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A groundbreaking and reception for Homestead Affordable Housing's new Prairie View Senior Residences was held Monday in Holton near the town's soccer fields. Those assisting with the groundbreaking include (from left) Fred Bentley of the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation, Brad Reiff, Homestead Affordable Housing board member; Barry McMurphy of the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation, U.S. Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins, Holton Mayor Bob Dieckmann, Todd Heitschmidt of Central National Bank of Marion, Larry Krier of LK Architecture of Wichita, 61st District Rep. Becky Hutchins and AJ (Tony) Caputo of Accel Construction LLC of Wichita.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

HAH breaks ground on apartments

By Ali Holcomb

Homestead Affordable Housing, Inc. of Holton is one step closer to providing additional affordable housing for local seniors.

On Tuesday, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for Prairie View Senior Residences, a 32-unit senior apartment community near First Street and Pennsylvania Avenue in Holton.

Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins, along with representatives from the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC), Central National Bank, LK Architecture, Accel Construction LLC, the city of Holton and Rep. Becky Hutchins (61st District), broke ground on the new apartments.

"The Prairie View Senior Residences combines local, state and federal resources to provide homes that are very affordable with amenities that provide for a high quality of life for our seniors," said Tom Bishop, Homestead Affordable Housing President and CEO. "The extremely energy efficient design,

with concrete safe rooms in each apartment, and community center with exercise equipment, computer center with internet access, library and activity area will help seniors be active and engaged in activities in an affordable community."

Bishop said construction of the apartments will begin next month and that 20 applications have already been mailed out to residents interested in leasing the apartments. Construction is expected to be completed in early 2016.

The two-bedroom apartment homes are arranged as 10 duplex unit buildings, and three four-plex unit buildings, each unit with porch area and private entrances. Some of the two bedroom units will have single car garages with private patios.

The apartment homes, Bishop said, will be well insulated with quality central heat and air conditioning. The units will have washers and dryers and walk-in closets. The bathrooms will feature grab bars around the shower and toilet area.

The kitchen will include a refrigerator, stove and built-in dishwasher.

"I want to thank the city for issuing the bonds and providing the incentives to make this all work," Bishop said. "It's a critical part to financing and we appreciate that."

The Holton Commission passed a resolution to issue housing revenue bonds for the construction of the apartments during its evening meeting Tuesday.

Fred Bentley, director of the KHRC, spoke at a lunch reception for all those involved with the program.

"Providing good housing for older Kansans is important," Bentley said. "A small place is easier for many to manage and it's more energy efficient."

Doug Smith of the Kansas Housing Association then presented Jenkins with a certificate of appreciation for her efforts to support affordable housing and economic development in rural and urban Kansas.

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Wanted: Firefighters

■ Holton seeking more volunteers

By Brian Sanders

The Holton Fire Department is looking for a few good volunteers — not just to fight fires, but to "serve their community and help others out," according to Holton Fire Chief Kevin Ingels.

Applications are currently being accepted for volunteer firefighters to help provide fire protection and other services for the City of Holton, as well as Rural Fire District 4, which covers nearly 240 square miles. One of the important things to remember about the volunteer job, Ingels said, is that it does not just cover fighting fires.

"We do a little bit of everything, whether it's searching for someone who's gone missing, or helping with traffic accidents," Ingels said. "It's not just structure fires and grass fires. We do a lot of different stuff — you name it, they're going to call the fire department."

There are no guidelines for



height, weight or physical appearance, he said, although it is a requirement of applicants that they have clean criminal and driving records. The main thing to keep in mind — particularly in those instances where firefighting is required — is that the successful applicant is physically fit.

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Hasty given 16-month sentence

A Mayetta teen convicted in November of indecent liberties with a 3-year-old girl has been sentenced to 16 months at the Kansas Juvenile Correctional Complex, it was reported this morning in Jackson County District Court.

Weston Hasty, 17, who pleaded no contest to two charges of aggravated indecent liberties with a child in relation to an incident that reportedly happened at a Mayetta day care center last June, received the sentence along with "aftercare" treatment as a juvenile from District Court Judge Micheal Ireland. The sentence took effect immediately, Ireland said.

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City allocates extra funding to Chamber, historical society

By Brian Sanders

Funds previously used by the City of Holton to underwrite activities overseen by the now-defunct Holton Main Street organization will be split down the middle and distributed to the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and the Jackson County Historical Society, the Holton City Commission decided on Tuesday.

Previously, Holton Main Street had received \$10,000 from the city to fulfill the city's commitment to the downtown development program. However, the program shut down at the end of 2014, citing a lack of state support and the resignation of its executive director.

In the aftermath, representatives of the Chamber and the Historical Society approached commissioners about using funds previously earmarked for Main Street for their benefit. During the commission's regular meeting

on Tuesday — held a day later than usual due to the Martin Luther King Jr. birthday observance on Monday — Commissioner Tim Morris agreed to split \$5,000 of that amount between both groups.

"I am a dues-paying member of the Chamber and a dues-paying member of the Historical Society," Morris said. "But I have no problem sitting here and doing this... As far as how much we can help them, hopefully there will be some more money in the future."

Historical Society treasurer Anna Wilhelm met with commissioners on Tuesday to reiterate a request first made in December for funds for the historical society's benefit. The request was the first such occasion that the society had come to the city for financial support, Wilhelm told commissioners.

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Members of Holton Boy Scout Troop 64 assembled frames for raised garden beds Monday during a reception for the new Prairie View Senior Residences in Holton. The frames will be installed at the new affordable apartments for area seniors. Scouts involved in the project included (shown from left) Trevor Klahr, Caden Huskey, Kyle Figge, Ralph Ortega and Garrett Klahr. The troop leader is Craig Figge.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Pick'em coming for the big game



The Seattle Seahawks will play the New England Patriots for the 2014-2015 National Football League championship in the Super Bowl XLIX game on Sunday, Feb. 1, at The University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Ariz. Kick-off is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Who do you think is going to win the big game?

The Holton Recorder, along with area businesses, is hosting a pick'em contest for the big football game. Whoever successfully predicts the final score of the game could win a 32-inch flat-screen color television.

If multiple people correctly predict the final score and winner, their entries will be placed into a hat and a winner will be drawn from those entries.

Entry forms will be available in Monday and Wednesday editions of The Holton Recorder and at each participating business location.

Starting Monday afternoon, entry forms can be submitted at China Restaurant, Holton Farm & Home, Holton Dental, The Farmers State Bank, Denison State Bank, Glacial

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Livestock Expo is Saturday

By Brian Sanders

This Saturday's Jackson County Livestock Association annual exposition will be the 30th such event in the association's history — and likely the last at its longtime home, the Jackson County Fair Building.

Where the Livestock Expo will go next year is one of the changes that the annual event is undergoing, with some of those changes coming this year, according to Livestock Association president Chad Bontrager. But for those who attend, it's still a good opportunity to learn about taking better care of livestock — and have a good time with others in the same line of work.

"It's going to be a great event," Bontrager said. "We've got some good educational speakers lined up, the meal's going to be good as always and the entertainment's going to be good."

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THURSDAY'S FORECAST

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Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins (left) received a certificate of appreciation from Doug Smith of the Kansas House Association during Monday morning's groundbreaking ceremony and reception for the new Prairie View Senior Residences in Holton. The certificate is in honor of Jenkins' continued commitment and support of affordable housing, community development and economic development in both urban and rural Kansas communities.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Congresswoman's Corner

Protecting the Constitution

By Lynn Jenkins
U.S. House of Representatives

President Obama's unconstitutional power grabs to rewrite our immigration laws are dangerous and threaten the separation of powers set forth by the Constitution. These actions must be stopped and it is our duty as a House to protect and uphold the Constitution.

In response, the House recently passed, with my support, the FY2015 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act. This bill included five amendments to deny any funds that could be used to implement or carry out the president's unlawful acts. It also fully funds the Department of Homeland Security, further secures our borders, and protects our workers here at home.

The American people deserve an open and honest debate on a permanent solution to fix our broken immigration system, and this was an important step in the efforts to modernize legal immigration and reward those who come here legally, not those who have broken the law.

Leadership Meeting at the White House

Recently, I joined Congressional leaders at the White House to meet



with President Obama and Vice President Biden. I believe there was a consensus to find solutions to stop the ever-emerging cyber-attacks while still protecting your privacy.

Increasing cyber-security must be a high priority and the House stands ready to work with the president to help keep our homeland safe. We discussed the need to update the Authorization for the Use of Military Force in order to destroy and eliminate ISIL.

We also continued to urge the president to work with Congress — instead of threatening to veto bipartisan legislation — and act on the recent House-passed bills to get folks back to work. There will be opportunities to expand trade and fix our broken tax code in the near future, and after this meeting I hope these will be issues we can work on together and find sensible solutions to grow our economy.

Protecting Volunteer Firefighters

Recently, the House passed the Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act to prevent our volunteer firefighters and EMTs from being penalized under the president's health care law. This legislation is identical to a bill that passed the House with full support last year; however, the Senate chose not to act.

As the daughter of a former Kansas State Fire Marshal, I understand how important these volunteers are to our communities. In Kansas, there are 550 volunteer fire departments that are staffed by 13,000 volunteer firefighters, and the president's healthcare law threatens to penalize them by counting them as full-time employees and possibly subjecting their departments to the employer mandate tax. It is my hope that the new Republican Senate will quickly pass this bill and send it to the president's desk.

MARKETS

STOCKS		
Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	33.94	+0.14
CenturyLink	38.75	+0.35
Lowe's	66.53	-1.46
Target	73.67	-1.27
Hershey	110.34	-0.32
Walmart	86.69	-0.08
Phillips 66	63.61	+2.78
US Bancorp	41.22	-0.30
Pfizer	33.10	+0.30
Deere & Co.	87.12	-0.18
United Parcel	111.31	+1.01
Apple	108.72	+2.73
Facebook	76.24	+1.06
Westar Energy	42.67	+0.46
Goodyear	24.91	+0.08
Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015.		
GRAIN		
Description	Price at Close	
Wheat	\$5.15	
Corn	\$3.53	
Milo	\$4.00	
Soybeans	\$9.18	
Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.		
FUEL PRICES		
Description	Current	Last Mo. Last Year
Kansas Average	\$1.81	-\$0.431 -\$1.310
National Average	\$2.05	-\$0.401 -\$1.249
Holton Average	\$1.86	
Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015.		

Land Transfers

The following land transfers have been filed at the Jackson County Register of Deeds office:

Quit Claim Deed: Kathleen L. Dix-Robinson and Randy Robinson, wife and husband, remise, release and quit claim to Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, two separate parcels of land in the northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Special Warranty Deed: Kathleen L. Dix-Robinson and Randy Robinson, wife and husband, do sell and convey to Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, two separate parcels of land located in the northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, husband and wife, remise, release and quit claim to Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, two separate parcels of land located in the northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Special Warranty Deed: Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, husband and wife, do sell and convey to Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, two separate parcels of land located in the northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, does remise, release and quit claim to Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, two tracts of land in the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Special Warranty Deed: Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, does sell and convey to Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, two tracts of land in the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Randy Robinson and Kathleen L. Dix-Robinson, husband and wife, and Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, do sell and convey to Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, two tracts of land in the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Topeka man arrested after ATV stolen

A Topeka man was arrested Tuesday evening in connection with an ATV theft in Jackson County, according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse.

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office received a report of a stolen yellow 2001 Honda EX ATV from the 13000 block of 118th Road in rural Hoyt on Jan. 11. The investigation led sheriff's office investigators to obtain a warrant to search a Topeka residence on S.E. 17th St. in Topeka.

Prior to the warrant being served, however, authorities located the yellow ATV at a Topeka convenience store Tuesday evening near 15th Street and Adams Street.

Kenneth Max Ray Jr., 33, was arrested at the scene and taken into custody by the sheriff's office.

Ray was arrested on a charge of felony theft and is being held in the Jackson County Jail. Bond is pending.

Morse said that the Shawnee County Sheriff's Office assisted with the apprehension of Ray.

Conway, a single person, remise, release and quit claim to Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, husband and wife, the west 15 acres of the south 30 acres of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the north half of the northeast quarter and the north half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, less two tracts in the southwest corner of the northeast quarter, all in Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Special Warranty Deed: Kathleen L. Dix-Robinson and Randy Robinson, wife and husband, and Mary M. Dix-Conway, a single person, do sell and convey to Christopher L. Biester and Jacque R. Biester, husband and wife, the west 15 acres of the south 30 acres of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the north half of the northeast quarter and the north half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, less two tracts in the southwest corner of the northeast quarter, all in Section 26, Township 8 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Alan L. LeDoux and Sarah A. LeDoux, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Nathan Doyle and Katie Doyle, a parcel of land in Government Lot 2 in the southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 7 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M. and another parcel in the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 7 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., all in Jackson County, Kansas.

Executor's Deed: Harold F. Morris, executor of the Will of Forrest E. Morris, does grant, bargain, sell and convey to Stephen F. Morris, Georgene A. Wilhelm, Merle G. Morris, Dennis E. Morris and Debra Y. Korte, Lot 20 on Ohio Avenue, City of Holton

and the north half of the northwest quarter and the north half of the south half of the northwest quarter, except a tract in the northwest corner and one-acre square in the northeast corner, Section 26, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., all in Jackson County, Kansas.

Executor's Deed: Harold F. Morris, executor of the Will of Forrest E. Morris, does grant, bargain, sell and convey to Stephen F. Morris, Georgene A. Wilhelm, Merle G. Morris, Dennis E. Morris and Debra Y. Korte, the south half of the southwest quarter of Section 25, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., except the east 27.5 feet thereof, Jackson County, Kansas.

Executor's Deed: Harold F. Morris, executor of the Will of Forrest E. Morris, does grant, bargain, sell and convey to Harold F. Morris, the south 90 acres of the east half of Section 26, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Corporation Warranty Deed: Burlingame Plaza Inc., a corporation, conveys and warrants to Keith Kelly and Ann Kelly, a tract of land in the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed: William Frank Hill, surviving trustee of the William Frank Hill and Sophie L. Hill Joint Revocable Living Trust, conveys and warrants to Henry L. Hill and Tracy D. Hill, husband and wife, a 1/12th interest in and to the northwest quarter of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., less a tract of land in the northwest corner, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed: William Frank Hill, surviving trustee of the William Frank Hill and Sophie L. Hill Joint Revocable Trust, conveys and warrants to John T. Hill and Tammy L. Hill, husband and wife, a 1/12th interest in and to the northeast

quarter of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., less a five-acre tract of land in the northwest corner, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Cheryl M. Nicol, a single person, conveys and warrants to Robert M. Gay and Kelly L. Gay, Lot 9 on Main Street, City of Mayetta, Kansas, subject to an easement for the right-of-ingress and egress over and across said Lot for the benefit of Lot 11, City of Mayetta, which easement shall run with the land, all in Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Sanford E. Cordell, a single person, conveys and warrants to Larry D. Cordell and Melinda Jo Cordell, the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Lindsay E. Houck and Patsy C. Houck, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Gary L. Raub and Jennifer Raub, the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 8 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Transfer on Death Deed: Terry L. Deppe, a single man, transfers on death to Lovelle W. Deppe and DeLores J. Deppe, trustees of the Deppe Family Trust, the north half of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Trustee's Deed: Geraldine Lue Stithem, trustee of the Geraldine Lue Stithem Revocable Living Trust, conveys to Kyle Taylor and Kerri Taylor, the north half of the southeast quarter of Section 16, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M. and the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 15, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., less a part of the southwest quarter in the northeast corner, all in Jackson County, Kansas.

Workshop's aim is to teach prairie restoration

The Douglas County Conservation District (DCCD) and the Grassland Heritage Foundation (GHF) have recently announced a three-part workshop series aimed at teaching rural landowners how to restore native habitat.

The Go Native: From Plain to Prairie workshop series will teach participants steps to restore, manage and maintain prairie on their property.

The three-part workshop series is being held at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 26, March 12 and April 9 at the Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St.

Covering more than 40 million acres from Canada to Mexico, prairie once dominated central North America providing homes to some of the nation's most iconic animal species including Bison and pronghorn antelope.

Today, less than four percent of that prairie remains, much of it in the Flint Hills region of Kansas and Oklahoma.

As the prairies disappear, the country loses many of the benefits that

they bring. Prairies retard storm-water runoff, provide forage for cattle, increase soil health and, most importantly, host the native plants that pollinators, birds and other animals depend on for food, shelter and nesting sites.

As the understanding of the importance of native habitat grows, many small landowners are looking to restore prairie on their properties. The three-part workshop series hosted by the DCCD and GHF will feature presentations by experts on prairie restoration and management including speakers from the Kansas Biological Survey, the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, the NRCS and private consultants.

The workshops will help landowners identify what plants are already growing on their property, how to conduct a restoration and how to manage their newly restored prairie. The workshop series will also feature information about the restoration resources and tools available from area agencies.

The workshops are meant for small rural landowners and are not aimed at teaching participants how to use native plants in a home garden.

In conjunction with the workshops, DCCD and GHF will host tours of restored prairies in Douglas County. The tours will give participants an opportunity to see prairies in bloom and understand what a restored prairie looks like in comparison to native (untilled) prairie. The tours will take place on May 30 with a raindate of June 6.

All workshops are free and open to the public. An RSVP is requested to Jenica Nelson at 785-843-4260, Ext. 3 or Jenica.nelson@ks.nacdn.net

For more information, contact Jenica Nelson, DCCD education and outreach coordinator, at the above addresses or Kim Bellemere, GHF membership and education coordinator, at grasslandheritage@gmail.com.

To learn more about DCCD and GHF check out their websites at www.douglasccd.com and www.grasslandheritage.org.

INVITATION TO BID



Project: Holton Elementary School for Holton USD 336
500 Colorado Ave., Holton, KS

Bid Date: February 19th, 2015
Bid Captains: R. Jason Fruit / Preston Moore

We are accepting specialty contractor and supplier proposals for the Holton Elementary School Project for USD 336. We invite you to bid on any Bid Package in which you specialize. All bids received shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Construction Management Manual. Bid Packages will be due on 2/19/15 at the following times:

10:00 AM	009.00.01 – 009.08.03 (Structure, Envelope & Openings)
12:00 PM	009.09.01 – 009.14.01 (Finishes & Specialties)
2:00 PM	009.21.01 – 009.33.01 (MEP & Site Improvements)

Plans and bidding documents will be available on Thursday, January 22nd, 2015 thru the following sources:

ISqFt
Kansas City Builders Association
EPlan
Drexel Technologies
Dodge Data and Analytics

A brief description of the project is as follows: Multi-story new elementary school building including new administration offices, classrooms, kitchen, gymnasium and media center. Site work includes demolition of existing houses at project site, building pads, new drives/ parking, site retaining walls, utility work and landscaping.

A Pre-bid meeting will be held on February 10th, 2015 adjacent to the site (4-H Building, 500 Dakota). In-depth discussions of specific project requirements, bid instructions, etc. will be discussed. See schedule below. **Attendance is not mandatory, but is strongly encouraged and will be considered in final evaluation of bids.**

2:00 PM	All Bid Packages
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Nabholz will use standard Master Contract, which includes specific insurance requirements, Amendment to Contract, and Project Contract for all Subcontractors. Nabholz will use standard Purchase Order for all Suppliers.

OPINION

STATE OF THE UNION

Health care crisis not even on the radar

President Barack Obama, in his State of the Union speech to Congress last night, declared an end to the country’s financial crisis and pledged economic policies to benefit all Americans.

“Tonight, we turn the page,” President Obama said. “The shadow of crisis has passed, and the State of the Union is strong.”

While the president touched on many fine and lofty ideas and goals, he failed to address the most important issue of this generation - the skyrocketing cost of health care.

The president’s only mention of health care was his assessment that under his administration the inflation rate of health care costs had been slowed down.

In his speech, Obama outlined his strategy for “middle-class economics.” He also reiterated his foreign policy objectives, saying that the U.S. reserved the “right to act unilaterally” when hunting down terrorists. America had supported Ukraine throughout its battle with pro-Russia separatists, leaving Russia “isolated, with its economy in tatters,” he said.

The president said he wanted to provide working families with help in the form of sick and maternity leave and affordable childcare.

“Will we accept an economy where only a few of us do spectacularly well?” he asked. “Or will we commit ourselves to an economy that generates rising incomes and chances for everyone who makes the effort?”

Arguing that the U.S. had experienced its “fastest economic growth in over a decade,” Obama said: “The verdict is clear. Middle-class economics works.”

Obama’s speech included plans to build a competitive economy by improving America’s infrastructure and providing free access to community college.

He also pledged to close tax loopholes on large inheritances, raise capital gains tax on the richest earners from 23.8 percent to 28 percent and introduce new fees on the biggest U.S. financial firms with assets.

Other plans outlined by the president include:

- *Stronger cybersecurity and

consumer protection.

- *Continue with plans to shut the prison in Guantanamo.
- *Equal pay for men and women.

Obama also said he would not hesitate to veto any Republican bills that sought to unravel his healthcare, financial regulation or immigration reforms.

The Affordable Health Care Act, often called Obamacare, has done some good things for American people, but it is a flawed policy in that it does not address the central problem - it costs - American people can’t afford it.

What the United States must have is a single, unified health care exchange program that regulates all hospital patient costs, including set rates for procedures, and regulates all patient costs at medical clinics and out-patient costs.

Besides the costs of gasoline in this country, nothing hurts the middle class more than exorbitant health care costs.

Today, even with health insurance coverage, Americans struggle to pay high health care premiums and high deductibles for services. In many ways, the middle class is defined by who can cover their health care and who can’t.

The plan to have American employers pay for the health care costs of their full time employees must be scrapped because it is backfiring. Employers are being forced to employee more part time employees, instead, which is bad for both the employee and the business.

Most full time employees today pay a percentage of their monthly health care premiums because the costs have become unaffordable for small businesses to cover.

The Affordable Health Care plan is not affordable by any stretch of the imagination.

Even free from the strings of political fund-raising as President Obama now is - he cannot seek a third four-year term as president - he did not make astronomical health care costs a main focus of his State of Union speech.

For that reason, I am convinced - and disappointed - that the president does not understand the health care crisis at all.

David Powls

How’s your street curbs and gutters?

There is nothing glamorous about them, obviously, but believe it or not they are an important part of what makes a town a good town.

After good schools and a strong retail business base, people (especially visitors) notice whether we have good street curbs and gutters.

The lack of good street curbs and gutters is an indication that a town is not consistently and deliberately working to keep its appearance in tip-top shape.

Sometimes the lack of good street curbs and gutters is an indication that a town is falling behind financially and that its best days are behind it.

Good street curbs and gutters, besides serving as an effective way to direct rainwater runoff, add to the overall beautification of our neighborhoods. They help keep property valuations up, which in turn helps keep local tax revenues steady each

year.

My grandfather and uncle both worked for the Garnett street department, where they took their jobs very seriously and professionally. My dad worked for a time at the city electric power plant. When I was a kid, I listened to the adults in the family talk about the news of the day, after work, over a cup of coffee at my grandparents’ home.

Good street curbs and gutters - and good sidewalks, too - matter. Holton, for example, does a pretty good job keeping curbs and gutters in good shape. There’s probably room for improvement, however, and we probably should allocate more funds to replace or repair more of them. It’s an ongoing job. Next time you are out and about in town, look around at the street curbs and gutters.

How do you think they look?

David Powls

Some local DAR history

Samuel Linscott Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, was organized Jan. 28, 1909 in Holton.

The chapter’s first regent was Minnie B. Linscott. With 62 charter members, the chapter has the distinction of having formed with the largest number of members of any Kansas chapter.

Twenty-three of these original members were descendants of Samuel Linscott, after whom the chapter is named.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded on Oct. 11, 1890, celebrating 125 years in 2015.

Women felt the desire to express their patriotic feelings and were frustrated by their exclusion from men’s organizations formed to perpetuate the memory of ancestors who fought to make this country free and independent.

As a result, a group of pioneering women in the nation’s capital formed their own organization and the Daughters of the American Revolution has carried the torch of patriotism ever since.

Since its founding in 1890, DAR has admitted more than 930,000 members.

Our pet coyote named Spooky

By Jim Hoy

I’ve always enjoyed coyote singing. Sometimes they yip and sometimes they howl. A couple of coyotes, in full voice, can sound like a dozen. But our dogs don’t share my taste – nothing sets off their barking like a howling coyote.

We once had a dog that we raised from a pup whose mother had been dumped near our house. What his breed was I don’t know, but from the way he acted we wondered if he was part coyote. That feeling was reinforced one day when we were out walking for exercise along a two-mile stretch of dirt road.

We noticed a coyote standing in a pasture looking at us, about an eighth of a mile away. Our two other dogs stayed close to us, but Hugo went running toward him. Instead of running away or attacking, the coyote just stood there until Hugo got up to him. They kind of bumped each other and sniffed noses, then our dog came loping back and the coyote meandered off.

One spring my sister acquired a pet coyote. A couple of our friends, Al Plummer and Richard Young, had found a coyote den, down which they stuck a piece of barbed wire and twisted it around and pulled out three or four coyote pups whose eyes had not yet opened. Rita took one and Anne Young did, too. I don’t know what happened to the rest of them.

Rita bottle-fed the pup, which she named Spooky, and dad neutered him. He got along fine with our shepherd dog and got along well with us humans, too. In fact, he would come when called and liked to be petted.



When I came home from college for the summer, the coyote became my pet. He even slept on my bed at night. He didn’t shed like a lot of dogs do, and he didn’t have that distinctive doggy smell.

In fact, in almost every way our coyote acted just like a dog. But not all. If I was out with our dog, for instance, and jumped a rabbit, Jackie would chase after it at full speed. But if I jumped a rabbit with Spooky, he would only lope after it, and a slow lope at that. Obviously, with that lackadaisical attitude he would have soon starved to death in the wild.

Even more puzzling was Spooky’s behavior with the neighbor’s chickens. Coyotes have a reputation, along with foxes, raccoons and weasels, of relishing a chicken for dinner. Spooky would occasionally make a foray to the neighbor’s house, catch a chicken, then bring it back to our place, and bury it in the loose hay we stacked in the corral feed rack.

When I would be pitching hay to the horses and milk cows, I would occasionally come across one of the chickens the coyote had purloined and hidden. The unusual thing was that the chickens were alive and unharmed. So I would carry them back home. Fortunately, the neighbors thought it was amusing.

I think we had that coyote for a couple of years, but when my sister got married, she gave Spooky to an acquaintance who lived near Eureka. Unfortunately, someone mistook him for a wild coyote and shot him.

I wouldn’t mind having another coyote as a pet, but the laws have changed and it is now illegal to own and keep wild animals like raccoons, skunks (we had friends who had a deodorized pet skunk), and coyotes. So I’ll stick with dogs.

Note: Jim Hoy is a professor of English at Emporia State University and co-author of the Plains Folk column.

Legislative hotline offered again

Kansas residents can access information on state government, legislation, public policy issues and more by calling 1-800-432-3924, it has been reported.

Calls are answered by experienced reference/research librarians at the State Library of Kansas and kept confidential. Lines are open weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Callers can also leave brief messages to be delivered to legislators as well as request copies of bills, calendars, journals, committee agendas, voting records, and other legislative documents.

In addition to calling the hotline, residents can also text questions to 785-256-0733 (standard text message rates may apply), instant message at www.kslib.info/ask-a-librarian, or visit the State Library.

The State Library is located in the north wing, on the third floor of the Kansas Capitol Building.

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Moran selected as chair of subcommittee on agriculture

U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) has issued the following statement regarding his selection as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies:

“Farmers and ranchers provide the food, fuel and fiber for our growing world and are the economic drivers of communities and local businesses across Kansas. Regardless of our job or where we live, agriculture matters to all of us. As chairman of the Senate Appropriations Agriculture Subcommittee, I welcome the opportunity

to focus on investing in policies that are vital to Kansas farmers and ranchers, such as agriculture research and extension and Farm Bill implementation,” Sen. Moran said.

“Additionally, through the subcommittee’s jurisdiction over the FDA budget, I will work to advance public health innovations, including development of new medicines, medical devices and food safety technology. It is also critical that as responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars we take a hard look at spending in areas of government that aren’t working, and many times even harmful to rural America.”

“We are beyond excited that Sen. Moran has earned this key leadership position on agricultural issues in the U.S. Senate,” said Kansas Farm Bureau President and Montgomery County farmer Richard Felts. “Sen. Moran has always been a champion for farmers and ranchers, and we look forward to his continued strong leadership on behalf of agriculture and rural Kansas.”

Prior to being elected to the U.S. Senate, Sen. Moran served for 14 years on the U.S. House Agriculture Committee including as chairman of the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

Throughout his time in Congress, he has been a leading advocate for protecting and preserving the special way of life Kansans enjoy.

Sen. Moran continues to fight to make certain farming and ranching families have the opportunity to earn a living and pass on their agricultural heritage to the next generation of producers, all while working to eliminate wasteful spending.

U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts (R-Kan.) will chair the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry.

Last week was another ugly one for cattle futures

By Matt Hines

Last week was another ugly week for cattle futures with cash feedlot trade lower and cash hogs lower as well.

In the south, trade was light at \$163 to \$164 live roughly \$6 lower than the week previous and as low as \$161 by week’s end here in Kansas.

Trade in Nebraska ranged from \$165 down to \$161 live as well with dressed trade from \$265 down to \$260.

While most thought the cash markets would support the futures heading into last week, cash prices collapsed throughout and futures came under additional pressure on heavy trade volume. The CME feeder index is down more than \$10 now in the past week and half. On Friday we did have some strong gains brewing in the pits but by midday those faded.

For the week, Friday to Friday, February live cattle down \$6.15, January feeders down \$8.32, February lean hogs down \$4.52. CME Feeder Index down \$7.30, CME Lean Hog Index down \$1.13. Boxed Beef: Choice up \$3.66, Select up \$2.61.

Friday’s 1/16 Livestock Futures Settlements –

February Live Cattle +\$.25 @ \$154.45, April +\$.15 @ \$152.95

January Feeders -\$1.55 @ \$214.10, March \$-.75 @ \$204.85

February Lean Hogs -\$1.12 @ \$74.50, April -.67 @ \$77.67

Sale barns on Monday were open and reporting lower prices on feeders and calves, Oklahoma City as much as \$10 to \$15 lower than a week ago for calves.

February live cattle took out the December low with support now in the \$149 to \$150 range, the lows seen last August. January feeders have yet to break \$210 and only 2 weeks left for the index and futures to converge with currently a \$12 spread between the two.

Grains came back Friday but it wasn’t enough to make up for the losses earlier in the week. Corn got a nice bounce from a late 4 MBU sale to unknown destinations and soybeans held small gains even with China cancelling 10.5 MBU of U.S. soybeans.

Crush margins remain very strong and NOPA crush tied the old record of 165.4 MBU crushed in December which means plants are still running at max capacity. In the wheat pits, Friday stopped the consecutive trading days lower at 8. The rallying dollar has hurt any chances for U.S. wheat to try to gain ground in

the world marketplace. Ukraine announced 2014 grain production at 63.8 MMT, which is up 2.4 percent from 2013. That total included wheat at 24.1 MMT, which was up 9.9 percent.

For the week, March corn down \$.13 ¼, March soybeans down \$.60 ½, March KC wheat down \$.23 ½, March Chicago wheat down \$.31.

Friday’s 1/16 Grain Futures Settlements –

March Corn +\$.07 @ \$3.87, New Crop December +\$.07 ¼ @ \$4.14 ¾

March Soybeans +\$.00 ¾ @ \$9.91 ¾, New Crop November -.01 ¼ @ \$9.75 ¼

March KC Wheat +\$.04 @ \$5.77, July +\$.02 ¼ @ \$5.82 ¾

March Chicago Wheat unchanged @ \$5.32 ¾, July -.01 ¾ @ \$5.38 ¼

Coming off this three-day weekend and with the January crop report behind us weather for both the U.S. and South America will be talked about more now.

There is still a wide range of thoughts on the Brazilian soybean crop with a few estimates still down near 90 MMT with USDA currently at 95.5 MMT. Harvest is somewhere between 1 and 4% complete. Rains are forecasted for some of the drier areas where crop conditions for the

most part are good but some areas are coming off 100+ heat and little to no rain now for the past couple weeks. Argentina looks even better.

Monday morning USDA announced another large soybean cancellation by China totaling 174,000 MT or 6.4 MBU.

March soybeans broke out of its 2 month long range bound trade last week where the \$10 level was seen as strong support and now is resistance.

The contract low is down in the \$9.25 area. March corn is holding on desperately above the November lows and 100 day moving average in the \$3.75 to \$3.77 range. Breaking those could lead to \$3.60 mark. March KC wheat only has the contract low at \$5.58 ½ left supporting while March Chicago has the \$5.20 area then the contract low around \$4.80.

Note: Matt Hines is a licensed commodity broker specializing in grain and livestock operations as well as commercial consulting clients since 2004. He can be reached at 785-289-0036. Matt and his family live west of Holton.

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NEWS BRIEFS

■ The Jackson County Historical Society's annual meeting will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 at the Roebke House, 216 New York Ave. This all-business meeting will include election and installation of officers, a review of 2014 and planning for 2015. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be postponed to Saturday, Feb. 7.

■ The Circleville Senior Executives will not meet at the Lodge Hall in Circleville this month, but will instead meet with the Holton Senior Citizens on Monday, Jan. 26 for a noon meal. Reservations are required. Please call Thersa Wade at 364-2457 or the Jackson County Senior Citizens Center at 364-3150.

■ A benefit luncheon for Justin Keithline will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 at the Masonic Lodge, 201 Lovejoy St. in Circleville. Homemade chili and cinnamon rolls will be served.

■ 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.

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

■ Quote of the day: "When you're depressed, hard work is the cure. The next time you get depressed, go out in the backyard and dig a six-foot hole. But don't jump in it just yet." —Robert Pollard

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

Delia City Council meets

Mayor Don Trimble called the Delia City Council meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Jan. 5. Present were Trimble, council members Donna Knehans, John Nitsch and Molly Robb; City Attorney Scott Hesse; Treasurer Nikki Dohrman; and City Clerk Isabel Bogowith. Not present were council members Denise Meltz and Zach Robb.

Bogowith read the December minutes. Nitsch moved to approve the minutes as amended. Robb seconded. The motion passed.

Dohrman presented the financial report. Robb moved to pay the bills and accept the financial report as presented. Knehans seconded and the motion passed.

Dohrman added 500 stamps to the January 2015 budget.

Hesse and council members revised the City of Delia's January

newsletter.

Trimble inquired if any council members know of a shut-off valve in front of the community center.

Robb inquired if the City of Delia has had any updates from Rita Clary on the water report. Bogowith reported that the city has not received the report yet.

Robb inquired if the potholes have been filled. Trimble reported they have not.

Fire Chief James House spoke to council members about adopting a burn resolution for the City of Delia.

Robb moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Nitsch seconded and the motion passed.

The next regular council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Feb. 2, 2015. The meeting is open to the public.

Holton FCCLA prepares students for their future

By Emma Gilliland
HHS Correspondent

The Family, Career, Community, Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization at Holton High School helps high school students prepare for their futures. Students participate in activities involving money, time management, organizational skills and teamwork.

FCCLA members and advisor Amy Oldehoeft attended Fall Leadership Academy in Topeka. The advisors met to discuss upcoming events such as district elections.

"It's always great to spend time with other advisors during sessions. I only wish I could attend both advisor and student sessions," said Oldehoeft.

The students attended separate meetings where they were presented with project ideas from different

schools for the upcoming year.

"I really loved seeing projects and ideas from different schools and socializing with other members. It helped me get inspiration for my own project," said Blake Harris, freshman FCCLA member.

Currently, FCCLA members are working on their STAR events. Students will complete a STAR event that will teach them life skills and help them become productive citizens.

Some members will take their projects to district competition in February. Students try to come up with projects that are innovative and creative.

"I'm looking forward to seeing what others have done. It will be interesting to see the finished products of everyone's hard work," said Emma Reith, freshman member.

WHS grad returns to teach

By Taylor Fund
WHS Correspondent

What happens when a former student returns to teach at the same school from which she graduated? This is the scenario which faced 2001 Wetmore graduate Tonya (Collins) Shumaker.

While Collins is no stranger to Wetmore, as she was a para-professional from 2007 to 2010, her new position is that of an elementary special education teacher. Collins received her bachelor's degree from Washburn University in 2011 and achieved her master's degree in the fall of 2014 from Emporia State University.

She originally grew up a couple miles outside of Wetmore and now lives in Holton with her husband, Virgil, and their six children. She enjoys riding four-wheelers and improving the lives of her students. She stated, "My goal is to help them (students) overcome boundaries they didn't choose to have, to make them successful!"

Graduate from Baker

Two Jackson County residents were among the more than 500 undergraduate and graduate students to receive their degrees from Baker University. Commencement ceremonies were held Dec. 14 at the Collins Center on the Baldwin City campus.

■ Allison Forrester of Holton received a master's of business administration degree.

■ Brittany Taylor of Mayetta received a master's of business administration degree.

Baker has been listed among the top schools in the Midwest in the annual college rankings by U.S. News & World Report.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker

The second Sunday after the Epiphany worship service at Immanuel Lutheran on Jan. 18 opened with the hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness." We welcomed Pastor Jeffrey Geske back after his trip to the Holy Land, Dec. 29-January 7.

Divine Service 1 was followed with Holy Communion. Psalm 139:1-10 was read responsively. Elder Mike Keehn read the Old Testament lesson, 1 Samuel Chapter 3, and the Epistle lesson from 1 Corinthians, Chapter 6. Pastor Geske read the Holy Gospel from John 1:43-51.

We thank God for His messengers, the prophets and apostles, our pastors, and even our fellow Christians. God makes His Word of grace known to the world in their vocations.

Samuel was called and sent with a specific warning to Eli the priest. Tradition says that the apostle Philip preached in Greece, Syria and Phrgia; and Nathanel, also known as Bartholomew, is said to have brought Christianity to Armenia.

Sunday, Jan. 18 was also the feast of the Confession of St. Peter, who was martyred for the sake of Christ

in Rome. We do well to listen for the voice of our Lord and consider His direction for our life as His disciples and witnesses.

In the children's message, Pastor Geske opened his remarks with "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." Having traveled in the Holy Land, he related that Jewish people observe Holy Day on Saturday, where as Christians observe Sunday as Holy Day — a day of rest. God calls us to worship, to equip, encourage and send us out with joy to witness to the world. He closed with the song "Listen."

The sermon hymn was "Shout to the North." "Jesus Calls Us!" was the title of Pastor Geske's sermon based on the Gospel lesson. We confess that we cannot by our reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ our Lord or come to Him. We believe that God calls us to faith by the work of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In our text, John tells us that when Jesus found Philip, He said to him, "Follow me." Jesus called Philip to the way of love and forgiveness. Today God calls us by the Gospel and

He sends us to be His witnesses to our world.

We are reminded: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8).

We share the joy and the love that God has for us as He gives us forgiveness of our sin and the joy of knowing the eternal life that He has prepared and won for us in Jesus. Today, Jesus calls us to call others to the joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The congregation professed the Nicene Creed. Offering ushers were Tophier Dohl and Mike Keehn. The offertory piece was "Jesus, Name Above All Names."

In the prayers of the church, thanks and praise was given to God for equipping us to be witnesses for Him. Blessings were asked on our ministry, our outreach with the Good News, our congregational meeting, and the whole Christian church on earth.

A prayer was offered for our country and for our President, Governor and all in authority to rule for

Godly welfare. Remembered were all those who are ill and for those who mourn. The congregation joined in the prayer our Lord taught us.

Elders Mike Keehn and Tophier Dohl assisted Pastor Geske in the distribution of Holy Communion. The distribution hymns were "Take My Life and Let It Be" and "What is This Bread?" Following the Numc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, Salutation and Benediction, the service closed the hymn "Spread the Reign of God."

Serving Sunday were Mike Keehn, elder; Abby Brey, acolyte; and Joyce Peterson, organist. On the altar committee were Heather Amon and Karen Schumann.

We welcomed to the service Jennifer Pfrang and baby Cash. A congregational quarterly business meeting followed the service. Installation of Officers will be a part of the worship service on Jan. 25.

On Jan. 16, Esther Ideker and Les Brandt attended the memorial service for Lois Gerhardt, 80, of Topeka. She died on Jan. 12. Services were conducted by the Rev. Jon Bruss at St. John's Lutheran Church in Topeka.

Netawaka Senior Citizens

By Neva Douglas

On Jan. 8, some of the Netawaka Seniors met at their regular meeting place for their December meeting. We missed the December meeting because of the snow and very cold weather.

Doris said the blessing before our

meal. We had bean soup and vegetable soup, corn bread, salad, apple pie and other goodies.

Shirley and Orvil joined us for lunch, and then Shirley played the piano and sang for us. We seniors joined in on some of the songs.

Our meeting was started by saying

the flag salute. November's minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was approved.

Bob, Paul and Fredricka were chosen to discuss three members to be voted on at our next meeting for president, secretary and treasurer for 2015.

There were no bills to be paid. No cards were sent.

Our next meeting will be held on Jan. 29. "You all come, you're welcome." Mary said she would be gone on a cruise at that time (you go, girl!).

Central Elementary School announces honor roll

The following students have been named to Holton Central Elementary School's honor roll for the second nine weeks of the 2014-2015 school year.

(All A's)

Fifth Grade: Carson Adkins, Amariah Allen, Sydney Althaus, Samantha Auxier, Katina Bartel, Andrew Berns, Maxine Bertulfo, Jayana Carlson, Alayna Clayton, Jalee DeVader, Grace Gallagher, Macey Gross, Tyler Harris, Darby Ireland, Alexis Keen, Lilly Kimberlin, Richard Leiker, Corwin Marten, Taylor Moore, Lillian Mulenga, Riley Mulroy, Hannah Newell, Tim Pennington, Dallas Pittaway, Mary Pruitt, Cooper Stephen Sheldon, Slater Skaggs, Madie Wilt and Jake Zeller.

Fourth Grade: Darcee Ashcraft, Kobe Black, Emma Bontrager, Jace

Boswell, Johan Campbell, Noah Chalfant, Janis Clark, Sheldon Conley, Parker Crouch, Taytum Doran, Jayden Fletcher, Talon Fox, Charles Gilliland, Tucker Gilliland, Caleb Hernandez, Jolene Hill, Katelyn Hines, Tymber Klahr, Asher Larson, Matthew Leirz, Cecilia Myers, Broerick Page, Ty Phillips, Matthew Suico, Mathew Watkins, Timber Wilson and Isaac Utz.

Third Grade: Jackson Bear, Joslyn Barrow, Brookelynn Dunn, Eric Gerhardt, Tuley Gilliland, Eli Hallauer, Abbott Hundley, Katelyn Ingels, Ryan Ireland, Carter McCaulley, Kanyon McKinley, Cameron Mulroy, Logan Peterson, Rylan Pittaway, Abigail Renfro, Piper Robinson, Katerina Shaw, Averi Shupe, Emilee Smith, Lorna Smith, Sicily Snyder, Akadia Spaar, Phoebe Stark,

Emma Summers, Rachel Swendsen, Jeff Warner, Adam Watkins and Mariah Woltje.

(All A's and B's)

Fifth Grade: Lucas Adcock, Dalton Ashcraft, Deanna Browning, Staci Bond, Sarah Calhoon, Gabi Cortes, McKayla Cunningham, Peirce Edmonds, Jace Hallauer, Taylor Harder, Reese Holaday, Bobbi Horr, Jaymee Howe, Ali Irvine, Cayden Jackson, Henry Katz, Ethan Kebert, Zerlina Lemon, Jordyn Lloyd, Maisie Luck, Anthony McCrory, Gavin McCrory, Jake McGrath, Ahnna Mellenbruch, Madeline Montgomery, Adrianna Murillo, Hunter Nelson, Lizzy Rollett, James Segenhagen, Kenzie Sisson, Jaxson Snavey, Olivia Summers and Carson Taylor.

Fourth Grade: Maria Batz, Coo-

per Baxter, Jarred Bohnenkemper, Alijah Clark, Evan Cundell, Austin DenBleyker, Layton Dieckmann, Trace Dillon, Tiara Dodd, Jocelynn Efigenio, Dalton Ent, Brooke Flewelling, Jenny Gilliland, Samantha Grafton, Bridget Harris, Dawson Hug,

MaKyna Jacobsen, Jakob Kebert, Jaime Lopez-Castro, Sam Miller, Jaedyn Nickelson, Ethan O'Connor, Braden Peven, Cauly Phillips, Trista Place, Angelica Pol, Jordan Reith, Kamryn Rodriguez, Haylee Walden, Morissa Ware, Makaela Wilson and Ethan Wilt.

Third Grade: Aaralynn Allen, Haden Althof, Rylan Amon, Logan Arnold, Alysse Berns, Brayden Binkley, Taley Brown, Xavier Buhrman, Kegan Childs, Charlotte Cyphers, Jeremy Dallas, Jaelyn Gaston, Adarius George, Sophia Gilliland, Elizabeth Goombi, Tiah Gross, Cale Hein, Madison Hicks, Faith Jenner, Tyler Kathrens, Regan Keeley, Cole Kucan, Larissa Lovell,

Gabe McGrew, Taryn McMorris, Kailei Mitchell, Blade Montgomery, Karlee Montgomery, Jazlyn Newton, Jamiya Nickelson, Nicholas Pennington, Jade Phillips, Phoenix Richter, Dylan Robinson, Madison Schumaker, Jack Segenhagen, Samuel Spiker, Braun Teter, Raegan Watkins and Natalie Willcott.

Circleville

By Jeannie Arnold

Roy and Beverly Kranz helped great-granddaughter, Brynley Cowan, celebrate her fifth birthday on Jan. 10. Debbie and John Kennedy hosted her party at their home in Topeka. Others present were John, Brooke and Tate Johnson, Carol Johnson, Savannah Wilhelm, Shawna, Carson and Madison Blackwood, Rylan Rodvelt, Heidi, Holly and Henry Mitchell, and Becky and Nate Davis.

If you happened to see the bright red semi parked by the Circleville gym, it was Betsy Rostetter, as she was home visiting her parents, Ed and Liz Rostetter, for a few days. Sometime back, Betsy made her career choice to be an over-the-road truck driver. When she left here, she was headed to Idaho and says she really enjoys driving and seeing the country.

Barbara and Dennis Hutchinson hosted a family dinner at their home on Sunday, Jan. 19. Those attending were Doug Hutchinson of Shawnee, Denise Moore and Kylie and Shelby

of Hoyt, Dennis Morarity and Marsha Morris of Topeka.

Several from the area attended the Soldier Fire Department soup supper fund-raiser on Saturday evening, Jan. 18. Half of the proceeds were going to Kansas Highway Patrol officer Ray Ramirez and his family of Delia,

who recently lost their home to fire.

There will be a benefit luncheon for Justin Keithline on Saturday, Jan. 24, from 11 a.m. — 2 p.m. at the Circleville Lodge Hall to help Justin with medical expenses. Homemade chili and cinnamon rolls will be served.



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Cobras race to lead, never look back in win over Eagles

Like any good story, a basketball game has a beginning, a middle and an end and, like a captivating author, the Jackson Heights boys basketball team has drawn fans in repeatedly this season thanks to some enticing introductory chapters.

Tuesday night was no different and one of the most dominant voices on the team, junior Zane Richter, came to the forefront again to pen another strong opening against Silver Lake on the way to a 63-48 victory in first round action of the Thunder Classic in Seneca.

Richter poured in 14 points in the first quarter and the Cobras opened up an 11-point lead following back-to-back threes from Richter and Wyatt Olberding to start the quarter and a 9-0 run in the middle. That was crucial, according to JH coach Chris Brown, as he noted Silver Lake was a team that would not (and did not) go away.

“They were physical. They were athletic and strong, and quite frankly in the first quarter we made a bunch of difficult shots. That got us rolling and then we started playing really well,” Brown said. “That helped making those tough shots early, but they were tough to get open against because they’re so physical, so strong and athletic.”

“When you get a team down like that and they feel like they’re playing good defense and you’re still scoring, that’s tough mentally for them to come back from,” Brown added.

Jackson Heights showed off some of its athleticism in the first quarter and the Cobras’ execution in transition seemed to carry over from the win against Horton into Tuesday’s contest against the Eagles.

The Cobras got turnovers in bunches and handled Silver Lake’s zone press with ease, beating it over the top and getting forward Lane Slocum involved with some easy low post scoring opportunities.

“We did a really good job of spreading the floor, making crisp passes and making them pay. That’s always so great to see when a team’s pressing you trying to turn you over and when you score off of it, that’s huge,” Brown said.

While Jackson Heights had no issues dicing up Silver Lake’s zone press, a switch to man pressure defense in the second quarter slowed the Cobras down a little. The team

also didn’t help itself with some silly fouls that allowed the Eagles to close the gap at the free throw line.

Still, the Cobras managed to extend their lead to 15 points, 33-18, by halftime and fouls were about the only issues the team had to discuss at the break.

After heeding its coach’s advice, Jackson Heights made the foul situation a non-issue in the second half. In fact, the Cobras turned the table on the Eagles.

The JHHS players came out patient offensively in the third quarter, waiting for their moments to attack the basket and when they did they either got the basket or drew contact from Silver Lake. That helped Jackson Heights dictate the pace of the second half and continue to extend its lead.

Brown has been pleased with his players’ ability to adjust on the fly throughout the season and against Silver Lake he said that came in handy as he felt the change of pace, speeding things up and then slowing them down, bothered the Eagles on Tuesday.

Jackson Heights wasn’t giving up much on the defensive end either as Brown noted all of his players supplied good help defense in the game and swarmed the ball for a strong overall effort.

“When they took the ball where we wanted them to take it, we did a great job. We got steals. We got pressure. We forced tough shots, but when they got the ball to the middle, which is not where we wanted them to have it, then we were having a hard time getting back and they got some easy shots,” Brown said.

Going into the fourth quarter, the Cobras held a 21-point advantage and while fouls started to get away from Jackson Heights again, it had built up enough of a lead to minimize the impact of the Eagles’ free throws. On top of that, Silver Lake was in some serious foul trouble of its own and the Cobras continued to attack the basket to get easy scoring opportunities until the very end.

Richter got a lot of those opportunities as he finished with 31 points in the 63-48 victory, but Brown noted the Cobras couldn’t have pulled it off without the all-around contributions of players like Korby Strube and Wyatt Olberding, talking the momentum Richter

created and rolling with it.

“He played amazing, he did, but it was everyone else doing their job that allowed us to extend the lead,” Brown said. “Zane got us the lead in the first quarter. He did. It was almost all him, and then it was a team effort to go ahead and take it from 10 to 15 to 22 to end the game.”

As well as Jackson Heights played on Tuesday, Brown said his players know their toughest challenges lay ahead. The Cobras may have snuck up on Silver Lake, but the won’t sneak up on any of the remaining teams in the tournament field.

The next team JHHS will have to worry about is tournament host Nemaha Central, a team currently ranked seventh in the Class 3A polls and one the Cobras cannot take lightly. Brown expects his team will be ready, but knows however the rest of the tournament plays out for his team that it will take the Cobras “A” game to have some more success.

“It may take our best game, but I think our best game is good enough to compete in both of these next two games, so we’re looking forward to it,” Brown said.

Jackson Heights (8-1), the ninth-ranked team in Class 2A, and Nemaha Central will face off at 8 p.m. on Thursday and depending on the outcome, the Cobras will play at either 5:30 or 7 p.m. on Saturday against either Falls City (Neb.) or Marysville.

Jan. 20, 2015
SL: 12-6-10-20—48
JH: 23-10-16-14—63

Individual statistics:
JH: Richter 12 (4) 3-3 31, Olberding 4 (1) 2-3 11, Slocum 3 1-4 7, Strube 2 (1) 1-2 6, Dohl 1 1-2 3, S. Holliday 1 0-0 2, Sauvage 0 2-2 2, L. Holliday 0 1-2 1. Totals- 23 (6) 11-18 63.

SL: Wolfley 3 6-9 12, Wagner 3 (3) 0-0 9, Hallacy 0 6-6 6, Matzke 2 (1) 1-2 6, Damman 2 0-0 4, Henderson 2 0-1 4, Freeman 1 (1) 0-0 3, Byers 1 0-0 2, Baird 0 2-4 2. Totals- 14 (5) 15-22 48.

Team statistics:
Rebounding: JH- 29 (Richter 9, Olberding 8, Strube 4); SL: 28 (Wolfley 10, Henderson 6, Hallacy 3, Baird 3).
Assists: JH- 16 (Olberding 5, Strube 4, Jacobsen 3); SL- 11 (Renfro 4, Hallacy 2, Freeman 2).
Turnovers: JH- 15; SL- 20.

HHS boys show toughness in win

Teams can learn a lot about themselves during tournament week, moving away from facing familiar league opponents to take on all new, surprising challenges.

That’s just the position the Holton boys found themselves in on Tuesday night, facing Metro Academy (a home school group from Kansas City) in the opening round of the Tonganoxie tournament. While the Wildcats faced some new challenges, they responded when they needed to in order to pull off a 48-47 victory in overtime.

“I thought last night our toughness late was very important in us being able to be successful,” HHS coach Ryan Noel said. “It wasn’t pretty all night, but our ability to fight through some adversity gave us a chance to move on.”

Scouting Metro Academy, Noel said the game footage didn’t do justice to how athletic and how physical the team was in person. It wasn’t just one player either, but six or seven of the Metro players who possessed those tools to

make things difficult for the Wildcats on Tuesday night.

Noel noted Metro Academy’s guards matched up well with Wildcats Garrett Beecher and Trey Tanking and Holton’s opponents also had a player who altered almost every shot down in the post.

Despite having to adapt to that, the Wildcats got off to a good start and led 12-8 at the end of the first quarter, but the team, and the post players especially, ending up battling some foul trouble in the first half.

While Holton went into the half trailing by one, 19-18, Noel credited his team for continuing to fight in the second half and finding its toughness.

“I think we had some smart possessions late where we did some good things with the basketball,” Noel said. “Our toughness just really pushed us through. When we had to buckle down and get a stop or go get a rebound, we did those things and that’s important as we move forward.”

Toughness also translated to better offense in the second half as Noel noted the Wildcats were more proactive on that end of the floor as well.

“I liked how we were aggressive in the second half with the basketball. I thought we settled a lot early and in the second half we became more aggressive and got things going to the basket. I think that was important in helping our team succeed,” Noel said.

Overall, Noel said the posts played well in Tuesday’s game and it was good to see players like Nils Bergsten step up and make some big plays late. Metro’s athleticism also posed some challenges on the defensive end, but Noel said the Wildcats played hard on that end of the floor to limit it.

At its heart, tournament play is about surviving and advancing, but Noel said being prepared for different challenges is another key aspect.

Holton managed both on Tuesday night and while the Wildcats’ semifinal opponent from Eudora won’t be unfamiliar and different, Noel said his players still must be prepared for another tough game. Seeing a team the Wildcats faced in state tournament competition last year, and going up against a player getting national recruiting attention (Mitchell Ballock), the coach doesn’t believe that will be too much of an issue.

“Every kid wants to know where they stack up with some of the best players in the state. I don’t know where he’s (Ballock) at, but you’re looking at the #12 sophomore in the nation or something like that,” Noel said. “It’s a tremendous opportunity to go play Eudora again and I know the boys are excited about it.”

Holton (7-3), ranked seventh in Class 4A-DII, will take on Eudora in semifinal action at the Tonganoxie Invitational at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

Jan. 20, 2015
HHS: 12-6-12-7-11—48
Metro: 8-11-9-9-10—47

Individual statistics:
HHS: Beecher 6 (2) 5-7 19, Tanking 6 (1) 1-2 14, Bergsten 2 2-2 6, Patch 1 3-6 5, Allen 1 0-0 2, Wright 1 0-0 2. Totals- 17 (3) 11-17 48.

Metro: Goertz 4 (1) 4-5 13, Knight 4 (1) 3-5 12, Volz 5 1-2 11, McCullough 3 1-5 7, J. Hill 2 0-0 4. Totals- 18 (2) 9-17 47.

Team statistics:
Rebounding: HHS- 32 (Allen 7, Tanking 6); Metro- 40 (McCullough 13, Volz 7, Knight 6).
Assists: HHS- 5 (Tanking 3); Metro- 6 (Goertz 3).
Turnovers: HHS- 15; Metro- 21.



Jackson Heights guard Seth Holliday (shown above, middle) drives to the basket before dishing off to teammate Zane Richter for an easy score early in Tuesday’s game against Silver Lake. The Cobras made a habit of beating the Eagles down the court for some easy baskets, taking an early lead that the team would never relinquish in a 63-48 victory to start the Thunder Classic tournament.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Holton’s fight not quite enough to carry team over Blue Valley

The Basehor-Linwood tournament is by no means a cakewalk and the field only got tougher this year with the addition of Class 6A Blue Valley girls, currently ranked fifth in its class by the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association.

Holton drew the Tigers in their inaugural game of the Basehor tournament and while the Wildcats gave it all they had, it wasn’t quite enough as Blue Valley ended up advancing to the semifinals with a 46-36 victory.

“We played a quality opponent Monday night and came up on the short end,” HHS coach Jon Holliday said.

Against a ranked opponent, and an athletic team at that, Holliday noted his team needed to be crisp in its execution. For the majority of the game it was, but those stretches when the Wildcats weren’t ended up making a big difference.

“We give ourselves a chance by playing hard. We give ourselves a chance by doing some things right, then we take that chance away by unforced turnovers and some unforced errors. We don’t have much room for error in that situation,” Holliday said.

Holton was rolling right along in the first quarter and hanging with Blue Valley as the teams ended up tied, 13-13, by the end of the opening frame. Some of those unforced errors flared up in the second quarter,

though, as the Wildcats struggled shooting the ball and also gave up a few too many offensive rebounds to the Tigers.

Blue Valley outscored Holton 10-4 in the second quarter and that seemed to be all the separation the Tigers needed.

The Wildcats roared back in the second half and Holliday credited his players for executing defensively in some sets the team hadn’t worked on much in practice, but Holton just couldn’t get over the hump.

Down six in the fourth quarter, Holton would get the ball and then come up empty on the offensive end. Some of that, Holliday said, was due to unforced errors and some of it stemmed from Blue Valley catching seemingly all of the breaks on loose balls.

Rebounding again was a major advantage for the Tigers late and something Holton will definitely have to work on moving forward, but Holliday admitted that is part of the reason the Lady Wildcats keep going back to Basehor.

“That’s why we go to this tournament. We’ve seemed like we’ve come out better because of it every year we’ve gone down there. Things get exposed that we have to work on,” Holliday said. “We’re going to play two good teams, I don’t care whether you win or lose. It’s a loaded tournament and the reason you go down there is to play and get

better.”

Holton (6-4) will now prepare to play host Basehor-Linwood in a consolation semifinal and will have to be ready for a tough match-up once again. The Wildcats have started to welcome those challenges and Holliday said he believes his team will be ready again when it faces the Bobcats today (Wednesday) at 6 p.m.

“We’re heading the right direction we think. We shoot the ball okay. We’re sharing the basketball. We make some ill-advised passes on occasion, but these kids are getting there,” Holliday said. “We have battled. We’re not playing scared like I thought we did earlier in the year. We’re kind of starting to go toe-to-toe with people and I think it’s a plus.”

Jan. 19, 2015
HHS: 13-4-14-5—36
BV: 13-10-17-6—46
Individual statistics:
HHS: Boswell 2 (2) 3-8 9, Thompson 4 1-2 9, Tanking 1 2-2 4, Snepp 1 2-2 4, Sweet 1 2-2 4, A. Weilert 1 0-0 4, Holaday 1 0-0 4, Degenhardt 1 0-0 4. Totals- 12 (2) 10-16 36.
BV: Lynch 7 4-12 18, Imber 3 (2) 1-2 9, Newell 2 1-2 5, Hartman 2 0-2 4, Gunnerson 2 0-1 4, Lawrence 1 1-2 3, Garcia 1 1-2 3. Totals- 18 (2) 8-23 46.

JH girls can’t break out of funk

Since a big win on the road over Jefferson County North last week, the following portion of the schedule hasn’t gone quite according to plan for the Jackson Heights girls basketball team.

After falling to St. Marys 34-26 on Monday night, the Cobras seem to be searching for their mojo instead of riding a momentum boost into the midseason Hiawatha Invitational Tournament.

“It should’ve been an emotional high that we could’ve just rode the wave for a couple games here this past week,” JH coach Dan Shupe said, “but we came out tentative against Horton, not very aggressive and not taking advantage of the things that we built up to that point. Again, Monday night was kind of an accumulation of the same things.”

While the Cobras may be executing the way their coach wants, the motions are just a means to an end. They are meaningless unless Jackson Heights converts on the opportunities it creates in these games and that is where the team has been struggling in its past two games.

Jackson Heights missed several shots within three feet of the basket late in Monday’s game and that prevented the Cobras from coming all the way back.

“When you’ve got shots a foot away from the basket, you have to make those. We’re at that level,” Shupe

said. “The outcome of the game is determined a lot by the missed opportunities that you have and we had several missed opportunities throughout the game where we just didn’t finish.”

After St. Marys jumped out to an early 13-10 lead after one quarter, Shupe noted the Bears attempted the slow the pace down in order to shorten the game, something he felt actually gave the Cobras a good shot at winning.

In the third quarter, Jackson Heights started to make some headway there as the Cobras held St. Marys scoreless in the third period.

Then, the Cobras tied things up with a minute and a half left in the game and had a chance to go ahead with two shots at the free throw line. Jackson Heights could not convert, though, and St. Marys did at the other end to take the lead for good and pull off the 34-26 victory.

St. Marys, in fact, pulled away late thanks to its free throw shooting as 11 of the Bears’ 13 points in the fourth quarter came at the charity stripe.

While the Cobras gave themselves a chance to win in the end, Shupe noted there continues to be little margin for error with this team. Getting stronger, finishing through contact and converting shots within three feet of the basket are things that Jackson Heights will address during

their week off as Shupe noted the Cobras need to do all the little things well in order to give them their best chance of success.

That will certainly be the case as Jackson Heights (4-5) gets set to start the Hiawatha Invitational Tournament with a tough first round game against the host Red Hawks and the Cobras will be looking for all those little things to add up to one big positive in tournament competition.

“We have some things that are positive. We just have to get it all together so we’re all running on the same cylinder,” Shupe said.

Other teams competing at the HIT include Nemaha Central, Marysville, Riverside, Falls City (Neb.), Horton and Rock Creek. The tournament starts on Tuesday, Jan. 27 and Hiawatha and Jackson Heights will face off at 5 p.m.

Jan. 19, 2015
JH: 10-4-3-9—26
StM.: 13-8-0-13—34
Individual statistics:
JH: Thomas 2 1-3 5, Wareham 2 (1) 0-0 5, Strube 2 0-0 4, Gibson 2 0-0 4, Keehn 2 0-1 4, Williams 0 2-2 2, Allen 1 0-0 2. Totals- 11 (1) 3-6 26.
StM.: Maylan 0 10-12 10, Kolde 3 (2) 1-2 9, Perry 3 2-6 8, Flanagan 2 3-6 7, Flach 0 0-2 0. Totals- 8 (2) 16-28 34.

JV
St. Marys 42, Jackson Heights 17

C-Team
St. Marys 35, Jackson Heights 17



Cobras Wyatt Olberding (shown above, back middle) and Korby Strube (back right) leap up to secure a rebound in Tuesday’s game against Silver Lake. Both guards filled up the stat sheet to help Jackson Heights secure a victory over the Eagles.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Area teams turn in strong efforts to kick off tournament week

Tournament week started early for some of the area teams and already squads from ACCHS and Wetmore have turned in some highlights.

While not a tournament game, the Atchison County girls had one of their biggest wins so far last week as the Tigers took down the Thunder of Nemaha Central in a key league match-up.

The Lady Tigers led for almost the entirety of the game and had a nine-point advantage going into the fourth quarter, but turnovers and some strong three-point shooting by Nemaha down the stretch made it a much tighter contest.

In the end, Atchison County's Rachel Newquist blocked what would have been the game-tying shot and ACCHS was able to preserve a 56-54 victory on its home court.

Lillie Holtgrave had another big night for the Tigers, pouring in 22 points and going 16 of 19 from the free throw line, while Mallory Eckert added 14 points and hit four three-pointers in the game.

Now, Atchison County (7-2) will hit the road to take on Perry-Lecompton at 6 p.m. on Thursday before diving into tournament competition at JCN starting on Monday, Jan. 26.

Atchison County had a much tougher go of things on the boys side against Nemaha Central as no Tiger player finished the game in double digits and ACCHS found itself down 28 points going into the fourth quarter.

The ACCHS boys put up 10 points to the Thunder's two in that final quarter, but it was too little, too late as Nemaha Central had all but wrapped up a 58-28 victory.

Another slow start doomed the Tigers in tournament competition against JCN to start this week, as the Chargers steadily built up the lead on the way to a 53-26 victory to kick off the Oskaloosa Invitational.

The Tigers (0-10) will now get

ready to play the host Bears in consolation bracket action at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

Tournaments are nothing new for the ACCHS wrestling team and the Tigers just got done with one of their biggest of the year this past weekend, competing at the Bobcat Classic in Basehor-Linwood.

Going against 34 teams (some much larger than ACCHS) from four different states, the Tigers held their own and finished 21st in the tournament with some strong individual showings in the large field.

Atchison County will now get ready for competition at the Paola Invitational starting at 8:30 a.m. this Saturday. Results for ACCHS from the Bobcat Classic are listed below.

Bobcat Classic
Team results:
1. Goddard 256, 2. Platte County (Mo.) 184.5, 3. St. James 174.5, 4. Smithville (Mo.) 168, 5. Olathe North 163.5, 6. Junction City 119.5, 7. Topeka Seaman 109, 8. Basehor-Linwood 107, 9. Mountain Range (Colo.) 89, 10. Blue Springs (Mo.) 86, 11. Baldwin 76.5, 12. Santa Fe Trail 74, 13. Prairie View 73, 14. Glenwood (Iowa) 72, 15. Pittsburg 68.5, 16. Bonner Springs 66, 17. Lansing 63, 18. Clay Center 61.5, 19. Osawatomie 53.5, 20. Columbus 49.5, 21. ACCHS 46, 22. Rossville 43, t23. Blue Valley 39, t23. St. Thomas Aquinas 39, 25. Tonganoxie 37.5, 26. KC Turner 33, 27. Olathe South 32, 28. KC Bishop Ward 29, 29. Andale 27, 30. Paola 20, 31. Chapman 19, 23. Fort Scott 18, 33. Riley County 8, 34. KC Piper 0

Individual results:
ACCHS
(106): Karl Scholz had two byes, lost two matches and did not place.
(120): Hunter Ostertag had a bye, won two matches, lost two matches and did not place.
(132): Hunter Evans had a bye,

lost two matches and did not place.
(138): Nick Hager had a bye, lost two matches and did not place.
(182): Dillon Weaver had a bye, won two matches, lost three matches and came in sixth.
(195): Jacob Handke won three matches, lost three matches and placed eighth.
(220): Bratten Forbes had a bye, won three matches, lost three matches and finished sixth.

Wetmore was the first team to get into tournament action, with the Twin Valley League tournament kicking off in Onaga on Saturday, and the Cardinals certainly provided some early highlights.

The Lady Cardinals took down Hanover to punch their ticket to the quarterfinals as Dakota McQueen (19 points), Keri Pfrang (17 points) and McKayla Henry (12 points) all finished the game in double digits to help Wetmore outlast the Wildcats in a 54-52 victory.

On Monday, the Cardinals didn't seem to have enough juice left in the tank against Washington County, a team currently ranked second in the Class 2A polls. The Tigers went on to win 61-33 in the quarterfinal match-up.

Wetmore's girls will now look to have some success in the consolation bracket as the Cardinals (5-6) get set to take on the Troy Trojans at 6 p.m. on Friday.

The Cardinal boys nearly joined their female counterparts in the quarterfinals, but they came up short in their upset bid against Valley Heights in the first round of the TVL tournament.

Despite 18 points from Jeremy Hoelscher, Wetmore just couldn't get over the hump in a 61-50 loss to the Mustangs. Wetmore (2-8) will now get ready for a consolation game against Linn starting at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday.



Holton's Ali Morris (shown above, front middle) recently signed a letter of intent to play softball at Allen County Community College next year. Joining her at the signing were her parents, Paula (front left) and Scott Morris, brother McClain Morris (back middle), HHS head softball coach John Deitrich (back left) and HHS assistant softball coach Brittany Vollenweider.

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Some MS teams hitting stride

Some Jackson County middle school boys basketball teams are starting to find their stride on the court and Royal Valley's seventh-grade squad is one such group.

The seventh-grade Panthers had another successful week of action as they swept Perry-Lecompton on the road last Thursday before doing the same thing to Sabetha at home on Monday.

Royal Valley's eighth-grade squad didn't have as much luck. While the B team managed a win over Perry-Lecompton last week, the Blue Jays of Sabetha were not as kind with the visitors picking up two wins at the eighth-grade level.

Now, the RVMS teams will get set for showdowns with county

rival Holton starting at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday. Games will be played in both Hoyt (7th) and Mayetta (8th).

Jackson Heights, meanwhile, continues to be defined by some hard luck losses as the Cobras have been competitive in their games this season, but again failed to come away with a win this past week.

The Cobras started out by dropping some tough match-ups to Valley Falls last Thursday before coming up short against McLouth on Monday.

While unable to defend its home court in those losses, Jackson Heights will get another chance to do just that as the team prepares for a contest against Pleasant Ridge starting at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday.

Scores from the past week are listed below. No scores were reported from the Holton Middle School games.

Jan. 15, 2015
RVMS 7A 32, Perry 7A 16
RVMS 7B 24, Perry 7B 20
Perry 8A 30, RVMS 8A 27
RVMS 8B 47, Perry 8B 26
Valley Falls B 20, JHMS B 16
Valley Falls A 44, JHMS A 32

Jan. 19, 2015
RVMS 7A 31, Sabetha 7A 28
RVMS 7B 24, Sabetha 7B 12
Sabetha 8A 59, RVMS 8A 24
Sabetha 8B 37, RVMS 8B 13
JHMS C 5, McLouth C 5
JHMS B 22, McLouth B 10
McLouth A 40, JHMS A 30

Jackson County area scorebaord

Boys Basketball
Thunder Classic
First round
Falls City (Neb.) 56, Hiawatha 53
Jackson Heights 63, Silver Lake 48
Marysville 55, Horton 41
Nemaha Central 71, St. Marys 35

Tonganoxie Invitational
First round
Atchison 59, Jeff West 44
Eudora 62, Tonganoxie 44
Holton 48, Metro Academy 47 (OT)
Wamego 72, De Soto 57

TVL Tournament
First round
Frankfort 45, Axtell 39
Doniphan West 72, Clifton-Clyde 40
Troy 86, BV-Randolph 36
Onaga 54, Linn 31
Valley Heights 61, Wetmore 50

Quarterfinals
Washington County 64, Valley Heights 58
Onaga 50, Centralia 38
Hanover 75, Frankfort 49
Doniphan West 60, Troy 55

Jan. 16, 2015
Big Seven
Jeff West 51, Hiawatha 46
Sabetha 58, Perry-Lecompton 29
Holton 57, Royal Valley 51
Nemaha Central 58, ACCHS 28

NEKL
Jackson Heights 62, Horton 38
JCN 45, Oskaloosa 34
Immaculata 37, Pleasant Ridge 33
Valley Falls 48, McLouth 36
Troy 56, Maur Hill 51

Other area
Atchison 73, KC Schlagle 70
Wamego 72, Marysville 45

Girls Basketball
Basehor-Linwood Invitational
First round
St. Joe Benton 70, Basehor-Linwood 40

Blue Valley 46, Holton 36
Hayden 77, KC Harmon 19
Park Hill (Mo.) 52, Ottawa 45

TVL Tournament
First round
Wetmore 54, Hanover 52
Axtell 55, Onaga 22
Troy 57, Frankfort 33
Linn 56, Clifton-Clyde 34
Doniphan West 58, BV-Randolph 39

Quarterfinals
Linn 58, Valley Heights 50
Centralia 59, Doniphan West 38
Washington County 61, Wetmore 33
Axtell 43, Troy 34

Jan. 16, 2015
Big Seven
ACCHS 56, Nemaha Central 54
Jeff West 40, Hiawatha 35
Holton 49, Royal Valley 44
Sabetha 48, Perry-Lecompton 21

NEKL
JCN 51, Oskaloosa 37
Pleasant Ridge 46, Immaculata 31
Valley Falls 63, McLouth 22
Horton 39, Jackson Heights 34
Troy 37, Maur Hill 33

Other area

Wamego 57, Marysville 43

Wrestling
Jan. 17, 2015
Team results:
1. Salina Central 159, 2. Marysville 137, 3. Shawnee Heights 126.5, 4. Silver Lake 120, 5. Washburn Rural 117, 6. Beatrice (Neb.) 116, 7. Beloit 72.5, 8. Doniphan West 59.5, 9. Republic County 47.5, 10. Sabetha 43, t11. Falls City (Neb.) 24, t11. Johnson County Central (Neb.) 24, 13. Hiawatha 18, 14. Maur Hill 0

Individual results:
(106): Jordan Priddy (SL) def. Blayne Harris (Bel.).
(113): Preston Juergens (Bea.) def. Jay Maxville (WR).
(120): Raul Ayela (WR) def. Jordan Herman (Bel.).
(126): Chris Deters (Marys.) def. Trevor Lowell (RC).
(132): Hunter Weiss (Bea.) def. Skylar Widmer (Marys.).
(138): Jake Patterson (SH) def. Donivyn Will (SC).
(145): Haegan Schaefer (SL) def. Jacob Pinkerton (Bea.).
(152): Dayton Will (SC) def. Jacob Mintzmyer (Marys.).
(160): Chase Nelson (Bea.) def. Garret Dunlap (DW).
(170): Dalton Peters (SC) def. Carter Hall (SH).
(182): Kyle True (SC) def. Nathan Mikoleit (WR).
(195): Tristan Speer (DW) def. Jack Helvey (SC).
(220): Michael McMullen (SC) def. Keenan Hinton (Hiaw.).
(285): Jeremy Zimmerman (FC) def. Mikel Cottenmyre (RC).

HHS dominant again in dual

Sandwiched between two tough tournaments, the Holton wrestling team also had to make room for a make-up dual with league rival Sabetha on Tuesday night.

The Wildcats didn't miss a beat as the team once again rolled through dual competition on the way to a 55-21 victory over the Blue Jays.

Sabetha's small size (being a Class 3A school) allowed Holton to take advantage with open rounds in some of the lower weight classes while the Wildcats remained dominant in the middle weights and seized control of the dual with four consecutive wins by pin, starting with Tyler Price and ending with Lucas Lovvorn.

After some tough tournament competition this past weekend in Newton, the dual allowed the Wildcats to gain some momentum as they prepare to host the Sadowski

Invitational tournament this weekend. Wrestling action will start at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday at the HHS gymnasium.

Sabetha Dual
Team results:
Holton 55, Sabetha 21

Individual results:
(106): Arturo Reveles had an open round.
(113): Seth Harrell (Sab.) won by fall over Coultor Bisel.
(120): Brandon Brownlee (Sab.) won by fall over Lucas Hogan.
(126): Ace Eisenbarth won by fall over Ryley Wisdom (Sab.).
(132): Willie Bowman had an open round.
(138): Tyler Price won by fall over

Nate Niehues (Sab.).
(145): Justin Rieschick won by fall over Matt Burdick (Sab.).
(152): Spencer Baum won by fall over Tanner Ukele (Sab.).
(160): Lucas Lovvorn won by fall over Austin Garber (Sab.).
(170): Mason Baum won by decision, 5-0, over Brandon Poe (Sab.).
(182): Kaid Allen (Sab.) had an open round.
(195): Tel Wittmer won by major decision, 18-9, over Blane Rokey (Sab.).
(220): Taylor Meyer (Sab.) won by decision, 2-1, over Nathan Shields.
(285): Eugene Harris had an open round.

HOLTON BALL ASSOCIATION ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

6:30 p.m., Monday, Jan. 26

at Holton Parks & Rec Building

Everyone Is Invited!

Big Seven League boys basketball standings			
Team	League	Overall	
Sabetha	8-0	9-0	
Nemaha Central	7-1	8-1	
Holton	6-2	6-3	
Jeff West	5-4	5-4	
Royal Valley	4-4	5-4	
Riverside	3-5	3-5	
Perry-Lecompton	2-6	3-6	
Hiawatha	1-7	1-7	
ACCHS	0-8	0-9	
<i>*Standings as of Jan. 20, 2015</i>			

Big Seven League girls basketball standings			
Team	League	Overall	
Sabetha	8-0	9-0	
ACCHS	6-2	7-2	
Holton	6-2	6-3	
Nemaha Central	5-3	5-4	
Royal Valley	3-5	4-5	
Hiawatha	3-5	3-5	
Jeff West	3-5	3-6	
Perry-Lecompton	2-6	2-7	
Riverside	0-8	0-8	
<i>*Standings as of Jan. 20, 2015</i>			

NEKL boys basketball standings			
Team	League	Overall	
Maur Hill	9-0	9-1	
Jackson Heights	7-1	7-1	
JCN	5-3	5-4	
Valley Falls	5-3	5-4	
Horton	3-5	3-5	
Immaculata	3-5	3-7	
Pleasant Ridge	2-6	3-6	
McLouth	2-6	2-6	
Oskaloosa	1-8	1-9	
<i>*Standings as of Jan. 20, 2015</i>			

NEKL girls basketball standings			
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Maur Hill	7-2	7-3	
Horton	4-4	4-4	
Jackson Heights	4-4	4-4	
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Oskaloosa	0-9	0-10	
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Jackson Heights' Zane Richter (shown above) takes aim and fires towards the basket for one of his four three-pointers in a first round contest at the Thunder Classic on Tuesday. Richter finished with a game-high 31 points to help JH take down Silver Lake and move on to a semifinal match-up with host Nemaha Central at 8 p.m. on Thursday.

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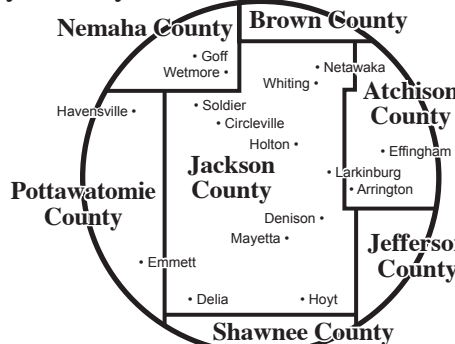
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2014 SILVERADO 1/2 TON CREW, 1 LT, 4WD, DEMO 5.3L V8, AT, Bkup. C., Bk. Controller, Rn. Brds., Bluetooth, Bd. Cvr., 4,400 miles

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2014 CHEVROLET EQUINOX 1 LT, AWD, 2.4L 4-cyl., Auto., PW, PL, Bkup. Cam, CD, Cruise, Cloth, 24K miles

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2011 BUICK ENCLAVE CXL-1 FWD, 3.6L V6, AT, Htd. Lthr., Rmt. St., Mem. Sts., Bkup. Cam., Hmlink, Bluetooth, 58k miles

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For information or to obtain an application, call (785)336-2148 or email hr@fairviewmills.com. You may also apply in person at J-Six Enterprises Corporate Office at 604 Nemaha, Seneca, KS.

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Employment

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**Call Eastridge at 785-857-3388 for more details
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\$159,900
2 BR, 2 BA
Diana Rieschick
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717 Idaho Ave., Holton




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3 BR, 2 BA
Roger Hower
#179455

28488 P Rd., Holton




\$119,750
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Craig M. Fox
#179351

416 W. 6th St., Holton



\$94,000
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- From a good Jackson County Citizen

Employment

FULL-TIME NIGHT NURSE

Eastridge Nursing Facility at Centralia has a position opening in March for a Full-time night nurse. Will be working three 12-hour shifts 5 p.m. to 5 a.m. including some weekends. Looking for someone who enjoys working with elders and is very task-oriented. Competitive wages and benefits.

Call Eastridge at 785-857-3388 for more details or apply online at www.chcsks.org
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Automobiles

FOR-SALE: 1999 Oldsmobile. Good condition, runs good. \$1,500. 785-966-2306

Recreational Vehicles

FOR-SALE: Kubota RTV-500, EFI, 4x4, camouflage, 280-hours, excellent condition. Dennis Hutchinson, 364-7400.



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Thanks for helping me out."
From, Nancy Meyer

Employment

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

Community HealthCare System is looking for a detail-oriented individual to work in our finance department as an Accounting Assistant. Responsibilities include payroll processing, cash reconciliation and compiling departmental reports. Preferred applicants will have a minimum of an associate's degree in accounting or business, be proficient with Microsoft Office Suite, especially Excel, and 3 years experience in a like position.

For more information and to apply go to www.chcsks.org and click on "Careers" or call Human Resources at 785-889-5026.
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All interested parties may fill out an application at the Banner Creek office located at K-16 Hwy., Holton, KS 66436 or the Jackson County Clerk's office, Jackson Co. Courthouse. This position will remain open until filled.
Jackson County is an EOE.

Firefighters...

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“It’s important to be in good physical shape,” Ingels said. “With the full bunker gear and the air pack, you’re going to be carrying an extra 60 to 70 pounds.”

Applicants for the firefighter’s position must be 18 years of age and have a valid Kansas driver’s license, be free of any felony and/or serious misdemeanor convictions, be of “high moral standing” within the community and subject to a background check. They must also live within the fire district or within a five-mile radius of Holton, Circleville or Denison for at least a year.

“The district covers an area that’s basically from 286th Road to 190th Road, and then from H Road to the Atchison County line,” Ingels said.

Applicants must also be able to complete 24 hours worth of firefighter training in a year’s time. Ingels said there is plenty of opportunity to complete that requirement, as firefighters meet on the first

and third Fridays of each month for training sessions.

Emergency medical technician (EMT) training is not required, since the Holton fire department is not a “first responder” unit, but Ingels said “we’re not going to turn anybody away who is an EMT.”

There’s also not a limit or quota on the number of calls volunteer firefighters must answer, as Ingels noted the fire department operates on a “respond when you’re able to respond” system. It’s a system that has served the fire department well in the past, however, even when some firefighters are “on call” and still have to work at their regular jobs.

“We’ve been pretty fortunate to have guys that work here in town, or with the city, or owning their own business,” he said. “It’s also good if they work for somebody who’s willing to let them off when they’re needed.”

The fire department also offers

Apartments...

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“I just want to celebrate with you all the good work that is being done in Kansas on housing, especially the work that is being completed here in Jackson County,” Jenkins said. “It’s such a tight-knit community, and it’s not surprising to me to see the community supporting such a wonderful project.”

Jenkins shared that she had the opportunity to be a part of a leadership group from Capitol Hill to visit with President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden on pressing issues.

“I just want to tell you that there are a lot of areas where Republicans and Democrats, and Americans alike, can agree on,” Jenkins said. “At the end of the meeting, we had collected a long list of things that we are going to be able to work on. I walked away from that meeting last week very encouraged. Good things are happening, especially when it concerns

issues that are important to every community and this nation.”

During the reception, Jenkins also acknowledged members of Holton Boy Scout Troop 64, who built four raised garden bed frames on Monday to be used at the new apartments. The Kansas Volunteer Commission provided the funds for the building materials through a Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service mini-grant, it was reported.

“I want to particularly honor the Boy Scouts today,” Jenkins said. “On this Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a day where we recognize his good work and his life, I think it’s appropriate to share one of his quotes – ‘Life’s most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?’ And that question is easily answered when you look to the Holton Boy Scouts and the good work they are doing, as well as Homestead Affordable Housing and this community in general.”

Holton Commission...

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Wilhelm also updated commissioners on Historical Society activities that bring people into Holton and the surrounding area, such as the annual barn tour and Cruise Night, the latter of which had previously been a Main Street-promoted event. Furthermore, all of the work done by the Historical Society is done on a volunteer basis, she added.

Morris said he saw no problem with splitting \$5,000 of the \$10,000 formerly allocated to Main Street, but at first he advocated giving \$4,000 of it to the Chamber and \$1,000 to the Historical Society, later amending it to \$3,500 and \$1,500, respectively. The reason for this, he said, was that the Chamber would be absorbing the majority of activities and programs overseen by Main Street.

However, other commissioners recommended a 50/50 split, with Com-

missioner Twila White saying she “can’t see why we can’t go half-and-half” on the \$5,000. Mayor Robert Dieckmann agreed, saying he thought it was “amazing” that the work the Historical Society does is “all volunteer.”

Morris agreed to splitting the \$5,000 down the middle, suggesting that there may be room for more in the future.

“We have money now because we’ve paid down our debts,” he said. “We’ve got two organizations that are worthy of our help.”

If it came to a vote, Commissioner Erich Campbell pledged to abstain from the vote as he was vice president of the Historical Society’s board of directors. However, Holton City Manager Bret Bauer said an immediate vote was not necessary but wanted clarification for “a future agenda item,” and the commission agreed to the 50/50 split by consensus.

Sewing center to hold re-opening on Saturday

By Ali Holcomb

JM Sewing Center is hosting a grand re-opening Saturday at its new location on the west side of the Holton Square.

The event is set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the center, which was relocated to 405 New York Ave. on Dec. 1. Michelle and Jerry Meddock own the business.

“We were looking for a place with more space in order to host more classes,” Michelle said of the move from the northwest side of the Square. Their former location is available to rent.

JM Sewing Center now resides in the building that formerly housed Dale’s Antiques & Used Furniture. The Meddocks took ownership of the building on Aug. 29.

“We painted the inside of the building and redid the flooring and opened up some of the small rooms in the back so we can hold classes and workshops,” Michelle said. “In the future,

we would love to have a quilt gallery upstairs.”

The ceiling in the building was also restored using original tiles. The extra square footage is already proving its worth, Michelle said.

“Our customers absolutely love it,” she said. “They can sit at a sewing machine and play around with it and not be in someone else’s way. Plus, this also makes our lessons more private.”

JM Sewing Center has been offering sewing machine sales, service and repair to northeast Kansans for a year, and the grand re-opening on Saturday will feature machine demonstrations all day at the center, as well as Quilting On The Square. A drawing will also be held for a sewing machine.

For more information about the event, call 785-364-2301. The store is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Several file for election

By Ali Holcomb

Several more Jackson County residents have filed for school board positions in the spring election, according to the Jackson County Clerk’s Office.

Positions one, two, three and seven on Jackson Heights, Holton and Royal Valley school boards will be included on the April 7 ballot. The deadline to file for the election is Tuesday, Jan. 27.

This past week, incumbents David Allen (position one on the Jackson Heights board) and Melinda Wareham (position two on the Jackson Heights board) filed for the election.

Raphael Wahwassuck has filed for position one on the Royal Valley board. That position is currently held by Jim O’Toole, who has not

yet filed for re-election.

Barbara Walder-Hittle is the third person to file for position seven on the Royal Valley board. Cindy Broxterman and Elizabeth Long-Smith have also filed for the seat, which is currently held by Rusty Douglas. Douglas has not filed for the election.

Residents seeking school board positions must register at the Jackson County Clerk’s Office.

Several city council and mayoral positions in Jackson County’s cities will also be on the spring ballot. To file for a city council or mayoral position, candidates must register with their city clerk.

For more information about the election, call the Jackson County Clerk’s Office at 785-364-2891.

some benefits and “perks,” Ingels said, noting the department has “a retirement policy” available to those who have worked for the department for at least 20 years. And since firefighters are considered employees of the City of Holton, they also have access to city facilities — such as swimming pool admission and camping at Prairie Lake — at no cost to them.

“Having previous fire experience is a plus, but not required,” he added.

Since the fire department has advertised for volunteers, Ingels said that one successful application has been processed, but there is still room for more who want to do something good for their community.

For more information, stop by the Public Safety Building at Fourth Street and Wisconsin Avenue or call the fire department at 364-3123. Applications are also available online at www.holtonkansan.org

Pick’em...

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Hills Chiropractic, Off the Square Grill, Vintage Park, Indian Country, Koger Variety, Pizza Hut, Farmers Insurance, Jackson Farmers, Destin Salon and Tanning, Jayhawk TV & Appliances, Advanced Chiropractic Services, Ginger Snips Salon of Beauty, Holton 66, Heart to Home, Dairy Queen, Highland Community College, Giant Communication/JBN, Medical Pharmacy, Seneca Cellular and *The Holton Recorder*.

Please limit one entry per person at each business location. No purchase is required to participate.

Special contest collection boxes will be available at each of the participating businesses, along with some extra blank entry forms.

The deadline to enter the contest will be at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 30.

The Recorder staff will collect the entries made at each of the businesses at 4:30 p.m. on Friday and will determine the winner after the game is played.

For more information, see the advertisements in Monday and Wednesday editions of *The Holton Recorder*.

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The Mayetta Knights of Columbus held its free throw contest on Jan. 18. Winners includes (front row, from left) Aidan McKinsey, Kendon Wege, (second row, from left) Erika Linn, Jase Wege, Emma Poort, Emma McKinsey, (back row, from left) Grand Knight Larry Larkin, Mary Broxterman, Marliissa Jordan, Kobe Jordan and Jaiden Wamego.

Submitted photo

Livestock Expo...

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For several years, the Expo has been held at the Jackson County Fair Building, which was recently sold, along with adjacent properties, to the Holton school district for construction of a new elementary school. The Fair Building may be remodeled into a bus barn for the district, it has been reported.

But before the Expo undergoes a change of venue for next year, it’s also undergoing a change of scheduling for this year, starting at 4 p.m. rather than earlier in the day as in previous years. The Expo’s “trade show” will also not be featured this year, Bontrager added.

“One of the things we’ve heard from the exhibitors is that they buy a booth space and they’ve got somebody there for half a day, investing their time, and the folks they see are people they’re already doing business with anyway,” he said. “For the exhibitors, it’s not really a big opportunity to drum up new business, and for the attendees, it’s not an opportunity to be exposed to any new vendors or suppliers.”

Farmers and ranchers who normally attend the show have expressed similar sentiment, and Bontrager said that rather than invite the vendors back to the Expo, those vendors have been in-

vided to sponsor the event and attend the dinner instead.

Doors to the Fair Building will open at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, with the first of two educational sessions to start at 4 p.m. The first session will be hosted by Kansas State University associate professor Mike Brouk, who Bontrager said will give a presentation on foraging.

At 4:30 p.m., Mike Irvin, legislative counsel and director of the Kansas Farm Bureau Legal Foundation, will talk on transition of ownership of the family from from one owner to another, “whether that’s the next generation of the family, or whatever the case may be,” Bontrager said.

The Expo’s annual dinner will begin at 5 p.m. with ribeye steaks, baked potatoes, green beans, rolls and ice cream, with Gary Bell and Friends providing musical entertainment. Bontrager said the dinner, which is included in the full day’s cost of \$15, is open to the public and usually attracts a large number of diners.

“We usually have somewhere between 400 and 500 folks there, and 450’s been a pretty consistent number for us,” he said. “Last year, I think we cooked 480 steaks.”

The after-dinner program, set to begin at 6:30 p.m. will featured Concor-

dia, Mo-based entertainment group Sanford Lee and Associates, which Bontrager said puts on “an old West medicine show.” Following recognition of distinguished area stockmen and annual JCLA honorees, including scholarship winners, a dance featuring Osawatomie-based Silver Bullet Band will begin at 8 p.m.

The Expo’s western wear fashion show, usually put on after dinner, will not be a part of this year’s event, Bontrager said. The fashion show had been presented in previous years by Roy Frey Western Wear of Topeka, which closed this past year, he added.

Hasty...

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Ireland also gave Hasty an “adult sentence” that would not be imposed if Hasty were to stay out of trouble during his juvenile sentence. Otherwise, Ireland said, Hasty would have to serve two consecutive 59-month sentences in prison and be on probation for 48 months following the sentence.

Ireland also ordered Hasty to register as a sex offender for the next five years. More information on the sentencing will be available in Monday’s *Holton Recorder* and online at holtonrecorder.net

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Fenceline

Agricultural leases growing in prominence

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

The leasing of agricultural land is one of the most popular questions received at the extension office. It is estimated that more than 50 percent of Kansas farmland and pastureland is rented. In some areas of the state, the figure is higher.



Many producers cannot maintain a viable business without operating through lease arrangements. Leases are growing in prominence and will play an increasingly important role in production agriculture as fewer and

fewer producers manage and operate our state's agricultural resources.

Different lease types have developed to meet the needs of the modern Kansas farmer and rancher. For example, some agribusinesses use standard cash leases involving a flat rental fee for the use of land.

For other farm operations, a crop-share or crop-share cash lease is appropriate. Those involved in raising livestock may operate on either a pasture rental basis or a livestock share lease.

Publications are available at the extension office and online at www.agmanager.info/farmmg/land/lease that explain and provide examples of these lease arrangements.

It is important that both parties to a farm or ranch lease understand the details of their lease agreement and the laws that affect their lease. A lease is a contract, and terms of the lease will

be interpreted and enforced in light of contract law. If a farm or pasture lease is oral rather than in writing, certain provisions in the Kansas Statutes automatically become a part of the lease.

Some leases are simple oral arrangements, while others are complex, lengthy written documents. An oral agreement may be legally enforceable, but it is much more desirable to spell out the agreement's details in writing.

By definition, a lease is a contract for the exclusive use of land for a specific period. There are at least two parties to any lease:

- 1) The landowner who owns the land, also known as the lessor.
- 2) The tenant who farms or operates the land, also known as the lessee.

Certain rights and obligations binding both parties arise from

the relationship. When land is leased, the lease is equivalent to a sale of the premises for the length of the lease. The tenant essentially becomes the owner for a time and has the responsibilities of one who is in possession of the land.

A written lease will help resolve disputes that might arise between the parties because they can refer to the written instrument to review their agreement. Memories of an oral agreement might be selective and certainly less than perfect.

A written lease does not have to be a detailed contract. A memorandum or note concerning the lease may be sufficient if the party against whom it will be enforced signs it. A written lease is a contract and should be approached with the same careful and thorough consideration given when entering into any binding contractual agreement.

Family Life

Parents act as nutritional role models for children

By Nancy Nelson
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Family Life

Children are mimics; they model behaviors they see in others. From birth, infants learn behaviors parents are exhibiting.

Parents intentionally teach children to crawl, walk, say new sounds and words, how to dress themselves, and on and on. Children are constantly watching and learning without parents realizing the effect they have on their children.

Social skills, table manners, attitudes and healthy lifestyles are taught by example. A parent who says, "I never drink milk" or "Don't serve me broccoli" is teaching a child to not drink milk or eat broccoli.

Since parents are the primary teachers and role models in their children's lives, setting the example for their children is very important to the learning process. Setting the pattern for good eating habits is the parent's responsibility

when deciding which foods to buy, choosing foods for family menus and selecting snack foods to keep on hand. Verbalizing our likes or dislikes about foods also teaches children which foods they should like or dislike.

Think about your own eating habits. Do you choose and prepare the foods your parents ate? How willing are you to try a new food?

How often do you express your likes and dislikes when your children are within hearing distance? What foods do you offer your children? Do they include a limited variety based on your preferences?

A "do as I say" parenting style is not as effective as a "do as I do" style. If children see their parents try new foods and eat them, they are more likely to try them also. Children who have the opportunity to taste and become familiar with a variety of foods are more likely to have a greater variety in their diet and more likely to make responsible choices.

Parents can teach, but the most powerful teaching comes in modeling the behavior you want your children to copy.

The source of information for this article is from Ohio State University Extension.



Crops and Soils

Soybean production school slated for Feb. 6

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

We pay a lot of attention to corn production. We should. High management that yields successful production is economically rewarding! Sometimes, soybeans are the "crop between corn crops." It does well in that role, but that doesn't mean we can sacrifice management!



The Meadowlark Extension District and Brown County Extension Council will host the fourth of four K-State Soybean Production Schools on Friday, Feb. 6, 2015 at the North Ridge Church located at 316 Lincoln St. in Sabetha. We'll start at 8:30 a.m. with registration and program kickoff at 8:50 a.m.

K-State SE Area Agronomist Dr.

Doug Shoup will talk soybean weed control strategies at 9 a.m. K-State NE Area Agronomist Dr. Stu Duncan and K-State Cropping Systems Specialist Dr. Ignacio Ciampitti will review production practices that may need updating to optimize yield.

Soybean nutrient management will be addressed by K-State Nutrient Management Specialist Dr. Dori-var Ruiz Diaz, leading up to a sponsored lunch by the Kansas Soybean Commission.

After lunch, K-State Plant Pathologist Doug Jardine will cover disease management. We'll wrap up with K-State Economist Dr. Dan O'Brien, who will discuss 2015 Soybean Markets and Profitability Prospects. Concurrent sessions will include Soybean Apps and Web News from iWheat.

Register by Monday, Feb. 2 online at bit.ly/KSUSoybean or by contacting the Meadowlark Extension District Seneca Office at (785) 336-2184. Hope to see you there!

Agricultural Act of 2014:
Reallocate Base Acres

Last week, we talked updating your payment yield. This week: base acre reallocation.

Simply put, you can either retain base acres or reallocate to the average plantings from 2009-2012. You cannot build base acres, but you can reassign them to reflect the proportions of what you've grown during that time period.

Acre reallocation could have a huge impact on payments and should thus be made in combination with your program selection decision. Think of it from a couple of angles...

From a risk management perspective, if you want potential payments to reflect currently planted commodities, and 2009-2012 acres reflect that, then reallocate.

From a payment maximization standpoint, you should evaluate which base – current or reallocated – you anticipate will result in the highest payout. To assist with making that decision, you'll likely want to use one of the spreadsheet tools available to help you evaluate your

options. You can access the KSU/OSU decision tool at www.agmanager.info. You have until Feb. 27, 2015 to make your base reallocation decision.

For information, see the "Reallocating Base Acres" publication available on the Farm Bill page of www.agmanager.info or from your district office. Next week: Program Selection.

Saving Money on Plants and Seeds

I hope last week's column encouraged you to start thinking gardening. If you ever looked through the garden catalog and had sticker shock, maybe this video will help: www.hfr.ksu.edu/p.aspx?tabid=980&itemid=241&cmd=view#241

4-H spotlight on Brianna Cattrell

By Janelle Marney

This month's 4-H member spotlight is on Brianna Cattrell (pictured), an 11-year 4-H member from the Soldier Boosters 4-H Club. Brianna is a two-year 4-H ambassador and also the secretary of her club.



Brianna enjoys many different activities in 4-H, and one of her favorite memories deals with one of her biggest projects. Last winter, Brianna sent in an application for the Catch-A-Calf program through the National Western Stock Show. She was the only one from Kansas to be picked for this program. She had to maintain a record book and keep in contact with her sponsor each month.

Once Brianna had picked up her calf, she could then start the training process. She had some difficulties with it the first three months, but as time went on, it gradually got better. Her calf was a Charolais Angus Cross.

On Jan. 8, Brianna and her family traveled to the Denver Stock Show, where members of the Catch-A-Calf program showed their calves. In doing this she also had to turn in her record book for evaluations, give a two-minute speech and also undergo an interview. Brianna showed her calf that Sunday. She received fourth place in showmanship, sixth place in her market class, third in interview, seventh in beef production and eighth in record book.

Brianna says that this was definitely one of the more challenging projects she has faced but she had fun doing it. Her advice to any 4-Her is to have fun and make the best out of it, and to do so because there are big opportunities out there for you such as the opportunity that she had.

Editor's note: Janelle Marney, a junior at Royal Valley High School, writes the monthly FFA and 4-H member spotlights as part of her supervised agriculture experience in agriculture communications.

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10 a.m. Adult Bible Class

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Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school
10:15 a.m. Worship service
6:30 p.m. Youth group

6:30 p.m. Sunday evening worship
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible study
Larkinsburg Christian Church
Rev. Mark Armstrong
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school
10:30 a.m. Church service

Mayetta Christian Church
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Sunday school: 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
Prayer Circle: 9:30 a.m.-9:50 a.m.
Worship service - 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

Wednesday: Bible Study - 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
Mayetta United Methodist
Rev. Howard Sudduth
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Netawaka United Methodist
Rev. Karen Loper
Sunday: 8:15 a.m. Worship
Onaga New Hope Lutheran Church, ELCA

Rev. Charlene Baner, Pastor
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10:30 a.m. Worship

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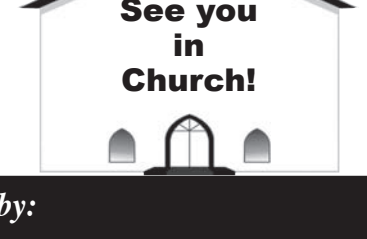
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Food and Nutrition: Are family meals worth the hassle?

By Cindy Williams
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Food and Nutrition, FNP

A recent study from North Carolina State University suggests that home-cooked meals place too much stress on many families.

Their study, which observed lower to middle income families, cited difficulties with not being able to cook something everyone liked, spending quality time with their children versus spending time cooking and not being able to provide fresh produce and/or organic produce.

The study's researchers concluded, "This idea of a home-cooked meal is appealing, but it's unrealistic for a lot of families."

Dispelling myths: Tips for Making Home "Cooked" Meals Easier

Preparing meals for one's family is not an easy task, but it's not an impossible one either, and is definitely



worth the hassle on several levels. And while I don't think home-cooked meals are an unrealistic proposition for most families, I do believe heavily that many families have unrealistic expectations about the family meal.

For example: Myth #1: Everything needs to be made from scratch – scratch cooking is great. There's no doubt about that. But, does every meal need to be made from scratch every night of the week? No.

The world we live in today runs on convenience, so take advantage of it. But be mindful when you do because many convenience options come with a price.

Smart convenience options include:

- Pre-packaged bagged lettuce: bagged lettuce that's already been chopped and cleaned makes it easy to have a salad with dinner. Plus, these bagged items will often go on sale because they're so perishable.
- Freeze your meals: Make lots of things from scratch when it's convenient, then freeze them for later. This can be a life-saver. Plus, while the meal is heating up, you can spend quality time visiting with your fam-

ily and catching up on their day.

- Utilize the grocery store salad bar: If you don't want to buy an entire bunch of celery for a recipe that only calls for half a cup, scoop some from the salad bar that's already been cleaned and chopped and pay for it with your other items at the checkout.
- Canned/frozen produce: These are fantastic convenience options that are affordable and have a long shelf life. Just be aware of the additives. Look for low or no salt/sugar added varieties.

Myth #2: I should only buy fresh organic produce. There is no credible research showing that organic produce is healthier than conventional produce, but there is lots of research showing that all three forms of produce (fresh, frozen and canned) are nutritious, healthy options.

If you can't afford to buy organic produce, then buy the conventional varieties. It's okay. If you feel guilty serving your family frozen vegetables, then stop the guilt! In some instances, frozen produce is more nutritious and fresher than the "fresh" produce that's had to sit on a truck and shelf for weeks.

Myth #3: I'm not a great cook. So what? Most people are terrible drivers, but that doesn't keep them off the road. Cooking is a life skill that will get easier the more it's practiced.

If you are brand new to cooking, then start small. Avoid intimidating cookbooks like the classic "Joy of Cooking" and most of the annuals from America's Test Kitchen. The sheer volume of the itty-bitty text size alone is overwhelming. Those books will serve you later when you're more confident in the kitchen.

Some recommended tests that offer healthy recipes, simple steps and easy to read font include:

- "Lickety-Split Meals" Zonya Foco, RD.
- "Better Homes & Garden Cookbook" (it's the red and white plaid one).
- "Get Cooking" by Mollie Katzen.

Myth #4: Everyone should like everything I cook. This is a common concern, and it's one I can personally relate to. I remember feeling consistently heartbroken when my family would reject the recipes I poured my heart, soul, precious time and money

into. But it's going to happen. And the truth is, it's okay if they don't like everything on the plate.

Try to incorporate at least one segment of the meal with all of your eaters in mind. Utilizing the "MyPlate" (which encourages us to make half our plate vegetables and fruit with the other half being grains and protein and a side of dairy) helps make this possible.

For instance, if there is only vegetable choice for dinner one night. Also, many kids love applesauce, so put a little unsweetened applesauce on the plate for the fruit portion of the meal. And then, take stock of what your family enjoys and write it down.

This helped me to find success with mealtime. I started making versions of meals my family already loves.

The importance of family meal time – So while the NC State study argues that family meals may not necessarily be worth the hassle, there are hundreds of other research-based studies that beg to differ, showing that children who often eat dinner with their families are more likely

to:

- Do well in school.
- Be emotionally content.
- Have positive peer relationships.
- Less likely to have friends who drink alcohol and use marijuana.
- Have lower levels of stress and be bored less often.
- Be at lower risk for thoughts of suicide
- Be at lower risk for substance abuse (70 percent less risk for substance abuse!)
- Half as likely to try cigarettes, be daily cigarette smokers or try marijuana.
- One third less likely to try alcohol.
- Half as likely to get drunk monthly.
- Have parents who take responsibility for teen drug use.

(Based on reports from the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University comparing teens and children who share family dinners at least five times per week to those who shared family meals twice or less per week.)

Northeast Kansans among soybean contest winners

The best farming practices and wisely selected seedstock varieties combined with favorable growing conditions to help Kansas farmers achieve high soybean yields and value in 2014.

"The annual Kansas Soybean Yield and Value Contests recognize outstanding Kansas farmers and provide fun incentives for them to improve," said Doug Shoup, Ph.D., Chanute, K-State Research and Extension southeast area agronomist, who began coordinating the contests this year. "They also allow the Kansas Soybean Association, with checkoff funding from the Kansas Soybean Commission, to share what participants learned to benefit all

Kansas soybean farmers."

The yield contest included 33 entries, down four from 2013. The 24 winners in 12 categories had verified yields averaging 74.89 bushels per acre, compared to the reported state average of 36 bushels per acre in 2014. The contest winners' average decreased by 0.72 bushel per acre, while the state average increased one bushel per acre from 2013.

The value contest had 19 entries, five fewer than in the previous year. For their protein and oil contents, the top three entries averaged \$1.52 (15.0 percent) in increased value over the \$10.18 base cash price. In 2013, that average was \$0.93 (7.1 percent) above a \$13.05 cash price.

Bob Wietharn, Clay Center, topped the irrigated division with a no-till entry that made 99.81 bushels per acre. Meredith Jeschke, Highland, led the dryland division with a no-till entry of 84.30 bushels per acre. Harold Koster, Hoxie, won the value contest with \$1.56 per bushel of increased value (15.3 percent over the cash price).

In east-northeastern Kansas, Jason Taylor, Highland, won the conventional-tillage, dryland competition with 82.15 bushels per acre. Behind Jeschke, Highland, Jeremy Olson, Everest, took second place in the no-till, dryland competition with 83.48 bushels per acre. Kyle Jeschke, Highland, placed third with 82.99

bushels per acre.

In northeastern Kansas, Alex Noll, Winchester, won the conventional-till, dryland competition with 80.73 bushels per acre. Armstrong Farms, Muscotah, took second place with 67.96 bushels per acre. Derek Gigstad, Valley Falls, won the no-till, dryland competition with 74.88 bushels per acre.

The Kansas Soybean Association presented the state and district winners with plaques or certificates and monetary prizes from the Kansas Soybean Commission at the Kansas Soybean Expo, Jan. 7 in Topeka. The highest dryland and irrigated yields in the state each received a \$1,000 award. In each district, first place won \$300, second earned \$200 and third received \$100. The No-till on the Plains organization supplied additional prizes for the no-till categories.

Complete results and award photos are available via KansasSoybeans.org/contests on the Web.

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Holton First Baptist Church

By Shirley M. Cameron

On Sunday, Jan. 18, those at Holton First Baptist Church celebrated "Sanctity for Life" Sunday by showing a video. It told of three men who suffered following the abortion of their children.

They were sorry they didn't fight for the life of their unborn child, feeling the pain of the women who underwent the abortion. They felt shame and guilt until they went to the Lord and begged to be forgiven. Healing took place in their lives, but the grief and pain they felt remained for awhile, some even yet. We need to take a stand for life, as a church and individuals.

Pastor Tim asked us to support our local Crisis Pregnancy Center with our donations to the diaper drive. January mission of the month is the Jackson County CPC, helping those

individuals and families that chose life, praying with them, having them take a Bible study each month before they receive the donation of a package of wipes and diapers, used clothing and other items needed for babies up to age 24 months.

Pastor Tim's sermon was taken from the Gospel of Matthew 5:43-45 and titled "Love Your Enemies." Leviticus 19:18 tells us to "love our neighbor as yourself," leaving us with the question, "Who is my neighbor?" Pastor shared with us from verses 33 and 34 – "When an alien lives with you in your land, do not mistreat him. The alien living with you must be treated as one of your native-born. Remember when you (the Israelites) were aliens in Egypt."

Jesus in the book of Matthew tells us to bless those who curse you;

do good, not evil; and intercede in prayer for others. Every person has a chance to come to Jesus and be changed. Jesus meekly and humbly submitted to the Roman soldiers who arrested Him and nailed Him to the cross. Jesus demonstrated in His 33 years on earth about being a good neighbor and even loving His enemies. Christians must go forth doing the same.

A volunteer meeting is to be held on Saturday, Jan. 31, to organize groups of volunteers to help with the Impact World Tour mission in Jackson County. It will begin with a potluck meal at the former Presbyterian Church.

T-shirts for Target for Christ group and the Middle School Youth group (RISC) are available. See John Motto for the Target group and Jessica Snyder for RISC.

Buck's Grove Methodist Church

By Betty Bernitter

Jan. 18 was a beautiful, sunny winter morning to worship God at Buck's Grove Methodist Church.

Mary Ringel lighted the altar candles as Donna and Denny Ashcraft provided the recorded music for the prelude.

Charlotte Milroy asked for announcements, call to worship and opening prayer.

The congregation sang the hymns "Have Thine Own Way" and "I Am Thine, Oh Lord."

Charlotte read scripture from 1 Samuel 3:1-10 and 1 Corinthians 6:12-20. The Psalter was from Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18.

Betty Bernitter provided a healthy moment by reading "God's Plan" for how we should eat and not let Satan

lead us astray.

Gospel reading was from John 1:43-51. Charlotte's message titled "Desires" finds us longing for the wrong things in the wrong ways.

We live in a world that manipulates our desires and our wants, and we are miserable because of it. Even though we have more than most people have ever had in the whole history of the universe, we are still miserable.

In John we read desire is very much a part of God's love. God wants us to enter into a relationship that is a part of God's heart. He yearns for you. God's love is not a love of having and possessing and owning, rather, it is a love that is embracing, sharing, celebrating and entering into union. It is love as respect and honor and

trust. Are you following God's plan and loving in a way that brings joy and peace, not just now, but through eternity?

Charlotte offered a remembrance of our baptism followed by communion. Assisting Charlotte were Donna Ashcraft and Carol Pollock.

Don Boling and Wayne Rieschick took up the offering, and the service closed with the congregation singing "Let There Be Peace On Earth."

Bible study, led by Donna, was held immediately after worship service.

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Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

In the Matter of the Estate of Cathy I. Kennedy, Deceased

No. 15-PR-1

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You are hereby notified that on January 8, 2015 a Petition

for Issuance of Letters of Administration under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Patrick C. Kennedy, requesting that he be appointed as Administrator and Letters of Administration be issued.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was giv-

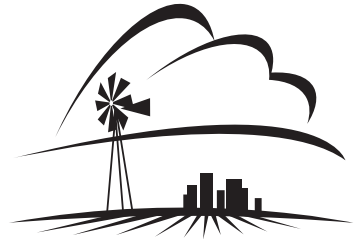
en as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Patrick C. Kennedy, Petitioner
SUBMITTED BY:

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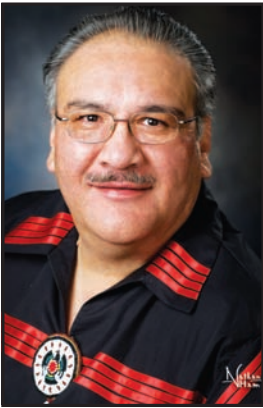
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Time: Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015
When: Social - begins 5:30 p.m.
Dinner - begins 6:30 p.m.

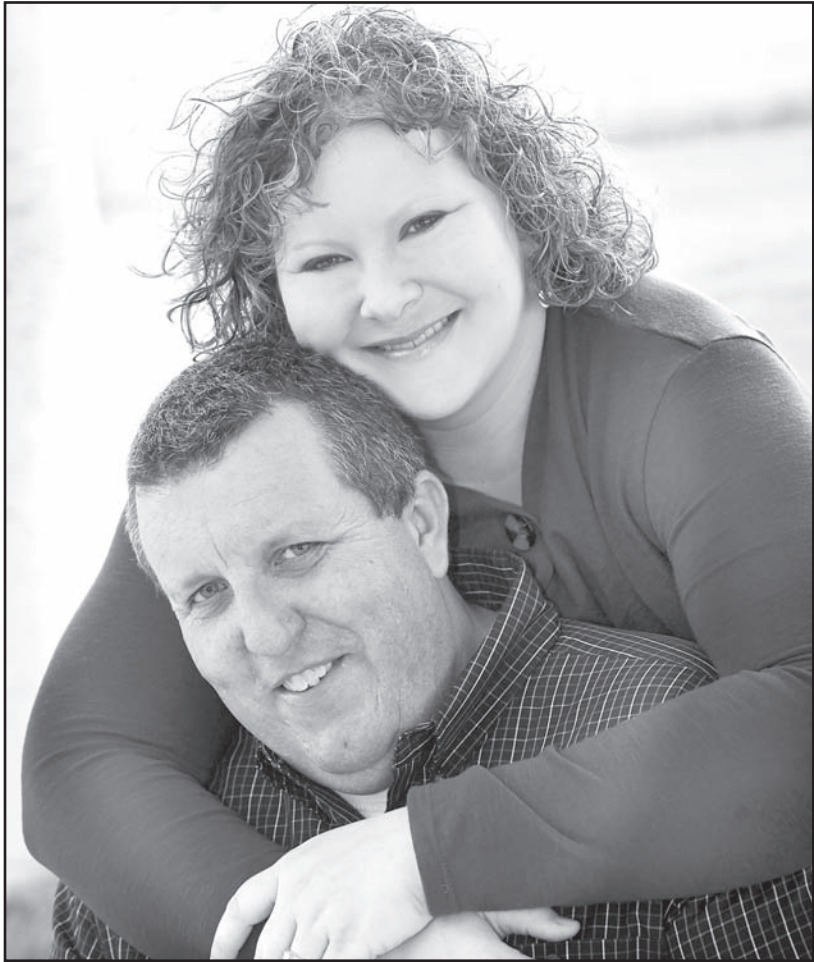
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Danny and Lorene Akin of Meriden are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, Janessa Akin, to Ryan Meckfessel, son of Eldon Meckfessel of Garfield and the late Karlene Meckfessel. Grandmother of the bride is Vivian Akin of Topeka.

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Valley Falls High School and a 2002 graduate of Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in

agricultural communications and journalism. She is currently employed as an assistant director of admissions at Washburn University School of Law.

The future groom is a 1991 graduate of Larned High School and a 1992 graduate of North Central Kansas Technical College. He is a self-employed farmer and rancher.

A March 2015 wedding is planned at the Town and Country Christian Church in Topeka.

Baby News



Allison Jane Larson

Eric and Kelli Larson of Maple Grove, Minn., are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Allison Jane Larson. She was born on Dec. 24, 2014, and weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20¾ inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Janine Sawyer of Holton. Maternal great-grandfather is Gene Sawyer, also of Holton.

Paternal grandparents are Mike and Jean Larson of Baudette, Minn. Paternal great-grandmother is Shirley Gedde of Howard Lake, Minn.

Submitted photos

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

School Menus

Jackson Heights

Monday, Jan. 26: Breakfast – Pancakes with syrup, sausage link, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Pork rib on a bun, lettuce and tomato, sweet potato fries, sliced pears, royal brownie and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Breakfast – Nutri-grain bar, yogurt, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Taco soup, tortilla chips, fresh veggies, fresh fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Corn dog, green beans, oven fries, apple, cookie and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Breakfast – Breakfast burrito with salsa, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken quesadilla, tortilla chips with salsa, refried beans, orange wedges, string cheese (9-12) and milk.

Friday, Jan. 30: Breakfast – Biscuit with sausage gravy, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Cowboy cavatini, seasoned peas, garden salad, wheat bread (5-12), fruit cocktail and milk.

Holton

Monday, Jan. 26: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, leaf lettuce and sliced tomatoes, oven fries, applesauce, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Breakfast – Pancake on a stick, sliced pears,

fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Chili, tortilla chips (9-12), red bell pepper strips, banana, cinnamon roll, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, sliced peaches, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Chicken nuggets, whole-wheat roll and jelly, mashed potatoes and gravy, tossed salad, fresh pear, canned fruit choice and milk choice.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Breakfast – Sausage breakfast sandwich, mandarin oranges, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Baked ham, biscuit and jelly, apple glazed sweet potato, green beans, fresh banana, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Friday, Jan. 30: Breakfast – French toast with syrup, applesauce, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Country style beef patty, whole-wheat roll and jelly (6-12), mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli florets, pineapple tidbits, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Royal Valley

Monday, Jan. 26: Breakfast – Cereal, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken strips, potato wedges, fresh carrots, roll, fruit and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Breakfast – Waffle sticks, fruit and milk; Lunch – Nacho supreme, fresh broccoli, corn, rice crispy treat (6-12), fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Breakfast – Pancake on a stick, fruit and milk; Lunch – Stromboli, salad, cooked carrots, fruit and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, breadstick (9-12), fruit and milk.

Friday, Jan. 30: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken patty on a bun, french fries, baked beans, fruit and milk.

Prairie Hills

Monday, Jan. 26: Breakfast – Cereal or cinnamon pastries; Lunch – Hamburger on a whole-grain bun, X-ray vision tater tots, mighty mini trees, fruit cocktail and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Breakfast – Biscuits and gravy; Lunch – Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, corn, apple smiles and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Breakfast – Syrup Day; Lunch – Chili, rabbit food, pickle spears, clementines, iced cinnamon puff and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Breakfast – Sausage or egg biscuit sandwich; Lunch – Creamy classic mac, meatballs, peas, mighty mini trees and cauliflower, peaches, whole-grain breadstick and milk.

Friday, Jan. 30: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza; Lunch – Sausage pizza, spinach garden salad, seasoned green beans, banana and milk.

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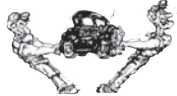
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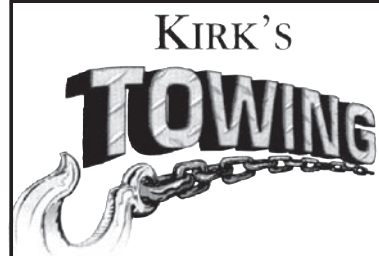
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THANK YOU!

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015.)

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Julia F. Rogers, deceased

Case No. 14 PR 47

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 30th day of December, 2014, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Terry E. Bueker and James D. Rogers, co-executors named in the Last Will and Testament of Julia F. Rogers, deceased.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Terry E. Bueker
James D. Rogers
Petitioners

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School Calendars

Jackson Heights Unified School District No. 335

Thursday, Jan. 29: 4:15 p.m. High School Scholars Bowl @ Oskaloosa.

Holton Unified School District No. 336
Friday, Jan. 30: 3 p.m. FFA National Scholarships due.

Royal Valley Unified School District No. 337

Monday, Jan. 26: 7:30 p.m. BOE meeting.

Friday, Jan. 30: RV Baseball Dinner.

Prairie Hills Unified School District No. 113

Monday, Jan. 26: SES Site Council meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: 6 p.m. SHS Liftathon.

Saturday, Jan. 31: 7 p.m. SHS Variety Show.

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Abby Boeckman (at left), 11, Holton, graduated from the sixth Kansas Wing Training Group winter encampment in Salina during Christmas break. She is pictured with her father, Adam Boeckman, who is a tech sergeant with the 190th Air Refueling Wing of the Kansas National Guard.
Submitted photo

Boeckman attends wing training camp in Salina

Abby Boeckman, 11, a sixth grader at Holton Middle School, recently attended the sixth Kansas Wing Training Group winter encampment, which introduces students to the Civil Air Patrol way of life.

The camp was held Dec. 27 through Jan. 3 in Salina and provided a weeklong “total immersion” experience for young cadets wanting to experience the military environment.

Students named to RVMS honor roll

The following students have been named to Royal Valley Middle School’s honor roll for the second nine weeks of the 2014-2015 school year.

Purple and White Honor Roll (A’s only)

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

Seventh Grade: Gavin Cumpton, Isaac Neuner, Cassidy Parks, Emma Poort and Jaiden Wamego.

Sixth Grade: Luke Boyden, Caleb Boyer, Colin Caviness, Josslyn Coulter, Teryn Denzler, Ivy Fink, Isaac Hale, Hayley Harman, Morgan Harvey, Kaitlin Humpert, Mae Joslin, Emma McKinsey, Caeden Meredith, Hannah Potts, Katie Reichert, Lilly Rooks, Sydney Stithem and Halina Williamson.

Fifth Grade: Karlie Albright and Catrina Smith.

Honor Roll (A’s and B’s)

Eighth Grade: Lindsey Bowden, Eryn Daugherty, Daniela Fabila, Alyssa Gooderl, Devon Hale, Caroline Hanson, McKenzie Hegemann, Holly Mitchell, Jase Preston, Megan

Putnam, Keanu Shopteese, Karsen Smith, Zach Wahweotten, Trenton Wilbur and Kaitlyn Williams.

Seventh Grade: Dylan Collins, Dylan Creollo, Chloe Estes, Hadley Gregory, Janine Gustafson, Abby Harding, Madison Holloway, Gregory Koon, Peyton Link, Christian McAlister, Samantha Riley, Madison Saia, Hannah Schnacker and Hannah Smith.

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Menus listed for the week of Monday, Jan. 26 through Friday, Jan. 30 are as follows:

Monday, Jan. 26: Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes,

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Jan. 26 through Friday, Jan. 30 are as follows:

Monday, Jan. 26: Combo burritos, beans and rice, tomato salad and fresh fruit.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Goulash, sliced zucchini, tossed salad and garlic bread.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Chicken fried steak, potato and gravy, green beans and dinner roll.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Salisbury steak, potato and gravy, green beans and dinner roll.

Friday, Jan. 30: Chicken dumplings, turkey sandwich, potato salad and fresh fruit.

California mix vegetables, peach crisp, ice cream and bread and margarine.

Tuesday, Jan. 27: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, tropical fruit, seven-layer bars and bread and margarine.

Wednesday, Jan. 28: Ham and beans, cauliflower and broccoli salad, strawberries and bananas and cornbread and margarine.

Thursday, Jan. 29: Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, carrots, frozen cherry salad and hot roll and margarine.

Friday, Jan. 30: Salmon patties, parsley potatoes, peas, pineapple, lemon bars and bread and margarine.

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Ross graduates from Upper Iowa University

Richard Ross of Mayetta graduated from Upper Iowa University in October with an associate of arts degree in liberal arts.

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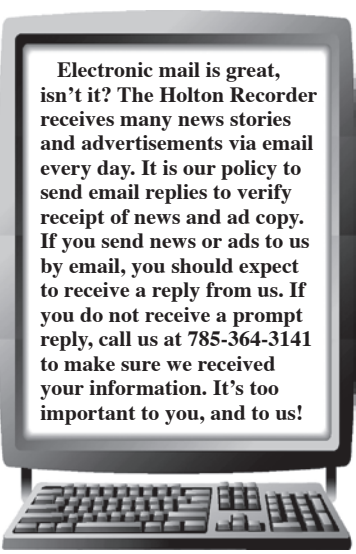
Ross attended the Fort Leavenworth location.

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Decker excels as a Washburn Ichabod

Kara Decker knew she wanted to be an Ichabod from the minute she helped move her older sister into the dorms. She fell in love with Washburn University and felt it was the perfect place to transition from a small high school to college.

Decker, who graduated from Holton High School, has made many of the possibilities at Washburn University work for her.

Decker will graduate in May from the physical therapy assistant program and plans to continue her studies to obtain a bachelor’s degree in kinesiology.

Decker’s interest in this area was sparked when she went through physical therapy herself. She also volunteered in the rehabilitation department at Holton Community Hospital and knew that she wanted to pursue a career in physical therapy.

While at Washburn University, Decker has been active in extracurricular activities outside of the classroom. She is a member of the Delta Gamma sorority and will hold the

position of vice president of communications in 2015. She worked on campus during her first year at the university and is now working off campus providing personal care for a quadriplegic woman.

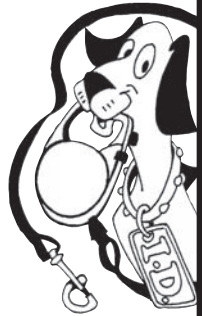
Decker has excelled in the classroom. She has been on the President’s Honor Roll for the spring and fall 2014 semesters and has been initiated into the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

“Washburn has a wide variety of organizations and opportunities to expand leadership and communication skills and develop professionalism,” Decker said. “I believe your college experience is what you make of it, and my advice is to not be afraid to try new things. Washburn’s campus is beautiful and I feel lucky to be a part of the Washburn community every day.”

Decker’s parents are Doug and D’Ann Decker of Holton.

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Gardener's Corner

Light slants its way toward spring

By Sandra M. Siebert

We have passed the middle of January and something in the slant of the light tells me winter is easing its way out. I can hear spring scratching at the door.



Oh, wait. That's the cat. I forgot that she was in the garage.

So maybe spring isn't exactly scratching to get in, but the weather of the last few days had me wondering. Still, the calendar tells me that spring is not all that far away. I am already preparing for its arrival.

Late week I took advantage of the warmer weather to spread compost on the garden beds where the first crops will be planted - snap peas, radishes, lettuce, cabbage, kale and broccoli. This will save me time later (early to mid-March) when I start planting outdoors.

But planting season already is here. During the herb study meeting last week, I was reminded of a planting method I had tried a few years ago, but haven't used since. It is an excellent way to start hardy perennials, or winter annuals, anything that germinates best after experiencing periods of cold.

The method is simple: Find translucent gallon-size milk or vinegar jugs; cut or poke drainage holes in the bottom; make a cut almost all the way around about 4 inches or so from the bottom, leaving a bit of the

top attached to make a sort of hinge. Fill the bottom with moist potting soil and plant your seeds. Close the top and poke holes - one on the upper half and the other on the lower half next to each other - then use a pipe cleaner or twist tie to hold the jug closed. Some people might use duct tape, but the one time I tried this method the duct tape started falling off before winter's end.

The planting jugs then can be set in any convenient location outside. Yes, right now, outside. Yes, they will freeze hard, then thaw, then freeze again. That's the whole point. It's called stratification, which you certainly can do by placing seeds in your freezer, but why not let Mother Nature do the job? Don't set the jugs outdoors too much out of the way, because you'll need to water them periodically. Be sure not to let the soil dry out.

Once the weather settles into a stable warm mode, the stratified seeds will sprout at a much higher rate than unstratified seeds. When the seedlings are large enough to transplant, lift the soil-and-root ball out of the jug and separate the plants. Dig holes and plop them in.

This method is an excellent way to start many of our native wildflowers and other hardy perennials. Sure, you can simply scatter the seeds in the garden in the fall for natural stratification, but the jug method has advantages. First, you get a higher germination rate because you can keep the seeds and soil moist.

Second, the seeds may sprout sooner because the soil in the jug warms more quickly than in the gar-

den (so be prepared to protect them if the weather turns frosty). Third, you don't have to guess, "Is that a flower seedling or a weed seedling?"

So I dug a couple of vinegar bottles out of our recycling tub and will plant seeds of black cohosh and perhaps echinacea this way. I may need more jugs.

Hardy perennials aren't the only things to plant now. By the end of this week, I will have planted broccoli, cabbage, Tuscan kale and onions and a fragrant flowering vine called lisianthus in plastic pots. They will toast their toes next to my wood burning stove in the living room until tiny green leaves appear. Then I will wheel in the five-shelved cart on which I've hung pairs of shop lights and place the tender new plants under light.

My morning routine will then include turning on the lights hanging over the seedlings and fussing over the "babies."

I am counting the days until I plant the first peas and the first package of

seed packets arrive in the mail. Last week I brought home a 40-pound bag of oat seed, my standard cover crop, which will last for several rounds of sowing. I ordered 20 pounds of crimson clover seed, which will serve as a nitrogen-fixing cover crop as well as a food source for bees and other pollinators we want to keep healthy so they can pollinate our fruit trees.

The mulch-hauling season also is here and I try to find time on the warmer days to climb into our truck with the dump bed and head to the county road office to pick up some of the chipped wood they have piled there, remnants of tree-trimming jobs conducted during warmer weather. The piles of chipped wood will be spread on paths and around trees to provide a weed "squelching" mulch, as well as medium for beneficial fungal mycelia that we hope will enhance our fruit trees' health.

Yes, it does seem that spring is sniffing at the door, even if it isn't yet ready to come in.

RVHS releases honor roll for first semester

The following students have been named to Royal Valley High School's honor roll for the first semester of the 2014-15 school year.

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Twelfth Grade: Brandon Lee Broxterman.

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Eleventh Grade: Derrick Barger, Skylor Criqui, Jacob Rottinghaus, Noah Rottinghaus and Senja Taehkae.

Tenth Grade: Lexi Jean Baker, Lucas W. Broxterman, Alize Danielle Bryan and Hanna Nicole Neuner.

Ninth Grade: Ethan Ashley, Porcha Joan Evans, Bre-

anna Sue Hainline, Kathryn Hanshaw, Chaley Michelle Lemmon and Dennis Merrill.

Panther Honor Roll

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Tenth Grade: Sara E. Dunn, Alexandria Elise Greene, Grace Harvey, Kaleb Preston, Maggie Schuetz, Kyle B. Stithem, Hannah M. Sutton and Lannette B. Zeller.

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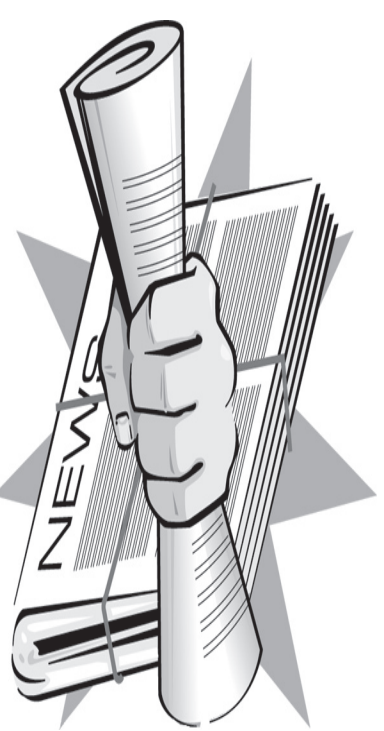
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Five-year-old Beka Lassey (left) and six-year-old Cade Colberg, both of Holton, made the best of an unseasonably warm day on Friday afternoon by going out to play at Holton’s Linscott Park. Outdoor temperatures are expected to peak in the upper 40s to low 50s through the rest of this week.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Denison Bible Church

By Esther Hall

This past week, I counted 16 robins in a grassy area of the Washburn Campus. Can spring really be that close on this 18th day of January? It sure felt like it this weekend. Our prayers and heartfelt sympathy go out to the Hug family in the death of Truman. God is our comforter when we turn to Him when our loved ones have passed on.

Tim and Judy Heckart sat in on Saturday’s Youth Under Construction (YUC) meeting while we continued studying the book of Revelation. The next YUC meeting will be on Feb. 7. YUC members collecting Sunday morning’s offerings were Damien N. and Dakota J. Tim will fill the pulpit again on Feb. 8.

Tim’s message was titled “What is Faith?” based on Hebrews 10:27-11:3. It is the first of a series of five messages. The subject of faith is important, but what defines it? Jesus Christ is the perfecter and Hebrews 11:1 defines faith, “Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.”

We are here temporarily. This earth is not our home. As Bible-believing Christians, we look forward to an eternal home waiting for us in heaven. We persevere to do the will of God so that we will receive all that He has promised us. What is the “will of God?” It is to believe in the name of Jesus Christ and to love one another.

To love one another (everyone) doesn’t mean we have to agree with them. Loving one another is carrying another’s burdens or encouraging them when they are discouraged. We

can correct them in the things they do wrong. That can be a sticky situation, but it can and should be done with love. What better love can we demonstrate than to share what we have in Jesus Christ with unbelievers? Just going to church every Sunday morning isn’t enough. It has to be our walk with Jesus that unbelievers see.

Christ is coming for the faithful. He’s not coming for a busload of people who did good works. He’s coming back for the faithful – those who believe in Him. Some say you can earn your way to heaven by your good works, but you can’t. It doesn’t work that way. Faith is the only thing that gets us to heaven. We believe that Jesus Christ took our sins and bore our guilt and shame for us. He has set us free from the burdens of sin. The righteous is bound by faith.

Christ takes no pleasure in those who shrink back. When we confess Christ and then revert back to our old ways, that’s shrinking back. When we have the knowledge of Him but we don’t follow Him, we shrink back.

Most people today base their lives on feelings and emotions. We are told to walk by faith not by our emotions. People who walk by their emotions will act out their emotions. If they’re full of anger they will act out anger. When they are feeling good and loving, they will act good and lovingly.

Christians must walk by faith. We have no other options. A person who believes in Christ and walk daily with Him is saved. We all sin. None of us are perfect but we don’t have to continue to be sinners. It is our responsibility to speak to unbelievers about the Lord. We must not be “tight lipped” but should be ready and willing to talk about Him. Do we do that for Christ? He gave us the ability to

do so, but do we? We should look for every opportunity to discuss Christ with everyone we meet.

Here, in the United States, we are not persecuted like other Christians around the world. There are Christians dying for the cause of Christ. They have never met Him, face to face, but they have faith that He is everything the Bible says He is and they are willing to die for Him. How easy would it be to deny your faith, if you were confronted with death? If we are strong in our faith, there would be no other option for us. We would stand firm and let death come knowing that there is a better place for us.

Faith is the assurance of what we do not see. The invisible is hard to believe but our faith allows us to believe. It is confidence for what we hope for. We take ownership of Jesus Christ when we believe. Reality is where our hope is fixed. We don’t see the things of the future but we know they exist. We know the certainty and reality of what we can’t see and we trust that it is real. Faith is believing and possessing all that God says it is.

God fulfills all his promises to us, today, tomorrow and for all time. Christians understand that the universe was created, made from the unseen. Earth was formed at God’s command. We can’t see God and we weren’t there in the beginning to see Him create the earth out of nothing. Yet our faith is knowing and believing that there is a God and He created the earth and everything in it.

How is your faith? Do you see yourself occupying your place in heaven? If you don’t, you must accept Jesus Christ as your personal savior and take ownership of what God has promised for you.

THANK YOU

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Potawatomi Methodist Church

By Ilene Dick

Sunday, Jan. 18, was a beautiful day, with no complaints about the weather.

Pastor Howard greeted the congregation at Potawatomi Methodist Church and shared words of the Psalmist relaying the message about the happiness of those who trust God.

Joys and concerns were shared. It will be a great joy when all of the church members with health problems will be able to return to church: Leetha Smith will have five more weeks to heal her broken ankle; Darlene Rawlings will continue in rehabilitation at Lexington Park for another month or more as her leg heals; Leon Daugherty is having a shoulder problem; Lester Arnold was hospitalized two days last week having a stint put in his leg and still not feeling well; LeAnna Meeks returned home following surgery and doing well; Pastor Howard twisted his knee last week but continues with his pastoral work. Keep him in prayers for healing and safe travels as he attends clergy session in Lincoln, Neb. this week. Prayers also go with other members traveling.

It was a joy to have Marjean and

Jim Shenk back to church following their trip back east.

Lily Hall thanked Pastor Howard for being with her during tests last week. Prayers are with her in receiving a good report from the tests. Anna Pugh had the joy of a fun trip to California and her first ride on a plane.

Lily Hall served as acolyte. Music was provided by Tina Pugh, Ilene Dick and Ann W. Hymns were “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty,” “I Surrender All” and “Where He Leads Me.”

Ronald Dick read the scripture from Ezekiel 43:2. The Epiphany prayer was prayed in unison.

For the special, Martha Roush shared the interesting story about how and when the hymn “Jesus Loves Me” was written.

Offertory ushers were Joe Redlightning and Jim Shenk.

Pastor Howard’s message was “Hearing God’s Call,” with the text coming from I Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20). God’s call can come to anyone of every generation, any place or any time. Do the best you can to hear the call and to carry out His call. Be ready to say “Here I am.”

Samuel, in the scripture, put himself in position to hear the Lord. He

was in the temple when he heard the call.

Parents and the church have special roles so youth may hear God’s Word. Eli spent his life in the spirit of God – not in his home. Don’t let the desire to do God’s work let you neglect your family.

Be open to God’s call in your lives, and pass the baton to the next generation.

Next Sunday’s sermon is titled “Follow Me,” with the text coming from Mark 1:14-20.

Marjean and Jim Shenk enjoyed a visit with their daughter, Marilee, and family in Virginia.

They also were proud to watch Sam Shenk win first place in a wrestling tournament in St. Marys.

Ronald and I met Lori Gillis of Shawnee, her friend, Al, of Kansas City, Mo., Joy Uthoff and Loren Litter of Baldwin City and Louise and Lewis Miles of Burlingame at the Almost Home Café at Grantville for lunch on Saturday, Jan. 17. The occasion was in celebration of Joy’s Jan. 15 birthday and Ronald’s Feb. 2 birthday. We enjoyed a nice meal and good visit. Before returning home, Ronald and I also called on Jim Dick and had a good visit.

Netawaka United Methodist Church

By Mary E. Edwards

Jan. 18 was a beautiful sunny, windless morning. Alyssa Mullins lighted the altar candles at Netawaka United Methodist Church. Marilyn Banaka gave the welcome. Joys and concerns were shared. Marcia Robertson enjoyed some time with her grandchildren, Julia and Luke, Friday. Henry Pagel’s baby calves were being born Sunday, which is a joy and a concern.

Some names were taken off the prayer list as folks are improving. Neva Douglas requested prayer for her sister-in-law, Joanne Seastrom, who’s having surgery for a broken bone. Janet Banaka was taken to the hospital Sunday.

Pastor Caren Loper led the respon-

sive call to worship and the psalter, Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18. The hymn of praise was “Awesome God.” Other hymns were “Jesus Loves Me,” “The Summons” and “Here I Am, Lord.”

The congregation prayed the prayer of confession concerning our prayer to notice the needs of others. Pastor Caren offered up her prayer and led us saying the Lord’s Prayer. Marcia collected the offering.

Pastor Caren read John 1:43-51 and gave the sermon “Building Relationships.” When Jesus decided to go to Galilee (John 1:43), He said to Philip, “Follow me.” Philip then found Nathanael and told him that Jesus of Nazareth is the one Moses wrote about in the law. “Can anything good come from Nazareth?”

Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip. Jesus recognized Nathanael as a true Israelite, and Nathanael believed in Jesus as the Son of God and the King of Israel.

Things are going on in the family of God. Familiarity brings people together into relationships. When people meet, they look for points of common acquaintance with people or places. God knows all about us. Our belief can be our common ground.

Think of the world as a wheel. If God is the hub of the wheel and we are the spokes, notice that when we get closer to God we also get closer to the other spokes (other people). If we draw away from God, we are farther from others.

Circleville Christian Church

By Jeannie Arnold

Don and Renae Askren served as greeters at the door for Cowboy Church at Circleville Christian Church on Jan. 18. Gary Bell gave the 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 of upcoming events and Paul Davault gave the prayer for concerns and praises.

Randy Wickham used text from Romans 2:17-3:8 and Hosea 6:8 as he gave the morning sermon titled “But I Go To Church!” Our best deeds, done for the wrong reasons, are not good in God’s sight. The true child of God is the person who has a heart that belongs to the Lord. Only faith in Christ can save. God’s word about sin is important and our goal should be to draw closer to Jesus. God knows the truth about our lives.

We cannot know God’s strength

until we stop relying on our own strength. The Lord will save those who actually trust Him and obey Him and Him alone. His blood covers our sins.

Paul Davault used text from James 2:14-17 as he gave the communion meditation. Communion servers were Ellsworth Hewitt, Don Askren, Mike Cochren and John Ray. The prayer for the offering was given by Dale Askren and the service closed by singing “Happy Trails To You.”

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