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Greg Porter (above) of Hoyt brought five antique farm engines to Saturday's Pride of Hoyt Days event in the Hoyt City Park, including this log-sawing machine that Porter demonstrated to those who stopped to view his collection. The machine, Porter said, was originally built in Ottawa, but has been repaired over time with elements from elsewhere. "The saw blade came from Missouri, and the engine came from Minnesota," said Porter, who added that he has been collecting antique engines for about five years.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Micheal Ireland 1949-2015

Judge remembered for public service, 'no-nonsense' style

By Brian Sanders

Jackson County District Court Judge Micheal Ireland was remembered as a "very efficient" judge and an exemplary human being following his death Saturday evening at a Topeka hospital after suffering a cardiac arrest on Wednesday morning at the Jackson County Courthouse.

"He brought an interesting blend of discipline and humor to the bench," Holton attorney J. Richard Lake said of Ireland. "We've been close for many, many years... I had great admiration for Mike and his abilities and his people skills."

Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller was also among those mourning Ireland, whom she said was "a force to be reckoned with in the courtroom."

"His no-nonsense communication style never left you wondering where he stood on the issues, yet there was never a doubt that he had a heart of gold, always striving to do what he believed to be right," Miller said. "He mentored many a young attorney, including myself, and helped mold me into the person and professional I am today. It is with a very heavy heart that I will again enter the courtroom, this time without the presence of my mentor and friend."

Ireland had served as a district judge for Kansas' Second Judicial District since 2006, when he was appointed to the bench after serving as an attorney for more than 25 years. He had served as Jackson County Attorney for 18 of those years, getting his start as an assistant county attorney under Lake.

"I was a very vocal advocate for Mike for the judgeship, and I was very, very happy that he got it," Lake said.



Lake also remembered Ireland as "an extremely efficient judge" who was able to mete out the right amount of justice to all who stood before him in the courtroom.

"Every case is different, and every defendant is different," Ireland told *The Holton Recorder* in 2004. "There are three kinds of defendants — good people who stupidly did something wrong for the first time, people who have been in trouble enough that they need some jail time, and outlaws. They go to prison."

A 1967 graduate of Holton High School and a 1971 graduate of Kansas State University, Ireland was also "a fixture in the community," Miller said, and he was active in several community clubs. To HHS football fans, however, he was also known as a "color commentator" for the team's games.

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Mill levy unchanged in county's '16 budget

By Ali Holcomb

The Jackson County Commissioners are proposing the same mill levy for the county's 2016 budget, however, more taxes will be collected since the county's assessed valuation has increased from last year.

The county commission is proposing a 73.764 mill levy for the next fiscal year, which is the same levy used in 2015.

In 2014, the county levied 72.869 mills, and in 2013, the county's mill levy was set at 71.028 mills.

In the past year, the county's assessed valuation increased by about \$5 million, it was reported.

The county's assessed valuation has been set at \$104,006,032, up \$4,764,312 from last year's \$99,241,720.

In 2014, the county's valuation was set at \$96,928,850.

Since the assessed valuation has increased in the county, more tax funds will be collected even though the mill levy is the same from the previous year.

One mill is one dollar of property tax levied against \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The assessed value is computed by taking the market values of the property and multiplying it by the appropriate assessment fac-

tor for that class of property.

Total maximum expenditures for the county for 2016 have been set at \$12,527,736 for the county, which includes \$5,697,744 for the general fund, \$3,095,487 for the road and bridge department and \$2,359,610 for the sheriff's office/detention center.

Other department budgets include \$244,500 for noxious weed, \$130,500 for elderly services, \$189,687 for the 911 fund, \$58,910 for parks and recreation and \$133,540 for the special alcohol fund.

The county is expecting to have \$408,601 available from the 4 per-

cent retailers' sale tax, which is earmarked for road and bridge improvements.

The county does not have any outstanding indebtedness. At the end of 2013, the commissioners signed off on the final payments used to purchase new heating and air conditioning systems for the Courthouse.

The public hearing date for the proposed budget has been set for 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 14, on the second floor of the Jackson County Courthouse.

The public notice for the proposed budget is printed on page 3 in this edition of *The Holton Recorder*.

Jason Claycamp named new county appraiser

By Ali Holcomb

Jason Claycamp has been appointed as the new appraiser of Jackson County, following the retirement of part-time appraiser Larry Reynolds.

Claycamp, 34, began serving as the county's full-time appraiser on Tuesday but has worked in the appraiser's office since February 2011. When he was initially hired, Claycamp started as a data collector and began taking classes through the state to become certified as an appraiser. He completed his training last fall.

"I also had to have 6,000 hours of experience to become certified," Claycamp said.

Claycamp was promoted to zoning administrator at this time last year, and he will continue to serve in that role in addition to his appraiser duties.

"For the most part, we take all the property sales that happen in the county and analyze those, put them into a model and that's how we determine everyone's property value," Claycamp said of the department. "We do a lot of data collection. We're required to visit every property once every six years. We have everything set up on a schedule and visit a couple thousand parcels each year. We have to make sure all our

information is up to date."

All the property models and formulas used to calculate a property's value are determined by the state, he said.

"I find it interesting," he said of the work. "Math was always one of my strongest subjects in high school so I kind of enjoy working with numbers."

The county's Web site (ks-jackson.manatron.com) was updated a few years ago in order to allow the public to find information about their property online, including land values, maps and other tax information.

"There's a lot of people that think our office determines their taxes, but we strictly are just looking at the value of their home," he said. "The commissioners do use that value when setting the county's mill levy."

Reynolds served as county appraiser since December 2009. He was initially hired on a four-year employment contract with an annual salary of \$42,000.

Before that, Tom Brown served as the appraiser for both Jackson and Brown counties until he retired in the fall of 2008. Each county paid half of Brown's \$61,285 salary.

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Football Pick'em contest returns

The *Holton Recorder's* Pigskin Pick'em Contest is back. The first entry form is published on page 9 of today's issue.

With a total of 18 high school, college and professional football games to pick winners for every week, sports fans have the opportunity to showcase their knowledge, earn prizes and obtain regional bragging rights by attempting to correctly pick the winners of each game.

The contestants with the two highest scoring entries each week will receive a prize, valued at \$25 a piece, from participating businesses.

Contestants are also asked to

pick the combined score of the week's Sunday night NFL game as a tiebreaker game, if it is necessary.

The grand prize for the overall winner of the contest will be \$100 cash and a one-year subscription to *The Holton Recorder*.

Entry forms must be delivered to *The Holton Recorder* office by 5 p.m. each Friday. Mailed weekly entries must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday to be considered eligible. Entries can be mailed to P.O. Box 311, Holton, KS, 66436. Entries can also be e-mailed to holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com. Entries can be faxed to 785-364-3422.

KDOT rejects Banner bid

By Brian Sanders

Following the Kansas Department of Transportation's rejection of a Topeka firm's bid for the Banner Road extension project, the City of Holton is back to square one on taking proposals for the project.

The Holton City Commission noted during its Aug. 3 meeting that only one construction company — Bettis Asphalt of Topeka — had bid on the project, which will extend Banner Road west across U.S. Highway 75 into the parking lot of the new Walmart building. Bettis' bid of

\$1,987,385 was reluctantly approved by commissioners at that time, it was reported.

KDOT, however, chose to reject the bid, Holton City Manager Bret Bauer said, with the reason being that the bid "wasn't close to the engineer's estimate" of about \$1.2 million for the extension project.

"It's forced us to have to do this process again," Bauer said of the new bid notice, which appears on Page 12 of today's *Holton Recorder*.

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Twelve-year-old Lilly Rooks (right) of Hoyt held still as Nancy Marston of Topeka, doing business as "Aunt Nancy's Face Art," painted a "baby doll" design on Rooks' face during Pride of Hoyt Days activities Saturday morning in Hoyt City Park. Marston was one of a handful of local artisans who visited the annual event.

Photo by Brian Sanders

TUESDAY'S WEATHER FORECAST:
SUNNY, HIGH OF 94
Look for the complete forecast on page 2.

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5:15 p.m. - RISC
6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth
Other activities available throughout the week.

DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Traffic

Dustin N. Bowen, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, diversion.
 Alexander S. Coder, speeding, \$240.
 Sarah C. Davis, registration violation, \$158.
 Bruce C. Doxtator Jr., operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, no proof of insurance, \$478.
 Benjamin K. Hanke, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, diversion.
 Kahlia S. Henderson, speeding, license restriction, suspension or revocation violation, \$209.
 Derk E. Holmes, defective tail lamp on motor vehicle, \$153.
 Monique M. Johnson, speeding, \$240.
 Steven D. Mercer, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.
 Justin D. Nioce, fishing license violation, \$158.
 Justin D. Nioce, no proof of insurance, \$408.

Daniel E. Potts, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, refusal to submit to preliminary breath test, diversion.

Limited Civil Dispositions

Portfolio Recovery Associates L.L.C. vs. Kimberly I. Lamberson, sought judgment of \$1,955.16 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Fidelity State Bank and Trust Co. vs. Robert R. Brooks Jr., sought judgment of \$5,130.51 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Genesis Health Clubs Inc. vs. Rhonda Puckee, sought judgment of \$2,017.12 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Eagle Auto Salon Inc. vs. Kalena Tannahill, sought judgment of \$1,060.52 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$971.52 plus interest and court costs.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. James D. Nelson and Tamara Nelson, sought judgment

of \$5,086.30 plus interest and court costs; granted.
Filed
 The University of Kansas vs. Melanie Belshe, seeking judgment of \$6,876.20 plus interest and court costs.
 Galt Ventures L.L.C., doing business as Speedy Cash 92 vs. Cissy Martinez, seeking judgment of \$405 plus interest and court costs.
 Anita C. Murray-Clary D.D.S. vs. Rudi Johnson, seeking judgment of \$615.06 plus interest and court costs.

Small Claims Dispositions

John Hollander vs. Denise Willits, sought judgment of \$1,200 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Criminal Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Robert N. Kirk Jr., Topeka, criminal trespass; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended;

placed on six months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Melinda K. Price, Topeka, unlawfully obtaining a prescription-only drug; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Brandon L. Salazar, Holton, battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Jerald A. Cadue, Hoyt, possession of marijuana; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Megan M. McAtee, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana; sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Jason E. Delg, Topeka, distribution or possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance, promoting prostitution; sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Thomas J. Van den Berg, Lincoln, Neb., possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, speeding; diversion.
 State of Kansas vs. Richard J. Creamer, Holton, interference with law enforcement-obstruction of official duty, disorderly conduct; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$2,500 plus court costs.

Filed
 State of Kansas vs. Kimberly A. Williams, Holton, endangering a child, battery.
 State of Kansas vs. Tony R. McClendon, Holton, domestic battery, criminal damage to property.
 State of Kansas vs. Rory E. Steele, Topeka, criminal damage to property.

Domestic Dispositions

State of Kansas, Department for Children and Families and Coraline G. Rodvelt, a minor child by and through Kasey D. Rodvelt, natural guardian, and Kasey D. Rodvelt vs. Oliveros L. Adame II, sought determination of paternity plus support judgment; granted.
 In the matter of the marriage of Jennifer L. Wells and Lloyd E. Wells, sought divorce; granted.
 In the matter of the marriage of April S. Hainline and Justin D. Hainline, sought divorce; granted.
Filed
 In the matter of the marriage of Connie J. Morgan and Robert A. Morgan, seeking divorce.
 In the matter of the marriage of Amy M. Sorden and Charles P. Sorden, seeking divorce.

Marriage Licenses

John J. DeLello, 46, Holton
 Esther K. Essary, 51, Holton
 Nealen E. Shaver, 24, Holton
 Ellena D. Murphy, 23, Holton

Buchheit gets new attorney, trial date

A Netawaka resident charged with several sex-related crimes involving a child has been granted a new defense attorney and a tentative new trial date, according to Jackson County District Court documents.
 The appointment of Holton attorney J. Richard Lake to represent Scott James Buchheit, 35, was approved Monday, Aug. 24 by District Court Judge Micheal Ireland after the judge granted a motion filed by Buchheit to dismiss his previous attorney, Russell Roe of Onaga, on Aug. 11.
 Ireland also set a three-day trial for Buchheit, who has also waived his right to a speedy trial, to begin

at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2016, cancelling the trial set to begin on Tuesday, Oct. 27. He also gave Lake until Tuesday, Dec. 29 to file motions in advance of the trial, with a motion hearing set for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13.
 Following the acceptance of Buchheit's motion to dismiss Roe on Aug. 11, Ireland had initially told Buchheit that he did not intend to assign Buchheit's case to Lake, whom the judge said was the only attorney apart from Roe who could defend Buchheit on the charges against him. Lake was facing "a number of difficult cases" at that time, Ireland said.
 Buchheit has been charged with

two counts of aggravated indecent liberties with a child, five counts of rape, two counts of aggravated criminal sodomy and one count each of indecent solicitation of a child and theft. He remains at the Jackson County Detention Center on \$200,000 bond.
 He had been arrested in February on charges that originally included six counts of aggravated criminal sodomy, six counts of rape and one count of felony theft. The sex charges involve alleged incidents between August of 2008 and January of 2015 involving a girl who is now 17 years old and had formerly lived in the same residence as Buchheit, it was reported.

JH vehicle involved in injury accident

A Corning woman was injured in a Monday, Aug. 24 traffic accident involving a vehicle belonging to the Jackson Heights school district, according to an accident report from the Jackson County Sheriff's Department.
 At about 9 a.m. that day, Beckie Wells, 44, Corning, was driving a 2002 Chevrolet west on 254th Road when, according to the accident report, she allegedly failed to stop the Chevrolet at a stop sign at the intersection of Q.4 Road and the Chevrolet struck a 2001 Ford traveling north on Q.4 Road. The Ford was being driven by Loren Edwards, 56, Netawaka.
 The Chevrolet sustained damage to its front left bumper, hood, right quarter panel and front left quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.
 The Ford Edwards was driving was owned by Jackson Heights USD 335 and sustained damage to its front

bumper that was listed at more than \$1,000. Wells was taken by Jackson County EMS to Holton Community Hospital for treatment of injuries.
 Other accidents investigated by county officers included:
 ■ At 9:05 p.m. on Aug. 8, Camilla Garst, 30, Centralia, was traveling north on U.S. Highway 75 near 302nd Road when her vehicle struck a plastic fender that detached from a vehicle traveling south on the road.
 Garst's 2013 Nissan sustained damage to its undercarriage that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.
 The vehicle traveling south was a 2015 Ford pulling an air compressor trailer and was being driven by Fabian Montes, 35, of Great Bend. The front left side wheel of the trailer detached from the axle and then detached the plastic fender, which came to rest in the northbound lane. Damage to the trailer was listed at less than \$1,000.

■ At 11:07 a.m. on Aug. 13, Linda Mooney, 62, Holton, was navigating her 2013 Chevrolet through a left-hand turn onto Central Avenue in Denison from Kansas Highway 16 when her vehicle was struck from behind by a 2008 Suzuki driven by Steven Martinez, 18, Holton.
 Mooney's vehicle sustained damage to its rear bumper that was listed at more than \$1,000. Martinez's vehicle sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000.
 ■ At 11:20 p.m. on Aug. 19, Angela Keithline, 40, Whiting, was traveling west on Kansas Highway 9 near U Road when her vehicle struck two cows in the road. Once the vehicle hit the cows, the cows both ran back into the field they escaped from. Keithline's 2002 Dodge sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and front left quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000.

Sheriff's officers report recent arrests

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following arrests:
 ■ On Aug. 20, Tushina Robinson, 28, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of driving while suspended. Robinson was arrested on an additional warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 21, Jason Dale, 33, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of motion to revoke bond.
 ■ On Aug. 21, Brian Wood, 47, Netawaka, was arrested on a warrant on a probation violation charge.
 ■ On Aug. 22, Garrett Gunn, 25, Topeka, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, possession of methamphetamine, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia and driving while suspended.
 ■ On Aug. 22, James Hayes, 34, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 22, Curtis New, 25, Topeka, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.
 ■ On Aug. 22, Ruth Roberts, 54, Hunter, was arrested on charges of driving while suspended and driving while declared a habitual violator.
 ■ On Aug. 22, Michael Vega, 24, Topeka, was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.
 ■ On Aug. 24, Jamie Coffman, 45, address unknown, was arrested on a traffic warrant on charges of failure to appear and driving while suspended.
 ■ On Aug. 25, Mindy Ackerson, 35, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 25, Jordan Kimbrough, 22, Clay Center, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 25, Zachariah Molina, 27, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic

warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 25, Tracy Shopteese, 51, Mayetta, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 26, a 14-year-old male from Mayetta was arrested on two juvenile warrants on charges of failure to appear.
 ■ On Aug. 26, Noel DeJesus-Vasquez, 31, Topeka, was arrested on a warrant on a charge of theft.
 ■ On Aug. 27, Levi Dudoit, 24, Holton, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of motion to revoke bond.
 ■ On Aug. 27, Gary Baker, 56, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

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KDHE rescinds boil advisory in Reserve

A boil advisory for the public water supply for the city of Reserve in Brown County was rescinded by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment on Thursday, it was reported.
 The advisory had originally been issued on Aug. 17 because of a water main break, it was reported. Water main break repairs reduce water pressure, which may result in a loss of chlorine residuals and bacterial contamination.
 Laboratory testing samples collected from Reserve's public water supply indicated no evidence of contamination, and all other conditions that placed the system at risk of contamination are deemed by KDHE officials to be resolved.

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MEMORIES

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5 Years Ago

Week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5, 2010

The congregation at Hoyt United Methodist Church is in the process of restoring the church building as close as possible to its original state in anticipation of the 100th anniversary of the church's construction. The church was dedicated on Feb. 26, 1911, after being built on two lots on Highland Avenue near Fourth Street.

Kindergarten nap times are nearly a thing of the past, according to a recent survey of Jackson County's three school districts. Royal Valley Elementary is currently the only district in the county that allows kindergarteners the opportunity to take a nap at some point during their school day. However, after Labor Day, the practice of allowing kindergarten rest periods will be discontinued.

Holton Main Street volunteers have proposed renovating the City of Holton sign located at the southwest corner of the Courthouse lawn. The approximate cost of the renovation would have included replacing the current railroad tie sign with a brick retaining wall.

Two new teams have been added to the Big Seven football league, it has been announced. Perry-Lecompton and Santa Fe Trail have replaced Maur Hill and Atchison County Community High School in the league this season. The league is also changing its set up a little bit by splitting into two divisions for football.

10 Years Ago

Week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5, 2005

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation recently purchased Mayetta Oil Company, a propane business, and the Mayetta-Hoyt propane division of Jackson Farmers Inc.

For 16 years, Don Fate has worked to establish himself as a banker that Holton and Jackson County residents can trust. Now, he is working toward the same goal, but in the field of insurance. Fate, a former president of Denison State Bank, recently switched careers to become a licensed agent with Shelter Insurance Companies.

The Big Seven League's all-sports trophy was recently presented to Holton High School. The trophy is given

annually to the high school to amass the most points based on the overall performance of all its athletic teams. This marks the second consecutive year the Wildcats have received the trophy.

Several "Century Farms" in Jackson County have been identified, according to Tammy Moulden, register of deeds. Families with "century farms" are listed on part of the three-panel sign on the Courthouse lawn in Holton. The signs also depict reminders that Jackson County will be celebrating its 150th birthday this coming Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10 and 11.

25 Years Ago

Week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5, 1990

Optometrist Dr. Melinda Lutz recently completed her third week of practice in Holton with Dr. Wes Clark.

Teams from five area volunteer fire departments participated in the second annual "Fireman's Olympics" on Sunday, Aug. 26. Holton's team was named overall champion for the second consecutive year.

Dr. Terry Harter has joined Dr. Joel Hutchins at West Side Family Practice, it has been reported.

Richard Bechard is the new athletic director at Holton High School, it has been announced.

The Denison State Bank of Holton will open a new drive-in facility on U.S. Highway 75 in about three months, following recent state and federal approval of the bank's application. The new facility will be housed in offices at the Adkins Insurance Agency offices, and will operate as a drive-in branch only, according to Jim Birkbeck, bank president.

50 Years Ago

Week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5, 1965

A new sign was installed last week on the Toggery store on the north side of the Holton Square. The sign is red and white and is neon lighted at night. The Toggery recently completed a new front to take the sign, it was reported.

Last week, Ogilvie Rexall Drug virtually completed its move to its new location on the east side of the

Square in Holton and is open for business at the new location. The new store building has been paneled, had a new ceiling and floor installed and is lighted with fluorescent fixtures.

USD 335, the north district in Jackson County, has won approval of its request for Missile Site No. 9 north of Holton for school purposes, it was learned last week. In addition to the site, the district will also acquire the underground facilities, the fenced site and the utilities that serve it.

As a result of the action taken under the school unification act of 1963, the number of school districts in Kansas has been cut from 1,800 to 418, according to Jack Sloan, superintendent of schools. Beginning next year, the number of school districts in Jackson County will be reduced to three.

Ag Department honors Holton students

Twenty-four students from seven schools in Kansas – including Holton – have been awarded the Kansas Department of Agriculture's Kansas Agriculture Skills and Competencies Certificate.

Besides Holton USD 336, schools with students earning certificates include Buhler USD 313, Centre USD 397, Hill City USD 281, Labette County USD 506, Prairie View USD 362 and Rock Hills USD 107.

Students have demonstrated excellence in their agriculture education programs and completed requirements in three agriculture education areas of classroom instruction, supervised agricultural experience learning and leadership development through FFA. Students are also required to have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher in all school courses.

Kurt Dillon, KSDE Agriculture,

Food & Natural Resources career cluster consultant, said that well-prepared students are important to the future of Kansas.

"We need bright students who have a variety of skills and are interested in working in the field of agriculture," Dillon said. "Students who have demonstrated the required proficiencies to earn this certificate should be congratulated."

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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will meet on September 14, 2015 at 10:00 AM at the Courthouse Room 209 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Jackson County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2016 Expenditures and Amount of 2015 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2016 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2014		Current Year Estimate for 2015		Proposed Budget Year for 2016		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2015 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,737,262	21.434	4,093,707	23.775	5,697,744	3,467,851	33.343
Debt Service		0.345			89,157	0	0.000
Road & Bridge	3,456,721	25.088	3,364,546	24.800	3,095,487	2,144,585	20.620
Noxious Weed	321,073	1.238	239,949	0.655	244,500	58,152	0.559
Elderly Services	132,960	1.000	111,286	1.000	130,500	104,010	1.000
General - Sheriff/Detenti	2,836,338	23.764	2,870,093	23.534	2,359,610	1,897,233	18.242
Auto Tag Fee	120,702		120,000		120,000		
911 Fund	81,696		120,000		189,687		
Sp Parks & Recr	23,924		15,207		58,910		
Sp Alcohol Fund	49,050		39,300		133,540		
.4% Sales Tax	348,365		415,315		408,601		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	259,127						
Totals	11,367,216	72.869	11,389,403	73.764	12,527,736	7,671,831	73.764
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	11,367,216		11,389,403		12,527,736		
Total Tax Levied	7,320,597		7,320,598		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	96,928,850		99,241,720		104,006,032		

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	2013	2014	2015
January 1,			
G.O. Bonds	145,000	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	145,000	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

Note - In 2016 all Employee Benefits were removed from individual department budgets and added to the General Fund. This is the main reason the General fund mill levy increased and the other funds decreased.

Kathy Mick
Clerk

Jackson County's Notice of Vote - In adopting the 2016 budget the governing body voted to increase property taxes in an amount greater than the amount levied for the 2015 budget, adjusted by the 2014 CPI for all urban consumers. Three members voted in favor of the budget and zero members voted against the budget.

Other District Funds	Prior Year Actual 2014		Current Yr Estimate 2015		Proposed Budget Year 2016		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	2015 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate* July 1 Est. Valuation
Adrian Cemetery	2,970	2.009	4,200	0.822	7,339	1,493	0.779 1,917,185
Brick Cemetery	3,249	0.598	4,329	0.604	4,724	2,926	0.593 4,931,526
Buck's Grove Cemetery	3,028	1.330	2,640	0.829	13,042	2,591	0.907 2,856,599
Circleville Cemetery	7,825	1.576	8,047	1.545	7,641	6,597	1.521 4,337,260
Delia Cemetery	2,500	0.398	3,000	0.485	4,019	2,847	0.457 6,236,586
Denison Cemetery	8,683	0.993	8,236	0.991	10,467	4,306	0.971 4,432,176
Holton Cemetery	101,080	1.999	138,237	2.000	155,614	65,826	2.000 32,913,690
Hoyt Cemetery	18,600	0.880	19,001	0.889	13,387	9,582	0.879 10,896,310
Mayetta Cemetery	10,062	0.765	12,001	0.790	12,501	6,363	0.798 7,978,319
Netawaka Cemetery	9,090	1.627	57,171	1.608	8,362	7,382	2.000 3,691,011
Olive Hill Cemetery	2,320	2.624	5,284	2.578	5,266	3,195	2.504 1,275,670
Soldier Cemetery	4,521	0.686	5,748	0.682	6,350	5,126	1.338 3,831,790
South Cedar Cemetery	1,319	0.435	3,400	0.325	2,364	943	0.318 2,965,970
Springhill Cemetery	14,136	2.174	10,180	2.112	12,364	8,208	2.050 4,003,900
Steward/Muddy Crk Cem	3,088	0.189	4,167	0.337	6,167	4,735	0.762 6,212,079
Mayetta Fire #1	95,310	6.874	117,251	6.878	145,994	103,118	6.742 15,295,623
Ja County Rural Fire #2	18,900	3.757	43,366	3.718	45,243	25,637	3.663 6,999,189
Hoyt Rural Fire #3	122,047	4.971	122,260	5.789	127,260	109,724	5.609 19,562,225
Hoyt Rural Fire 1st Resp	41,835	2.013	43,559	2.024	46,280	39,020	1.995 19,562,225
Holton Rural Fire #4	232,372	4.751	147,609	4.767	152,535	129,245	4.626 27,938,761
Delia Fire#5	44,201	3.946	49,034	5.764	50,264	45,888	5.425 8,459,304
Netawaka Fire #6	168,656	5.149	19,242	5.107	20,124	17,494	4.929 3,549,398
Whiting Fire #7	17,432	4.582	17,407	4.369	17,710	15,704	4.215 3,725,532
Totals	933,225	54.326	845,369	55.013	875,017	617,950	55.081

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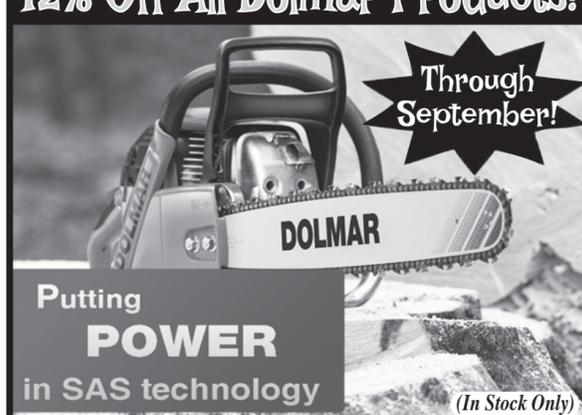
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Netawaka Cemetery Notice of Vote - In adopting the 2016 budget the governing body voted to increase property taxes in an amount greater than the amount levied for the 2015 budget, adjusted by the 2014 CPI for all urban consumers. 6 members voted in favor of the budget and 0 members voted against the budget.

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OPINION

Local Judge Ireland will be missed

The community is mourning the loss of Judge Mike Ireland. Judge Ireland collapsed at work in the Courthouse last Wednesday and later died at a Topeka hospital. He was 66.

It is always such a shock when someone's life ends so quickly, and in Judge Ireland's case, well before what we perceive as "his time."

Judge Ireland was an exceptionally good person who earned the important position in the community as serving as a district court judge.

The job of a judge is not an easy one, nor a popular one, but from the get-go in 2006 when he was appointed it was quite evident that Judge Ireland had the legal experience, knowledge and temperament to be a good one. And he seemed to love what he was doing.

Judge Ireland took his job as judge very seriously and his peers are remembering him now as the fair, no-nonsense, straight-talking adjudicator that he was.

Personally, I will remember Judge Ireland for his wit and humor and his love of sports in general and the Holton Wildcats in particular.

A few years back, I worked with Judge Ireland and others on his project of gathering support for a highway sign to recognize the sports achievements of the Holton High School Wildcats.

At every turn, Judge Ireland sought to deflect any credit at all for the project. I believe that kind of community service and volunteerism is part of the reason why he became so respected and beloved in the community.

I'm sure the judge would just like to be remembered as a good person who did the best he could in the position he had. And that he will, definitely. He will be missed.

David Powls

The less publicity the better for the evil people of the world

By Glenn Mollette

WDBJ-TV Virginia television reporters Alison Parker and Adam Ward were executed while doing their jobs. They were good people who were successful at what they did and loved their work.

The insane ex-reporter who murdered them on live television killed himself. There are reports of some wacky manifesto and a faxed message to ABC about his state of mind.

His state of mind was pure craziness. Obviously he needed psychiatric help. We can be thankful that a policeman did not have to kill him. However, it might have been best if a policeman could have killed this murderer before he gunned down Parker and Ward.

I wonder what the newsfeed would be today if a policeman could have shot the idiot before he took two innocent lives?

The killer's name is all over the news and all over the Internet. You know his name well already. He is now famous. He is famous for taking two innocent lives and destroying families and breaking the hearts of millions of people.

There needs to be a media agreement that the names of such people are never mentioned on television or printed in the media. This evil murderer is now reaping what he had hoped for and that is all the fame and deranged glory he could never earn on the merits, hard work and skills that he did not possess.

We shouldn't post video clips or show pictures of the horrific beheadings carried out by ISIS. When we do we are giving them what they so desperately crave - attention. The more attention ISIS receives the more they seem to be fueled.

I realize what I am suggesting isn't going to happen but if we left the evil people out of the news then names like John Wilkes Booth, Lee Harvey Oswald, John Hinckley Jr. or Charles Manson would not be so widely written about.

This is the day of social media and worldwide communication technology. A word, a post and horrific actions are seen around the world often moments after they happen.

As in the murder of these two young journalists the murderer did everything he could to make sure he

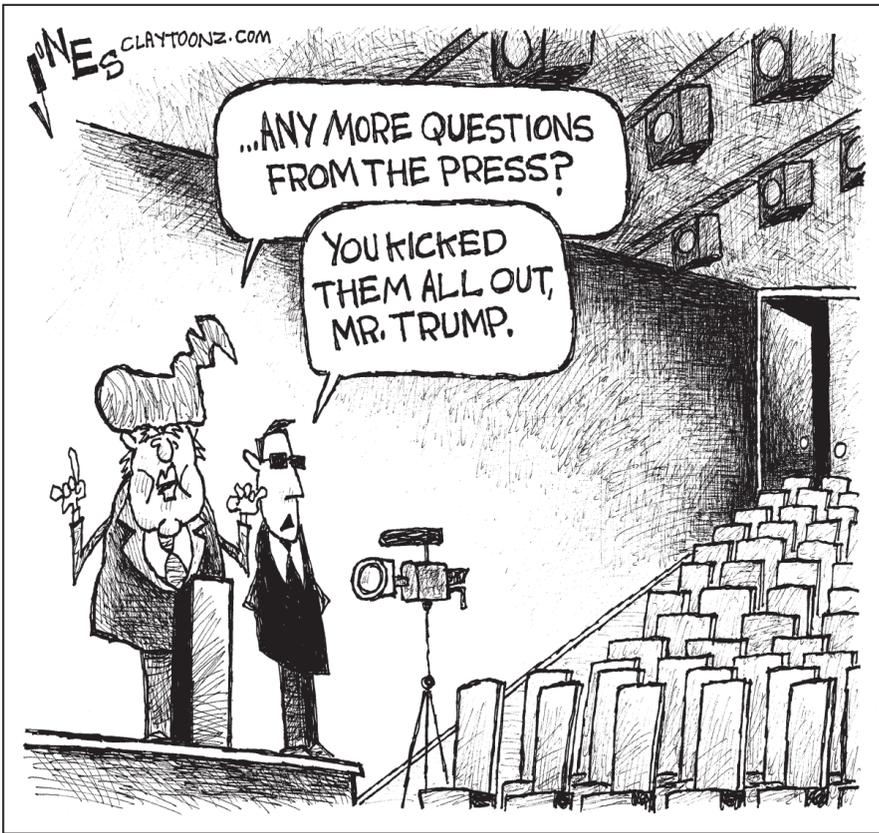
received as much attention as possible by even posting his own video clip online.

Identities of bad people will be reported. However, whenever we have the chance as reporters, editors or columnists we ought to find a way to not add more fame to the deranged individuals who sought it so horrifically.

Note: Glenn Mollette is an American syndicated columnist and author. He is the author of 11 books and read in all 50 states.



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Frank Baker's song about homesteading...

By Jim Hoy

When traveling around the Great Plains, I always like to stop at local museums, which we did on our recent journey out to the Smoky Valley Ranch in Scott County. Kansas Highway 96 heads west out of Great Bend in a nearly straight line to the Colorado border and beyond, passing through Ness and Lane counties on the way to Scott City.



At Dighton, the county seat town just east of Scott County, we pulled into the Lane County Museum for a look around. Of particular interest to me was the exhibit relating to Frank Baker, a bachelor homesteader who took out a claim in Spring Creek Township in 1886.

A friend of Baker's, Harry Harris, also a bachelor, took out an adjoining claim. The two men put up a sod house that straddled the two homesteads, half on Baker's side and half on Harris's. Thus with one small shack they could meet the requirement of the Homestead Act that called for building a house and living in it.

Neither man stayed in Lane County long enough to establish ownership of his homestead. Baker relinquished his claim three years later, selling out to a man named Samuel

Smith for \$300.

The two men were, however, active members of the community, interacting with neighbors and attending the dances and "litteraries" that were popular at the time. The latter activity constituted a sort of party (with a pretentious name, it seems to me) that might include music and a program of some sort, but didn't necessarily have anything to do with books.

It was probably at one of these gatherings that Frank Baker made public a song he had written about his homesteading experience:

"Frank Baker's my name and a bachelor I am; I'm keeping old batch on an elegant plan. You'll find me out west in the county of Lane; I'm starving to death on my government claim."

Set to the tune of a popular fiddle song played throughout the plains, "The Irish Washerwoman," Baker's lyrics describe the joys (?) of life in a sod house: water soaking through the sod roof to dampen the inhabitants on the rare occasion of rainfall; sharing a bed with centipedes, fleas, bedbugs and rattlesnakes (an exaggeration, I hope); a constant hard wind; burning sun in summer and blizzards in winter.

The tone of the verse is humorous and highly ironic: farmers and laborers always at rest, men as free as pigs in a pen. Nothing, Baker says, makes a man as hard and profane as "starving to death on a government claim."

The song was first sung, according

to the museum exhibit, to members of the Prose family, neighbors who had come down with typhoid fever and were being looked in on by Baker and Harris. From there to the literaries (where Baker is reported to have sung other original compositions, now lost), and from there all across the southern plains and far beyond.

Versions of the song have been collected from Alberta to Texas, from Arizona to Kentucky (where references to the West and government claims are far from apt). In true folk fashion, the lyrics have been adapted to local areas, with Lane County being replaced by Greer, Beaver, Mills and Wood, among others.

What happened to Frank Baker after he left Kansas around 1890 isn't known, but according to the last two lines of his song, he was going to Missouri to "get me a wife/And live on corn dodgers the rest of my life."

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The Kansas Health Institute (KHI) has released Annual Insurance Update 2015, describing the many factors influencing health insurance coverage rates and trends in Kansas.

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This report examines 2013 data, providing a picture of insurance coverage in Kansas in the final year before the major insurance expansion provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) took effect.

Key findings include:
* In 2013, an estimated 349,809 (12.3 percent) Kansans did not have health insurance coverage, which is not a significant change from 2012. However, the rate is significantly lower than the national rate (14.5 percent).

* More than half (51.6 percent) of all Kansans are covered through employment-based health insurance, and 29.5 percent of Kansans are covered through public health insurance programs like Medicare or Medicaid.

* Most uninsured Kansas adults (77.7 percent) are working.

* The percent of young adults age 19-25 without health insurance in Kansas continues to decline (28.2 percent in 2010 compared to 21.5 percent in 2013); this follows the national trend in insurance coverage for this age group that can now obtain coverage through their parents' plans until age 26.

* Hispanic Kansans are more than two and a half times more likely to be uninsured than white, non-Hispanic Kansans (26.8 percent compared to 9.6 percent).

Because major provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) implemented in January 2014 could significantly impact insurance coverage, this report also includes state-level policy considerations.

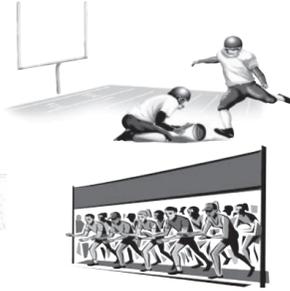
The effects of the law on insurance coverage will be measured through the American Community Survey conducted during 2014 and 2015 and will be reported in next year's Annual Insurance Update. KHI will release preliminary findings from this survey later in the fall of 2015.

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SPORTS *Monday*



Royal Valley coach Dave Barta (shown above, at right) looks on as Derrick Barger works on an agility drill during a practice earlier this season. Barger and the rest of the Panthers got to show off the work they've been putting in at the team scrimmage Friday night.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Several teams aim to knock Holton off Big Seven throne

Wildcats have won seven straight league titles

For seven seasons and 46 consecutive games, Holton has been nigh untouchable in the Big Seven high school football landscape. While the Wildcats look to be the frontrunner for the title once again, the past few seasons have proven it won't be a cakewalk.

With Royal Valley led by a strong group of veteran players this fall, the Panthers will look to come back stronger in 2015 and throw their hat into the mix. It could get messy, though, as several league foes return key players and take aim at knocking off the reigning champs.

Nemaha Central coach Warren Seitz knows just how balanced and tough the Big Seven could be this season, but given the team's success the past few seasons it could be the Thunder leading the pack chasing the Holton Wildcats.

With six starters returning on both sides of the ball, the Thunder have a good base to build from as playmakers like Ryan Hasenkamp, Tristan Allen and All-League receiver Dylan Steinlage return this fall. A pair of anchors on the line are back as well in the form of Kurtis Niehues and 2014 All-League pick Winston Meyer.

That experience on the line will be key for the Thunder, as well the evolution of a talented but inexperienced linebacking corps. Seitz said he believes some young players have the potential to make an impact, though, and the veteran players have already stepped up and set the tone for this season.

An early season match-up between Nemaha Central and **Sabetha** could go a long way towards determining who presents the biggest challenge to Holton, as the Blue Jays return nine starters this fall.

Several of those players are entering their third year as starters, too, including Calder Keehn (TE/DE), Brock Frey (RB/DB) and All-League selection Alec Kirwan (OL/DL).

The Blue Jays could reap the benefits of an unselfish senior class in 2014, which allowed the team to build up depth for this season and head coach Garrett Michael believes that will fuel the team this fall.

"With experience comes expectations and they are ready to pave their way," Michael said.

Among the group of contenders, **Jeff West** could have one of the most highly regarded groups as the Tigers return four All-League players in 2015.

While the other top teams return several skill position players, Jeff West's strength will likely be in the trenches. All-League linemen Michael Majors and Jared Ice return to anchor the offense, while John Massey earned the same honors on the defensive side of the ball.

The team will have to start from scratch at the quarterback position, but having All-League running back Luke Herring a little farther behind center should help lessen the burden for whoever takes over as the Tigers' signal caller. With nine starters returning, like Sabetha, Jeff West could be a dangerous team once again.

Behind Jeff West, **Perry-Lecompton** has its own quarterback issues to deal with and will return 12 starters in total this fall.

While the Kaws look to replace three-year starter Seth Surface this fall, the team does have a pair of All-League talents back in the form of Mitchell Bond and Braden Johanning.

Bond spent most of his time at receiver last season, but could be in the mix at quarterback for Perry this season. Meanwhile, Johanning will be the rock for the offensive line.

The Kaws could be strong there on the defensive side of the ball, too, with Torin Van Nest and Spencer Roe returning with some starting experience as well. If they want to challenge in the league, though, they'll have to improve on

inconsistencies that plagued the team a season ago. A schedule that features four home games in the first five weeks could help.

Similarly, **Riverside** is having to move on without a veteran signal caller this fall as the Cyclones saw Andrae McGaughy graduate this past spring.

The team will have some weapons to rely on in the form of running back Bryer Miller and tight end Grant Shue, who both started (two of seven returning to the team this fall) a season ago, but a general lack of experience along the line and at linebacker could lead to a step backwards for Riverside in 2015.

Hiawatha has a long road ahead to improve on a winless 2014 campaign, but being a young team last season means the Red Hawks will have some varsity experience (14 returning starters) to build on this fall.

The Red Hawks will be young again, but the team has a good place to start with three offensive linemen back this fall along with some other skill players. That could spell an increase in the win column this season.

While **ACCHS** didn't fare much better last season, the Tigers were hit hard at graduation last spring—especially across the front line.

Atchison County has some skilled playmakers returning to the backfield in the form of quarterback Lane Bowen and running back Hunter Ostertag, but the Tigers will be relying on the progress of a lot of young players in order to compete in the Big Seven League with only eight players on this year's squad having starting experience.

It's still up in the air as to what could happen this season, but with some prime early match-ups, league competition in the Big Seven could heat up quickly. The football season officially begins this coming Friday, Sept. 4.

HHS girls golfers tee off in Topeka

Holton's girls golf team started the season off with some tough competition at the Shawnee Heights Invitational in Topeka on Thursday, Aug. 27.

The team finished fifth overall and senior Quinn Holaday was the highest individual placer for HHS, placing 21st at the season-opening tournament that featured several 5A and 6A squads.

After the early start, the Wildcats will now have a week off before returning to the course at Dub's

Dread in Kansas City for the KC Piper Invitational on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 1 p.m.

Shawnee Heights Invitational Team results:

1. Washburn Rural 347, 2. Hayden 368, 3. Shawnee heights 393, 4. Manhattan 393, 5. Holton 445, 6. Junction City 465, 7. Topeka High N/A, 8. Seaman N/A

Individual results:

1. Stous (TH) 79, 2. Roether (JC) 81, 3. Jellison (WR) 83, 4. Myers (Man.) 84, 5. Glynn (WR) 84, 6.

Vausbinder (Hay.) 87, 7. Daugherty (SH) 87, 8. Dawson (WR) 88, 9. Parrish (WR) 89, 10. Blenden (Hay.) 90

Other HHS results:

Quinn Holaday- 103
Sarah Holaday- 104
Faith Holaday- 118
Cali Smith- 120

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Football teams get one last tune-up before season starts

Fans and players alike got their first real taste of action under the Friday night lights last week as all three Jackson County schools hosted their annual preseason scrimmages on Friday.

By no means is what's seen on the field a final product for any of these teams, as Royal Valley head coach Jake Lott equated it more to a dress rehearsal before the actual performance.

In keeping with that theme, Lott noted he tries to simulate the entire game day experience for his team to try and make the Panthers as prepared as possible. That ranges from working in a similar after-school schedule to going through the whole pregame routine prior to the scrimmage.

The idea is to create an environment as close to an actual game as possible and Lott said his players were excited for it and in turn put on a crisp performance for the fans in attendance.

From the veterans, Lott saw what he expected in terms of execution and being assignment sound. It was a good showing and illustrated the progress Royal Valley has made early on this season. What is left to do is make some minor changes to really perfect the Panthers' game plan going into the season-opener against Abilene on the road this Friday at 7 p.m.

"The main plays we have down, now it's just a matter of perfecting them every time; carrying out that fake every time or getting that block every time," Lott said.

In addition to getting what he expected from the veterans, Lott noted the entire coaching staff was impressed with the performance of the underclassmen on Friday. Some freshmen and sophomore players got out there and competed with the veterans, which could be a good omen for the Panthers.

"We thought our young kids competed pretty hard and were a lot more advanced than what we saw last year. Overall, we were pretty impressed," Lott said.

Of course, it was still only a scrimmage and Royal Valley will know a lot more about where it stands after this coming Friday, though it was good to get those competitive juices flowing.

That will help the Panthers as they get set to take on the Cowboys of Abilene

and while Friday might have been a glorified dress rehearsal, it was still a good sign for RVHS nonetheless.

"I think we've steadily improved and that's your goal your first two weeks is as a team, each day, get better," Lott said. "Then we had a pretty crisp scrimmage on Friday where we thought the kids really played well and as units really played well together. I think we accomplished what we set out to do the first two weeks. Now, we're onto the first step of the season, the first hurdle, and from there we'll get a measuring stick and see where we are."

Holton head coach Brooks Barta sees the scrimmage as another opportunity to get players some crucial repetitions and experience leading into the first game of the season. While the Wildcats still have some work to do, those repetitions are starting to pay off.

"We're starting to make some progress. We're a little rough on some things, some angles and some of those things, but they've made a lot of improvement over the last week," Barta said.

Even so, the HHS coach said the team can benefit from more repetitions as the Wildcats tried to squeeze in a lot during their scrimmage on Friday.

It was a chance for some young players to burn some energy and show what they can do and, like the Panthers, Holton had some underclassmen step into the limelight on Friday.

"I thought we had some young players who made a lot of plays and made some nice open field tackles," Barta said.

The scrimmage is a chance for those players to get in front of a crowd and that is something that, in the end, benefits all of the Wildcats as Barta said the scrimmage does a little more than practice in terms of getting HHS ready for that first game of the season.

"I don't know if it eliminates all the anxiety, but I think it's a step above what you can do in practice," Barta said. "Having the lights on and people watching, everything happens faster and that's what we're always trying to simulate."

Holton will see that game speed for real as they get set to host Silver Lake in the team's first game this Friday at 7 p.m.

NEKL football season could end with another new champ

Like in volleyball, the Northeast Kansas League crowned a new champion in football in its second year of competition last fall. While McLouth and Jackson Heights shared the inaugural title, Horton stood as the only undefeated team in the NEKL last season to earn the outright championship.

Jackson Heights is looking to climb that mountain again, but some other new challengers look to pose a threat and step in for their turn as top dog.

Potentially the biggest obstacle that stands in the Cobras' way is a **Maur Hill** squad whose star continues to rise. After going 7-3 and making the playoffs a season ago, the Ravens return a strong nucleus from that team (12 starters) to make a run at a league championship in 2015.

A young line will have to grow up quickly for the Ravens to have their chance at league glory, but if that happens, there's no doubt the team has the playmakers to do some damage.

Maur Hill has to replace its starting quarterback this season, but the team will still have a talented backfield with All-League pick Nick Caudle and Harry Trotter both returning at running back.

On the defensive side, the Ravens are also set with three starting linebackers back along with Caudle at safety. If Maur Hill finds its way on offense quickly, then it's likely the team will keep building on its momentum in 2015.

Where the Ravens are weak, **Pleasant Ridge** just so happens to be strong with three-year starting quarterback and two-way All-League player Nick Holmes ready to lead the Rams once again.

Holmes has shown his athleticism in spades the past couple of seasons and he will have an experienced corps of running backs behind him to help carry the load. What the Rams do have in common with the Ravens, though, is

an offensive line that will need to be rebuilt.

Pleasant Ridge should be pretty set on defense and will have 15 starters returning in total. Given that the Rams also do not have the Cobras on their schedule this fall, there is good reason they're seen as another potential title contender.

Don't overlook **Oskaloosa**, either, as the team returns four All-League players and 16 starters in total this season. After a 6-3 campaign last year, the Bears could continue to do some damage.

Three of those All-League selections (Dillon Grother, Kyle Hopkins and Ben Harvey) could give Oskaloosa a quite potent backfield despite losing some key weapons. The Bears will also have some anchors up front on the line in returning starters Austin Fowler and Justin Cross (All-League in 2014).

The Bears are equally set on defense, with their top three tacklers from a season ago back in 2015. Harvey and Grother led the way at defensive back, while Hopkins had half (nine) of the team's total sacks. Seeing how last year went and what the Bears have back, they're likely to be a dangerous predator in the hunt for the NEKL crown.

Jefferson County North also has a lot of returning experience this fall, with 17 starters back, but the Chargers have a lot of ground to make up after a disappointing 2014 campaign.

The team will be settling in with new coach Jeff Schneider taking charge of the program, so it may be a big boost for JCN to have three-year starter Bryce Noll back at quarterback. The wide receivers are also a veteran group, with the likes of All-League player Joel Abel back for the Chargers this season among others.

Jefferson County won't be lacking for experience along the line either and with nine starters returning on the

defensive side of the ball, it's not out of the question to see the Chargers taking strides forward this fall.

One of the biggest rebuilding jobs this season may rest on **Horton** head coach Nick Dowell, as the Chargers return only six starters this fall and lost key playmakers like Trey Dishon and Derrick Stones to graduation.

Even with Dishon gone, Horton will remain big up front with All-League players like Cole Wolf (6' 1", 255 lbs.) and Brandon Dexter (6' 4", 395 lbs.) returning along the offensive and defensive line. Throw in Michael Gabbard (6' 1", 315 lbs.) and the Chargers could be hard to beat at the line of scrimmage once again.

Six of the top seven tacklers graduated last spring, though, and All-League running back Derek Richardson is really the only veteran playmaker returning on offense, so the Chargers will have their work cut out for them if they want to repeat as champions.

Valley Falls was a team that dealt with a lot of heartbreak a season ago, with three losses coming by a combined total of six points. With 14 starters back this fall, the Dragons are hoping to change their luck in 2015.

Having the All-League quarterback and tight end combo of twins Marty and Ty Gatzemeyer should help jumpstart Valley Falls this season, but the team will also have to rebuild its offensive line almost entirely from scratch after losing four starters up front.

A strong defense returns six starters and while the schedule looks to be tough once again, the Dragons will try to turn the negatives from last season into positives this time around.

While not as bad as Horton, **McLouth** also returns fewer starters (10) than most fellow NEKL members in 2015 and the Bulldogs will also be moving forward with new head coach Gary Freeman this fall.

It's safe to say it will be a year of transition for McLouth, but the team does have a pair of All-League seniors back to lead the way on defense. Adam Perkins earned first team honors at linebacker after recording 80 tackles and seven sacks in 2014, while Jack Arnett was a second team pick at corner back.

On offense, Arnett will anchor the wide receiver position and the team also sees Brandon Antes return after a strong sophomore season, but the team will have to move on without athletic quarterback Jack Courtney and with an almost entirely new offensive line clearing the path up front.

The Bulldogs have built themselves into a perennial contender in the NEKL the past few seasons, but to put themselves in that spot again the team will likely have its work cut out for them this fall.

With the number of starters and All-League players returning in the NEKL this season, the league title could certainly be up for grabs and the chase for the championship will begin with the first games this Friday, Sept. 4.



RVHS coach Jake Lott (shown above, second from right) works with the safeties during an early season practice to hone their coverage skills. As the first game of the season approaches, Lott said he was impressed with his team at the scrimmage Friday and now the Panthers have just some minor tweaks to make as they prepare to take on Abilene in the season-opener this Friday.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Volunteer opportunity through Symetra Tour allows area families to host golfers

Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home. That sentiment may especially strike a chord with professional athletes who travel constantly for competition, like the female golfers who will be making their way to Mayetta next month for the second annual Prairie Band Resort and Charity Classic at Firekeeper Golf Course.

Maybe it's no surprise then that one specific volunteer program offered through the tournament is seeing significant growth and more golfers are taking advantage of the opportunity to be matched up and stay with host families in the area for the duration of the tournament.

Topeka's Robert Jones is in charge of pairing golfers with host families for the tournament and he noted the golfers interested in being matched up doubled this year, with 25 competitors looking to take advantage of this "home away from home" experience.

"Most of the girls who are signed up for this really enjoy the family atmosphere and the friends that they meet along the way. Several of these girls either have brothers or sisters at home or they have close friends and this is their way of keeping the home life burning, so to speak," Jones said.

Generating interest from area families is not an issue, either. In fact, Jones said in his first stop to get feedback at the Topeka Country Club, there was enough interest (12 families) to host all of the golfers who were matched up last year.

All that is asked of the families is to provide the golfers with a place to sleep and the use of laundry facilities, while Jones noted most of the guidelines for the experience fall on the golfers, who are restricted from smoking, drinking, bringing pets or significant others while staying with the host families.

The rest, Jones said, is really for

the families and golfers to arrange. Jones informs the families of the dates that the course will be available to the golfers and arrival details and anything else (i.e. meal schedule) are left up to the two parties involved.

Holton's Karen Bohlender can attest to this, as she noted she has tried to contact the two golfers who will be staying with her and her husband, Joe, to discuss meal plans and schedules.

For the Bohlenders, it was an easy decision to help host because of their shared interest in the sport and watching women's golf.

"We do enjoy going out and golfing. He golfs more than I do right now, but it seemed like a nice opportunity to get to know some of the people who do golf on the tour," Karen said.

It's a unique opportunity and one that raises interest in the tournament and also on a personal level, as Jones noted he is still in contact with

a former Topeka Capitals (now the Golden Giants) baseball player he hosted in the summer of 1995.

"I think that it's a great way to extend yourselves and help out these young folks who are chasing a dream," Jones said.

Having played a lot of amateur golf himself and having several friends with kids who played Division I golf, Jones knows how much it means to have place to go and be at home while on the road. With so many local families with a vested interest in golf, he doesn't see the community's support slowing down either.

"If they come back next year, I'm sure it'll be even bigger and they have more success," Jones said.

Competition in this year's tournament will get started on Friday, Sept. 11 and continue through Sunday, Sept. 13. Admission is free to the public.



Wildcat Maleah Price (shown above, at left) tries to tip the ball over the outstretched arms of teammate Holly Karn (right) during a recent practice. With a lot of returning talent, HHS will look to challenge for a league title this fall in the always tough Big Seven. Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

A number of teams hope to challenge for Big Seven volleyball title in 2015

In some ways, Big Seven League volleyball competition this season may resemble the Wild West. That is to say, anything is possible.

With the talent Royal Valley (#1 in Class 4A-DII) and Holton (#2, 4A-DII) have coming back, Jackson County will have pretty good odds at being home to the new league champion, but the rest of the Big Seven will surely have something to say about that once competition begins.

Some teams up north could pose the biggest threat, as **Sabetha** returns the same number of All-League players (two) as the Wildcats and Panthers.

In total, the Blue Jays have five starters back from a season ago. Senior Alexis McAfee (427 digs, 177 kills in 2014) and Emily Meyer (323 kills, 291 digs) earned those All-League honors, while Mariah Huneke (158 kills) and Kalli Broxterman (363 assists) bring back some experience as well.

Offensively, Sabetha will be able to hold its own, but coach Julie Kuckelman noted defense and consistency will be key given how tight league competition could be this year.

"Volleyball is such a momentum sport and with double duals, league play could go either way on any given night. It just depends what team shows up to compete," Kuckelman said. "I am looking for all of the teams to be strong again this year, so we will just have to be ready to play our level each night."

With the strong tradition **Nemaha Central** has, you can never really count out the Thunder. They are also the only other Big Seven team ranked in the preseason polls, coming in at number nine in Class 3A.

The Thunder are always a tough opponent in league play and that likely won't change this fall with All-League selection Rachel Baumgartner back to lead the charge.

Two other starters, Jenna Macke and Kaley Dalinghaus, return for Nemaha Central, but outside of that the team is rather inexperienced and its success could depend on developing potential.

Along with that, coach Jessica Koch noted players understanding their roles and passing as a team could also be crucial to the Thunder's success. Facing a dual schedule in the Big Seven won't make things easier, but Nemaha will likely challenge for a league title again and look to make it back to the Class 3A state tournament.

While **Perry-Lecompton** is still a young team, with only eight juniors and seniors on the squad, those Kaws bring back some experience with four starters returning for the team this fall.

Outside hitter Joelle Schifflbein (All-League in 2014) returns for her senior season along with fellow starters Sam Mallonee (middle hitter), Sara Boyden (libero) and Kristin Spencer (outside hitter).

Perry lost just three seniors

to graduation and with the upperclassmen's time in the program and welcoming the young players into the fold, coach Shelbie Glissman believes the team is becoming more family-oriented and she hopes that pays dividends on the court.

"We will be a tough contender that is scrappy on defense," Glissman said. "I look forward to see how we hold up with the other teams in the league and hopefully we come out strong and shock a few opponents."

Defending champion **Jefferson West** can't be counted out of the mix, either. While the Tigers will have to make up for the loss of key contributors like Olivia Brees and Emily Brown, the team does have one All-League pick returning in 2015 in the form of Bailey Harvey.

With talented sophomore Mariah Murdie back as well, the Tigers aren't looking to be tamed this fall and will likely put up a fierce battle with any team hoping to take their crown.

After rebuilding the last couple of years, **Hiawatha** looks to pose a challenge in the Big Seven as well with five starters returning to the squad in 2015.

All-League pick Annie Weingart is back at setter along with Courtney Brockhoff, while hitters Kendra Overdick, Delany Koerperich, Crystal Barbary and Lexie Schwalm return for the squad as well.

Coach Marla Olsen noted this group illustrates character and hard work on and off the court and she is hoping

that helps the team keep building on the consistency and momentum it started to generate towards the end of last season, especially with the Big Seven League being as tough as ever.

"On any given night, any team can win. I think this will be the case even more this year," Olsen said. "It doesn't matter what team you are playing or how they are ranked for the current year, you know you are headed in to a competitive battle."

While **ACCHS** and **Riverside** are the only two teams with no All-League players coming back this fall, both have their merits that could make them pesky foes for league opponents.

The Tigers have had to deal with plenty of injuries the past couple of seasons, giving younger players a chance to gain some valuable experience and use that to their advantage now as upperclassmen. Meanwhile, the Cyclones are still a young team and look to make strides while finding their place in the Big Seven.

If nothing else, the Big Seven League will provide its fair share of excitement this fall with a strong line-up of teams from top to bottom. While predicting who will be in the driver's seat when all is said and done is almost impossible, it's nearly guaranteed to be one wild ride no matter what.



Holton linemen Kyler Tannahill (front left) and Brandt Rose (front right) go through a blocking drill during a team practice earlier this season. All the preparation, including a recent scrimmage, is leading to a rematch with Silver Lake at home to kick off the season this Friday. Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

NEKL volleyball competition getting tougher

Along with the inception of the Northeast Kansas League two seasons ago, a changing of the guard seemed to occur on the volleyball court. While the stalwarts from Jefferson County North took the first NEKL crown, the Chargers were unseated by the Dragons of Valley Falls last season.

If the popular opinion among league coaches holds true, that the NEKL will get even more competitive this season, then the pattern could repeat itself once again. Jackson Heights is aiming to be in that mix, but there could be a handful of contenders to deal with this season.

The road to the league title will still likely go through **Valley Falls**, as the Dragons are a young and talented bunch that seems intent on emulating JCN's previous prolonged success.

While the Dragons well be without two senior All-League selections this fall (Emily Lane and Paige Hale), Sydney Gish does return to the team after earning second team honors in the NEKL as a junior.

Gish, combined with a talented young core, will make Valley Falls a challenging foe and a threat to repeat as league champions in 2015.

Nipping on their heels, just like last season, could be the Ravens of **Maur Hill**. The team had strong leadership from upperclassmen last year and that doesn't look to change as All-League players Carly Taylor and Avery Lewman return as seniors this fall.

If a few younger players can step up to fill some holes for the Ravens, the team may take flight towards the top of the league standings once again.

Don't count out **JCN**, either, as the Chargers have almost completely flipped the script from a season ago. Entering 2014, the team had zero players returning with varsity experience. Now, JCN returns seven starters to make a run at reclaiming the throne.

Leading the way for the Chargers will likely be two senior leaders, Amanda Wistuba and Josie Noll. Wistuba led the team in kills last season and was a first team All-League selection, while Noll recorded the most digs as the starting libero.

With honorable mention All-NEKL pick Kaylee Page back as well, the

Chargers look to be a threat once again and return to their glory days.

"As the 2015 season begins, a drive to improve, build off of last season's successes and become part of the JCN volleyball tradition remains the focus of the squad," head coach Dave Schuler said.

Meanwhile, one challenger from a year ago could face similar struggles as JCN did in 2014, as **Immaculata** saw three All-League players graduate this past spring and returns only two members of the varsity squad.

Ally Campbell, a strong all-around hitter, is the lone starter returning this season, though the Raiders will have a few more senior leaders to look up to with Lauren Vardiman, Taylor Clemens and Sadie Shubert slotting in as starters alongside Campbell.

New coach Shelbie Wolk knows the Raiders, ranked eighth in Class 1A-DI to start the season, have their work cut out for them to repeat the success they had in 2014. If the players stay controlled and disciplined, though, she said there is a chance they can build off that momentum.

"If we keep our confidence up and have a positive attitude, we will be successful. We are building on very little varsity experience, but the girls are working hard and staying focused," Wolk said.

Like JCN, **Oskaloosa** returns a lot of varsity experience from a season ago and will be hoping that translates to a bump in the standings this fall.

While the Bears had no All-League selections last year, coach Maleah Lockard noted the team is being extremely positive to start the season and pushing each other in practice.

Oskaloosa won't be lacking for experienced hitters, with Raegen Hamm, Jaden Courter, Brittini Pryor and Mackenzie Hofstra all returning to the team and setters Brylie Bassett and Shelby Wright will be back as well. The team may still be developing, but both coach and players have positive attitudes regarding what could happen this fall.

"After another losing season last year, these girls are pumped up and ready to change that. We have a lot of returning players and we are still young and optimistic as to what's to come," Lockard said.

Horton will also be looking to

bounce back from a disappointing season and while the team returns All-League setter Abby Ross, there will be a lot of guesswork to be done outside of that.

Head coach Kristin Fassnacht noted her team has been hard at work in the offseason, trying to compete more consistently and aggressively, and the Chargers will try and put those principles into action on the court this fall.

Another team looking to climb up the standings this fall is **McLouth**, and the Bulldogs may have the pieces to do so with four starters (Kianna Hernandez, Jessica Rogers, Sydney Bogard and Kattie Gill) returning to the team.

Gill, a junior, could be a player to watch at middle hitter, while coach Chelsea Poskey noted Jessica Rogers could be key as a defensive specialist. With those two and the other two returning starters, it makes for a determined bunch and a strong nucleus to potentially help push the team forward this fall.

"The four returning players that I have are a good base for us to build from. All of the girls are motivated to succeed as a team. We are hoping this motivation and our hard work will help us be more competitive in the league," Poskey said.

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- TUESDAY, SEPT. 1: HHS Volleyball vs. Alma/Chapman/RC - 4:30 p.m. @ Leonardville; JHHS Volleyball vs. McLouth/Oskie - 5 p.m. @ McLouth
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 3: HHS Cross Country - Jeff West Invit. - 4 p.m. @ Topeka; HHS 9th Football vs. Atchison - 4:30 p.m. @ Atchison; HHS Volleyball vs. Riverside - 5 p.m. @ Elwood; JHHS Volleyball vs. Onaga/Seabury - 5 p.m. @ Jackson Heights; RVHS Cross Country - JW Invitational - 4:30 p.m. @ Topeka; RVHS Volleyball vs. ACCHS - 5 p.m. @ Effingham
- FRIDAY, SEPT. 4: HHS Football vs. Silver Lake - 7 p.m. @ Holton; JHHS Football vs. Horton - 7 p.m. @ Jackson Heights; RVHS Football vs. Abilene - 7 p.m. @ Abilene
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Straight Arrows 4-H Club holds meetings

By Samantha Wilson

The July meeting of the Straight Arrows 4-H Club consisted of painting the fences and animal pens for the fair. After members completed painting, they had their 4-H tour party. Everyone shared what they were taking to the fair. Some brought their projects and others had videos they showed while the rest just talked about them. Members had to bring a side dish for supper. This concluded the July meeting.

Cara Robinson talked about record books before the August meeting. Cailin Parks called the August meeting to order. Club members did the pledge and birthdays that were in July and August. There were three birthdays.

Secretary Sonora Sheldon did roll call, and there were 20 members who told what their favorite part of the fair was. In addition to the 20 members, there was one guest.

Faith Little gave her project talk. She talked about what all she got at the fair. The community leader spoke about some items that needed to be brought to the club's attention. Then, there were a few items under new businesses that needed to be discussed. Upcoming dates were announced, and the meeting was adjourned.

News tip?
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Results from Muscotah tractor pull

The Northeast Kansas Stock Garden Tractor Pullers competed at Muscotah on Saturday, Aug. 15. The pull results are as follows:

600-pound class:
1st - Patrick Graves, Hiawatha, 33'1", 1.2 mph
2nd - Ella Graves, 22'1"
700-pound class:
1st - Clayton Higley, Atchison, 47'6", 2.2 mph
2nd - Morris Thompson, Leona, 46'11", 2.6 mph
3rd - Charles Call, Holton, 46'10", 1.9 mph
800-pound class:
1st - Ed Higley, Muscotah, 63'6",



Strubes to celebrate 50th anniversary

Joyce and Marvin Strube of Whiting will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 5. They were married at Christ Lutheran Church in Wathena.

Joyce is the daughter of the late Dorothy and Raymond Gaul of Troy. Marvin is the son of Mary Helen Strube of Horton and the late Martin

Strube. The couple has two sons, Kevin and his wife, Angela, and Jeffery and his wife, Shawna. The couple was blessed with five grandchildren, Kasey and his wife, Audra; Korby, Katelin, Morgan and Jake.

The couple plans to celebrate at a later date.

3.1 mph
2nd - Art Wenger, Hiawatha, 62'10", 2.9 mph
3rd - Sarah Davis, Nebraska City, Neb., 62'9", 2.7 mph
900-pound class:
1st - Kent Middleton, Topeka, 97'2", 3.2 mph
2nd - Phyllis Lerow, Hiawatha, 96'7", 2.2 mph
3rd - Scott Higley, Atchison, 94'10", 3.3 mph
1,000-pound class:
1st - Brian Higley, Muscotah, 125'2", 3 mph
2nd - Denny Holly, Hiawatha, 124'6", 3.1 mph
3rd - Kent Middleton, Topeka,

119'8", 3.5 mph
1,100-pound class:
1st - Mike Mellenbruch, Hiawatha, 130'9", 3 mph
2nd - Charles Call, Holton, 130'2", 3.7 mph
3rd - Scott Higley, Atchison, 129'7", 2.4 mph
1,200-pound class:
1st - Scott Higley, Atchison, 137'6", 3.5 mph
2nd - Art Wenger, Hiawatha, 134'11", 3.5 mph
3rd - Ed Higley, Muscotah, 134'10", 3.7 mph
The next pull will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 5, at Fairview.

USC, LLC of Sabetha launches fully automated U-Command Rx system

USC, LLC of Sabetha has announced the launch of its new fully automated U-Command Rx system, designed to control and vary chemical application rates at seed treating facilities. With U-Command Rx, seed retailers can offer their customers improved, custom-blended prescriptions for precision seed treatment adjusted for local conditions such as soil type and insect/disease issues.

USC's U-Command Rx gives the seed retailer the freedom and flexibility to customize and create prescription blended seed treating solutions quickly and easily. The U-Command Rx system is designed to reduce chemical waste and boost efficiency by utilizing a static mixer, delaying the mixing process until chemical is ready to enter the atomizer chamber.

The U-Command Rx has the ability to handle 184,000 different chemical application options, utilizing up to 12 pump stands. The system consists of an integrated single PLC control panel, which is powered by USC's U-Treat software and can be controlled wirelessly via a tablet included with each system.

The automated system connects pump stands to the seed treater through simple-to-use touch screen controls. One operator using a tablet can manage his entire treating system from anywhere in the plant, saving time and money.

Hardware and software have been simplified. The results are quicker response times and faster programming for easy setup and operation. It places complete control in the hands of the seed retailer. The freedom to choose, change and initiate variable custom applications is at your fin-

gertips. Control of the U-Command Rx system can also be accessed from the stationary main control panel that is connected to all pump stands, seed treater and facility seed handling equipment. The system's single touch screen automation is upgradable, scalable, configurable and flexible. It works with both automated and manual chemical delivery systems.

USC is backed and serviced by U-Connect, USC's online remote access program featuring program updates, real-time troubleshooting and online support from certified USC service representatives.

For more information on U-Command Rx and other USC products, visit www.uscllc.com and contact a USC dealer or call 866-729-1623.

Based in northeastern Kansas, USC is a leading international manufacturer of custom seed treatment equipment and the only full service operation of its kind, priding itself on true craftsmanship and seeking out the best in the business.

In-house welders, fabricators, assemblers, mechanical and electrical engineers, control panel technicians, product development teams, training and installation crews and a national sales force allows USC to stand alone in the seed treating industry.

Continual improvements ensure top-of-the-line quality in everything USC makes. The more than 90,000-square-foot facility houses ground-breaking equipment, including high powered laser and water-jet cutting machines, robotic welding capabilities, a full powder-coating line with a multi-component liquid paint booth and a state of the art facility for training and group visits. These technologies make customization a reality instead of mass producing a product that doesn't meet individual needs.

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software and successful site integration for USC plays a pivotal role in the execution and implementation of each product. Developing user-friendly software is critical, and USC realizes the importance of providing training to support these areas.

USC has created an environment where customers and employees alike are invaluable, and the opportunities that lie ahead are limitless.

USC is a pioneer in seed treatment manufacturing and the solutions created over the last 14 years have fundamentally shaped the industry itself. USC is committed to staying at the forefront of this ever-changing industry by providing top-of-the-line, innovative and user-friendly products for any-sized business to implement and learn from.

New poll at Recorder's website

A total of 72 people participated in *The Holton Recorder's* most recent online poll, which posed the question "Should a sidewalk or trail be established between Banner Creek Reservoir and the city of Holton?"

Of the votes cast, 62 people (86 percent) said 'yes' while 10 people (14 percent) voted 'no.'

The current online poll at www.holtonrecorder.net asks readers if the Kansas City Royals will qualify again for the World Series.

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Kientz Corner By Beverly Ramey Newell

On Aug. 23, the Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "Come And Find The Quiet Center."

The announcements were: Troop 193 will celebrate its 50th anniversary at a campout at Camp Bromelsick from Sept. 18 through Sept. 20; the congregation is invited to join them at a potluck dinner on Sept. 19. For further details, contact Jason Tilley, Matt Carter or Elaine Worden.

TNO (Topeka North Outreach) will have its fall festival on Oct. 3. The congregation is asked to help provide items for the country store and gift basket silent auction.

Advance orders are now being taken for Bierocks from TNO for \$3 each. Contact Deb with your order.

The birthdays for Aug. 23 through Aug. 29: Todd Domer, Linda Smith and Debbie Watson, Aug. 23; and Andrew Cho, Aug. 24.

The Rev. Jin gave the children's story. He told them the story about Job. He had everything, and then he lost everything. Then God blessed Job and provided everything again for him. Job lived to be 140 years old. May God guide us to be better Christians.

For special music, Betty Domer sang "Happy The Home When God Is There." Greg Baldwin accompanied her on the piano.

A joy was that there were 48 youth who attended the 2016 youth kick-off/lock-in. Michelle thanked everyone for their support.

The concerns were prayers for Laurene Pittman, who is in Kansas Rehabilitation Center; Drew Slimmer, who is having health issues; the family of Kenneth Magus; and peace in Korea.

Bruce Lanning read the scripture Luke 15:11-24.

The sermon "Relax At Home: Knowing The Goodness Of Home" was given by the Rev. Hyun-Jin Cho. In the summer, there is always so much to do. Some children are involved in sports while some may be doing volunteer work.

We all like to take vacations. It is a joyful time for us to go on a vacation where we can relax and have fun with our family. Then we come back home to our normal routine and schedule.

It is always good to come home to comfort. There is no place like home. Home is where we celebrate when family members come home. Let us not get disconnected from God. Our heavenly Father embraces us, provides for us and forgives us. May each of us experience our spiritual home with God.

The closing hymn was "I've Got Peace Like A River." Those assisting with the service were Bruce Lanning, liturgist; Greg Baldwin, organist; Deb Mannell and Joy Jeppson, sound system; Betty Domer, song leader; Hailee Gower, acolyte; and Norm and Tina Davis and Denis and Val Warkentine, usher team.

On Aug. 16, Kay Jones-Ray, Vicki Knapp, Greg and Janet Baldwin and Gary and Barbara Slimmer ate dinner at Yuki's, the Japanese restaurant in Topeka.

On Aug. 18, Ted and Elaine Hubach, Karen Burns, Carol Just, Diana Clark-Keith, Dick and Beverly Newell and Floyd and June Schloeder ate lunch at the Whistle Stop Café in Mayetta.

On Aug. 19, Larry and Barbara Hanson, Clifford and Alice Hurst, Dick and Beverly Newell and Marguerite Pond ate lunch at the Cracker Barrel restaurant in Topeka. Phil Pond was not feeling well, so he was not with the group.

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Mayetta United Methodist
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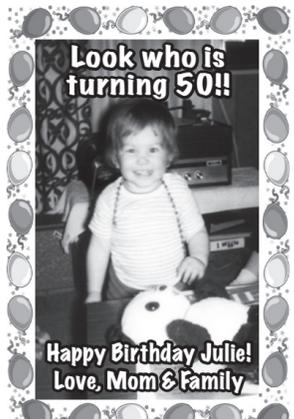
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The City of Holton is accepting applications for Electrical Production Class I Operator. The position requirements include operating dual fuel generating engine units at the power plant and assisting with maintenance and janitorial duties, some basic math skills required, able to take oral and written instructions. High school diploma or GED required and valid Kansas driver's license required. Benefits include health insurance, paid vacation, sick leave and retirement. Applications accepted until position is filled. Applications are available at www.holtonkansas.org or at City Hall, 430 Pennsylvania, Holton, KS 66436. For questions contact Ira Harrison at 785-364-3719. The addition of a resume and cover letter is encouraged, but not required. EOE.

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"Proper" soil sampling, part two

By David G. Hallauer
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Crops & Soils/Horticulture



Why would you spend two (and maybe more!) news columns talking about soil sampling? I guess for starters it's because it interests me. It's also important so that you can take some variability out of your soil testing program. The saying that "bad data is worse than no data" can hold true to the information you get from your soil test program as well! Proper soil sampling procedures have to include some discussion of how many samples you should take in addition to what nutrients you should test for, how deep you should pull samples, etc. While "take as many as you need to accurately represent the tested area" is certainly true, is there a number of samples to use as a guideline? Actually, yes! Work from North Dakota State University would indicate that pulling just eight cores as part of a single sample may only give you results that are within 25 percent of the actual sample value. Increasing

to 21 cores per sample reduces that margin of error to 15 percent. To get within 10 percent, you'd have to take 46 cores per sample! What's that mean? Be sure not to skimp on sample numbers or your accuracy may not be very good! That's a lot of samples! Do I really have to take that many? Good question! Obviously, there comes a point when the time/work it takes to get an accurate sample becomes "too much." That's why our recommendation is to be sure and pull at least 15 to 20 cores per sample for best results. That number of cores will typically get you within two to three parts per million confidence in the results and allow you to make good recommendations from them. Soil test programs should be designed so that you are pulling samples every two to four years - or every complete cycle of crop rotation if possible. Pulling samples every year, at least at the start of the program, will help to build a history as well if the practice is possible. Contact a district office to see if one of their soil probes is available for checkout! **Landscape To-Do List:** Maintaining landscape color often means the inclusion of flowers and flowering shrubs. As much as I'd like to say that you just plant

and walk away to allow them to flower, we all know that's just not true! Maintenance is a necessity throughout the growing season - not just the flowering season! Take peonies for instance. They've been through flowering for a good while at this point. In fact, they're probably starting to look a little rough from leaf spot disease and maybe even some grasshopper feeding. You may have even ceased doing any weeding among them some time ago! Now may be a good time to pay them a little more attention. After Sept. 1, they are essentially dormant and can be cut back to clean up the beds a little. Cut the leaves off close to the ground and compost or discard. If you are trying to maintain spring flowering shrubs like forsythia, pyracantha, lilac, cotoneaster, weigela and others, you may actually need to consider a watering program! These early spring flowering shrubs set flower buds during August and September. Unfortunately, some areas have been dry during that time period and supplemental watering may be in order. Check by using a long rod pushed into the ground. If it goes in easily, moisture levels are probably fine. If not, it may be time to consider supplemental watering!

How to handle "washy grass"

By Jody G. Holthaus
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Livestock-Natural Resources



A journey out west to Hays this week, and I'm always amazed at the windmills. I know there are people disgusted with them "cluttering" up the landscape, but I think they are awesome. As I drive by, I'm thinking about how long those propellers are when you pass them on the highway. I also have to admit I don't know much about them. How fast can the propellers turn? What is the most common breakdown (once in a while you'll see just one in the patch not turning)? How automated are they? When you are directly under them,

can you feel the air movement? I guess I will have to wander to the patch north of Bern and find an expert. Experts use the term "washy grass" in reference to diluted nutritional quality yet generally higher volume grass years. Very fast growing feed often results in high moisture content (low dry matter) washy feed. Rapidly growing grass may actually result in reduced protein and energy levels. With more above ground forage mass, the amount of nitrogen and energy in the leaves is diluted or washed out, resulting in reduced protein and energy levels. Researchers from Oregon State University published a paper in the Journal of Range Management. In this professional paper, researchers very clearly documented reduced forage quality and increased forage volume for seven Great Basin grasses on wet years versus dry years.

The experts say, "Shipping weights of calves and yearlings and pregnancy rates of cows are generally better on moderately dry years than on washy grass years." This is particularly true if stocking rates are increased on wet years to compensate for the increased volume of grass produced. Is "washed-out grass" a bad thing? It depends. Do we want weaker yet more volume of grass or stronger yet less volume of grass? More grass could equate to increased stocking rate on a particular allotment. Interestingly, many areas in the east and south receive in excess of 30 to 40 inches of moisture annually. Cattle grazing these areas of abundant feed are often thin yet belly deep in grass year-round. Many ranchers supplement protein and energy in these higher precipitation zones. Compare your weaning weights of 2012 to this fall's weights; you might see what I mean!



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Fresh Start program at 'permanent home'

By Brian Sanders

The Fresh Start continuing education program is "off to a really strong start" for its 18th year and its first in its new home, according to Fresh Start Principal Carolyn Cochren.

The program, which helps non-traditional students earn their high school diplomas, will benefit from its new location in the former Jackson County Fair Building, which is also temporarily housing an office for Nabholz Construction while construction of the new Holton Elementary School is going on, Cochren said.

"It's going great. We love it here," Cochren said. "For the most part, people are finding the location easily, so that's very nice. We like being out by the highway. We have a lot of out-of-town students, and we feel like we're a little easier to find since we're right off of U.S. Highway 75 now."

In the first week and a half into the new school year, Fresh Start has seen 40 sign up for continuing education programs, but Cochren noted that there is still time before the state's Sept. 20 deadline for education funding determination to get enrolled — whether students come to class or prefer to do their course work at home, since the program now involves a "virtual classroom" setup.

"Some of our students say, 'I have the Internet, but it doesn't work very well,'" she said. "They like the quiet atmosphere. We've got a handful of people who could work at home, but they choose to work here because it's more structured. They come in like you would to do a job, get their work done during the day and then go home."

The "virtual classroom" setup also holds a change in the way the program is funded, Cochren said. In previous years, the program's funding was determined by the Sept. 20 headcount, but with the new setup, funding is also determined by completed credit hours.

"The focus has shifted from the number of enrollees to getting people to work hard and get through the program," she said. "We can enroll somebody in January, and we can still get funding for their completed credits. So that's really nice, because this isn't a traditional type of schooling for people. They drift in throughout the year, so it's nice to have that option, to go ahead and take advantage of the funding as well as helping somebody out."

This also marks the first year for

Cochren as the program's full-time principal. Last year, she worked as an assistant to former principal Dee Barrow, who retired at the end of the year after 17 years as its leader, and this year, she is keeping Barrow's advice of staying in contact with Fresh Start students at the fore.

"The best advice she gave me was to keep up communication with the students," Cochren said of Barrow. "It takes most of our students more than a year to get through the program. Calling, talking, tracking them down — having lots of information to keep up that contact is very important."

Having the Nabholz Construction team as a "neighbor" has not posed a problem to those who come to the Fresh Start center to do their work, Cochren said. In fact, she noted that construction superintendent David Lassiter and the Nabholz crew "couldn't have been any better about this situation."

"They're using the big room for storage, so we'll hear the occasional skid loader coming in and out, or we'll hear a door bang, but overall, it's been really good. The guys who have been using the front lobby as their office space couldn't have been any better about this situation. We encourage people to use the kitchen door off the alley as much as possible, but if they wander in the front door, those guys just direct them to where we are."

There had also been some discussion about moving the Fresh Start program, which had formerly been housed on East Fifth Street in Holton, to the Central Elementary School building once construction of the new school is complete. But Cochren said the program will likely stay put in its new home in the former Fair Building.

"This is our permanent home," she said. "Once Nabholz is out of here next year, we'll probably utilize that front door and the lobby as more of our formal entrance. We're not sure at this point what's going into the big room. There have been lots of ideas tossed around, and there's also a great space upstairs. I'm not sure if that will be used for office space in the future, but we're looking at staying right here."

The Fresh Start program serves those wishing to complete their diploma requirements in the Holton, Jackson Heights, Royal Valley, Prairie Hills, Atchison County, South Brown County, Valley Falls, Onaga and Vermillion school districts. For more information on the program, call Cochren at 364-5664.



Pride of Hoyt Days

In the photo above, a color guard from the Boy Scout troop from Hoyt and Mayetta led the Pride of Hoyt Days parade on Saturday, carrying the national, state and troop flags along the parade route. In the photo at left, parade grand marshals Jim (right) and Sandy Rickel (center), shown with Abby Porter, paused for the camera before the parade took off. The Rickels are longtime residents of the Hoyt area and have been involved in several community activities, according to Hoyt Mayor Debbie Dreasher. "There's not much they haven't been involved with in this town," Dreasher added.

Photos by Brian Sanders

Ireland...

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Prior to his career in law, Ireland's career focus was education, having taught in Plains, Winfield and Kansas City, where he taught at Piper High School. He served as a head football and baseball coach at Piper before switching to a career in law and seeking a juris doctorate degree at Washburn University, it was reported.

Ireland had reportedly suffered a cardiac arrest Wednesday morning while in the office of chief court services officer Jim Cyphers. He was

later taken by air ambulance to Stormont-Vail Regional Medical Center in Topeka, where he remained in intensive care until his death, it was reported.

Jackson County District Court Clerk Colleen Reamer said that the question of who will cover Ireland's caseload will be determined in the days to come, but will most likely involve other judges in or outside the Second Judicial District, which covers Jackson, Jefferson, Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee counties.

Steven Roth, a Second District

magistrate judge, stepped in on Thursday to cover Ireland's scheduled caseload, while Pottawatomie County District Court Judge Jeff Elder took over the caseload on Friday, Reamer said. Ireland's scheduled caseload for Wednesday had been "continued" that day, she added.

Funeral services for Ireland are scheduled for Wednesday at St. Dominic Catholic Church with visitation set for Tuesday evening at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. An obituary for Ireland appears on Page 5 of today's Recorder.

Claycamp...

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"It's not uncommon for counties to share one appraiser," Claycamp said. Claycamp, however, will just be serving Jackson County.

As appraiser, Claycamp will be

paid \$26.44 an hour, which is about \$55,000 a year.

Prior to working for the county, Claycamp was coaching and substitute teaching at Wetmore schools. He also worked in construction.

A 1999 graduate of Wetmore High School, Claycamp has a degree in history from Washburn University, with a minor in business.

He has two children, Kaitlyn, 10; and Kaden, 8.

The appraiser's office is located on the second floor of the Jackson County Courthouse and is operated by Claycamp and four employees. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

News and advertising deadlines for that edition will be 5 p.m. Thursday.

Next Monday, Sept. 7, is the Labor Day holiday, marking the unofficial end of summer. Schools, local government and financial institutions and some businesses will be closed for the holiday.

The Holton Recorder office will also be closed next Monday, and the Sept. 7 edition of the newspaper will be printed and mailed on Friday, Sept. 4, and distributed to news racks on Monday.

Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Aug. 31, 2015.)

Public Notice

The City of Holton is accepting bids for the following products and services.

Bid No. ST03-15

Submission Deadline – 2:00 p.m. CST September 15, 2015

City of Holton, KS will accept bids for the U.S. Highway 75 & Banner Road Extension Improvement Project (Rebid). For a bid packet, please contact City Hall at 785-364-2721.

The City of Holton reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of a bid, and to accept the offer the purchasing agent considers the most advantageous to the City.

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KDOT...

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Bauer also noted that Bettis Asphalt officials were not pleased about their bid being the only one received by the city. Commissioners were also told earlier this month by Holton Street Superintendent Rex Cameron that more than 20 road construction companies had been invited to bid on the project.

If the second bidding period is also unsuccessful in securing a construction company to work on the extension, Bauer said the city would have to meet with KDOT officials to discuss the matter further. KDOT also "reserves the right to reject any and all bids" for the project, he added.

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