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Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback (left) presented Candi Marr, owner of Heart To Home in Holton, with a certificate honoring the store's "success and positive contributions... to its community and the State of Kansas" during the governor's Friday morning visit to Holton. Brownback was in town that morning to talk about small business, but he also heard concerns from area citizens about cuts in education funding.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Small businesses the main focus of Brownback's visit

During Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback's visit to Holton on Friday, the governor's aim was to hear the concerns of, and champion, small businesses.

But a small group of protesters also wanted Gov. Brownback to hear their concerns over what they saw as reductions in funding to public education.

The governor met with more than 100 area residents on Friday morning at Penny's to discuss and get input on how to improve the environment for small businesses.

Brownback also took questions and comments on other issues, including education, which he said remains a "very high priority" for him and the Kansas Legislature.

"We put more than half our budget into Kansas schools. We're fourth in the nation in percentage of budget we put into K-12. We put \$177 million more into education this year than last year," Brownback said. "It's the lead function of state government, and it's the leading place where we put most of our money. If you took a combination of K-12, higher education, teacher pensions and combined all that, that would probably be 65 percent of our budget."

Protesters were not appeased by the statement, however, and as Brownback began to talk with those present on Friday morning, protesters shifted their chairs to turn their backs to him. Still, the governor welcomed comments and questions from people concerned over perceived cuts in education funding.

"The education issue's been contentious for a while. But it's good that people are out and saying what they think," he said later that morning.

School officials and supporters have expressed dissent with the governor's statement that the state has put more money into public K-12 education, noting that the state has changed how school taxes are collected at the state level. Each school district collects a 20-mill tax that is now required to be placed in state coffers before it is then sent back to individual school districts as "additional state aid."

School officials also contend that additional state funding for the Kansas Public Employees' Retirement System (KPERs), the retirement system for state workers that also benefits retired teachers, should not be considered "school funds."

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Nelson working, playing basketball in Australia

By Kelly Breckunitch

With the success of the girls basketball program at Holton High School, it's not surprising to see alumni translate those skills to excel at the next level. Currently, seven former Wildcats are competing at the collegiate level.

As it turns out, those skills can also be translated on a global scale, as HHS alum Melissa Nelson recently took her talents to the southern hemisphere, and it wasn't long before an opportunity to continue her basketball career found her.

Since graduating from Fort Hays State University (where Nelson also played basketball collegiately) with a bachelor of science degree in biology in 2013, Nelson has been working for Diamond Ag Research Inc. in Larned, where she also coached high school girls basketball for a season, and this past year looked into internship opportunities in Australia to "enhance my crop knowledge and expose myself to a different type of farming in a different area of the world," Nelson said.

Looking into opportunities during Kansas' winter months (Australia's summer), Nelson was contacted by Eurofins Agrisearch Company and offered a position as Research Sci-

entist and arrived in Shepparton, Victoria, Australia, in mid-November.

Once in Australia, it wasn't long before Nelson got back on the hardwood. She said her roommate in Australia invited her to play "netball" and she looked forward to trying a new sport.

After a couple of weeks playing netball, Nelson was approached by the team manager for the Lady Shepparton Gators, a semi-professional Australian basketball team, and she asked if she would be interested in trying out for the team. The question might as well have been redundant.

"I love the game and, to me, the draw back to the game is always in my blood. Last year it was a coaching role, but I was lucky this time and was allowed to play in a competitive league," Nelson said. "I played under amazing coaching staffs that have always fed my desire to improve and stay involved in the game. I would love to inspire young girls from back home that with hard work and dedication basketball can open so many doors for you. The opportunities are endless."

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Roberts to visit HHS Thursday

By Brian Sanders

U.S. Senator and Holton High School alumnus Pat Roberts will be returning to his alma mater on Thursday for a school lunch, it was reported.

Sen. Roberts' state schedule for the Presidents Day recess will include a Thursday morning stop at HHS to meet with a "focus group" of students from the school's student council to get input on children's nutrition programs that are set to be reauthorized this year, according to Roberts spokeswoman Sarah Little.

Following the meeting with the HHS focus group, Little said the senator will eat lunch with students at the school from which he graduated in 1954.

It was reported that Roberts announced in late January that he would dine at school cafeterias in preparation for the reauthorization later this year of a child nutrition law that sets school meal standards. Roberts,

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Accident claims Topeka woman's life

An accident in southern Jackson County Wednesday evening claimed the life of a Topeka woman, according to the Kansas Highway Patrol.

Jacqueline Lovanna Moore Wilson, 56, Topeka was killed after the 2003 Oldsmobile Alero she was driving collided with a 2012 Freightliner Ryder truck at the intersection of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 214, which is also known as 110th Road.

According to KHP, Wilson's vehicle was traveling north in the right-hand lane of the highway at 7:10 p.m. when it collided with the semi, after its driver, Christopher Smart, 33, of Charlotte, N.C., failed to yield at a

stop sign while attempting to cross the highway.

Both Smart and Wilson were wearing seatbelts at the time of the accident, according to the report, as well as the two passengers in Wilson's Alero, Dwayne Lanier Anderson, 54, Norton, and Shelli I. Zarazua, 50, Topeka.

Anderson was injured in the accident and listed in "disabled" condition and was transported to a Topeka hospital. Zarazua and Smart did not report any injuries.

Both vehicles were towed from the scene.

Jackson County EMS, Hoyt Fire, Mayetta Fire, Prairie Band Potaw-

tomi Nation Fire and the Jackson County Sheriff's Office all responded to the scene, as well as KHP and the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Funeral services for Wilson were scheduled for 5 p.m. today at Bowers-Johnson Funeral Chapel in Topeka.

Traffic was detoured through the city of Hoyt for several hours after the accident, and Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse said the sheriff's office worked an additional accident just south of the scene of the initial accident.

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Construction expected this spring at new fairgrounds

By Brian Sanders

It's been half a year since the Jackson County 4-H Fair came to its final close at the old fairgrounds at the intersection of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 16 in Holton, and Jackson County Fair Association board president Aaron Allen expressed amazement at how quickly the old livestock barns were replaced by a new Casey's General Store.

"They really got it put up in a hurry," said Allen, who noted he had yet to pay a visit to the new convenience store.

With the new Casey's up and running, and the former Jackson Coun-

ty Fair Building having been turned over to Holton USD 336, the Fair Association is now refocusing its attention on the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex, the new home of the Jackson County Fair. The fair board also continues to work on selling the remaining parcels of land that make up the old fairgrounds.

Allen said infrastructure — water, sewer and electricity — is now in place at the Heritage Complex, located two miles south of Holton. The next building to be constructed there, he added, will be the "big livestock building," near the small exhibit building and livestock arena.

"It's due to be delivered on March 1 and erected by May 1," he said of the new livestock barn. "That's pretty quick."

Concerning the old fairgrounds, the livestock arena where 4-Hers from the county's clubs showed their cattle, hogs and sheep still stands for now. Allen said the arena is due to be removed by the end of March.

Three parcels of land remain for sale at the old fairgrounds, including two tracts located between the new Casey's and Fifth Street, north of the store, and the third located on the east side of Dakota Avenue, where the old rabbit and poultry building is presently located. Allen noted that fair board members have received "a few bites" in regard to selling the rest of the land.

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The Golden Fleece opens on Square

By Ali Holcomb

The Golden Fleece has opened on the north side of the Holton Town Square, offering quality yarn, needles and lessons for those interested in the fiber arts.

Paul Abell of Whiting owns The Golden Fleece, which opened Jan. 31 at 108 West Fifth St. in Holton.

Abell has lived in Jackson County for about 20 years and owns some farm ground where he "runs" cow/calf pairs. He said the shop allows him to share and pass on his love of fiber arts.

"I've been knitting and crocheting since I was a kid," Abell said. "When I was in third grade, I was laid up for three months so to keep me from getting bored my mother taught me to crochet. Then she taught me to knit. I've always stuck with it. My favorite thing to do is knit, but I also spin my own wool and weave."

A variety of yarns are sold at The Golden Fleece.

"I have everything from inexpensive acrylic to wool, alpaca, silk and linen," he said, noting that he carries premium yarn brands such as Berroco and Rowan. "Cascade is my anchor line so I have more of that brand than any other."

Abell said he plans to sell more organic and raw fibers, noting he offers locally spun and dyed yarn from Ivy Rash of Havensville.



Paul Abell of Whiting recently opened The Golden Fleece on the north side of the Holton Town Square. The shop sells a variety of yarn and needles for knitting, crocheting and other fiber arts.

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TUESDAY'S FORECAST
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 Look for the complete forecast on page 2.

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 10:30 a.m. - Worship
 5:00 p.m. - Prayer Time
 5:15 p.m. - RISC
 6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth
 Other activities available throughout the week.



Cirleville Christian

By Jeannie Arnold

Carol Fenton served as greeter at the door for Cowboy Church at Cirleville Christian Church on Feb. 15. Dale Askren gave the welcome and opening prayer.

Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, David Allen, Max Lierz and Sandra Hurt. Mike Cochren gave the announcements of upcoming events, and David Allen gave the prayer for concerns and praises.

Randy Wickham used text from Acts 11:19-26, 2 Peter 1:3-8, Hebrews 5:12-14 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17 as he gave the morning sermon titled "Short Cuts Can Cost You!" Shortcuts are not always what you expect them to be. If you take shortcuts with Christianity, you can take life out of your faith.

The first stage for the Christian is always faith, and one level of our Christianity is always built upon another. It's a growth process; there's no

room for shortcuts. Make every effort to add knowledge to your faith. If you don't, you won't be where God wants you to be.

Open your Bible and you might be surprised to find what's in there. Find out what God has in store for you. Reach out and let Jesus have His way in your life!

David Allen gave the communion meditation. Communion servers were Don Askren, Roger Rethman, Mike Cochren and John Ray. Ross Allen provided the piano music as communion was served. The prayer for the offering was given by Dale Askren and the service closed by singing "Happy Trails To You."

The Valentine Adult Night Out was held in the evening with 60 advance reservations. They enjoyed an appetizer social at 5:30 p.m. and a lovely catered meal at 6 p.m.

Just a reminder: February is Food Pantry Month for the church.

May Day Business Plan Competition...

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The business is a startup, the applicant must be willing to start the business within six months of the date the winner is announced. If the submitted plan is for an existing business considering expansion, the business must be maintained and operated for a term of at least one year after receiving the award.

The Glacial Hills Resource Conservation and Development Inc. Revolving Loan Fund is available to entrepreneurs who need access to non-traditional capital for their business. The Glacial Hills Food Center in Horton is a shared-use

commercial kitchen that is available for use by those entrepreneurs wanting to develop a food business.

Free and confidential business planning assistance is available. Contact Mary Ann Riederer, Washburn Small Business Development Center, Wetmore, 785-207-0267, or Teresa McAnemey, Northeast Kansas Enterprise Facilitation, 785-364-0583.

For more information and to order a Glacial Hills May Day Business Plan Competition packet, call Gary Satter at 785-608-8801 or email gary.satter@glacialhillsrccd.com



A Kansas treat on Kansas Day

First-graders at Jackson Heights Elementary School celebrated Kansas Day on Thursday, Jan. 29 by enjoying an icee, the frozen beverage that has origins in Kansas. Students in Sheryl Kuglin's class (above) and Tiffany Zule's class (at left) are shown enjoying their icees. The idea for the icee began in the late 1950s when Omar Knedlik, owner of a Dairy Queen in Coffeyville, placed some soda bottles in a freezer and, upon taking them out of the freezer, discovered a cool new frozen beverage that later became the icee, a beverage that was later licensed and sold by 7-Eleven stores as the Slush Puppie.

Submitted photos

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Feb. 9, 2015.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Florence O. Steffens, deceased.

Case No. 2015 PR 3

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on February 3, 2015, a Petition for Probate of Last Will and Testament and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Alexandria S. Morrissey, executrix named in the Last Will and Testament of Florence O. Steffens, praying the Will filed with the Petition be admitted to probate and record; petitioner be appointed as executrix, without bond; and petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your

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Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Feb. 9, 2015.)

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

LUCILLE M. SLATTERY,

Deceased.

Case No. 15 PR 4

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that on February 4, 2015, a Petition was filed in this Court by Mary F. Slattery, J.D., an heir, devisee and legatee, and Executor named in the "Last Will and Testament" of Lucille M. Slattery, deceased, dated April 4, 1990, requesting that the instrument attached thereto be admitted to probate and record as the Last Will and Testament of the decedent; Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act be issued to Executor to serve without bond.

You are further advised under the provisions of the Kansas Simplified Estates Act the Court need not supervise administration of the Estate, and no notice of any action of the Executor or other proceedings in the admin-

written defenses thereto on or before March 5, 2015 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, at Holton, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of this 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.

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Foods and Nutrition

The scoop on fast food, sodium and fitness programs

By Cynthia S. Williams
Meadowlark Extension
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Food & Nutrition, FNP

Fast food is a popular choice for a quick meal. But, over the years (1996-2013), little has changed in the nutritional content. Research published in Preventing Chronic Disease shows average calories; sodium and saturated fat have stayed constant. One exception is the decline in trans-fat in fries. This may be



due to legislation to reduce, or ban, trans-fat in fried foods.

Fast food studied included fries, cheeseburgers, grilled chicken sandwiches and regular soda. They included various sizes of these foods. The foods came from three fast food chains.

Only min fluctuations were found in calorie content, saturated fat, and sodium during this time period. Similar items between chains could vary widely. For example, small orders of fries were 110 calories to 320 mg of sodium different between chains.

A cheeseburger meal from the three chains could fulfill 65-80 percent of a 2,000-calorie daily intake. Sodium content made up 63-91 percent of the recommended daily intake.

The Scoop on Sodium in Canned Foods

Sodium is a popular ingredient in canned foods. It is primarily used for flavor. How do you know how much is in a can of food? Read the label.

Look on the front of the label for no salt added, low sodium or reduced sodium claims. If buying regular canned foods, many can be drained and rinsed to remove some of the sodium. Draining can reduce sodium by 36 percent. Draining and rinsing can reduce sodium by 41 percent.

Salt and sodium are not the same. Salt is sodium chloride in the proportions of 40 percent sodium and 60 percent chloride. Sodium regulates blood volume and pressure plus many other functions.

SuperTracker is now Mobile

SuperTracker is a food and fitness program to help you track the foods you eat and your physical activity.

Now, there's an app for that! SuperTracker is now available on your Apple phone. Create your own personal profile or use the general plan. The program has more than 8,000 foods. It can also help you set personal goals and get support from a virtual coach.

For more information about SuperTracker, visit www.supetracker.usda.gov

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istration will be given, except for notice of final settlement of decedent's estate.

You are further advised if written objections to simplified administration are filed with the Court, the Court may order that supervised administration ensue.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before March 5, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., in this Court, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

/s/ Mary F. Slattery, J.D.
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Royal Valley senior Caitlin Burns (shown above, front middle) recently signed a letter of intent to play softball at Allen County Community College next year. With her at the signing were parents Mandy (front left) and Craig (front right) Burns, former RVHS softball coach Michelle Finnegan (back left) and brother Zach Burns (back right).

Submitted photo



Royal Valley senior Jaycee Worrell (shown above, front middle) recently signed a letter of intent to play softball at Cloud County Community College next year. Joining her at the signing were mother Amy Hefner (front left), sister Josie Hefner (second from front left), father Jay Worrell (second from front right), grandfather Jerry Thornburg (front right), former RVHS softball coach Michelle Finnegan (back left) and stepmother Tracey Worrell (back right).

Photo by Kelly Brecknitch

Kientz Corner By Beverly Ramey Newell

On Feb. 8, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "Take Time To Be Holy."

The announcements were: Kansas Maid Pastries go on sale Feb. 15 through the month of February (the sign-up sheet is in the foyer); there are sign-up sheets in the foyer for "Dinner for Eight;" Ash Wednesday service will be held at 7 p.m.; and Ladies - It's Coming - in May!

The birthdays for Feb. 8 through Feb. 14: Kellen Risinger, Feb. 9; and Kason Boyles and Matt Christman, Feb. 10.

The children's story was given by Brian Smith. He showed them a children's book, "Where's Waldo?" In the book, it shows a picture of a big carnival. Brian asked the children if they could find Waldo in the picture of the carnival.

Sometimes, children get lost at a carnival. Some people are lost and they are seeking Jesus every day. If you open your Bible, you can find Jesus. May we have Jesus in our hearts.

Deuteronomy 4:29 says, "From there you will seek the Lord your God, and you will find Him if you search after Him with all your heart and soul."

The chancel choir sang "For Where Love Is, There Is God." Those singing in the choir were Janet Baldwin, Kristy Beatty, Betty Domer, Linda Griffiths, Kay Jones-Ray, Christine Saunders, Gayle Smith, Billie Winsor, Gary Domer, Ron Griffiths, Clifford Hurst, Bruce Lanning, Brian Smith and John Wilson. They were directed by Greg Baldwin while Marty Ransdell accompanied them on the piano.

The concerns were prayers for Cory Griffiths, who was to have knee surgery on Feb. 10; the family of Duane Fout; and the family of Helen Wallace.

Bruce and Linda Lanning thanked everyone who helped with the chili feed and silent auction fund-raiser for "Hope for Heidi" on Feb. 6. It was a big success. They ran out of chili and served more than 500 people. The Walder family thanked everyone for the fund-raiser and the love and support of the church family.

The anniversaries for Feb. 8 through Feb. 14 were: Gary and Barbara Slimmer, Feb. 8; Jason and Lori Marteney, Feb. 12; Ron and Linda Griffiths, Feb. 13; and Kirby and Patty Chilton, Feb. 14.

Linda Griffiths read the scripture 2 Kings 5:1-14. The sermon "Do

You Really Want?" was given by the Rev. Hyun-Jin Cho. A man had leprosy and wanted to be cured. He heard there was a prophet in Israel that could help him. He went to his house, where a messenger told him to go wash in the Jordan River seven times and "your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." He went away angry.

A servant spoke to him, saying, "All he said to you was, 'Wash and be clean.'" So the man went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan River, and his flesh was restored and he was clean.

Sometimes, we need to listen and make changes for our own good. We need to consider how changes will affect our lives. May God encourage us and inspire us to grow.

The closing hymn was "Lord, I Want To Be A Christian." Those assisting with the service were Linda Griffiths, liturgist; Marty Ransdell, organist; Matt and Deb Mannell, sound system; Hailee Gower, acolyte; Betty Domer, song leader; and Norm and Tina Davis and Denis and Val Warkentine, usher team.

On Feb. 5, there were 12 people who attended the Pleasant Hill coffee group for breakfast at Perkins Restaurant in Topeka.

NRCS announces national initiatives

There are five national initiatives being offered in Kansas through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) - Lesser Prairie-Chicken Initiative, National Water Quality Initiative, On-Farm Energy Initiative, Organic Initiative and Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative.

While the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service accepts applications for EQIP on a continuous basis, NRCS has set a deadline of March 20 to apply for 2015 initiatives funding.

- The Lesser Prairie-Chicken Initiative will not be offered in north-east Kansas.

- National Water Quality Initiative: NRCS will assist producers with addressing high-priority water resource concerns in three watersheds. These include Big Creek Watershed in Ellis County; Emma Creek Watershed in Harvey, Marion and McPherson counties; and Grasshopper Creek Watershed in Atchison, Brown and Jackson

counties.

- On-Farm Energy Initiative: Producers work with an NRCS-approved Technical Service Provider (TSP) to develop Agricultural Energy Management Plans or farm energy audits that assess energy consumption on an agricultural operation. NRCS may also provide assistance to implement various recommended improvements identified in the energy audit through the use of conservation practices offered through this initiative.

- Organic Initiative: NRCS will assist producers with installation of conservation practices on agricultural operations related to organic production. Producers currently certified as organic, transitioning to organic, or producers who are exempt based on the National Organic Program will have access to a broad set of conservation practices to assist in treating their resource concerns while fulfilling many of the requirements in an organic sys-

tem plan.

- Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative: NRCS helps producers implement high tunnels that extend growing seasons for high value crops in an environmentally safe manner. High tunnel benefits include better plant and soil quality and fewer nutrients and pesticides in the environment.

EQIP offers financial and technical assistance to eligible participants to install or implement structural and management practices on eligible agricultural land. Conservation practices must be implemented to NRCS standards and specifications. In Kansas, socially disadvantaged, limited resource and beginning farmers and ranchers will receive a higher payment rate for eligible conservation practices applied.

For more information about EQIP, or other programs offered by NRCS, please contact your local USDA Service Center or visit www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov

Students celebrate Spirit Week

By Taylor Fund

WHS Student Correspondent

Despite having a snow day on Monday of Queen of Courts Spirit Week 2015, sponsored by StuCo, the students and staff of Wetmore High School celebrated in high spirits. More than half the student body enjoyed a lively spirit week, which had a Disney theme.

Monday and Tuesday were combined, and students could choose to either be "Sleeping Beauties" and wear pajamas to school or be "Tangled" and let their crazy hair down. On Wednesday, students dressed like their favorite Disney character and Thursday was "Twin Day/Disney Couple Day." Finally, Friday was, of course, the traditional all-out red and white day.

The Student Council held a pep rally Friday, Feb. 7 in which the King and Queen of Courts candidates, Keri Pfrang, Jeremy Hoelscher, Layne Hodge, Alicia Heights, Kayle Wamsley and Austin Morris, competed in three separate games. These games included Baby Bash, The Compatibility Test and the Cow Tongue Trust Toss.

During the pep rally, StuCo announced the winners of the spirit days. There were winners in the kindergarten through fifth grade classes, sixth through eighth grade classes and high school classes.

On Tuesday, Melinda Crismas, Savannah Bryant and Bryanna Morfitt were the winners. On Wednesday, it was Evan Ramirez, Reagan Osterhaus and Ethan Osterhaus. On Thursday, Marcus Heinen, Jacob Carles, Dierk Hanzlicek, Kaitlyn Ramirez, Austin Smith, Rachel Bloom and Yamina Sauer received recognition. On Friday the victors were Braden Henry, Abby Shumaker and Kayle Wamsley.

In the evening, the Wetmore Cardinals competed against the Hanover Wildcats on the court. During half-time of the varsity boys game, Layne Hodge was crowned King and Kayle Wamsley was crowned Queen of Courts. The students celebrated the week with a dance after the game.

Submitted photos

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Trinity Lutheran Church would like to thank all those who came to our spaghetti luncheon. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Thank You

The family of Marvin A. Ingels acknowledges with deep appreciation the many expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers, food, hugs, thoughts and prayers or who helped in any way.

Special thanks to all the Schumann relatives, Chris and Tracy Mercer and their staff for guidance.

God Bless.

Melvena Ingels, Leonard & Carroll Young

THANK YOU

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, messages, and other acts of kindness after my accident on January 27. We appreciate the emergency medical responders from Holton and Mayetta, and their assistance in locating me. I am home in Valley Falls now, and with God's help, working toward a full recovery. I will not be horse riding for awhile!

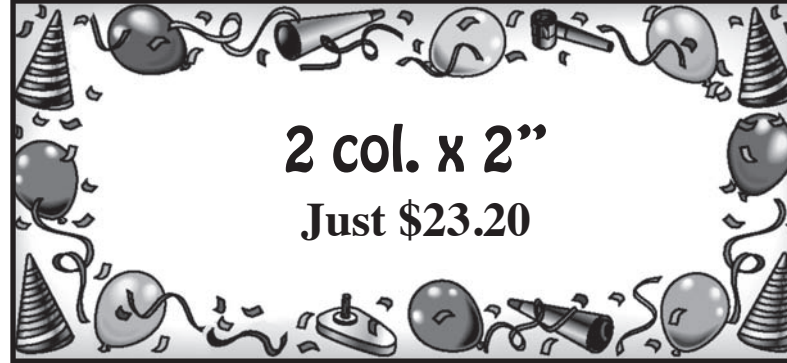
Sincerely, Jim Braum and family

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

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Eastridge Nursing Facility at Centralia has an immediate position for a Part-Time Night Nurse. Will be working one 12-hour shift, 5 p.m. to 5 a.m. per week and every third weekend. Looking for someone who enjoys working with elders and is very task-oriented. Competitive wages and benefits.

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