter-in-law, Belinda McConnell Rinkes.

Survivors include three sons, Charles William Rinkes Jr. and wife Karen, Harrisville, Ohio, Bruce Dunlap Rinkes and wife Lynn, Holton, and Ross Allen Rinkes and wife Millie, Decherd, Tenn.; a daughter, Martha Lou Packer and husband William, Harrisville, Ohio; two sisters-in-law, Ethel Cross, Moorefield, Ohio, and Jean Rinkes, Harrisville, Ohio; five stepgrandchildren; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 14 at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Harrisville, Ohio, with the Rev. Barry Hall and the Rev. Loraine Dill officiating. Interment followed in Olive Branch Cemetery in Harrisville, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to Covenant Presbyterian Church or the Harrisville Fire Department. Borkoski Funeral Home of Cadiz, Ohio, is in charge of arrangements. *Holton Recorder 3/18/15*

Ridgway

Alma Elizabeth Ingels Ridgway, 104, Clarkston, Wash., formerly of Holton, died Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at the Heritage Care Center in Clarkston.

She was born March 4, 1911, north of Netawaka on the Ingels homestead, the daughter of Henry and Sophia Kranz Ingels. She was raised in and around Jackson County.

Mrs. Ridgway and her family settled in Lakeview, Ore., in 1938 and 1939, then lived in Crescent City, Calif., in 1940 and 1941. She and her husband helped run B&R Lumber Company and lived in California until the 1970s, when she returned to Holton. She moved to Washington state to live with family until 2012, when she moved to the care center.

She was a member of Gasquet Bible Church in Gasquet, Calif.

She married Everett Edward Ridgway on Oct. 7, 1938, at Alturas, Calif. He died June 4, 1957. She also was preceded in death by her parents; five brothers, Dell Ingels, Elmer Ingels, Clyde Ingels, Earl Ingels and Harold Ingels; and two sisters, Rose Anderson and Elsie West.

Mrs. Ridgway was cremated. Interment will be held in Netawaka Cemetery. Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Holton is in charge of local arrangements. *Holton Recorder 3/18/15*

Cattrell

Florence E. Cattrell, 91, Holton, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at Medicalodges Jackson County.

She was born Jan. 17, 1924, in Ordway, Colo., the daughter of William and Josephine "Josie" Kulhanek Burton. She attended school in Birmingham and had lived all of her life in the Jackson County area.

Mrs. Cattrell was a homemaker. She also sold Avon and was a custodian for Moser Clinic for many years.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church and also a member of Circle at the church.

She married Ralph Dilman Cattrell on Dec. 25, 1943, in Holton. He died March 3, 2005. She also was preceded in death by two sisters, Edna Taylor and Ruby Wheeler; and two brothers, Everett and Marvin Burton.

Survivors include four daughters, Phyllis Tannahill, Holton, Wilma Mosher and husband Melvin, Odessa, Mo., Connie Woltje and husband Ernie, Circleville, and Mary Vaincourt and husband Ross, Holton; two sons, Larry Cattrell and wife Rita, Circleville, and Charles Cattrell and wife Ardeth, Topeka; 12 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial will follow in Holton Cemetery. There will be no formal visitation.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. *Holton Recorder 3/18/15*

By Ilene Dick

Sunday, March 15, was another nice day as the congregation gathered at Potawatomi United Methodist Church to celebrate the fourth Sunday of Lent and one great hour of sharing.

Pastor Howard opened the service, followed by a meet and greet time.

It was a joy to have Judy Thoman back from a winter vacation and to have Sara and Matt Worcester and Anna Pugh for worship service. It was also a joy to learn that Pastor Howard had a call from his brother, Dale Suddu-

th, that he is now cancer-free.

Prayer requests were made for Ann having an upcoming MRI and for Pam Daugherty having an appointment at KU Medical Center for consultation concerning surgery on her arm, which was broken in October and not healing.

Music was provided by Ilene Dick and Ann W. Tina Pugh was greatly missed from playing the piano due to a bad cut on a finger. Prayers are with her for fast healing.

Tina gave the special by relaying facts about the tradition of communion in the United Methodist Church. She followed with an interesting Bible story about the Apostle Paul.

Offertory usher was Jim Shenk. The sermon text was from Ephesians 2:1-10, with the title "Grace." The scripture offers hope to people in many different situations. Without Christ, we

are not alive. It's difficult to realize we are dead until Christ takes over.

We find the Bible is clear in this message and also in Ezekiel, Isaiah, Deuteronomy and Hebrews.

God wants a personal, dynamic relationship with everyone. To do this, we can ask God for help.

Grace is unmerited, but by grace we are saved. Our only claim is promises of God, and the death of His Son.

The penalty of sin was miraculously destroyed by Christ. Sometimes we will sin, but now we are alive in Christ. We must ask ourselves, "What would Jesus do?" May we live in the fullness of grace.

Congratulations to Kolby, Dalton and Christopher Roush for their win in the Federated sub-state wrestling tournament held in Holton on Saturday, March 14. Kolby and Dalton each

placed first and Christopher placed third. Martha Roush was in attendance at the tournament.

Jim and Marjean Shenk attended a fish fry at Meriden United Methodist Church on Friday evening, March 13.

On Saturday, March 14, they spent the day at the home of Mike and Jan Shenk and many family members in helping them burn their pasture land.

Pastor Howard Sudduth met Ronald and me at Perkins Restaurant in Topeka at noon on Monday, March 9 for lunch and enjoyed a visit.

Judy and Donnie Thomann and Neil and Mary Lou Harding traveled to the Grand Canyon in January for a couple of days. They visited with friends in Kingman for two days, then spent most of the time afterwards in Apache Junction, Ariz.

Judy and Donnie also spent two days in Tucson, Ariz. with Donnie's brother and his wife. Later, they visited with Donnie's sister and brother-in-law in Mesa, Ariz. They also enjoyed attending lectures about the Superstition Mountains, and took in some garage sales.

I might add to the Thomans' news that they were enjoying fresh citrus fruit from the trees, a delicious treat, while we Kansans were freezing!

Joy Uthoff of Baldwin met Ronald and me in Lawrence on Friday, March 13, where she joined me for some shopping. We three enjoyed lunch and a good visit before returning home.

Denison Bible Church

By Esther Hall

Wasn't last week's weather amazing? The trees are putting on buds and some of the early flowers are poking through the ground. I am definitely ready for spring!

Youth Under Construction (YUC) members Shelly P. and Dakota J. collected Sunday morning's offerings at Denison Bible Church. The next YUC meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. on March 21.

The morning message was titled "The Way Out of Temptation," based on 1 Corinthians 10:5-13. We need no help from the devil or the world to get ourselves in trouble. Our "old nature" (if we're saved) doesn't need encouragement to rebel.

There are all sorts of temptations that can get us into trouble. Whether we're trying to stay away from our temptations or we're trying to recover from having been tempted, we need to learn how to deal with them.

There are many examples of temptations in the Bible. Israel was tempted by everything from idolatry to sexual immorality and from over indulging to gambling. Some sins are worse than others, but sin is sin. It doesn't make any difference how big or little the sin is, it's still sin.

Even Christ was tempted. There is no sin in being tempted. What gets us into trouble is when we act on temptation. Christ overcame His temptations through prayer to His father. We, too, can pray that God will take away our temptations when they have become sin.

Satan is our opponent, and he causes us to struggle. We need to quit being Satan's victims and become fully aware of him in our weaknesses. If we don't, we set ourselves up for failure and disappointment.

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Mayetta Methodist

By Shirley Stauffer

A beautiful Sunday morning greeted the congregation as they met for church services at Mayetta Methodist Church on March 15. During announcements, church members were reminded of the Easter breakfast at 8 a.m.

Joys and concerns included: Pastor Sudduth's brother, Dale, is now free of cancer; a thank you to Karen for doing church yard work, a thank you from Mary Anderson for thoughts and prayers since her gall bladder surgery. Cody Smith became a Boy Scout this past week and prayers for Karen's friend Marilyn and her family.

Cory and Jameson lighted the candles and Tim and Ana rang the bell. A big thank you to the children for doing these jobs.

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Friday, March 27: Breakfast – Pancakes, fruit and milk; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, french fries, baked beans, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, March 25: Breakfast – Pancakes, fruit and milk; Lunch – Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk; Lunch – Breakfast pizza; Lunch – Sweet sesame chicken, whole-grain fried rice, spinach garden salad, apple smiles, whole-grain oatmeal cookie and milk.

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SPORTS Wednesday

Young, feisty basketball teams make strides towards the end of the season

Another middle school boys basketball season is in the books after Holton, Jackson Heights and Royal Valley all wrapped up competition recently.

While no team was able to claim league champion honors this season, that doesn't mean there was a lack of competitive basketball in Jackson County. In fact, to hear the middle school coaches talk about the season, there was a lot of progress made by all teams from start to finish.

Royal Valley's eighth-grade team finished their competitive schedule on a bit of a hot streak by knocking off league runner-up Perry Lecompton (43-34), nearly upsetting league champion Sabetha (40-45) and winning three of its last four games.

That included a 46-23 win over Hiawatha to close out the season and one unifying trait through the Panthers' success was an aggressive streak that head coach Justin Moore said was characteristic of his team in the final week and a half.

"I think that our ability to get to the rim was a factor and then also our defense from the full court and even the half court perspective, with our kids taking charges and playing better team defense, was huge for us," Moore said. "If somebody would've watched our practice at the beginning of the year and then seen us play, they would've seen a completely different team and that credit goes to our guys. All the credit goes to them."

From the beginning, Moore said he just asked the players to be coachable and about four games into the season they started to understand the benefits of that and opened up to how the coaching staff was trying to help them grow as players.

What the Panthers already brought to the table was toughness and a will to win.

So, while the RVMS eighth-grade team had some wins that stuck out this season, like that game against the Kaws or a rematch at home against Jeff West in which Royal Valley avenged an early season loss with a 40-21 victory, none of that success was all that surprising to the

coach or his players.

"I think our kids went into every game expecting to win, to be honest," Moore said. "I don't know if there was any sort of shock for me when we beat teams. I knew when our kids came ready to play we could hang with anybody."

Now, Moore said the sky is the limit for this group of eighth-graders who finished 9-5 this season and third in the Big Seven League. The seventh-grade A team, meanwhile, finished 8-6 and fourth in the league. No B team records were received for Royal Valley.

For the Holton eighth-grade team, this year was one of transition, with several new players coming to the forefront for the team with a number of athletes from last year's seventh-grade team switching focus to wrestling.

While the Wildcats fell to ACCJHS 45-33 in the season finale, coach Brian Hickman noted the team was making waves in the final stretch of the season.

"Our main goal was to work to improve and to learn how to be competitive. Six of our last seven games in the second half of the season, I really thought we played well," Hickman said.

The eighth-grade team matched its win total from a year ago midway through the season, which Hickman said was a good sign and they also made strides on the defensive end, which he said was the main goal for the team coming into the season.

Moving on, Hickman said this group's work ethic will serve them well in high school especially after handling a sort-of rebuilding season so well while still in middle school.

"They knew they had a long ways to go and they had realistic expectations about wins and losses, but they understand that it's about improving their skills first so they can be competitive down the road," Hickman said. "I thought they had a really good focus on that. They had good attitudes and they practice really hard."

Holton's eighth-grade A team finished 4-10 and sixth in the league,

while the B team finished with an identical 4-10 record.

The seventh-grade team at Holton faced some similar issues with the Wildcats struggling to a 2-12 record and a seventh-place finish in the league, but coach Alex Bartel credited his players for continuing to improve and noted there is a lot of potential with this group.

Given the conditions the seventh-grade team had to work through, with 6 a.m. practices every day except for game days, Bartel said his players took it all in stride and continued to put in the work on fundamentals and defense that the coaching staff stressed throughout the season.

It was also an accomplishment to start the season with 21 players and finish the season with 21 players, which Bartel said was a credit to his players' work ethic. He noted this will be a fun group to watch develop and after closing the season with a 44-19 victory over ACCJHS, he was even wishing for some more games to continue to see that growth first hand.

"The boys have worked really hard all year long and it was good to see their development and growth and we were able to execute well against them," Bartel said. "It was wonderful to see their improvement and how they're improving and I wish we could play more basketball because we could see their growth some more."

No record was reported for the Holton seventh-grade B team.

One of the teams to take the toughest losses in Jackson County this season was the Jackson Heights Middle School boys, as the A team lost a total of nine games and six of those contests were decided by five points or less.

Despite that, the Cobras closed with a bang in the Northeast Kansas League tournament. Heights led almost the entire way in a quarterfinal rematch with Valley Falls, only to fall short by one point.

Jackson Heights' A team finished the season 7-9 and fifth in the NEKL. The B team sported an identical 7-9 record, while the C team went undefeated (13-0) this season.

winning those games by a combined 41 points on the way to a fifth-place league finish.

"We had to overcome a lot of adversity over the course of the year with all those tough losses. Before the tournament, we all sat down with them and said, 'hey look guys, we could easily be a one or two seed right now and be looking to win this tournament,' and that's what we planned to do," coach Caleb Wick said. "We came up a little short there in round one, but we finished off the season strong, handling those last two teams pretty good."

In the Cobras' final game against JCN, the team had to make do without Kolby Rethman, who suffered a knee injury in the consolation semifinals. Along with that, JCN presented a new defensive challenge with a triangle-and-two look in the game.

Heights took advantage of Lane Thomas' size advantage inside and also adjusted well to the new challenges despite being down one key player.

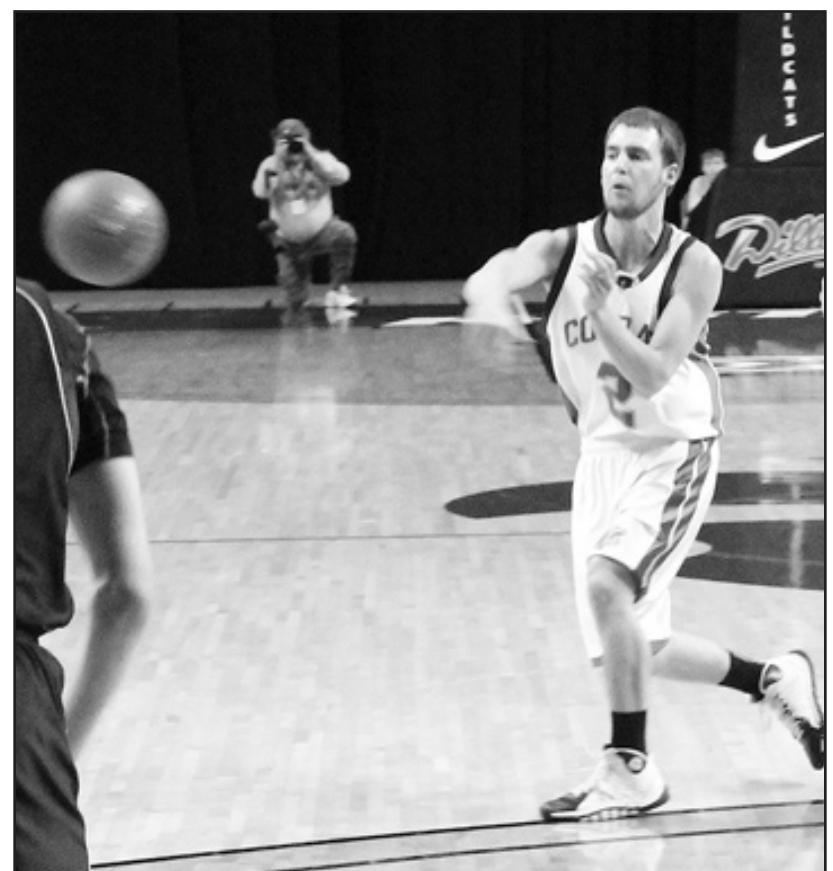
"Whenever you do that and have to change something on the fly, it's all about trusting each other and trusting the system and they were able to do that," Wick said.

The Cobras had a pretty stable rotation of players to give the team a balanced look this season, according to Wick, with Thomas holding down the post along with Ty Childs and Curtis Niehues, while guards Levi Olberding, Cooper Williams and Rethman were able to sink any zone looks the team got on defense with some strong shooting.

Wick also got the chance to implant some ideas of what it will take to be successful at the high school level, something he believes this group has a good chance to do in the years to come.

"They have a bright future when they get in high school if they keep together as a team and keep progressing physically and mentally, just as athletes," Wick said.

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JHHS senior guard Seth Holliday (shown above, at right) dishes off to a teammate in last Wednesday's state tournament game against Central Plains. While the Jackson Heights boys were the only basketball team in the county to make it to state this year, there were plenty of highlights for the rest of the teams and some of them can be seen in the photo recap on page 7A.

Photo by Kelly Breckunrich

Area basketball teams claim state trophies

A few area teams representing the Big Seven, Northeast Kansas and Twin Valley leagues extended their stays at the state basketball tournaments last weekend and came away with plenty to show for their efforts.

First, it should be noted though, that a couple area teams went to the wire in first round match-ups before coming a little short. The Jeff West girls gave eventual Class 4A-DII state champion Hugoton all it could handle in the first round before falling 54-49. That was the closest any team would come to knocking off the Eagles in the state tournament.

In Class 1A-Division II, the Axtell boys nearly had similar success, but came up just short in a 57-45 loss to eventual state runner-up Beloit St. John's in the quarterfinals.

Fellow TVL foes Hanover and Doniphan West cruised to a championship showdown in Class 1A-DI, with the closest game between the two in the first two rounds being a 49-39 win for Doniphan West over Pratt-Skyline.

In the final, the Wildcats and Mustangs were actually locked in a tight battle early with Hanover clinging to a slim, two-point lead at halftime. The third quarter was the

difference, though, as top-seeded Hanover exploded for 27 points and held Doniphan West to 10 on the way to a 58-36 victory to claim the state title.

Big Seven champion Sabetha came up a little short of a shot at a state title in Class 3A, but the boys still played well into the weekend.

After falling to Wichita Collegiate in the semifinals, the Blue Jays bounced back in the consolation finals in Hutchinson on Saturday. Sabetha had a workmanlike effort in the game against Wellsville, steadily building a 28-22 lead by halftime.

While the Eagles held a brief lead in the third quarter, Sabetha remained in control the rest of the way turning a three-point lead at the start of the fourth into a 55-48 victory to take third place in Class 3A.

Sabetha had four players (Brett Plattner, Kellen Russell, Kegan Schumann and Calder Keehn) finish in double digits in the third-place game.

Finally, one other TVL team made its mark in Class 2A as Washington County was playing on the final day of the high school basketball season as well.

The Tigers ran into the top-seeded Olpe Eagles in the third-place game and while they hung around

throughout the game, Washington County could never quite pull ahead.

It was a five-point game at halftime and the Tigers got within one point in the third and two in the fourth, but Olpe held off each rally on the way to a 63-57 victory to claim third while the Tigers finished fourth in Class 2A.

Area girls basketball teams in state action were led by Centralia in Class 1A-DI, which made the state championship game despite entering the tournament as the seventh seed in the field.

The Panthers routed their opponents from Waverly (70-55) and St. Paul (48-31) on the way to the title game, but they ran into a red hot Hoxie team in the midst of a state-record 94-game winning streak.

While Centralia gave the top-seeded team its toughest test of the tournament, taking a lead in the first quarter and hanging around for most of the game, a 10-point advantage in the fourth quarter sealed the deal for the Indians who claimed their fourth straight state title on Saturday with a 67-53 victory.

Sabetha's girls also found themselves in the consolation final, just like their male counterparts, but the Lady Blue Jays came up just

short of bringing home a matching third-place trophy.

Despite an early 10-0 run to take a lead, Sabetha trailed Silver Lake 26-23 at halftime and didn't hold a lead the rest of the game. The deficit remained the same heading into the fourth quarter and while the Blue Jays got within one in the final quarter, they couldn't get over the hump in a 51-50 loss to the Eagles to finish fourth in Class 3A.

Valley Falls' girls, meanwhile, were the lone representative for the Northeast Kansas League in the championship rounds of state competition this weekend as they wrapped up their season at the Class 2A state tournament in Manhattan.

The Dragons fell to state runner-up Moundridge in the semifinals and in a fairly evenly matched game against Meade in the consolation final, a slow start hurt the team as Meade jumped out to a 20-12 lead in the first quarter and didn't look back on the way to a 60-51 victory on Saturday. Valley Falls finished fourth in Class 2A.

With a lot of underclassmen returning for area state qualifiers in 2015-2016, it would seem there are plenty of reasons to be optimistic for more positive results next season as well.

Spring sports are almost set to start

Once spring break comes to a conclusion at the end of this week, high school athletes around Jackson County will quickly be turning their attention to the start of the spring sports season.

For some squads, the season starts right away as the Royal Valley baseball team has its first varsity games against Clay Center this coming Monday, March 23.

The Panther softball team and Holton baseball will follow suit with season-openers next Thursday and Saturday, respectively, while the Wildcat softball team won't start the season until April 9.

Track will get underway in Jackson County on March 31, with Holton hosting Jackson Heights and numerous other teams in a home meet and, finally, golf will start in the first full week of April as Royal Valley will be competing at the Jeff West Invitational on April 7 and Holton will take part in the Hiawatha Invitational on April 10.

Look for previews on all the previously mentioned teams in upcoming editions of *The Holton Recorder* as well as full spring sports schedules.

Twin Valley Boys All-League Basketball

Name	Year	School
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First team

Collin Jasper	Sr.	Troy
Will Bruna	So.	Hanover
Cooper Leach	Jr.	Doniphan West
Elijah Smith	Sr.	Valley Heights
Konnor Penning	Jr.	Washington County
Kyle McGatlin	Jr.	Washington County
Jeffrey Watts	Sr.	Doniphan West
Hunter Nicholson	Sr.	Hanover
Nathan Gaarder	Sr.	Troy
Austin Diederich	Sr.	Hanover
Jarod Gronewoller	Sr.	Onaga
Gage Woodyard	Sr.	Valley Heights

Second team

Jeremy Hoelscher	Sr.	Wetmore
Wyatt Cordell	Sr.	Onaga
Jacob Studer	Sr.	Frankfort
Chad Gross	Sr.	Linn
Andrew Bruna	Sr.	Hanover
Braden Deters	Jr.	Centralia
Cole Thompson	Jr.	Washington County
Joe Ferron	Sr.	Centralia

Twin Valley Girls All-League Basketball

Name	Year	School
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First team

Erin Alexander	Sr.	Washington County
Sidney Blackburn	Sr.	Valley Heights
Brandi Roepke	Jr.	Valley Heights
Kierston Talbot	Jr.	Axtell
Nicole Ohlde	Sr.	Linn
Liz Hasenkamp	Sr.	Centralia
Dakota McQueen	So.	Wetmore
Courtney Moore	Sr.	Washington County
Amaris Jones	Sr.	Centralia
Courtney Heinen	Jr.	Axtell

Second team

Breanna Smith	Sr.	Troy
Paige Doebele	Jr.	Hanover
Riley Doebele	So.	Hanover
Kayla Smith	Fr.	Valley Heights
Regan Gibson	Sr.	Doniphan West
Cassidy		

Winter sports photo wrap-up



Panther wrestler Blake Garrison (shown above, top right) is shown in action at the Big Seven tournament. Garrison had a strong finish to the season and is part of the youth movement that has RV coach Jason Puderbaugh excited looking ahead to next season.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch



Jackson Heights' Marley Wareham (shown above, at left) spots up for a long jumper during league action this winter. Wareham was a contributor in a breakthrough season for the JHHS girls, who finished with an overall record of 12-10.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch



Another young wrestler, Holton's Coulter Bisel (shown above, front right), tries to make an escape during a match at the league tournament.



Royal Valley's Kassidy Dahl (shown above, at left) drives to the basket in game action, while Holton's Will Wright (shown in photo at left, middle) puts up a floater in the sub-state championship game against Atchison. Meanwhile, Panther Derrick Barger (shown below, middle) is shown driving into the lane before dishing off to a teammate during a league game.

Photos by Kelly Breckunitch



Cobra Korby Strube (shown above, at left) brings the ball up the court in a road game against JCN. Strube and the Cobras ended up playing all the way into mid-March and making the first state tournament appearance for the JH boys since 2007.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch



Lady Wildcat Brianna Boyett (shown above, at right) passes the ball off to a teammate in a game against Nemaha Central. Boyett was one of just a handful of seniors on this year's team as Holton was a young squad once again and came one game short of making it back to the state tournament.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Motor Graders...

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Other bids included a used 2012 John Deere motor grader offered by Murphy Tractor at a cost of \$161,000 with trade-in. That machine had 980 hours on it.

Murphy Tractor also bid a new 2015 John Deere 770 motor grader at a cost of \$181,542 with trade-in. That grader included a 72-month/6,000 hour extended service coverage.

Berry Tractor of Topeka bid two new Komatsu GD655-6 Tier 4 Final graders with five year/5,000 hour premium extended warranty.

The price of the two machines, with the county trading in a Volvo and a John Deere machine, totaled \$321,500.

Also during the March 9 meeting, the commissioners met with Harold Lamberson of Legacy Fitness in Netawaka. Lamberson discussed the membership packages and amenities available and offered a 20 percent discount rate for county employees if the county wanted to partner with the Hornets Nest Sports Club.

The center offers one-on-one personal training, sports programs for kids and a six-week weight loss program.

If the commissioners partnered with the center, county employees would have to pay for the discounted memberships. No action was taken on the issue.

In other business, the commission:

* Noted a complaint from a resident about a hole in the road at W and 318th Roads.

* Learned from Earl Bahret and Eric Fritz, road and bridge co-supervisors, that they are receiving a portable traffic counter for free to use for 30 days from Timemark Incorporation of Salem, Ore. The counter can detect the speed and direction of traffic and what lane the vehicle is in. The cost to purchase four counters is \$4,657. Jefferson County has had success with the same counter, the men noted.

* Met in executive session for 20 minutes with Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick to discuss a matter of client/attorney privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

* Met with County Counselor Alex Morrissey who presented a resolu-

tion that would change the rates at the landfill. The proposed rates were given to Dan Robinson, noxious weed director and solid waste manager, for review.

* Met with Robert Kneisler of Mayetta to discuss pasture burning. Kneisler said that he called the Holton Fire Department at 3 p.m. on Saturday and was told they wouldn't let any more people burn until some of the departments' fire trucks came back from several out of control fires.

* Met with Robinson who said that a resolution needs to state that items with Freon cannot be collected at the solid waste center. Robinson said a resident has asked him about volunteering in his department. In the past, he has declined their offer due to liability issues.

Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer said she was in favor of allowing volunteers at the landfill.

* Met in executive session with Robinson for five minute to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

* Approved a liquor license for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Firekeeper Golf Course and Casino.

* Met in executive session with Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse and Undersheriff Darrel Chapman for 20 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. Bahret joined the meeting and it extended for 15 minutes. Then Mick joined the meeting and it extended for 10 minutes. No action was taken back in open session.

* Heard an update on the Jackson County Tourism Council from Anna Wilhelm. The council's board approved a grant application for the Circleville Saddle Club for \$600.

Members of the tourism council are printing 7,000 brochures with Second Saturday inserts to hand out in surrounding counties. The total cost for the brochures is \$2,850.

The council has paid \$222 for a booth at the Kansas Sampler Festival in Wamego on May 2 and 3. The council has also paid \$175 to Audrey Oliverius to audit the council.

The commissioners approved all

the council's expenditures.

* Met in executive session for five minutes to discuss a personnel matter with Twila White, road and bridge administrative assistant. No action was taken back in open session.

* Accept the 2015 chip-and-seal project list as presented.

* Met with Brent Teter and Jay Watkins, owners and operators of Jackson County EMS, to discuss some general updates to the business and noted that Kurt Johnson was recognized as employee of the year.

* Met in executive session for five minutes with Morrissey to discuss a matter of attorney/client privileges. No action was taken back in open session.

* Met with Kelly Long of Long Lighting to discuss lighting options for the Courthouse.

* Took a tour of the Courthouse lawn with Chad Phillips, head custodian.

* Agreed to set up a Facebook page for the county to use for elections and other county information.

* Met with Guy Cameron and Tim O'Bryne of Holton First Baptist Church to discuss the upcoming Impact World Tour. The youth events will be held at Royal Valley and Holton schools April 14-18.

At the events, an extreme team performs. Any funds collected for the events goes toward food and materials for the performers, who promote a healthy teen lifestyle.

The commissioners agreed to donate \$1,000 in county alcohol tax funds to the Impact World Tour event.

* Met in executive session for five minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

* Approved a motion to appoint Michelle McClintock-Ramage to the NEKS Multi-County Health Board of Directors to fill a recently vacated position.

* Accepted the resignation of Julie Myers from juvenile intake and assessment. The commissioners also signed a pay increase for Morgan Cashier, which notes her one-year anniversary as a dispatcher.

* Adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m. All commissioners were present.

Submitted photos

Submitted photos will be accepted for community news items and social news. A fee is charged for photos used with birth announcements and obituaries, and when a second photo is requested for use with an anniversary notice.

Public Notice

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CITY OF HOLTON

ORDINANCE NO. 15-004

AN ORDINANCE VACATING THAT PORTION OF THE ALLEY RIGHT-OF-WAY, BETWEEN DAKOTA AVENUE AND COLORADO AVENUE, FROM 5TH STREET TO 6TH STREET ALL IN THE CITY OF HOLTON, JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH K.S.A. 14-423.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOLTON, KANSAS:

Section 1. That it is hereby deemed expedient by the City of Holton, Kansas and the governing body thereof to vacate that portion of the alley right-of-way, between Dakota Avenue and Colorado Avenue, from 5th Street to 6th Street all in the City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas in accordance with K.S.A. 14-423.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. That this ordinance so vacating the above described alley right-of-way, shall become effective thirty days after the publication thereof unless one or more interested parties file a written protest before the expiration of such time. Said written protest must be filed in the office of the city clerk of the city.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the governing body on March 16, 2015.

/s/ Robert W. Dieckmann
Robert W. Dieckmann, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

/s/ Teresa Riley
Teresa Riley, City Clerk

Microbreweries...

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Microbreweries are limited by law in Kansas to producing no more than 15,000 barrels of beer per year, with one barrel equaling 31 gallons, it was reported. Cited as examples at the planning commission's Feb. 23 meeting were the Blind Tiger restaurant and brewpub in Topeka, which produces about 1,200 barrels per year, and Tallgrass Brewery in Manhattan, which is approaching the 15,000-barrel limit and getting ready to expand.

C-2 zoning applies to businesses located adjacent to Holton's Town Square, which is designated a C-1 zone where such businesses as the microbrewery proposed by Willcott would not be allowed. Furthermore, such businesses involved in the sale of packaged alcoholic beverages are not permitted across the street from the Jackson County Courthouse or within 100 feet of a church, school or hospital.

In other business on Monday, commissioners approved the vacation of the 500 block of Colorado Avenue, located in front of Colorado Elementary School, and a block-long alley located half a block west of that section of Colorado. The street and alley are being vacated for construction of the new Holton elementary school on property adjacent to the existing

school, McKee said.

It had been reported previously that while the alley, which runs between Fifth and Sixth streets and between Colorado and Dakota avenues, is fenced off, the 500 block of Colorado will not be completely closed during the construction period. Holton USD 336 Superintendent Dennis Stones said traffic in front of Colorado School will be reduced to one lane for buses, it was reported.

The street and alley vacations were approved unanimously following a short public hearing.

Commissioners also:

■ Approved minutes from their March 2 meeting and budget appropriations made since that meeting.

■ Approved a bid of \$49,225 from Bruno Implement Company of Marysville for the purchase of a Case skid loader for the street department.

Commissioners also considered bids of \$49,628.36 for a Bobcat skid loader from White Star Machinery of Topeka, \$52,500 for a New Holland skid loader from KanEquip of Wamego, \$54,000 for a John Deere skid loader from Heritage Tractor of Topeka and \$59,270 for a JCB skid loader from Sellers Equipment of Topeka.

Bauer said the city's existing skid loader, purchased 10 years ago, has racked up \$24,654.87 in maintenance costs since its purchase, but it will be repaired and shifted to the water and wastewater department so that the street department would not be deprived of the new skid loader's use.

■ Approved the reappointment of Steven Duryea to the Public Whole-Sale Water Supply District 18 board of directors.

■ Heard comment from Commissioner Dan Brenner about whether the city would consider a "reverse 911" alert system.

■ Heard a question from Commissioner Twila White on whether a timeline had been established for installation of a fountain in the middle of Elkhorn Lake. Bauer said it had not.

■ Met in executive session for 20 minutes to discuss matters regarding non-elected personnel, with Bauer, McKee and City Clerk Teresa Riley joining the session. No action resulted from the session.

■ Adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. All five commissioners were present.

Sign...

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With the bid, the county is responsible for removing the existing water feature, concrete curb, landscaping and wall material. The cannon in that corner of the Courtyard will not be relocated.

Adkins said that Holton Main Street has \$22,000 to put towards the sign project, which is about two-thirds of the cost.

"This would be the last hurrah for Main Street," Adkins said. "One last downtown beautification project. It'll be something people will enjoy for years to come."

The commissioners are in favor of the proposed sign but did not take any action on the project Monday. They also haven't allocated any county funds for the new sign yet.

Rieschick...

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professionals from other areas of expertise and to have those resources close at hand," she said.

Rieschick, a member of Soldier Christian Church, enjoys spending time with her family, volunteering, traveling, reading and playing piano.

When asked what piece of medical advice she would recommend most to her patients, Rieschick replied that it is best to bring children in to see the dentist early, by their first birthday or six months after their first tooth emerges.

Tooth decay is the single most common chronic childhood disease — five times more common than asthma and four times more common than early childhood obesity," she said. "Bringing them in at a very young age not only helps them get comfortable at the dentist's office, but more importantly, it gives us the opportunity to counsel parents on the best ways to prevent cavities and how to get their children started on good oral health habits right from the start."

Rieschick can be reached at Holton Dental by calling 364-3038.

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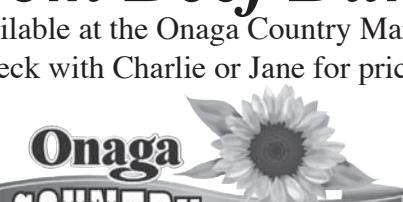
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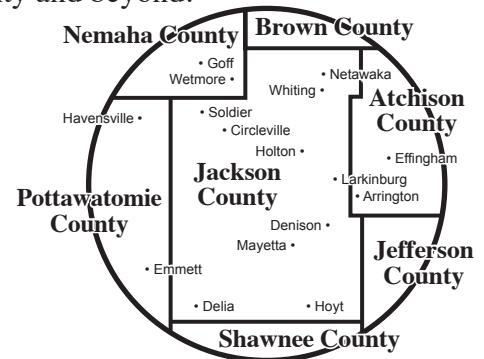
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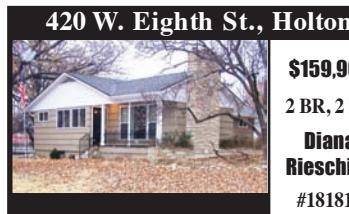
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Applications may be picked up at the Jackson County Clerk's Office, Room 201, Jackson County Courthouse.

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RVMS third quarter honor roll listed

The following students have been named to Royal Valley Middle School's honor roll for the third nine weeks of the 2014-15 school year.

Purple & White Honor Roll

(A's Only)

Eighth Grade: Emily Albright, Hanna Allen, Mary Broxterman, Allison Clements, Benjamin Neuner, Garrett Pruyser, Charlotte Rooks and Amanda Sutton.

Seventh Grade: Gavin Cumpston, Isaac Neuner, Cassidy Parks and Emma Poort.

Sixth Grade: Luke Boyden, Alyssa Carlisle, Colin Everts, Ivy Fink, Hayley Harman, Morgan Harvey, Will Heavner, Mae Joslin, Emma McKinsey, Hannah Potts, Lilly Rooks and Sydney Stithem.

Fifth Grade: Karlie Albright, Donte' Bell, Parker Long, Samantha Neuner and Catrina Smith.

Honor Roll

(A's & B's)

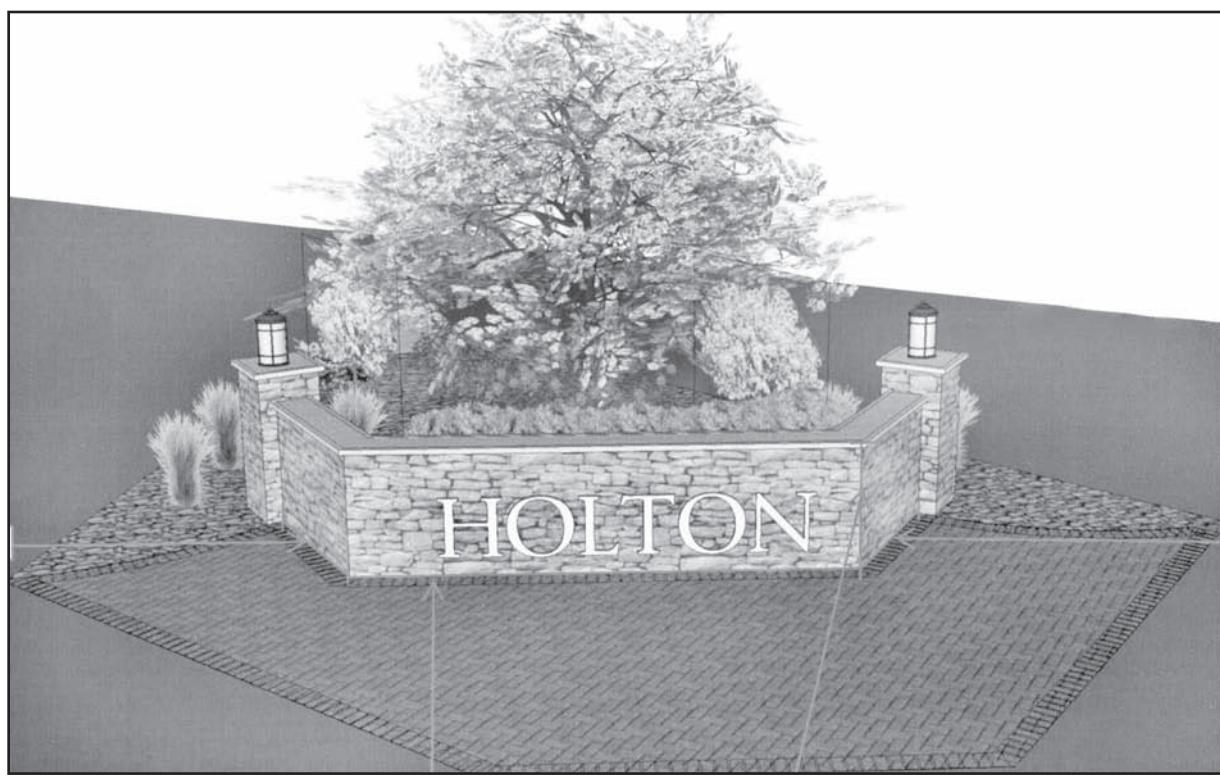
Eighth Grade: Lindsey Bowden, Wade Collins, Eryn Daugherty, Daniela Fabila, Alyssa Goorderl, Devon Hale, Alexis Hancock, McKenzie Hegemann, Joshua Kent, Holly Mitchell, Jase Preston, Megan Putnam, Keanu Shopteese, Karsen Smith, Riley Strickler, Madison Thomas, Zach Wahweotten and Trenton Wilbur.

Seventh Grade: Courtney Carreno,

Dylan Creollo, Chloe Estes, Hadley Gregory, Abby Harding, Gregory Koon, Jaymie Lister, Christian McAlister, McKenzie Ogden, Samantha Riley, Madison Saia, Hannah Schnacker, Hannah Smith and Jaden Wamego.

Sixth Grade: Bryar Barnett, Caleb Boyer, Colin Caviness, Ellie Coleman, Rhianon Conley, Hylwa-Este Coon, Josslyn Coulter, Teryn Denzler, Haiden Foster, Hayli French, Isaac Hale, Haley Harding, Blake Holte, Kaitlin Humpert, Aislan Levi, Laure Lundin-Burger, Trevor Matthews, Caeden Meredith, Katie Reicherter, Noah Schnacker, Linda Sowers, Preston Torres and Halina Williamson.

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The drawing above shows how the sign and water garden area at the southwest corner of the Courtyard in Holton may be transformed. A story elsewhere in this edition explains the changes that are being proposed.

Submitted drawing

Special county meeting held

The Jackson County Commissioners held a special meeting on Friday, March 13. During the meeting, the commission:

* Met in executive session for five minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

* Met with Eric Fritz and Earl Bahret, road and bridge co-directors, who reported that a John Deere motor grader was being delivered for a trial period.

* Met in executive session for 50 minutes to discuss a matter or client/attorney privilege. Back in open session, the commissioners approved a motion to waive the septic fee for the owner of a home that burned in 2014.

* Adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.



Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker

The fourth Sunday in Lent has sometimes been considered an oasis in the midst of Lent. With John 3:16 at the center of the gospel lesson on Sunday, March 15, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, we find a refreshing oasis as we hear again those beautiful, life-changing, hope-filled words: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

When snake-bitten in the wilderness because of their own sin, the Israelites looked up to the bronze serpent given by God, and they lived.

When we are snake-bitten – troubled by some persistent sin or burdened by some unforeseen event that threatens to overwhelm us – we can remember that God has given us His Son, lifted up on the cross, to look upon, to trust and thereby to live now and eternally.

Made alive in Christ, "we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10) A refreshing oasis indeed!

The March 15 worship service at Immanuel Lutheran was led by Elder Topher Dohl. The opening hymn was "God So Loved The World." Following the invocation, confession and absolution and introit, "Amazing Grace" was sang. Mike Keehn, elder, read the Old Testament lesson from Numbers chapter 21 and the Epistle lesson, Ephesians chapter 2. Topher Dohl read the Holy Gospel from John 3:14-21. The sermon hymn was "The Lamb."

In the sermon, "Saved by Grace," the congregation learned definitions of grace: "undeserved mercy" and "God's riches at Christ's expense." Lent is a time to recall what Christ did to give us God's riches of forgiveness and eternal life.

John 3:16 is the awesome message of the Gospel in a nutshell. Grace is God's voluntary and loving favor given to those He saves.

We can't earn salvation, nor do we deserve it. No religious, intellectual or moral effort can gain it, because it comes from God's mercy and love. Be reminded of what god did for you

Special board meeting is set

Coming up on Monday, the Holton school board will reconvene for a special meeting to address plans on how to use any potential E-Rate funding the district may receive in the upcoming school year.

At recent meetings, technology director Tom Sextro has presented the board with some options for what projects to address and pursue E-Rate funding for in the district.

One of the biggest projects on the radar, reportedly, is the need for hardware and software in the new elementary building.

Going through E-Rate would defray some of the costs for technology set aside in the bond, but that is not the only building with technology needs. The board will discuss those needs on Monday and discuss which E-Rate applications and contracts to approve.

as His Son made the journey to the cross for you. Take His grace and His love with you and seek to share Jesus in your daily living.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

The congregation professed The Apostles' Creed. "There is a Redeemer" was sang. Offering ushers were Mike Keehn and Jim Schumann.

In the prayers of the church, during this Lenten season, may we remember our baptism and make us alive in Christ; that we also share the Gospel that the world might know Him; for humble hearts as we look to Jesus lifted upon the cross; for those in the armed forces for protection and also for their families; and for the sick that they be granted peace and patience. The congregation joined in The Lord's Prayer.

Following the Lord's Prayer and benediction, the service closed with singing "With My Blessing."



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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to KSA 25-2018, an election of school board members in the following districts in Jackson County, State of Kansas will be conducted on the 7th day of April 2015. All school districts in Jackson County have adopted Voting Plan B except USD 322. Plan B votes on all positions in the General Election. Plan C votes by Member District in the General.

Refer to your School District for a list of candidates, then your City or Township for the voting locations for all qualified electors residing within that School District. There will be a write-in line following each race.

USD 335 Candidates

Position #1	David Allen
Position #2	Melinda J. Wareham
Position #3	Neal D. Keeler
Position #7	Konrad Coe

VOTING LOCATIONS

Netawaka Community Building	Netawaka City Netawaka Twp
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Whiting Community Building	Whiting City Whiting Twp St Creek Twp
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Jackson County Courthouse	Liberty Twp
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USD 336 Candidates

Position #1	Rex Frazier
Position #2	Orin Marshall
Position #3	Shelby E. Patch
Position #7	Carl Matousek

VOTING LOCATIONS

NEW LOCATION	Ward 1
Veterans Club	Ward 2
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Jackson County Courthouse	Liberty Twp Franklin Twp Banner Twp Lincoln Twp Grant Twp St. Creek Twp Jefferson Twp
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VOTING LOCATIONS

Delaware Twp Hall in Valley Falls	Jefferson County
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VOTING LOCATIONS

Whiting Community Bldg	Whiting Twp
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VOTING LOCATIONS

Jackson County Courthouse	Liberty Twp
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USD 337 Candidates

Position #1	James K. O'Toole
Position #2	Raphael J. Wahwassuck
Position #3	Boone Smith

VOTING LOCATIONS

Jackson County Courthouse	Pat Tuck Jason Alan Klotz
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USD 338 Candidates

Position #1	Jody Lockhart
Position #2	(No Filing)
Position #3	Carrie Belveal John D. Shipley
Position #7	Heidi Pickerell

VOTING LOCATIONS

Hoyt Community Building	Douglas Twp
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Business Women's Club meets

By Julie Fahrmeier

The March 2, 2015 meeting of the Holton Business Women's Club was held at 6:30 p.m. at Trails Café.

The program committee chairperson was Suzanne Misenhelter and the other committee members were Cathy Haug and Sandy Studebaker-Gilbert.

The program was given by Michelle Dallas, Erin Wing and

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Community News



Bruce Meininger (at left) of Kansas Gas Service on Tuesday steadied a barricade around a pit dug earlier this week in preparation for gas line work along Colorado Avenue near Holton's Colorado Elementary School, where a new school is planned for construction over the next year and a half. The Holton City Commission on Monday voted to vacate the 500 block of Colorado that runs in front of the school, along with a north-south alley located half a block west of the street, in order to accommodate construction of the new school. Holton USD 336 Superintendent Dennis Stones had earlier stated that one lane of this block of Colorado would remain open for bus traffic "all the way through the next school year."

Photo by Brian Sanders

Fuel prices dip

Average retail gasoline prices in Kansas have fallen 1.4 cents per gallon in the week ending this past Sunday, averaging \$2.33 per gallon on Sunday, according to GasBuddy.com's daily survey of 1,329 gas outlets in Kansas.

This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.4 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.43 per gallon, according to the gasoline price monitoring Web site.

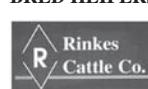
Patrick DeHaan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy, estimated that while the West Coast will see relief from high gas prices in the week ahead, prices in most of the rest of the country may see their prices drift slightly higher.

"It's important to note that even with increases factored in, motorists are still seeing considerable savings versus gas prices last year," DeHaan said.

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IN THE INTEREST OF:

Name Cayleigh A. Smith

DOB xx/xx/2013 A female

Case No. 2015-JC-000008

NOTICE OF HEARING- Publication

Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: Unknown Father and all other persons who are or may be concerned

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the child(ren) named above is a Child in Need of Care. The Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the parents unable to care properly for a child, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child(ren).

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the **Thursday, April 02, 2015, at 09:30 AM**. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child(ren). The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child(ren).

Date and time of hearing: Thursday, April 02, 2015, at 09:30 AM

Place of hearing: Jackson County District Court, Courthouse, 3rd floor, Holton, KS 66436

/s/ Blaine A. Carter
Judge of the District Court
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Family Life

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By Nancy C. Nelson
Meadowlark Extension
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Family Life

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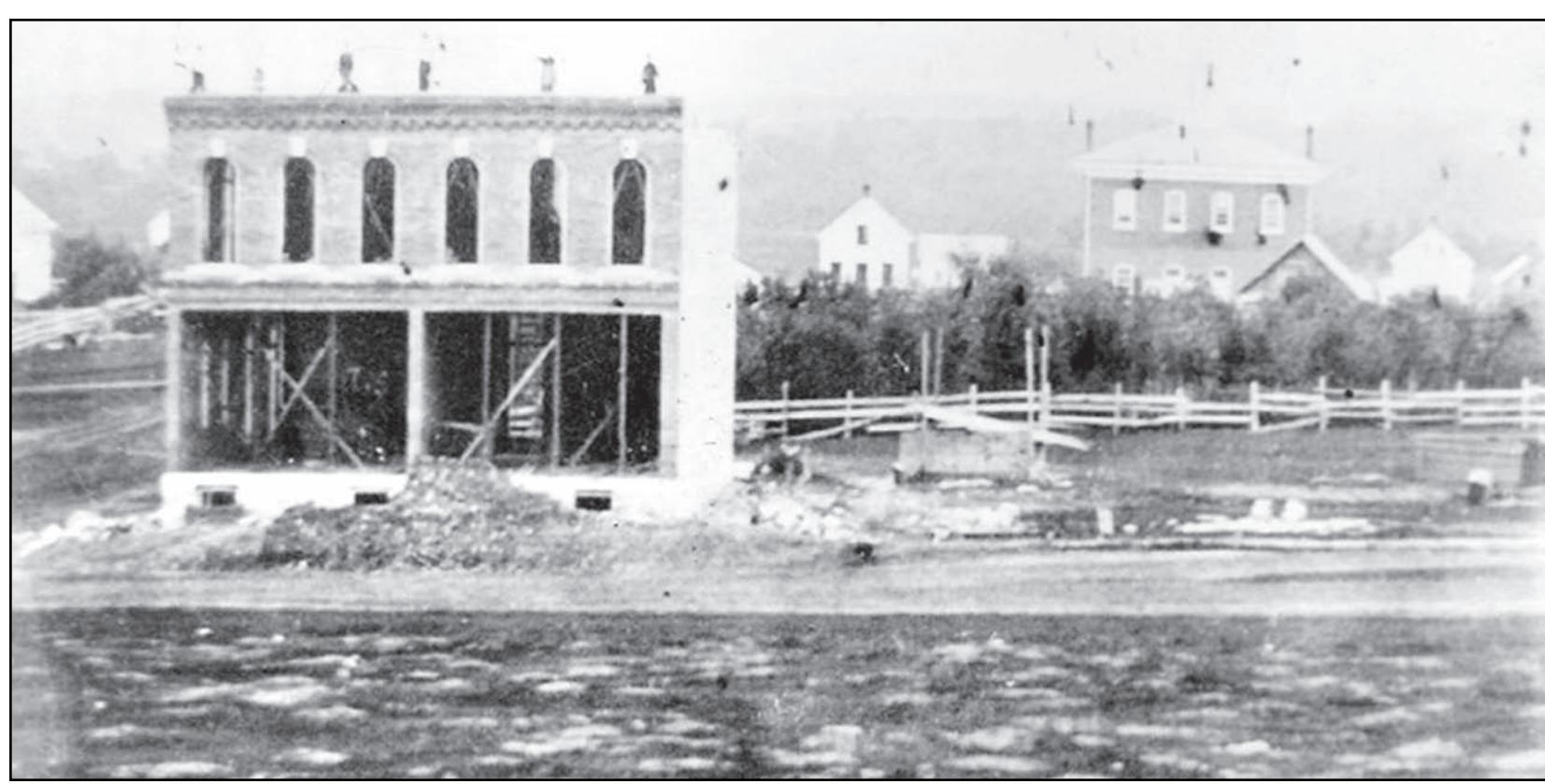
- Easy to see, easy to grab. Place healthier snacks – such as fresh fruit, veggies, hummus, string cheese, light yogurt and bagged nuts – at eye level. Use clear bags and containers so you can see what is inside.

- Store foods snack-ready. Keep washed and cut produce so it is ready for snacking.

- Out of sight, out of mind. Keep less healthy items in the back of the refrigerator or in a drawer.

- Keep food safe. Store raw meat in the bottom section or drawer of your refrigerator.

- Rethink your drink. Keep water, unsweetened tea and nonfat milk at eye level. Keep washed and sliced lemon or lime to add to water and tea.



This historic photo from the early 20th century shows the old First National Bank under construction at the northeast corner of Holton's Town Square, on the spot where Holton City Hall stands today. Workers can be seen standing on top of the bank building, while the old Central School can be seen in the background at right.

Photo submitted by Verlin Wichman

Colorectal cancer still a threat to people: ACS

While a combination of earlier detection and better treatments have yielded a steady decline in the colorectal cancer death rate during the past 20 years, colorectal cancer will kill nearly 50,000 people in the U.S. in 2015, and nearly 480 in Kansas, according to the American Cancer Society.

Colorectal cancer is one of only a handful of cancers for which screening is proven to save lives, both by finding and removing polyps before they turn cancerous and by finding cancers early, when treatment is most likely to be successful.

During March, National Colon Cancer Awareness Month, the American Cancer Society is highlighting the need to do more to save lives from the nation's second leading cause of cancer death in both men and women by urging patients and their doctors to talk about the importance of colorectal cancer screening, which is recommended for people at average risk beginning at age 50.

More than one in three adults aged 50 and older are not being screened as recommended for colorectal cancer. The American Cancer Society recommends that most people begin regular screening at age 50. People at higher risk, such as those with a fam-

ily history of colon cancer, may need to start screening earlier.

There are a number of colorectal cancer screening options available. Tests that detect precancerous polyps and cancer include:

- Flexible sigmoidoscopy every five years.
- Colonoscopy every 10 years.
- Double contrast barium enema (DCBE) every five years.
- CT colonography (CTC) every five years.

Tests that primarily detect cancer include:

- Yearly guaiac-based fecal occult blood test (gFOBT) with high test sensitivity for cancer (older versions of the Fecal Occult Blood Test should not be used to test for colorectal cancer).
- Yearly fecal immunochemical test (FIT) with high test sensitivity for cancer.
- Stool DNA test (sDNA).

Tests that detect precancerous polyps allow doctors to remove the polyps and potentially prevent cancer altogether. And while cancers detected at the earliest stage have a five-year survival rate of 90 percent, only 40 percent of colon cancers are currently detected at this stage, partly because too few people are screened.

The Society is increasing efforts

during March and beyond to ensure more people are aware of the life-saving potential of screenings. As co-founders of the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable, a coalition of 80 member organizations working to improve screening rates in the US, the American Cancer Society and the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are committed to significantly increasing screening rates.

For more information and guidance on colorectal cancer, visit cancer.org/fightcoloncancer or call the American Cancer Society 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 800-227-2345.

Holton First Baptist

By Shirley M. Cameron

What a lovely day to gather for services at Holton First Baptist Church on Sunday, March 15. The trustees are taking bids for lawn care this summer. Submit your name to the church office if interested.

Pastor Tim O'Byrne's sermon was titled "What Are You Looking At?" The main passage of scripture was Matthew 6:22-24. The eyes are the windows to our soul. What we take in through our eyes greatly affects our spiritual soul. If we take in porn or wrong television programs with immorality, something evil, etc., then we will experience darkness of the soul.

Satan knows our weakness and will make anything other than God to be our master. We cannot serve

two masters; either we serve God or Satan. The heart is the eye of the soul.

Pastor Tim's sermon ended in asking, "Is there anything in my life that I must lay down for Jesus Christ?"

The special sung by the choir was "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Medley." The congregation always enjoys their singing; also, the praise team and those on the organ and all those others behind the scenes.

Ben Bauman, Pastor Rhett and Carol are the ones who present the children's story and do a very good job. The church is blessed with lots of children, from the very young to those of senior high age.

On March 2, there was to be a training session about disciplining new converts at the church.

Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

On Sunday, March 8, dinner guests of Roy and Beverly Kranz were Judith Robison, Sue Biddison and Nancy and Don Wischmeier. After dinner, the sisters worked on plans for the Robison cousin reunion that will be held in September at the Red Rock Ranch in Soldier.

Several attended the state 2A boys basketball tournament at Kansas State University fieldhouse in Manhattan, where Jackson Heights played Garden Plain (Clafin) on Tuesday, March 11. Jackson Heights was defeated, but they put up a valiant fight and everyone is proud of them.

"Love one another" is God's command for us. We must be careful not to do or say things that are unloving. Each day gives us opportunities to do God's will.

Surprise! (Or maybe no surprise) We are called! Now what?

14, for lunch. The girls are on spring break now.

Bob and I were happy to have a guest for the weekend, March 13-15. Virginia Stojakovic from Blackwell, Okla., and her daughter, Jynda Murry, and family arrived on Friday afternoon. Jynda, her husband, Mike, and children, Mattie, Andrew and Jadrien, stayed at the home of Maxine Lewis in Holton. We all gathered at Maxine's on Saturday with other family members stopping in for a visit.

Maxine, Virginia, Jynda and family and Lori and Afton Burdick were all dinner guests at our home on Sunday, March 15, before they headed back home to Blackwell. Steve and Leota Wilkerson also came to our home to visit with them in the early afternoon.

Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS Proceeding Filed Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59

In the Matter of the Estate of CAROL J. RUMSEY FORMERLY KNOWN AS CAROL J. NEWMAN, Deceased

Case No. 15 PR 6

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Schrita Fink, duly appointed, qualified and acting Administratrix of the Estate of Steven J. Fink, deceased, praying Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allowances requested for attorney are

reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Administratrix of the Estate of Steven J. Fink, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before April 2, 2015 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, at Holton, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Schrita Fink, Administratrix
Alexandria S. Morrissey #23966
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Holton, Kansas, 66436
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Attorney for Administratrix

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and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death, and title to such be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before the 26th day of March, 2015, at 9 o'clock a.m. in the City of Holton in Jackson County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Donald Rumsey, Petitioner
SUBMITTED BY:
Dennis A. White, #12108
White Law Office
120 W. 5th Street, P.O. Box 445
Holton, KS 66436
(785) 364-3971
Attorney for Petitioner

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Buck's Grove

By Betty Bernritter

March 15 was a beautiful but windy morning as Jack Bernritter rang the bell to announce the beginning of services at Buck's Grove Methodist Church.

Althea Fordham played the prelude "Wonderful Words of Life" as Mary Ringel lighted the altar candles.

Other hymns that Althea played and the congregation sang were "Take Time to be Holy," "Trust and Obey" and "What A Friend We Have in Jesus."

Charlotte Milroy began the service with announcements and the opening prayer. She read scripture from Numbers 21:4-9 and Ephesians 2:1-10. Psalter reading was Psalms 107:1-3.

Betty Bernritter gave a healthy moment report about the importance of exercise and the health benefits of moving instead of being sedentary.

For Lloyd and Mary Ringel's special, they requested singing "Life's Railway to Heaven."

Charlotte's message included the gospel scripture from John 3:14-

21. Her sermon was titled "See The Light."

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life," John 3:16.

Sound familiar? Did you learn this verse as a child? Christ died so that we could access freedom from sin and death and live in the light.

Living in the light is amazing and it is free, but it requires that we fully let go of everything and allow God full control of our lives. This Lent, as we approach the cross with fasting, let us search our lives and our hearts for shadows. Let us, through prayer and repentance, bring these things to the foot of the cross so that as we celebrate Easter Sunday morning, we can live in the fullness of light.

Charlotte, with the assistance of Betty Bernritter, offered communion to the congregation.

LeRoy Rieschick and Jack Bernritter acted as offertory ushers, and we closed the worship service by singing "Come Oh Lord."

Circleville Christian

By Jeannie Arnold

Brenda Wickham served as greeter at the door for Cowboy Church at Circleville Christian Church on March 15. Dale Askren gave the welcome and opening prayer. Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, David Allen, Max Lierz and Paul and Sue Davault. Mike Cochren gave the announcements of upcoming events, and David Allen gave the prayer for concerns and praises.

Randy Wickham used text from Hebrews 2:9-19, 19:5-7 and Acts 7:54-56 as he brought the morning sermon titled "Death By Design."

His message told about Jesus and His great and marvelous plan. Jesus tasted death for everyone in the world. His death was in our place; Jesus paid it all for us.

Jesus Christ took all the pain and

agony of death. His death defeated Satan, and there is no reason to fear death. His death means that we do not have to face life alone; Jesus came to free us from eternal death. Jesus came to set us free and if we don't understand why He came, we have missed the point.

Paul Davault used text from Timothy as he gave the communion meditation. Communion servers were Don Askren, Donnie Askren, Ellsworth Hewitt and John Ray. Tara Lierz provided music with her clarinet as communion was served. The prayer for the offering was given by David Allen and the service closed by singing "Happy Trails To You."

March 28 is the Honor Flight fund-raiser at the church. The meal starts at 4 p.m. and Paul Becker will be having a presentation on Normandy following the meal.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

U.S. Bank National Association Plaintiff,

vs.

Gary D. Lyon, Jr. and Cathy L. Lyon, et al. Defendants.

Case No. 14CV62
Court Number:
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

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A quick primer on feeding calves by tube

By Jody G. Holthaus
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent

Livestock-Natural Resources
Little Ellie Rae was quite shocked to see a baby calf in "Andma's" laundry room. It was a last ditch effort to keep #3103 alive.



It was a very cold day when he was born and his mama was very protective. He got his new ear tag banded and given his colostrum bolus and newborn vaccination.

The administrators of such were quite eager to leave well enough alone. The next day, they realized #3103 had not moved from the original spot.

Closer examination from the safety of the hog box on the skid loader

proved he was an icicle. Moving him to a closed-in stall in the barn with lots of straw as insulation was not going to do the trick. #3103 was moved to the laundry room (we have a heated room in another shed), but it has quickly turned into storage of furniture for everyone in the family.

As he started to warm up, he took some of the colostrum we milked from mama. He was perking up, still not able to stand. It was at this point that Ellie Rae was observing when #3103 decided to bellow. Poor little girl couldn't get behind "Andma's" leg fast enough.

At one point, we had contemplated "tube feeding" him. Our success rate is about 50/50. His lungs were already full. I think he had aspirated during birth. Luckily, the next morning he was spry enough to go outside with mama. He's up and nursing now, still a bit wobbly on the back legs, but hopefully he will adjust.

The esophageal feeder is a tool designed to deliver colostrum when

a calf is unwilling or unable to nurse. Being unable to nurse can be caused by quite a few factors.

The process of calving may result in oxygen deprivation to the brain for a time, bruising and, occasionally, broken bones. An extended time in the birth canal can cause a swollen head and a swollen tongue that cannot suckle.

Exceptionally cold weather may contribute to delayed nursing. Large teats may be difficult for a calf to nurse.

So let's do a tube feeding 101! Prior to tubing the calf, make sure the feeder is clean and undamaged. I noticed ours has some rough spots on it that could cause some damage of its own – better get that replaced.

The length of the tube and the size of the calf will dictate how far the tube should be inserted. Measure from the mouth to the point of the shoulder. This is the approximate distance it should go. Have the calf standing if possible. If it can't stand,

have it sit up on its sternum. Make sure the milk won't be coming out until the tube is in place. Kink the tube or clamp it off during passage.

Moisten the end of the feeder with colostrum to make it slippery. Open the calf's mouth, keeping his nose below the ears. Insert the tube, wait for the calf to swallow and gently slide the tube down the esophagus. Make sure the tube is on the left side of the calf's neck. The tube will be smooth; the trachea or windpipe will have ridges.

When removing the tube, kink the hose before pulling it out. You don't want milk in the lungs. Pull it out quickly and wash with hot soapy water, followed by bleach and hot water. Using a tube feeder may mean life or death.

Videos that show the entire process are available on YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v+v+ndj807_j6j8. Your veterinarian is the best resource to teach you the proper technique.

Crops and Soils

More about broomsedge bluestem

By David G. Hallauer
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent

Crops & Soils/Horticulture

Two weeks ago, I mentioned broomsedge bluestem, a native, warm season, bunchgrass that seems to be invading many of our pastures and some hay fields. The increasing levels let us know it's an issue, but what do we do about it?



Broomsedge tends to infest fields with lower fertility or that have been heavily grazed. Its low Phosphorous (P) requirements aid its survival in low P soils (approximately 60 percent of our soil tests show low P levels).

It tends to be unpalatable to livestock and since it's not consumed, it expands! It may even produce allelopathic chemicals that inhibit other plants, including nitrogen-fixing bacteria, making clover establishment a challenge.

Mowing doesn't seem to slow its spread. Burning in the late summer

or fall can work – but mostly with bermudagrass.

It is less effective on our native grass stands (particularly those where you want to keep some little bluestem). And it's ineffective in cool season stands (most research is in fescue), since September burns damage stands and encourage cool season weeds.

Herbicides like glyphosate work – but they are non-selective, meaning you sure don't want to get any on the desired grasses. You may have some success if you could use a wiper or roller – but they've been inconsistently applied.

That leaves us fertility. If we can get our fertility program right, and combine it with an appropriate haying time frame (knowing Mother Nature controls much of that) or a grazing plan (make sure you know your cow size and monitor their grazing patterns and stocking rates), we can actually encourage the competitiveness of desired forages that can suppress broomsedge. Even if other control methods are possible/successful, the broomsedge will return if cool season forages are left unfertilized.

Work in both Missouri and Okla-

homa suggests that a balanced fertility program (pH and N/P/K) can change the species composition back to a predominance of desirable species in as few as two years. To make the stand more competitive, try P/K applications along with a little nitrogen in the later summer or fall if at all possible. This time frame helps to enhance tiller production in our cool season forages.

It won't be an overnight fix, but if your stand hasn't been completely taken over by broomsedge, try to alleviate some of the problem sooner than later with a soil test later this summer to determine what fertility enhancements may be needed.

Adding Organic Matter in the Spring

Organic matter is a good way to improve garden soil as it improves a heavy soil by bettering tilth, aeration and how quickly the soil absorbs water. However, organic matter added in the spring should be well decomposed and finely shredded/ground.

Manures and compost should have a good earthy smell without a hint of ammonia. Add a two-inch layer of organic matter to the surface of the soil and work the materials into the soil thoroughly. Be sure soils are dry enough to work before tilling, as wet soils will produce clods.

To determine if a soil is too wet to work, grab a handful and squeeze. If it crumbles, it is dry enough, but if your finger just leaves an indentation, more time is needed.

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Pipes are their bag

Jack Williamson (right) of Topeka, along with father Jim Williamson, paid a visit to Holton's Town Square on Saturday for the "Luck of the Irish" Second Saturday promotion. The younger Williamson played bagpipes during the event. It was reported that he has played bagpipes since he was 10 years old, having picked up a desire to play them after the elder Williamson began to play.

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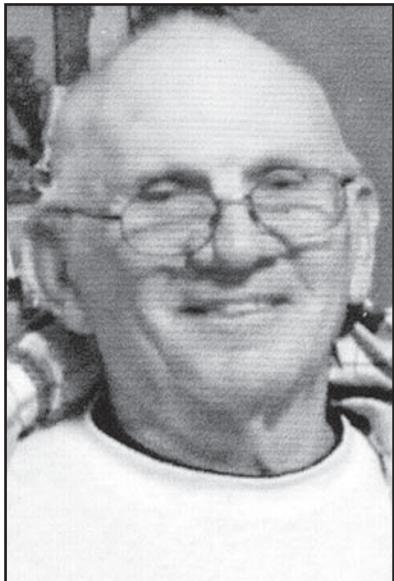
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Ruth Drown

Ruth Drown of Holton will celebrate her 100th birthday on Sunday, March 22 with a reception from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the First Methodist Church in Holton.

Cards may be sent to her at 1215 W. Fifth St., Holton, KS 66436.

Howard Barnett

Howard Barnett of Holton will celebrate his 80th birthday on April 2.

A reception is being held in his honor from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at Muscotah City Hall. No gifts, please. The celebration is being hosted by Barnett's five children and their families.

Cards can be sent to him at 501 Juniper Dr., Holton, KS 66436.

Betty (Bickford) Mayo

Betty Mayo will celebrate her 90th birthday on March 18.

Cards can be sent to her at P.O. Box 88, Filer, ID, 83328.

**News tip?
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Hoyt Council discusses tree trimming, part-time officer position at meeting

The Hoyt City Council met in regular session on Feb. 3, 2015. Present were Mayor Debbie Dreasher, council members Guy Cumpton, Lana Dillner, Ed Ryan, Nathan McAlister and Leonard Allen and City Attorney Lee Hendricks. Also present were Samantha Hancock, Ed Kester, Kathy Wende, Jerry Thornburg, Ernie DeBusk, Mike Brookshire, Janelle Kent, Dee Olson, Chris Curtis, Jason McClane, Neale Sutton, Larry Valdez, Adam Schafer and Chief of Police Dan Wentling.

Mayor Dreasher called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

The council was previously provided minutes to review from the Jan. 6 and Jan. 28 meetings. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the Jan. 6 meeting. Cumpton seconded and the motion carried. Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes from the Jan. 28 meeting. Dillner seconded and the motion carried.

DeBusk appeared before the council to discuss his recent purchase of property at 109 E. Fourth St. (old post office and masonic lodge building). In the upcoming months, repair work will be done on the front of the building. Scaffolding will be necessary to complete the repairs.

During this repair time, parking could be limited in this area. DeBusk would like to have this project completed before the end of this school year. DeBusk also updated the council on the work being done at 608 Highland Ave.

Hoyt resident Kent discussed her concern over public officials acting outside of their duties and costs associated with the same, relating to the agreement made in regard to property on Fifth Street and 214th Road.

Attorney Hendricks again discussed that when council is outside of meetings, no decisions or agreements are binding. He further discussed the importance of coming to meetings to discuss any concerns or requests with the entire council.

Hoyt resident McCleane discussed the recent letter he received and the status of cleanup at the property on 102 W. Fifth St.

Hoyt resident Wende appeared before the council to request use of the park on April 25 for an Oregon Trail Day event put on by Troop 173 (weather permitting). Wende also discussed the possibility of using the community building for this event if necessary because of weather.

Cumpton made a motion to allow Troop 173 use of the city park on April 25. Allen seconded and the motion carried.

Hoyt resident Sutton appeared before the council to discuss the progress of cleanup at 105 Central Ave. The remaining cleanup was expected

to be done by March 2.

Attorney Hendricks discussed with the council the current abandoned vehicle ordinance. He believes a new ordinance is necessary to update the city's ability to enforce violations invoking junked and/or inoperable vehicles, trailers and boats located on private property.

Hendricks presented Ordinance 296 for review. McAlister made a motion to approve Ordinance 296. Cumpton seconded and the motion carried. Hendricks was to send out letters regarding the new ordinance once it had been published.

Kester presented a bulk water invoice. Hoyt resident Brookshire discussed the snow cleanup/removal on Kansas Highway 214.

McAlister updated the council on the work needed for the tornado siren pole. He has discussed this with Bob Ehrhart, who would like to wait for warmer weather to do the repairs.

Ryan discussed the estimates he received for trimming trees. Brown Tree Service submitted a bid of \$205 per hour, Woodpecker Tree Service \$120 per hour, Steve Albright for \$80 per hour and Wright Tree Service did not provide a bid. Ryan stated that the work needed will likely take eight to nine hours.

Ryan made a motion to hire Albright to trim trees at no more than nine hours contingent on the fact that he is licensed and insured. The city will need a copy of the license and insurance paperwork. Cumpton seconded the motion, which carried with a vote of 4-1.

Albright will trim and drag the brush to the side of the street. Kenny Bryan will be in charge of hauling the brush.

Ryan stated the maintenance truck is now working without issue and it will not be necessary at this time to send the truck to Ireland Custom.

Brookshire discussed his concern of the icy ramp at Bailey's Bakery and Café. It was again stated that it is the property owner's responsibility to care for and maintain their sidewalk. Ryan will discuss this with Bailey's.

Cumpton stated that the city has received two full loads of sand for streets this year. McAlister reported no sewer issues and also discussed the permit needed from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for the city brush pile.

McAlister discussed the request by Keith Kelly to hay around the sewer ponds. The council would like to wait to see if other requests are made before making a decision in this regard.

The council discussed the city trapper. Cumpton made a motion to continue with Bob Bell as the city trapper. McAlister seconded and the motion carried.

McAlister made and Ryan seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Dillner discussed the current community building rates. The council was to discuss this further at the next meeting.

Dreasher and the council discussed whether or not the community building loan has been paid off. This was to be looked into and discussed at the next meeting.

Chief Wentling gave the monthly police report. He also discussed the need for the older police car to be sent to the repair shop.

Cumpton discussed the WEX fuel cards. The council discussed whether it was cost effective to attempt to collect federal taxes that were paid on fuel for the last three years. This was to be discussed further at the next meeting.

The council discussed having Bryan attend the 2015 Annual KRWA Convention in Wichita from March 24-26. Cumpton made a motion to register Bryan for the convention and to pay for his lodging and mileage and to allow \$40 per diem for food expenses. Ryan seconded and the motion carried.

Dreasher presented the building permit previously submitted by Trevor Bausch for Jeremy Alexander. Ryan made a motion to approve the building permit for Alexander. Cumpton seconded and the motion carried.

Dreasher read a thank-you note from American Legion Post 400 for a donation made on behalf of Eugene Cumpton.

Cumpton made and Allen seconded a motion to pay the bills. The motion carried.

At 8:37 p.m., Cumpton made a motion to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel issues. Allen seconded and the motion carried. City Clerk Shawna Blackwood and Chief Wentling were included in executive session. The council came out of executive session at 8:57 p.m.

McAlister discussed needing to contact Denison State Bank to determine the status of the loans.

Cumpton made a motion to allow Wentling to post a position for a part-time police officer to work day hours. Dillner seconded and the motion carried 3-2.

McAlister stated that he is only in opposition for a part-time officer because he would like to look at hiring a full-time officer.

The council and Wentling discussed the possible salary for a part-time officer.

The council discussed the city website. Council members planned to discuss this further at the next meeting.

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Brownell set to attend young leaders conference

Ethan Brownell of Holton is one of several outstanding students from across the nation who will take part in a unique leadership development experience this week, the National Young Leaders State Conference (NYLSC).

The conference helps young scholars build leadership skills and strategies that are critical for success in the 21st century, it was reported.

Four-day conference sessions will be held March 19 – 22 in Wichita, gathering students in more than 30 cities and regions across the United States.

Brownell is an eighth-grade student at Holton and is the son of Yvonne and Gary Brownell. He has participated in football, wrestling, basketball and track in both seventh and eighth grades and has been on the honor roll every semester.

Brian Hickman, Brownell's algebra teacher and coach, referred Brownell to attend the NYLSC.

Most students who attend the conference are nominated by teachers and guidance counselors based on their academic performance and leadership potential.

"The program shows students how to get at the heart of their innate talents and skills as leaders," said Marguerite Regan, Ph.D., the dean of academic affairs for NYLSC. "Students gain new insight into the value of diversity, heightened their own self-awareness and form strong bonds with other young scholars who share their



drive and determination."

Students who attend the conference are provided with an introspective and highly personalized experience. Each student's leadership skills and abilities are assessed and scholars are then challenged to develop the confidence and skills they need to achieve their full leadership potential.

NYLSC is part of the Envision family of programs (www.envisionexperience.com), which enable students of all ages to explore their interests and experience learning beyond the classroom.

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Gardener's Corner

Say pretty peas and thank you

By Sandra M. Siebert



Oh, how I love the sound of pea seeds dropping onto the soil. Yes, it's a quiet sound, imperceptible to most people, but it vibrates powerfully through my garden and into the depths of my soul.

Planting peas means spring is almost upon us and the world will become green again.

I planted peas early last week, as the weather turned warm (almost too warm) and sunny. The trellises were erected the previous week, so all I had to do at planting time was dig a furrow and drop in the seeds. Snap peas and snow peas, two edible-pod types, are my peas of choice. Why create extra work - the shelling of peas - when the edible-pod varieties are so tasty and versatile and easy?

Peas go into the ground when the soil is still cool, early to mid-March. You can plant them until mid-April, but those will mature when the weather is getting really hot.

I used to insist on making my first planting of peas before the end of February, but that was a bit insane.

Those peas never sprouted much earlier than peas planted a couple of weeks later, and often did not germinate as well. Yet, it scratched

that frantic itch to plant after a long winter without much outdoor time.

Snap peas have long been my most anticipated garden vegetable. Frequently, I eat pretty much all the pea crop fresh and in season, with none left to freeze for winter. Snap peas are sweet, crunchy and nutritious, making them the perfect snack food. But that sweet flavor doesn't last for long. As soon as the pods come off the vine, their sugars begin converting to starches. One source said that within a half hour, most of the sugars are gone.

That means that the best time to eat snap peas is immediately after you pick them, while you are standing in the garden - my favorite way to eat them.

The rapid conversion of sugars to starches means that the snap peas you buy in the store, which may be a week or two off the vine, maybe longer, don't taste all that sweet. So homegrown is best. If you do have enough to freeze, don't wait. Get them in the freezer (after blanching) right away.

Regular readers of this column may remember that I went two years without snap peas because of surprise invasions of cutworms. Last year I was able to keep the pesky vermin at bay enough to gather in plenty of snap peas and snow peas.

I am holding my breath to see how that turns out this year. I may go ahead and scatter some Bt-laced bran in the garden to thwart the critters. Supposedly, they eat the bran and the Bt shuts down their diges-

tive system so they can't eat.

No other pest has caused unacceptable damage to my peas. Although rabbits do sometimes nibble the young plants. That is easily thwarted by covering the seedlings with row cover until they are too mature to be palatable to the rabbits.

Humans have cultivated peas for a long, long time. The snow pea is one of the oldest cultivated plants, showing up in gardens for 12,000 years or more. Garden peas also have a long history of cultivation. However, the snap pea is relatively new. Two men in Twin Falls, Idaho, (thank you, thank you) crossed the snow pea with a garden pea and came up with the sweet and entirely edible snap pea in the 1960s. While that was 50 years ago, that's not much time when compared to 12,000 years.

Peas of all varieties are legumes, members of a large family that "fixes" nitrogen in the soil through a symbiotic relationship with certain bacteria. You can buy "inoculants," powders containing said bacteria, to use when you plant your peas, thus aiding them in fixing even more nitrogen (which makes the nutrient more available to other plants). The inoculant also supposedly encourages even greater production of pods.

I have not made a habit of using the inoculant, and get plenty of pod production, but it certainly would make them more useful as companion plants. Since peas are a vertical

crop, low growing crops, such as spinach, arugula, lettuce and other greens can be planted next to them.

These leafy green crops do best when plenty of nitrogen is available, so planting them next to peas that take nitrogen from the air and make it available to other plants in the soil makes perfect sense. I also plant radishes, carrots and other small root crops next to the rows of greens to take as much advantage of the garden space as possible.

All legumes, all peas, beans, clovers, alfalfa and even some trees, like the honey locust, fix nitrogen and can be used to improve soil nutrition. However, I wouldn't recommend planting leguminous trees in your vegetable garden. Peas won't require the addition of nitrogen, but apparently may want a little phosphorus. Maybe I will add a bit of rock phosphate this year and see what happens.

My mouth is watering thinking of all the snap peas to come. Perhaps I will plant more today. Can you have too many?

Just say peas in the garden, and thank Drs. Lamborn and Parker for developing the most excellent snap pea. I am forever in their debt.

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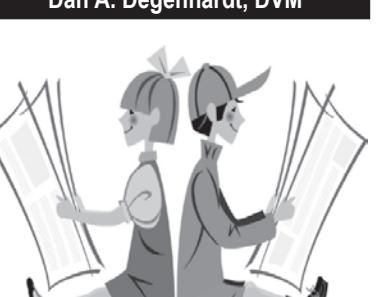
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Circleville United Methodist

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6:45 a.m. Men's Breakfast

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Rev. Karen Loper

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Onaga New Hope Lutheran Church, ELCA

Rev. Charlene Banes, Pastor

Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. SS, Adult Bible Class

Bible Study: Tuesday @ 7 p.m.

Holy Communion: 1st & 3rd Sunday

Our Lady of the Snows Church

Fr. Christopher Rossman

166 and "I" Road, Mayetta, Kan. • 597-5656

1st, 3rd, & 4th Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m.

2nd Sunday Mass: 1 p.m.

Potawatomi Pentecostal Church

4.5 miles west on 134th Rd., Mayetta

Rev. Marcia Potts

Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship service

Pottawatomi United Methodist

Rev. Howard Sudduth

Sunday: 9:50 a.m. Sunday school

10:30 a.m. Worship

St. Dominic Catholic Church

Pastor: Fr. Christopher Rossman

416 Ohio, Holton, 364-3262

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Mass • Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Mass

Confessions 30 minutes before mass.

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Murphy attends National Fragile X Advocacy Day in Washington D.C.

Rhett Murphy, who was diagnosed with mosaic Fragile X in 2004, was recently among those attending the 12th annual National Fragile X Foundation's Advocacy Day in Washington D.C.

Murphy is the middle child of Jason and Christina Murphy of Holton. He is 13 and attends Holton Middle School.

Fragile X is a genetic condition that causes intellectual disability, behavioral and learning challenges. Disabilities include a range from moderate learning disabilities to more severe intellectual disabilities.

Murphy was accompanied to D.C. by his mother and grandmother, Nancy Schlosser. There were 200 advocates from across the country present at Advocacy, which is a record number of self-advocates. There were nine advocates from the Kansas Fragile X Support Group in attendance.

Murphy represented and spoke for children and individuals with Fragile X across the nation. He also explained to each member of Congress, as well as other parents and advocates, that he is a seventh-grade STUCO representative at Holton Middle School.

The support he has received from his teachers and classmates throughout his school years has been amazing and appreciated, his family said.

He suffers and overcomes adversity on a daily basis due to his Fragile X Syndrome. He had to overcome many obstacles just to participate in the Advocacy Day.

Every part of the process was completely new for him. From airport security to his first plane ride to meeting other self-advocates, attending training and speaking to congressmen and senators.

He overcame his anxiety and went through airport security and experienced his first plane ride. He overcame his uncomfortableness in large groups to participate in an six-hour training as an active participant where he had to practice what he would say in front of a group of 10 people all while being in a room with 200 advocates.

Murphy was also able to visit the Lincoln Memorial, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, including the changing of the guard ceremony.

He and his family then took a trip to Capitol Hill where they received a personal tour from Congressman Gregg Harper from Mississippi, who has a son affected by Fragile X.

Murphy visited the House Chambers and was asked by Congressman Harper