



Sixth-grade students at Jackson Heights Elementary School performed "Top of the World," "All of Us" and "Think On These Things" during the Jackson Heights spring concert for students in fifth through eighth grades on Tuesday. Vocal groups were conducted by Amy Roth. The concert also featured band and instrumental ensemble performances under the direction of Laura Holliday.

Photo by Brian Sanders

High school graduations set

By Brian Sanders

More than 200 high school seniors in the Jackson County area will put an end to their high school years at commencement ceremonies scheduled over the next two weeks, it has been reported.

Two of those commencement ceremonies are set for this Saturday, including Wetmore High School's 2 p.m. ceremony at the Wetmore Attendance Center, where valedictorian Elizabeth Huffles and salutatorian Gerae Haverkamp will lead their 16-member class in graduation. Also, Atchison County Community High School's 54-member class of 2016 will graduate

at 4 p.m. that day.

Two graduation ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday, both starting at 2 p.m. At Jackson Heights, class valedictorian Joel Nelson and salutatorian Jonathan Reiff will lead their graduating class of 28 in bringing their high school years to a close.

Meanwhile, Royal Valley High School's senior class, comprising 54 students led by valedictorian Kathryn Hanson and salutatorian Derek Linn, will conduct their graduation ceremony at the same time at the RVHS gym in Hoyt.

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School construction nearing final phases

By David Powlis

The construction of the new Holton Elementary School is now entering what Nabholz construction superintendent David Lassiter characterizes as "the big push to the end."

Lassiter met with the school board here Monday evening to provide an update on the construction progress.

Sidewalks, paving, landscaping, grading for the parking lot, sheetrocking, painting, tile and carpet laying and cabinet and locker installation are all projects that are in the works now.

Doors and windows and "storefront" work, along with interior glass work, will all be taking place early in June, he said. Flooring work will proceed over the next month, also.

It now looks like the transfer of items from the Colorado and Central Elementary Schools at the end of this month will first be made to the fair building, which is owned by the school district. The move into the new school likely will now take

place at the end of June, school officials said.

Items and equipment will be stored on pallets at the fair building for easy transfer to the new school when the time comes.

Bids for asbestos removal at the old Colorado school are being taken now and are due by May 20, Lassiter said. There is 1,000 sq. ft. of the encapsulated asbestos to be removed.

Plans are also being made to remove the mobile home classrooms from the Colorado campus soon also, it was reported. The school district leased the mobiles and does not own them.

Demolition of the old school will start as soon as possible the week after the school has been vacated on May 27, Supt. Dennis Stones said.

At its meeting, the school board approved a motion 7-0 to purchase a new 2017 53-passenger school bus, and bus camera

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Additional laptops purchased for RV

By Ali Holcomb

With the purchase of 85 additional laptop computers approved Monday evening, Royal Valley's one-to-one technology initiative will now span grades fifth through 12.

During the board's meeting, new Lenovo Chromebook laptops were purchased from Twotrees Technologies of Wichita at a total cost of \$26,886.

Mark Haefke, district technology coordinator, said that during this school year, only students in grades six through 12 had individual access to Chromebooks.

At the high school, students are each assigned a Chromebook, which they can use and take back and forth from home to school with parent permission.

At the middle school, students are assigned a Chromebook for use just at school, and the laptops are not allowed to leave school grounds.

Haefke said that the Chromebooks used by this year's senior class will be shuffled down to the fifth grade. Next year's freshman class will receive the bulk of the new Lenovo Chromebooks.

"Lenovo is a new model of Chromebook," Haefke said. "These won't have a touch screen, but they are very durable."

The Chromebooks were first utilized in the district January 2015, and Haefke said that the goal is that each freshman will be given a new Chromebook to use all four years of high school.

Once those students graduate, Haefke said the district could offer to sell that four-year-old Chromebook to the student at a discounted price. Chromebooks that don't sell could be used as a back up or to replace older laptops at the middle school.

Also during the meeting, the board approved a contract with Mike Jewell of Mayetta to purchase a parking lot on Main Street in Mayetta, which is located just to the east of the RV bus barn.

The purchase price is \$21,500 and it will be paid for with capital outlay funds from next year's budget.

The district currently rents the parking lot from Jewell for \$175 a month.

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50-year class photos still needed

Class reunions are coming up soon — and *The Holton Recorder* is looking for Class of 1966 composite photos from all Jackson County schools to print in our upcoming Glory Days section.

That section will be printed and released with our Wednesday, May 25 edition. So far, we have received the 50-year class photos from Holton,

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Maintenance projects approved at Heights

By Brian Sanders

As students in the Jackson Heights school district prepare for summer vacation, the district's custodial staff is preparing for summer maintenance projects, some of which were approved on Monday by the USD 335 Board of Education.

During the board's regular monthly meeting, board members approved at least \$19,580 in estimated project costs as part of a list of summer jobs for custodial staff and contractors submitted by District Superintendent and Elementary Principal Adrienne Walsh. The other part of the list will likely be discussed at a later school board meeting.

For now, however, more than half of the above estimate would likely go toward HVAC

duct maintenance at the elementary school and electrical work throughout the district. In the former case, Walsh told board members that duct maintenance, estimated at \$5,000 was recommended by McElroy's of Topeka when new HVAC units were installed as a means of helping the HVAC system to "be a little more efficient."

As for the electrical work, Walsh told board members that the work — estimated at \$5,100 — was "thrust upon us" after a representative from the Kansas Department of Labor inspected the district buildings.

"The main thing they found was that we need to replace a lot of our electrical outlets and install ground fault circuit interruptors, because those are safe for people," she said. "It's kind

of like the fire marshal's inspections — they tell you you're going to do something, and you do it."

In addition to the duct work at the elementary building, Walsh noted two other projects for the building, including refinishing of the gym floor at an estimated cost of \$1,460 and paint work on the front decks of the elementary mobile units at an estimated cost of \$300. She also said that painting costs on other district projects would likely be "pretty minimal."

At the high school, projects discussed included refinishing the gym floor at an estimated cost of \$1,920, recapping the concrete dock on the east side of the building for \$3,320, painting

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Equipment now available to rent through Brahma Equipment Leasing

By Ali Holcomb

The owners of Brahma Excavating of Holton have expanded their services and are now leasing equipment to northeast Kansans who have a project but not the right tools.

Donnie Wischmeier, who owns Brahma Excavating with his wife, Nancy, and son, Lance Mannell, said Brahma Equipment Leasing was formed recently to fill a need in the area.

The sister company rents skid loaders and mini excavators, as well as various attachments for both, such as a rotary brush cutter, rock hammer and a tree/post puller.

"Lance and I have talked about leasing equipment for several years," Wischmeier said. "We've rented out skid loaders and attachments to people in the community in the past. So we decided to make

it a sister company to Brahma Excavating. There's not really any businesses around here that do that."

Most of the rental equipment is John Deere equipment. Wischmeier said that the business also offers delivery for an additional fee.

"The rentals are available on a daily, weekly or monthly basis," he said. "There's definitely a need here for this type of equipment, and I'm available any time and have the knowledge about any kind of equipment someone might need."

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Members of the Holton High School Envirothon team that qualified for the North America Envirothon competition this summer in Canada include (from left) juniors Ian McAsey, Tel Witmer, Alexandra Myers, Alexandra Clark and freshman Walker Sheldon.

Submitted photo

HHS team qualifies for North America Envirothon competition

Holton High School's FFA Envirothon team will compete at the North America Envirothon competition, set for July 24-29 at Trent University's campus in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. They qualified for nationals by winning first place in the State Envirothon competition on April 27.

Freshman Walker Sheldon and juniors Alexandra Myers, Alexandra Clark, Tel Wittmer and Ian McAsey competed against teams from schools throughout the state at Camp Wood, located in Chase County, to gain the overall first-place award at state competition on April 27. They

will participate in the competition in Canada, along with alternate sophomore Joshua Clark.

Envirothon is an outdoor, natural resource education program for high school students that is organized and coordinated by Conservation Districts. The Kansas Envirothon Committee, a part of the KACD Conservation Youth and Education Committee, oversees Envirothon activities in Kansas.

Envirothon events are held at three levels; regional, state and the North America Envirothon for winning teams from U.S. states and Cana-

dian provinces. This is the second time since 2010 that Holton has been state champion in the Envirothon, it was reported.

In the Envirothon competition, teams of five students work together to complete written tests in five natural resource areas: forestry, soils, aquatics, wildlife and a current issue, which changes from year to year. An oral presentation over "Invasive Species: A Challenge to the Environment, Economy and Society" was the final part of the competition.

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THURSDAY'S FORECAST
SUNNY SKIES, HIGH OF 74

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April sales tax revenues up in county, state

Sales taxes in Jackson County increased from April of last year to April of this year, although total collections for the fiscal year to date stayed down over the period, according to figures recently released by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

The state of Kansas collected a total of \$71,690,561.35 this past April, which Department of Revenue officials said was 5.1 percent more than the \$68,180,268.32 collected in April of 2015 and \$2.6 million more than anticipated after scaling back official revenue projections for a second time in the current fiscal year.

For the fiscal year to date, which covers July 2015 through April, the state's total collection was \$758,392,388.03, an increase of 1.8 percent over the \$745,099,793.66 collected during the same period a year ago.

"We are happy to see individual income tax receipts increasing compared to last year," said Nick Jordan, secretary of the Kansas Department of Revenue. "We are also pleased to see use and sales tax receipts increase for the second month in a row."

In Jackson County, which has had a 1.4-percent sales tax in effect since January of 2013, a total of \$133,802.84 in sales tax revenue was generated in April, a 7.7-percent improvement over the previous April's collection of \$124,222.66. The current fiscal year to date collection of \$1,306,951.72, however, was 6.4 percent less than the \$1,396,749.25 collected during the same period a year earlier.

Holton's three-quarter percent sales tax, collected since April 2014, brought in \$48,946.01 in April, 10.2 percent more than the previous April's \$44,429.26. The city's fiscal year to date collection of \$471,522.10, however, was 1.8 percent less than the previous period's total of \$480,342.89.

In **Mayetta**, where a 1-percent sales tax has been in effect since July 2011, the city collected \$1,726.82 in sales taxes during April, 47.7 percent ahead of the April 2015 collection of \$1,168.94. However, the fiscal year to date collection remained down, with the 2016 period total of \$13,816.41 down 14.8 percent from the previous period's total of \$16,221.14.

Sales tax collections in other counties and cities in northeastern Kansas are listed below, by municipality, amount of sales tax collected, April 2015 collection, April 2016 collection and percentage change.

■ **Atchison County** (1.25 percent): \$168,410.87 in April 2015, \$167,968.21 in April 2016, in April 2016, down 0.3 percent.

■ **Brown County** (1.5 percent): \$143,418.44 in April 2015, \$140,988.50 in April 2016, down 1.7 percent.

■ **Doniphan County** (1 percent): \$48,260.28 in April 2015, \$46,590.94 in April 2016, down 3.5 percent.

■ **Jefferson County** (1 percent): \$85,743.86 in April 2015, \$83,507.69 in April 2016, down 2.6 percent.

■ **Nemaha County** (1 percent): \$93,475.11 in April 2015, \$143,236.04 in April 2016, up 53.2 percent.

■ **Pottawatomie County** (1 percent): \$361,175.72 in April 2015, \$374,252.52 in April 2016, up 3.6 percent.

■ **Shawnee County** (1.15 percent): \$2,473,379.88 in April 2015, \$2,706,429.69 in April 2016, up 9.4 percent.

■ **Wabaunsee County** (1.5 percent): \$47,479.57 in April 2015, \$63,059 in April 2016, up 32.8 percent.

■ **Atchison city** (1 percent): \$112,368.01 in April 2015, \$115,649.63 in April 2016, up 2.9 percent.

■ **Effingham** (1 percent): \$2,108.13 in April 2015, \$1,762.12 in April 2016, down 16.4 percent.

■ **Hiawatha** (1 percent): \$55,586.33 in April 2015, \$53,822.92 in April 2016, down 3.2 percent.

■ **Highland** (1 percent): \$3,680.65 in April 2015, \$3,433.37 in April 2016, down 6.7 percent.

■ **Marysville** (1.6 percent): \$108,624.52 in April 2015, \$110,236.53 in April 2016, up 1.5 percent.

■ **Meriden** (0.5 percent): \$2,692.13 in April 2015, collected in April 2016; sales tax enacted in October 2015.

■ **Onaga** (1 percent): \$6,025.12 in April 2015, \$5,185.05 in April 2016, down 13.9 percent.

■ **Oskaloosa** (1 percent): \$12,300.90 in April 2015, \$10,400.71 in April 2016, down 15.4 percent.

■ **Perry** (0.5 percent): \$4,326.59 in April 2015, \$3,345.48 in April 2016, down 22.7 percent.

■ **Rossville** (1 percent): \$8,258.94 in April 2015, \$9,083.46 in April 2016, up 10 percent.

■ **Sabetha** (1 percent): \$31,420.73 in April 2015, \$33,344.29 in April 2016, up 6.1 percent.

■ **St. Marys** (1 percent): \$18,137.79 in April 2015, \$21,251.49 in April 2016, up 17.2 percent.

■ **Seneca** (1 percent): \$45,875.68 in April 2015, \$46,316.58 in April 2016, up 1 percent.

■ **Topeka** (1.5 percent): \$2,929,560.91 in April 2015, \$3,202,127.28 in April 2016, up 9.3 percent.

■ **Valley Falls** (1 percent): \$7,862.35 in April 2015, \$7,743.16 in April 2016, down 1.5 percent.

■ **Westmoreland** (1 percent): \$3,625.40 in April 2015, \$4,475.88 in April 2016, up 23.5 percent.

Nemaha County

The following reports were released in recent days by the Nemaha County Sheriff's Office.

Arrests

■ Nathaniel Carver, 19, Sabetha, was arrested April 25 by sheriff's officers on a Nemaha County failure to appear warrant. Carver was released later that day on \$5,000 surety bond with court set for 9:30 a.m. on May 31.

■ Manuel Lara, 42, Tucson, Ariz., was booked into Nemaha County Jail on April 26 on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of theft by deception, based on a Sabetha police case. Bond was set at \$5,000. Lara was released April 19 on probation by the court.

■ Justin R. Kendrick was released April 27 on time served. Upon release he was turned over to the custody of Riley County.

■ Gregory Fisher was released April 27 on \$5,000 OR bond with court set for 10 a.m. on July 7. Upon release Fisher was turned over to the custody of Brown County.

■ Justin Gerdes was released April 27 on \$10,000 OR bond with court set for 10:30 a.m. on July 7.

■ Colby J. Boehm was released April 28 on time served.

■ David W. Brooks was released April 28 on \$50,000 OR bond with court set for June 16.

■ Randy Berglund was released April 29 on \$5,000 OR bond with court set for 11 a.m. on May 24.

■ Ronnie L. Brandenburg, 45, Topeka, was booked into Nemaha County Jail on April 29 on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of probation violation. He remains in custody with bond set at \$5,000.

■ Shawn N. Huerter, 39, Seneca, was arrested April 30 by Seneca police on a felony warrant from Long County, Ga., on a charge of aggravated stalking. Huerter remains in custody awaiting extradition.

■ Terry L. Nigh, 52, Washington, was arrested May 1 by Seneca police on a charge of driving without a license. Nigh was released later that day on \$250 cash bond with court set for 9 a.m. on June 15.

■ Edward R. Garber Jr., 67, Sabetha, was arrested May 3 by Sabetha police on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Garber was released later that day on \$1,500 cash bond with court set for 4 p.m. on May 26.

■ Derek L. Beerbower, 31, Oneida, was arrested May 3 by sheriff's officers on a Morris County failure to appear warrant. Beerbower was released to the custody of Morris County on May 5.

■ Aaron C. Scott, 39, Sabetha, was arrested May 4 by Sabetha police on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Scott was released later that day on \$1,500 surety bond with court set for 4 p.m. on May 26.

■ Jess G. Gustin, 21, Holton, was booked into Nemaha County Jail on May 5 on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of probation violation. Gustin was released later that day on \$5,000 cash bond with court set for 9:30 a.m. on June 17.

■ John D. Hopp Jr., 41, Sabetha, was booked into Nemaha County Jail on May 5 on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of probation violation. Hopp was released later that day on \$10,000 surety bond with court set for 9:30 a.m. on June 7.

■ Brian D. Morton, 42, Home, was arrested May 5 by sheriff's officers on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Morton was released later that day on \$1,000 surety bond with court set for 9:30 a.m. on June 7.

■ Kalan J. Pyle, 25, Atchison, was arrested May 6 by Sabetha police on charges of possession of methamphetamines and possession of drug paraphernalia. Pyle was released later that day on \$2,500 surety bond with court set for 9:30 a.m. on June 7.

Incidents
■ Sometime around 5 a.m. on May 1, an unknown person cut the lock to gain access to storage at 4111 Elk St. in Bancroft. Items were found lying outside of the area, but nothing was believed to be missing. Damage was estimated at approximately \$25.

■ Sheriff's officers took a report of criminal damage to a John Deere backhoe located at 2189 Kansas Highway 63, Seneca, with the damage occurring sometime between 3 p.m. on May 1 and 3 p.m. on May 2. An unknown person broke out two windows, causing approximately \$500 in damage.

Accidents
■ At about 5:25 a.m. on April 23, Jenna M. McClain, 28, Goff, was driving a 2015 Dodge Durango south on W Road when she struck a deer about half a mile south of 128th Road. More than \$1,000 in damage was estimated.

■ David W. Sain, 36, Blue Rapids, was driving a 2002 Mercury Sable east on U.S. Highway 36 at about 4:55 a.m. on April 26 when the Sable struck a deer on the highway about half a mile west of B Road. Damage was estimated at less than \$1,000.

■ A 2012 Dodge Journey driven by Jean Heideman, 52, Corning, was southbound on K-63 at about 9:15 p.m. on May 3 when the Dodge struck a deer in the roadway just north of 72nd Road. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.

■ At about 7:35 p.m. on May 3, Damian N. Deters, 39, Baileyville, was driving a 2012 Ford F-350 pickup west on U.S. 36 when the pickup struck a deer in the roadway about 0.6 miles west of Kansas Highway 178. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.

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CALENDAR

Thursday, May 12

*The JCMA New Hope Center Food Pantry, located at Fifth Street and Wisconsin Avenue in the Holton First Christian Church basement, will be open from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For more information call 362-7021.

*Last day of school for Royal Valley seniors.

*8:20 a.m. RVHS awards assembly.

*3:30 p.m. Royal Valley League Art at Hiawatha.

*SES Field Day at SHS.

*1 p.m. TVL administrative meeting.

*The Circleville Senior Executives will meet at noon at the Circleville Lodge Hall. Ice cream, hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided, along with entertainment. Please bring salads or desserts.

Friday, May 13

*Narcotics Anonymous meeting from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the library room (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton.

*7 p.m. JHHS Awards Ceremony.

*Jackson Heights grade school play day.

*6:30 p.m. HHS Athletic Awards Night.

*Holton AP Human Geography test.

*Last day for Royal Valley eighth graders.

*RVES Character Recognition Assembly at RVES gym (2:30 p.m. grades K-1, 2:55 p.m. grades 2-4).

*12 p.m. Wetmore Elementary Field Day.

Saturday, May 14

*11 a.m. Axtell High School

graduation.

*2 p.m. Wetmore High School graduation.

*4 p.m. Atchison County Community High School graduation.

*7 p.m. Sabetha High School graduation.

*HMS musical "Alice in Wonderland Jr." at 7 p.m. at Holton High School auditorium, pre-show by HMS sixth-graders. Tickets are \$5 for adults 18 and older and \$3 for anyone under 18.

*Axtell KAY Recycle.

Sunday, May 15

*Attend the church of your choice.

*AA meeting in the basement of the Mayetta Catholic Church at 7:30 p.m.

*2 p.m. Jackson Heights High School graduation.

*2 p.m. Royal Valley High School graduation.

*HMS musical "Alice in Wonderland Jr." at 7 p.m. at Holton High School auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for adults 18 and older and \$3 for anyone under 18.

Monday, May 16

*1:30 p.m. Royal Valley fourth grade promotion at RVHS gym.

*7 p.m. Royal Valley eighth grade promotion at RVHS gym.

*The Jackson County Board of County Commissioners meet at 9 a.m. each Monday at the Jackson County Courthouse in Holton. All meetings are open to the public. To address the county commissioners, contact the county clerk's office at 364-2891 to have your name placed on a meeting agenda.

*Holton City Commission

meets at 7 p.m. at Holton City Hall.

*The Harvesters Food Group will stop at the Netawaka Community Center, 418 Kansas St. in Netawaka, on every third Monday of the month.

*Beck-Bookman Library Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m., third Monday of each month, Beck-Bookman Library.

Tuesday, May 17

*1 p.m. JHMS awards assembly.

*7 p.m. JHMS eighth grade promotion.

*Holton Elementary track day.

*6:30 p.m. Holton Senior Scholarship Night.

*RVHS finals 1B-2B-4B.

*Wetmore Book-It field trip.

*7 p.m. SMS eighth grade recognition.

*The Caregivers Support Group (formerly Alzheimer's Support Group) will meet every third Tuesday of each month from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Holton Community Hospital care room. For more information, contact Zennie McClintock at 364-9696 or Amy Spiker at 364-3164.

Wednesday, May 18

*RVHS finals 1A-2A-4A.

*RVES Play Day.

*7 p.m. RVHS spring sports awards.

*Holton Alateen, a fellowship of young people whose lives have been affected by alcoholism, meets at 7 p.m. each Wednesday in the library room (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton.

*The Crisis Pregnancy Center in Holton is open every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Jackson Heights High School's FFA chapter turned in an excellent showing at the recent state Career Development Events (CDE) competition, earning the right to compete at the national level. Shown from left to right are advisor Paul Lierz and team members Joel Nelson, Lane Holliday, Lance Coe and Brianna Cattrell.

Submitted photo

Jackson Heights FFA excels at state CDE competitions

By Joel Nelson
JHHS Correspondent

The Jackson Heights FFA chapter competed in the Kansas State FFA Career Development Events (CDE) from Sunday, May 1 through Tuesday, May 3. The chapter had a lot of success in both individual and team competitions.

In the horse judging compe-

tion, Joel Nelson earned high honors, being named the high individual overall, as well as placing first in the reasons competition. Judd Nelson was 23rd, Lance Coe was 34th and Lane Holliday was 48th. Their team was third overall.

Jackson Heights' FFA team members also had success in the veterinary science competition, with Joel Nelson placing second overall individually and the team placing 27th. Other team members were Judd Nelson, Brianna Cattrell and Jenna McAllister.

In livestock judging, Joel Nelson was 20th, Judd Nelson was 53rd, Holliday was 142nd

and Coe placed 161st. Their team placed in the top quarter, receiving 15th out of 94 teams.

Ag sales was also a success for Jackson Heights as the team of Joel Nelson, Coe, Holliday and John Kennedy placed seventh overall.

In dairy cattle judging, the team did very well, placing first out of 50 teams as the highlight of their day. Joel Nelson was named the first overall individual, Cattrell was 11th, Holliday was 26th and Coe was 30th.

The team now gets the opportunity to compete at the national CDE competition in Indianapolis, Ind., next fall at the 2016 National FFA Convention.

Land Transfers

The following land ownership changes have been filed with the Jackson County Register of Deeds Office.

*Quit claim deed - Jennifer Dawn Monhollon, aka Jennifer D. Monhollon, fka Jennifer D. Banaka and Nathan Michael Monhollon, aka Nathan Monhollon, wife and husband, convey and warrant to Jon F. Banaka, two tracts of land in Section 15, Township 5 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*General warranty deed - Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC, West Palm Beach, Fla., to U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, his successor and assigns, to Michaelson, Connor and Boul, Oklahoma City, Okla., a parcel of land in Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Joint tenancy general warranty deed - Kevin J. Paxton and Jennifer Paxton, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Justin Olberding and Brooke Olberding as joint tenants and not as tenants in common, with full rights of survivorship, Lot 13, Westridge Subdivision in Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*General warranty deed - Mary Lou Benander, a single person, of Jackson County, as

first party, and Donald E. Wischmeier and Nancy D. Wischmeier, trustees of the Donald E. Wischmeier and Nancy D. Wischmeier Trust dated Jan. 25, 2016, Jackson County, as second party, Lot 93, New Jersey Avenue, city of Holton, Jackson County.

*Executrix deed - Traci Schnacker, executrix of the will of Leland W. Schnacker, deceased, grants and conveys to Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation, land in Section 1, Township 8 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Transfer on death deed - Gale S. Troth, a single person, transfers on death to Tarin R. Wray, a married person, and Kyler T. Troth, a married person, Lot 18, Block 2, Rosser's Addition to the city of Holton, Jackson County.

*Warranty deed - Eva Landis, successor trustee of the Erryn Langdon Living Trust dated July 27, 1999, conveys and warrants to the Erryn Langdon Living Trust dated July 27, 1999, Lot 29, Pennsylvania Avenue, city of Holton, Jackson County.

*General warranty deed - Mark A. Pruett and Victoria A. Pruett, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Hospitality Holdings, LLC, Gravois Mills, Mo., Lots 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 on Arizona Avenue and the west 40 ft. of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 on Dakota Avenue, all in Block 2, Westview Addition of the outlying lots to the city of Holton, Jackson County.

*Quit claim deed - Curtis Dresher, a single person, of Jackson County, as first party,

and Curtis Dresher of Jackson County and Justen Dresher of Jackson County, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship and not as tenants in common, as second party, Lot 21 on Clark Street, Shumway's Addition to the city of Mayetta, Jackson County, and also land located on a portion of Second Street in Mayetta.

*Quit claim deed - Graham Moulden and Dina Moulden, husband and wife, of Jackson County, as first party, and Gary J. Moulden of Jackson County, as second party, a tract of land in Section 34, Township 6 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M.

*Joint tenancy general warranty deed - Gary J. Moulden, a single person, of Jackson County, to

Gary J. Moulden, Grant Moulden and Rebecca R. Moulden, of Jackson County, a tract of land in Section 34, Township 6 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M.

*General warranty deed - BNC Family L.P., a forfeited Kansas Limited Partnership, conveys and warrants to Andrew L. Petesch and Katherine A. Petesch, as joint tenants with rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common, land in Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

MARKETS

STOCKS

Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	39.31	+0.45
CenturyLink	28.73	+0.52
Lowe's	76.99	+1.15
Target	80.05	+0.12
Hershey	93.16	+0.69
Walmart	68.79	-0.16
Phillips 66	79.25	+0.93
US Bancorp	42.06	+0.52
Pfizer	33.80	-0.02
Deere & Co.	83.81	+3.23
United Parcel	103.65	+0.96
Apple	93.42	+0.63
Facebook	120.50	+1.26
Westar Energy	51.98	+0.09
Goodyear	28.41	+0.23

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

GRAIN

Description	Price at Close
Wheat	\$3.61
Corn	\$3.42
Milo	\$2.76
Soybeans	\$10.00

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.

FUEL PRICES

	Current	Last Mo.	Last Year
Kansas Average	\$1.97	+\$0.106	-\$0.454
National Average	\$2.21	+\$0.168	-\$0.452
Holton Average	\$1.89		

Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Sunday, May 8, 2016.

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OBITUARIES

Mayetta Methodist Church



Paine

Terry Lee Paine, 62, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2016, at a nursing facility in Holton.

Terry was born Nov. 13, 1953, at Ellsworth, the son of Edward E. and Darlene M. Cottrell Paine. He was raised in the Rossville community and graduated from Rossville High School in 1971.

He was a missionary-pastor/welder. Terry had worked for USD 321 and USD 320. He was a welder for many years.

Terry was saved and baptized in 1997 at the Rossville Bible Church. He served as a missionary and pastor for the Potawatomi, Kickapoo and the Southern Ute Tribes. Terry served as an assistant pastor for the Nuuciu Bible Baptist Church in Ignacio, Colo. He was a member of Easton Baptist Church in Des Moines.

Terry was preceded in death by his parents and two children, Chad Everett and Lancy Noel.

On Aug. 27, 1973, he was united in marriage to Leslie Summer at the Rossville City Park. She survives of the home.

Other survivors include his son, Yancy Paine, Topeka; three daughters, Teri Boulet, Long Beach, Miss., and Katie Paine and Morgan Paine, both of Topeka; three brothers, Edward Paine, Topeka, Jonny Paine, Maple Hill, and Mark Paine, Topeka; his sister, Tracy Paine, Topeka; an uncle, Kent Paine, Rossville; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 9 at Rossville Bible Church, Rossville. Interment was held in Delia Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Native American Mission, sent in care of Easton Baptist Church, 5075 N.E. 23rd Ave., Des Moines, IA 50317.

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Holthaus

JoEllen Holthaus, 61, Topeka, died Sunday, May 8, 2016, at her home.

She was born Oct. 3, 1954, at Dubuque, Iowa, the daughter of Erwin and Marjorie Hansen Scott.

She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Sioux City, Iowa.

She married Donald "Leroy" Holthaus on Jan. 26, 1991, in Sioux City, Iowa. He died Dec. 29, 2013. She was also preceded in death by her parents; a son, Michael Scott, on Dec. 7, 2012; two sisters, Lori Figueroa and Cathy Anderson; and two brothers, Stephen Scott and Seth Scott.

Survivors include a son, Eric Holthaus and wife Alecia, a stepson, Matt Holthaus, and a foster son, Bruce Brewer, all of Topeka; a stepdaughter, Jennifer Rhoades, and a daughter-in-law, Chandra Scott, both of Topeka; a sister, Anne Lyman-Petty, Las Vegas, Nev.; and four grandchildren, Bernie, Nathan, Sylvia and Devon.

Cremation is planned. Private graveside services and interment will be held in Holton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lupus Foundation, sent in care of Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1034, Holton, KS 66436.

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County Food Pantry lists March activity

The Jackson County Food Pantry served 127 households, 166 adults, 124 children and 57 senior adults for a total of 347 individuals served, in the five service days for March, it was reported. There were 11 new applicants added to the list this month.

Donations need to be increased through churches and organizations. Here is a list of regular monthly needs:

- Spaghetti and spaghetti sauce
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, stew, etc.)
- Canned beans of any kind except green beans.
- Canned fruits of any kind.
- Fruit juices.
- Macaroni and cheese.
- Soups (any but vegetable).
- Cereals of all kinds (all that is available at this time is Corn Chex).
- Rice/pasta.
- Toilet paper.
- Detergent.
- Shampoo/conditioner.
- Body wash.

By Shirley Stauffer

Sunday, May 8, the sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day, was a cool morning. Services at Mayetta Methodist Church opened with Todd Stauffer ringing the bell and Bud Stauffer acting as the acolyte. Pastor Howard read Scripture and followed with a prayer.

Prayer concerns of the day included Charles Harden's sister, who is having back surgery on Monday, and for Gerald Smith of Holton, "Pops" to Pastor Howard.

The Mother's Day Litany based on Proverbs 31 was recited by the congregation. The hymns were "Just As I Am Without One Plea," "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" and "Spirit of the Living God."

The special was "Where No One Stands Alone," sung by Karen Burns and David Oakley. Karen also read some poems

for a special. Birthday recognition was for Kathy Norris and Stan White. Charles Harden and Todd Stauffer took up the offering. Karen Burns read the Living Word of God from 1 John:3-24.

Pastor Howard's message of the day was titled "Honoring the Holy Spirit." We closed with prayer and the circle of friendship.

On Friday evening, May 6, Karen Burns traveled with Tom and Becky Neely to Hutchinson Community College to attend commencement exercises for the class of 2016. Karen's grandson, Cordell Neely, graduated with an associate of science degree and will attend Kansas State University this fall. Daniel and Nancy Burns were overnight guests on Friday evening.

Early Saturday morning, Karen, Daniel and Nancy Burns went to Kansas Wesleyan Col-

lege in Salina to attend the graduation ceremonies of Karen's grandson, Timothy Burns. They first went to the baccalaureate service at University United Methodist Church at 11 a.m.

After having lunch with Timothy, they went to the commencement ceremony at 3 p.m. Timothy graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in theatre and communications. On Mother's Day, Karen enjoyed phone calls, visits and cards from the children and grandchildren.

Floyd and June Schlotter visited family in Horton on Monday. They enjoyed lunch at the Mexican restaurant and catching up on the latest news.

On Friday, June's niece and her husband from Cushing, Okla., made a special stop in Holton to see family members. They were on their way to Liberty, Mo., to present a scholarship to a young man in honor of their son. It was great seeing them again.

It was a joy to have Floyd Schlotter, Lalo and Kathleen Ramirex of Topeka join us for Sunday service.

On Monday, Mary Anderson, Lisa and MaRyka Smith attended the Home Free Band's "Don't It Feel Good" tour at TPAC in Topeka. It was a great evening.

Mary Anderson attended the Royal Valley High School mu-

sic concert featuring the band, concert choir and the Soundations on Wednesday evening. Her grandson, Karsen Smith, plays the trombone. All groups sounded very good.

On Sunday afternoon, Mary Anderson hosted the Northeast Kansas Search and Rescue team for a trailing session and a pot luck supper afterwards.

The Millers traveled to Arlington, Neb., to attend a wedding for Cameron and Ashley Oper on Saturday. Caliber Miller enjoyed the Royal Valley baseball camp and then friend Jason's birthday party.

Stan and Wanda White celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary on May 3. On Friday, Wanda and Micheal White had lunch to celebrate Mother's Day.

Todd, Bud and Shirley Stauffer and Tim Smith attended the Wetmore Attendance Center spring music program on Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday evening, Bud and Shirley Stauffer attended the Royal Valley High School spring music program.

The Stauffers enjoyed pizza with Roy and Bev Kranz, Darrell and Mary Morgan and Floyd and June Schlotter on Friday evening. On Saturday evening, they enjoyed a cookout at the Kevin Stauffer home in honor of Mother's Day.

Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

On Monday, April 25, Keith and Rosanna Wilson took his mother, Mona Wilson, to Topeka for her doctor appointment.

On Thursday, April 28, Rosanna Wilson took her parents, Duane and Marge Hundley, to their doctor appointments.

Holly Wilson of Topeka called Keith and Rosanna Wilson on Saturday night, April 30, to let them know that their first great-grandchild had arrived at 9:25 p.m. that night. Skyler Easton Maes weighed in at 6 pounds, 13 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Bryce and Shayla Maes of Topeka. Proud grandpa, Matt Wilson, was in Houston, Texas, that weekend for a meeting and training, so he missed the grand entry of Skyler.

Kenny Wykert attended the Soldier Senior Citizens dinner and meeting on Monday, May 2 at the Soldier Community Building. Jerry and Nina Reed told the group how they are working on getting something together

about the history of Soldier and several from the group told of things that they know about the area.

On Thursday, May 5, Barbara and Dennis Hutchinson attended the Royal Valley High School Track Meet to see granddaughter Kylie Moore participate in discus, shot put and javelin. The weather was wonderful for the outdoor activities.

Maxine Lewis joined us for lunch at our home following church on Mother's Day Sunday, May 8. We enjoyed the afternoon visiting.

For a Mother's day celebration, Barbara and Dennis Hutchinson, Denise Morarity of Hoyt, Doug Hutchinson of Shawnee and Helen Farley of Circleville enjoyed a delicious fried chicken and ham dinner at the Dinner Bell Cafe in Wetmore.

There was a lot of progress made on the new Circleville Fire Station this past week. All the walls are up and the roof is on.

Circleville Christian

By Jeannie Arnold

Jay and Carol Buehler served as greeters at the door for Cowboy Church on Mother's Day, May 8, at Circleville Christian Church. Paul Davault gave the opening prayer. Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, David Allen, Max Lierz, and Paul and Sue Davault.

Mike Cochren gave the announcements of upcoming events and David Allen gave the prayer for concerns and praises. The congregation enjoyed a lovely special by the praise team, who sang "The Hand That Rocks the Cradle Rules the World."

Our guest speaker was Ray Stites, who is a graduate of Manhattan Christian College and has also served on the board there. His sermon message was about Timothy, as he used text from 2 Timothy 1:5 and Acts 16:1-5. He told how Timothy was recruited by Paul to go on missionary journeys.

Timothy had the faith that is open to Jesus and he could handle difficult situations. Timothy served His Lord effectively. He was a man of grace, knowledge and faith. His faith came down from his mother and grandmother, and we should also hand down our faith to our children.

Paul Davault gave the communion meditation and prayer. Communion servers were Donnie Askren, Roger Rethman, John Ray and Jeremy Kenndy. Hannah Davault provided the communion music by playing a medley of hymns with her clarinet. David Allen gave the prayer for the offering, and the service closed by singing "Happy Trails To You."

Auction Calendar

• Saturday, May 14. Starting at 10 a.m. Larry and Linda Savage public auction. 23605 D Rd., Soldier. For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 364-7137.

• Saturday, May 21. Starting at 11 a.m. Morgan and the late Lila Johnson collectible and household furniture auction. 719 High St., Onaga. For more information, contact Cline Realty and Auction at (785) 889-4775 or (785) 532-8381.

• Monday, May 23. Starting at 12 p.m. Willie Niehues retirement farm machinery auction. 25756 I-6 Rd., Circleville. For more information, contact Cline Realty and Auction at (785) 889-4775 or (785) 532-8381.

• Saturday, June 4. Hoffman consignement auction, held two miles east of Effingham on U.S. Highway 159. For more information, contact Hoffman Auction Service at (913) 370-0747 or (913) 833-4125.

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Circleville Methodist

By Sue Wichman

Mother's Day was celebrated at the Circleville United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 8. Leesa Harshaw, pianist, played "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" for a lively prelude as Sue Wichman lighted the altar candles.

Lay Pastor Charlotte Milroy extended the welcome and asked for announcements from the congregation. Next Sunday, a special offering will be received for the Lydia Patterson Institute. This is one of the special projects of Bishop Jones and the Great Plains Conference.

The hymns were "O Worship The King," "Because He Lives" and "Freely, Freely." Dawn Duryea served as song leader and Leesa provided the accompaniment.

Ginger Johnson read the scripture lesson from the books of Acts and Revelations.

Charlotte led the congregation in Psalm 97 and the Affirmation of Faith, The Nicene Creed.

Charlotte's message was about Mothers. With the assistance of Steve Duryea, she shared a short video about Susannah Wesley, a mother who played an important part in the history of the Methodist Church. She also spoke about several mothers whose stories are told throughout the Bible.

Wichman served as offertory ushers while Leesa played "Let's Just Praise The Lord."

Theresa Wade assisted Charlotte in offering Holy Communion. Leesa's musical selection for this time was "I Come To The Cross."

The service closed with "Let There Be Peace On Earth."

Upcoming worship assistants are May 15, Helen Farley and May 22, the Fernkopfs. May 29 will be a fifth Sunday with services at Buck's Grove. There will be a brunch at 9 a.m. followed by the worship service at 9:45 a.m.

Obituary guideline

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

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10:00 a.m.: Garden Tractor Pull - Old Jackson County Fairgrounds - Hwy. 75 north of Casey's - Contact Charles Call, 785.364.2336, for more info.
11:00 a.m.: Alumni Parade around Courthouse Square
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6:00 p.m.: Alumni Banquet - Holton High School Gym

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SPORTS *Wednesday*

Panther softball team wears Big 7 Crown!

Royal Valley will be top seed in upcoming 3A regional

By Ali Holcomb

The Royal Valley softball team is back-to-back Big Seven League champs after sweeping its doubleheader against Hiawatha Monday!

The wins, 3-2 and 10-0, also guaranteed the team a number one seeding in next week's regional tournament in Oskaloosa.

The Lady Panthers came out strong in the first inning of the first game with two runs scored by Elizabeth Kirby and Ali Bryan.

Hiawatha followed with one run in the bottom of the first and an additional run in the third to tie the game. RV's Morgan New earned a double with a hit to centerfield in the fourth and then scored on an RBI single by Paige Ogden.

"Hiawatha's pitcher was pretty dynamic," said RV coach Corey Katzer. "She did a very good job of controlling us at the plate and making adjustments. We were able to put two on the board early, which helped us. We've been struggling recently with consistent defensive play, but I thought our defense was really, really good on Monday. It's really positive to see as we head to regionals."

Katzer said the team had to adapt to Hiawatha's pitcher and the way she changed her pitches.

"That's the type of game we need to get used to playing because those are the types of games we have to win in regionals," he said. "Two of our last four games have been decided by one run, and we've won them all because they don't panic and they believe in one another."

Junior Masey Lafferty pitched both games since senior pitcher Erica Pruyser sustained a concussion during Friday's game against Holton diving for a ball, Katzer said.

"Thank goodness for Masey," he said. "Pitching both games put a lot of pressure on her. There was a lot on the line. We were fighting with Perry for the Big Seven League championship race and we were competing for the number one overall seed in our regional. Masey did a phenomenal job. She deserves a lot of credit."

In the first game, Lafferty had nine strikeouts, two walks and allowed seven hits. In the second game, she had six strikeouts, two walks and only allowed three hits.

In the second game, the Panthers scored two runs in the first, one in the third, two in the fifth, two in the sixth and three in the seventh inning. Sarah Beam had two hits in three at bats and scored three times. Maggie Schuetz had a home run at the start of the third inning.

The Lady Panthers ended the regular season with a 13-1 record in the Big Seven League and are 18-2 overall as they head to regionals in Oskaloosa. Since the team is the number one seed, they won't play until Monday.

Other teams in the 3A regional include Pleasant Ridge, ACCHS, Hiawatha, Oskaloosa, Perry-Lecompton and Riverside.

"The format of regionals creates added pressure because as long as you win, you continue to play, and as soon as you lose, you go home," Katzer said.

The Panthers were just one win shy of qualifying for the state tournament last year.

"Everyone's game goes up a bit for regionals, and we just have to go out, stay focused and play our game and not worry about anyone else," he said. "And hopefully it all works out in our favor."



Royal Valley freshman first baseman Eryn Daughtery, shown above, didn't like this pitch served up by a Holton pitcher in a recent softball game between the two teams so she didn't swing at it. Photo by Michael Powls



With the softball dropping into the outfield behind her in a recent game against Royal Valley, Holton baserunner Gabryel Porras took off for homeplate and scored. Photo by Michael Powls

Thunder lead Big 7 baseball

By Michael Powls

Going into the final stretch of the baseball season, the Nemaha Central Thunder team leads the Big 7 League with a 9-1 record. The Thunder team is 15-1 overall.

Following the Thunder in the standings, as of May 10, are the Jefferson West Tigers at 8-2 in the league (9-7 overall).

The Royal Valley Panthers are 6-4 in league play and 10-8 overall, so a lot will be riding on the two games with Holton this week.

The Holton Wildcats are 6-4 in the league and 8-9 overall.

The Perry-Lecompton Kaws are 5-5 in the league and 6-8 overall. The Riverside Cyclones are 0-8 in the league this season and 1-13 overall and the Atchison County Community High School Lady Tigers are 0-10 in the league and 0-16 overall this

season. On the softball side, as of May 10, it is the Royal Valley Lady Panthers on top of the Big 7 League. They are 13-1 in the league and 18-2 overall.

The Jefferson West Lady Tigers are 11-3 in the league and 14-6 overall. The Perry-Lecompton Lady Kaws are 9-3 in the league and 12-6 overall. The Holton Lady Wildcats are 8-6 in the league and 11-9 overall.

The Nemaha Central Lady Thunder are 5-7 in the league and 7-9 overall. The Riverside Lady Cyclones are 3-9 in the league and 6-12 overall. The Hiawatha Lady Redhaws are 1-11 in the league and 3-13 overall. The Atchison County Community High School Lady Tigers are 0-10 in the league and 0-16 overall.



HHS senior Arturo Reveles, shown above, competes in the high jump event for the Wildcats. Photo by Brian Sanders

Aeschliman leads individual scoring at Big 7 League JV golf

By Brian Sanders

Holton's Dylan Aeschliman led the individual scoring and the Wildcat junior varsity squad took second place behind a continually dominant Sabetha golf team at the Big Seven League JV tournament on Monday in Sabetha.

Aeschliman shot a 45 to lead the pack at Monday's tournament, and the Wildcats posted a total score of 214, second only to Sabetha's 199 shots — including five individual players getting into the top eight — for the JV win at home, it was reported.

Royal Valley's JV golf squad also competed in the tournament, led by DJ Kester with 72 points.

The Holton and Royal Valley varsity golf squads headed to Lake Perry Country Club this morning to take part in the Big Seven League Tournament, to be followed on Monday by Class 4A regional golf at Wamego.

Scoring Sabetha Country Club May 9, 2016

Team scores: 1. Sabetha 199, 2. Holton 214, 3. Nemaha Central 222, 4. Jefferson West 225.

Individual scores: 1. D. Aeschliman (Holton) 45, 2. C. Roy (Jefferson West) 47, 3. T. Ukele (Sabetha) 48, 4. M. Funk (Sabetha) 49, 5. B. Rokey (Sabetha) 50, 6. (tie) I. Ganstrom (Nemaha Central) 52, 6. (tie) M. Krebs (Sabetha) 52, 6. H. Haynie (Sabetha) 52.

Other Holton scores: R. Shepley 54, E. Deegan 56, B. Patch 59, C. Wareham 60.

Royal Valley scores: DJ Kester 72, K. Potts 78, C. Kebert 83.



Royal Valley's Marshall Stewart is shown above competing at a recent track meet. Photo by Brian Sanders

JH eighth grade track teams win N.E.K. League titles

By Michael Powls

On Saturday, May 7, the Northeast Kansas League Middle School track teams had their league track meet at JCN.

Jackson Heights Middle School tracksters claimed 10 individual league champion medals.

In addition, The JH eighth grade girls and JH eighth grade boys, as teams, both claimed league championships.

The JH seventh grade girls team finished fourth as a team and the seventh grade boys finished as a team.

Final Middle School Team Scores

Eighth Grade Girls - First Place - Jackson Heights (109), Second Place - Pleasant Ridge (95), Third Place - JCN (72), Fourth Place - Xavier (52), Fifth Place - Everest (42), Sixth Place - Valley Falls (32), Seventh Place - McLouth (28), Eighth Place - Oskaloosa (26) and Ninth Place - St. Benedict Catholic School (5).

Seventh Grade Girls - First Place - Oskaloosa (154), Second Place - JCN (84), Third Place - Pleasant Ridge (50), Fourth Place - Jackson Heights (47), Fifth Place - Xavier (28), Sixth Place - St. Benedict Catholic School (26), Seventh Place - McLouth (25), Eighth Place - Valley Falls (12) and Ninth Place - Everest (7).

Eighth Grade Boys - First Place - Jackson Heights (109), Second Place - Oskaloosa (72), Third Place - Pleasant Ridge (56), Fourth Place - JCN (53), Fifth Place - McLouth (52), Sixth Place - St. Benedict Catholic School (50), Seventh Place - Xavier (38), Eighth Place - Valley Falls (21) and Ninth Place - Everest (8).

Seventh Grade Boys - First Place - JCN (104), Second Place - Xavier (88), Third Place - Everest (56), Fourth Place - Pleasant Ridge (47), Fifth Place - Oskaloosa (44), Sixth Place - Jackson Heights (41), Seventh Place - Valley Falls (30), Eighth Place - McLouth (17) and Ninth Place - St. Benedict Catholic School (6).

Eighth Grade Girls Individual Results

100-Meter Dash First Place - Lexi Wardlow (PRMS) (13.00), Third Place - Jodi White (JHMS) (13.550), Sixth Place - Abby Brey (JHMS) (14.360).

1600-Meter Run First Place - Jenna Pfau (OMS) (6:12), Second Place - Makenzie Kennedy (JHMS) (6:14).

200-Meter Dash First Place - Lexi Wardlow (PRMS) (27.020), Third Place - Jodi White (JHMS) (27.510).

3200-Meter Run First Place - Makenzie Kennedy (JHMS) (15:06).

4x200-Meter Relay First Place - PRMS (2:5.860), Fifth Place - JHMS (2:24.150).

400-Meter Dash First Place - Jodi White (JHMS) (1:2.650), Second Place - Kylie Dohl (JHMS) (1:5.350).

4x100-Meter Relay First Place - PRMS (57.280), Third Place - JHMS (1:2.790).

75-Meter Low Hurdles First Place - Katie Kuglin (MMS) (13.520), no one placed in this event from JHMS.

800-Meter Run First Place - Brooklyn Vittito (JCNMS) (2:45.330), Second Place - Kylie Dohl (JHMS) (2:45.560).

Discus Throw First Place - Hanna Forge (PRMS) (86'6"), Third Place - Grace Roles (JHMS) (78'3").

High Jump First Place - Josie Weishaar (JCNMS) (4'10"), Second Place - Kylie Dohl (JHMS) (4'8").

Long Jump First Place - Lexi Wardlow (PRMS) (14'11"), Third Place - Jodi White (JHMS) (14'8").

Shot Put First Place - Grace Roles (JHMS) (35'4.5").

Sprint Medley Relay First Place - JHMS (2:7.770).

Triple Jump First Place - Karli Schmidt (XMS) (28'6"), Sixth Place - Ashley Flowers (JHMS) (26'5").

Seventh Grade Girls Individual Results 100-Meter Dash First Place - Gabbi Taylor (XMS) (13.460), Fifth Place - Amaya Marlatt (JHMS) (14.450).

1600-Meter Run First Place - Trevon Pentlin (JCNMS) (5:40), Fifth Place - Jason White (JHMS) (6:19).

200-Meter Dash First Place - Eli King (OMS) (26.560), Sixth Place - Chase Cramer (JHMS) (28.860).

First Place - Gracie Reid (OMS) (6:13), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

200-Meter Dash First Place - Cassidy Robertson (JCNMS) (27.610), Third Place - Amaya Marlatt (JHMS) (29.470).

4x200-Meter Relay First Place - JCNMS (2:7.060), Third Place - JHMS (2:9.730).

400-Meter Dash First Place - Gabbi Taylor (XMS) (1:5.420), Third Place - Amaya Marlatt (JHMS) (1:6.970).

4x100-Meter Relay First Place - JCNMS (56.930), Fourth Place - JHMS (1:2.670).

75-Meter Low Hurdles First Place - Emma Schwinn (PRMS) (13.7), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

Triple Jump First Place - Kinsey Schneider (JCNMS) (26'9.5"), Second Place - Abby Watkins (JHMS) (25'7.5").

800-Meter Run First Place - Gracie Reid (OMS) (2:55.330), Second Place - Shelby Phillips (JHMS) (2:56.760).

Discus Throw First Place - Sophia Rockhold (OMS) (69"), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

High Jump First Place - Lindsay Schupp (OMS) (4'4"), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

Long Jump First Place - Cassidy Robertson (JCNMS) (14'1"), Fourth Place - Paige Deneault (JHMS) (12'4.5").

Shot Put First Place - Asa Kessinger (OMS) (31'4"), Sixth Place - Nathalie Kaiser (JHMS) (24'1").

Sprint Medley Relay First Place - OMS (2:10.850), Fifth Place - JHMS (2:24.820).

Eighth Grade Boys Individual Results 100-Meter Dash First Place - Garrett Miller (SBMS) (12.230), Third Place - Cooper Williams (JHMS) (12.960).

1600-Meter Run First Place - Clayton Thompson (OMS) (5:22), Second Place - AJ Mock (JHMS) (5:25), Fourth Place - Drew Holliday (JHMS) (5:39).

200-Meter Dash First Place - Garrett Miller (SBMS) (25.280), Fifth Place - Andrew Wege (JHMS) (28.1).

3200-Meter Run First Place - Drew Holliday (JHMS) (12.29).

4x200-Meter Relay First Place - JCNMS (1:52.920), Fourth Place - JHMS (2:3.060).

400-Meter Dash First Place - Kyle Johnson (OMS) (55.270), Fourth Place - Cooper Williams (JHMS) (58.620).

4x100-Meter Relay First Place - JCNMS (52.260), Third Place - JHMS (57.280).

75-Meter Low Hurdles First Place - Kyle Johnson (OMS) (12.320), Sixth Place - Andrew Wege (JHMS) (14.670).

800-Meter Run First Place - Dakota Driskill (MMS) (2:20.030), Third Place - AJ Mock (JHMS) (2:26.490).

Discus Throw First Place - Carson Williams (JHMS) (114'2.5"), Second Place - Riley Watkins (JHMS) (110'10.5"), Third Place - Trey Manuel (JHMS) (109'11").

High Jump First Place - Taylor Folsom (SBMS) (5'4"), Fifth Place - Joel Kennedy (JHMS) (4'8").

Long Jump First Place - Cooper Williams (JHMS) (18'1.5").

Shot Put First Place - Robert Gwartney (PRMS) (38'9.5"), Second Place - Carson Williams (JHMS) (34'6.5").

Sprint Medley Relay First Place - McLouth (1:56.490), Fourth Place - JHMS (2:0.460).

Triple Jump First Place - Cooper Williams (JHMS) (36'10").

Seventh Grade Boys Individual Results 100-Meter Dash First Place - Jayden Gibson (EMS) (12.870), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

1600-Meter Run First Place - Trevon Pentlin (JCNMS) (5:40), Fifth Place - Jason White (JHMS) (6:19).

200-Meter Dash First Place - Eli King (OMS) (26.560), Sixth Place - Chase Cramer (JHMS) (28.860).

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Wildcat softball team gearing up for regionals

By Brian Sanders

When it rains, it pours — and on Friday, Holton's softball team, making up a rain date from April with Royal Valley, got poured on in Hoyt.

"It was just a rough day all the way around," Holton head softball coach John Deitrich said of Friday's doubleheader sweep by the Lady Panthers. "They beat us in walk-off fashion in both games."

First, the Lady Cats were knocked down 12-1 by a hardy RV squad that weathered six Holton fielding errors. In the nightcap, the Cats were better with the bats and four players were able to get two hits each, but the fielding errors continued.

"We couldn't help out decent pitching, because we had difficulty fielding and throwing the ball," Deitrich said. "In game one, we were limited to four hits and could only muster the one run. In game two, we were able to generate more offense, but we had nine errors in the field."

The losses came after a regularly-scheduled home doubleheader against Riverside, in which the Cats swept the Cyclones. In the opener, the Cats got a 4-3 victory off of three hits and two RBI from Casi VanAUSDALL, along with three more hits from Quinn Holaday and a valiant pitching effort from Sarah Bond.

The Cats wrapped up the Cyclones 5-3 in the nightcap, in which Riverside came out swinging but were unable to weather a four-run storm in the

fourth inning. Gaby Porras and Lauryn Moore each picked up a double in the offense, while Holaday got the win in the circle and Bond returned to pick up a save after the Cyclones threatened later in the game.

On Saturday, it was all JV action at Chandler Field, where the Lady Cats hosted the Holton Invitational. Silver Lake beat Rock Creek to win the tournament, while St. Marys bested Oskaloosa for third place; other participating teams in addition to Holton included Basehor-Linwood, Hiawatha and Rock Creek.

Deitrich said the JV invitational is an important part of Holton's softball program.

"It's great to see the kids get the games and in turn be able to evaluate their progress at the end of the season," he said. "It's a long day, and in Kansas, you never know what the weather will be like. Last year the championship game was rained out. Two years ago, we were miserably cold all day. But it was a perfect day this season, and we had a great crowd at both diamonds."

The varsity Lady Cats, now at 8-6 in the Big Seven League and 11-9 overall, are now preparing for the Class 4A regional tournament, which will begin Monday at Chandler Field. Holton will compete in a regional field that includes longtime rival Topeka Hayden, as well as Mount Academy, Doniphan West and Jefferson West.



Royal Valley pitcher Zack Lux, shown above, prepares to deliver a pitch from the stretch position in a recent game. Photo by Ali Holcomb



Royal Valley's Derrick Barger, shown above, has his sights set on smashing this oncoming pitch in a recent game. Photo by Ali Holcomb

June 4 run/walk here to honor memory of soldier Danny Petersen

A five-kilometer run/walk is being planned to honor a Netawaka man who received the U.S. military's highest recognition for his bravery in the Vietnam War.

The Danny J. Petersen 5K Run/Walk of Honor will be held Saturday morning, June 4, in Holton. Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to participate in the event to honor Jackson County native Petersen and raise funds for a new project at the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C.

Petersen was a Specialist Four in Company B, 4th Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division in the U.S. Army who was 20 years old when he was mortally wounded in Vietnam. For his bravery, he was a posthumous recipient of the military's highest decoration, the Medal of Honor.

A portion of U.S. Highway 75, between Holton and Netawaka, is named the "Danny J. Petersen Memorial Highway."

Proceeds from the event will be used to create a memorial wall to show faces of those who served in the military during the Vietnam War. The memorial is planned as part of an "education center" that is being built near the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall, it was reported; more information may be found at www.vvmf.org/education-center.

To sign up for the run online, visit www.runsignup.com/Race/KS/Holton/DannyJPetersen5K, or make a donation to Life Care Fitness Center in care of the Danny J. Petersen Honor 5K, 416 Colorado Ave., Holton, KS 66436.

JH middle school track

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4x200-Meter Relay
First Place — JCNMS (1:54.540), JHMS did not compete in this event.

400-Meter Dash
First Place — Keaton Comer (PRMS) (1:0.870), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

4x100-Meter Relay
First Place — Xavier (52.030), Fourth Place — JHMS (1:0.300).

75-Meter Low Hurdles
First Place — Joseph Hernandez (XMS) (13.670), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

800-Meter Run
First Place — Jake Heim (XMS) (2:25.680), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

Discus Throw
First Place — Colby Doyle

(JHMS) (102'3").
High Jump
First Place — Jayden Gibson (EMS) (5'4"), no one from JHMS placed in this event.

Long Jump
First Place — James Kramer (JCNMS) (15'5.5"), Sixth Place — Dylan Thompson (12'9").

Shot Put
First Place — Taylor Wamego (JHMS) (32'5.250"), Third Place — Colby Doyle (JHMS) (30'9").

Sprint Medley Relay
First Place — JCNMS (2:0.920), Third Place — JHMS (2:9.670).

Triple Jump
First Place — Cade Norris (JCNMS) (33'3"), Sixth Place — Dylan Thompson (JHMS) (27'7.5").



The Kickin' Kangaroos preschool-age soccer team, coached by Amanda Schuster and Liza Warner, is shown above. Team members are, front row, left to right, Ava Martin, Braiden Moulden, Bennit Lancaster and Lana Warner. Back row, left to right, Evie Mattox, Abigail Schuster, Luke Warner, Bryar King and Brady Eiberger. Submitted photo

HHS boys sweep Riverside

By David Powls

Holton High School's varsity baseball team sports a 7-4 record in the Big Seven League and is 8-7 overall as it prepares for upcoming Class 4A, Division II regional baseball action on Monday.

As of presstime Wednesday morning, regional baseball pairings had not been announced. Go to holtonrecorder.net for that information this afternoon.

On May 5, the last time the Wildcats played ball, they swept league foe Riverside by scores of 7-4 in the first game and 11-6 in the second.

The Wildcats got a good pitching performance from Aaron Bain in the first game as he went the seven-inning distance, mixing up his fastball and changeup pitches. Bain struckout one batter and walked one while also allowing just six hits and four runs (three earned).

Bain also helped himself at the plate, batting 3-3 with two doubles and a single.

Also for Holton, Brady Mulroy batted 3-4 and scored four

runs, Brady Forrester batted 3-4 and scored a run and Lawson Henry batted 1-3 and scored a run.

In the second game, 11-6 victory, senior Austin Hess also provided his team with a good pitching performance. Hess, who also went the full seven-inning distance for his team, struckout eight batters, walked three and allowed just four hits in the game with his fastball and curveball arsenal.

Forrester picked up three hits. Bain had three hits going 3-5 and Jacob Coufal batted 1-5.

"Our top of the order batters got hits and our bottom of the order batter got walks," said head coach Joe Purcell. "It worked out pretty good."

The Wildcats were slated to play Royal Valley at Hoyt for one game today at 2 p.m. and one game tomorrow at 2 p.m.

Note: The Holton Wildcats were the only Big Seven team to beat league-leading Nemaha Central this season, it was reported.



Members of the Diesels kindergarten soccer team are shown above. Team members are, front row, left to right, Julian Bontrager, Dominic Lancaster, Maggi Emert and Olivia Kimberlin. Back row, left to right, coach Zack Lancaster, Brodyn King, Rylan Rodvelt, Grant Warner, Kaia Uhl and coach Tyler Warner. Submitted photo

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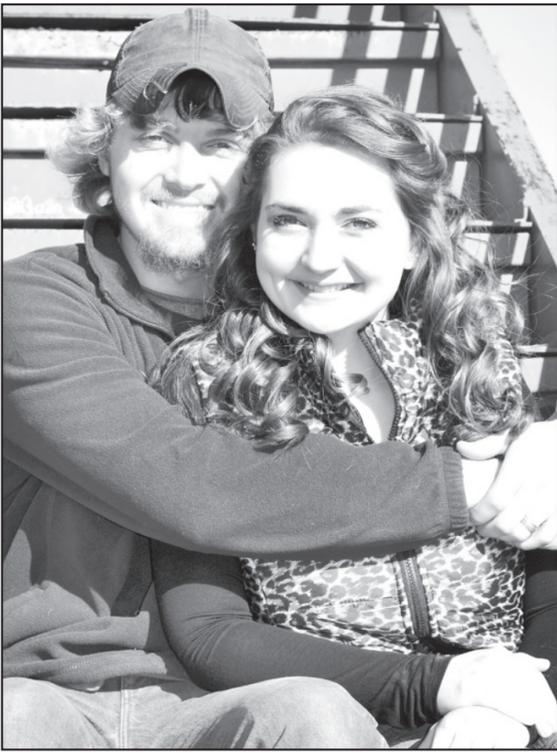
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Just-Strecker

The engagement of Leanna Just to Brady Strecker is happily announced by their parents.

Leanna is the daughter of Carol and Allan Just of Topeka. Grandparents of the bride-to-be are Bernadine and Nels Just of Auburn, Karen Burns of Mayetta and the late Alva Burns.

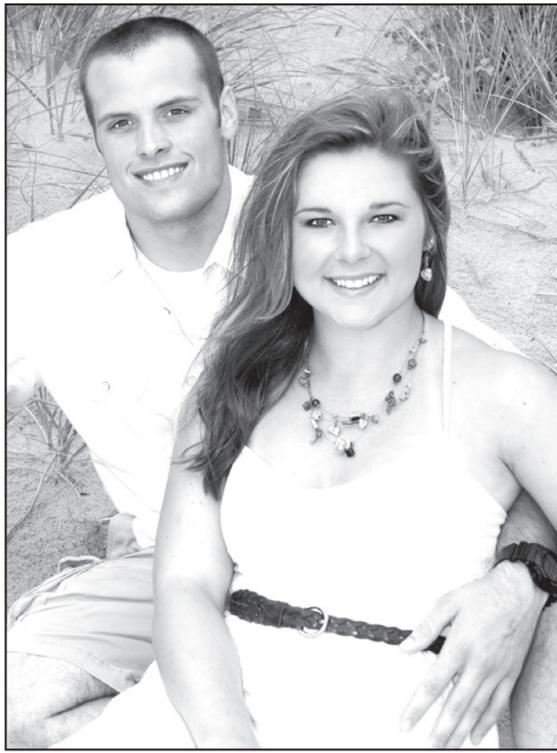
Brady is the son of Jackie and George Strecker of Hoyt. Grandparents of the future groom are Mary Ann Strecker of Topeka, the late Paul Strecker and Sheryl and Roger Blue of Hoyt. Great-grandparents of the future groom are Lorma and Jr.

Hladky of Holton and the late Richard Blue.

Leanna works in the infant room at Crèche Academy in Meriden, and Brady works as a tire technician at Cross Midwest Tire in Topeka.

Leanna is a 2015 graduate of Royal Valley High School and plans to attend Washburn University in the fall to obtain her bachelor of science in nursing in hopes of becoming a pediatric nurse.

The couple will wed June 25, 2016 at the bride's home in Mayetta.



Shoemaker-Donaldson

Brad and Tami Shoemaker of Holton are happy to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, Julia Shoemaker, of Holton to Brentt

Donaldson of Holton, son of Samantha Donaldson and Mark Baldwin of Denison.

The couple plans to wed July 30 at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Submitted photos

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

**News tip?
Call 364-3141**

Roach receives local FCE scholarship

Elizabeth Roach, a 10-year member of the Hoyt Livewires 4-H Club, is the recipient of the \$100 Jackson County Family & Community Education

(FCE) scholarship, it has been reported.

She is the daughter of Doug and Annette Roach. She plans to attend Kansas State University.

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HAH to attend National Rural LISC Conference in Washington D.C.

Homestead Affordable Housing, Inc. will send staff members to the Rural LISC Seminar on May 24-26, an annual national conference for rural community development professionals.

This year's seminar will be held in Washington, D.C., and provides unique opportunities to visit with congressional representatives on Capitol Hill; gain valuable insight into ways to improve our community; and offer networking opportunities with rural colleagues from around the country.

"Since being selected as a Rural LISC partner community development company in 2015, we have utilized the Rural LISC loan products, attended trainings and have benefited from LISC staff on site at our locations seeing our developments and activities in rural Kansas. Having the opportunity to have key staff network and train with some of the country's best developers in rural communities is a great opportunity," said Tom Bishop, HAH's president/CEO.

Lisa Mensah, USDA Undersecretary for Rural Development, will welcome attendees with a keynote address about rural issues and the USDA. Other highlights will include sessions about:

* Reinvesting in Rural

America – a plenary featuring speakers from the Independent Bankers of America and the USDA.

* Small Business Development – a panel discussion by GROW South Dakota; Northern Initiatives in Marquette, Mich.; Hope Enterprise Corporation in Jackson, Miss.; and Communities United in Arkansas.

* Rural Creative Place Making – a panel featuring South Carolina Arts Commission; National Endowment for the Arts, Tucker County Development Authority in Thomas W.Va.; Dance Place, Washington, D.C.; and ArtPlace America, Brooklyn, N.Y.

"Homestead Affordable Housing, Inc. exemplifies the very best in innovative programming to their community, and we are delighted that they are attending this year's seminar," said Suzanne Anarde, Rural LISC Program Vice President.

Homestead Affordable Housing, Inc. is a Kansas community housing development organization formed in 1998. HAH has developed more than 400 units of affordable rental housing in 10 rural Kansas communities, assisted more than 1,000 rural first-time homebuyers with counseling and down payment and closing cost assistance, provided emergency and essential repairs to senior low-income homeowners and assisted rural communities to determine housing and community development needs and find solutions to those needs.

Based in Holton, the organization serves all of rural Kansas. Launched in 1995, Rural LISC is the rural component of the largest community development support organization in the country called LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation). Rural LISC provides a wide range of services, including training, technical assistance, information and financial support, to help rural community developers address the problems rural communities face. This assistance comes in the form of loans and grants, national policy support, and technical and management assistance.

Since 1995, Rural LISC has helped rural groups build more than 29,000 homes; \$3.2 million square feet of commercial or community facilities; helped more than 550 small businesses; helped create 6,250 jobs in rural areas; and helped place 1,000 children in new child care facilities and after-school programs; and generated more than \$120 million in matching funds raised by rural community development corporations.

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, May 4, 2016.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF:

Name: Cordae Christopher Warrior

DOB: xx/xx/2013 A female

Case No. 2014-JC-000061

AND

Name: Jordan Xaravion Warrior

DOB: xx/xx/2014 A male

Case No. 2014-JC-000062

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication
Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: Samantha Warrior 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 Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at 1:00 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: Alexandria S. Morrissey, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 366, Holton, Kansas 66436; Phone: 785-364-0158. 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: Darla Otensmeier, Attorney at Law, 13827 70th St., Oskaloosa, KS 66066; Phone: 785-863-2786.

Date and time of hearing: Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at 1:00 PM

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

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Baby News



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Nicholas and Jessica Bowser of rural Mayetta are happy to announce the birth of their son, Henry Lee. Henry was born on Dec. 19, 2015 and weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. He was welcomed home by big sister, Hazel. Maternal grandparents are Edward Lutz of Holton and Debra Burns of Reading. Paternal grandparents are Michael and Grace Bowser of Mayetta. Great-grandparents are Cecil Lee and Betty Bowser of Mayetta, Renae Askren of Circleville, JoAnn Lutz of Mayetta and Donna Burns of Holton.

Gardener's Corner

Berry many seasonal delights

By Sandra M. Siebert



I breathlessly await the full ripening of one bright red, almost fully ripe strawberry, as I write this; the first ripe berry of the season.

It seems early, but my garden journal says that the first basketful of strawberries arrived on May 13.

The hardy strawberries missed the really hard freeze in late March, and so are ripening before I have finished the last bag of frozen strawberries from last year. I will move seamlessly from last year's frozen berries to this year's fresh ones it seems.

Although the strawberries missed the bite of the late March freeze, others did not. We will, again, have no apricots. Peaches are few. Even the apple, cherry and pear trees bear few - if any - baby fruits. Only one plum tree found the gumption to put on loads of little fruits.

Fortunately, the blueberries promise a fair harvest. Even some of the blueberry plants I put in last year have a good number of green berries ripening now. While pruning and thinning the blackberries yesterday I noticed many canes were lined with blooms. The black raspberries planted last year grew rampantly and promise me quite a bounty. Good news after a year without my favorite berry.

Ah, yes, berries. I quite adore berries, for many reasons.

First, they are simply delicious.

Berries also add great beauty to the plate with their bright colors. Those colors indicate their high nutritional value, as the pigments creating those colors are tied to various nutrients. Berries far exceed the nutritional value of any tree fruit, with the possible exception of cherries.

Finally, compared to most tree

fruits, berries are easy to grow. Even the red raspberries that I have had trouble growing successfully gave me enough berries last year to encourage more diligent attention this year. The few handfuls I picked came off of a small number of short canes. So I figure that with a bit of fertilizing and more routine watering, along with some light shade during summer's heat, I might be able to expand the red raspberry patch to a size capable of producing basketfuls.

If I remember to water them regularly, blueberries give me no more trouble than any of the other berries. But I must remember to water them regularly (that reminds me). Water blueberries at least twice a week when the temperature routinely exceeds 60 degrees Fahrenheit; more frequently as the thermometer climbs in summer. Plant them in straight Canadian peat moss and you won't need to acidify the soil.

Peat moss provides no nutrition, so feeding becomes more critical than with berries planted in soil. I have gone to an organic dry fertilizer formulated for acid-loving plants. The directions recommend feeding in the fall, and say spring feeding also may be beneficial. Blueberries require no pruning other than to remove dead branches or to manage the plant's shape and size, as you wish.

Last fall either a deer or rabbit "pruned" one of the baby blueberry bushes to just a few inches in height. I anticipated having to replace it, but it now bears several clusters of new leaves. So I will see what happens.

Considering the high nutritional value, and high grocery store cost of blueberries (not to mention their deliciousness), my husband is trying to convince me to dedicate another of our raised beds to blueberries. I love both him and blueberries (in that order) so I don't need much convincing, especially since soaker hoses and drip irrigation make the twice-a-week watering much less time consuming.

The thorny blackberries have given us much over the years.

As primocane producers (producing on both second- and first-year canes), they produce for practically the entire summer and into fall. Few critters bother the thorny cane fruits, with the exception of berry-seeking birds, squirrels and stinkbugs, who still manage to leave us more than enough to fill our bellies and freezer.

Most of the breeding for flavor has gone into the thornless, floricanes (second-year cane production only) varieties, however. So this year I've planted four thornless varieties, inside the fencing that protects some of our fruit trees from the deer that ate down our original thornless planting eight years ago.

I planted one of the more common varieties of thornless blackberry called "Chester." When I tasted some of my sister's blackberries last year they were so delicious that I asked her what variety they were.

"I don't know. You gave them to me," she replied.

Since I know I had at least one Chester blackberry that survived being eaten by deer, which I dug up and gave away, I presume that hers are Chester. So I have high hopes. I also planted a variety called Ouachita, as well as Black Satin and Loch Ness. No, I did not choose any of them because of the cool names. I chose these varieties based on hardiness and flavor descriptions. Because they will produce only on second-year canes (unlike the thorny variety I grow, Prime Jim) I must wait until next year to find out what they taste like.

The black raspberry varieties I have are Munger, Bristol and Jewel, quite common varieties provide the best flavor and hardiness, according to catalog descriptions. Black raspberries must be planted well away from other cane berries to avoid diseases that don't bother the others much, but which will send black raspberries into decline.

Now I have no more room to discuss the care and feeding of all the berries. They give me so little trouble, though, that I can only say, "Berries; plant them. Eat them. Enjoy."



Coes to celebrate 50th anniversary

Kyle and Glenda Coe of Soldier will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 22. They were married at the Soldier Christian church in Soldier on May 22, 1966.

They are the parents of three children, Michael and his wife, Tami, of Logan, Utah; Konrad and his wife, Amber, of Sol-

dier; and Janell and her husband, Steven, of Soldier. They have 11 grandchildren.

Kyle and Glenda farmed and operated a Grade A dairy for most of their married life.

A reception is planned for Sunday, May 22, at the Soldier Christian Church in Soldier from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The couple requests no gifts.

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Beauchamp becomes junior member of Angus Association

Samantha Beauchamp of Holton is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Allen Moczygomba, CEO of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo.

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Netawaka U.M.C.

By Mary E. Edwards

Sunday, May 8 was a good morning for Mother's Day and celebration of the Christian home at Netawaka United Methodist Church. Neva Douglas was greeter and offertory usher. She lighted the altar candles as the recorded "Pass It On" played. Marilyn Banaka gave the welcome and announcements and was in charge of recorded music.

Many joys were shared. Doris Oxandale is much better after having a treatment for pain. Steve and Marilyn were delighted by their granddaughter Jordyn's dance recital and a visit from their son, David. Neva attended a party for her sister Margy's 85th birthday and returned home to find a big bouquet for Mother's Day from Rusty and Pam. She looks forward to going to her granddaughter, Laura's. Mary Edwards attended the wedding of her youngest grandson, Nathan, and Belinda Focht at Whiting U.M.C. Saturday.

The call to worship was a responsive reading thanking God for mothers. "How Can We Name A Love" was the hymn of praise. Other songs were "Jesus Loves Me," "Hymn Of Promise" and "Here I Am, Lord."

Psalm 97 was read responsively. We were blessed to have children in church. Alyssa Mullins and her friend, Hannah, went up for children's time with Pastor Caren. They talked about baptism and inviting others to church.

The congregational prayer was read in unison, then a time of silent reflection and the pastoral prayer followed by the Lord's prayer.

Scripture lessons were from Joshua 24:14-15 and Colossians 3:18-20. The Rev. Caren Loper's sermon was "The Greatest Calling." Our God is a relational God. We are to look to Him for guidance, pray for His help in all decisions and let Him lead us.

Probably the greatest calling is to be a parent. There is much responsibility there. Colossians 3 gives rules for Christian households. Wives are to submit to their husbands. Husbands are to love their wives. Children must obey their parents, as this pleases the Lord. Respect and love go together.

After the service, the congregation met and agreed to send a good donation to the conference for the Lydia Patterson Institute Capital Campaign.



Holton Parks and Recreation director Mike Reichle (in foreground) spent part of Friday helping Holton's street crew pour new concrete curbing and guttering along the 200 block of Pennsylvania Avenue in preparation for the summer brick street crew. Reichle said the city's street employees provide him with assistance at times, so "whenever they need me to lend a hand, I'll come a-runnin'." Photo by Brian Sanders

Holton First Baptist

By Shirley M. Cameron
I hope you all had a blessed Mother's Day on May 8. First Baptist Church gave gifts handed out by some of the youth to all mothers present. We appreciated their thoughtfulness.

Sunday's special by the choir was "In Christ Alone." As always, their songs are done very well and are appreciated for their messages in music.

The trustee meeting will be on May 15. FALC graduation will be at 6:30 p.m. on May 20. A graduation party will be held from 1-3 p.m. on May 21 for Joel Cawby and Michael Nelson. Church members are invited.

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help the VFW National Children's home. Drop the labels by the office or directly to Elsie.

"Prayer And Worship" was the title of Pastor Tim's sermon from Jeremiah 29: 12, 13 and 2 Chronicles 7:14. Prayer and worship go hand in hand. The Lord is to be first in our thoughts. A vital relationship in the body of Christ and committed to seeking the Lord through worship, prayer and Bible study. Somewhere along the line, churches have become a social club. Seek Him with all your heart.

May's memory verse is "Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart."

Buck's Grove

By Betty Bernitter
It was a beautiful sunny day to worship at Buck's Grove on Mother's Day, May 8. Jack Bernitter rang the bell, and Mary Ringel lighted the altar candles as Althea Fordham played the prelude.

After announcements, lay speaker Joyce Immenschuh led the congregants in the call to worship and the opening prayer.

Sunday's hymns were "Wonderful Words Of Life," "O Jesus, I Have Promised" and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." It is always a pleasure to have Althea play the piano for us.

Joyce read scripture from Acts 16:16-34 and Revelations 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21.

Joyce's sermon was titled "Mother's Day- Today and Every Day." What are mothers? Mothers are teachers, disciplinarians, and cleaning ladies. Some are

gardeners. Mothers are nurses, doctors, psychologists, counselors, chauffeurs and coaches. Mothers are soft voices, saying, "I love you." And most of all, mothers are the link to God, a child's first impression of God's love. Mothers are all these things and much, much more.

Being a mother isn't easy. Sometimes you are filled with joy, and sometimes with sadness. Sometimes your children make you so proud, you want to pop your buttons. At other times, you can't find enough handkerchiefs to dry your tears.

Jack Bernitter and Wayne Rieschick received the offering and the service closed by singing "Come Oh Lord."

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Denison Bible Church

By Esther L. Hall
What a pretty day it was for Mother's Day, even with the light rain on May 8. All the mothers present were given geraniums after the service at Denison Bible Church. For "Opening" service, Gwen read Proverbs 31:10-31, and Roxanne prayed for all mothers.

Pastor Tom's message "A Mothers Desire!" was based on 1 King 1:11-14. If you knew your mother's heart's desire would you do everything in your power to give her her heart's desire? Bathsheba had one desire and that was to see her son, Solomon crowned as King. A good mother wants her children to be happy,

but a godly mother takes satisfaction in her children seeking their assignment for the heavenly father.

We may not be mothers to a king, but it is our responsibility to love our children and train them up in the ways of the Lord.

On May 15, Denison Bible Church will have a baptism ser-

vice in front of the church.

Women's Bible Study is on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at Denison Bible Church. We are studying "Twelve Extraordinary Women" by John MacArthur. It's not too late to join us.

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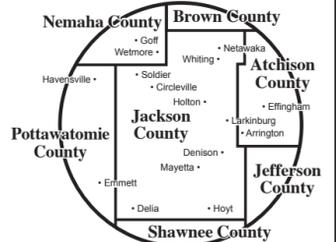
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Jackson Heights...

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the wood and the walls in the locker rooms and repainting the front entry. Cost estimates were not available for the latter two projects.

In addition to the electrical work throughout the district, Walsh said she had talked with Dean Williams of Whiting about bleacher and hand-rail work at the high school football bleachers, saying that Williams "knows what we're looking for in widening the aisles and repairing the hand-rails." Williams had given her an estimate of \$2,500 for the work, she added, noting that he would "come out and look at things again" and possibly revise that estimate.

"He said he felt like he could do it for much less than that," Walsh said.

Three other projects at the district level — painting the football field's goal posts, refinishing the gazebo and cleaning up and burning junk piles — also were listed. In the latter case, Walsh said she had talked with grounds and maintenance employee Todd Hurt about doing the work because "those piles are growing bigger and definitely need to be dealt with."

The second half of the project list would likely be dealt with at a later date, board members noted. One item on the second half involves repairing the press box at the football field, where Walsh said some water damage had been sustained.

"It's just showing its age," she said of the press box, noting that the district might look at taking a page from Nemaha Central High School, where press box repairs were made as a "community project."

In other business related to the end of the school year, Walsh presented board members with a list of comments collected from this year's graduating seniors on their

opinions of the school as they prepare to graduate. The questions were posed to students during their "encore" period at the beginning of the day, she said.

The questions focused on what seniors appreciated the most about the district, changes they would like to see in the next five years, how their JHHS education "prepared (them) well for the future" (or didn't) and what they wish they would have known before starting their JHHS years.

In the first category, students said they liked the small class sizes, teachers working outside of class time to help with instruction and being flexible when their schedules and community and alumni support, among other things. Appreciation was also expressed for the "encore" period, in which students received instruction on valuable life skills, Walsh said.

Graduating seniors said they would like to see a lot changed over the next five years, she said. Suggestions for improvement included better lunches, better computers, weight room improvements, increased community support, new lockers, home economics and life skills classes and "more leeway on due dates for students who are involved in school activities."

In the third category, students said their JHHS experience has made them "well prepared for time management because of all the activities we do." Middle and High School Principal Darren Shupe concurred, saying that "more work needs to be done" in helping students in that regard.

One comment received under what students wish they had known four years ago — "don't take online classes" — sparked discussion among board members, with Walsh suggesting that perhaps some

students "don't retain as much" with online courses. Shupe added that some students may have trouble with online courses because they have a hard time juggling those courses and other activities.

Board members also:

- Noted the absence of board member Melinda Wareham. Board members present included Dr. David Allen (president), Doug Amon, Konrad Coe, Neal Keeler, Kelly Kennedy and Ed Rostetter.

- Approved the meeting's agenda and consent agenda, the latter including minutes from the board's April 11 meeting, monthly bills and activity account reports.

- Accepted two donations for the district, including a donation of a large limestone rock from the Jackson Heights Alumni Association and an archway from the high school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter to be placed at the finish line of the high school's cross-country course.

- Approved the annual Kansas Association of School Boards membership dues and legal services fees, which, at \$5,239 for the dues and \$1,650 for the legal fees, are the same as they have been for the past three years, Walsh said.

- Heard a reminder from Walsh of the upcoming teacher's appreciation dinner on Friday, May 20, in which board members will serve an end-of-year lunch to district teachers.

- Heard an update from Walsh on the progress of an Eagle Scout project being done by Ralph Ortega involving a small bridge on the cross-country course.

- Heard an update from Walsh on elementary school events, including a summer enrichment program designed to help elementary students sharpen their reading and math skills during summer vacation, as well as upcoming activities, field trips, concerts and the last day of school, which is Thursday, May 19.

- Received an updated copy of the middle and high school student handbook from Shupe, with changes in the handbook focusing on tardiness, MTSS, lunch prices, enrollment fees and graduation requirements.

- Heard a report from Shupe on middle and high school activities, including Monday's senior community service day, middle school league track results, school physicals and upcoming events including high school graduation on Sunday and eighth grade promotions on Tuesday, May 17.

- Met in executive session for 30 minutes with Walsh present to discuss teacher sal-

ary contract negotiations and non-elected personnel matters. Following the executive session, board members accepted the resignations of longtime third-grade teacher Jo Hufford and sixth-grade teacher Mary Williams, and approved contracts for Michelle Kuglin as third-grade teacher, Melissa Sauls as middle and high school music teacher and Lisa Joiner as a district cook.

- Approved a list of certified teaching staff for the 2016-17 school year.

- Approved a list of supplemental positions for the 2016-17 school year, including Brad Alley, head high school cross-country and track coach and assistant high school girls basketball coach; Lyle Alley, district athletic director and head middle school track coach; Vern Andrews, high school publications sponsor; Gary Baldrige, assistant middle school football coach; Chris Brown, head high school boys basketball coach and assistant middle school track coach; Brooke Callaway, assistant middle school girls basketball coach; Gera Cochren, assistant middle school volleyball coach; Toby Cowdin, assistant high school football coach; Mark Fenton, head middle school girls basketball coach; Loretta Fitzgerald, head middle school volleyball coach; Jeff Folger, forensics sponsor; Brandi Fritz, middle school cheer sponsor; Josh Gray, assistant high school football coach and boys basketball coach; Gary Keehn, assistant high school cross country and track coach; Diane Keeler, district PDC co-chair; Victoria Lamberson, high school cheer sponsor; Paul Lierz, FFA sponsor; Pat McKinney, middle school Scholar's Bowl sponsor; Katie Morris, high school student council and prom sponsor; Greg Nilges, head middle school football coach and assistant middle school boys basketball and track coach; Amy Roth, high school play/musical co-sponsor; Melissa Sauls, high school and middle school music, vocal and instrumental, and high school play/musical co-sponsor; Dan Shupe, head high school girls basketball coach and FBLA sponsor; Robin Sides, assistant high school volleyball coach and high school Scholar's Bowl sponsor; Denise Visoosky, high school head volleyball coach; Jamie Wells, district PDC co-chair; and Caleb Wick, head high school football coach, assistant high school track coach and head middle school boys basketball coach.

- Adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

50-year photos...

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Denison and Whiting, but all Jackson County area schools, past and present, are encouraged to submit photos for the section, along with any information on what graduating members of those classes are up to today.

Composite photos may be brought to *The Recorder* office on the south side of Holton's Town Square from 8 a.m. to

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Envirothon...

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At the end of a long day of testing the team's knowledge of environmental science and ecology, the Holton team received the following awards, emerging as first-place winners — first place in soils/land use, first place in forestry, second place in aquatics, second place in oral presentation and third place in current issue.

"It was such a close competition," said Myers, Envirothon team captain. "There was only a five-point difference between our team and Rock Creek. Rock Creek was the team to beat because they had won state last year and gone to nationals. When the judges said Holton won, it was surreal. I instantly jumped up and gave Mr. Bartel, the best coach ever, a hug! Being the captain of the team, I was so proud of them!"

To prepare for the competition, team members met at 7 a.m. at least two days a week, as well as putting in extra time outside the school day. Their coach, Alex Bartel, provided a variety of experiences for team members.

Some students attended the Kansas Youth Range Camp to study range grasses and their habitat impacts on wildlife. Some competed in nursery/landscape or land development career development events in Jackson County. In November, team members attended an Envirothon information-training day in Junction City.

"We joke that Mr. Bartel is our 'ag dad,' and with the amount of time we spend with him, it is a realistic interpretation," Wittmer said. "It almost feels like we are his 'other children' due to all the time we spend together at morning practices."

Bartel admits it is challenging to prepare students for the five areas of forestry, soils, aquatic ecology, wildlife and this year's current topic of invasive species, noting that students are given general guidelines, but not questions, ahead of time. The only area that could be prepared prior to competition is the oral presentation.

Using the internet and gathering personal interviews, the team came up with a presentation complete with visual aids. The judges were from different government agencies such as the Natural Resource Conservation Service, state fisheries, the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism and KSU Extension Service.

Each student had his or her favorite part of the competition and most difficult category. The most difficult area for Clark was aquatics.

"I don't know much about fish and think they all look the same," she said.

For Wittmer, forestry proved most difficult.

"It was a long test that involved moving around, identifying trees as well as measuring things like the heights and diam-

eters of some trees. So we really struggled to get everything done with the short time we had. I was surprised but very pleased we ended up winning first place in the forestry area," Wittmer said.

Bartel believes the competition is an important one, which demands a team effort in a variety of ways.

"This competition showcases students' knowledge of the important factors facing our environment and society," Bartel said. "They have to work as a team through very challenging exams that ask them to apply physical or mental skills to answer scenario-based questions. The competition is completely outdoors where students are fully in the environment they are trying to solve."

Team members understand the significance of the knowledge they are gaining.

"I have learned so much from this competition," Sheldon said. "No one is unaffected by how our ecosystem is operating. Each category teaches you more and more how our world works."

Bartel said students plan to study through June and July as a team and on their own. The group will meet with a forester and a wildlife biologist, and they will take a trip to Missouri Western State University to study pine and fir trees in preparation for nationals.

"I am excited to get to go to Canada," Clark said. "I love Envirothon and can't wait to take it to a higher level in a place I have never been before. I am also excited to get to meet new people who like Envirothon just like we do."

Bartel recognizes the value in the whole experience of the national competition and all the events leading to the team's qualifying.

"Whether we win or not is not the true focus," he said. "Improving each day is the focus of this team."

Employment

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from Midwest Transit for a total of \$79,744.

Kansas Truck Equipment of Wihita bid \$78,779. Midwest Bus Sales of Bonner Springs bid \$79,686 and Midwest Transit of Nixa, Mo. bid \$77,519, plus \$2,225 for a camera on the bus.

Supt. Stones said that recent major mechanical problems with one of the district's existing buses necessitated the purchase of a new bus at the time. He said the district had been budgeting for such a purchase.

The board approved a motion 7-0 to purchase a set of four-row, motorized bleachers from Heartland Seating for \$27,664 for the high school's old gym, and also allowing for up to \$3,000 for the electrical work that will be required. The four-row bleachers sit 205 people.

One other company, Carroll Seating, submitted bids for three and four-row motorized and non-motorized bleachers. Its bid was about \$2,000 higher for each of the motorized bleacher bids and about the same for the manual ones.

The old bleachers at the gym were deemed structurally unsafe earlier this year. They have been sold for \$500, it was reported.

The cost of the school district's Blue Cross/Blue Shield health care plan for qualifying employees will increase by an estimated 14 percent, it was reported at the meeting. The district pays up to \$375 for each employee only and employee/spouse premium and up to \$580 per month for each employee/child and employee/family policy.

In other business, the school board:

*Noted the presence of all board members.

*Approved bills totaling \$1,821,671.80.

*Approved May payroll totaling \$1,129,765.35.

*Approved the following new hires - Tyler Ryan (high school business computer/web design), Stephanie Ryan (fourth grade teacher), Jennifer McElroy (kindergarten teacher), Michelle Krause (special education IRC Axtell), Taylor Kayser (special education behavior specialist), Matt Hundley (middle school assistant track coach) and Heather Link (middle school assistant secretary).

* Approved the following resignations - Tammy Kranz (middle school food service), Jill Blake (special education behavior specialist), Tina Haefke (special education assistant director), Vicki Vossler (special education director), Shelly Schmelzle (special education Sabetha EC para), Jacey Holliday (special education JH para), Remi Twombly (special education H para).

Melanie Woltje (special education gifted para), Megan Perkuhn (special education IRC Axtell), Chelsey Hiltbrand (kindergarten teacher), Teresa Wood (special education Onaga para) and Sarah Pickens (special education IRC Holton elementary).

*Acknowledged the following retirements - Mark Hufford (special education IRC JH) and Ginny Robinson (HHS tutor).

*Approved the following employment transfers - Jay Gililand (special education IRC JH to HMS seventh grade social studies teacher) and Janci Smith-Sullivan (special education para to Holton Elementary pre-school teacher).

*Accepted a \$1,223 donation from basketball supporters for a NOAH basketball shooting machine that tracks the flight of the ball.

*Saw Supt. Stones being presented with an Honorary FFA

Degree from the Holton FFA.

*Heard from FFA Envirothon members Alex Clark, Tel Wittmer and Walker Sheldon about their team's recent successes. At area competition, the team placed second overall (first in forestry and second in oral presentation). The Holton FFA has three upcoming trips planned - State FFA Convention, May 31-June 3 at Manhattan, the North America Envirothon July 23-29 at Ontario, Canada and the National FFA Convention Oct. 17-22.

The board approved a motion to allow the three trips with sponsors and to provide transportation and costs for sponsors to attend the National FFA Convention. Transportation for the Canada trip will be to the airport.

*Met with Barb Schul of the Parents As Teachers organization and afterwards approved a motion 7-0 to contract for three units next school term.

Currently, PAT is approved for three units in the district, serving 21 families. The first unit costs \$5,300 and each additional unit costs \$3,000.

A total of 31 families in the district were served this year with eight families being first-time parents and three teen moms, Schul said. This covered 36 children and she still has families on her waiting list.

*Learned from Supt. Stones that he had provided some information to the city of Holton about the Central Elementary School building and grounds that city officials had requested. So far, Stones said, city officials have not contacted him for further information.

Stones said that no appraisal of the property had been performed yet. He said he had also contacted Tom Bishop of Homestead Affordable Housing about the idea of refurbishing the property.

*Approved a new network improvement technology plan for the district totaling \$11,936.94 plus some installation costs of \$567.

Tom Sextro, technology director, said federal funds (E-rate funding) will cover \$37,899.80 of the new equipment costs. Fox Business Systems of Manhattan will install the equipment at a cost of \$1,890 with the district's portion of \$567.

*Watched a powerpoint presentation on the history of state aid to Kansas schools from 1972 to now.

*Heard from HHS principal Rod Wittmer that he attended the state journalism contest last weekend with HHS students and that eight of them placed in the top four of various competitions.

*Learned from Carolyn Cochren, director of the Fresh Start program, that 21 students will be graduating from the program this year. There will be a reception from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. this Thursday at the Fresh Start center to congratulate the grads.

*Approved a motion to renew the district's membership with the Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB) for \$9,662 and to renew a one year

legal assistance contract with KASB for an additional \$1,650.

*Approved a motion to take a 10-minute break at 8:32 p.m.

*Upon returning to open session, approved a motion 7-0 to enter into executive session at 8:43 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with Supt. Stones and Asst. Supt. Joe Kelly.

*Upon returning to open session at 8:58 p.m., approved a motion to enter executive session for five minutes to discuss matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with Stones and Kelly.

*Upon returning to open session at 9:03 p.m., approved a motion 7-0 to accept the list of certified staff provided by Stones.

*Approved a motion 7-0 to offer a one-year contract to Amy Haussler to serve as the Holton Special Education Cooperative Director. Salary will be \$88,000 for 260 day contract with employee only health care plan at \$591.60 per month with an annuity of \$750; cell phone stipend totaling \$60 per month, three days personal leave annually accumulative to five days, 10 days sick leave annually accumulative to 75 days, 20 vacation days annually accumulative to 75 days, group life and salary protection coverage to the negotiated base.

*Approved a motion to negotiate a vacation day buy-back with Vicki Vossler.

*Approved a motion to enter into executive session at 9:06 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss teacher salary negotiations with Stones and Kelly.

*Upon returning to open session at 9:16 p.m., approved a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Noted the following important dates:

May 20 - Last day of school for elementary students.

May 21 - high school graduation at 6 p.m.

May 23 - Middle school graduation at 7 p.m. @ HHS

May 25 - Last Day of school for middle school and high school.

May 26 - Teacher work day/ staff development day.

May 30- Memorial Day - Offices closed.

Graduations...

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Holton High School's 65-member Class of 2016 will hold commencement ceremonies at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 21 in the HHS new gym. Leading the class will be summa cum laude students Alexandria Bontrager, Kaden Brandt, Abigail Heitzman, Sonora Sheldon and Hayley Thompson; magna cum laude graduate Joshua Bjelland; and cum laude graduate Brandt Rose.

Editor's note: In Monday's graduation edition, the names of Hutfles and Haverkamp as Wetmore's valedictorian and salutatorian were erroneously transposed. Also, Holton High School graduate Nathan Curtis was erroneously omitted from the section. The Recorder apologizes for the errors.



Donnie Wischmeier (shown above) is pictured next to a mini excavator available to rent through Brahma Equipment Leasing of Holton. The business offers a variety of equipment and attachments for rent on a daily, weekly or monthly basis.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Brahma Leasing...

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Wischmeier said that the family-owned business can track down larger pieces of equipment, such as dozers, loaders and larger excavators, for customers to rent if there's a need.

In addition, the business offers tire tanks made from earthmover tires. Sizes range from five to 12 feet, and they can be set up as water tank for below ponds or spring developments for cattle.

The Wischmeiers opened Brahma Excavating at 24804 Q4 Road in Holton in 1992.

For more information, visit www.brahmaequipmentleasing.com or call 785-851-0053.

Royal Valley...

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In other business the board:

* Approved consent items.

* Met with a district parent, Kerry Wathen, who expressed his concern with the district's policy regarding graduation requirements. The parent's son is half a credit short on the requirements for graduation but will be allowed to make up the credit through the Fresh Start program. The student is unable to take part in this Sunday's graduation.

Wathen asked the district to consider additional solutions for kids in the future who may be half a credit shy so they can graduate on time and continue to further their education outside of high school in a timely manner.

* Discussed possible time and dates for the board of education retreat, which has been set for Wednesday, June 15.

* Received a legislative update from Superintendent John Rundle.

* Received an update on the district budget from Rundle.

* Approved a request from the Jackson County Historical Society to use two district buses for the Jackson County Barn Tour, set for Sept. 24 and Oct. 1. The historical society will pay for mileage expenses and also contract with two of the district's bus drivers for the tour.

* Approved the Kansas Association of School Boards membership dues of \$9,446 and the KASB legal assistance fund of \$1,650. These are the same fees as last year, it was reported.

* Approved the escalating milk bid of \$49,641 submitted by Highland Dairy, which was the only company that submitted a bid.

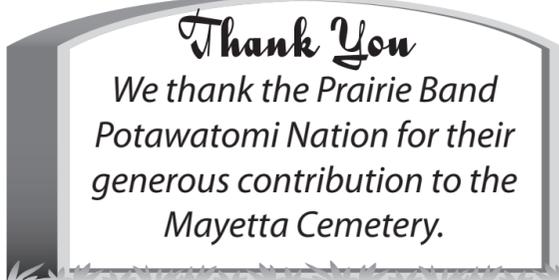
* Met in executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Rundle and Susan Pfrang, director of curriculum and instruction.

Back in open session, the board accepted resignations from Dennis Dillner, groundskeeper at the Hoyt schools, and Deb Cochran, food service worker at Mayetta.

The board accepted the retirement notice from Russell Pugh, district maintenance supervisor, effective Aug. 31.

The board also approved the following Rule 10 coaching contracts for the 2016-2016 school year: David Barta, assistant high school football coach and assistant high school baseball coach; Jamie McKinsey, assistant middle school volleyball coach; Doug Spencer, assistant high school and middle school wrestling coach and assistant high school softball coach; Kevin Cathcart, assistant high school wrestling coach; John McManigal, assistant high school softball coach; and Brenda Hainey, assistant middle school track coach.

* Adjourned the meeting. Board member Boone Smith was absent. Also present were Aaric Davis, who will replace Rundle this summer as the new superintendent, and Travis VanVleck, RVHS assistant principal.



CONGRATULATIONS NATHAN CURTIS!

Holton High School Class of 2016

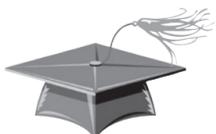


Note: A photo of Nathan should have appeared in Monday's graduation section. Our apology for the mistake.



Besides graduating from HHS, Nathan is also graduating May 12 from Washburn Tech!

He is the son of Glen III and Stacey Curtis of Holton.



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