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INSIDE

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Kindergarten students at Colorado Elementary School in Holton sang about "A Million Little Snowflakes" falling to the ground during their Christmas program, held Tuesday evening in the Holton High School auditorium. The song was one of six performed by kindergartners during the program. More Christmas music is on the way from Colorado students on Thursday, when first-graders will perform at 6:30 p.m. and second-graders will perform at 7:30 p.m., both in the HHS auditorium. *Photo by Brian Sanders*

Optimist Club ends its 41-year tenure

By Ali Holcomb

The Holton Optimist Club has disbanded after serving the community's youth for 41 years.

The club's absence has especially been noted this holiday season as members are not selling fresh Christmas trees at the former Jackson County Fairgrounds. The sales have served as a fund-raiser for youth sports for more than 30 years.

"It was not one thing that caused the club to disband, it was a myriad of things," said club member Becky Hutchins. "It was the perfect storm."

Hutchins said that the club lost its "prime location" for selling Christmas trees this year due to the construction of the new Casey's at the corner of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 16.

"Selling trees takes a lot of time and effort, and we didn't know if we could have a better location to sell them," she said.

Lower membership numbers also prompted the club to disband.

"As members, we're getting older, and it's hard to recruit new, young members," she said, noting that several members weren't able to be as involved in the club due to health issues. "It's heartbreaking that it had to end."

Club members placed an order for fresh Christmas trees earlier this year, and when it came time to pay for the trees in late September, members decided to disband the organization.

"We did so much, and I know we will be missed," Hutchins said.

Some of the Holton Optimist Club's youth and community services over the years have included:

* Sponsored oratorical contests that included state champion Chad Bontrager and current U.S. Rep. Lynn Jenkins.

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Assistance available for families in need

By Brian Sanders

A Holton resident's request for assistance with a local family whose house was destroyed in a recent fire prompted the Holton City Commission to note a number of ways that families who have fallen on hard times — particularly during the Christmas season — can receive assistance.

During Monday's commission meeting, Harold Kennedy told commissioners about the Nov. 23 house fire that severely damaged the residence of Bill Simmons and his family, as well as efforts to help the family recover from the fire. Kennedy said the family has been given a temporary rental in a house in Denison that he and his wife own, and the Red Cross has agreed to cover $300 of the first month's rent in that house.

Kennedy noted that the Simmons family has received donations of furniture and clothing to replace what was lost in the fire, and people who work with the family have set up a small fund to help them. He also inquired into whether the city could set up "a destitutes' fund" for Holton residents who fall victim to house fires and similar tragedies.

Concerning the establishment of funds for such families, Commissioner Tim Morris said the city is not authorized to collect or hold donations for them. Instead, Morris said, local banks are willing to set up funds for donations to people in such situations as the Simmons family.

City Clerk Teresa Riley also noted the presence of the Anna M. Chevis Estate Trust, established to help families who have been victims of catastrophic fires. The city is authorized to allot fire victims $250 from the Chevis trust, Riley said, adding that since the Simmons family moved out of the city, that amount went toward paying off the family's last utility bill.

The city also continues to manage the Sitzler Fund, established by the estate of Holton resident Louise Sitzler in 1912 to provide financial help to those less fortunate during the Christmas season. Those who will receive utility assistance are nominated by members of the city commission, it was reported.

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Zoning changes needed to open microbrewery

By Brian Sanders

With craft beers and microbreweries gaining popularity across the country, a Holton couple is planning to open a microbrewery of its own just west of the downtown area. But before that can happen, there may need to be a change in the city's zoning laws.

That's what Holton resident Sean Willcott told the Holton City Commission during their regular meeting on Monday while announcing his plan to open a microbrewery. The change Willcott proposed involves amending the city's regulations on commercial zoning to include the operation of a microbrewery, which he said would produce craft brews but would not operate as a "taproom."

At present, a "packaging microbrewery" is allowed under industrial zoning, Holton City Manager Bret Bauer said in response to Willcott's request, but Willcott said he did not want the property that he and wife Jennifer are looking at buying to be zoned for industrial use. Instead, he told commissioners, he wanted to see if zoning regulations could be changed to allow craft beer packaging in a commercial zone.

Assistant City Manager Kerwin McKee said amending the city's zoning regulations would require an act of the commission, after going

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Christmas homes tour: Phillip and Ginger Lloyd

By Ali Holcomb

Phillip and Ginger Lloyd's collection of Christmas décor includes a bit of everything – Santas, snowmen, angels, gingerbread displays and even a bathroom dedicated to the Grinch.

"We have two storage units and an area in the basement full of Christmas decorations," Ginger said. "I think we counted 34 bins before we started decorating."

The Lloyd's home is being featured during Saturday's "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour, which includes five decorated homes in the Holton area.

Purchased in November 2011, the Lloyd's home, which is located off of the old U.S. 75 highway, will include 10 decorated Christmas trees and a variety of light-up garland.

"When I went to Washburn, I studied interior design, but then I turned my focus towards hair," said Ginger, who has owned and operated Ginger Snips Salon of Beauty in Holton for almost 29 years.

Besides decorating her own home, Ginger also decked out the salon for Christmas for many years.

"About 98 percent of the decorations we put up in our home this year I had in storage," she said. "We really just had to buy a few lights."

The couple began pulling out Christmas items Sept. 1. Their kitchen is filled with gingerbread men and women novelty items, as well as gingerbread home scenes, which have been given to Ginger throughout the years.

Their upstairs guest room is filled with angels, and a tree and three wreaths in the couple's bedroom are covered in brightly-colored ornaments.

A large collection of Santas and snowmen are grouped under Christmas trees in the basement, as well as a collection of cookie tins. A guest bath in the basement is decorated in an electrifying green as a nod to the Grinch.

"We couldn't have done all this without help from our family and friends. We're absolutely pleased with how everything turned out," Ginger said, noting that they received help from Ginger's sister, Carlene Singh; their daughter, Erin; Kegan Meister and several others.

One of Ginger's favorite decorations is a glass nativity displayed upstairs.

"All the decorations are great, but the real meaning of Christmas is Christ's birthday," Phillip said. "That's what Christmas is really all about."

The couple usually hosts a large family Christmas after Dec. 25 near Phillip's birthday, which is Dec. 29.

The Lloyds have six children, 21 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Their children are Lisa and Matt Elder, Rebecca and Tim Hagler, Kelly and Curtis Farley, David and Tammy Bennett, Justin and Melissa Lloyd and Erin and Jeremiah Fox.

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THURSDAY'S FORECAST

MOSTLY CLOUDY, HIGH OF 46

Look for the complete forecast on page 2A.

Deck The Halls

The Black family of Holton, which includes (from left) Kobe, 10; Brady, Khloe, 4; Brooke and Kenzington, 15 months, are opening up their home on Saturday during the "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour. The tour features five homes and is sponsored by the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce as a fund-raiser for the organization. *Photo by Ali Holcomb*

Christmas homes tour: Brady and Brooke Black

By Ali Holcomb

Brady and Brooke Black and their three children are gearing up to celebrate their third Christmas in their new home in the Oak Ridge subdivision in Holton. Decorated in bright, festive colors, the home is one of five stops on Saturday's "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour.

The Blacks and their children, Kobe, 10; Khloe, 4; and Kenzington, 15 months; are eager to welcome guests into their modern home.

"I really like brighter colors, such as turquoise, in our home so we tried to incorporate that into our Christmas decorations so we wouldn't have to take down our usual home décor," Brooke said.

Three Christmas trees are set up in the dining room, living room and the kids' playroom and are all uniquely decorated.

In the upstairs playroom, the tree is adorned with toys and a variety of action figures from television shows and movies. A wreath outside the playroom is also designed in a similar fashion.

"I think Khloe was maybe a little upset that we put her toys on the tree," Brooke said.

In the living room, ceramic ornaments designed by young patients at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Texas grace the family tree.

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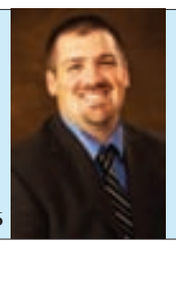

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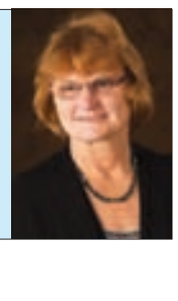

The photos above were taken at this year's Community Thanksgiving Dinner, held Thursday, Nov. 27 at the EUM Family Life Center in Holton. Dinner organizer Freda Galer said that about 250 people were served at this year's dinner, including 50 carry-out dinners. Preparations are under way for the annual Community Christmas Dinner, to be held Thursday, Dec. 25 at the Family Life Center.

Submitted photos

NEWS BRIEFS

■ Trinity Lutheran Church will host a Christmas Boutique from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 13 at the church, 401 Cheyenne Drive. Cookies, candies and crafts will be available.

■ Nativities and Noels, the annual free creche display and Christmas music event sponsored by the Topeka-area congregations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the LDS Topeka Stake Center, 2401 S.W. Kingsrow Road. For more information, call (785) 554-8068.

■ A "Three-Day Holiday Special" craft and bake sale and silent auction will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 through Saturday, Dec. 13 at the Potawatomi Bingo Hall, 162nd and Q roads west of Mayetta. Proceeds will be used to adopt a native family for Christmas. Concessions will be available. Tables are available for $5 for all three days; to reserve a table, call Sherri Landis at (785) 966-2855 or (785) 554-7060.

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

■ Debbie and Roy Calhoun are hosting their 10th annual Christmas Light Display between Y and Z roads on 222nd Road. The display, featuring 26,000 lights and more than 50 displays, will be open from 5:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 26. The public is invited.

■ A family science workshop on "Edible Black Holes," led by Mike Ford, will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Banner Creek Science Center and Observatory, 22275 N Road. Participants can learn about black holes and make a model they can eat. Reservations are required for the workshop, geared toward children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Cost is $5 per child with a limit of 15 children. To make reservations, visit www.bcscience.org or call Cari at 364-0926.

■ Soldier Christian Church will hold a live Nativity from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday on Kansas Highway 62 in front of the church. Scenes from the Nativity will be featured in a drive-through fashion. Cookies and beverages will be served in the church. The public is invited.

■ The Hoyt Senior Citizens will meet at noon Monday, Dec. 8 in the Hoyt Community Building for a Christmas potluck lunch. The Royal Valley High School Soundsations will perform for the group after lunch.

■ The Heart of Jackson Humane Society will hold a "Christmas Store" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the Hutchins Building, 407 New York Ave. Christmas décor, gifts for family pets and homemade holiday treats will be available.

■ The Holton Church of the Nazarene will host a showing of "God's Not Dead" at 7 p.m. Thursday. The church is located at 209 New York Ave. in Holton.

■ The Netawaka Firefighters Association will hold a pancake breakfast from 7 a.m. to noon Sunday at the Netawaka Senior Citizens Building. Free-will donations will be accepted.

■ Medicalodges Jackson County will host a biscuits-and-gravy breakfast from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.. Saturday. Please bring a donation of a new or gently used toy for the Jackson County Ministerial Alliance Christmas Store.

■ Quote of the day: "Only the curious will learn and only the resolute overcome the obstacles to learning. The quest quotient has always excited me more than the intelligence quotient." —Eugene S. Wilson

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Police Calls

The following calls were received in recent days by the Holton Police Department.

■ 3:23 p.m. Nov. 13, 100 block of Arizona Avenue, non-injury accident.

■ 5:52 a.m. Nov. 14, 700 block of Idaho Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 2:39 p.m. Nov. 14, funeral escort.

■ 4:25 p.m. Nov. 14, 1000 block of West Fourth Street, citizen assist.

■ 5:41 p.m. Nov. 14, 12800 block of Oak Ridge Drive, 911 hang-up.

■ 11:49 p.m. Nov. 14, U.S. Highway 75 at Columbine Drive, suspect arrested on charges of no proof of insurance and transporting an open container.

■ 9:22 a.m. Nov. 15, 600 block of Vermont Avenue, animal control.

■ 2 a.m. Nov. 16, 700 block of Kansas Avenue, suspect arrested on a charge of domestic battery.

■ 11:23 p.m. Nov. 16, 500 block of Nebraska Avenue, animal control.

■ 10:09 a.m. Nov. 17, 600 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, animal control.

■ 4:22 p.m. Nov. 17, 400 block of South Iowa Avenue, tag for tow.

■ 4:26 p.m. Nov. 17, 600 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 4:27 p.m. Nov. 17, 100 block of New York Avenue, animal control.

■ 4:30 p.m. Nov. 17, 300 block of New Jersey Avenue, animal control.

■ 4:58 p.m. Nov. 17, 600 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, animal control.

■ 9:10 p.m. Nov. 18, 600 block of Kansas Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 4:24 p.m. Nov. 19, 900 block of Iowa Avenue, animal control.

■ 2:48 a.m. Nov. 20, Fourth Street at Wyoming Avenue, removed debris from roadway.

■ 6 p.m. Nov. 20, 400 block of Colorado Avenue, suspect arrested on a municipal warrant.

■ 8:36 p.m. Nov. 20, Third Street at Western Avenue, animal control.

■ 8:44 p.m. Nov. 20, U.S. Highway 75 at 246th Road, motorist assist.

■ 7:58 a.m. Nov. 21, Eighth Street at Colorado Avenue, non-injury accident.

■ 1:24 p.m. Nov. 21, funeral escort.

■ 3:15 p.m. Nov. 21, 900 block of West Fourth Street, gasoline drive-off.

■ 4:34 p.m. Nov. 21, 100 block of Arizona Avenue, criminal damage to property.

■ 4:46 p.m. Nov. 21, 600 block of Ohio Avenue, welfare check.

■ 7:36 p.m. Nov. 21, 500 block of Nebraska Avenue, 911 hang-up.

■ 7:30 a.m. Nov. 22, Fourth Street at Vermont Avenue, animal control.

■ 9:21 a.m. Nov. 22, 400 block of Cherokee Drive, theft.

■ 12:13 p.m. Nov. 22, 600 block of Dakota Avenue, blocked alley.

■ 2:36 p.m. Nov. 22, 300 block of East Fifth Street, welfare check.

■ 7:06 a.m. Nov. 23, 700 block of New Jersey Avenue, assisted fire units with house fire.

■ 9:04 a.m. Nov. 24, 100 block of Arizona Avenue, animal control.

■ 8:43 p.m. Nov. 24, 100 block of Arizona Avenue, citizen assist.

■ 11:07 p.m. Nov. 24, 700 block of Wisconsin Avenue, responded to report of break-in in progress.

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Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

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46/36	**50/30**	**44/31**	**51/32**	**44/27**
Considerable cloudiness. High 46F. Winds SE at 5 to 10 mph.	Mainly cloudy and rainy. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the low 30s.	More clouds than sun. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the upper 20s.
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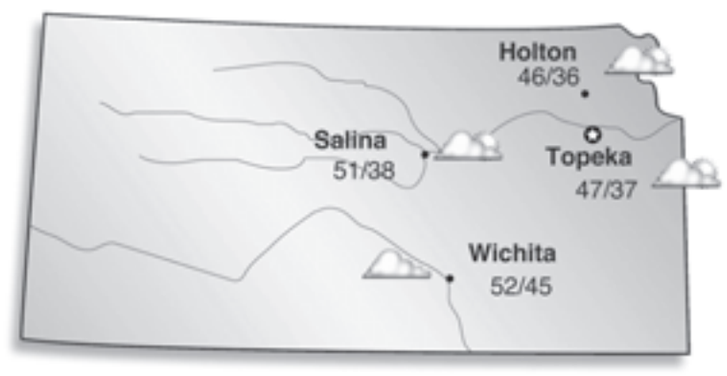

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The Bowser family was honored as one of 10 Kansas Farm Bureau 2014 Farm Families of the Year at the KFB Annual Meeting, Dec. 1 in Manhattan. The Bowsers are pictured here at their homestead near Mayetta.
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Kansas Farm Bureau names Bowsers one of 10 Farm Families of the Year

Nicholas and Jessica Bowser of rural Mayetta were honored on Monday as Kansas Farm Bureau Farm Family of the Year for Farm Bureau's first geographic district. The Bowsers received the award during Kansas Farm Bureau's 96th Annual Meeting, held that evening in Manhattan, it was reported.

One family in each of the Kansas Farm Bureau's 10 geographic districts is selected each year for the Farm Family of the Year award. The award recognizes families for their service and leadership in agriculture, Farm Bureau and their communities.

The Bowsers' farm consists of no-tilled cropland and pasture. They raise corn, soybeans, wheat and grass hay, as well as a spring and fall cow-calf herd.

Nicholas and Jessica Bowser have a one-year-old daughter, Hazel.

The Bowsers are active Farm Bureau leaders. Nicholas served on the Jackson County Farm Bureau for four years, and served as president for nearly two years. Nicholas and Jessica have both served as delegates at the KFB annual meeting and have previously served on the state Young Farmers & Ranchers Committee.

Nicholas served on the Jackson County Livestock Association's board of directors for three years where he was active in the promotion and advocacy of animal agriculture. He currently serves on the USDA Farm Service Agency's State Committee, as well as the K-State Agronomy Department's Crops, Soils and Range council that serves as an advisory council to the department and department head.

Jessica has worked for the United States Department of Agriculture for five years, and has served on the Kansas FFA Alumni Board and the Holton High School Alumni Board.

The Bowsers believe Farm Bureau plays a large role in helping farmers and the agricultural industry mitigate vulnerabilities.

Kansas Farm Bureau represents grassroots agriculture. Established in 1919, this non-profit advocacy organization supports farm families who earn their living in a changing industry.

Holton family loses home in Nov. 23 fire

A Holton family lost their home to a Nov. 23 fire that reportedly stemmed from a wood-burning stove, according to Holton Fire Chief Kevin Ingels.

According to a Holton Fire Department report, firefighters received a call at about 3:30 p.m. that day of a structure fire at 719 New Jersey Ave. Upon arrival, firefighters found heavy smoke coming from the front of the house, entered front of the house and extinguished a fire in that area.

Another team of firefighters entered the basement from the rear of the house, where they found a wood-burning stove and an adjacent wall on fire. That fire was also extinguished, and firefighters cleared the scene at about 4:40 p.m.

"That fire in the basement just crawled up the wall and into the rest of the house," Ingels said. "It's probably a total loss."

It was reported that Bill Simmons and his family were the residents of the house. No one was at home at the time of the fire except for three dogs and a guinea pig, and two of the dogs did not survive the fire, Ingels said.

Loss of property and contents was estimated at $25,000, according to the report.

NEWS BRIEFS

■ The seventh-annual Garage No Sale, sponsored by Christ's Church, will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Jackson County Fair Building. Bring good used items to the Fair Building between 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. For more information, call Carol Newman at 364-5661.

■ The "Inspiring the Soul III" Dinner Theater will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave. Tickets are $30 per person and are available in the EUM church office (364-3834) or at Denison State Bank or Ginger Snips (364-3069).

■ The Delia Presbyterian Church will hold a bazaar and soup supper Saturday at the Delia Community Building. Supper will be held from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; tickets are $7 for adults and $3.50 for children 12 and younger. A bazaar and auction will begin at 7 p.m.

■ The Jackson County Senior Citizens will hold a bazaar and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Friday at the senior center, 312 Pennsylvania Ave.

■ The Four Seasons Garden Club will meet Monday, Dec. 8 at Karla Austin's home. Call (785) 935-2550 for more information.

■ The Jackson County Health Department at Third Street and Pennsylvania Avenue in Holton has a coat rack available. Donations of new or gently used and clean coats are being sought in all sizes, infant through adult. Those needing coats may walk in and get one for free.

■ Holton Alateen, a fellowship of young people whose lives have been affected by alcoholism, will meet at 6:30 p.m. Mondays in the library (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave.

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

■ The United Methodist Women will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10 at the home of Thersa Wade in Holton. Pastor Charlotte Milroy will provide the program and devotions on "The Circle Maker" by Mark Batterson.

■ When submitting items for News Briefs, please submit them no sooner than three publications of *The Holton Recorder* for placement. Briefs listings are provided by *The Recorder* as space allows.

Warning given on 'IRS' scam calls

The Nemaha County Sheriff's Department is warning citizens of "an ongoing scam" in which targeted citizens receive calls from someone stating that they are a representative of the Internal Revenue Service, it was reported.

Targeted victims are warned of impending lawsuits and are told that a payment is necessary to avoid a suit, it was reported. However, IRS officials have stated that this is not the way the service communicates with citizens, and those who receive calls are encouraged not to return them or give the caller any personal or payment information.

Anyone who feels they have been a victim of this or any other scam and have lost money as a result is encouraged to contact local law enforcement immediately.

MARKETS

STOCKS

Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	34.27	-0.79
CenturyLink	40.71	-0.39
Lowe's	63.97	+0.81
Target	73.07	+0.32
Hershey	100.48	+0.28
Walmart	86.40	+0.18
Phillips 66	73.74	+1.88
US Bancorp	44.06	+0.44
Pfizer	31.57	+0.31
Deere & Co.	88.32	-1.26
United Parcel	110.41	+0.62
Apple	114.63	-0.44
Facebook	75.46	+0.36
Westar Energy	39.25	+0.20
Goodyear	27.24	+0.33

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2014.

GRAIN

Description	Price at Close
Wheat	$5.91
Corn	$3.32
Milo	$3.66
Soybeans	$9.26

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2014. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.

FUEL PRICES

	Current	Last Mo.	Last Year
Kansas Average	$2.63	-$0.340	-$0.377
National Average	$2.78	-$0.218	-$0.499
Holton Average	$2.66		

Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Sunday, Nov. 30, 2014.

HINSON'S CHRISTMAS TREE FARM
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OPINION

People who threaten others on the Internet should go to jail

People who operate and maintain online forums that promote hate speech should go to jail, too

A lot of people confuse *free speech* with *hate speech*.

They are not the same.

In a case that finally probes the limits of free speech over the Internet in the United States, the U.S. Supreme Court currently is considering whether threatening Facebook posts, and others like it on the wide range of social media, should be protected under the First Amendment.

Of course, they should not.

The government contends, and rightly so, that it does not matter what a person's *intentions* are when they make threatening posts online. Rather the true test of a threat (made anywhere by any means) should be whether a person's words make other reasonable people feel threatened.

The case before the Supreme Court has drawn widespread attention from so-called free-speech advocates (I call these people hate speech advocates) who say comments on Facebook, Twitter and other social media can be hasty, impulsive and easily misinterpreted.

My response to that weak argument is: So what is your point?

So-called "free speech advocates" - who are trying to defend hate speech - also point out that a message on Facebook intended for a small group could be taken out of context when viewed by a wider audience.

My response to that is: And your point is?

"A statute that proscribes speech without regard to the speaker's intended meaning runs the risk of punishing protected First Amendment expression simply because it is crudely or zealously expressed," said a brief from the American Civil Liberties Union and other so-called free speech groups.

Their arguments are lame.

So far, most lower courts in America have ruled that a "true threat" depends only on how an objective person perceives the message.

For more than four decades, the Supreme Court has said that "true threats" to harm another person are not protected speech under the First Amendment. But the court has been careful to distinguish threats from protected speech such as "political hyperbole" or "unpleasantly sharp attacks."

In the specific case before the Supreme Court, a person was convicted of making threats of violence and sentenced to nearly four years in federal prison. A federal appeals court rejected his claim that his comments were protected by the First Amendment. The person's appeal made it to the Supreme Court.

The government says requiring proof that a speaker *intended* to be threatening would undermine the law's protective purpose. In its brief to the court, the Justice Department argued that no matter what someone believes about his comments, it does not lessen the fear and anxiety they might cause for other people.

"The First Amendment does not require that a person be permitted to inflict those harms based on an unreasonable subjective belief that his words do not mean what they say," government lawyers said.

The National Center for Victims of Crime, which submitted a brief supporting the government, said judging threats based on the speaker's intent would make stalking crimes, for example, even more difficult to prosecute.

"Victims of stalking are financially, emotionally and socially burdened by the crime regardless of the subjective intent of the speaker," the organization said.

The case is Elonis v. United States, 13-983.

People who make threatening comments on the Internet against others must be stopped. The threats are a blatant form of bullying. The only way to stop them is to make their online threats a criminal offense punishable by prison time.

It is past time that the government takes steps to stop Internet harassment and bullying. I am not talking about making any new laws. I am talking about extending the laws that we already have - that govern printed materials and verbal speech - to the Internet's social media.

People who operate and control online forums that thrive on hate-speech and other forms of bullying, blatant threats and name-calling, are another form of scum that should be eliminated from the Internet through criminal prosecution.

Those deadbeats who promote and condone hate-speech by operating and maintaining such online forum sites should be held criminally accountable for their roles in perpetuating the online crimes.

Free speech does not mean you have the right to say or write anything you want, whenever you want, without consequence.

Free speech in a civilized society like ours comes with responsibility and regard for all others.

One of the most important lessons to be learned when growing up is to learn to think before you speak or write.

The way the Internet is now - like a frontier wilderness with no laws - we are not teaching that lesson to our young people. The government through its court system must now send a strong message that hate-speech in any form will not be tolerated.

There has never been any place in our society where one person could get away with threatening another person - until the Internet came along. And that is why it is past time for the laws of the land to extend to the Internet.

David Powls

LETTER: The gift of petroleum is amazing

Dear editor,

Before the holidays, many of us hit the shopping mall in search of perfect gifts for loved ones. What many don't realize, however, is that nearly every one of us will either give or receive the gift of petroleum this holiday season.

When talking about petroleum, most people likely have the image of a barrel filled with a black gooey substance, or at best, a gift card for your local gas station, neither of which seems like an ideal holiday gift. But, what I'm talking about and what most people do not realize is that petroleum is part of some of the most popular gifts, from the iPad, Kindle or TV on the top of your wish list, to the PlayStations or Barbies that will be asked for in children's letters to Santa.

When thinking about the role of oil and gas in our lives, most people look only as far as their vehicles and the price of gasoline, but petroleum plays an integral role in nearly every aspect of our lives.

Oil-based products are likely the first thing you touch at the beginning and end of each day, whether it is your alarm clock, television remote, iPhone or even the toothpaste and toothbrush you use to brush your teeth. Those who wear make-up or synthetic fibers, such as polyester or nylon, are using or touching petroleum nearly 24 hours a day, and, as a key component in heart valves, seat belts, helmets, life vests and even Kevlar, petroleum is saving tens of thousands of lives daily.

Furthermore, oil and gas are improving our living environments by heating our homes in the winter, cooling them in the summer, and keeping our lights on and petroleum-based gadgets fully charged.

These are just a few of the improvements that oil and gas makes in our lives and societies around the world, and as a top ten oil producing state, Kansas is a major contributor to that.

And, in the same way that we take great pride in our agriculture sector and the role it plays in feeding people around the world, we should also take great pride in the role our oil and gas industry plays in providing a commodity essential to our very way of life.

As in any industry sector or business, there are inherent risks and impacts. The petroleum industry, however, remains committed to mitigating these risks through extensive employee training and developing environmental, health and safety protocols to prepare and protect employees and the environment around them. There are state and federal agencies involved in regulating every phase of oil and gas production to ensure our energy resources are developed as safely, efficiently and responsibly as possible.

This year (2014) will go down as another year of historic growth of oil production and opportunity in Kansas as well as our nation. We should take a moment to recognize the incredible impact our oil and gas industry has had on Kansas, our nation and the world.

The technologies and innovations developed here in America to unleash our abundant oil and natural gas reserves are bringing us closer to energy independence.

Kansas will continue to be a top oil producing state for years to come. As an industry, we are proud to produce a resource that is used to fuel the airplanes and vehicles that will bring families together this holiday season; the resource that will go into the gifts that will be exchanged; and the resource that is bringing us closer to energy independence.

On behalf of the Kansas oil and gas industry, we wish you all a happy holiday season.

Edward P. Cross
President, Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association

STATE NEWS: GOP leaders retain jobs

With Republicans increasing their numbers in the Kansas House, top leaders in the GOP caucus were rewarded Monday with re-election to their positions, it has been reported.

House Speaker Ray Merrick, R-Stilwell, Majority Leader Jene Vickrey, R-Louisburg, and Speaker Pro Tem Peggy Mast, R-Emporia, retained their jobs.

Merrick easily defeated a challenge from state Rep. Virgil Peck, R-Tyro, 80-16. Vickrey faced no opponent and Mast defeated state Rep. Don Schroeder, R-Hesston, 59-36 in what some saw as a conservative-moderate contest with Schroeder being the moderate.

After last month's election, the House GOP caucus increased its advantage over Democrats from 93-32 to 97-28.

On the Democratic side, state Rep. Tom Burroughs of Kansas City was elected minority leader over Jim Ward of Wichita in a 17-11 vote. Burroughs had been assistant minority leader under Paul Davis, who was the Democratic candidate for governor and was defeated by Republican Gov. Sam Brownback.

In other Democratic results: state Rep Luis Ruiz of Kansas City was elected assistant minority leader; Ed Trimmer of Winfield, caucus whip; Brandon Whipple of Wichita, agenda chair; Barbara Ballard of Lawrence was re-elected caucus chair; and John Wilson of Lawrence, policy chair.

In other Republican races, a three-way contest developed for assistant majority leader between Kyle Hoffman of Coldwater, Randy Garber of Sabetha and Mario Goico of Wichita to replace Dave Curm who retired.

Goico won 60-37 over Hoffman in a second round of voting after Garber had been eliminated. In other GOP positions, Ron Ryckman Jr. of Olathe was re-elected House majority whip, and Travis Couture-Lovelady of Palco was elected chair of the majority caucus. Neither faced opposition.

LETTER: Underage drinking leads to nothing but trouble

Dear editor,

Happy holidays!

On behalf of the JCCTCC and JCYC, we hope the upcoming holiday season will be a safe and memorable time for all.

The holidays are often a time of celebrations. Making safe, healthy choices can help prevent tragic accidents and negative consequences that can come from drinking alcohol or liquor and driving or riding with someone who has been drinking alcohol or liquor.

During 2012, Kansas had 97 fatalities related to alcohol impairment and 20 fatalities were related to under-21 alcohol impairment. As responsible adults, making good choices can help ensure personal and public safety.

For youth, underage drinking has serious consequences even when avoiding driving after drinking.

The human brain continues to develop until a person is in their mid-20s and the last region to develop influences decision-making abilities. Alcohol reduces inhibition and increases the potential for risky behaviors that can have life-altering consequences including the risk of permanent brain damage.

"Youth who drink before age 15 are five times more likely to have alcohol problems when they are adults." (Fast Facts: Underage Drinking in Kansas, 2013).

There are also legal consequences associated with underage drinking. It is illegal to buy or possess alcohol if you are under 21. It is illegal to provide alcohol or to recklessly allow underage drinking to occur on ones property. Violating this law can lead to a minimum of $1,000 fine as well as jail time.

For a minor in possession of alcohol, it can lead to the loss of a driver's license for holding an alcoholic beverage and fines up to $500. It can also impact the ability to participate in scholarships or extracurricular activities.

To help youth make safe choices, parents and caregivers are encouraged to talk with youth about the risks and dangers of underage drinking and to set clear family rules about use of alcohol and other drugs. Parents have the greatest influence on their children. When youth attend parties, it is helpful to know where your youth will be and to express support and appreciation to parents hosting the parties for ensuring adequate supervision and guidelines to help keep youths' parties alcohol and drug-free.

The community can help assist with this through use of the Kansas tip line: 1-866MUST-B-21 in which callers can remain anonymous while reporting suspected illegal activities. For suspicious driving, call 911. It is everyone's responsibility to raise safe kids and to help keep our community safe!

May your holiday season be safe and filled with happy memories!

Deanne Armstrong
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OBITUARIES

Bloom

Irvin "LeRoy" Bloom, 64, Goff, died Monday, Dec. 1, 2014, at Holton Community Hospital.

He was born April 17, 1950, in Goff, the son of Irvin Leo and Ida W. Niehues Bloom. He attended Bancroft Grade School and graduated from Wetmore High School in 1968.

Mr. Bloom worked for BMB/Alamo in Holton for more than 20 years and later worked for Rural Water District 4 in Wetmore. He was also a farmer and stockman.

He was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Wetmore.

Survivors include two sisters, Linda Gerhardt and husband David, Holton, and Ginger Meyer and husband Dale, Wetmore; a brother, Ron Bloom and wife Linda, Goff; and five nieces and seven nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Gary Bloom.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at St. James Catholic Church in Wetmore. Burial will follow in Wetmore Cemetery. A rosary will be recited at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton with visitation to follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. James Catholic Church, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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Sloan

Lana Kay Sloan, 50, Bonner Springs, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2014, at her home.

She was born July 6, 1964, the daughter of Vernice Ray and Karen Sue Wofford Zachariasen. She was a 1982 graduate of Perry-Lecompton High School.

Ms. Sloan worked as a postmaster for several area U.S. Post Offices from October 1985 to May 2009. She was the postmaster at Holton from 2001 to 2007. She had been working at Sam's Club in Lenexa for the past two years.

She married Randall Scott Sloan. They later divorced.

Survivors include her parents, Vernice and Karen Zachariasen, Basehor; two daughters, Ashlyn M. Sloan, Basehor, and Taylor S. Sloan, Lawrence; a sister, Sheri R. Killer, Kansas City; and a granddaughter, Ella Rae.

Celebration of life services were held Tuesday, Nov. 25 at Grantville United Methodist Church. Cremation followed the services with inurnment to be held in Meriden Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to her grandchildren's educational fund, sent in care of Barnett Family Funeral Home, P.O. Box 602, Oskaloosa, KS 66066.

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Correction

The name of Monty Branam was inadvertently misspelled in the list of those preceding Louise Branam in death in an obituary that appeared in Monday's edition. *The Recorder* apologizes for the error.

Obit guideline

When submitting obituaries for publication, it is *The Holton Recorder's* preference that they are sent by the mortuary, funeral home or crematorium handling arrangements for verification purposes. Please have them call us at 364-3141 or send an e-mail to holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com

Denison Bible Church

By Esther Hall

It was sure chilly on Sunday, Nov. 30, after the 70 degrees on the thermometer the day before. Thanksgiving came and went along with the family members but it was wonderful to spend time with them even if it was for only a day or two.

Sunday was the beginning of Advent season. The four Sundays prior to Christmas we celebrate the Advent season with the lighting of candles in anticipation of the next coming of Jesus Christ. Also, this being the fifth Sunday of the month, Pastor Tom included songs by William "Bill" Gaither in his sermon.

Youth Under Construction (YUC) will meet to help decorate the Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5. The next YUC meeting will be on Saturday, January 3, 2015 at 2 p.m. YUC members Damien Nelson and Dakota Johnson collected Sunday's offerings.

The sermon was titled "The Joy of the Lord!" based on Luke 1:39-45. The Joy of the Lord is your strength. But, is it really? Do you still have the joy you had when you were first saved?

To lose your joy doesn't mean that you've lost your salvation. But, because you've been saved, you should have joy. God alone can give you joy. If you have joy you got it from God. No man can take it away from you. It's an eternal joy; promised to us and prepared for us but we must take possession of it.

Few born again believers still have their joy in Jesus Christ. If you don't have joy then you've surrendered it due to conflicts in your life. When we have joy we can deal with the hurts and heartaches that we experience in life.

In Luke 1:39-45, Elizabeth was not spiritually pregnant but was unusually pregnant. Elizabeth was barren and she and her husband were well past the childbearing years, but she did become pregnant and she was joyful. She only had the one son, John, who grew up to be John the Baptist.

When Mary visited Elizabeth, Elizabeth acknowledged that Mary's child was the coming Christ and John jumped within Elizabeth's womb. Perhaps John jumped in spiritual joy of his cousin, Jesus.

Mary was supernaturally pregnant. She was a virgin yet she became pregnant with Jesus. The angel, Gabriel, appeared to Mary and told her about her coming son. Jesus would be the Son of God and would reign forever with his father. Mary's joy was in believing what the angel had told her.

Our joy can be shown in the songs we sing like those of "Bill" Gaither's. "Jesus, We Just Want to Thank You" (for all the blessings he gives to us); "He Touched Me" (throughout the Bible Jesus touched a lot of people); "The Family of God" (as believers we are part of His family); and "Because He Lives" (whatever may happen around us or to us we can lean of Jesus). What a joy and relief it is to know that Jesus loves us and has everything in control.

If you're a born again believer, you are a Saint. Jesus wants you to have joy in and for Him. We should express humility through our joy. Mary had the Lord Jesus Christ and went to see Elizabeth. Elizabeth expressed humility in the child she carried.

We should be bold in our joy. Bold enough to share our joy with others. If your number one thing in life is serving the Lord, you will have joy in your life. If the joy of the Lord is to be your strength you can keep going. You can continue to serve Him.

Others around us need to see the joy in our lives. We have to be willing to do anything the Lord wants us to do. We should be walking in His joy and working in His spirit.

Are you willing to do for the Lord? If you're willing, you have the joy. Has He touched your life with the gift of salvation? He wants you to accept His salvation and wants so much to give you His joy.

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AG Schmidt seeking Supreme Court's help in halting challenge to consumer protection law

Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt (pictured) has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to shield a Kansas consumer-protection law from a legal challenge backed by the federal government, it has been announced.

Schmidt last week led a bipartisan group of 21 state attorneys general in filing an amicus curiae brief that asks the Supreme Court to allow continued enforcement of state anti-price fixing laws against retail sellers of natural gas who illegally rig prices.

The federal government, which is opposite Kansas in this lawsuit, is arguing that state antitrust laws are preempted by the federal Natural Gas Act. The defendants and the federal government argue the preemption extends to the retail market when the challenged practice is engaged in by a federally regulated seller and affects a federally regulated wholesale rate.

"We're asking the Supreme Court to reject the federal government's view that only Washington has the legal power to protect Kansas natural gas purchasers from costly illegal price fixing," Schmidt said. "The federal Natural Gas Act clearly gives states a regulatory role over natural gas as it is transported and distributed within the state. Kansas antitrust laws protect consumers and taxpayers by ensuring a fair, competitive retail marketplace for natural gas. We have asked the Supreme Court to maintain the longstanding shared regulatory authority in this industry."

The underlying lawsuit involves accusations by the plaintiffs, which include both Kansas-based Learjet, Inc., and Topeka Unified School District No. 501, that the defendants illegally drove up the retail price of natural gas, costing gas purchasers millions of dollars.

Similar cases from around the country were consolidated into multi-district litigation in Nevada, and the San Francisco-based ninth Circuit Court of Appeals eventually allowed the plaintiffs to proceed with their state-law claims.

The defendants have asked the Supreme Court to reject the lawsuit by concluding that federal law preempts state laws that combat price-fixing in the natural gas retail market when the challenged industry practices also affect the wholesale gas market.

The case, ONEOK v. Learjet, is scheduled for oral argument in the U.S. Supreme Court next month.

Thank You!

Words cannot express our appreciation for all the acts of kindness shown to Phil and our family during his illness and following his death. A special thank you to Michelle, Virgil, Brian, Dr. Keehn and the staff of Ann's Home Health during this difficult time. Phil's wishes to stay at home could not have been fulfilled without their help. Thank you to all our friends, neighbors and extended family for the visits, cards, prayers, food and memorials given in Phil's memory.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Kathrens, Deloris and Rob Londerholm, Ed and Barb Kathrens, Deb and Tyler Keebler, Karen and Jay Richard and families

Farm Bureau members debate, adopt policy statements for '15

More than 380 Farm Bureau members of Kansas recently wrapped up business for their farm organization after debating and adopting policy statements for 2015. These policies will now become the organization's roadmap for the 2015 legislative session.

Topics of discussion at the 96th Annual Kansas Farm Bureau Meeting included: protection of private data, expanding opportunities for Kansas agriculture, endangered species, transportation funding and energy.

Richard Felts, Montgomery County, was elected president of the organization. Nemaha County farmer Jeff Grossenbacher was elected as vice president. Others elected to the board of directors include George Pretz, Miami County; Bob Voegele, Cowley County; Doug Zillinger, Phillips County; Joe Jury, Gray County; and Gerald Franklin, Sherman County.

On Mon., Dec. 1, Gov. Sam Brownback, U.S. Senators Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran thanked retiring President Steve Baccus for his service to the industry during his tenure with the state's largest farm organization.

American Farm Bureau Federation President Bob Stallman also honored Baccus for his years of service to the organization at the local, state, national and international levels.

Members contributed more than $20,000 to the Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture through silent and live auctions. Other activities included a host of agriculture-related workshops presented by national experts and Kansas Farm Bureau staff. County Farm Bureaus and volunteers were recognized for their 2014 achievements.

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Big Seven basketball may be even more competitive

It took two squads to end the Holton girls basketball team's vicegrip on the Big Seven League title last season, as Santa Fe Trail and Sabetha shared co-champion honors last winter.

This season, with the Chargers out of the league, Sabetha alone will defend the crown, but ending a dynasty might have blown the league title chase wide open for 2014-2015.

With eight All-League players back and several starters returning across the board, the Big Seven could be the toughest it has been in quite some time, according to the coaches.

Defending league champions **Sabetha** get two of those All-League picks back with the return of junior starters Alexis McAfee and Taryn Schuette, along with four starters in total.

McAfee (15 ppg) was one of the best offensive players in the league a year ago and with an experienced roster back, the Blue Jays likely won't relinquish the league crown without a fight.

Along with experienced squads like Holton and Royal Valley, **Nemaha Central** will likely be giving the Blue Jays all they can handle like they did last year as the former Nemaha Valley Raiders knocked off Sabetha in sub-state play on the way to a third-place finish in Class 3A for the final time.

Now, the newly formed Thunder will be reloading with three All-League players back (seniors Jaci Swart, Kennedy McKernan and junior Rachael Baumgartner) along with an influx of players from last year's state champion Baileyville B&B squad. The Raiders were a tenacious bunch and it looks like the Thunder will be hanging around the top of the league standings as well.

One dark horse in the title chase, depending on the progression of the team, is the **Hiawatha** squad as the Red Hawks will return one of the best posts in northeast Kansas in All-League junior center Emily Gartner.

If some young guards who saw varsity time as freshmen continue to mature along with that dominant post presence, the Red Hawks could make a Big Seven title run that much more difficult for their fellow league foes.

Outside of Royal Valley's Jaycee Worrell, **Jeff West's** Olivia Brees is the only other All-League player returning and while Brees will be a force, the Tigers recent track record is no vote of confidence. Maturation of the young Tigers will be a key story line for Jeff West as well and could determine if the team hangs around in the league or falls flat.

ACCHS, **Perry-Lecompton** and **Riverside** don't return any All-League players and are all teams that will have some issues to overcome, as well as adjusting to new coaches for two teams (ACCHS and Riverside).

The Tigers are dealing with some injuries to key players early on, while the Kaws while have to replace almost the entirety of their varsity roster and the Cyclones will be looking to bounce back from a one-win campaign in 2013-2014.

Talent abounds in the Big Seven this year, though, and even the teams that might fall to the bottom of the standings could pose a threat on any given night, so whoever wants the Big Seven title is going to have to fight for it this year.

2013/2014 Big Seven League standings (girls):

t1. Santa Fe Trail (12-1, 22-23)
t1. Sabetha (12-1, 16-6)
3. Nemaha Valley (11-2, 21-5)
4. Holton (9-4, 17-8)
5. Royal Valley (6-7, 11-11)
t6. Perry-Lecompton (4-9, 10-11)
t6. ACCHS (4-9, 8-13)
t6. Hiawatha (4-9, 6-15)
9. Jeff West (3-10, 5-16)
10. Riverside (0-13, 1-20)

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For the boys, the league crown has belonged to Sabetha, Nemaha Central and Holton for the past several seasons and the other coaches know it will take their best efforts to change that.

Sabetha enters the season as defending champions this time around, after running off a perfect league record last year and while the Blue Jays will have to make up for the loss of a couple of All-State players (Gaven Schumann and Jacob Frey), they do return nine varsity players and two starters (2014 All-League pick Kellen Russell and Brett Plattner).

Holton will return the most All-League players, with both Garett Beecher and Trey Tanking returning, while Royal Valley will look to enter the mix after finishing a win short of making state a season ago.

Once again, **Nemaha Central** figures to factor into the chase for the Big Seven title as well. Between the Nemaha Valley players there and the Baileyville players coming in, the Thunder will also have some depth with eight varsity players back this season, including previous starters Devin Henry (NV) and Trent Schulte (B&B).

While **Riverside** might have had a rough outing in its inaugural season in the Big Seven, the Cyclones could certainly be in the mix this season with the experienced squad it will have.

Do-it-all athlete Andrae McGaughy is back to lead the team in his third year of varsity action, while senior forwards Phoenix Keller and Alex Miller look to be part of a deep post platoon that could be a strength for Riverside and have the team hanging around the top half of the standings.

Outside of Holton, one of the most experienced backcourts in the league will belong to **Perry-Lecompton** as All-League guard Seth Surface returns along with fellow starters Jacob Morgison and Caleb Daniels.

The Kaws will have quite a post presence to replace with the graduation of Zach Linquist, but if Perry continues to pour in the offense than this is a team that could be trending up in the Big Seven.

Jeff West is the only other team with an All-League player coming back, with Jacob Dickey returning to the post for the Tigers. Only one other starter returns, but some of the younger Tigers have varsity experience and the team will also have some tall (yet untested) post players to provide depth while under the new leadership of head coach Ryan West.

ACCHS and **Hiawatha** will have a lot to replace after tough seasons, but they will look to push themselves and their league competition in what could be another thrilling Big Seven League race.

2013/2014 Big Seven League standings (boys):

1. Sabetha (13-0, 22-1)
t2. Nemaha Central (11-2, 22-3)
t2. Holton (11-2, 17-6)
4. Perry-Lecompton (7-6, 8-13)
5. Jeff West (6-7, 9-12)
t6. Royal Valley (5-8, 10-12)
t6. Hiawatha (5-8, 8-13)
8. Riverside (4-9, 6-15)
9. Santa Fe Trail (3-10, 6-15)
10. ACCHS (0-13, 0-21)

Royal Valley's Jerry Coan (shown above, right) attempts to escape from the grasp of teammate Tim Martin Jr. (left) at a wrestling practice recently as the Panthers get ready for the start of the winter season, which will arrive with the first basketball games and wrestling duals this Friday.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

NEKL league race could be anybody's game this season

Like the Big Seven League girls competition, this season could be wide open in the Northeast Kansas League with routinely dominant Jefferson County North rebuilding and several varsity players returning throughout the league.

While there may not be a dominant team like JCN this season, **Valley Falls** might come the closest to that with three All-League players returning to the squad.

All three of those players (Callie Watson, Ali Brown and Natalie Pickerell) are juniors and part of a starting roster that remains in tact from a season ago with the return of forwards Anna Coleman and Sydney Gish as well.

With just one senior on the team, the Dragons could come the closest to filling the dynastic void left open by JCN, but they won't be the only squad with a lot of varsity experience returning.

Immaculata is the only other league team with multiple All-League players returning, as both Grace Parker and Ellie Wolk are back for the Raiders. In fact, Immaculata had just one senior a season ago so the Raiders are almost in the exact same boat as Valley Falls.

While last season's team finished 7-13, a year of growth and a strong fall season on the volleyball court look to benefit an experienced Raider squad in the competitive NEKL.

Meanwhile, **Pleasant Ridge** could be a force to be reckoned with as well with three starters returning, including All-League pick Kelsey Carpenter.

With guard Holly Ewert back as well, that means the Rams have their top two scorers from a season ago back on the roster and while the team looks to be deep at the guard spot, they will likely need more than just the production from Carpenter in the post if they want to challenge in the Northeast Kansas League.

Maur Hill will also get an All-League player back in Avery Lewman, along with some other guards with varsity experience. With a lack of size and experience in the post, the Ravens may need to rely on their defense early on as they try to remain a team on the rise.

Besides **Horton** and **JCN**, who finished one and two in the NEKL last year, all the remaining league teams will return at least one All-League player (Jackson Heights' Jessica Keehn, **McLouth's** Meghan Jackson and **Oskaloosa's** Haidyn Bassett).

All three of those teams, along with Horton and JCN, will have steps to take to see major improvements in the win-loss column, but with a more even playing field this season that might just be in the realm of possibility.

2013/2014 NEKL basketball standings (girls):

1. JCN (8-0, 25-1)
2. Horton (7-1, 16-6)
3. Valley Falls (6-2, 17-6)
4. Pleasant Ridge (4-4, 11-10)
t5. Jackson Heights (3-5, 6-15)
t5. Maur Hill (3-5, 9-11)
t5. McLouth (3-5, 5-16)
8. Immaculata (2-6, 7-13)
9. Oskaloosa (0-8, 1-20)

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The title chase in the boys division of the NEKL could be just as open, as last year's top two teams graduated most of their varsity contributors, which could open the door for a new league champion.

Maur Hill has one of only four returning All-League players in forward Dillon Weaver. Weaver is one of three senior posts with varsity experience, while the team will also see the return of starting point guard Cole Siebenmorgan.

The Ravens only lost two seniors from a squad that finished 13-9 a season ago and if the team shows that trademark smothering defense once again this year, then Maur Hill will likely be a threat to take the NEKL crown.

Making a run at another league title will be a **JCN** team that competed year in and year out in the old DVL and finished fourth in the inaugural season of the NEKL.

The Chargers lost only one starter from last year's team, though that player (Luke Pyle) made quite an impact in the post. Fellow All-League pick Bryce Noll does return at point guard, though, and an experienced JCN team is sure to be a dangerous team for any league foes.

While **Valley Falls** did lose a lot to graduation last spring, the Dragons were still a deep team with some players looking to break through with a shot at more playing time this season along with returning starter Marty Gatzemeyer back to help lead the way.

Another undefeated league record may be out of the question, but don't be surprised if the Dragons hang around the top half of the standings again.

There could be another challenger brewing farther north, as **Horton** is one of the four team's returning an All-League player and will get senior forward Trey Dishon back after a strong junior campaign in which he averaged 16 points and 10 rebounds a game.

With forward Alex Cowley returning as well, the Chargers could have a strong post presence along with a steady hand in Derrick Stones to guide the flow of the game and lead Horton to even more success in 2014-2015.

Pleasant Ridge has the only other returning All-League player, with Tristan DeMaranville back for his senior campaign, and the Rams, along with Jackson Heights, **McLouth**, **Oskaloosa** and **Immaculata** will look to do a little rebuilding and make the league as competitive as possible this season.

2013/2014 NEKL basketball standings (boys):

1. Valley Falls (8-0, 22-2)
t2. Jackson Heights (6-2, 18-5)
t2. Horton (6-2, 15-7)
t4. JCN (5-3, 13-9)
t4. Maur Hill (5-3, 13-9)
6. McLouth (3-5, 10-11)
7. Pleasant Ridge (2-6, 4-17)
8. Oskaloosa (1-7, 4-17)
9. Immaculata (0-8, 4-17)

Wetmore basketball teams look to make strides in 2014-2015

For the Wetmore High School basketball teams, the rebuilding process on the court is likely to continue this winter.

After a fourth-place finish at the state tournament a few years back, the WHS girls team was hit especially hard by graduation over the next couple seasons. So, last winter the Cardinals were fairly young.

While the team took its lumps over the course of the season, the Cardinals grew and eventually gave Axtell everything it could handle before falling in overtime in the sub-state semifinal.

The good news for Wetmore is that the core of that team returns to continue the building process, though the Cardinals will have to do so without one of its biggest contributors from a season ago, All-League player Brianna Boden.

What Wetmore gets back, though, is four starters who averaged at least six points per game a season ago, including leading post player Corinne Haverkamp and up-and-coming guard Dakota McQueen, who will be a sophomore this season.

Coach Smith noted McQueen got better every game last season and has the potential to be on the level of previous strong guards who have come through WHS like Nichole Boden and Alayna Noe, while he noted Haverkamp was the team's best player over the final stretch last season after adjusting to her new role in the post.

Other starters returning include senior Keri Pfrang and junior Gerea Haverkamp, so the Cardinals won't be lacking leadership. Smith noted the team will likely have some young playmakers coming off the bench and how much they help the team will depend on consistency, which could be lacking early following some injuries and position switches in the offseason.

Still, with the way the Cardinals finished last season, Smith sees things continuing to come together for his team in 2014-2015.

"We have a lot of pieces back from last year. We feel that we were playing our best basketball at the end of the year. The overtime loss to Axtell in sub-state last year was good and bad. It was good in the respect that Axtell has started a good rivalry with us, with a possible state tournament birth at stake. On the flip side, it was bad our young kids didn't get the opportunity to play in our fifth straight sub-state championship," Smith said. "We had a good summer and saw a lot of improvement. If we continue to work to get better, we feel we will have a major impact in the league race as well as postseason opportunities.

Wetmore was 9-14 overall last year and finished ninth in the Twin Valley League standings.

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As for the Wetmore boys, well, graduation hit them pretty hard this past season as the Cardinals will be down five seniors and have only four varsity letter winners returning.

Among the losses for the Cardinals include two-time All-League guard Kyle Shumaker, though Wetmore will see one All-League guard return to the backcourt this winter with Jeremy Hoelscher remaining on the team. He was the leading scorer for the Cardinals a season ago with 14.7 points per game.

In the post, Wetmore will also see one starter returning with senior Andy Henry back, but that is where the experience ends. To compete in the tough TVL this season and beyond, the Cardinals are going to have to grow up quick and find some more playmakers to help balance out the team after it finished 4-18 and 10th in the TVL a season ago.

2014-15 WETMORE HS BASKETBALL SEASON

2014 Wetmore High School girls and boys basketball schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Dec. 5	St. Joe Christian	St. Joseph, Mo.	5 p.m.
Dec. 6	Lewiston, Neb.	Wetmore	2 p.m.
Dec. 9	Troy	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Dec. 12	Centralia	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Dec. 16	Frankfort	Frankfort	4:45 p.m.
Dec. 19	Washington County	Washington	4:45 p.m.
Jan. 6	Axtell	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Jan. 9	Linn	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Jan. 13	Doniphan West	Highland	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 18-25	TVL tournament	Onaga	TBA
Jan. 30	Blue Valley	Randolph	4:45 p.m.
Jan. 31	Pawnee City, Neb.	Wetmore	2 p.m.
Feb. 6	Hanover	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Feb. 9	Burlingame	Burlingame	TBA
Feb. 10	Doniphan West	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Feb. 13	Valley Heights	Blue Rapids	4:45 p.m.
Feb. 20	Clifton-Clyde	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Feb. 24	Onaga	Wetmore	4 p.m.
Mar. 2-7	1A-DII Sub-State	TBA	TBA
Mar. 11-14	1A-DII State	Hays	TBA

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ACCHS girls, boys basketball eyeing fresh starts this season

After a competitive return to Big Seven League action last season, the ACCHS girls basketball team will have some hurdles to overcome in the 2014-2015 campaign.

New head coach Mike Eckert is taking over a team that lost three starters and will be without at least two varsity contributors early on this season as both Rachel Newquist and Lucy Kearney are recovering from ACL injuries.

Kearney will be out for the season, but Newquist (a former All-League pick) is one player the Tigers are hoping to have back after Christmas break.

With the return of Newquist, the Tigers could be deep in the post this season, especially if six-footer Jentry Scherer asserts herself down low this winter.

ACCHS might not be lacking in post players once the season gets rolling, but the team could be a little thin at guard after losing two starters in Taylor Vandeloo and All-League pick Leah Scholz.

Lillie Holtgrave returns as a starter for Atchison County, but the Tigers will be looking to foster some more depth in the backcourt throughout the season.

As it stands, Eckert said the team has about eight players ready to contribute at the varsity level, so staying healthy will be key for the Tigers this season. ACCHS is also not a particularly tall group, so Eckert noted relying on their speed may be important for the Tigers as well.

"We're quick and need to play fast but understand when to be patient," Eckert said.

The coach knows how competitive the Big Seven League can be, so the Tigers will need to play at a high level each night out to be competitive once again after going 8-13 last season.

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For as much as the girls lost after last season, the boys may have lost even more and will have to replace four starters this winter and find a way to rebound from a winless 2013-2014 campaign.

Leading scorers Quentin Reichart and Ryan Olmstead are gone, but ACCHS will have some young playmakers back who saw court time a year ago, like sophomore guard Lane Bowen who will be one of the most experienced members of the backcourt after the loss of three senior guards.

Bowen and senior Jesse Noll both made an impact on the court for the varsity team, while Trevor Smith returns in the post. He will be joined be seniors Kyle Kimmi and Levi Baker, who bring some production and size back with them as the Tigers try to rebound from an 0-21 season.

The ACCHS boys will be adjusting to a new coach as well, with former Maur Hill assistant Sterling Jackson taking over the head position at Atchison County this winter. If Jackson can instill some of that defensive tenacity that has characterized the Ravens for so many years, then the Tigers may be well on their way to reversing their fortunes and getting at least one in the win column this winter.

Potent weapons, tough defenders make up All-County football

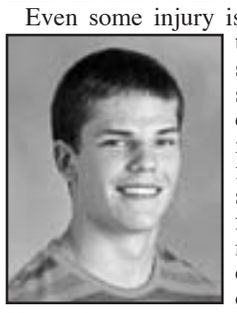
With some large, strong senior classes being lost to graduation last spring, this season could certainly be qualified as a rebuilding one for most of the Jackson County football teams.

Royal Valley was adapting to a coaching change, Jackson Heights was adapting to a string of injuries and Holton, well, it continued to roll with the punches and just seemed to reload once again.

The Wildcats were the lone team to make the postseason, falling to eventual Class 4A-DII runner-up Columbus in the quarterfinals, but all three Jackson County teams had their fair share of highlights that are reflected in the make-up of *The Holton Recorder's* 2014 All-County football team, which is listed below.

Trey Tanking, sr., QB/DB, HHS— Another year brought another new starting quarterback for the Wildcats, but by now the HHS players are used to waiting for their moment and Tanking sure seemed to make the most of his.

Even some injury issues midway



through the season didn't slow Tanking down too much as he finished the seasonrushing for almost nine yards per carry and was one of five Holton backs to rack up at least 400 rushing yards on the season.

Tanking also helped open up the passing game a bit more for the Wildcats this fall, finishing with 339 passing yards and accounting for 11 total touchdowns, the second most on the team. He was an honorable mention selection for the Big Seven All-League offense and this is his first year being named to the All-County squad.

Indie Allen, sr., RB/LB, HHS— Allen also patiently bided his time, showing his potential in short spurts last season, before breaking through in a big way in the 2014 season.

The senior back paced the vaunted Holton rushing attack (and led the

county) with 1,350 rushing yards this fall and a team-high 14 touchdowns. In addition, he remained a force on the defensive side of the ball with 59 total tackles and a team best of three fumble recoveries (along with forcing two).

For his efforts, Allen was selected first team All-League on offense (RB) and defense (DE) and is making his second appearance on the All-County roster.

Korby Strube, sr., RB/LB/DB, JHHS— While the start of the season certainly took its toll on the Cobras, with the injuries and losses piling up with almost equal frequency, Strube was unrelenting in his attempts to break that streak of bad luck.

The former starting quarterback did whatever he could to help the team

and try to lead the Cobras to success, shifting to running back before the season started and slotting in at linebacker on defense as injuries started to decimate the roster.

However you slice it, Strube was a player the Cobras needed on the field and that much was made clear after he finished the season with more than 1,000 all-purpose yards and led the team in both rushing yards (547) and receiving (227). He also scored eight touchdowns for the Cobras and was fourth on the team in total tackles.

Strube was an honorable mention selection for the NEKL All-League offense and is a repeat selection for the All-County football team.

Garrett Schultz, jr., FB/LB, RVHS— One of the workhorses of

the Panthers' backfield, Schultz certainly helped carry the load during a transitional year in which Royal Valley was adjusting to a new offense.

Schultz led the team with 98 carries this season and rushed for 386 total yards, nearly four yards a carry this season. He also helped set up his other teammates by doing the dirty work of lead blocking and pass protection and tallied 17 tackles on the defensive side as well. He is a first-time All-county team member.

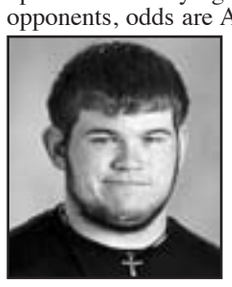
Jarrett Roy, jr., OL/DL, RVHS— Roy was one member of a strong junior class to take on a larger load this fall and he certainly made his presence felt at times.

Whether clearing a path or holding the line, Roy made an impact throughout a rollercoaster season

and also finished with 33 tackles and a fumble recovery on defense. He was an All-League honorable mention on offense this season and this marks his first selection to the All-County squad.

Cooper Allen, sr., OL/DL, HHS— The only returning starter for the Holton offensive line was not afraid of the nitty gritty work as Allen seemed to take a lot of pride in that work this season.

If the Wildcats were pounding it up the middle trying to wear down opponents, odds are Allen was right



in the thick of it as a first-line enforcer. On the flip side, he also did a pretty good job of closing off the middle to opposing offenses as he finished the 2014 campaign with 38 tackles, including six tackles for loss and one sack.

Allen was a repeat first team All-League selection on offense, while also making an appearance on the first team defense and earning a spot on the All-County roster for the second year in a row.

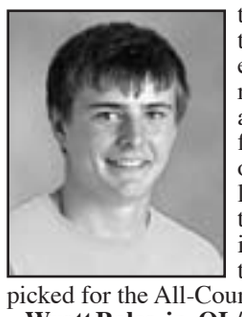
Lane Slocum, sr., OL/DL, JHHS— Much in a similar way, Slocum was a disruptor on both sides

of the ball for theCobrasthis fall, helping Jackson Heightsmarch forward and stopping opponents in their tracks.

Slocum overcame an injury early in the season that sidelined him for a short time to finish out the season strong with 16 tackles and one sack. He is a first-time All-County team member.

Dean Klahr, sr., OL/DL, HHS— While Allen was the one known commodity on the line for the Wildcats, Klahr was part of a group that evolved rather quickly over the course of the season to lead the way for another effective Holton rushing attack.

Klahr routinely got down field to block for his teammates, showing



the growth of the unit and earning him recognition as an All-League first team offensive lineman along the way. This is also his first time being picked for the All-County squad.

Wyatt Roles, jr., OL/DL, JHHS— Still recovering from an injury that wiped out his entire 2013 season early on, when Roles did get on the field it was pretty clear how much of an impact he made for the Cobras.

While he may not quite have been back to 100 percent, the junior was still an anchor for the Jackson Heights offensive line and a wall to

run behind more often than not. As such, the Cobras favored running behind Roles when he was on the field and he was an integral part of the team's strong finish, with wins in three of the final five games.

Roles was an All-County selection his freshman year and this marks his second appearance on the roster.

Nils Bergsten, sr., TE/DE/P, HHS— This Wildcat was one of two main targets when the team did pass the ball as he had the second most receptions (three) and receiving yards (73) on the team.

Bergsten also helped harass opposing offenses and finished the year with 30 total tackles, including

eight for loss and two sacks. He was a first team All-League selection on offense and also earned honorable mention as a punter, while this will be his first selection to the All-County team.

Kaden Brandt, jr., TE/DE, HHS— Brandt was the other favored target in the Wildcats' passing game, finishing with a team-high four receptions and 87 receiving yards this season.

While a nice deep threat on

offense, he also proved dangerous at times on defense with 23 tackles this season and two for loss. Brandt is a first-time pick for the All-County squad.

Tristan Tessendorf, sr., OL/DE, RVHS— With as many stretch offenses the Panthers saw this season, Tessendorf became a key factor on the edge of the defense. The senior held his own, too, while playing both ways.

Tessendorf finished the fall with 31 total tackles, helping limit some potent offenses, while also recording

a team-high two fumble recoveries. He earned honorable mention status on the Big Seven All-League defense and is making his first appearance on the All-County roster.

Lucas Lovvorn, sr., FB/DL, HHS— A sparkplug wherever he was put, Lovvorn made big plays over and over again for the Wildcats this fall.

On the defensive side, the senior was a force to be reckoned with as he routinely got into the opponent's

backfield and finished the 2014 campaign with a team-high four sacks and 12 tackles for loss as part of his 66 total tackles (third best on the team).

While not called upon as much on offense, he still made an impact when needed there as well with 416 total rushing yards and four touchdowns this season. Lovvorn was a first team All-League selection on defense while also being picked for the All-County team for the first time.

Jack Kutina, sr., OL/DL, RVHS— Another senior pulling double duty on the line, Kutina got in on a lot of action on both sides of the ball this fall.

On the defensive side, the senior lineman really worked to crowd the line and help with group tackling as

he finished the year with 22 tackles and a team-high two fumble recoveries. Kutina was named honorable mention on the All-League defense and this is his first selection for All-County football.

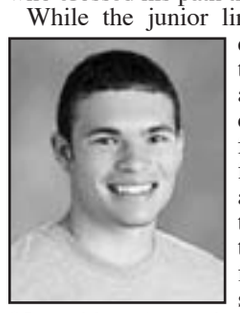
Austin Frakes, jr., TE/DE, HHS— Frakes was Thing 2 to Lovvorn's Thing 1 as both were peas in a pod when it came to causing havoc in opponents' backfields this fall.

The junior end tallied 45 total tackles on the season and was

second to Lovvorn with 11 tackles for loss, while he also recovered and forced two fumbles over the course of the season. Frakes was an honorable mention selection on the All-League defense and is appearing on the All-County roster for the first time.

Mason Barta, jr., FB/LB, HHS— One of the heavy hitters of the Holton defense, Barta was just waiting to dole out the hits to any opponent who crossed his path this season.

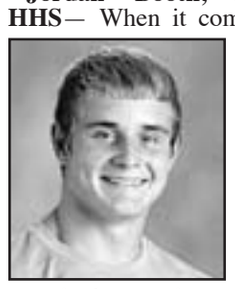
While the junior linebacker was



quick to the point of attack, he could also follow the flow and pop any backs that got past the first level, finishing the season with most on the 85 tackles (second team).

Barta also contributed 310 rushing yards and four touchdowns this season while making the Big Seven first team All-League defense and being picked for the All-County squad for the first time.

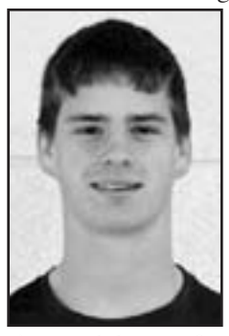
Jordan Booth, sr., RB/LB, HHS— When it comes to players



who covered a lot of ground this fall, Booth's name should certainly be near the top of the list as the senior linebacker seemingly got in on every tackle possible for the Wildcats this season.

Not only did Booth lead the Holton team in tackles with 103, but he was the leading tackler in the county by a wide margin and earned honorable mention on the All-League defense. He is another first-time pick for the All-County roster.

Wyatt Olberding, so., WR/LB/DB, JHHS— Another player who did some shifting for the Cobras,



Olberding proved to be a versatile weapon for Jackson Heights this fall.

On offense, the sophomore finished as the second-leading receiver and also filled in at quarterback for a short stint while starter Zane Richter battled an injury.

Defensively, Olberding shifted from defense back to linebacker

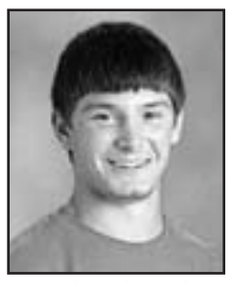
with great effect as he finished as the team's leading tackler with 46 total tackles on the season as well as a team-high two interceptions. He was named honorable mention on the All-League defense at the end of the season and is appearing on the All-County football team for the first time.

Zack Lux, jr., QB/DB, RVHS— One of the Panthers' biggest assets on defense just so happened to start at quarterback for the team as well, as Lux contributed greatly on both

sides of the ball.

Lux ended up leading Royal Valley this fall with 40 total tackles and three interceptions while he also accounted for 500 total yards of offense and six touchdowns for the Panthers. This is his first selection to the All-County football squad.

Justin Rieschick, jr., QB/RB/DB, HHS— Another playmaker on both sides of the ball, Rieschick



was one more player who shifted roles throughout the season, though he was certainly one of the Wildcats' biggest assets in the secondary throughout the fall.

Rieschick tallied 56 total tackles over the course of the season and also recorded a team-high three interceptions for HHS, while he filled in where he could on offense and finished the year with 444 total rushing yards and eight touchdowns. He was a first team All-League selection on defense and first-time pick for All-County football.

Luis Butto, sr., RB/DB, HHS— While this senior back was dealt a big

blow almost immediately, suffering a leg injury in the opening game of the season, he came back with a vengeance and made the most of a shortened season.

Butto ended the year as the team's second-leading rusher with 567 rushing yards and 10 touchdowns, really coming on strong in the playoffs. He was also a strong link in the secondary with 24 tackles this season and earned a first team selection on the All-League defense to go along with honorable mention status on offense. This is his first appearance on the All-County roster.

Derrick Barger, jr., RB/DB, RVHS— One of the biggest playmakers for the Panthers this season, Barger contributed wherever he could and finished as the team's leading rusher with 653 yards on the ground and five rushing touchdowns.

Barger was also a solid defender in the secondary, racking up 32

total tackles and one interception this fall to earn honorable mention honors on the All-League defense. This also marks his first time being picked for the All-County squad.

Honorable mention selections for the All-County team include Zane Richter (JHHS), Noah Hart (RVHS), Peter Rupnicki (JHHS), Levi Martin (HHS), Wahp LeClere (RVHS), Will Wright (HHS), Kendall Fox (JHHS) and Mason Baum (HHS).

Local runners don't slow down over holiday

The Holton Lifecare Fitness Center held its annual five-mile Turkey Trot over the weekend to counter the food-heavy Thanksgiving holiday, with a handful of runners participating in the event.

Runners were separated into three divisions with Cody Osmun placing first in the male division, Kristy Wilson winning the female divison and both LeAnn Brown and Kelly Brock posting the top time in the two-mile walk.

Full results from the event are listed below.

Lifecare Fitness Center Five-Mile Turkey Trot

Male division
1. Cody Osmun, 41:28
2. Glenn Rodden, 49:33
3. Ron Strader, 52:42

Female division
1. Kristy Wilson, 47:07
2. Jessica Huyett, 48:35
3. Brenda Curl, 50:55
t4. Cindy Hower, 53:20
t4. Carrie Allen, 53:20
*Corrin Tanking (n/a- employee), 41:26

Two-mile walk
t1. LeAnn Brown, 34:00
t1. Kelly Brock, 34:00
3. Ruth Rodden, 38:39

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County "essential personnel" policy reviewed

By Ali Holcomb

When, and if, disaster strikes Jackson County, which county employees are still required to work?

That question was reviewed recently by the Jackson County Commissioners.

During a recent commission meeting, the commissioners – Ed Kathrens, Bill Elmer and Janet Zwonitzer – met with County Counselor Alex Morrissey to outline a policy that defines "essential personnel," who are required to work during a natural disaster.

The commissioners agreed that they want at least one road and bridge office personnel at work during an emergency or a disaster.

It was agreed that if a department head deems one of its department employees "essential" during a disaster, they will be required to come to work the hours required by their department head, it was reported.

The employees working will be compensated for the time, but they will not be given additional time off with pay, it was determined. In their job description, this is described as "other duties as assigned."

The commissioners are the only ones with the authority to close the Courthouse during a disaster or an emergency, it was reported.

Also during the meeting, the commissioners approved a motion to allocate $15,000 ($2,500 each) in county funds to the Holton Ball Association, Soldier Ball Association, Whiting Ball Association, Netawaka Ball Association, Delia Ball Association and Circleville Ball Association.

The commissioners also agreed to allocate $1,500 to American Legion #44 and $5,000 to Royal Valley Recreation Association, which includes both Mayetta and Hoyt athletes.

In other business, according to the minutes from the Nov. 24 meeting, the commission:

* Met with Eric Fritz and Earl Bahret, road and bridge co-supervisors. It was reported that a tube on 134th and E Roads is too close to the edge of the road.

Bahret reported that crewmembers are finished hauling rock on E Road until the spring.

* Met with Fritz and Bryson Bain, shop foreman, to discuss the recent $3,100 check the county received to cover the cost of repairs for a truck damaged in an accident. Bain said that the actual estimate for the repairs is near $5,000. Fritz is taking the new estimate to Kellerman's Insurance.

* Met with Tammy Moulden, register of deeds, to discuss a bill from Nex-Tech. The company completed some technical work on two computers in her office that had a virus.

Moulden said she was concerned about her department's technology budget, and the commissioners advised her to go ahead and pay the bill, and if the budget runs short, they will make an adjustment.

* Signed a hay land rental agreement with John Wayne Gilsdorf for 58 acres at a cost of $43 per acre. The contract will expire on Oct. 31, 2015.

* Met in executive session for 10 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

* Discussed a zoning issue with Jason Claycamp, zoning administrator. Claycamp said there are some concerns with the zoning regulations on land off of 150th Road on U.S. Highway 75.

At that location, there are large, trailer home-like offices sitting in the middle of the field. It was stated that the location of field is only zoned for agricultural purposes and not storage purposes.

* Signed an agreement with Waste Management at a cost of $285.53 per month.

* Met in executive session with Morrissey for 10 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

* Signed a 2015 contract with KANZA Mental Health & Guidance Center Inc. at a total cost of $64,974.

* Adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m. Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer left the meeting at 3 p.m.

Fairview Lights Up!

Dozens of nativity scenes will be on display at the Fairview Community Building in Fairview from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11.

The display is being held in conjunction with the annual "Fairview Lights Up!" celebration and is free and open to the public. Door prizes will also be given away and refreshments will be served.

A nativity scene is the center of many families' decor during the Christmas season. The scenes that will be on display represent a broad cross section of such sets used by many local families as part of their Christmas celebration.

The scenes, which originate from all over the U.S. and the world, represent the birth of Christ on Christmas Eve. The display is sponsored by the Northeast Kansas Lutheran Partnership (NKLP).

If you have any questions, contact the NKLP office at 785-284-8810.

Auction Calendar

Auctions advertised in *The Holton Recorder* qualify to be included in this free auction calendar. Contact Allen, Shannon or Marlo at 785-364-3141, email us at holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com or stop by our office at 109 W. Fourth St. in Holton for details.

• Saturday, Dec. 6. Starting at 10 a.m. Lindsay and Patsy Houck real estate auction. Delia Community Building. For more information, contact Pearl Real Estate and Appraisal Service at 785-437-6007.

• Sunday, Dec. 7. Starting at 10 a.m. St. James consignment auction. St. James Church, Wetmore. Early consignments are being accepted. For more information or to place consignments, contact Bill Burdick at 785-866-2937 or 785-547-5082 or Ron Burdiek at 785-866-5038 or 785-207-0434.

• Saturday, Dec. 13. Starting at 10 a.m. Leonard and Laura Walker personal property auction. 2123 NE 39th St., Topeka. For more information, contact Wischropp Auctions at 785-828-4212.

• Saturday, Dec. 13. Starting at 10 a.m. Gene and Betty Schraad farm auction. 1528 160th Rd., Seneca. For more information, contact Wilhelm Auction service at 785-336-3627, 785-336-3501 or 785-336-1622.

• Saturday, Dec. 13. Starting at 1:30 p.m. Eric Featherston real estate auction, 160 acres M/L. Effingham Blue Building, 304 Main, Effingham. For more information, contact Cline Realty and Auction at 785-889-4775.

• Wednesday, Dec. 17. Starting at 10 a.m. Mary Chadwell Trust absolute land auction. Fisher Community Center, 201 E. Iowa St., Hiawatha. For more information, contact Wiltz Realty and Auction at 875-742-3600 or 785-547-6553.

■ Optimist Club

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* Established the Jackson County third grade dictionary project.

* Sponsored Optimist basketball programs for third through sixth grade students.

* Provided Thanksgiving dinner baskets for NEK-CAP families.

* Sponsored Teacher of the Year awards and the welcome back school staff luncheons.

* Conducted Christmas tree sales for club projects.

* Landscaped and maintained the Holton Community Hospital courtyard.

* Landscaped and maintained the Holton High School football field.

* Established the tennis courts and placement of basketball goals at Linscott Park.

* Contributed to the construction of Rafters field at Rafters Park and Optimist field at Chandler Park.

* Constructed and maintained Optimist shelter house at Rafters Park.

The club was also the first gold level donor toward the construction of the Holton soccer fields.

"If there ever was a need, we tried to fill it," Hutchins said. "That chapter is now closed."

The first official Optimist Club was founded in Buffalo, N.Y. in 1911, and Optimist International was organized in 1919. From the beginning, Optimist clubs directed major efforts towards youth services, and in 1924, Optimist International members adopted "Friend of Youth" as its motto.

The Sunrise Optimist Club of North Topeka was chartered on May 22, 1962, and in 1973, that club sponsored the chartering of the Holton Optimist Club. On Sept. 27, 1973, there were 37 charter members of the Holton Optimist Club.

Hutchins called Tom Davies of Holton the "heart of the organization."

"He put in hours and hours volunteering for the club," she said. "It was not an easy decision for any of us to disband the club. It's a great organization, and I'm not sure who is going to step up and fill that void."

At their last meeting in October, members allocated the club's remaining $6,500 to several local organizations that serve children, such as the Kid's Closet and the extensions office. A full list of the final donations will be printed in a future edition of *The Holton Recorder.*

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Notice of Budget Hearing for Amending the 2014 Budget

The governing body of

City of Hoyt

will meet on the day of 12/17/14 at 6:00pm at City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

Summary of Amendments

Fund	2014 Adopted Budget: Actual Tax Rate	2014 Adopted Budget: Amount of Tax that was Levied	2014 Adopted Budget: Expenditures	2014 Proposed Amended Expenditures
General	41.840	126,769	239,500	340,000
Trash			36,000	37,200
Water			174,297	190,000
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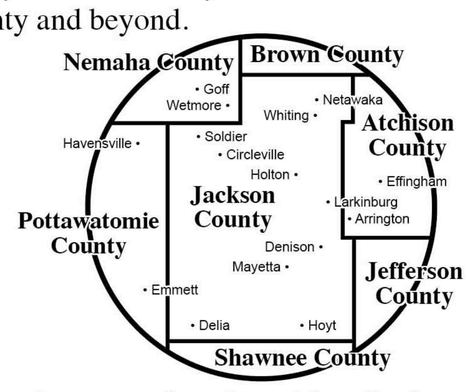

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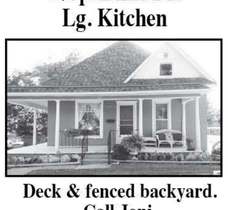

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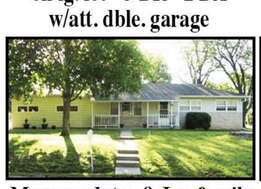

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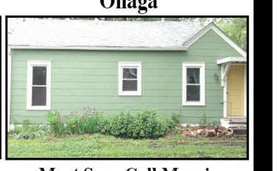

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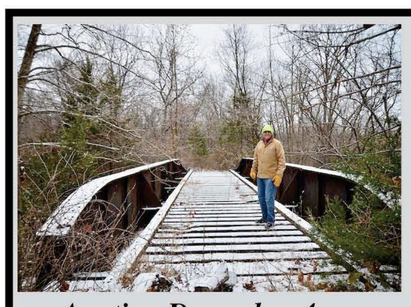

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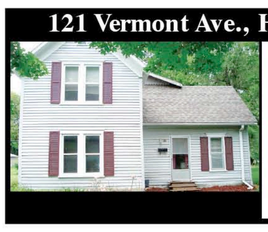

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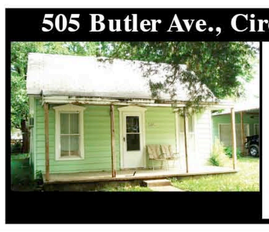

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SM East, Bishop Carroll, Bishop Miege, Andale, Rossville, Olpe take titles

High school football around the state of Kansas came to an end over the weekend with championship Saturday holding some dominant performances, along with some thrilling games to cap off the season.

In Class 6A, Shawnee Mission East closed out an undefeated season by taking down perennial state contender Hutchinson in the state title game.

Under new head coach Ryan Cornelson, the Salt Hawks managed to overcome a 2-4 start and win six straight to make it into the championship. Then, Hutch forced the Lancers into only their second deficit of the season after taking a 14-13 lead in the second quarter.

Hutchinson rolled the dice in the second half to try and maintain the upper hand, but Shawnee Mission East ended up scoring the final 20 points on the way to the Class 6A state title.

Class 6A
Nov. 29, 2014
Shawnee Mission East 33, Hutchinson 14

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The Class 5A championship game played out in a similar fashion, with Bishop Caroll also in an unfamiliar position while trailing St. Thomas Aquinas, 7-6 in the first half.

It was an uncharacteristic start for a team that had outscored opponents at a ratio of 12 to 1 up to that point, but the Golden Eagles played like they had the rest of the season in the second half, scoring 33 unanswered points on he way to the state title.

Class 5A
Nov. 29, 2014
Bishop Carroll 39, St. Thomas Aquinas 7

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Bishop Miege and Hayden were locked in a shootout in the Class 4A-DI championship game as the Wildcats jumped out to an early lead before the Stags took control heading into halftime.

Both quarterbacks, Miege's Ryan Willis (a KU commit) and Hayden's Jacob Head, threw for more than 340 yards and at least three touchdowns in the game and things remained evenly matched in the second half until the Stags recovered a late onside kick to secure the victory in the state title game.

Class 4A-DI
Nov. 29, 2014
Bishop Miege 42, Hayden 35

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In the lower division of Class 4A, there was no doubt who would be taking the state title as the Andale Indians rolled early and never looked back in the championship match-up against Columbus.

While the Titans scored and got within one possession in the first quarter, Andale went on to score 35 unanswered points on the way to the state title in Class 4A-DII.

Class 4A-DII
Nov. 29, 2014
Andale 49, Columbus 6

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Rossville led Scott City early on in the Class 3A title game on Saturday, but after a strong rally by the Beavers the perfect ending to the Bulldawgs' perfect season was in doubt late.

At that moment, one of Rossville's biggest playmakers came through as quarterback Tucker Horak had the game-winning touchdown run late in the fourth quarter as part of the Bulldawgs' 14 unanswered points on the way to a championship in Class 3A

Horak finished the game with 212 rushing yards for Rossville and had two of the team's three touchdowns.

Class 3A
Nov. 29, 2014
Rossville 21, Scott City 14

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Finally, Class 2-1A championship action came with its own wild finish as well as Ell-Saline and Olpe were locked in a dead heat through most of the game.

With 26 seconds left, the Cardinals scored with a chance to send the game to overtime, but a two-point conversion fell flat and instead the Eagles soared to the state title in the championship battle.

Class 2-1A
Nov. 29, 2014
Olpe 26, Ell-Saline 24

HOLIDAY CRAFT, BAKE SALE & SILENT AUCTION
Proceeds will be used to adopt a native family for Christmas.
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Holton KAY chapter reports activities

By Brooklyn Klahr
HHS Correspondent

The Holton KAY chapter has kicked it into high gear this year. The goal this year is to follow the theme and to "Color Their World." With that in mind, the KAYs began their first project, Socks of Love, and it was a hit. They made more than $200 to buy supplies for the Topeka Rescue Mission. They used socks as a container for hygiene products and gave them to the Topeka Rescue Mission. The finished Socks of Love project was delivered during November.

The Area 1 project this year was to show appreciation to the military. The Holton KAY chapter chose to have a fund-raiser to raise money to help support the troops. After much consideration, the KAYs decided to have a nail-polish stand held at Central Elementary School's playground on a sunny Saturday morning. They set up tables and people got their nails painted with a free-will donation. KAYs raised $80 from this service project.

Last month, the Holton KAY chapter also attended the 2014 KAY Area 1 Regional Leadership Conference hosted by Royal Valley High School KAY Club. KAY State Director Cheryl Gleason spoke about serving the community and about different ways the Area 1 KAY groups have helped theirs. Gleason was also there to help the day run smoothly.

Former Area 1 President Callie Van Winkle gave a speech. The rest of the day the members were divided into colors and attended workshops where they listened to different people talking about various ways they could serve their school, community, state and nation. The members attended workshops over the Special Olympics and The Ronald McDonald House.

While at the conference, one of the Holton KAY chapter's own members, Alexandria Bontrager, ran for Area 1 President against four other students from around Kansas. At the end of the day, the election was held and Bontrager was announced as the new Area 1 President.

"I have wanted to be the area president since my eighth grade year," Bontrager said.

The Holton KAY Chapter will continue to keep moving forward! The KAY's are ready to "Color Their World."

The photo at left shows Kendra McClain's brightly-lit red Volkswagen prior to the parade last Friday. Photo by David Powls

Jackson Heights school board to meet

The Jackson Heights USD 335 Board of Education will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in the Jackson Heights High School library. The public is invited to attend.

Agenda items for Monday's meeting include approval of the meeting's agenda and consent agenda, the latter of which includes minutes from the board's Nov. 10 meeting and monthly bills and activity account reports; a presentation on a grant for the JHHS track; consideration of a plan for digitizing senior pictures; administration and board reports; an executive session for personnel matters; and action on matters discussed in executive session after the board returns to open session.

The agenda is subject to change. For more information, or to be placed on the agenda of an upcoming meeting, contact the district office at 364-2194.

AUCTION
Saturday, Dec. 13 • 10 a.m.
2123 NE 39th St., Topeka, KS
DIRECTIONS: From Jct. of Hwy. 24 & K-4, 2 mi. N. on K-4, then 3/4 W. on 39th St.)
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Farm #2: 80 Acres M/L E ½ NE ¼ 14-3-15
FSA Crop Acres 76.03
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Farm #3: 140 Acres M/L SE ¼ 14-3-15
FSA Estimated Crop Acres 121.82
Location from Powhattan, KS: 1 ½ miles North, 3 miles West
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The following vehicles will be sold at a public auction on **Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** www.TowLot.com unless claimed by the owner and all tow and storage charges are paid in full.

INTERNET BIDS ONLY

Pre-bidding begins on **Thursday, December 4, 2014** and continues until the live Internet sale begins at **7:00 p.m., Dec. 9, 2014**

Vehicles can be inspected at Kirk's Towing 326 Vermont Ave., Holton, KS from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on date of sale **ONLY!**

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1993	Chrysler Lebaron	1C3XU4530PF563171
1999	Ford F150	1FTRX17W7XKB64735
1999	Dodge Caravan	2B4GP45G2XR172955
2009	Kia Spectra	KNAFE221595636388

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Public Notice

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City of Holton

Notice of Budget Hearing for Amending the 2014 Budget

The governing body of
Holton
will meet on the day of December 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at 430 Pennsylvania Ave., Holton, Kansas 66436 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

Summary of Amendments

Fund	2014 Adopted Budget: Actual Tax Rate	2014 Adopted Budget: Amount of Tax that was Levied	2014 Adopted Budget: Expenditures	2014 Proposed Amended Expenditures
Special Park Fund			53,136	71,636
Equipment Reserve Fund			7,998	220,000
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0

Teresa Riley
Official Title: City Clerk

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Phillip and Ginger Lloyd (shown above) are one of five families included on this year's "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour. The Lloyds have an expansive collection of Christmas decor at their home south of Holton.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Phillip and Ginger Lloyd...

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The couple likes to serve prime rib each Christmas as opposed to the traditional turkey or ham.

As a gift to Ginger for all her hard work decorating, Phillip said that Gloria Stavropoulos will be catering the couple's large family Christmas dinner this year, which is being held the weekend before the holiday.

"This way we can just enjoy each other and not have to worry about anything," said Phillip, who is a real estate appraiser with an office in Holton.

Sponsored by the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and in part by the Jackson County Tourism Council, the "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and include homes owned by the Lloyds, Brady and Brooke Black, Les and Rosemary Wilkerson, Brooks and Tonya Barta and Dennis and Joni White.

Five Chamber businesses – Koger Variety, expressions, Lee's Flower & Gift Shop, Uptown Treasures, and Heart to Home LLC – will showcase holiday items at each of the five homes that will be available for purchase after the show.

Tickets are $15 and can be purchased at Denison State Bank, Holton National Bank, Farmers State Bank and the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce. The tour is a fund-raiser for the Chamber, it was reported.

For more information about the homes tour, call the Chamber office at 364-3963.

Brady and Brooke Black...

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The ornaments were designed by cancer patients and then sold as a fund-raiser to benefit cancer research.

The cancer center has been a saving grace for the couple as Kobe was diagnosed with pediatric thyroid cancer and a brain tumor in October 2008. Now the cancer is stable, and he is symptom-free. The family has made several trips to the center since 2008 for tests and surgeries.

"It holds such a special place in our hearts, and we buy several ornaments each year to support their ongoing work," Brooke said.

The couple was drawn to a new home in Oak Ridge in order to be just a few steps away from Brooke's parents, Brian and Karol Bell.

"When we moved back to Holton, we started looking for a home to buy, but we couldn't find anything. Then this land became available," Brooke said. "Before we lived here, we lived in smaller apartments, and I really didn't have that many Christmas decorations. Being on the homes tour has pushed me to get more. We may not have as many decorations up as some houses, but I think they reflect our family."

On one side of the family's double-sided fireplace, stockings are hung that were crafted by Brooke's mother.

"I had one as a child, and now she's made them for our kids," Brooke said.

The family attends a Christmas Eve church service each year, and kids enjoy making gingerbread houses with extended family.

"We try really hard to incorporate giving to others with our kids," Brooke said. "We pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, but we also like to focus on giving throughout the year. We've been blessed with such a beautiful home, and we know that not everyone has that. Kobe has a real heart for the homeless so we pack gift bags and hand them out throughout a city."

Brady is a financial planner, and Brooke is a pharmacist at Walmart in Holton.

Sponsored by the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and in part by the Jackson County Tourism Council, the "I'll Be Home For Christmas" homes tour is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and include homes owned by the Blacks, Les and Rosemary Wilkerson, Brooks and Tonya Barta, Phillip and Ginger Lloyd and Dennis and Joni White.

Five Chamber businesses – Koger Variety, expressions, Lee's Flower & Gift Shop, Uptown Treasures, and Heart to Home LLC – will showcase holiday items at each of the five homes that will be available for purchase after the show.

Tickets are $15 and can be purchased at Denison State Bank, Holton National Bank, Farmers State Bank and the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce. The tour is a fund-raiser for the Chamber, it was reported.

For more information about the homes tour, call the Chamber office at 364-3963.

Family Assistance...

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Holton Mayor Robert Dieckmann also encouraged Kennedy to let the family know about the "Garage No Sale," sponsored by Christ's Church and scheduled for Saturday at the Jackson County Fair Building. The premise of the event, it was noted, was that items could be donated to families in need for the holiday season.

Dieckmann also noted the willingness of Holton residents to help out their fellow citizens with financial and other donations in times of need.

"What I've found is that in this town, people will give if they know about it," he said.

One such example involves the Andrew and Breann Hinman family, whose rural Holton home was destroyed in a Nov. 22 fire that prompted family members and friends to come to their aid. An online donation drive for the Hinmans has so far netted more than $3,200 for the family, it was reported.

But for people who may not be as well known in the city, such as the Simmons family, Kennedy said any help the city and its residents can give them is more than welcome.

"They lost everything," Kennedy said of the family.

EUM to present dinner theater

By Ali Holcomb

Evangel United Methodist Church in Holton is hosting a dinner theater, "Inspiring the Soul III," at the church this Saturday.

The event is a fund-raiser for the maintenance needs of the church's Family Life Center, which is used by a variety of organizations and groups throughout the year, according to Jennifer Pappas, one of the event organizers.

The dinner begins at 6 p.m. at the church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave., and will include cranberry spinach salad, hand rolled chicken cordon bleu with a cream sauce, twice baked potato casserole, honey roasted carrots, white chocolate raspberry cake, cinnamon roll bread pudding or fresh fruit cobbler.

"We have some really special talent also lined up for the event," Pappas said.

The evening's entertainment will include inspirational and Christmas music from All Four One Quartet, First Baptist Church Choir, Barb Wheeler, Kaylee Wheeler, Sheri Sanchez and Matt Johnson, Sheri Bartel, Trish McAllister, Cynthia Coufal, Alexis Sanchez and Shannon Witmer and Don McDaniel. Several readings will be held throughout the event as well.

Tickets are $30 per person and must be purchased in advance at the EUM Church office, (364-3834), Denison State Bank or Ginger Snips (364-3069). The event is being limited to the first 200 ticket holders, it was noted.

The dinner theater is held every other year by the church to raise funds for the maintenance and upkeep of the Family Life Center building and the church.

Microbrewery Zoning...

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through the Holton Planning Commission and a public hearing process that would involve property owners within 200 feet of the proposed microbrewery. McKee told Willcott that he would look further into the process needed to amend zoning regulations and get back with the commission.

According to a letter Willcott presented to the commission, the Willcotts "are currently working on plans to establish a microbrewery that will brew, ferment, package and sell microbrewed beer." They are working on a contract to purchase a building located at 219 W. Fourth St., with the contract contingent on the ability to operate a microbrewery at that location.

"Previous meetings and discussions with Holton city officials have established that the packing microbrewery business that is currently being modeled does not qualify for current commercial zoning, as defined by Holton zoning regulations," Willcott said in the letter.

McKee agreed, saying that the Willcotts would need to have a "bottling works" in operation, creating a "spot zoning" issue with an industrial use in the middle of a commercial district. Changing the zoning regulations to allow the microbrewery to operate in a commercial district, Willcott said, would prevent that.

Willcott also told commissioners that he did not plan to sell craft brews on the premises for consumption, but instead to package and sell to beverage distributors or to sell in a retail capacity to consumers who would take the beer elsewhere to drink. There are no plans to operate it as a "taproom," which would require the issuance of a food license and would have to meet certain regulations for food and beer sales, he added.

Commissioner Dan Brenner said he "liked the idea" of a microbrewery in Holton, although "I know some citizens in this area who may balk at that." Bauer also invited Willcott to "come in and visit with" city staff to discuss the issue further.

In other business on Monday, commissioners approved an easement between Clinton Dodds and the city on property south of where Banner Road will extend to the west of U.S. Highway 75 and allow for access to property where a new Walmart is planned for construction. Dodds owns cropland located south of the Walmart property and would like to retain access to the land, City Attorney Dennis White said.

The city has offered Dodds $4,750 for the easement, which covers about 0.89 acres of land, and will maintain the easement area, according to a letter White sent Dodds, who has reportedly accepted the offer. The city will also be responsible for property taxes on the easement, commissioners noted.

White said Walmart engineers had approached Dodds about a drainage and grading easement because the road that connects U.S. 75 and the proposed store's parking lot needed additional room for a 3-to-1 slope on about 40 to 50 feet of the easement area. He added that the engineers plan to take out only a tree line that abuts the Walmart property and straighten a drainage ditch that runs parallel to the planned Banner Road expansion.

The only part of the easement that would extend to Dodds' property from the highway, White said, would be where the new entrance to the property would be since the city and Walmart will be doing away with the old entrance, about 150 feet south of the entrance to Taco Bell.

Commissioners also:

- Approved minutes from the Nov. 17 commission meeting and budget appropriations made since that meeting.
- Approved Friday, Dec. 26, and Friday, Jan. 2, as city holidays, based on city employee requests to have the day off after Christmas and New Year's Day, both of which fall on a Thursday this year.
- Set 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15, for a public hearing on an amendment to the city's 2014 budget, particularly concerning expenditures in the city's special park and equipment reserve funds. A public notice on the hearing appears on Page 11A.
- Heard a suggestion from Holton resident Harold Kennedy about setting up a special fund to help city residents who find themselves in "destitute" situations (see related story).
- Heard comments from Brenner and Commissioner Twila White on the "very nice" appearance of Christmas lights along Holton's Town Square.
- Heard comment from Brenner about Waste Management truck drivers not putting trashcans back in place on the curb after emptying them into garbage trucks.
- Heard comment from Mayor Robert Dieckmann about the need to repair the bath house at the Holton Municipal Swimming Pool. Dieckmann asked if grants were available for the repair, to which Bauer said grants were available but there is "a lot of red tape to go through" since the bath house and the pool were WPA projects.
- Heard comment from Commissioner Erich Campbell about the number of recovered bicycles at the police department. "About a dozen" bicycles are sitting at the Public Safety Building at present, Campbell said.
- Adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m. All commissioners were present.

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Scenes from the 2014 Christmas Parade of Lights!

Friday, Nov. 28, 2014 • Photos by Brian Sanders

This year's Christmas Parade of Lights included (from top to bottom on left side of page) Mick's Tree Service, Don Fate and Shelter Insurance, *The Holton Recorder*, Clark Chevrolet, (from top to bottom on right side of page) the City of Holton Street Department and First Baptist Church of Holton.

4-H Honors

Several Jackson County 4-H'ers were honored recently for their accomplishments in 2014 during the recent Jackson County 4-H Achievement Program. In the top photo, six 4-H members were selected to receive Kansas Key Awards, including (from left) Kassidy Dahl, Elizabath Roach, Lindsey Bohannon, Jace Nelson and Tristan Parks. Also honored, but not pictured, was Michaela Little. In the photo above, recognitions for work with sheep was given to (from left to right) Judd Nelson, Jerilyn Nelson, Quinn Arnold, Blade Montgomery, Madeline Montgomery and Joel Nelson. In the photo at left, Kassidy Dahl (left) and Anna Pugh were named this year's "County Cup" winners.

Submitted photos

County's 4-H'ers celebrate accomplishments of 2014

Jackson County 4-H'ers and their families recently gathered at the Jackson County Fair Building to share the accomplishments of county 4-H members for the past year. The achievement program recognizes 4-H members for their record keeping skills.

In order for a 4-Her to be eligible to receive an award they must fill out their 4-H recordbook or Kansas Award Portfolio (KAP). Once the books are turned in to the office they are sent to another county to be judged. That county then picks the county project winners, rookies of the year, etc. The top KAP for each project is eligible to go onto the Northeast Area Screening, where the top KAP in each project from the area goes onto state screening.

In addition to project awards, members can apply for membership awards, which are different pins with different requirements. The more years the 4-H'er has received a pin, the more difficult it is to receive the next pin. In addition to the members receiving pins, the clubs can earn purple seals by reaching goals set at the beginning of the year.

Following the presentation of pins and other awards, the achievement celebration concluded with officer training.

The results from Jackson County's 2014 achievement program are:

• **Membership Pins:** Breanna Brees and Shayla Rezac, Delia Early Birds; Joel Bohnenkemper, Luke Halbleib and Dakota Johnson, Denison Builders; Emma Deghand, Natalie Fox and Austin Porubsky, Hoyt Livewires; Phoenix Cannon, Jackson County Gypsies; Logan Altenburg, Josie Barrow, Brian Dorris and Preston Utz, Lucky Stars; Callie Coleman, McKenzie Handley and Ellena Reynolds, Mayetta Mustangs; Karissa Herdm, North Jackson Jets; Junior Beauchamp, Kyle Bohnenkemper, Trevor Bowser and Timmithy Smith, Ontario Busy Bees; Alex Browning, Jennifer Buck and Savannah Cattrell, Soldier Boosters; and Aaralynn Allen, Madeline Bontrager, Abigail Schlodder and Lorna Smith, Straight Arrows.

• **Bronze Pins:** Josiah Hefty and Abigail Renfro, Denison Builders; Landon Porubsky, Megan Fenske, Tyson Parks and Kloie Street, Hoyt Livewires; Shayne Dorris, Macy Gross, Tiah Gross, Kyler Kathrens, Cole Kucan, Asher Larson, Blade Montgomery, Hannah Newell, Katereina Shaw and Timber Wilson, Lucky Stars; Daniel Coleman and Ellie Coleman, Mayetta Mustangs; Jenna McAllister, North Jackson Jets; Jessica Marney, Ontario Busy Bees; Josie Buck, Kaden Cattrell, Kaitlyn Claycamp and Alyssa Davis, Soldier Boosters; and Devin Coffman, Amy Watkins and Mathew Watkins, Straight Arrows.

• **Clover Pins:** Jarred Bohnenkemper, Katharyn Duryea, Naomi Halbleib and Bobbi Horr, Denison Builders; Karlie Albright and Cassidy Parks, Hoyt Livewires; Alexandra Cannon and Lily Cannon, Jackson County Gypsies; Ahnna Mellenbruch and Isaac Utz, Lucky Stars; Janelle Marney, Ontario Busy Bees; Joel Kennedy, Soldier Boosters; and Shelby Fox, Amariah Allen, Haden Doyle and Daniel Little, Straight Arrows.

• **Emerald Pins:** Sarah Halbleib and Noah Hefty, Denison Builders; Taygen Altenburg, Gavin Arnold, Madeline Montgomery and Grace Utz, Lucky Stars; Victoria Kimbrough and Olivia Heitzman, Ontario Busy Bees; and Jill Buck, Soldier Boosters.

• **Silver Pins:** Sidney Bohnenkemper, Eero Halbleib, Elena Hefty, Shelby Phillips and Caleb Hefty, Denison Builders; MaKenzie Kennedy, Rhett Kennedy and Jerilyn Nelson, Soldier Boosters; and Colby Doyle, Straight Arrows.

• **Silver Guard:** Krista Halbleib, Denison Builders; Emily Albright, Mary Broxterman, Alyssa Gooderl and Megan Putnam, Hoyt Livewires; Gwyn Arnold, Cody Bohannon, Bridget Kucan and Sophia Mellenbruch, Lucky Stars; Jessica Buck, Soldier Boosters; and Evan Fox, Faith Little and Cailin Parks, Straight Arrows.

• **Leadership Pins:** Karlie Miller, Mayetta Mustangs; Anika Beauchamp, Ontario Busy Bees; and John Kennedy, Soldier Boosters.

• **Gold Pins:** Macy Putnam and Elizabeth Roach, Hoyt Livewires; and Brianna Cattrell and Judd Nelson, Soldier Boosters.

• **Gold Guard:** Lindsey Bohannon, Lucky Stars; Samantha Beauchamp and Katelyn Meggison, Ontario Busy Bees; and Joel Nelson, Soldier Boosters.

• **Achievement, Junior:** Taygen Altenburg, MaKenzie Kennedy, Emily Albright, Blade Montgomery and Lily Cannon.

• **Achievement, Senior:** Elizabeth Roach, Kassidy Dahl, Samantha Beauchamp and Anna Pugh.

• **Beef, Junior:** Colby Doyle, Emily Albright, Karlie Albright, Grace Utz, Haden Doyle, Quinn Kennedy and Madi Kennedy.

• **Beef, Senior:** Samantha Beauchamp and Brianna Cattrell.

• **Bucket Calf:** Kyler Kathrens, Preston Utz and Landan Porubsky.

• **Clothing Buymanship, Boys:** Blade Montgomery and Rhett Kennedy.

• **Clothing Buymanship, Girls:** Alyssa Davis, Karlie Albright, Gwyn Arnold, Madeline Montgomery and Kloie Street.

• **Clothing and Textiles, Junior:** Emily Albright, Karlie Albright, Kloie Street and Mary Broxterman.

• **Dairy Cattle, Junior:** Jessica Buck and Josie Buck.

• **Dairy Goat, Junior:** Faith Little and MaKenzie Kennedy.

• **Dairy Goat, Senior:** Cooper Allen.

• **Dog Care and Training, Junior:** Jerilyn Nelson, Judd Nelson, Megan Putnam and Kyler Kathrens.

• **Dog Care and Training, Senior:** Jace Nelson.

• **Entomology, Junior:** Daniel Coleman.

• **Fiber Arts, Junior:** Taygen Altenburg, Megan Fenske, Karlie Albright, Bobbi Horr and Natalie Fox.

• **Fiber Arts, Senior:** Michaela Little.

• **Foods and Nutrition, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery, Blade Montgomery, Mary Broxterman, Kyler Kathrens, Faith Little, Daniel Little, Savannah Cattrell, Rhett Kennedy and Emma Deghand.

• **Foods and Nutrition, Senior:** Elena Hefty and Anna Pugh.

• **Forestry, Junior:** Timber Wilson.

• **Geology, Junior:** Bobbi Horr.

• **Health and Wellness:** Taygen Altenburg.

• **Horse, Junior:** Lily Cannon, Judd Nelson and Savannah Cattrell.

• **Leadership, Junior:** Alyssa Gooderl.

• **Leadership, Senior:** Elizabeth Roach, Kassidy Dahl, Lindsey Bohannon and Macy Putnam.

• **Meat Goat, Junior:** Lily Cannon, Madeline Montgomery, Jerilyn Nelson and Faith Little.

• **Meat Goat, Senior:** Joel Nelson.

• **Performing Arts, Junior:** Kloie Street,

• **Performing Arts, Senior:** Krista Halbleib.

• **Pets, Junior:** Faith Little.

• **Photography, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery, MaKenzie Kennedy, Grace Utz, Alyssa Davis, Abigail

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Public Notice

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

In the Matter of the Estate of VELMA K. PRESTON, deceased,

Case No. 14PR 38

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by John T. Preston, son and one of the heirs of Velma K. Preston, deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Jackson County, Kansas, to-wit:

The South half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas,

EXCEPT all of the South half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 7, Range 15, lying West of U.S. Highway 75, Beginning at a stone found in place at the Southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 15 East; thence East 1094.50 feet to the West right of way of U.S. Highway 75; thence North 1° 30' West, 82 feet; thence North 23° 10' West, 600 feet along said right of way; thence North 31° 38' West, 202.24 feet; thence North 23° 26' West, 100 feet; thence North 13° 30' West, 203.04 feet; thence North 23° 56' West, 248 feet to the North line of the South half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 15 East; thence West 562 feet; thence South 1320 feet to the point of beginning, all in Jackson County, Kansas,

AND EXCEPT that part conveyed to the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas for controlled access highway, recorded in Book 227, Page 353, and described as: A tract of land in the South half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., described as follows: BEGINNING at the intersection of the Easterly right of way line of the existing highway and the South line of said Quarter Section, said South line having an assumed bearing of North 88 degrees 53 minutes East;

FIRST COURSE, thence North 24 degrees 21 minutes West, 767.2 feet along said right of way line; SECOND COURSE, thence North 20 degrees 32 minutes West, 150.3 feet along said right of way line; THIRD COURSE, thence North 28 degrees 10 minutes West, 150.3 feet along said right of way line; FOURTH COURSE, thence North 24 degrees 06 minutes West, 370.3 feet along said right of way line, to the North line of said South half of the Northeast Quarter Section; FIFTH COURSE, thence North 89 degrees 39 minutes East, 58.1 feet along said North line; SIXTH COURSE, thence South 24 degrees 18 minutes East, 283.3 feet; SEVENTH COURSE, thence South 34 degrees 14 minutes East, 203.0 feet; EIGHTH COURSE, thence South 19 degrees 27 minutes East, 531.9 feet; NINTH COURSE, thence South 24 degrees 18 minutes East, 420.0 feet to a point on said South line, 47.7 feet East of the place of beginning, TENTH COURSE, thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes West along said South line to the place of beginning.

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

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before the 18th day of December, 2014, at 9 o'clock a.m. in the City of Holton in Jackson County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

John T. Preston, Petitioner

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The Holton Middle School KAY Club raised money for the Jackson County Ministerial Alliance Emergency Food Pantry by selling turkey feathers to the students. The teacher with the most turkey feathers was crowned the biggest "turkey" and won a turkey, and this year's "turkey" honor went to vocal music teacher Randall Bond (third from left). Shown in the photo above, from left to right, are Tabor Barta, Lauryn Moore, Bond, Jackson Martin, Sydney Snyder, Megan Mercer, Macy Pruitt, Regan Baum, Savanna Booth and Madi Kennedy. *Submitted photo*

Fenceline: A few Christmas gift ideas

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

It's countdown to Christmas, and the search for the perfect gift for your loved ones. I try to find something that will really "wow" the receiver. Unfortunately, as my boys got older, the cost of the "wow" factor quickly outgrew my pocket book!

So then you go for the "surprise" factor, which is difficult to do. Since they are horrible snoops, my greatest discovery was to leave names off of the packages and just wrap them all in a different paper. That works out pretty good, unless son #3 discovers that son #1's present was wrapped in a certain paper and then deduces which ones are his.

If you're looking for the gift for the difficult person to buy for, might I suggest the donation to the new fairgrounds in Holton. For a $25 donation, there are 25 quilts and such that will be given away, one per week for 25 weeks! Just one ticket and you can win multiple times.

Or for the difficult gun enthusiast to buy for, the Bullmasters 4-H Shooting group is doing a gun calendar. They will be giving away 52 guns, one a week. I think those tickets are $50 and with limited number of tickets sold, you can win numerous times, with extremely good chances!

For a smaller gift, we have the IRM Red book calving books for the cowherd owner. We are still taking orders on the mementos we've made from barn boards from the old fairgrounds, sort of "heartifacts" for those with memories of the old barns. Stop by the extension office or email us; we can fix you up for those holiday gifts!

The Agricultural Act of 2014 requires producers to make informed decisions regarding commodities and crop insurance. K-State Research and Extension is teaming with sponsors to bring 15 educational meetings to Kansans across the state in January and February.

Agricultural economists Art Barnaby and Mykel Taylor will travel the state to provide information on commodity programs and the economic tradeoffs between the options, as well as major changes to crop insurance. Representatives of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency also will discuss commodity program procedures at the half-day meetings.

The closest to Meadowlark Extension District are:

• Feb. 12, 2015 at Frankfort. Registration at 1 p.m., program from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Annunciation Cigna Center. To attend, contact Anastasia Johnson, Marshall County Extension at (785) 562-3531 or anastasia@ksu.edu

• Feb. 13, 2015 at Atchison. Registration at 8 a.m., program from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Atchison Heritage Conference Center. To register, contact Ray Ladd, Atchison County Extension, at (913) 833-5450 or cladd@ksu.edu

Crops and Soils

Consider crop rotation in dealing with herbicide-resistant weeds

By David G. Hallauer
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Crops & Soils/Horticulture

I saw two pictures in a presentation by KSU Weed Science Specialist Dr. Dallas Peterson the other day. The first was a field with some glyphosate resistant Palmer amaranth. Even though there were only sporadic plants, they were definitely noticeable!

The next slide was a picture of a field of glyphosate resistant Palmer amaranth from a weed scientist at the University of Georgia. In contrast to the first, the Palmer was bad enough that you couldn't see any soybeans to speak of. No one wants field one. Field two is a nightmare! How can we avoid?

Since 2005, we've documented glyphosate resistant Marestail, Giant Ragweed, Waterhemp, Common Ragweed, Kochia and Palmer amaranth in Kansas. To combat them will take much more time – and much more vigilance!

Start by considering your crop rotation and trying to include non Roundup Resistant crops. Residual herbicides are also a must, and any herbicide program should include rotating between different sites of action within – and across – years. Make sure that all herbicides are used at the proper rate at the proper time.

To help you out, the Weed Science Society of America has developed a numbering system that gives a number to different herbicide sites of action. For example, ALS inhibiting herbicides like the sulfonylureas, Imidazoliones, etc. are grouped together under the number two. Glyphosate is an EPSP inhibitor and is classified as number nine.

These numbers are starting to show up at the top of some herbicide labels. That way, at a glance, you can see if you are mixing sites of action – or not – and can better select a control program that will help prevent resistance rather than promote it.

The system is also in use in KSU's 2015 Chemical Weed Control Guide (www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/Item.aspx?catId=236&pubId=18279 and available in your District Office in January). Take a look and see how you can "mix up" your modes of action to help prevent glyphosate resistance!

Dormant Seeding of Turfgrass

If you've looked at your lawn and seen spots with not quite enough grass, your first thought may be to make a mental note until spring! Better yet, why not overseed now? Dormant overseeding is done during December through February when it's too cold for germination. Several methods can be used – and be successful – if you can get good seed-soil contact.

You could seed when there has been a snowfall of up to an inch. Simply spread seed by hand on areas that need thickening up. As the snow melts, it brings the seed into good contact with the soil where it will germinate come spring.

Without snow, try seeding when the ground is simply moist. Freeze-thaw action will result in the formation of small pockets perfect for catching and holding seed. As the soil dries, pockets collapse and cover the seed.

If it's not too wet – or frozen! – you could also core aerate, verticut or hand rake, broadcasting seed immediately after. Dormant seedings will germinate when conditions allow in the spring. Be careful with your weed control program, too. The use of common crabgrass preventers can reduce stands.

KHP, KDWPT announce joint wildlife checkpoint

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism (KDWPT) game wardens and Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) troopers will conduct a joint checkpoint in south central Kansas in early December, it was reported.

The firearms deer season opens today (Dec. 3), pheasant and quail seasons opened Nov. 8, the greater prairie chicken regular season started Nov. 15 and duck and goose seasons are also under way. The checkpoint is intended to help enforce state and federal wildlife laws, as well as the state's driver's licensing laws.

KHP troopers will operate the first stage of the checkpoint to be sure drivers are properly licensed to be driving. If a driver does not have a valid license, appropriate enforcement actions will be taken. Travelers should not expect major delays from this portion of the checkpoint.

Occupants of vehicles in the first check lane will be asked if they are hunters or are transporting wildlife. If they are in either case, drivers will be directed to a nearby KDWPT check lane where game wardens will check for required licenses and permits, count the game and gather biological, harvest and hunter success information. This portion of the checkpoint should also cause minimal delay.

Additional wildlife checkpoints will occur around the state during the fall and winter hunting seasons, it was reported.

4-H Achievements...

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Renfro, Kyler Kathrens, Faith Little and Jessica Marney.

• **Plant Science, Junior:** Blade Montgomery, Grace Utz and Isaac Utz.

• **Poultry, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery and Blade Montgomery.

• **Rabbits, Junior:** Lily Cannon, Madeline Montgomery and Anika Beauchamp.

• **Reading, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery, Grace Utz, Asher Larson, Blade Montgomery and Isaac Utz.

• **Self-Determined, Junior:** Timber Wilson and Phoenix Cannon.

• **Sheep, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery, Judd Nelson, Jerilyn Nelson, Blade Montgomery and Gwyn Arnold.

• **Sheep, Senior:** Joel Nelson.

• **Shooting Sports, Junior:** Colby Doyle, Bobbi Horr, Haden Doyle, Jodi White and Anika Beauchamp.

• **Shooting Sports, Senior:** Samantha Beauchamp.

• **Space Tech, Junior:** Garrett Pruyser and Gavin Arnold.

• **Swine, Junior:** Madeline Montgomery, Blade Montgomery, Brandon Kelly, Jake Kelly, Landan Porubsky and Breanna Brees.

• **Swine, Senior:** Samantha Beauchamp.

• **Visual Arts, Junior:** Emily Albright, Madeline Montgomery, MaKenzie Kennedy, Taygen Altenburg, Daniel Little, Alyssa Davis, Kaitlyn Claycamp and Jerilyn Nelson.

• **Visual Arts, Senior:** Elizabeth Roach.

• **Wildlife:** Timber Wilson.

• **Wood Science, Junior:** Mary Broxterman, Blade Montgomery, Logan Altenburg and Jake Kelly.

• **10-Year Members:** Cooper Allen, Indie Allen, Patrick Broxterman, Lance Coe, Delaney Dugger, Billy Hill, Dean Klahr, Parker Zeller, Rosalie Wilkerson, Katie Conley, Raygan Fund and Jason Yingst.

• **Club Project:** Lucky Stars.

• **Purple Seal:** Denison Builders, Hoyt Livewires, Lucky Stars, Mayetta Mustangs, Ontario Busy Bees, Pleasant Valley Rustlers, Soldier Boosters and Straight Arrows.

• **Blue Seal:** North Jackson Jets.

• **Red Seal:** Delia Early Birds.

• **Rookie of the Year:** Emma Deghand, Natalie Fox, Callie Coleman, James Beauchamp, Logan Altenburg and Austin Porubsky.

• **County Cup:** Kassidy Dahl and Anna Pugh.

• **Club Officer Book:** Taygen Altenburg, Lucky Stars, historian; and Madeline Montgomery, Lucky Stars, reporter.

• **JCLA Livestock Award:** Samantha Beauchamp.

• **Key Awards:** Michaela Little, Jace Nelson, Lindsey Bohannon, Kassidy Dahl, Elizabeth Roach and Tristan Parks.

• **2013-2014 4-H Clover Buds:** Fiona Stevenson, Connall Stevenson, Emily Horr, Rebecca Halbleib, Laramie Self, Faith Hefty, Jayni Street, MaRyah Sharpe, Sadey Gross, Lexi Larson, Maverick Mellenbruch, Phoenix Mellenbruch, Camme Mellenbruch, Bailey Kathrens, Christian Kucan, Caliber Miller, Madilyn Bacon, Sean Morrissey, William Beauchamp, Kaden Claycamp and Koy Tannahill.

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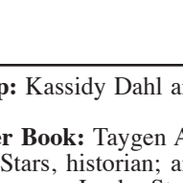

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The Calico Gardens Quilt Guild recently presented handmade quilts to Jackson County Friends of Hospice. Present for the event were members of the Guild, the Guild's officers and representatives from the Jackson County Friends of Hospice. Those pictured include (from left) Julie Bahret, JoAnn Nott, Linda Arnold, Esther Ideker (Jackson County Friends of Hospice volunteer coordinator), Mary Pat Wilson and Carol Keithline (Jackson County Friends of Hospice president).

Submitted photo

Potawatomi Methodist ✎By Ilene Dick

Sunday, Nov. 30, was a cold, windy day. A small attendance gathered for worship at Potawatomi United Methodist Church, as several were missing due to illness and injuries.

Pastor Howard greeted the congregation as we celebrated the first Sunday of Advent.

Ilene Dick reported on bags filled by U.M.W. members for JCMA Christmas Bureau and that Kay Smith picked up the bags at her home.

Lily Hall expressed the joy of a nice Thanksgiving with family.

Prayers are requested for Darlene Rawlings recovering from surgery for a broken leg and doing well at Stormont-Vail Healthcare; Alvie Burns is improving and is in room 810 at St. Francis; and Marjean and Jim Shenk are recuperating at home following a two-week bout of the flu.

Judy Thoman was acolyte. Lauren Schreiber and Judy Thoman gave the Advent readings and lit the Prophecy candle.

Martha Roush was liturgist, reading from Hebrews 9:28. The Advent prayer was prayed in unison. Hymns for the service were "We Gather Together," "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" and "There's a Spirit in the Air."

Offertory ushers were Laura Schreiber and Judy Thoman.

The text was from Luke 21:25-36, with Pastor Howard's message, "Do We Want Him to Come?"

We are born into a world where church is not abandoned and people are not persecuted to attend.

Mark 13 and Luke 21 both give warnings of disaster. We work hard to keep the world pretty and want to stay here as long as we can. They, and we, find passages of scripture about this world in John 12, 14 and 16. The ruler of this world is Satan.

We have luxuries, nice houses, insurance available, etc. We need passages to remind us God is trying to teach us to follow the divine, not this world.

We try to escape distress, confusion and fear. We claim allegiance to the world. God tries to deliver us back to the land we were created to occupy. Texts are not to frighten us.

Americans' view of death is to postpone it as long as possible. It is time to set our minds on Heaven. Perfect will comes only with the Lord.

Next Sunday's sermon will be "A Prayer for Growing Christians." Everyone is welcome.

Judy and Donnie Thoman spent Thanksgiving Day at the home of Kassy and Shad Swain and Kaden. Other guests were Jessie Thoman of Gardner and Shad's parents, Al and Carol Swain, of Laramie, Wyo.

Lily Hall enjoyed having her daughter-in-law, Norma, and her granddaughter, Crystal, visit for Thanksgiving from Sacramento, Calif. She had a wonderful time with the family.

Ronald and I enjoyed watching the Parade of Lights Friday night in Holton.

Joy Uthoff and Loren Litteer of Baldwin City spent Thanksgiving with Ronald and me. We enjoyed a good visit and ate too much.

Upcoming events: Potawatomi U.M.W. and guests will have a Christmas luncheon at Your Place or Mine at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 3. A baby shower will be given to Ember Hope(Youthville) and also hygiene and art supplies. The Advent/Christmas program will be held at our sister church, Mayetta U.M.C., at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7. Christmas Eve service will also be held at Mayetta U.M. Church at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Cecil and Betty Bowser attended the family Thanksgiving dinner held at Holton First U.M. Church. There were 43 in attendance and all had an enjoyable day.

Jackson County Senior Menu

Reservations for Jackson Countians 60 years and older and their spouses wishing to eat lunches under the Title III-C Nutrition program may be made daily Monday through Friday.

Reservations are to be made through the Jackson County Senior Citizens Office on a first come, first serve basis. Same day reservations will be accepted 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. only if reservations are not filled the previous day. Cancellations must be made by 9:30 a.m. same day.

Reservations and cancellations may be made through the Senior Citizens Office or by calling (785) 364-3571.

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Dec. 8 through Friday, Dec. 12 are as follows:

Monday, Dec. 8: Meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, California vegetables, pumpkin dessert and bread and margarine.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Baked pork cutlet, baked sweet potato, green beans, cranberry salad and bread and margarine.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, spinach, strawberries, ice cream and hot roll and margarine.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Baked chicken breast, steamed rice, winter mix vegetables, pears, oatmeal cake and bread and margarine.

Friday, Dec. 12: Chili, cheese cube, dill pickle, fresh orange, cinnamon roll and crackers and margarine.

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USD 336 – HOLTON

Resolution to Levy Tax for Capital Outlay Fund

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 336, Jackson County, State of Kansas, is authorized by K.S.A. 72-8801, to make an annual tax levy at a mill rate not exceeding the statutorily-prescribed mill rate for a period of time as determined by the Board of Education upon the taxable tangible property in the district for the purpose specified in said law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined to exercise the authority vested in it by said law;

NOW, THEREFORE,

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The above-named school board shall be authorized to make an annual tax levy for a period not to exceed 5 years in an amount not to exceed 8 mills upon the taxable tangible property in the school district for the purpose of acquisition, construction, reconstruction repair, remodeling, additions to, furnishing, maintaining and equipping of school district property and equipment necessary for school district purposes, including (1) Acquisition of computer software; (2) acquisition of performance uniforms; (3) housing and boarding pupils enrolled in an area vocational school operated under the board; (4) architectural expenses; (5) acquisition of building sites; (6) undertaking and maintenance of asbestos control projects; (7) acquisition of school buses; and (8) acquisition of other fixed assets, and for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the school district. The tax levy authorized by this resolution may be made, unless a petition in opposition to the same, signed by not less than 10% of the qualified electors of the school district, is filed with the county election officer of the home county of the school district within 40 calendar days after the last publication of this resolution. In the event a petition is filed, the county election officer shall submit the question of whether the tax levy shall be authorized to the electors in the school district at an election called for that purpose or at the next general election, as is specified by the Board of Education of the above school district.

CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 336, Jackson County, Kansas, on the 24 day of November, 2014.

/s/ Deirdre A. Folk
Clerk of the above Board of Education

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Jackson County Senior Menu

Meals at the Prairie Band Potawatomi Elder Center are served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The menu is subject to change.

The center is open 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Enrolled tribal members age 50 and older may eat for free. Non-member seniors or non-seniors will be charged a fee for meals.

Reservations are required if you are in a large group. The center is located on K Road, about one-half mile south of 158th Road. For more information about the program, call (785) 966-0040.

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Dec. 8 through Friday, Dec. 12 are as follows:

Monday, Dec. 8: Goulash, peas, salad and garlic bread.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Meatloaf, potato and gravy, corn and dinner roll.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Beef and hominy, fry bread, potato salad and fruit.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Liver and onions, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables and dinner roll.

Friday, Dec. 12: Ham and beans, rice, carrots and bread.

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The bride-to-be currently lives outside of Horton and is employed at the Union State Bank in Everest. The future groom currently lives in Topeka and is employed as the VMF manager for the U.S. Postal Service in Topeka. Both are graduates of Horton High School.

After they wed, the couple plans to make their home in rural Horton, along with Meeko the dog and Scooter the cat.

They will exchange wedding vows at the First Baptist Church in Horton at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13. A reception, dinner and dance will follow at the Horton Community Center Blue Building.

McClains to celebrate 50th anniversary

The children of John Arden and Nancy Kay (Hill) McClain of Horton are happy to announce the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents. John and Nancy are the children of the late Kenneth and Lillian McClain and the late Roy and Hazel Hill.

John and Nancy were married on Jan. 3, 1963, at the Horton First Baptist Church at 3 p.m. The Rev. Jimmie Treat performed the double ring ceremony. Attending the bride were Linda Ricks and Yvonne (Nevin) Hippensteel. Groomsmen were Bob McClain and Ed Libel.

Their children are the late John Mark McClain of Tulsa, Okla.; Scott and Sara McClain and their children, Connor and Calyssa, of Manhattan; Sherri (McClain) Cunningham and Jeff Oxley and their children, Login, Landon, Noah and Katy, of Rantoul; Travis and Samantha McClain and their children, Emma and Mitchell, of Horton; and Shelly McClain and her fiancé, Tim Buser, of Horton.

John and Nancy will celebrate their day with a family get-together and dinner in Horton. The two of them also plan to take a cruise later this spring. Cards may be sent to them at 1233 Second Ave. East, Horton, KS 66439.

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Plaintiff,

vs.

JACLYN GALBRAITH A/K/A JACLYN JEANINE GALBRAITH A/K/A JACLYN JEANINE LONG A/K/A JACLYN LONG, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 14 CV 29
Court No.
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, in the case above numbered, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and Defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of Jackson County, Kansas, directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand on the first floor of the Jackson County Courthouse, 400 New York St. in Holton, Kansas on December 15, 2014, at 09:00 AM of said day, the following described real estate situated in the County of Jackson, State of Kansas, to-wit:

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MARTIN, LEIGH, LAWS & FRITZLEN, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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Circleville ✎By Jeannie Arnold

Merlin and Judy Arnold of Topeka and Bob and I spent Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 25, with Maxine Lewis in celebration of her birthday. In the evening, we all ate together at Trails Cafe.

Ernie and Connie Woltje hosted their family Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Both boys, Chris Woltje and Matt Woltje, were there along with their families.

Roy and Beverly Kranz spent Thanksgiving Day with their daughter, Debbie Kennedy, in Topeka. Other guests were Brock, Shawna, Carson and Madison Blackwood, John, Brooke and Tate Johnson and Kathy Kranz. There was lots of good food, visiting and playing cards. John Kennedy was visiting his mother in Houston, Texas for Thanksgiving.

The Robison Thanksgiving was held on Saturday, Nov. 29, at Debbie Kennedy's house in Topeka. Those attending were Roy and Beverly Kranz, Charles and Doreen Kranz, Chase, Ashley, Corie and Liam Kranz, Brock, Shawna, Carson and Madison Blackwood, Jessica Schageck and son Gage, Brynley Cowan, Tate Johnson, Jim Kidney, Nancy and Donnie Wischmeier, Rob, Kristy and Samantha Wilson. More good food, visiting and card playing was enjoyed.

Steve and Leota Wilkerson, Stephanie Nicol and Mikyla, Lori Burdick, Bailey and Afton and Bob and I were the ones from Circleville that enjoyed Thanksgiving Day at the home of Maxine Lewis of Holton. There was a house full with 35 family members in attendance to enjoy a wonderful dinner and day with family. The weather was nice enough that the younger ones could play outside and that tree in her yard certainly got a good work out with the kids climbing it. In fact, one kid fell out and one kid got stuck in it!

Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson went to Olathe on Thanksgiving Day to attend the family dinner at the home of Doug and Lisa Brown. Twenty were in attendance. It was especially great that Barbara's granddaughter, Megan Duree, and her four-year-old son, Benjamin, were in attendance from Burlington, Colo. Dennis and Barbara stayed overnight with the Browns.

On Friday, Nov. 28, Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson hosted a lunch at Houston's Restaurant on the Kansas City Plaza. Those attending were Denise, Shelby and Kylie Moore from Hoyt, Dennis Morarity from Hoyt, and Doug Hutchinson from Shawnee. After lunch, the group enjoyed shopping and seeing the spectacular lights on the buildings on the Plaza.

Netawaka UMC

By Mary E. Edwards

Nov. 30 was cold and rather dark as the congregation gathered for the hanging of the greens this first Sunday of Advent at Netawaka United Methodist Church. Pastor Caren Loper played for the prelude "Mary Did You Know?" as Steve Banaka lit the altar candles.

Marcia Robertson read the opening prayer and was leader of the responsive readings for the service. Scripture readings from Isaiah, Psalm 24, Hosea 14 and Revelation 22 explained the reason for the Christmas tree, the garlands and many of the symbols of faith used in the decorations. Mary Edwards read the Advent wreath reading and lit the first candle.

Pastor Caren played for the singing of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," "Emmanuel, Emmanuel," "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus," "All the Earth Is Waiting," "The King Of Glory Comes," "Away In A Manger" (the offering hymn) and "Joy To The World."

Pastor Caren spoke briefly about this season of anticipation, advising patience – take time to appreciate the joys and beauty of Advent, special times with loved ones. Each person was given a tootsie roll pop with instruction about eating it. Enjoy the whole thing, savoring each like as we work to the center; enjoy the whole season of Advent and Christmas.

Ten people attended the first session of Advent study on Sunday afternoon at Jon and Cheryl Yingst's home. They are using "The Journey" study guide by Adam Hamilton.

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Circleville Christian Church

By Jeannie Arnold

Don and Renae Askren served as greeters at the door for the fifth Sunday church service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 30, at Circleville Christian Church. Gary Bell gave the welcome and opening prayer. Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, Max Lierz, Sandra Hurt and Paul and Sue Davault. Mike Cochren gave the announcements and Max Lierz gave the prayer for concerns and praises.

Randy Wickham started out with text from 1 John 4:7-14 as he gave the morning sermon titled "The God Who Loves Us!" God loves all of His believers. God is under no obligation to give mercy to those who do not believe, but everyone has an equal opportunity for God's grace. God's love is sacrificial and eternal. If God loves us in this way, we should love Him in return and we should love each other. He has provided the way for our forgiveness. Do you know what it means to be loved as a true child of God?

Paul Davault used text from Philippians 4:6 as he gave the communion meditation and prayer. Communion servers were Mark Fenton, Mike Cochren, Larry Holliday, Greg Beecher, Roger Rethman and Larry Self Jr. Amanda Mellenbruch provided the beautiful piano music as communion was served. Dale Askren gave the prayer for the offering and the service closed by singing "Joy To The World." The Thanksgiving fellowship dinner followed the service.

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When it was time for two-year-old Etta Jo Bourdon (second from right) of Holton to chat with Santa Claus about what she wanted for Christmas, she was a little nervous around the jolly old elf at first. But Etta Jo's parents, Johnny (left) and Errin (right), were there to calm her nerves. The Bourdons were one of several families who stopped at the Jackson County Courthouse on Friday evening to talk with Santa Claus; many of them also headed over to Penny's on the west side of Holton's Town Square after visiting with Santa to create their own holiday cookies with Mrs. Claus.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Wilhelms host visitors during Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving weekend guests of Virgil and Anna Wilhelm and Louise Fernkopf were Eric, Tina, Nicholas and Veronica Wilhelm of Portland, Ore. Visitors from Topeka during the weekend were Mary and Steve Boyles; Barry, Thera and Kason Boyles; John, Jane and Paul Fernkopf; Arcle and Carole Fraley; Brandy Fraley and Patricia Pickering; Sherri, Keith, Sophia, Savannah and Kendrick Farwell; David and Paul Fernkopf; and Harley Owens.

Other visitors were Fred and Sheila Fernkopf, Joyce Shupe and Karen Stous, all from Holton; Angie Ash of Meriden; Brad and Melissa Boyles of Independence, Mo.; and CJ, Jolene and Annabeth Bextel of Rose Hill. The Michael Wilhelm family from Edwardsville, Ill., was unable to visit because of illness.

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Five-year-old Jesse Bowers of Holton (right) was among those who sat down with Santa Claus to talk about Christmas wish lists during Santa's Friday evening visit to the Jackson County Courthouse following the Christmas Parade of Lights. Bowers is the son of Casey and Zach Huntington.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Guide to help Kansas growers increase yields with polytunnels

Farmers and other growers seeking to extend the production season, increase yields or mitigate extreme and "normal" weather conditions can now turn to the Kansas Rural Center's newest publication, "Growing Under Cover," for a thorough assessment of which "polytunnel" options may work best for their situation.

Polytunnels are plastic-covered structures, such as high tunnels and low tunnels, that can provide protection and increase productivity for specialty crops, such as fruits, vegetables, herbs or flowers.

However, as "Growing Under Cover" explains, "plastic covered tunnels are no silver-bullet solution. They may require significant financial investment, be labor intensive to manage and risk damage or destruction from extreme weather such as high winds, heavy snow or hail."

"Growing Under Cover" provides practical information and resources to assist growers in Kansas, or similar climates, aiming to avoid common mistakes and tunnel disaster and to maximize return on investment from polytunnel purchases.

Though the guide highlights several benefits and demonstrates clear potential for polytunnels in areas like Kansas, it gives even more focused attention to the unique challenges these structures face in Kansas's harsh climate. For every challenge named (high winds, for example), several potential solutions are offered.

Much of the information in "Growing Under Cover" comes directly from farmers themselves. The guide heavily references information gleaned from 60 experienced Kansas high tunnel producers who responded to the Kansas Rural Center's High Tunnel Survey in 2014.

Surveyed growers answered 35 tunnel-related questions, including "What advice would you give to someone interested in purchasing a high tunnel?" and "What, if anything, would you do differently during future high tunnel construction?"

Gems of advice come in the form of numerous quotes from Kansas growers with years of experience integrating polytunnels into their productions systems.

One farmer advises: "I think that the more research one does before investing in a tunnel the better. I feel my investment has not been fully utilized. The tunnel can become a burden when not properly managed. I think scrupulous guidance would be helpful. Asking the difficult questions would have given me a more realistic look at what it means to own and operate a specialty crop operation with a tunnel."

"Growing Under Cover: A Guide to Polytunnel Options for Kansas Growers" is available free for printing or online viewing at Kansas Rural Center webpage: www.kansasruralcenter.org/growing-under-cover.

This guide was produced as part of KRC's Tunnel to Table Program, made possible through funding from Kansas Department of Agriculture's Specialty Crop Block Grant and Farm Aid.

The Kansas Rural Center is a nonprofit organization that since 1979 has promoted the long-term health of the land and its people through research, education and advocacy that advances economically viable, ecologically sound and socially just food and farming systems.

More information about the Kansas Rural Center and its work is available at www.kansasruralcenter.org.

For more information about KRC's specialty crop programming, contact Cole Cottin, program coordinator, at ccottin@kansasruralcenter.org or 866-579-5469.

Holton First Baptist

By Shirley M. Cameron

It was Youth Sunday on Nov. 30 at Holton First Baptist Church, with youth as greeters and leading the choruses, the children's story and prayer at the beginning of the worship service. They also took up the offering. Danika Hickman played the prelude as the candles were being lit. We express our appreciation to them and know they consider it as serving the Lord.

The quarterly business meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 10. The FALC Christmas Program is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 14, and the children's Christmas program is on Dec. 21. "The Song of Christmas" will be performed by the choir during the morning service on Dec. 14.

Pastor Tim's sermon encouraged us to have a child-like heart to be able to experience the joy of Jesus and the Christmas season. Sometimes we miss the true meaning of Christmas because we act like a little child when they are in trouble.

"The name of the Lord is a strong tower and the righteous run to it and are safe" – Proverbs 18:10. We learn in Romans 5:8 that "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

We can come to the Lord just as we are and place ourselves into His hands in submission. Philippians 2:13 – "It is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good purpose."

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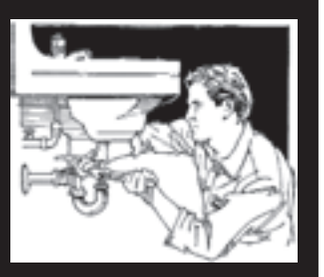

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Cattle, calf market reports for the week

By Matt Hines

Compared to last week, feeder cattle and calf markets were not fully tested due to limited marketing during the Thanksgiving holiday week. However, several major auctions held specials on Monday and Tuesday with calves and yearlings selling steady to $5 higher on an active limited test.

Boxed beef values were strong on this holiday-shortened week as retailers restock their shelves with beef for consumers that will soon tire of turkey sandwiches.

Cash feedlot trade developed in Kansas on Wednesday with live fed cattle prices steady with last week at $173. On Friday, Nebraska sold 3,205 head at $268 per cwt dressed or $170 live. Iowa-southern Minnesota sold 1,446 head at $170 live or $267.66 dressed for a weekly total of 6,831 head. Overall, trade was very light last week and steady to $1 lower in some instances.

For the week, Friday to Friday, December live cattle was down $2.02, January feeders were down $5.27 and December lean hogs were down $.32. For Boxed Beef, Choice was up $3.79 and Select was up $5.92. CME Feeder Index was down $.78 and CME Lean Hog Index was down $.33.

Cattle slaughter from Friday estimated at 107,000 head, down 4,000 from a week ago and down 13,000 from a year ago. For the week, 496,000 head down 29,000 from the week previous mainly due to no kill on Thanksgiving, down 60,000 from a year ago though.

Our year to date difference remains at 7.3 percent less but steers averaged 906 pounds which is 28 pounds above last year and 34 pounds above 2012. Heifer carcass weights decreased one pound from the week previous to 829 pounds, which is still 23 pounds above last year and 14 pounds above 2012.

Mondays seem to be the limit move day for feeders with last Monday limit down and this Monday feeders raced to and closed the $3 limit higher while fats and hogs picked up a nice day of gains also. I would expect boxed beef prices to continue to gain this week. Now let's see if cash feedlot trade can pick up a couple dollars as well and keep live cattle futures north of $170.

Monday's Dec. 1 Livestock Futures Settlements:

• December Live Cattle +$1.07 @ $169.95, February +$1.62 @ $170.85.

• January Feeders +$3 @ $234.07, March +$3 @ $233.20.

• December Lean Hogs -$.20 @ $90.12, February +$.70 @ $88.92.

Moving over to the grains, soybeans crashed lower on Friday pressured by a sharply higher U.S. dollar and tanking crude prices. Over Thanksgiving, OPEC announced they would not change production, sending crude soaring below $70 per barrel for the first time since 2010.

Export sales for corn, wheat and soybeans were very strong with corn and soybeans above expectations. Due to cancellations and most of the sales this week finally going from unknown to getting a destination, the soybean meal number this week was a negative 22,300 MT.

YTD Corn sales stand at 21.5 MMT vs. 24.9 MMT last year on this date. Sales now total 48.5 percent of the USDA estimate vs. the five-year average for this date of 53 percent.

Soybean sales year to date stand at 38.6 MMT vs. 36.7 MMT last year on this date. Sales total 82 percent of the USDA estimate vs. the five-year average of 72 percent.

For the week, Friday to Friday, December corn was down $.03, January soybeans were down $.23, December Kansas City wheat was up $.33 and December Chicago wheat was up $.30.

Wheat was the leader higher to start the week as corn and soybeans were unable to move either direction. Export shipments exceeded expectations for corn this past week but were under average guesses for wheat and soybeans. News circulated to start the week that Russia will be increasing its quality standards for exporting wheat which could drastically decrease the amount they are able to export this year while it was also reported they are very close to a food/feed deal with Iran for oil.

Monday's Dec. 1 Grain Futures Settlements:

• December Corn -$.00¼ @ $3.75½, March +$.01 @ $3.89¾.

• January Soybeans +$.01 @ $10.17, March +$.01½ @ $10.24.

• December KC Wheat +$.23¼ @ $6.60¼, July +$.24½ @ $6.60.

• December Chicago Wheat +$.29½ @ $6.06¾, July +$.27½ @ $6.16 ½.

Wheat futures have been a nice steady rally here the past couple weeks with U.S. weather supporting along with some premium adding in for Russian weather and also Australia. We have broken out of the sideways trade and looking for prices to rebound back to highs not seen since harvest. December Kansas City wheat has support at $6.20 with resistance at $6.70.

Corn and soybeans are still chopping sideways. December corn has formed a wedge now the past two weeks so it may look for a breakout here, direction of course unknown. Support is sitting down at the 100-day moving average of $3.60. January soybeans fell right through all the averages providing support last week and now could test the $10 level.

Note: There is risk of loss in trading commodity futures and options.

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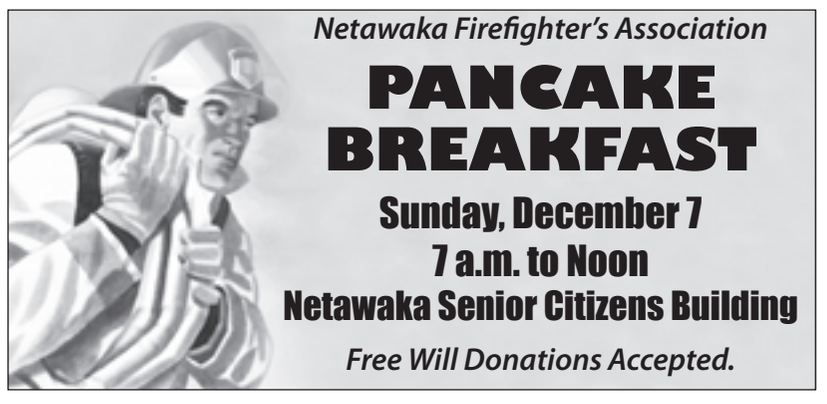

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LETTER: Congrats to Rossville team

Dear editor,

As a Rossville High School alum (one of many in this area), I want to congratulate the Rossville High Bulldawgs and their great coach, Derick Hammes, on their recent State Football Title Win! The team captured the win against No. 2 Scott City with a score of 21-14. Wrought with injuries, the team's depth came through, and was able to pull off the win in the fourth quarter.

This was the first State Championship Football win in RHS' school history, so a great milestone for the school. Many years Rossville would get to the playoffs and lose to their arch rival, Silver Lake. Many felt they'd already won state when they beat the Silver Lake Eagles this year in the playoffs! Both the Silver Lake and Rossville football teams deserve a lot of credit for their consistently good teams year after year.

Many of Rossville's kids come from the Delia area (a part of the great county of Jackson), and many of the Rossville kids have their roots in Delia. The Horak brothers and cousin, a huge part of the winning team this year, have grandparents and great-grandparents who were originally from Delia.

In the 1960s, when many of the small towns were consolidating, the Delia Bulldogs became the Rossville Bulldogs (later Bulldawgs), and although many have overlooked the small town of Delia, many of us in the Holton/Jackson County area have family roots deep in the Delia community. It's a sweet little community with a huge Native American, Czech and German background and many of us, although not living there, have not forgotten our roots.

I know pride is a sin, but this weekend I have to admit I was very proud to be a RHS alum and proud to have my roots in the Delia/Jackson County/Rossville community!

Leslie Paine
Topeka

Christmas Parade of Lights 2014

Additional participants in the Christmas Parade of Lights last Friday included the City of Holton Electric Distribution Department (shown above in the top photo) and a local group of VFW Riders, which included Santa Dan and Sarah Degenhardt.

Photos by Brian Sanders

LETTER: Try some brotherly love

Dear editor,

Here's how you can help your brother in a tough time. If your brother is going through boot camp the perfect way to cheer him up is to write him or send him a newspaper that has menus, weather, sports and letters to the editor.

In the 1980s, my youngest brother was going through boot camp in the army. I thought if I sent him the popular USA Today newspaper it would cheer him up and make him happy.

Now, I didn't have much money but I budgeted my money to where I could buy the USA Today newspaper and then pay postage on sending him the newspaper.

My brother wrote me back to me with real nice letters. Today we're real close because of the many nice things we have done for each other through the years. I thought of my brother, not myself, when he was in boot camp.

Paul Cappleman
Muscotah

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School District No. 335

Monday, Dec. 8: Breakfast – Whole-grain cereal, cheese stick, fruit, milk and juice; Lunch – Chicken tetrazzini, tossed salad, French garlic bread, steamed carrots, mandarin oranges and milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Breakfast – Star spangled pancakes, sausage links, milk and juice; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, lettuce and tomato, tater tots, fresh vegetables, apple crisp and milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, sliced peaches, milk and juice; Lunch – Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, blueberry oat muffin, peaches and milk.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Breakfast –Whole-grain cereal, fruit, yogurt, milk and juice; Lunch – Barbecue chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes and gravy, fresh broccoli and cauliflower, wheat bread (9-12), pineapple tidbits and milk.

Friday, Dec. 12: Breakfast –Biscuit with sausage gravy, banana, milk and juice; Lunch – Sloppy joe on a bun, chips (9-12), sweet potato puffs, fresh vegetables, sliced pears and milk.

Holton Unified
School District No. 336

Monday, Dec. 8: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, pineapple tidbits, milk choice and fruit juice choice; Lunch – Mini meatball sub, ranch potato wedges, tossed salad, orange smiles, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Breakfast – Pancake on a stick, sliced pears, milk choice and fruit juice choice; Lunch – Barbecue chicken, baked beans, creamy coleslaw, whole-wheat roll and jelly, fresh banana, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, sliced peaches, milk choice and fruit juice choice; Lunch – White chicken chill, cornbread muffin, cherry tomatoes, cucumber slices, applesauce, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Breakfast – Sausage breakfast sandwich, mandarin oranges, milk choice and fruit juice choice; Lunch – Cheese pizza, broccoli florets, fresh baby carrots, fresh banana, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Friday, Dec. 12: Breakfast –French toast with syrup, applesauce, milk choice and fruit juice choice; Lunch – Biscuits and gravy, sausage patty (6-12), sugar snap peas, hash brown patty, fresh apple, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Royal Valley Unified
School District No. 337

Monday, Dec. 8: Breakfast – Bagel with cream cheese, fruit and milk; Lunch – Spaghetti with meat sauce, cooked broccoli, fresh carrots, breadstick (9-12), fruit and milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Breakfast – Breakfast burrito, fruit and milk; Lunch – Pork patty on a bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Breakfast – Late start, no breakfast served; Lunch – Chicken fajitas, corn, salad, chocolate pudding (9-12), fruit and milk.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Breakfast –Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk; Lunch – Ham, cheesy potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, dessert and milk.

Friday, Dec. 12: Breakfast –Biscuit and gravy, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, fresh broccoli, rice crispy treat, fruit and milk.

Prairie Hills Unified
School District No. 113

Monday, Dec. 8: Breakfast – Cereal or cinnamon pastries; Lunch – Stromboli squares, spinach garden salad, sweet waffle fries, pineapple and milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Breakfast – Biscuits and gravy; Lunch – Baked ranch drumstick, savory whole-grain rice, cheesy broccoli, applesauce, whole-grain breadstick and milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: Breakfast – Syrup Day; Lunch – Italian dunkers with marinara, seasoned green beans, kiwi half, grapes, sherbet and milk.

Thursday, Dec. 11: Breakfast – Sausage or egg biscuit sandwich; Lunch – Creamy classic macaroni and cheese, peas, celery sticks and cucumber spears, banana, glazed cinnamon puffs and milk.

Friday, Dec. 12: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza; Lunch – Chicken quesadilla, jicama sticks, black bean and corn salad, strawberries and bananas and milk.

School Events

Jackson Heights Unified
School District No. 335

Monday, Dec. 8: 7 p.m. BOE meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 11: 9 a.m. Winter CDE Day @ Marysville.

Saturday, Dec. 13: 9 a.m. High school Scholars Bowl @ Home.

Holton Unified
School District No. 336

Monday, Dec. 8: 6 p.m. BOE meeting.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: 3:05 p.m. Winter high school sports pictures.

Thursday, Dec. 11: FFA Winter CDE Day.

Saturday, Dec. 13: 8 a.m. ACT testing; 9 a.m. High school Scholars Bowl @ JH.

Royal Valley Unified
School District No. 337

Monday, Dec. 8: 7:30 p.m. BOE meeting.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: After Prom Dinner.

Wednesday, Dec. 10: 9:30 a.m. Late start for all students; 6:15 p.m. Booster Club meeting @ RVHS; 7 p.m. After Prom meeting @ RVHS; 7 p.m. RVES winter musical @ RVHS gym.

Thursday, Dec. 11: 7 p.m. Grades 5-6 winter music concert @ RVHS gym.

Saturday, Dec. 13: 8 a.m. RVMS PRO "Breakfast with Santa;" 8 a.m. ACT testing @ RVHS; 8 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. RVHS Winter Formal.

Prairie Hills Unified
School District No. 113

Monday, Dec. 8: 7 p.m. BOE meeting @ Wetmore.

Thursday, Dec. 11: 7 p.m. SES fifth grade music program @ SMS.

Friday, Dec. 12: Wetmore cheer routine.

Saturday, Dec. 13: FCCLA recycle; 8 a.m. SHS ACT; 9 a.m. SHS JV Scholars Bowl @ Hiawatha.

Holton Rotary Club members lined up the Christmas Parade of Lights last Friday and served up brats afterwards. The top photo here shows Rotarian Gus Suarez (at right) and the Grinch Who Tried To Steal Christmas, better known as Rotarian Roger Hower. The Netawaka Fire Department participated in the parade (middle photo) as did residents and staff at Vintage Park (at left). For a free video of the parade, go to holtonrecorder.net

Photos by Brian Sanders

Follow Holton Recorder Twitter

Holton Recorder readers are keeping up to date on breaking news items and holiday information by checking out our Twitter feed during the week ending Wednesday, Nov. 26, with 141 total Twitter views, it was reported.

The most popular "tweet" for the week — "What's your favorite side at Thanksgiving dinner?" — led people to an online poll where they could choose between mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, stuffing, cranberries and green bean casserole as their favorite holiday side dish. The tweet received 49 views; stuffing edged out mashed potatoes in the poll.

Breaking news also received Twitter attention, with the second most popular "tweet" of the week being an update on the Weston Hasty case. That tweet received 48 views.

Also, the "tweet" on the Nov. 24 trailer fire near Denison that left one person dead received some attention. A total of 44 views were received on that particular item, it was reported.

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About letters to Santa

To help Santa with his Christmas checklist, *The Holton Recorder* will publish letters to Santa during the third week of December.

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Scenes from the Parade of Lights

Scenes from the recent Christmas Parade of Lights included (top photo) Santa and Mrs. Claus riding in Derral Sommerfeld's horse-drawn wagon and (photo above) the Potawatomi Tribal Fire Department.

Photos by Brian Sanders

U.S. Supreme Court will hear Kansas challenge to EPA regulation: Schmidt

The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear a challenge brought by Kansas and 20 other states against new federal regulations that would drive up costs to Kansas electricity ratepayers, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt (inset) announced in recent days.

"The EPA just flat ignored the cost of its new regulation," Schmidt said. "In the real world, where Kansas homeowners and businesses live, the cost of electricity is always a relevant part of making decisions. The EPA cannot possibly have concluded that the benefits of its new regulation outweigh the costs since it didn't weigh the costs at all. I'm encouraged that the Supreme Court has agreed to hear the states' arguments that the EPA's actions were unlawful."

In 2011, the EPA released a final maximum achievable control technology (MACT) rule for electric utilities, known as the "Mercury and Air Toxics Standards" or "MATS." The rule imposes stringent limits on certain emissions from power plants that will require the installation of costly new equipment.

The emission limits in the final rule, along with the short deadlines for compliance, are expected to present significant challenges for owners and operators of existing coal and oil-fired electric utility units and will present a barrier to the construction of new coal-fired generators.

The Supreme Court has agreed to review a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. The lower court decided in April, in a split decision, that EPA need not consider costs in determining whether to impose new regulations on electric utilities.

On further appeal by 21 states, including Kansas, the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to consider whether the EPA unreasonably refused to consider costs in determining the appropriateness of these regulations, it was reported.

"EPA excluded any consideration of costs when deciding whether it is 'appropriate' under the Clean Air Act to impose significant new regulations on electric utilities," Schmidt said. "It is the view of the challenging states, and the D.C. Circuit's dissenting judge, that it is unreasonable for EPA to exclude consideration of costs in determining whether it is 'appropriate' to impose massive and costly new regulations on electric utilities which, of course, will pass those costs through to ratepayers."

The case is Michigan v. EPA. Oral arguments will be scheduled later this term with a decision expected by June.

Group to fight lesser prairie chicken 'endangered' listing

A new coalition is fighting to defend the rural way of life and economic prosperity in five states, it has been reported.

The coalition, comprised of the Kansas Farm Bureau, Kansas Corn Growers Association, Texas Farm Bureau, The American Farm Bureau Federation, New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau and Colorado Farm Bureau, opposes The Center for Biological Diversity, Defenders of Wildlife and WildEarth Guardians' request that the lesser prairie chicken (LPC) be listed as an "endangered" species. The bird is currently listed as "threatened." The LPC range is roughly 20 million acres, affecting 85 counties in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado.

"We are already seeing impacts from the 'threatened' listing," said Jim Sipes, who farms near the primary habitat area. "We have seen wind generator projects leave the area. We have seen oil and gas companies pull out of the region. We have seen seismograph crews stopping seismograph work, and we are seeing effects on farms and ranches through the amount of grazing we are able to do."

The threat from an "endangered" designation reaches far beyond the farm gate to rural Main Street and local government.

"In our small communities, businesses on Main Street depend on farmers and ranchers," said Marieta Hauser, an economic development administrator and rural Chamber of Commerce official. "If we don't stop excessive regulations on farmers and ranchers, more and more often what you are going to see on Main Street in rural America is a 'Going Out of Business' sign. If farmers and ranchers don't have money to spend, our main street businesses will not be able to survive. It's that important."

County commissioner Mick MacNair, who lives in the habitat area, is concerned that with a more restrictive designation of the LPC comes lower property values. With less oil, gas, and renewable energy development, the tax base reduction would be disastrous.

"How we are going to fund our county roads and keep them maintained? How are we going to fund our local police departments? How are we going to fund our EMS and fire departments?" MacNair asks. "These are essential government entities. With the loss of revenue this will cost us, we have some very grave concerns."

The coalition has created a website to provide detailed information on the issue and the progress of a lawsuit opposing the listing. Users are also urged to donate to the legal fund to defer the cost of litigation. The site is www.stopfowlplay.com

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