

Mayetta church to celebrate centennial

By Ali Holcomb

St. Francis Xavier parishioners in Mayetta will note the church's centennial this Sunday, Oct. 4, with a special mass and dinner presided by Archbishop Joseph Naumann of Kansas City.

The church and its members have been an established part of the community for 100 years, and 120 families currently attend mass services each week, according to Centennial committee members Joan Hood, Elsie Beam and Larry Larkin.

"It's always been steady," Beam said of membership. "When St. Joseph's Church in Hoyt closed, the church had some families come over."

Larkin said that more than 250 people are expected to attend a noon mass and dinner on Sunday, including current and former pastors and parishioners.

Mass will be led by Archbishop Naumann, Monsignor Gary Applegate and several cardinals. The church's Blessed Mother statue will receive the blessing of the Monument to the Unborn by the archbishop.

"Our hope is that the church keeps going in the future," Larkin said.

Committee members say they hope younger generations step up to take over leadership at the church so the parish can see another 100

years.

"I didn't think I'd be here for the 100th celebration," Hood says with a laugh. "I think it's absolutely marvelous."

Besides serving its parishioners, the church and its hall are also a staple in the community, as it is the official polling location for several townships, as well as the meeting location for Boy Scouts, senior citizens and Alcoholics Anonymous.

Church members also host a prayer breakfast for staff members at Royal Valley prior to the start of the school year, and many funeral dinners are served at the hall.

Father Marianand Memdem began serving as the pastor of the church this summer following Father Chris Rossman.

Mass is held at 8 a.m. each Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday at St. Francis Xavier.

Prior to 1915, Catholics in Mayetta traveled to Hoyt or Holton to attend mass. At the encouragement of Bishop John Ward, Mayetta's Catholic residents decided to build a church in the small town. A parishioner, William Conney, donated land at 301 E. James St., and the new building was dedicated on Sept. 29, 1915.

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At Prairie View Senior Residences... More than half of new housing units leased

By Brian Sanders

More than half of the planned 32 units at the Prairie View Senior Residences complex at the south end of Holton have been leased, according to Tom Bishop, president and CEO of Homestead Affordable Housing, which is developing the complex.

The first set of interviews with lease applicants occurred earlier this month, Bishop said, and a significant amount of interest in the new senior housing complex has translated into 17 of the units being leased. A second round of applicant interviews has been scheduled for Thursday, he added.

"We're getting ready to have another full day of meetings with folks," Bishop said. "I think the progress is going well, and I'm sure we'll have them fully leased by the time we're done with that meeting."

That's not to say that anyone who's interested in leasing one of the com-

plex's units should refrain from submitting a lease application, he noted. "Anybody who's interested should get in touch with us," Bishop said. "By the time we're done with construction in March, all of these units should be leased."

However, some of the complex's tenants won't have to wait until March to move into their new homes. Bishop said work on the first unit or two is scheduled to wrap up by the end of October, followed by more units being completed in November and December. Frame work on housing units is scheduled to begin this week, he added, and lumber for that work was brought to the construction site and unloaded Friday.

Prairie View Senior Residences is being developed as a high-quality, energy-efficient housing complex for its eventual residents, intended to be

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Whiting Fire Festival

More than 500 people were served lunch Saturday at the 13th-annual Whiting Fire Festival, it was reported, with proceeds earmarked for the Whiting Fire Department. Serving with a smile at the lunch line were, from left to right in the photo above, Marian and Gary Schlaegel, Opal Featherston and William Thomas.

In the photo at right, Eric Olson of Whiting brought to the Fire Festival a 1929 Caterpillar 60 tractor, which drew a lot of interest among those in attendance. Initially used to pull farm equipment and road scrapers, this CAT later had cable lift blades added to it so that it could be used as a bulldozer. At 20,500 pounds, this machine was powered with a four-cylinder, overhead valve gas engine.

Photos by David Powls



King and queen candidates for Holton High School's homecoming are pictured above. Queen candidates are, front row, from left, Maddie Foster, Holly Karn, Mackenzie Moore and Maggie Pruitt; king candidates are, back row, from left, Mason Barta, Kaden Brandt, Justin Pool and Brandt Rose. The royalty crowning will be held Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. prior to the start of the football game. The school's annual homecoming parade will leave from HHS towards downtown Holton at 2:15 p.m. Friday, and a community-wide pep rally is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the school gym.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Netawaka Fitness Center sets Saturday open house

Two years after its opening as a family fitness facility in northern Jackson County, the Netawaka Fitness Center is reaffirming its commitment to Netawaka and the surrounding area with a fall open house this Saturday, Oct. 3.

Between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., the facility, located at 233 White Way in Netawaka, will be open to the public and offer a wide variety of activities for people of all ages, including interactive games, physical fitness activities and a spaghetti dinner. All activities will be held inside the 30,000-square-foot facility, which covers half a city block, it was reported.

Fitness center officials said the goal of the fall open house is to give people the opportunity to tour the non-profit facility — formerly known as the Hornet's Nest Sports Club and now under new management — and see all that it offers. It's also their hope that the facility will

contribute to the health and wellness of people in the Jackson County area, as well as invigorating community growth.

"This is such a grand facility," said Dave Williams, president of the fitness center's board of directors. "I think it could prove to be the rebirth of our town."

Netawaka residents have eagerly embraced the \$5 million fitness center, which opened to the public in September of 2013. Its construction was funded for the most part by a donation from Netawaka native Roberta "Bobbi" Zwonitzer Reiman and her husband, Roy, founder of Wisconsin-based Reiman Publications, along with contributions from area residents.

The facility was formally named the Zwonitzer Health and Fitness Facility in honor of Reiman and her parents, Jack and Bertha Zwonitzer.

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Sundays
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
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5:00 p.m. - Prayer Time
5:15 p.m. - RISC
6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth
6:00 p.m. - Evening Service
Other activities available throughout the week.

DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Traffic

Anthony J. Algerio, speeding, \$197.
 James A. Antel, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, no proof of insurance, \$478.
 Joshua M. Asher, vehicle/load width violation, no oversize permit on 12.5-foot wide load, registration violation, \$308.
 Kristi L. Browning, registration violation, \$158.
 Joseph L. Buchtel, no seat belt, \$10.
 Cameron D. Coleman, no seat belt, \$10.
 John S. Cork, registration violation, failure to yield to emergency vehicle, diversion.
 Bruce A. Culbertson, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$158.
 Peter J. Dawson, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$208.
 Christopher J. Dino, no seat belt, \$10.
 Edward C. Ebner, improper stop lamp or turn signal, \$153.
 Jacqueline K. Hudson, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$158.
 Keith Jones, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$150.
 John A. Kendrick Jr., no proof of insurance, \$408.
 Gerald J. Madden, speeding, \$240.
 Steven D. Martinez, following another vehicle too closely, \$183.
 Angela L. McDaniel, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, diversion.
 Ashley E. Milton, defective headlamps on motor vehicle, no proof of insurance, diversion.
 Angel R. Moorshead, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$557.80.
 Jorge M. Munoz, operating a vehicle without liability insurance, \$928.
 Matthew G. Nigh, speeding, \$294.
 Brandi D. Parsons, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.
 Mark R. Siess, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, transporting an open container, defective tail lamp on motor vehicle, unsafe turning or stopping, diversion.
 Rita M. Taylor, using wireless communication device while driving to send or receive messages, \$168.

Civil

Dispositions
 State of Kansas, Department for Children and Families vs. Kendyl A. McAllister, sought judgment of \$5,711 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Limited Civil

Dispositions
 Spencer and Company, doing business as Hoyt's Truck Center vs. Steve Richmond, sought judgment of \$3,914.69 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. William L. Jarvis and Amy R. Jarvis, sought judgment of \$806.55 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Jefferson Capital Systems L.L.C. vs. Mary L. Shopteese, sought judgment of \$514.79 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Midland Funding L.L.C. vs. Nancy Stocksen, sought judgment of \$3,599.48 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. James L. Bowers, sought judgment of \$672 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Portfolio Recovery Associates L.L.C. vs. Hector Sanchez and Sherri Sanchez, sought judgment of \$1,011.66 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Quest Credit Union vs. Vicki Wilson, sought judgment of \$682.16 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Samantha Swindale, sought judgment of \$1,211.75 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Jarrod A. Thompson, sought judgment of \$610.50 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Cody Bond, sought judgment of \$517 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Pulmonary and Sleep Associates P.A. vs. Deborah A. Baker, sought judgment of \$930 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Scott Baum and Susan Baum vs. Angel Moorhead, sought eviction of defendant from rental premises plus judgment of back rent, damages and court costs; granted.

Small Claims

Dispositions
 Terry Fox vs. Luke Kennedy, sought judgment of \$1,900 plus interest and court costs; claim denied.
 Barbara Bowman vs. Fred Ivy, sought judgment of \$2,000 plus interest and court costs; granted.
 Kansas City Peterbilt Inc. vs. Keeler Tractor Repair, sought judgment of \$4,000 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Andrew Bartell vs. Blair Wagner, sought judgment of \$1,000 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.
 Denison State Bank vs. Dennis DeVader, sought judgment of \$1,180.03 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Criminal

Dispositions
 State of Kansas vs. Jermaine A. Rayton, Topeka, criminal restraint, battery; dismissed.
 State of Kansas vs. Harley Evans, Holton, battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Jessica R. Odum, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Lisa A. Parker, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Joshua K. Robb, Delia, assault; diversion.
 State of Kansas vs. Michael R. Vega, Topeka, possession of marijuana; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Riley J. Bohannon, Topeka, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, speeding; diversion.
 State of Kansas vs. Edgar L. Lopez-Cardona, Topeka, aggravated failure to appear; dismissed.
 State of Kansas vs. Cody E. Simmons, Denton, failure to appear; sentenced to six months in jail and assessed court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Gregory R. Fisher, Sabetha, giving a worthless check; dismissed.
 State of Kansas vs. Gregory R. Fisher, Sabetha, giving a worthless check; dismissed.
 State of Kansas vs. Monica L. Keo, Horton, domestic battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.
 State of Kansas vs. Benjamin Hluz, Topeka, domestic battery; sentenced to one year in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$500 plus court costs.
Filed
 State of Kansas vs. Andrew T. Evans, Topeka, residential burglary, theft.
 State of Kansas vs. Stephanie S. Schilt, Topeka, aggravated assault.
 State of Kansas vs. Noel DeJesus-Vasquez, Topeka, theft.
 State of Kansas vs. Christy Bridgford, Osage City, theft.
 State of Kansas vs. Michelle K. Blasdel, Topeka, two counts of theft.
 State of Kansas vs. Alvin P. Horselooking, Horton, disorderly conduct.
 State of Kansas vs. Larry LaMee, Wetmore, possession of cocaine, possession of drug paraphernalia.

session of drug paraphernalia.
 State of Kansas vs. Aaron M. Griffith, Topeka, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.
 State of Kansas vs. Joshua R. Wilson, Atchison, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, no proof of insurance, improper stop lamps or turn signals.
 State of Kansas vs. Allin D. Taylor Jr., Holton, criminal trespass, intoxicated pedestrian.

Marriage Licenses

Bo P. Jewell, 23, Mayetta
 Angela N. Koon, 20, Mayetta
 Thomas P. Crawford, 35, Topeka
 Jacque S. Stewart, 37, Mayetta
 Nicholas W. O'Hara, 33, Hoyt
 Jessica L. Quimby, 28, Hoyt
 Danial A. Dunn, 20, Mayetta
 Amber M. Reed, 19, Mayetta

No contest plea entered in 9/17 chase case

A Horton man has entered a no-contest plea in Jackson County District Court to a felony charge of fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer in the Sept. 17 motorcycle chase through Holton after waiving a preliminary hearing on charges against him.
 During a hearing on Thursday morning, 39-year-old Jeremiah L. Lamberson entered the plea as part of an agreement that three other charges against him — felony obstruction of official duty, driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked and no proof of insurance — would be dismissed. Judge William Elliott set a sentencing date of Oct. 23 for Lamberson following the plea.
 Lamberson was arrested on Sept. 17 following a high-speed motorcycle chase through Holton that ended in Atchison County. He is currently being held at the Jackson County Detention Center with bond set at \$30,000.

Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller said after Thursday's hearing that Lamberson is also facing a warrant on "a really serious felony" in Florida, but did not specify the offense involved in that warrant. Miller also noted that the process is being expedited because Lamberson "just wants to get this over with" and take care of the matter in Florida.
 On Thursday, Elliott said Lamberson's charge of fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, a severity level 9 non-person felony, would carry a prison sentence of five to 17 months. It was reported that in this case, Lamberson may be eligible for presumptive probation.

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Sheriff's officers check recent accidents

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following accidents:
 ■ At 5:58 a.m. on Sept. 18, Jay Sims, 51, Holton, was driving east on Kansas Highway 116 near X Road when his vehicle struck a deer in the road. Sims' 2006 Ford sustained damage to its front right bumper, hood and front right quarter panel

that was listed at more than \$1,000.
 ■ At 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 19, Melissa Bell, 27, was driving north on S Road near 110th Road when her 2011 GMC struck a deer in the road. Bell's vehicle sustained damage all along its right side that was listed at more than \$1,000.
 ■ At 6:53 a.m. on Sept. 21, Deasha Stewart, 17, Mayetta, was

driving a 1997 Saturn east on 190th Road near R 4 Road when it hit some loose gravel in the road, struck a culvert and a fence post. The Saturn sustained damage to its rear bumper and rear right and left quarter panels that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene. The fence post was owned by Ronald Brownell of rural Mayetta.

Several arrests reported by deputies

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following arrests:
 ■ On Sept. 18, Brian Wooster, 43, Leavenworth, was arrested on two criminal warrants on charges of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 18, Judith Woods, 39, address unknown, was arrested on three criminal warrants on charges of motion to revoke probation.
 ■ On Sept. 18, Kimberly Manchester, 29, Hamlin, was arrested on a limited action warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 21, Tyler Seifert, 30, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 21, Angela Brown, 48, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation

charge.
 ■ On Sept. 22, Denise Whetham, 48, Ellinwood, was arrested on a limited action warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 23, Mark Poort, 55, Hoyt, was arrested on charges of cultivation of marijuana and possession of marijuana.
 ■ On Sept. 23, Ryan Glasscox, 21, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 23, Carol Frison, 59, Auburn, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 23, Brooks Brady, 28, Edmond, Okla., was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
 ■ On Sept. 24, Charlotte Pember-

ton, 30, Lawrence, was arrested on a criminal warrant on charges of aiding and abetting criminal trespass.
 ■ On Sept. 24, Todd Devlin, 32, Mayetta, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of bond revocation.

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 D. Heredia, MD - Oct 6, Oct 13, Oct 20

Pulmonary
 W. Leeds, MD - Oct 15

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See You At the Pole

Wednesday morning at Holton High School was a time for reflection and prayer as the school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter hosted the annual "See You At the Pole" observance around the HHS flagpole before classes began for the day. In the photo above, senior FCA captains Anne Bowser (left) and Alexis Sanchez led nearly 80 FCA members from Holton's high and middle schools in singing that morning. Shown from left to right in the photo at left are HHS sophomore AJ Haussler, senior FCA captain Justin Rieschick, FCA head faith coach Kurt Haussler, Bowser and Sanchez, with Rieschick leading a closing prayer.

Submitted photos

Arthur resigns as WRAPS coordinator

Melissa Arthur has resigned from her position as the coordinator for Delaware River WRAPS in order to accept a full-time position as the director of operations with Kansas Association for Conservation and Environmental Education (KACEE).

"In my new role with KACEE, I will continue to promote water education and WRAPS at the statewide level, but will deeply miss working with all of you to improve water quality in our watershed," Arthur said.

Arthur said she is working with WRAPS employees and the leadership team to "ensure a smooth transition to a new coordinator."

"If you currently have an active contract or pending application, rest assured that I will continue to process applications, contracts and payments throughout the fall until the new person is on board," she said.

Glacial Hills RC&D will be posting the Delaware River WRAPS coordinator position and will be accepting applications soon.

"The WRAPS program statewide is stronger than ever, and with support/oversight at the local level from Glacial Hills RC&D and an excellent

Stakeholder Leadership Team, the Delaware River WRAPS is well positioned for continued success," she said. "It has been my honor and great pleasure to serve in this position for the past two years. I have learned a lot, enjoyed getting to know all of you and feel proud of all we have accomplished together."

Death of Pott Co. woman under investigation

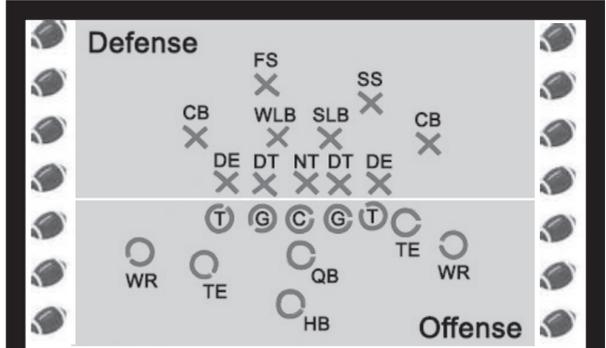
The Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Office continues to investigate the death of a 45-year-old Blaine woman after she was found dead on the side of the road in rural Wamego on Sept. 6.

According to Pottawatomie County Sheriff Greg Riat, the investigation is being conducted as a motor vehicle accident.

"The investigation to this point indicates the victim appears to have fallen from a moving vehicle, sustaining fatal injuries," Riat said in a press release. "No further details are available at this time."

At about 4:04 p.m. that Sunday, the sheriff's office received a 911 call reporting that a woman had been found lying in the road and was bleeding from the head near Macy Place Drive and Elm Slough Road.

The victim was later identified as Shannon Chebultz of Blaine. In a previous press release, Riat reported that Chebultz had been seen riding in a 2007 Chevrolet pickup with a male driver prior to the incident.



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MEMORIES

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5 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 27—Oct. 3, 2010

In 'Room E' at the new Highland Community College outreach campus in Holton, equipment once in use at the old Gary Hardy Dodge dealership and auto shop stands in place, ready to be used when HCC officials open up that part of the building for auto classes, it has been announced. The new campus opened its doors this fall to students.

Lester Arnold of Mayetta recently painted lettering on a window at the new location of Morrissey Law Office, Inc., which is owned by Alexandria Morrissey. The new location will be three doors down from her current office on the south side of the Holton Square.

Along the way to two state titles in the past 10 years, Holton High School's rushing offense has also made its mark in the national record books. The offense ranks are listed in the record books amongst all classes in all 50 states in the history of high school football, it was reported.

The Royal Valley High School track resurfacing project is in its final stages, and USD 337 Superintendent John Rundle estimates that the project will be finished by the end of October.

10 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 27—Oct. 3, 2005

In celebration of Jackson County's recent sesquicentennial event, several local mayors, commissioners and tribal council members helped to make quick work of a 24-inch by 54-inch, half-white, half-chocolate cake decorated with scenes from the county's past during the recent sesquicentennial celebration. Those helping with the cake included Jim Potter, Bev Kranz, Neale Sutton, Janet Zwonitzer and Lois Pelton. Teresa Scheidegger used edible rice paper to decorate the cake with historic photos and decorated the cake over a five-hour period and estimated that it could be cut into more than 300 slices.

Students and staff at Wetmore Academic Center returned to school this year to find some welcomed improvements to the facilities, it was reported. These improvements included new lighting and lowered ceilings in the classrooms, new carpeting and paint in the high school and a remodeled playground with new equipment and rock. Concrete in several sections of the sidewalk was also repaired or replaced.

Readers of *The Holton Recorder* now have the opportunity to purchase full-color reprints of the photos printed in the newspaper, it has been announced. *The Recorder* has contracted with the company "dot-Photo" to make the newspaper's photos available for sale online in their full-color splendor.

North Cedar Creek south of Denison was just one of many streams in Jackson County that left their banks on Oct. 2, after a series of thunderstorms dropped heavy rain on the area. One resident even spent many hours in a tree when Muddy Creek washed out his mobile home before his rescue. Also, an oak tree at the Fred and Karen Binkley home just south of Denison, estimated to be about 100 years old, toppled early Sunday morning onto Karen's car.

No injuries were reported, but there were many other rescues.

The buffalo and the sunflower, two of the symbols most often associated with Kansas, grace the "tails" side of the latest state quarter-dollar coin to be issued by the U.S. Mint - the nation's "first buffalo quarter," according to mint officials.

25 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 27—Oct. 3, 1990

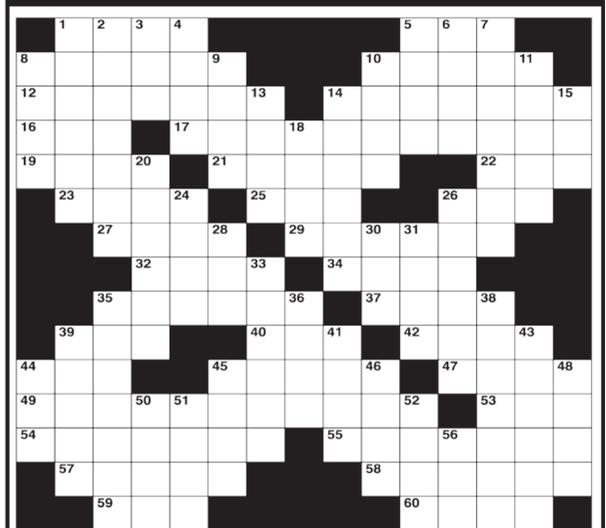
On Monday, Sept. 24, the Jackson County Commission passed a resolution to raise funds for a county-wide 911 emergency telephone system.

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- 19. A way to inform
- 21. A seal or signet
- 22. Tobacco smoke residue
- 23. Tai language branch
- 25. Set afire
- 26. Partridge Family's actress Susan
- 27. Canadian flyers
- 29. Faculties of perception
- 32. A light two-wheeled carriage
- 35. Appear with
- 37. Natives of Thailand
- 39. Hill (Celtic)
- 40. Runs PCs
- 42. Visualizes
- 44. Mistake
- 45. Riding horses
- 47. Point of purchase
- 49. Armless Aphrodite
- 53. Having negative qualities
- 54. Protective visual folds
- 55. Crystallized calcium carbonate mineral
- 57. Beach grains
- 58. One who presents a bond for payment
- 59. Car mechanics group

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Small paddle boats
- 2. Usual
- 3. Economic consumption
- 4. Without (French)
- 5. Powder mineral
- 6. Fleшы seed covering
- 7. Indicates
- 8. Stone lined grave
- 9. Feels remorse
- 10. Chemical structure
- 11. Decomposition
- 13. Morally base
- 14. Joins
- 15. Danish krone
- 18. Breastplate
- 20. Lesson reader in church
- 24. 1921 Turkish/Armenian Treaty
- 26. In a way, refutes
- 28. Zoftig
- 30. Fish, hair or inter
- 31. Mains
- 33. Fathers
- 35. Transparent eye membranes
- 36. Stray
- 38. Seafowl
- 39. 3 pip cards
- 41. Invests in little enterprises
- 43. Placards
- 44. 1st woman
- 45. Finds a sum
- 46. Thick piece of something
- 48. River in Hesse, Germany
- 50. Inner forearm bone
- 51. 1 of 2 contesting groups
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OPINION

Whiting Fire Festival was a good time

Things could not have gone much better, it seems, for the 2015 Whiting Fire Festival held on Saturday in the northeast part of the county.

The weather was picture-perfect beautiful, almost summer-like. The turnout for the car show was impressive. The parade was equally impressive and there was a good crowd on hand to enjoy it all.

There were some antique tractors on display and the garden tractor pull drew its own nice crowd, too. There was a petting zoo for kids and several other booths and displays.

Several Whiting High grads were back in town and there was lots of reminiscing at the community center.

And the food served for lunch at the fire station was all great, too. It was estimated that more than 500 people were served. The net amount raised for the fire department will be announced later.

There were many winners for

the many prizes given away that day.

Of the top prizes given away, Kyle Williams of Whiting won the rifle, Krista Dirking of Whiting won the glass-front hutch and Eric Ludlow of Whiting won the quilt.

It takes a lot of volunteers to successfully pull off a nice community event like the Whiting Fire Festival. Thanks to all those who pitched in and helped raise money for a good cause.

These town festivals of ours, like the one at Whiting, represent the best of small town living and longstanding Kansas values.

I don't think there's any way you can attend small-town events like these and not come away feeling good about your neighbors and friends. I know I did. The drive through the farm country, at fall harvest time, was beautiful, too.

To all the Whiting folks: You really put on a nice festival! Thanks!

David Powls

Windmills, barbed wire changed the Plains

By Jim Hoy

A drive through the Flint Hills these days (and for the past several years) reveals a dearth of windmills.

Once ubiquitous in Flint Hills pastures, these iconic machines have given way to watershed dams, ponds or wells pumped by solar power.

Windmills and barbed wire are the two major innovations that changed the face of the Great Plains. No longer were stock raisers dependent on springs and streams for livestock water, and barbed wire meant that bovine genetics could be upgraded by fencing thoroughbred bulls in and scrub bulls out of a cow herd. Goodbye open range, goodbye Texas Longhorn, welcome Hereford, Durham and Angus cattle.

Windmills and barbed wire were, however, labor-intensive innovations. Herding cattle horseback on the open range was not only symbolic of freedom ("Don't Fence Me In," as that old cowboy Cole Porter wrote in his song), but building and maintaining barbed wire fences is hard work.

So is pulling wells. A professional well driller might be engaged to sink the hole, but keeping that mill pumping water requires not only wind but vigilance on the part of the stock owner and his hired hands. Despite the occasional lull, wind is a reliable enough source of power on the plains to pump water — so long as the apparatus underground stays sound.

I well remember going with my father to pull wells when the water flowing from the pipe was barely trickling out despite a strong wind. First he (later, when I was older, we) had to rig a pulley high up onto the windmill tower. Then there was the unbolting of the well cover at the base. He would pull on the pulley to lift the pump, then he would place a device (I'm not sure what it was called) on the pipe that kept it from sliding back into the well.

After that he would wrap a small chain around the next piece of exposed pipe, attach the pulley hook onto it, and hoist the pipe out of the well. Once he came to where two pipes were screwed together, he had to separate them (which often required hitting the joint with a hammer to loosen the rust around the threads before they would break loose to the pull of the pipe wrenches), then repeat the process on the jet rod that ran inside the pipe.

Depending on the depth of the well, there could be three, four or more lengths of pipe before reaching

the cylinder. Later on he acquired a more dependable device (again, I don't know the name) that could be fastened onto the pipe, negating the need for the chain. Again depending on the depth of the well, this process had to be repeated several times before all the lengths of pipe were out into the open air.

If he found a hole in the pipe, he would wrap it with a section of rubber inner tube, then twist several bands of baling wire tightly around it to seal the hole. But if the leathers in the cylinder were the problem, then the cylinder had to be taken apart and the leathers replaced.

Once the repairs were made, the pipes were lowered into the well in reverse order, the jet rod reattached, the pump rebolted to the platform, the tail (vane) loosened so that the wheel faced into the wind, and water would again flow into the stock tank.

None of this takes into account the maintenance of the gears, which required climbing to the top of the tower (some of them very high indeed) with a bucket of oil to pour into the gear box. Fortunately, Dad decided that ponds were more reliable and less work than windmills, so by the time I was out of my teens, we were out of the windmill repair business.

I'm not exactly nostalgic for these old machines, but I do miss drinking that cold, clean water that issued from the pipe.

Note: Jim Hoy of Emporia of co-author of the Plains Folk column.



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In the Matter of the Estate of MARVA JEAN WILLIAMSON, Deceased.

Case No. 15 PR 24

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on September 23, 2015, a Petition was filed in this Court by Valerie Elaine Williamson, Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Marva Jean Williamson, deceased, dated April 5, 2012, praying the instrument attached thereto be admitted to probate and records as the Last Will and Testament of the decedent; and

Letters Testamentary be issued to Executor to serve without bond.

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course upon the Petition.

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Valerie Elaine Williamson,
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OBITUARIES

Jackson County Senior Citizens



Schnacker

Leland W. Schnacker, 74, Mayetta, died Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015, at his home.

He was born Jan. 9, 1941, at Willard, the son of Everett and Virgie Estabrook Schnacker. He graduated from Silver Lake High School in 1959.

Mr. Schnacker served as a medic in the U.S. Army in the 1960s. He worked at Goodyear Tire and Rubber for 35 years and was a farmer and stockman.

He was a member of Hoyt United Methodist Church and Steel Workers Local 307 in Topeka.

He married Carol Diane Hannay on May 22, 1964, at Lowman Hill United Methodist Church in Topeka. She died Aug. 8, 2011. He also was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert Schnacker.

Survivors include a son, David Schnacker, Mayetta; three daughters, Caren Schnacker and Traci Schnacker, both of Hoyt, and Shelli Vanwagoner and husband Richard, Topeka; two brothers, Darold Schnacker and wife Catherine, Meriden, and Cecil Schnacker and wife Judy, Topeka; a sister, Arliss Douglass, Topeka; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at Hoyt United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Hoyt Cemetery. Mr. Schnacker will lie in state Wednesday at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hoyt, where family and friends will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. *Holton Recorder 9/28/15*

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When submitting obituaries to be printed in *The Holton Recorder*, we request that obituaries be sent by the mortuary or funeral home handling the funeral arrangements. Have the mortuary or funeral home contact us at (785) 364-3141 or e-mail holton-recorder@embarqmail.com for more information.

Also, when submitting obituaries to *The Recorder*, please remember that survivors listed in free obituaries are limited to those who are related to the deceased either by blood or by marriage. "Companions," "special friends," "life partners," pets and godparents do not fit into either category. However, if you would like the names of non-relatives to be printed with the obituary, call *The Recorder* to make arrangements for a paid obituary.

Prairie View...

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people at least 55 years of age. Plans are for the complex to be built as 10 duplexes and three four-plexes, it was reported.

Each of the 32 units is designed with modern appliances, senior-friendly amenities, a concrete safe room and a private entry with a porch area, with some of the units designed to have a single-car garage and a private patio, it was reported. The complex will also have a community center that features exercise equipment, a computer center with internet access, a library and an activity area to encourage seniors to stay active.

Successful lease applicants will have annual contracts, it was reported, and rent is determined by gross annual income, which cannot exceed 60 percent of the area's median income. Income guidelines for residents are set at no more than \$27,600 for a one-person household, \$31,500 for two, \$35,460 for three and \$39,360 for four.

Local, state and federal resources — including \$5.6 million in housing revenue bonds approved by the Holton City Commission — are being used to build the complex, it was reported. More information on Prairie View Senior Residences may be found at www.homesteadks.org or by calling the Homestead office in Holton at 364-0110.

Brenner

Anthony Brenner, 65, Soldier, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, at Horton Hospital.

He was born Aug. 27, 1950, in Topeka, the son of Florene Brenner Scott. He attended Soldier High School.

Mr. Brenner worked for the City of Soldier for 35 years as a meter reader and did odd jobs for people in the Soldier community. He also mowed, including the cemetery, was a janitor at Soldier United Methodist Church and took items to the auction east of Atchison.

He was a member of Soldier United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a brother, James "Leon" Scott, Topeka; an uncle, Calvin "Warren" Brenner, Topeka; and several cousins, including Cindy Keeler and husband Steve, Tulsa, Okla. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn Junod.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Inurnment will follow in Soldier Cemetery. Family will greet friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Soldier Community Center, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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By Dan Mehringer

Due to Suzy's surgery, we did not eat at the senior citizens center much in July. The news for that month is sparse.

Ellen Durst is always so willing to provide us with music. On July 1, she played patriotic songs. We are glad to see Mary Edwards back at the center. Also on July 10, Carol McCann was back. Jeff Huntington was a guest at the center on July 8.

Now for the July birthdays: Virginia Thornburg, Liz McGranahan, Harold Reamer, Marilyn Seeger, Donna Beam, Marge Gilliland, Reva Plummer, Gwyn Hinman and Thelma Dick. I apologize for being so late with the birthdays. Even though the greetings are not timely, we still wish each of them a happy birthday!

We were saddened to hear of the death of Alice Ash in August. We want to let her family know that our thoughts and prayers are with them in this time of sorrow. We would like to extend condolences to Mary Lou Stous at the death of her brother, Carl Bohnenkemper.

We're all happy to see Suzy Mehringer (my wife) back at the center again. She now has her hip replacement behind her. On Aug. 5, George Rees was a guest. A group played Bunco on Aug. 6.

On Aug. 7, we were happy to

see Richard Dugan. Also on that date, Ann Brazda had guests. They included Mike Brazda, Ann's son, and Mary Phillips, her daughter. Also present were Ryan Phillips and Shelby Phillips, who is Ann's granddaughter. As always, we enjoyed having them as guests.

On Aug. 11, we played bingo and as usual the chocolate bars were highly sought after.

On Aug. 12, we were shown the piano that was donated by Julia Roggers. We are so glad to get it, as the one that has been at the center is beyond repair. We were privileged to hear Aletha Williams and Ellen Durst play a duet on the pianos. We thank them for the music.

Keith and Connie Gilliland were also guests on Aug. 12.

On Aug. 13, Mark Banks was a guest of Rose Smith.

On Aug. 18, Rebecca Schuppener was a guest at the center.

On Aug. 19, it was announced that Amanda Spalding has been hired at the new director for the center. Congratulations, Amanda. Neva Heiselman was in the hospital for few days in August. We were glad to see her back at the center after she was released.

We were happy to see Wanola Buss at the center on Aug. 20. Pat James was also there that day. We

learned that Lenora Ball was in the hospital.

On Aug. 28, we had several guests. Mellisa Hill and Allen Chase were at the center for lunch. Also, Barry and Sandy Flohrschutz joined us for lunch.

I talked to a person who just started coming to the center for lunch. She said that she was so happy that she started coming. She was impressed at the food and enjoys the interaction

which occurs at the center. We both agreed that the center is important in our lives and that it is the source of joy.

And now for the August birthdays: Donna Tudor, Ed Hayes, David Gilbert, Ann Brazda, Phyllis Wilson, Ellen Durst, Dennis Hutchinson, Leann Decker and my (star reporter) Suzy Mehringer. A great big belated birthday to each of them.

Until next time...

Arts group discusses plans for future events

Jackson County Arts met Monday, Sept. 21, at the Beck-Bookman Library in Holton. Those present were Kathleen Cobb, Linda Brownlow, Sandy Studebaker-Gilbert, Marilyn Spiker, Suzette McCord-Rogers and Katie Morris.

The minutes were read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was given. McCord-Rogers reported she has received all of the bills from advertising the art walk. The club will use remaining grant money to advertise the November Second Saturday event.

Regarding old business, McCord-Rogers said she is going to talk to a friend about translating "May Peace Prevail on Earth" into the Prairie Band Potawatomi language.

During the Second Saturday event in November, club members will be showing and selling artwork and handmade items at the Hutchins

Building from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Artists are invited to display one or two winter or Christmas-themed works of art. The set up time will be announced in October.

New business included a discussion over prize money for open class winners in the fair.

Club members agreed to give the amateur grand champion and reserve grand champion (ages 19 to 64) prizes next year.

The meeting was adjourned. Cobb presented a program on photography. Cobb said she tends to think "Would I paint it?" when she looks at photos. She likes to take pictures of the same scene horizontally and vertically so she can choose when she has time to reflect.

Cobb showed several examples of how a slight angle change can really affect a photo.

The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Oct. 19 at the library.

Memories...

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The system would allow all county residents to dial 911 and be immediately connected to an emergency dispatcher.

A memorial honoring all women who have served in the military since the Spanish-American War has been approved by Congress. The memorial will be located in Washington, D.C., and will include a computer register with the names, records of service, photos and memorable experiences of each woman's service time available for public view. Dorothy Rogers of Holton is among those women invited to register for this memorial. Rogers is a former Marine.

Wetmore High School's "Sound Sensations" musical group performed the pre-game show and sang the National Anthem before the Royals game at Royals Stadium in Kansas City on Friday, Sept. 21. The group was selected to perform after it sent tapes of previous performances to officials in charge of entertainment at the stadium.

Local hospital and emergency per-

sonnel hosted a two-hour emergency demonstration event on Friday, Sept. 21. The demonstrations included an intravenous tube, JAWS and a tour of the ambulance and the Holton City Hospital emergency room.

If all goes as planned, a new toy store in Holton will operate for only one day before going out of business. The Toy Store, which will be operated by the Jackson County Ministerial Alliance, NEK-CAP and the Salvation Army, will make available Christmas gifts to needy families, it was reported.

Wayne Leiker has been announced as the new funeral director manager at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Holton.

50 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 27—Oct. 3, 1965

This week is National 4-H Club Week, and six girls are among the top county representatives for Jackson County. Among these girls, 10 purple ribbons were won at the Mid-

American and Hutchinson fairs. The girls are Dee Barrow, Sharon Barrow, Anna Beightel, Mary Proctor, Janet Pugh and Diane Fisher.

The heavy rains of a week ago were not all bad for Holton. Water lapped over the spillway of the Prairie Lake reservoir, which is the first time the lake has been to spillway level since the spillway was raised. Surface area of the lake is now the greatest since it was constructed in 1948, it was reported.

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, the Holton distribution crew laid a new four-inch water line on Fifth Street between Montana and Idaho avenues. The new line loops the service in the block and should increase water pressure.

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Sunday: Fellowship & Waffles: 8:15 a.m.-8:45 a.m.
Sunday school: 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
Prayer Circle: 9:30 a.m.-9:50 a.m.
Worship service - 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study - 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

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Rev. Howard Sudduth
Sunday: 9 a.m. Morning worship service
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Wildcat running back Justin Pool (shown above, middle) gets some blocks from teammates Justin Wells (#76) and Will Wright (#9) while trying to knife his way through the middle of the Red Hawk defense on Friday night. Pool and the rest of the HHS backfield helped the team build up a big lead on the way to a 34-6 victory in Hiawatha.

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

RVHS football rolls in win over McLouth

While the Royal Valley football team may be falling into a pattern of starting slow, it's clear the Panthers can wrap a game up in a hurry as the team cruised to its second straight blowout victory in McLouth on Friday.

Despite a fumble on the Panthers' first possession, they quickly put that behind them and raced out to a 40-6 lead by halftime before securing a 46-12 victory.

"I keep wanting to start with better execution, but we're coming out pretty strong and I think we're expected to be successful early and often, and that's a good feeling," RV coach Jake Lott said.

After that early turnover, the Royal Valley defense locked things down and forced a quick three and out by the Bulldogs. When Royal Valley got the ball back, Noah Ensley scooted in for a touchdown to give the visitors a 7-0 lead they would never relinquish.

Royal Valley's defense continued to deliver, as Lott noted the unit has been stout in not allowing much on the ground or through the air over the past couple of weeks. On top of that, the unit scored its first touchdown of the season on Friday as lineman Jarrett Roy recovered a fumble and got into the end zone for the team's next score.

Quarterback Zack Lux then got into the end zone for the Panthers to give the team a 21-0 lead in the first quarter. Noah Hart scored shortly into the second quarter to extend the team's lead, but the Bulldogs answered and scored their first points with five and a half minutes left in the first half to make it 28-6.

Scoring quickly proved to be no problem for Royal Valley on Friday, either, as Derrick Barger returned the ensuing kickoff 76 yards for a touchdown and once more before halftime from 25 yards out.

"As far as stats and all that, it wasn't the most impressive night, but it was just one where we went in, took advantage of opportunities

and we executed when we had to," Lott said of the offense. "I thought it was a complete team effort. We scored on defense, scored on special teams and then obviously the offense got it going, too. It's a win that you can look all the way around and say we're executing at a pretty high level.

Another special teams play set up the Panthers final score, as Hart fell on a blocked punt and then ran in for his second touchdown of the night on the following offensive possession. While McLouth added another six points, it was too little and too late as Royal Valley was well on its way to a 46-12 victory.

The defense continued to hold the Bulldogs in check thanks to some continued strong play by the linebackers, as well as defensive ends Jacob Box and Trent Terrel. With a large lead, Lott was also able to get some young players some valuable experience and rest some athletes who see a lot of time on the field for Royal Valley, like those linebackers and ends.

In the end, it didn't matter who was on the field for the Panthers as the team put together a complete effort and really seems to be moving in the right direction, according to Lott.

"Everybody did a very good job effort-wise and then they did a pretty good job executing their assignments. As a team, I thought we played together, we played a fairly complete ball game and it's something to build on," Lott said. "Instead of maybe having a let down, I thought we came out and did what we were supposed to do, and that's good to see."

Royal Valley (3-1) will look to keep its momentum rolling as the team returns home this week to face Big Seven foe Riverside on Friday. Game time is set for 7 p.m. in Hoyt.

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RV: 21-19-6-0-46
McL.: 0-6-0-6-12
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Holton football uses big first half to secure road win at Hiawatha

From the way the game started on Friday, it looked like the Holton football team was primed to open up and roll to a big victory on the road in Hiawatha.

While the Wildcats took a commanding 27-0 lead into halftime, they got bogged down in a quagmire in the second half as sloppy play persisted in the final two quarters, though Holton remained in control on the way to a 34-6 victory.

Those second half woes seemed to be indicative of a pattern the offense has fallen into early this season, as the Wildcats continually take two steps forward and one step back. That's something HHS coach Brooks Barta said his team has to overcome.

"We knew going into the game we probably weren't there because some days we were having a hard time being responsible for all our blocking assignments and responsibilities," Barta said. "One thing when you see a lot of different defenses against what we do is we're going to make some mistakes early and hopefully here in the next couple of weeks, by the time districts roll around, we know how to block everything, become more consistent and make fewer mistakes."

Penalties continued to hamper Holton in Friday's league game as they slowed down what looked like an otherwise explosive and unstoppable group that took the field.

Right away, Justin Rieschick took the opening kickoff and returned it all the way for a would-be touchdown 15 seconds into the game. That score was

negated, though, by a block in the back penalty. A few plays later, Spencer Baum officially put the Wildcats on the scoreboard with a seven-yard touchdown run.

While Hiawatha showed off its penchant for converting third and longs on its first drive, Holton eventually forced a punt and wasted no time getting back in the end zone.

On the second play of the Wildcats' next offensive series, Baum broke free again, this time for a 30-yard score that gave the visitors an early 14-0 lead. Baum and the number of weapons Holton has in the backfield proved to be a strength for the team on Friday.

"I think we do have a lot of depth and speed at our running back position and that's an advantage if somebody forces you into a perimeter game and, with what they did defensively, they were begging us to run to the perimeter. That's pretty important as to keep a defense a little bit spread out," Barta said.

After numerous penalties hindered both teams on their next possessions (ending in a failed fourth down for Holton and a turnover for Hiawatha), the Wildcats got rolling again after Rieschick came up with a big interception on the defensive end.

Justin Pool looked to break another big play for the offense with a 68-yard touchdown run on the first offensive play following the pick, but once again the score was wiped away on a penalty.

In the long run, it didn't seem to slow down the offense in the slightest as Rieschick then connected with

tight end Austin Frakes for a 38-yard pass play on third and long and Pool then got his touchdown from 39 yards out to put Holton up by three scores shortly into the second quarter.

"I think we've got dangerous receivers at tight end and Justin (Rieschick) throws the ball well, so I think it's something people have to think about defensively," Barta said of Holton's passing game.

Rieschick then kept it on the ground and sprinted up the middle for a 34-yard touchdown on Holton's next possession, while the defense continued to keep the Red Hawks in check.

The Wildcats shut down a couple of fourth down attempts by Hiawatha on back-to-back possessions and Barta noted the unit was playing assignment-sound football for the most part in the first half. The defensive line also stepped up and made some much-needed big plays to help contain the Red Hawk offense on Friday.

With five linemen injured and on the sideline, execution was at a premium in the game against Hiawatha. That faltered in the second half, with players trying too hard and not finishing tackles, but Barta noted the defense showed some progress in the first half.

In its final drive of the first half, Holton couldn't quite match its earlier success in the passing game. Still, the Wildcats had a chance for a field goal. That attempt was blocked, but the visitors remained ahead 27-0 at the break.

Barta noted the focus at halftime

centered on player responsibilities and making fewer mistakes and some of that got lost in the sluggish second half. Defensively, there were some breakdowns that allowed Hiawatha to keep moving the ball, but the Wildcats managed to allow just one score in the fourth quarter.

That followed a quick touchdown run by Will Wright to start the second half for Holton and while that unit didn't see the field too often in the second half, the coach noted it put together a nice drive in the end to take time off the clock on the way to a 34-6 victory.

It might not have been perfect, but Barta noted the Wildcats are getting better and after a rough start to the season the coach noted he wants to maintain that pattern moving forward.

"Winning's always important. We're used to winning. It's tough for us to get a couple close losses early in the season, but I don't think our focus ever changes," Barta said. "We're competing against ourselves, especially at this time of the season where we're trying to prepare ourselves to be successful in districts and the playoffs."

The Wildcats (2-2) could learn a lot about how ready they are for the postseason as the team faces a big challenge in its homecoming game this week, welcoming in undefeated Nemaha Central for a 7 p.m. league contest this Friday.

Sept. 25, 2015
HHS: 14-13-7-0-34
Hiaw.: 0-0-0-6-6
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HHS volleyball challenged in Wamego

Holton's volleyball team seemingly hopped out of the frying pan and into the fire on Saturday as the Wildcats traded one tough tournament for another.

After traveling to the Seaman Invitational tournament in years past, HHS coach Janelle Noel and her team switched it up this fall and headed back west to Wamego after competing in Rossville the previous weekend.

While the coach noted she felt the Wamego tournament would be competitive as well, she also admitted the Wildcats were a little disappointed in where they finished when all was said and done. Holton wound up playing in the consolation bracket, fell in its first match against Jeff West and finished eighth at the 10-team tournament.

The day started out rough for HHS as the team came out in a funk against a Riley County team it had already defeated on the opening night of the season. This time around, despite having a personnel advantage in Noel's eyes, nothing seemed to go right for the Wildcats and the Falcons prevailed in three sets.

"I'm not sure what was going on, if we weren't awake or what was happening, but that was a tough game for us for some reason," Noel said.

Following that, Holton faced off against Santa Fe Trail. While the Chargers don't have the height they've had in the past, Noel noted they were nonetheless just as aggressive on the attack.

Santa Fe Trail kept hitting and communicating and Holton had a tough time getting started and could never get into rhythm offensively in another three-set loss.

After a break, the Wildcats came back to face off against the host Red Raiders. For the third straight match, Holton went the full three sets, but this time the team was able to pull out a victory.

Noel noted her team relaxed in the second set after taking the first, but the Wildcats played possibly their best set of the day to close out the win.

"We just finally put together a whole game, got up and played, hit the ball,

pushed the pace and did a great job with that one," Noel said.

The momentum seemed to carry over, as Holton swept Mission Valley in straight sets, but it ended after that as the team faced its third familiar opponent in consolation bracket play.

Going up against Jeff West just four days after the teams' previous meeting, it looked like things were going Holton's way once again. Despite playing well, a couple of errors proved costly in the end and allowed the Tigers to pull out a win in three sets. This highlighted the inconsistencies that plagued Holton throughout the weekend.

"As a team, either we were on and we were doing well or we struggled a little bit and had quite a few net errors," Noel said. "I'm glad we're being aggressive and attacking it at the net, but at the same time we have to be really smart."

Overall, Noel noted it was a rollercoaster day for HHS, which was part of a longer ride that the Wildcats have been stuck on for a couple of weeks. While injuries and illness have played a part in that, the coach noted she is also trying to maximize the potential of this roster and there could be some bumps along the way.

"I think right now we're trying to find where we are most consistent because it has been up and down these last two weeks. We started off pretty strong, but these last couple of weeks we've really been struggling," Noel said.

Hayley Thompson had another strong day and it seems that as she goes, so goes the Holton offense, while the defense continued to put forth a strong group effort over the weekend. The team may have some wrinkles to iron out, but they are certainly not lacking for playmakers.

Execution and making those plays are critical to the team's success, though, and something Noel hopes her team can see after the performance in the Wamego tournament.

"Anybody can win on any given day, any given match depending on which team shows up and wants it more," Noel said. "Hopefully our girls

can see that and be really prepared for anybody these next couple of weeks and they are there, they show up and they are ready to play."

Holton (14-9) will have another busy week, with six matches in four days, starting at home against Tonganoxie and KC Christian tonight (Monday) and in Hiawatha on Tuesday. Action will start at 5 p.m. on both nights.

Wamego Invitational Pool play

- A
- Wamego def. Mission Valley: 25-16 and 25-12
- Wamego def. Riley County: 25-17 and 25-18
- Wamego def. Santa Fe Trail: 25-18 and 25-14
- Riley County def. Mission Valley: 25-9 and 25-18
- Riley County def. Santa Fe Trail: 25-16, 12-25 and 25-23
- Santa Fe Trail def. Mission Valley: 25-7, 22-25 and 25-16
- Holton def. Wamego: 25-20, 22-25 and 25-10
- Holton def. Mission Valley: 25-15 and 25-18
- Riley County def. Holton: 25-10, 18-25 and 25-20
- Santa Fe Trail def. Holton: 25-17, 22-25 and 25-21

- B
- Rock Creek def. Nemaha Central: 25-27, 25-22 and 25-17
- Rock Creek def. William Chrisman: 25-14 and 25-11
- Rock Creek def. Circle: 25-22 and 25-22
- Rock Creek def. Jeff West: 25-10 and 25-21
- Circle def. Nemaha Central: 25-16, 21-25 and 25-20
- Circle def. William Chrisman: 25-15 and 25-20
- Circle def. Jeff West: 25-15, 18-25 and 25-18
- Nemaha Central def. William Chrisman: 25-18 and 25-18
- Nemaha Central def. Jeff West: 25-17 and 26-24
- Jeff West def. William Chrisman: 25-27, 25-14 and 25-14

Seventh-place game
Jeff West def. Holton: 25-15, 16-25 and 26-24

Fifth-place game

Santa Fe Trail def. Nemaha Central: 25-13 and 25-16

Semifinals
Circle def. Wamego: 25-21 and 25-16
Rock Creek def. Riley County: 25-20, 18-25 and 27-25

Third-place game
Riley County def. Wamego: 23-25, 25-18 and 27-25

Championship
Circle def. Rock Creek: 25-21 and 25-17



Holton's Will Wright (shown above, at left) makes an open-field tackle early in Friday's game at Hiawatha. Despite some sloppy play in the second half, the Wildcats maintained a lead throughout on the way to a road victory.

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

Cobras rally to take down Oskaloosa

As the late Yogi Berra would say, "It was déjà vu all over again" for the Jackson Heights football team on the road in Oskaloosa on Friday night, as the Cobras started slow and were looking up at a deficit when the team entered its locker room at halftime.

Unlike its previous road contest against Maur Hill, this one had a more pleasant ending as Heights dominated the second half on the way to a 40-24 victory over the Bears.

"We moved the ball up and down the field in the first half and came away with eight points, but we had an interception in the red zone. We had a fumble that they got and we go into halftime down 16-8," JH coach Caleb Wick said, "but I really thought the kids came together and they grinded it out."

"We got on them at halftime and they came out and they responded the right way. We got the ball and took it right down and scored the first drive. That was key for us to do as well," Wick said.

The Cobras seemingly fell into every trap Wick warned his players about leading up to Friday's game, but he credited them for finding their resolve in the second half.

Jackson Heights protected the ball

in the second half and that early stretch in the third quarter proved to be crucial as well, with the Cobra defense responding after the offensive score. The unit forced a quick three and out and Heights found the end zone quickly again to take a 24-16 lead.

"In the second half, we finished drives," Wick said. "I thought our line came off the ball a lot better and I thought our running backs ran a lot harder there in the second half. Overall, I think we wore them down a little bit there in the second half because a four or five-yard gain was turning into 30 or 60-yard gains."

While the game turned back into a back and forth battle a little bit following the Cobras' second score in the second half, the team picked up two key touchdowns in the fourth quarter that helped the team secure a big league win over Oskaloosa.

Jackson Heights executed better in the second half and had no turnovers in the final two quarters, while the defense minimized the damage the Bears did, especially Wyatt Olberding, who finished with 22 tackles in the game.

"He was everywhere defensively and it was a strength for us because that offense is tough to stop," Wick said.

Wick also credited the offensive line's improved effort in the second half as a big part of the team's success, while the Cobras showed some mental and physical toughness with a collective Jordan-esque effort. In fact, this game might go down as Jackson Heights' "flu game" as Wick noted several players were puking on the sideline throughout the night.

Going into a bye week, that win was crucial for the Cobras and Wick believes his team will get a lot from it as the Cobras now prepare for the start of district play when they return to action.

"I think it's huge for us, mentally and physically, going into the bye week," Wick said. "They were a 3-0 football team and they won three road games. That was their first home game, so we knew they were going to come out hot and come out on fire. We withstood the initial surge that they had and we were able to prevail there and wear them down in the second half."

That game taught the Cobras how to play on the road, Wick said, and it should provide a big confidence boost for the team after outscoring the Bears 32-8 in the second half to pick up the win.

Now, Jackson Heights (3-1) will prepare for its first district game against Valley Falls. That game will be hosted by the Dragons on Friday, Oct. 9.

Sept. 25, 2015
Jackson Heights 40, Oskaloosa 24
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Royal Valley runners (shown above, from left to right) Zach Wahweotten, Kwaki Spoonhunter, Devon Hale, Ninahii Frisby, Masen Spoonhunter and Lucas Broxterman take off at the start of the boys varsity race at the Panthers' home meet last Thursday. Both the boys and girls had a lot of success as a group, with both teams finishing as runner-up overall.

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

Panther CC runners excel at home meet

Running on its home course in Hoyt City Park on Thursday, the Royal Valley cross country team was actually a little anxious prior to the meet, according to head coach Keith Pelton.

Competing in front of friends and family added some nerves to the equation, which is never a good mix, but the coach reminded his runners before the meet of the work they'd put in on the course, the familiarity they had with the layout and the advantage that would give them. Pelton's message must have gotten through and helped relax his team, too, as the RVHS runners went on to clock some of their best times of the season and both teams finished second overall at the their home meet.

In particular, Pelton said the Panthers' training on the back hill just before the finish line paid off as the team has done a lot of work on that stretch over the course of the season.

Work like that is something the RVHS runners are starting to really dive into as they see the results in competition. That is especially helping the girls, Pelton said.

While Kaytlyn Gooderl has been a model of consistency this fall, other runners have battled injuries or overcome late starts and are starting to following in her footsteps. In particular, Katie Hanshaw and Kiiko Thomas have come on strong as both joined Gooderl in the top 10 on Thursday.

"I think they're buying in to what we're trying to do," Pelton said. "It doesn't mean they always like it, but they do it and understand the reasoning behind it. They start seeing a little success; they start understanding and they're a little bit more willing to accept those different things." Injuries continue to hamper some

runners and, if push came to shove, Pelton said those runners would compete, but the coach would rather be safe than sorry at this point in the season.

With some young runners stepping up in a big way for the boys, Pelton can afford to take those precautions. Sophomore Garrett Hicks led the Panther boys again on Thursday, placing fifth individually, and he was joined in the top 10 by teammates Kwaki Spoonhunter (seventh) and Ninahii Frisby (ninth).

Spoonhunter, a senior, has been around the block and has done a good job leading by example this season, but Pelton also credited fellow senior Arrow Levier's input while being sidelined by injury as having a big impact on the first-year runners.

"He's frustrated now because he can't run, but he's really good with the younger kids, explains some things to them with his experience," Pelton said. "He's more willing to get out there and talk to them and give them some pointers here and there, especially on the courses they haven't run before."

"He's been great with them. I think what he's been doing so far has been valuable to those younger kids," Pelton said.

If the Panthers could crack the top three in the individual standings, Pelton knows they would be in even better shape competitively, but he said he will also take the top-10 finishes if his runners continue to push each other in practice while still understanding their objective as a team in meets.

"There's that good competition within the squad, but they know on meet day they're all pushing for each other because it looks good for the team," Pelton said.

Royal Valley will look to keep the team success going as it gets

ready for a big meet in Horton this Thursday starting at 4 p.m.

The Holton High School cross country team was also in action in Hoyt last Thursday and while the team was plagued with injuries going into the meet, everybody who did compete put forth a stellar effort, according to coach Darin Stous.

"Everybody who was running, I think, set new personal records," Stous said. "They had a very strong day."

Only seven varsity runners competed for the Wildcats, as 10 team members were held out of competition with a noticeable rash of ankle injuries sweeping through the Wildcats in the past week.

Despite those unfortunate circumstances for Holton, the excellent conditions and competition seemed to bring out the best in those runners who did race on Thursday.

"I think a lot of that had to do with it just being that nice of a day and the kids being able to get out and run. I think it was the schools that were there, too. They felt like they matched up pretty well with the schools that were there," Stous said.

The coach hopes the runners can now keep that momentum moving forward, especially as the team prepares for the Perry-Lecompton Invitational, which will be held at the same site (Lake Perry Country Club) as the Big Seven League meet. Perry's meet will start at 4 p.m. on Thursday.

Royal Valley Invitational

Boys team results:
1. St. Marys Academy 54, 2. Royal Valley 67, 3. Sabetha 68, 4. Jackson Heights 77, 5. Santa Fe Trail 101, 6. Cornerstone 133, (Holton- N/A)
Boys individual results:
1. K. Cox (Sab.) 17:33.7, 2. Cancelada (St. A.) 3. Trego (SFT), 4. Childs (St. A.), 5. Hicks (RV) 18:31.25, 6. Roark (Corner.), 7. K. Spoonhunter

(RV) 18:44.25, 8. B. Cox (Sab.), 9. Frisby (RV) 18:55.79, 10. Williams (St. A.)

Other RVHS results:
20. M. Spoonhunter 19:45.95, 27. D. Hale 20:06.96, 29. Wahweotten 20:17.06, 31. Broxterman 20:46.74

JHHS results:
13. Pino 19:14.95, 14. Chartier 19:18.38, 15. Fritz 19:19.03, 17. L. Holliday 19:36.59, 18. Fund 19:37.12, 19. Marshall 19:39.7, 21. Mavrovich 19:49.5

HHS results:
26. Marriott 19:58.6, 41. Chanay 22:45.61

Girls team results:
1. Kaw Valley 36, 2. Royal Valley 39, 3. Cornerstone 59, 4. Holton 76, (Jackson Heights- N/A)

Girls individual results:
1. Honeyman (SFT) 18:57.21, 2. Holloway (Corner.), 3. Little (JH) 20:46.61, 4. Hurla (KV), 5. Schuette (Sab.), 6. Gooderl (RV) 21:47.24, 7. Meyer (Sab.), 8. Bittner (KV), 9. Hanshaw (RV) 22:23.41, 10. K. Thomas (RV) 22:36.98

Other RVHS results:
22. Koon 25:52.04, 23. Bowden 26:40.22, 27. Jimeno-Domenguez 27:59.1, 28. S. Moore 28:16, 32. K. Moore 30:53.19

Other JHHS results:
19. Cattrell 25:05.15, 21. Rieschick 25:35.91

HHS results:
18. Hundley 24:50.36, 25. Iverson 27:38.27, 26. Robinson 27:52.79, 30. Myers 29:04.01, 31. Pevan 29:10.62

Boys JV individual results:
1. Jacobsen (JH) 19:34.7, 3. Pruyser (RV) 20:25.34, 4. Herrera (JH) 20:53.58, 5. Brenner (JH) 20:54.06, 6. Dohl (JH) 21:05.71, 7. Tr. Binkley (JH) 21:09.75, 8. Fox (JH) 21:22.52, 10. Zbierski (RV) 21:51.64, 11. Duryea (JH) 21:52.6, 12. McAlister (RV) 22:01.49, 16. Ty Binkley (JH) 22:30.82, 18. Ahlgren (JH) 23:32.06, 23. Kennedy (JH) 26:08.59, 25. Reed (JH) 26:54.83, 27. Martinez (JH) 27:44.87, 29. Mandala (JH) 36:19

JHHS cross country team continues to progress

Once again, the Jackson Heights cross country team proved to be a nearly inseparable group on the course at last Thursday's meet in Hoyt.

While it didn't translate to the same type of success as the Cobras had in Onaga, being a smaller meet, there were still plenty of positives for the team to take away.

"I thought we competed at a pretty high level. A lot of our kids ran their best times that they've ever run in their careers," JH coach Brad Alley said.

For the third week in a row, the JHHS boys stuck together like glue throughout the varsity race and the top seven Cobra runners were separated by just eight places and 25 seconds overall.

More importantly, though, Brad Alley noted that all seven varsity runners and individual JV champion Westin Jacobsen met a key benchmark in last Thursday's race.

"That was one of our goals early in the year is I wanted our varsity boys under 20 minutes and we had eight kids under 20 minutes," Alley said. "That's just fantastic. I'm happy with our progress with that."

Jacobsen raced his way onto the varsity squad for the next meet, which Alley said will only foster more competition amongst a very tight bunch in the following week of practice.

Alley credits the commitment the runners have made in practice as a major factor to their success. While the Cobra boys may still be without

a front runner, it is something that becomes less of a problem the closer the runners get to one another, which will also benefit the team in larger meets later in the season.

"We have an identity. That's the big thing. So many times, you can go through a season and not know who you are. We know who we are. We know we don't have anybody in the top 10," Alley said. "Our goals are postseason and we feel like that if we continue to progress, we're going to give ourselves a chance and put ourselves in position to achieve our postseason goals."

"You'd still like to have someone up there in the front, every team would, but that's not our identity right now. We've kind of got a mentality about ourselves and I like it and I like the fact that we're competing at a high level," Alley said.

The closest thing the JHHS boys have to a front runner is an evolving, three-headed monster of sophomore runners Andrew Pino, Dalton Chartier and Xavier Fritz pushing each other to be the number one runner for Jackson Heights each week.

Chartier and Pino were two runners Alley expected to be at the top for the team, but Fritz has come on strong recently, too, and once again Alley attributes that success to how he practices.

"Did I expect him to be my number three runner? No, I didn't, but I thought he'd be in our top five for sure. "He's performed really well," Alley said. "I can't stress enough that when kids practice well, it translates. He continues to practice well and he's putting himself in position to find success there."

Lane Holliday, Ethan Fund, Steven Marshall and Mark Mavrovich aren't far off the pace either. In fact, Marshall helped set the pace again in Thursday's race to help lead the Cobras to a fourth-place team finish.

With Holliday being the only senior among that group, Alley said he wouldn't be surprised to see the pack of runners continuing to push forward and bring themselves into top-10 contention in the future.

For the girls, that's the only place where the possibility of a team even exists. With just four high school girls out for cross country this fall, the female Cobras continue to compete as individuals.

Jackson Heights was down one runner (Hanna Davault) on Thursday as well, but Alley still saw some positive signs for the Lady Cobras who did compete in Hoyt.

Faith Little turned in another top-five finish, taking third at the Royal Valley Invitational, while Brianna Cattrell and Alexis Rieschick are starting to recover from some nagging injuries, which was reflected in their performances on Thursday and could lead to good things down the road, according to Alley.

"I think that we could probably see them in the next two to three weeks really start to take off for us," Alley said.

Cattrell is the lone senior and with some strong middle school runners, the writing is on the wall for what could happen for the JHHS girls team moving forward. Right now, though, Alley said the focus is on studying the race results each week and trying to beat some familiar opponents the next time out.

That's something the Lady Cobras have shown a penchant for this fall, as they are a self-motivated and goal-oriented group.

Coming off a strong effort at the Royal Valley meet, Alley said he hopes his runners will keep it going as they see a little more league competition the next time out at a meet in Horton this Thursday. Races will start at 4 p.m. Results from the Royal Valley Invitational are listed above.

Schlaegel tops Pick 'Em competitors

While there were no true upsets in week four, there was plenty of drama in *The Holton Recorder's* Pick 'Em contest thanks to a log jam for the runner-up spot.

Gary Schlaegel wrapped up the win this week with the lone perfect entry, but there proved to be little room for error in the rest of the field as six competitors turned in forms predicting 17 of the 18 winners.

That put the tiebreaker in play and with a low-scoring game between the Broncos and Lions on Sunday night football, that weeded the competition down to Reese Holaday and Donnie Collins. Both were two points off the combined score of 36 points, but Collins took the runner-up spot this week by winning a coin flip.

Week four's games proved to be pretty predictable, with several of the 40 total contestants tallying high scores. There were no outright upsets, but the field was pretty split on Jackson Heights/Oskaloosa on the high school schedule and UCLA/Arizona on the college slate, as well as three NFL games (Atlanta/Dallas, Indianapolis/Tennessee and San Diego/Minnesota).

The schedule for week five's games is

listed on page eight of today's edition. Remember to once again turn in entries before 5 p.m. on Friday. They can be turned in at *The Recorder* office at 109 W. Fourth St. or mailed in to 109 W. Fourth Street, P.O. Box 311, Holton, KS 66436. You can also fax entries to 364-3422 or e-mail completed forms to holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com.

Week 4 scores:
Holton 34, Hiawatha 6
Jackson Heights 40, Oskaloosa 24
Royal Valley 46, McLouth 12
Nemaha Central 54, ACCHS 6
Centralia 44, Doniphan West 15
Washburn 27, Missouri Southern St. 21

Rutgers 27, Kansas 14
TCU 55, Texas Tech 52
Oklahoma State 30, Texas 27
Nebraska 36, Southern Miss 28
UCLA 56, Arizona 30
Texas A&M 28, Arkansas 21
Atlanta 39, Dallas 28
Indianapolis 35, Tennessee 33
Houston 19, Tampa Bay 9
Minnesota 31, San Diego 14
Pittsburgh 12, St. Louis 6
Seattle 26, Chicago 0
Denver 24, Detroit 12

Classifications announced

Classifications for the 2015-2016 high school sports seasons, as well as for the following two-year football cycle, were announced at the end of last week by the Kansas State High School Activities Association, with a few major changes impacting area teams.

The biggest news comes for southern Jackson County, as Royal Valley will be dropping down to Class 3A in all sports, with the changes in football going into effect next season.

Another Big Seven League team will be making a similar move, as Perry-Lecompton is also dropping to 3A from 4A in all sports. The biggest overall change for other area schools is Northeast Kansas League member

Horton moving from Class 3A down to 2A (all sports).

High school football across Kansas will see plenty of change starting in 2016. Along with the aforementioned drops, Baldwin and Topeka Hayden will be moving down to Class 4A-Division II as potential challengers for Holton. Wichita Collegiate, Scott City and Rock Creek will also be moving up from Class 3A.

Starting in 2016, Immaculata will officially be part of a cooperative with Maranatha Academy in Class 3A, while Centralia and McLouth both drop back down to Class 2-1A and Wetmore will begin official competition in Eight-Man Division II.

For a full list of classification changes, visit www.kshsaa.org.

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Royal Valley sophomore Garrett Hicks made another big splash in his debut season for the Panther cross country team last week. On Thursday, at Royal Valley's home meet, Hicks turned his best performance to date with a fifth-place finish individually. The young runner was less than a minute off the individual champion's time, but more importantly, he paced the RVHS boys on the way to a runner-up team finish in their home meet.



Holton senior Megan Rhule continues to do a little bit of everything for the Wildcat volleyball team and had another strong outing this past week. In a key sweep of Jeff West last Tuesday, Rhule nearly had a triple-double as she led the team with 37 assists while also contributing nine aces and nine digs. Rhule added six kills to her stellar all-around effort, which has helped HHS start the season 14-9 overall and earn the number four ranking in the Class 4A-DII polls.

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UPCOMING PREP SPORTS

- TUESDAY, SEPT. 29:** HHS JV Football vs. Washburn Rural – 5 p.m. @ Holton; HHS Volleyball vs. Hiawatha – 5 p.m. @ Hiawatha; JHHS Volleyball vs. Oskie/McLouth – 5 p.m. @ Jackson Hts.; RVHS Volleyball vs. Perry-Lecompton – 5 p.m. @ Perry
- THURSDAY, OCT. 1:** HHS Cross Country – PL Invitational – 4 p.m. @ Perry; HHS 9th Football vs. Nemaha Central – 4:30 p.m. @ Seneca; HHS JV Girls Golf – Jeff West JV Invitational – 1 p.m. @ Meriden; HHS Volleyball vs. Perry-Lecompton – 5 p.m. @ Holton; JHHS Cross Country – Horton Invitational – 4 p.m. @ Horton; RVHS Cross Country – Horton Invitational – 4 p.m. @ Horton; RVHS Volleyball vs. Sabetha – 5 p.m. @ Hoyt
- FRIDAY, OCT. 2:** HHS Football vs. Nemaha Central – 7 p.m. @ Holton; RVHS Football vs. Riverside – 7 p.m. @ Hoyt
- SATURDAY, OCT. 3:** JHHS Volleyball – Valley Falls Tourn. – 9 a.m. @ Valley Falls; RVHS Volleyball – SL Tournament – 8 a.m. @ Silver Lake
- MONDAY, OCT. 5:** HHS JV Football vs. Nemaha Central – 4:30 p.m. @ Seneca; HHS Girls Golf – Silver Lake Invitational – 3 p.m. @ Topeka; RVHS JV Football vs. Riverside – 5:30 p.m. @ Wathena

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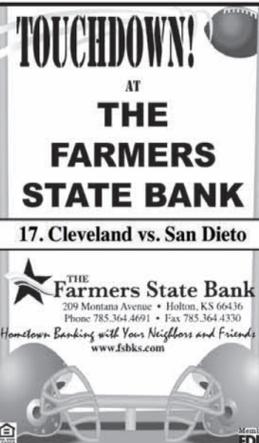
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Kientz Corner By Beverly Ramey Newell

On Sept. 20, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "God In Flesh And Blood."

The announcements were: At 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 30, the Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet to discuss and begin their projects. If you are interested, you may contact Sharon Miller.

On Oct. 2 and Oct. 3, a flea market will be held at the church. If you want to sell items, please fill out a registration form card and return it to Susan Hentzler by noon on Sept. 28. The flea market will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 2 and from 8 a.m. until noon on Oct. 3.

The birthdays for Sept. 20 through Sept. 26: Wayne DeBusk and Deb Mannell, Sept. 21; Krista Savoie, Sept. 22; and Garrett Oliver, Sept. 24.

The anniversaries for the week were Matt and Pam Walder, Sept. 20, and James and Brook Sexton, Sept. 21.

Debbie Watson gave the children's story. She asked the children, "What if a tree grew down instead of up? What would happen if a cow would grow small instead

of big?" We would have an upside-down world.

Jesus wanted His disciples to be great. He told them that they would have to be a servant and care for others. Jesus wants us to be kind to others, serve others and serve God.

The praise choir and congregation sang "I Will Follow" and "You Are Holy."

The church family welcomed James and Brook Sexton and their family, Taylor, Elise, Jamie and Ahryis into the congregation as new members. Pastor Jin baptized Ahryis.

The Rev. Hyun-Jin Cho read the scripture John 14:1-24 and gave the sermon "Salvation Through Jesus."

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Jesus told His disciples about His Father in Heaven and that His Father loved them. He was trying to give them the connection of salvation.

We are sinners, but God loves us. Through Jesus, we know God. Sometimes we may feel rejected, but let us keep trusting in God. Remember, Jesus gave us the way to salvation.

The praise choir and congregation sang "Lamb Of God."

The communion elements were served by Pastor Jin, Brook Sexton, Mike and Mary Neeley and Gary and Carole Stout.

The closing song was "God In Flesh And Blood."

Those assisting with the service were Carrie Law, Alex Adame and Kevin Feleay, singers; Greg Baldwin, pianist; Mark Serrano and Bruce Tomlinson, guitarists; and Matt Mannell, sound system.

On Sept. 15, Elaine and Ted Hubach, Rosalie and Richard Lassiter, Beverly and Dick Newell and June and Floyd Schlodder ate lunch at the Whistle Stop Café in Mayetta.

On Sept. 16, the Mayetta Chapter 383 Order of the Eastern Star held its friendship meeting. The

guests that attended were Virginia Johnson, Tom Johnson and Lucille and Jim Eggenberger from Beulah 34, Topeka; Virginia Pringle from Felicity 38, Carbondale; Diana Price from Loyal 176, Silver Lake; Helen Edwards, Carol Groth and Louise Tosterud from Zenith 184, Hiawatha; Micki Bratton, Anna Chalmers and Judy Taylor from Helena 210, Topeka; and Emily and Jerry Royer, Susan Welborn, Sharon Monhollon, Betty Ann Anderson, Leah Brown and Sharon Wellman from Meriden 399, Meriden.

Francis Eckhoff served as Worthy Matron, and John Swain, Worthy Patron, presided over the meeting. All guests received at least one gift, and several guests received three or four gifts. It was a fun evening. Everyone enjoyed the great fellowship and yummy food.

On Sept. 20, Kathleen Fox, Vicki Gilliland, Beverly Newell, Elmer Eckhoff and his great-grandson and Leland Salts attended the organ and porch dedication ceremony in memory of Alvie Burns at the Mayetta United Methodist Church in Mayetta. Karen Burns and her family were all present. It was a very nice dedication.



Abby Boeckman (shown above) was recently promoted to Cadet Master Sergeant. She is a member of Civil Air Patrol, serving with the Topeka Composite Eagle Squadron (Civil Air Patrol).

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Boeckman receives cadet promotion

Abby Boeckman has recently been promoted to Cadet Master Sergeant. Boeckman is a member of the Topeka Composite Eagle Squadron (Civil Air Patrol), which was recently recognized as the fourth member of the United States Air Force.

Besides being promoted to Cadet Master Sergeant, she has also been given the special duties of First Sergeant, in which she will report and advise all issues to her unit commander.

On May 22 - 24, she graduated from Regional Cadet Leadership School, designed for cadet officers to learn new skills and gain the knowledge they need to be more effective leaders.

The cadets were presented with leadership concepts and challenges, along with Air Force core values and ethics to management and leader-

ship.

Boeckman has grown very much from this program, according to her parents, and she continues to expand her learning experience by attending the 2015/2016 Kansas Wing Encampment (Boot Camp) as a staff member this winter.

She also loves softball and was nominated this summer, along with a few other local players, to play in the MOKAN All State Games on Aug. 1 at Blue Valley Recreation Complex. A total of 720 of the top softball players participated in two exhibition games to show off their talent and have some fun.

Boeckman's parents are very proud of her accomplishments, especially her dad, Adam Boeckman, who is an aerial refueler with the 190th Kansas Air National Guard.

Stephenson family hosts annual reunion here

By Maxine Lewis

The 87th annual Stephenson family reunion was held Sept. 20, 2015, at the Homestead Apartments in Holton. There were 18 members of the Auswell and Mary Jane Stephenson family to enjoy the carry-in dinner, with Gary Slimmer offering the blessing.

Wanola Buss called the meeting to order. Maxine Lewis read last year's minutes. Officers elected for next year are Russell Stauffer, president; Wanola Buss, vice-president; and Maxine Lewis, secretary.

This year's birth report was Allison Jane Larson, daughter of Eric and Kelly Larson, granddaughter of Gary and Janine Sawyer and great-granddaughter of Charles and Norene Arnold.

Several marriages were reported including Sara Exon to Wesley Kimmel on July 18, 2015. Sara is the daughter of Rolland and Debra Exon, and she is the granddaughter of Forrest and Helen Fernkopf.

Adam Stauffer married Laura Sable on Aug. 15, 2015. Adam is the son of Kevin and Laura Stauffer and is the grandson of Bud and

Shirley Stauffer.

David Buss and Wendi Myers married on Aug. 31, 2015. David is the son of Larry and Jeannie Buss and is the grandson of Dale and Wanola Buss.

We are sorry to report the death of Lauren Stauffer on April 9, 2015.

Brad Stauffer reported some happy days. He had served as grand marshal of this year's Veterans Day Parade on Holton's Town Square. He was named in the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame and was honored in

February's Hall of Fame banquet.

After the great food and time of visiting and looking over the family tree, we decided to meet next year on Sept. 18, 2016, at the Homestead Apartments in Holton.

Family members that enjoyed the day were Bud and Shirley Stauffer; Kevin and Laura Stauffer; Brad Stauffer and Judy Johnson; Donna Parmiter; Wanola Buss; June Jepson; Bill and Shirley Slimmer; Gary and Barbara Slimmer; Steve and Leota Wilkerson; Maxine Lewis; and Merlin and Judy Arnold.

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

Lost & Found

FOUND: 2-DOGS: (1)Male Schnauzer mix, neutered, 3-to-4-years-old, (1)male Brindle Mastiff, 2-to-3-years-old, orange collar, both found on 278th Road near Circleville. For more information, please contact Banner Creek Animal Hospital at 364-4560.

FOUND: Male kitten, red/orange tabby, at 158th Road/75 Highway on Sept.12. Slightly injured, well-fed, tame, no collar. 785-966-2307

FOUND: Male black Pekingese mix, recently groomed, 1-to-2-years-old, at 4th/Vermont. For more information, please contact Banner Creek Animal Hospital at 364-4560.

Pets

FOR-ADOPTION: 5-year-old male Lab mix, 9-month-old male Husky mix, 3-year-old male German Shepherd. For more information, please contact Banner Creek Animal Hospital at 364-4560.

Wanted

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

Employment

Are you a foodie? Would you like to cook for Boomers' Steakhouse? Now hiring part-time prep/line cook! Apply in person: Boomers' Steakhouse, 401 Colorado Ave./Holton.

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Garage Sales

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Miscellaneous

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Rental Property

1-BEDROOM APARTMENT in Holton: Available now! \$325/month, no pets. 785-484-2026.

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SHOP MECHANIC

Jackson County Road and Bridge is currently accepting applications for a full-time SHOP MECHANIC. Must have one to three years of similar or related experience. Applicant must have a high school diploma or a GED and a valid Class A Commercial driver's license. Deadline for applications is 3:30 p.m. on October 2, 2015. Applications may be picked up at the County Clerk's Office, Room 201, Jackson County Courthouse. Drug and alcohol testing is required. Jackson County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

PATIENT ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE

Community HealthCare System in Onaga is seeking a Patient Account Representative. The Patient Account Representative is responsible for daily deposits and other cash posting functions. Preferred applicants will be proficient with Microsoft Excel and 10-key, possess customer service and analytical skills, and have 2-3 years experience in a business office setting. For more information and to apply go to www.chcsks.org and click on "Careers" or contact Human Resources at 785-889-5030. EOE

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Agenda set for officials' meeting here

By Ali Holcomb
The Jackson County Commissioners are finalizing the agenda for the annual Northeast Kansas County Officials meeting that the county is hosting here Friday. More than 100 officials from Atchison, Douglas, Johnson, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Wabaunsee, Brown, Leavenworth, Nemaha, Riley, Wyandotte, Doniphan, Jefferson, Lyon, Osage and Shawnee counties, have all been invited to Penny's in Holton for the annual meeting, which has been set from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event begins with registrations from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Penny's, with breakfast catered by Penny's and sponsored by Foley Equipment of Topeka. Mayetta VFW Color Guard will post colors to open up the meeting, and the national anthem will be sung by Lori Mellenbruch. Jackson County Commissioner Rob Lander

will lead the pledge of allegiance. Jackson County Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer and Holton Mayor Bob Dieckmann will give a welcome and introductions. The first featured speaker will be Ron Wilson, the director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University. At 10 a.m., breakout sessions will be held for individual departments. County commissioners will continue to meet at Penny's, county clerks/election officials will meet in room 201 at the Jackson County Courthouse, county treasurers will meet at Denison State Bank and register of deeds personnel will meet in room 101 at the Courthouse. County sheriffs will visit the Jackson County Jail and Sheriff's Office. County appraisers will meet at the Hutchins Building, public works employees will meet in room 205 at the Courthouse and noxious weed staff will meet at the noxious

weed building. County counselors will gather at Morrissey Law Office. The breakout sessions are schedule to conclude at 11:30 a.m. At noon, a lunch and business meeting will be held back at Penny's. Lunch is being catered by Bailey's Bakery, Café and Sports Bar. The buffet-style lunch will include two meats, a vegetable, a potato, a dessert and drinks. Pastor Kelly Sipes of Evangel United Methodist Church will give the prayer/invocation for the meal. After the meal, Randall Allen, Kansas Association of Counties director, will provide a legislative update and conduct a business meeting. The meeting is set to adjourn sometime between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. The meeting is held annually and each county takes turn hosting the event, it was reported.



Road and bridge equipment discussed

Potential equipment purchases for the county road and bridge department were discussed during a recent Jackson County Commission meeting. Jackson County Road and Bridge co-supervisors Earl Barhet and Eric Fritz met with the commissioners during the Sept. 14 meeting to discuss purchasing a 2010 938H wheel loader at a cost of \$112,000. The loader comes with a two-year extended warranty and has 2,300 hours. Fritz said that the loader would come with a set of forks. If purchased, this machine would replace the county's 1991 case loader that has a brooken transmission. No action was taken on the purchase by the commission. Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer asked the supervisors what pieces of machinery would need to be replaced in the near future due to age and wear. Barhet and Fritz said the county department will need a new skid loader and a rubber tire backhoe. Zwonitzer said she understands the need for good equipment to adequately maintain the county roads and right-of-ways, but she is concerned with the amount spent on machinery this past year. In other business, according to the

approved minutes, the commission: * Met in executive session with Bahret and Fritz for 10 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session. * Discussed 238th Road between C and D Roads and concerns with possible encroachment on the county right-of-way. * Met with Brooke Smith, youth services director, to discuss on-call issues within her department. Smith said she wants to hire a back-up person to be on-call with a \$50 stipend. She would hire someone from Pottawatomie County. Smith said she felt it would be an asset to have a juvenile advocate in Pottawatomie County as another on-call representative for Wabaunsee County. Smith is the youth services director for Pottawatomie, Wabaunsee, Jackson and Jefferson counties. The commission agreed that she could move forward with the hire. * Met in executive session for five minutes with Smith to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session. * Left their chambers to visit Lasting Impressions and the Hoyt Community Building where the local senior citizens held a potluck lunch. * Approved a motion to appoint

Rob Wilson to the at-large positions of the Holton Rural Fire Board. * Heard a weekly report from John Kennedy, Banner Creek Reservoir director, who noted that the total revenue at the reservoir for the week of Sept. 6 - 12 was \$1,533. Kennedy reported that it's his goal to close the restroom/shower houses as late in the season as possible. The temperatures will be monitored to determine when the first hard freeze will occur. The south side camping area and the "B" and "C" camping areas on the north side will be closed by Oct. 15. Camping area "A" will continue to remain open as long as the weather permits. Kennedy said he is considering placing a space heater in the restroom/shower house to help prolong the use of this facility. * Learned from Kennedy that he is working on completing the required paperwork for the Federal Emergency Management Agency in order to receive reimbursement funds for damage caused by the spring floods. Areas that can receive reimbursement include park roads, swim beaches areas, trails and pedestrian bridges and efforts towards general storm debris removal. Kennedy also reported that five gallons of herbicide have been used to kill sericea lespedeza around the lake. * Appointed Commissioner Rob Ladner as the voting delegate for the Kansas Workers Risk Cooperative for Counties meeting on Nov. 4, with Commissioner Bill Elmer as the alternate. * Met in executive session for 20 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session. * Signed a request and petition to allow Rural Water District No. 3 to occupy a county right-of-way to bore a new service line at 26251 94th Road. * Adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

RV celebrates 70th year of the national FCCLA program

Royal Valley High School noted the 70th year of the national FCCLA program during the school's homecoming recently. To celebrate, 200 cupcakes were given at the homecoming football game, which was attended by several former FCCLA advisors, including Linda Crawford, Chris Huntsman and Monique Litherland. Numerous FCCLA alumni were also present. The national FCCLA program turned 70 years old this last June. Since its founding in 1945, the organization has evolved to meet the needs of society. The club started as FHA or Future Homemakers of America with programs for "Homecky Becky" and her "stitchin' and stewin' needs." Hoyt High School began its chapter in 1969. In 1999, the name changed to FCCLA, Family Career and Community Leaders of America, to better reflect the concepts being taught. Now, the school has programs to teach the skills Pete, the future parent, will need as he balances a career and



Past and present FCCLA advisors and students at Royal Valley High School handed out cupcakes at a recent football game in honor of the 70th anniversary of the national FCCLA program. In the photo above, the school's current FCS teacher, Monique Litherland (center), is pictured with former FCS teachers Linda Crawford (left) and Chris Huntsman (right). In the top photo, Crawford (left) and Huntsman are shown passing out cupcakes. Submitted photos

family, as well as skills career-focused Carly will need to be successful. Skills like teamwork, leadership, organization and management are experienced as students are empowered to create healthy and sustainable families while strengthening communities.

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Sept. 21, 2015.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF:

Name Luke Fisher
DOB xx/xx/2013 A male

Case No. 2014-JC-000025

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication

Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: Crystal McGuire and all other persons who are or may be concerned

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

future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child(ren). A Parental Termination Hearing on the petition is scheduled for the Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 01:00 PM. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child(ren). The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child(ren). The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this Court on the date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents or any other present legal custodian under further order of the Court, or finding the

parents unfit, and entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights. An attorney has been appointed as guardian *ad litem* for the child: Randy M. Barker, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1012, Holton, KS 66436; Phone: 785-304-1078. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support. An attorney has been appointed for you: Samantha R. Harrington, Attorney at Law, 1243 S. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, KS 66612; Phone: 785-234-0600. Date and time of hearing: Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 01:00 PM Place of hearing: Jackson County District Court, Courthouse, 3rd floor, Holton, KS 66436 /s/ Dennis Reiling Clerk/Judge of the District Court ML752

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(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Sept. 21, 2015.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF:

Name Daniel McKinney
DOB xx/xx/2008 A male

Case No. 2014-JC-000045

AND

Name Sonny McKinney
DOB xx/xx/2011 A male

Case No. 2014-JC-000046

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Cleaning up the park

Kids in the Wild 1's after-school program in Holton picked up rakes, shovels and other tools and headed over to Linscott Park on Wednesday afternoon for a little clean-up duty. In the photo above, Garrison Booth (left), 11, and Mathew Watkins, 11, both of Holton, swept the recycled shredded tire mulch out of the middle area of the park's recently-built play area. And in the photo at right, nine-year-old Abigail Schnee of Holton used a scissors to cut the "dead heads" off roses on a bush near the play area, wearing the proper gloves to make sure she didn't get stuck by a thorn on the bush.

Photos by Brian Sanders



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Blown fuses disrupt weekend power

By Brian Sanders

Power outages on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning in an area near the intersection of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 16 in Holton have been attributed to blown fuses on the city's "central circuit," according to Holton Electrical Production Superintendent Ira Harrison.

What caused the fuses to blow was not immediately determined, since the same incident occurred twice in the same place on the circuit, Harrison said. An electrical crew is investigating the circuit today to attempt to determine what caused the two outages, he added.

It was reported that the first of the two outages occurred shortly before

5 p.m. Friday, prompting local law enforcement officers to get to the intersection to direct traffic. The blown fuses were identified and replaced at that time, Harrison said.

However, the fuses blew again at the same location at 7:40 a.m. Saturday, Harrison said. In each case, fuses were replaced and power was restored in about an hour, he added.

Netawaka Fitness Center...

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who owned and operated the Snappy Inn Café in Netawaka for several years and raised their family across the street from the site of the new facility. Its indoor swimming pool, or natatorium, was formally named the Bobbi Zwonitzer Natatorium, it was reported.

The recreational portion of the facility includes health education and therapy rooms, a nursery, a fitness equipment area with weight training equipment, aerobics and dance room, gymnasium and track, shower and locker rooms, a commons area, an indoor turf area and child care fa-

ilities. The commons area is decorated with remembrances of Netawaka's history and includes a snack bar named for the Snappy Inn Café.

The "Bobbi Zwonitzer Natatorium" is an 8,073-square-foot facility designed mainly for exercise, swim meets and therapy. It can also be transformed into a "fun pool" for family swimming events. Four competition lanes and one warm-up/cool-down lane are provided, along with a shallow therapy/aerobics area with a hand rail for zero-impact walking, a bench with massage jets for therapy, a ramp for wheelchair access and a lift chair.

Saturday's open house will include a spaghetti dinner served at the facility's Snappy Inn Café, costing \$5 per plate for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. For the kids, there's also pumpkin painting, a gymnastics circuit, tricycle races and a child-friendly obstacle course.

Opportunities will be available for those impressed by the facility to join its more than 300 members. Monthly membership rates are \$30 for single adults, \$40 for couples, \$50 for families and \$25 for seniors (age 65 and up).

For more information, call the fitness center at (785) 933-2616.

St. Francis Xavier...

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The church was built and furnished at a cost of \$10,617.40 and served 30 families. Attendance at the church grew in the early 1920s when St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Hoyt was sold.

In 1936, St. Francis Xavier became a mission church of St. Dominic's Catholic Church of Holton, and the pastor of St. Dominic also began serving the Mayetta church.

The church building was destroyed in an evening fire on Nov. 11, 1958. The only thing that survived the fire was the cornerstone. Parishioners began holding mass and religious education classes in a former store in Mayetta while the church was rebuilt.

Sylvester W. Wendel and Associates of Kansas City were selected as the architects for the construction of the new church, which was built on the same site as the old church. The new building was dedicated on June 26, 1960, and the total cost of

construction and furnishings was \$70,000.

On March 29, 1987, Council 9535 of the Knights of Columbus was chartered at St. Francis Xavier.

In 1988, the St. Francis Xavier Hall and Parish Center were added to the southwest corner of the existing church. The new space offers an office, restrooms, storage area, kitchen and hall with a lower level of classrooms and storage.

Former pastors include:

- * Father Francis Geinitz (1914-1936)
- * Father John Ryan (1936-1944)
- * Father Leo Ahearn (November 1944-April 1945)
- * Father Francis Glowacki (1945-1954)
- * Father Leo Cooper (1954-1957)
- * Father Anthony Lickeig (1957-1963)
- * Father Ed Hayes (1963-1971)
- * Father William Kaufmann (1971-1979)
- * Father Carl Dekat (1979-1985)

* Father Bob Hasenkamp (1985-1991)

* Father Ron Cornish (1991-2001)

* Father Kyle Haden (July to December 2001)

* Father John Fiala (January to April 2002)

* Father Norbert Lickeig (April to July 2002)

* Father John Hullinger (2002-2004)

* Father Robert Burger (sacramental minister, 2002-2003)

* Father Tom Hesse (sacramental minister, 2003-2004)

* Father Richard Halvorson (2004-2009)

* Father Francis Bakyor (July 2009 to August 2009)

* Father Bill Bruning (2009-2010)

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