



After rust spots on the gazebo at Holton's Rrafters Park were sanded off and smoothed out, Brandy Rider spent Monday morning covering the bare spots with spray paint. Holton City Commissioners recently heard from a Holton resident about the need to touch up the gazebo, which the resident had reserved for her wedding in September, and city officials looked into getting rid of the rust spots.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Area veterans to participate in Heights' sixth Honor Flight

By Brian Sanders

Twenty-nine military veterans from three different wars — including nine from Jackson County — will be participating in the upcoming sixth Jackson Heights Honor Flight, according to information provided by USD 335 Superintendent Adrienne Walsh.

During the planned Sept. 17 trip, military veterans will be taken to Washington, D.C. for a day to visit memorials dedicated to those who fought and died in World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars, as well as other historical monuments. The upcoming trip will also feature a stop at Arlington Cemetery for a viewing of the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Jackson Heights became an Honor

Flight "hub" in 2008; the Sept. 17 will be the first to involve the participation of Vietnam War veterans, it was noted. More than 140 World War II and Korean War veterans have participated in the school's five previous flights, it was reported.

Accompanying veterans on each flight are a group of JHHS students who serve as the veterans' "guardians," as well as a physician and other "support staff." A total of 19 JHHS students will be participating in this Honor Flight.

"Honor Flight is a wonderful way to recognize American veterans for their sacrifices and service to our country. Jackson Heights is extremely proud to give back to veterans in this way through the generosity of donations and fund-raising events," Walsh said in a statement posted at

the district's Web site.

Veterans scheduled to participate in the Sept. 17 trip include, according to the wars in which they were involved:

■ **World War II:** Arthur Bratton, Atchison; William Brockenshire, Lansing; Melvin Harold, Sabetha; and John Padilla and John Reb, Topeka.

■ **Korean War:** Ray Chadwick, Centralia; Edgar Claycamp, Wetmore; Roy Hale, Mayetta; Victor Hulsing, Seneca; Clifton Johnson, Nortonville; Earl Ketchum, Meriden; Eldon Mulroy, Goff; Francis Schraad and Donald Spielman, Seneca; Robert Stapel, Topeka; Carl Swart, Seneca; Jack Wallisch, Meriden; and Melvin Wells, Holton.

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Standards-based report card approved for Royal Valley Elementary School

By Ali Holcomb

A new standards-based report card has been approved for Royal Valley Elementary School in order to help parents understand their child's academic progress more clearly.

"The main difference is that it's not going to show points; it will just show a grade scale using the new standards score," RVES Principal Noah Slay told USD 337 Board of Education members Monday evening.

Standard score options on the new report cards include:

* M for Mastery. The student met the grade level expectation.

* OT for On Target. The student is at the right place at the right time with the subject.

* P is for Progressing. The student

is showing growth with some assistance or has been introduced to the skill or concept and shows some understanding. Some errors or misunderstandings may occur and additional instruction or practice is needed.

* N is for Needs Improvement. The student is struggling to apply skills and needs significant support.

With the new grading system, Slay said that not all assignments will be reported by teachers in the grade book, only those considered summative.

Slay explained to the board the difference between summative and formative assignments. He said that formative assignments are used after a new skill, like fractions, is taught.

They are practice assignments to help gauge the students' progress so the teacher can adjust their teaching.

Summative assignments are quizzes, tests or final projects that are assigned after concepts are thoroughly taught and students have had ample opportunities to learn the skill.

"This is a big shift in the reporting," Slay said. "We really want to see kids on target throughout the school year. That's where you want to be."

The new grade report includes two components, a quarterly narrative and student information.

The quarterly narrative lists each subject with a standards score next to it and then outlines what "anchor standards" were taught during those nine weeks to all students in that grade level, said Belinda Brandt, RVES reading literacy coach.

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Questions answered regarding fire board

By Ali Holcomb

Which government entity is holding Holton Rural Fire Board #4 accountable?

That's the question Jackson County Commissioners have been trying to clear up since the fire district receives tax funding from both the county and the city of Holton.

The county commissioners met with Kevin Ingels, Holton fire chief, and David Ent, assistant fire chief, on Monday to clarify Holton fire board appointments and operations.

The main responsibility of all the fire boards in the county is to set a budget and oversee the taxable dollars each fire department receives from the county. These funds are used to purchase equipment, new firetrucks and other items.

Fire board members are not volunteer firefighters or the fire chief but are other community members who volunteer their time, it was reported.

Since fire boards are under the authority of the county, fire board members are appointed to the boards by the county commissioners under the recommendation of fire district members or through election.

It recently came to the attention of the county commissioners that neither the city nor the county commission-

ers were approving the appointments to Holton Rural Fire Board #4. The city, however, does approve the hiring of the fire chief and the assistant fire chief.

"This is not an issue about how the fire department is run because you guys are doing a great job," said Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer. "We just want to know who the fire board is answering to and who is approving board members. Somebody needs to be accountable for the fire board for the fire board's own protection, as well as the county's."

Ingels said that a list of fire board members is usually given to Pat Korte, emergency management director, each year. But a list of appointments hasn't ever been brought before the county commissioners for approval.

"I guess I just assumed you were approving them," Ingels said to the commissioners.

Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick said that Korte needs a list of fire board members for insurance purposes.

Ent said there seems to be a miscommunication regarding the board appointments.

"I guess we assumed you were getting them and that if you wanted them, you would have requested them," Ent said. "We didn't know you weren't

getting them."

The Holton Rural Fire Board #4 operates with four members. Those current members are Cole Gerhardt, Ryan Alley, Glenn Chiles and Tyler Raaf.

The rural fire district serves all of Jefferson, Banner, Liberty, Garfield and Straight Creek townships, as well as Franklin township with the exception of sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 26. In addition, the department also serves the cities of Holton, Circleville and Denison.

Ingels said that the department receives funding from both the city and the county to operate. The funds are kept separate, and the fire department is considered another department operated by the city.

"The fire board just deals with county funds," Ingels said. "They don't have anything to do with city money. Any city-related bills the district receives go to city hall to be paid and they pay it from there."

City funds used by the fire district are used to cover the cost of personnel, dispatchers and some equipment, and those funds are governed by the city commission since the district is considered a city department.

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Incentive policies in place to boost interest in Holton Industrial Park

By Brian Sanders

Four lots remain up for grabs at the Holton Industrial Park north of the city, but finding buyers for those lots has been no easy task for the city despite a recently-created incentive policy that encourages new business and industry to come to Holton, bringing property and sales tax revenue and jobs.

"People from Topeka will drive up here," Holton Mayor Robert Dieckmann said. "We may not be big enough to make Goodyear tires, but we're big enough to make dog food... Hiawatha's hitting a home run with the dog food industry."

Industries such as the Parkville, Mo.-based Crosswind Industries, which has plants in Sabetha and Hiawatha, could be a good fit for the last nine or so acres at Holton's industrial park, but Dieckmann said he didn't know why "light manufacturing" industries couldn't come to Holton. But the City of Holton does have a policy in place that could be used to draw such businesses to the industrial park — and elsewhere in the city.

In the fall of 2013, Holton City Manager Bret Bauer introduced an "economic development incentive policy" to the Holton City Com-

mission for review, including possible property tax abatements and the issuance of industrial revenue bonds for new industries interested in locating in Holton. After some adjustments, commissioners approved the policy that November.

Following the policy's approval, commissioners said they would like to see Jackson County officials review the policy and draft something similar. "We'd like to see if the county can come on board, or maybe they can adopt something different," Commissioner Tim Morris said in November 2013.

Commissioners had also, in recent years, been discussing replacement of deteriorating chip-and-seal roads at the industrial park. Recently, the city approved a \$910,000 proposal from King Engineering of Holton to rebuild the roads, and with both new roads and the economic development incentives policy in place, the city is hoping to sell the industrial park's last four lots.

But while the city has a set of economic development incentives in place, the county does not, according to Janet Zwonitzer, a former Holton city commissioner now serving on the Jackson County Commission.

"We don't have anything right now

that's organized on a county level, like we did when we had the Jackson County Development Corporation," Zwonitzer said of the now-defunct economic development entity. "It is my hope that in the upcoming year, we can make a new plan with incentives that are spelled out and get an economic development plan back in action."

Providing funding for economic development at the county level had been the focus of a 0.4-percent county sales tax initially put into place in 2005, with revenues split between JCDC, the county's road and bridge department and the county's nine cities. But when the sales tax was renewed by voters seven years later, JCDC had been disbanded and the revenues from the tax were to be split between the roads and the cities.

Since joining the county commission, Zwonitzer said the county has been able to put away \$100,000 for economic development, but the county still needs some kind of written plan to attract business and industry into the county.


"We have nothing that would be a go-to plan," she said. "We're going to have to get creative on that."

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Holton Water and Wastewater Superintendent Dennis Ashcraft (left) watched as Monte McDaniel of Tonganoxie's Kansas Heavy Construction dug out a trench at the Holton Industrial Park on Tuesday so that Ashcraft and others from his department could remove an old waterline in preparation for KHC's work on rebuilding the roads in the industrial park. Justin Wensel, project manager for KHC, said it is likely that road work in the park will begin sometime next week.

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State, county jobless rate up in July: Labor

A higher percentage of Jackson County residents was out of work in July, matching the statewide unemployment picture, according to unemployment rates released on Friday by the Kansas Department of Labor.

Of the 7,404 members of the county's workforce, 7,064 were employed during the month of July, resulting in an unemployment rate of 4.6 percent. By comparison, it was reported that during June, 7,005 members of the county's 7,315-member work force were gainfully employed, leaving an unemployment rate of 4.2 percent.

The county's rate was up from 4.2 percent in June, but down slightly from the July 2014 rate of 4.7 percent, according to the labor department. Across the state, the July seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.6 percent, up from 4.5 percent in June and up from 4.4 percent in July 2014.

Seasonally adjusted figures show Kansas gained 8,900 private sector jobs since last year, or 0.8 percent. Kansas nonfarm jobs increased by 5,600 jobs, a 0.4 percent increase since July 2014. Since last month, Kansas declined by 3,500 seasonally adjusted private sector jobs, or 0.3 percent. The state decreased by 4,300 seasonally adjusted total non-farm jobs, or 0.3 percent since June.

Not seasonally adjusted figures show Kansas gained 14,900 private sector jobs since last year, or 1.3 percent. Kansas nonfarm jobs increased by 12,400 jobs, a 0.9 percent increase since July 2014. Since June, private sector jobs decreased by 2,600, or 0.2 percent. The state declined by 22,400 total nonfarm jobs over the month, or 1.6 percent.

"Although preliminary short-term month to month estimates of job growth have been mixed in 2015, the Kansas private sector established a 12-month growth rate of 1.3 percent through July," said Tyler Tenbrink, senior labor economist. "Looking

ahead, one indicator that could affect future employment growth will be if the recent trend of a decreasing labor force continues."

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in July was 5.1 percent, up from 4.7 percent in June and unchanged from a year ago. In the Topeka metropolitan service area, which includes Jackson, Jefferson, Osage, Shawnee and Wabaunsee counties, the not seasonally unemployment rate of 5 percent marked an increase from June 4.6 percent rate but remained unchanged from the previous July.

Other not seasonally adjusted rates in the area included, by county:

- **Atchison County:** 8 percent in July, 7.1 percent in June and 7.6 percent in July 2014.
- **Brown County:** 5 percent in July, 4.5 percent in June and 4.5 percent in July 2014.
- **Doniphan County:** 5.6 percent in July, 5.3 percent in June and 4.8 percent in July 2014.
- **Jefferson County:** 5 percent in July, 4.6 percent in June and 5.1 percent in July 2014.
- **Marshall County:** 3.6 percent in July, 3.2 percent in June and 3.5 percent in July 2014.
- **Nemaha County:** 3.4 percent in July, 3.1 percent in June and 3.1 percent in July 2014.
- **Pottawatomie County:** 4.6 percent in July, 4.2 percent in June and 4.4 percent in July 2014.
- **Shawnee County:** 5 percent in July, 4.6 percent in June and 5 percent in July 2014.
- **City of Topeka:** 5.4 percent in July, 4.9 percent in June and 5.5 percent in July 2014.

There were 11,553 initial claims for unemployment benefits in July 2015, up from 11,329 in June and down from 12,193 in July 2014. There were 67,149 continued claims in July, down from 81,504 the previous month and down from 73,127 in July 2014.

Land Transfers

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

Kansas Quit Claim Deed: Thomas Long, an individual, quit claims to Dona Long, two separate tracts of land in the northwest and southwest corner of the northeast quarter of Section 33, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., all in Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Michelle L. Hook and R. Shannon Hook, wife and husband, convey and warrant to Shane Thomas Hart and Ashley Nicole Hart, Lot 29 and the south five feet of Lot 31, New York Avenue, City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Richard P. Guinotte and Jennifer Rae Guinotte, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Jesse L. Smith and Kelly M. Smith, a tract of land in the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 8, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Special Warranty Deed: U.S. Bank does grant, bargain and sell to Pamela Marie Powell, Lots 71, 73 and 75 on Main Street, Lunger's First Addition to the City of Mayetta, Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Karla J. Grau, a single person, conveys and warrants to Unified School District 337 of Jackson County, Kansas, Lots 1 and 2, Grau Subdivision, City of Mayetta, Jackson County, Kansas.

Trustee's Deed: Randall M. Cole, successor trustee of the Elizabeth A. Cole Trust, does grant, sell and convey to Lisa D. Wege, Lot 2 of the replat of Lots 7, 8 and 9 of Holt's Addition, City of Hoyt, Jackson County, Kansas.

Special Warranty Deed: Farmers State Bank does grant, bargain, sell and convey to Kyle McCall and Jessica McCall, a tract of land in the southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Kansas Special Warranty Deed: The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development does sell and convey to Diana G. Baker and Steven R. Bohnenkemper, Lot 1, Block 2, Tuckers Addition to the City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Tracy A. Zule and Tiffany R. Zule, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Catherine A. Montgomery, the west half of the southwest quarter of Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Aaron T. Allen and Erika L. Allen, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Tracy A. Zule and Tiffany R. Zule, a 68.52-acre parcel of land located in the southwest quarter of Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: David G. Allen and Evelyn Allen, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Aaron T. Allen and Erika L. Allen, husband and wife, the south half of the northwest quarter of Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Kyle J. Edwards and Jordan Edwards, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Errin M. Edwards and Jonathan Joseph Bourdon, the west 103

feet of Lots 1, 3 and 5, Indiana Avenue, Drake and Fenn's Addition, City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Angela Beth Bohannon, a single person, conveys and warrants to Jason Lutz and Jennifer L. Lutz, husband and wife, Lot 61 and the south 10 feet of Lot 63, Kansas Avenue, City of Holton, Jackson County, Kansas.

Joint Tenancy General Warranty Deed: Lisa D. Buehler, a single person; Thomas E. Buehler, a single person; and Richard L. Buehler and Amika Buehler, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Jeffrey T. Auen and Rainey N. Auen, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 19, Township 7 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Carina M. Smith, trustee of the 13400 110th Road Trust, conveys and quit claims to Stephen E. Smith, Carina M. Smith and Leetha Smith, a tract of land being a part of Lots 3 and 4 of the fractional southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Stephen E. Smith and Carina M. Smith, husband and wife; and Leetha Smith, a single person, convey and quit claim to the 13400 110th Road Trust, a tract of land being a part of Lots 3 and 4 of the fractional southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Trustee's Deed: Robert L. Hughes and George J. Hughes, co-trustees of the Lena Lou Hughes Revocable Living Trust, do remise, release and quit claim to Robert L. Hughes, M. Leann Dickson and George J. Hughes, the northeast quarter and all of that portion of the southeast quarter lying north of the Kansas Central Railway right-of-way, located in Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 13 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

General Warranty Deed: Ronald J. Falk and DeVeina Falk, husband and wife, convey and warrant to Kenneth R. Koelsch, the southeast quarter of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas, subject to the easements of the Kansas Power and Light Company.

Trustee's Deed: Jason Fuller and Jamie Cathcart, successor co-trustees of the Rhonda S. Fuller Living Trust, grant and convey to Jason Fuller and Amber Fuller, husband and wife, a tract of land in the north half of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County, Kansas.

Quit Claim Deed: Randall M. Cole does remise, release and quit claim to Coralee Walters, Lots 37, 39 and 51, Fifth Avenue, City of Hoyt, Jackson County, Kansas.

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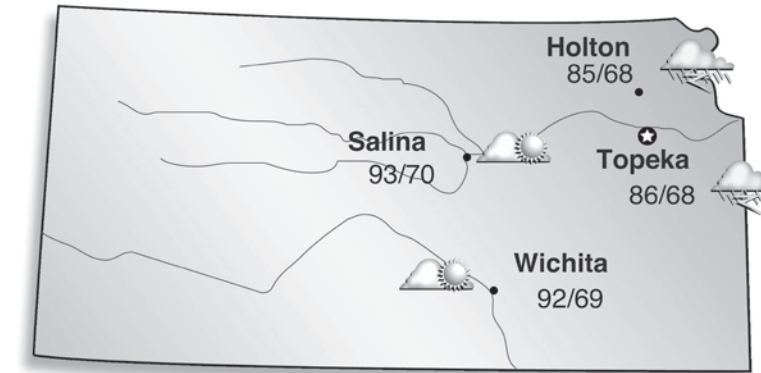
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Nemaha County

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

Arrests

■ Toni L. Douglas, 50, Seneca, was arrested Aug. 9 by sheriff's officers on a charge of driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked and failure to maintain liability insurance. Douglas was released later that day on \$2,000 surety bond with court set for 9 a.m. on Sept. 15.

■ James McKenney was released from custody on Aug. 10 on \$200 cash bond with court set for 4 p.m. on Aug. 20.

■ Jeffrey D. Walter, 53, Topeka, was booked into Nemaha County Jail on Aug. 10 on a Nemaha County bench warrant on a charge of failure to appear. Walter remains in custody with bond set at \$6,750.

■ Roxanne B. Pixler, 43, Onaga, was arrested Aug. 11 by sheriff's officers on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of giving a worthless check. Pixler was released later that day on \$340 cash bond with court set for 10 a.m. on Sept. 1.

■ Travis L. Winters, 38, Oneida, was arrested Aug. 12 by sheriff's officers on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked and refusal to submit to a preliminary breath test. Winters was released later that day on \$4,250 surety bond with court set for 11 a.m. on Sept. 7.

■ Todd Price Jr. was released on

Aug. 12 on \$3,000 cash bond with court set for 1:15 p.m. on Aug. 18.

■ Justin R. Kendrick was released to the custody of the Kansas Department of Corrections on Aug. 13.

■ Carl L. Boyd, 52, Lawrence, was arrested Aug. 15 by Sabetha police on a charge of domestic battery. Boyd was released on Aug. 20 by Nemaha County District Court.

■ Erich J. Hardenburger, 20, Seneca, was arrested Aug. 15 by sheriff's officers on a Nemaha County warrant on a charge of felony theft, issued based upon the alleged Aug. 9 theft of a 1989 model Chevrolet pickup in Corning. Hardenburger remains in custody with bond set at \$5,000 cash or surety.

■ Rita Grier was released Aug. 19 on \$176,000 OR bond with court set for 10 a.m. on Sept. 22.

■ Adam L. Taylor, 40, Indianapolis, Ind., was arrested Aug. 20 by sheriff's officers on a charge of driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked. Taylor remains in custody with bond set at \$750.

■ Candace D. Mortorff, 27, Sabetha, was arrested Aug. 21 by the

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Walmart	63.10	-0.85
Phillips 66	70.49	-1.17
US Bancorp	39.78	-0.97
Pfizer	31.35	-0.78
Deere & Co.	79.05	-1.72
United Parcel	94.52	-0.99
Apple	103.74	+0.62
Facebook	83.00	+0.91
Westar Energy	35.92	-1.23
Goodyear	27.83	-0.26

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015.

GRAIN

Description	Price at Close
Wheat	\$3.99
Corn	\$3.45
Milo	\$3.17
Soybeans	\$8.53

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.

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Members of the FFA chapters from Jackson County's three high schools — Holton, Jackson Heights and Royal Valley — acted as dinner servers during the Jackson County Farm Bureau Association's 2015 Annual Dinner Meeting, held Aug. 17 at the EUM Family Life Center. Participating FFA members included, front row, from left: Janelle Marney, Anna Johnson, Joel Nelson and Eugene Harris; back row, from left: Holly Mitchell, Mary Broxterman, Lucas Broxterman, Judd Nelson, Alex Clark, Annalys Phillips and Robbie Morris.

Submitted photo

Available space at fair concern for arts group

Members of Jackson County Arts met on Monday, Aug. 17, at Beck-Bookman Library in Holton. Those present were Linda Brownlow, Fred Appelhanz, Mary Schock, David Schock, Carol Totten, Katie Morris and Sandy Studebaker-Gilbert.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Members discussed the Jackson County 4-H Fair. Studebaker-Gilbert asked for feedback from members about the open class art show. The biggest area of concern is space.

Members said they understood the reason for the limited space and are looking forward to the construction of new buildings to complete the

plans for the new fairgrounds. Concerns were expressed that the time frame to drop off work was shorter.

The art walk was also discussed. It was estimated that 250 people attended the event. Some artists sold work, and everyone appreciated the music.

Members also talked about ideas for next year's art walk and agreed that they liked the "art in the county seat" theme and may do more decorated chairs again next year.

Some that attended commented that they would like the hours of the art walk to be extended in order to have more time to visit all the art stops.

Advertising for the art walk was discussed. The club used some Facebook advertising, as well as publications out of county. There was a KNZA ad, and Totten and Morris also talked about the event with Ralph Hipp on WIBW.

The Jackson County Student Council raised \$307 for a new dance floor by selling hot dogs at the art walk.

The treasurer's report was given. Due to some collaborative advertising, the club has some grant money for arts advertising that has not been spent.

The club is considering having a Christmas/winter themed art show in November, as well as a member

"suitcase sale," with small pieces of art or handmade artistic items that might make good gifts. The theme for the Nov. 14 Second Saturday event in Holton is "Christmas Past in Historic Holton."

The next meeting will be held at 6 p.m., Monday, Sept. 21, at the library.

The meeting adjourned, and club members had "show and tell."

Morris showed a colored pencil self portrait and photos from the art walk. Totten showed a mixed media piece and a painting she created during the art walk. Mary Schock brought photos that she entered in the fair and a coiled fabric piece.

Kansas National Guard announces force protection plan

Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, Kansas Adjutant General, recently announced a plan to increase force protection measures within the Kansas National Guard.

The plan is in response to the increased threat from homegrown extremists and the recent shootings in Chattanooga, Tenn., it was reported.

Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback had directed Tafanelli to review security measures and provide recommendations on security enhancements. Additional security practices will not be revealed in detail for operational security purposes, but focus areas include access control, increased security personnel presence and enhanced incident response.

"We are taking a wide-angle view of security measures, looking at every aspect," Tafanelli said. "But among the first things we are addressing is the safety and security of our recruiters."

Certain security measures were put in place at recruiting locations immediately following the tragedy in Tennessee. One additional aspect of increased security will include the arming of select individuals at Kansas National Guard facilities.

"Arming individuals at recruiting locations is an important component of ensuring the safety of those who serve and the communities in which they live and work," said Brownback. "I remain committed to making sure we take every possible action to confront potential threats and protect Kansans across the state."

The Kansas National Guard will continue to assess its security posture based on an ongoing threat assessment and will implement other changes as necessary.

The Adjutant General's department has submitted a supplemental budget request for additional state funding for the initial security enhancement measures.

Nemaha County...

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Kansas Highway Patrol on two Nemaha County warrants. The first warrant is for one count of felony giving a worthless check with a \$5,000 surety bond. The second is for one count of theft by deception and seven counts of felony giving a worthless check with bond set at \$80,000. Mortorff was released later that day on those surety bonds with court set for 10 a.m. on Sept. 22.

■ Randy Frey, 59, Sabetha, was arrested Aug. 23 by Sabetha police on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Frey was released later that day on \$1,000 cash bond with court set for 4 p.m. on Sept. 17.

Incidents

■ Sometime between 11:50 p.m. on Aug. 3 and 12:05 a.m. on Aug. 4, an unknown person entered a residence at 5305 Abbott, Goff, and damaged the speakers of a home stereo system. Damage was estimated at \$50.

■ Sometime between 1 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Aug. 9, an unknown person damaged a mailbox located at 2150 Kansas Highway 9, Wetmore.

■ Sheriff's officers took a report on a charge of criminal use of a financial card on Aug. 14 relating to the reported theft of a card from Ozawie and used at about 4:15 a.m. that day to obtain \$202.50 from an ATM at First Heritage Bank in Seneca.

■ Sometime between 5 p.m. on Aug. 19 and 5:50 a.m. on Aug. 20, an unknown person forced entry into a building at 1719 Kansas Highway 9, Goff, and took several cans of Skoal. Loss was estimated at \$430.

Accidents

■ At about 8:35 p.m. on Aug. 4,

Reginald Scott, 25, Seneca, was driving a 1982 Chevrolet pickup south on Kansas Highway 236 when the pickup left the roadway about 1/4 mile south of 164th Road and struck a metal fence. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.

■ Erich J. Hardenburger, 20, Seneca, was driving a 1989 Chevrolet S-10 pickup north on Kansas Highway 63 at about 2 a.m. on Aug. 9 when Hardenburger reportedly drove off the right side of a highway. The pickup then struck a culvert and entered a corn field, with more than \$1,000 in damages estimated. Investigation of this traffic accident is pending.

■ At about 4:10 p.m. on Aug. 10, Colten M. Hammes, 17, Seneca, was driving a 2000 Chrysler Concorde north on Kansas Highway 187 when the Concorde left the roadway approximately 3/10 mile south of 104th Road. More than \$1,000 in damage was noted.

■ Vicki J. Duryea, 45, Goff, was driving a 2013 Nissan Altima east on K-9 at about 6:55 a.m. on Aug. 13 when the Nissan struck a deer in the road approximately 3/10 mile west of Y Road. More than \$1,000 in damage was estimated.

■ At about 8 a.m. on Aug. 15, Joseph E. Wells, 58, Centralia, was driving a 2014 GMC Sierra north on K-187 when the pickup struck a deer in the road about half a mile north of 128th Road. More than \$1,000 in damage was estimated.

■ Robert D. Meade, 57, Centralia, was driving a 2014 Dodge south on K-63 at about 1:30 a.m. on Aug. 18 when the Dodge struck a deer about half a mile north of 64th Road. More than \$1,000 in damage was estimated.



Netawaka UMC

By Mary E. Edwards

Aug. 23 was a beautiful, cool morning as a nice crowd met at 8:15 a.m. for worship services at Netawaka United Methodist Church. Steve Banaka was greeter, candle lighter and offertory usher.

Marilyn Banaka was in charge of recorded music and gave the welcome and announcements. Next Sunday there will be a potluck lunch at 12:30 p.m., followed by an administrative council meeting. On Wednesday, Aug. 26, the congregation will start a new book for Bible study.

In joys of the congregation, we heard a testimony of one person's sign of freedom from Satan. Other good news — Jack and Verona Grannell are celebrating 53 years of marriage; Chad Robertson had his 45th birthday; and the Joneses helped their granddaughter move to college. How time flies!

Prayer concerns include Janet Banaka, who is back in the hospital, hopefully for just a short stay to treat an infection.

Pastor Caren Loper led the responsive call to worship and the congregation.

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Moran names Jarboe to Service Academy board

A Holton native who has been recognized for her work as an advocate for veterans of the U.S. armed forces has been named among the members of U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran's 2015 Kansas Service Academy Selection Board, it has been reported.

Melissa Jarboe (pictured) of Topeka, founder of the Military Veteran Project and widow of U.S. Army Sgt. Jamie Jarboe, is one of 20 honorees who will review applications and interview candidates who are applying for admission to the U.S. Service Academies. These include the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, it was reported.

"Our country is fortunate to have so many intelligent, hard-working



and patriotic young men and women interested in serving our country through the Armed Forces," Moran said. "I know the selection board will have a difficult time narrowing the field of qualified candidates, but I value their insight and thank them for their help in this important process."

Moran accepts application for nominations to the United States Service Academies each year. This year's application deadline is Friday, Sept. 4. After submitting an application, each candidate will interview with Sen. Moran's Service Academy Selection Board on Saturday, Sept. 26 at the Eisenhower Presidential Library in Abilene.

The board will make recommendations to Sen. Moran for his decision. If nominated, applicants must then meet the individual admission requirements of each academy. The academies will make the final decision on who will receive an appointment of admission in early 2016.

Auction Calendar



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

• Saturday, Aug. 29. Starting at 9:30 a.m. Dennis and Cindy Wright estate auction. 502 Oak St., Denton. For more information, contact Jim Barnett Auction Service at (816) 262-2740.

• Saturday, Aug. 29. Starting at 10 a.m. On-site land auction, 13300 118th Rd., Hoyt. For more information, con-

tact Darrell Simnitt at Countrywide Realty, Inc. at (785) 231-0374.

• Saturday, Aug. 29. Starting at 10:30 a.m. Public consignment auction. Holton Armory, Kansas Highway 16 and U.S. Highway 75 junction. For more information, contact Wilson's Auction Service at 364-4173 or 364-2998.

• Saturday, Oct. 3. Starting at 9 a.m. Annual fall consignment auction. Holton Livestock Exchange, Holton. For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 364-7137, (785) 249-4236 or 364-4114.

Public Notice

(First published in *The Holton Recorder*, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2015.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company

Plaintiff,

vs.

Dolores D. Symons, et. al.

Defendants.

Case No. 15CV20
Court Number:
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Jackson County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at Holton, Jackson County, Kansas, on September 21, 2015, at 9:00 AM, the following real estate:

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CONGRATULATIONS!



LUCAS R. MOORE, of Hiawatha, KS, was awarded a diploma on August 14, 2015, at commencement exercises during the 71st annual session of the prestigious Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The School, sponsored by state bankers associations from across the central United States, as well as the University of Wisconsin-Madison, was established in 1945 to provide bankers

with an opportunity for advanced study and research in banking, economics and leadership. Instruction at the Graduate School of Banking takes place during two-week resident sessions for three consecutive summers, along with comprehensive study between summer resident sessions. The curriculum focuses on the management of strategic issues faced by banking executives and financial services industry professionals. More than 85 esteemed academicians, economists, government officials, and industry professionals comprise the school's faculty.

Mr. Moore is Vice President and Branch Manager for Pony Express Community Bank in Horton, KS. In addition to Horton, PECB has locations in St. Joseph (MO), Elwood and Troy (KS) and Paxton (NE).



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OPINION

A splattering of ink

Serving others through volunteerism is an important activity in every good community. Our community, of course, is well-known for its generosity and for helping people in their time of need.

Thanks to Jennifer Shaw for serving as the volunteer director of the local food pantry, the Jackson County Ministerial Alliance New Hope Food Pantry, for the past four years!

And thanks to Alecia O’Byrne for agreeing to take Jennifer’s place as the new director of the food pantry!

In July, the food pantry, which operates out of the First Christian Church basement, provided free food to 105 households in the community, which included 318 people.

The local food pantry also operates the government commodity program for senior citizens with food items provided by the Harvesters Community Food Network.

The food pantry also administers The Emergency Food Assistance Program, which is a federal food commodity program.

The food pantry is open from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information about how you could volunteer at the food pantry, call 785-362-7021.

Jennifer said that during her time as director of the food pantry, she was surprised by the number of people who needed food. A large number of young people access the food pantry regularly, she said. Homelessness is a problem here, she said, but it’s not the same as in more-populated communities where homeless people sleep out in the open at parks and other locations. Here, she said, the homeless moved in with other families or people. In several cases, she said, random people are living together under one roof.

holtonrecorder@embarqmail.com about your community organizations and that includes 4-H clubs, also.

The Jackson County 2014 Delinquent Tax List has been published in the last three Monday editions of *The Recorder* as a public notice. The delinquent tax list is the list of people who own real estate property in the county but, according to county records, have failed to pay their property taxes.

For every different person listed, there is no doubt a different story about why they have not paid their taxes. The reality, however, is that when everyone does not pay their fair share of the local taxes, the ones who do pay are required to pay more to make up for the ones who do not pay.

The 29th annual Pride of Hoyt Days is set for this coming weekend, Saturday, Aug. 29 and Sunday, Aug. 30 and is sure to be a good time for all! Many of the events center around the Community Building starting with a community breakfast on Saturday (7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.) A silent auction will take place 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. A craft show starts at 8 a.m. and the popular mud volleyball tourney starts at 8:30 a.m.

There will be a car show, an antique tractor display, horse-drawn wagon rides, numerous games and activities for kids, a fun run, a garden tractor pull, a horseshoe tourney, a parade (at 2 p.m. Saturday), a chicken dinner with homemade ice cream (3 p.m. to 7 p.m.) a dance in the park (9 p.m. to midnight) and then a community church service at the park on Sunday (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.)

The chili cook-off contest is coming back to the Holton Town Square on Saturday, Oct. 10. After a one-year hiatus, the chili cook-off will return with a new sponsor - *The Holton Recorder*.

The chili cook-off will coincide with other Chamber of Commerce Second Saturday events scheduled for that day.

The Recorder was an original sponsor for the event, along with the Holton Rotary Club, back in 1999.

Details about the event will be finalized soon, but in the meantime regional chili-masters can perfect their recipes.

David Powls

Tax amnesty offered in Kansas

Application forms for the 2015 Tax Amnesty Program are now available online at www.ksrevenue.org/taxamnesty.html.

The web page also includes eligibility information and a list of frequently asked questions.

The state is offering a tax amnesty program where the state will waive penalties and interest assessed by the state for unpaid taxes if the tax debt for an approved application is paid in full between Sept. 1 and Oct. 15, 2015.

“This is a limited-time offer aimed at helping Kansans get out of tax debt with the state,” said Revenue Secretary Nick Jordan.

The opportunity is available to Kansas taxpayers who owe individual or business tax debt with the state accrued before Dec. 31, 2013.

The amnesty does not apply to matters that are in appeal.

An application form, eligibility information and answers to frequently asked questions are available at www.ksrevenue.org/taxamnesty.html.

The amnesty applies to:

- * Income tax (individual, corporate and fiduciary).
- * Privilege tax.
- * Estate tax.
- * Withholding and estimated tax.
- * Sales tax (state and local).
- * Compensating use tax (state and local).
- * Liquor enforcement tax.
- * Liquor drink tax.
- * Cigarette and tobacco products tax.
- * Mineral severance tax.

Women’s Equality Day: More work to be done

By Rep. Stacey Y. Abrams (D-Georgia) and

Rep. Kathy Hawken (R-N.D.)

On Aug. 26, 1920, the amendment guaranteeing the right to vote for women officially became part of the U.S. Constitution.

The anniversary of this historic achievement deserves recognition, celebration, and a huge “thank you” to those brave women who faced beatings, starvation, torture and false imprisonment so that women today might have the privilege of casting a ballot. It is 95 years later and unfortunately, equality continues to elude many women.

Are we all truly equal when women, particularly women of color, are negatively impacted by almost every existing economic policy from low wages, outdated workplace policies that deny women paid leave, scheduling rules, affordable child care, fair promotions, to cuts in public services, pregnancy discrimination and access to health care?

Today, on Women’s Equality Day, it is clear we must work harder to ensure equality for all women. We know there is still work to be done and I know there are policies State Legislatures can pass that would benefit all of us by improving opportunities for women and their families.

We can pass real policies that will improve the lives of women and their families and make real progress toward equality but it won’t happen unless everybody-- elected officials, voters, men and women, demand change. We don’t need to debate whether one party or another has done more to help or harm women.

Working together we can assess where we are and what actions are necessary to move forward on policies that will make women’s lives better. It is time to stand united to address the barriers in the areas of economic policy and women’s health that will improve our lives and our states.

The status quo is inadequate and passing more restrictive policies is unacceptable: our constituents deserve action on the issues that actually impact women.

Progress has been stalled for far too long. It’s time to update the economy with policy changes that reflect the modern realities facing millions of women who are working both in-

side and outside the home to support themselves and their families.

These women care much more about the concrete actions that legislators take to improve the lives of the women they represent than about fruitless political debates and restrictive policies that stand in the way of women making progress in our state, leaving families worse off than they are now.

When we talk to the women in our districts the issues they care most about vary, but the message is loud and clear - they want to see an end to the partisan bickering and political bank shots. They want to see policies that reflect our values, an economy that works for all families, and real progress for everyone in our states.

It took 72 years of campaigning for women to win the right to vote. Since then, 95 years have passed.

We still have a gender gap when it comes to pay, promotions, health care and retirement. We see relative-

ly few women in leadership roles in elected offices, the courts and boardrooms. We need to pick up the pace of change substantially, if we want to reach parity in the near future. We not only need leaders who will do the right thing, we need them to take action now to build a more equitable future.

Ultimately, it will take more voices and votes from women and men, asking each elected official to stop focusing on wedge issues that divide us. It’s time for us all to stand with women and demand that they start focusing on policies that will help ensure “equality for all.”

Note: U.S. Rep. Stacey Y. Abrams is the Georgia House Minority Leader, the first woman to lead either party in the Georgia General Assembly and the first African-American to lead in the House.

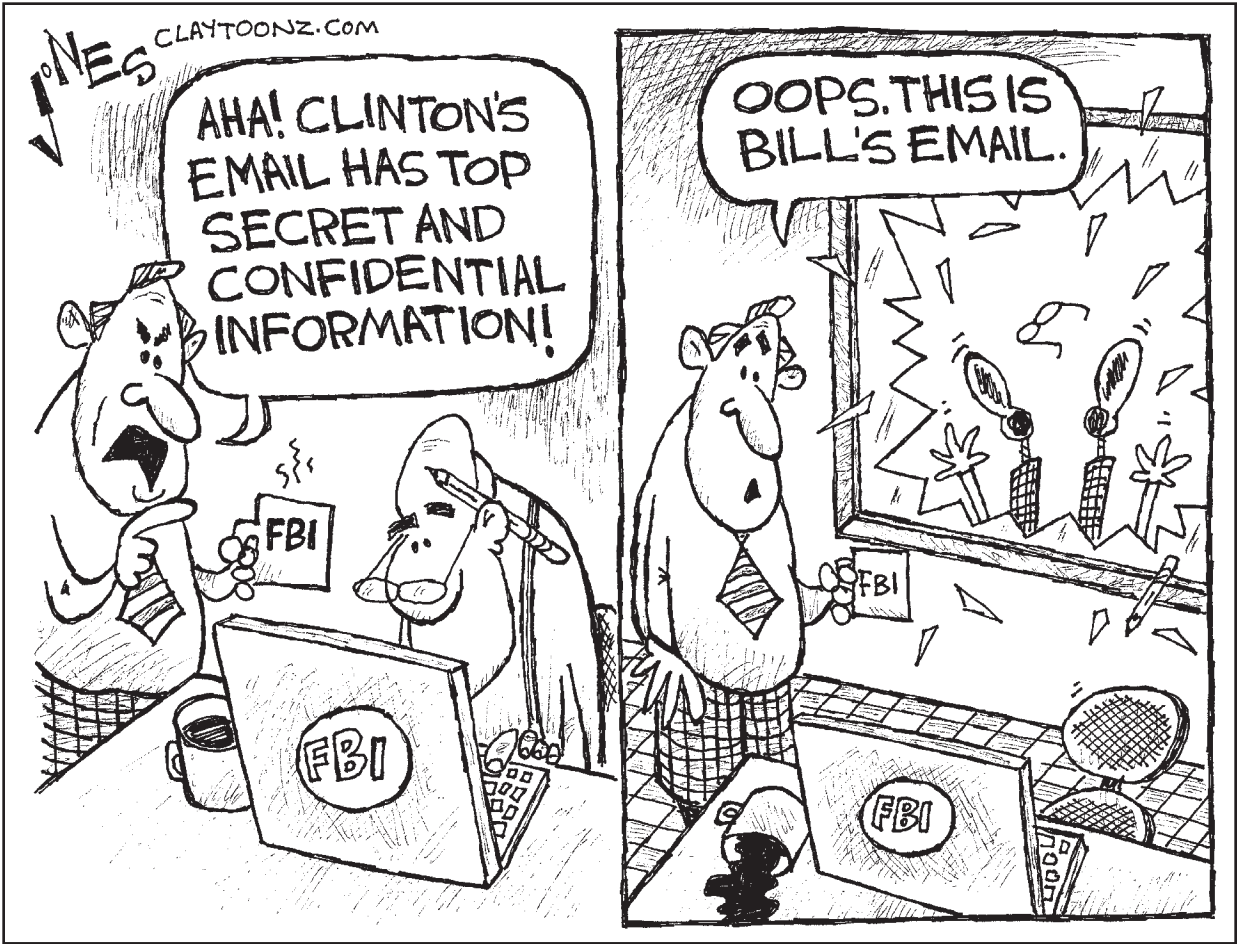
U.S. Rep. Kathy Hawken is a Republican member of the North Dakota House of Representatives, representing District 46. She was first elected to the chamber in 1996. Hawken has served as Chair of Women in Government and most recently was the recipient of the 2015 Planned Parenthood Federation of America’s Barry Goldwater Award.



Rep. Abrams



Rep. Hawken



Watermelon is a summer time favorite

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

Watermelon is native to South Africa, and it was brought to North America when Europeans colonized the continent. Watermelon can be stored uncut for about 10 days. If cut, it will last in the refrigerator for about four days wrapped tightly in plastic.

To find the ripest watermelon, look for one that feels heavy for its size and has a yellow spot on the bottom where it rested on the ground.

Nutritional speaking, watermelon is 92 percent water and only contains about 40 calories per cup. It’s a good source of vitamins A and C. It’s also one of the best sources of lycopene, an important phytonutrient (antioxidant) for vision, heart health and cancer prevention. Lycopene is also the pigment that gives watermelon its red color!

Watermelon and watermelon juice have been found to decrease muscle soreness and reduce recovery time in athletes when consumed after a workout. Researchers think this is due to an amino acid found in watermelon called L-citrulline.

For the past few days, I have been working on grilling recipes and so I had to share this one with all of you. You may not have thought about

grilling watermelon, but here it is, and I hope you enjoy it!

Grilled Watermelon

8 slices seedless watermelon (1½ inches thick)
2 Tablespoons olive oil
Sea salt
Fresh ground pepper
How to cut watermelon wedges
Cut the watermelon in half, place cut side down on the table, then cut into slices, about 1½ inches thick. Cut each slice in half, creating two wedges (if your watermelon is really big, you may need to cut each slice into three wedges. You can leave the rind on or cut it off.)

Lightly sprinkle the wedges on both sides with the salt. Stand the wedges on their edges on a rack over a sink or pan and let them drain for half an hour. Preheat the grill to high.

After the watermelon has drained, rinse each piece under cold running water. Place each piece between two folded paper towels and gently but firmly press to remove excess water. You should stop just when you feel the watermelon begin to crunch.

Brush the watermelon lightly on both sides with olive oil. Grill over high heat until grill marks have formed and the melon is slightly softened, about five minutes. Remove from grill and sprinkle with sea salt and a little fresh ground pepper.

You can turn this recipe into a grilled watermelon salad by serving each wedge on a bed of arugula or baby greens, drizzling with a raspberry or balsamic vinaigrette dressing then sprinkling them with a little crumbled feta or blue cheese. Cook-



ing time includes the “resting time” for the watermelon prior to grilling.

The Meadowlark Extension District is helping to sponsor a one-day workshop on teaching the basics of grilling and smoking to consumers of all ages and experience levels. This workshop is being called Barbecue University, and the first one will be held on Saturday, Aug. 29, at the Nemaha County Community Building, located at 1500 Community Dr. in Seneca. For more information, contact 785-336-2184 or 785-863-2212.

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Blue:** Kaden Cattrell.

**PRAIRIE HAY
1 STANDARD BALE
Reserve Champion:** Kaden Cattrell.

Delia City Council meeting held

The Delia City Council met on Aug. 3. Mayor Don Trimble called the budget meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Besides Trimble, those present were council members Donna Knehans, Denise Meltz and Molly Robb, Attorney Scott Hesse, City Clerk Isabel Bogowith and Treasure Nikki Dohrman.

Meltz moved to approve the 2016 budget, and Knehans seconded. The motion carried.

Robb moved to adjourn the budget meeting at 7 p.m. and Meltz seconded. The motion carried.

Trimble called the regular board meeting to order. Council members John Nitsch and Tammie Shepard were absent.

Bogowith read the July 6 minutes, which were approved.

Dohrman presented the financial report. Council members voted to pay the bills and accept the financial report.

Chris Gordon, a representative from Delia Fire, reported that the fire department will conduct a hose testing on Aug. 22.

Council members discussed with Hesse the proper course of action for taking care of neglected dwellings within city limits.

Bogowith requested permission to purchase a larger file cabinet. The purchase was approved.

Bogowith presented a Nemaha County Co-Op propane contract for consideration. Council members discussed contract options. Meltz moved to contract 1,500 gallons of propane at a cost of \$1.04 a gallon. Robb seconded, and the motion carried.

Council members discussed the benefit of keeping the city’s current Thoroughbred software system or purchasing a different system.

Meltz moved to adopt ordinance number 01-2015, and Robb seconded. The motion carried.

Linda Dohrman, who was at the meeting representing Delia Pride, reported that Jackson County has been designated a disaster zone, which will allow Delia Pride to apply for grants to repair Delia’s gymnasium floor and roof.

Meltz moved for the city to move forward with the FEMA grant, and Robb seconded. The motion carried.

The board voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 7.

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OBITUARIES



Welch

Lyle Burton Welch was born Sept. 24, 1924, to Eugene and Zella Welch in Waterville. He was a graduate of Waterville High School with the class of 1942. Immediately after graduation he entered the Army Air Corps and served as a B-25 pilot during World War II. Since the fall of 1945 he held a Commercial Pilot's License.

Upon separation from the Service, Mr. Welch attended Kansas State University and in 1949 received a B.S. Degree. He later received a Master's Degree from Kansas State, and an Education Specialist (Ed.S.) from Michigan State University in 1965.

For 35 years Mr. Welch served as a math teacher, guidance counselor and coach in the secondary schools of Corning, Whiting, Waverly and Manhattan, with 26 of those years at Holton. During this time, he also served on many boards, and was a scoutmaster for Troop 64 in Holton.

He was married to Wilma Marie Welch in 1949 until her death in June of 2013.

Three sons survive: Dr. Robin L. Welch, Lincoln, Neb., David L. Welch, Oakridge, Ore., and Dr. Kevin L. Welch and wife Lynn, Savannah, Mo. Also surviving are five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and the many students he influenced and nurtured during his career in education.

Upon retirement, he and Wilma moved from Holton to St. Joseph, Mo. In 2009, Mr. Welch moved into the Veterans Home in Cameron, Mo. He died peacefully there on Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015. An interment ceremony will be scheduled in several months for the family in Holton Cemetery.

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Meyer

Dale A. Meyer, 65, Wetmore, died Monday, Aug. 24, 2015, at The University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City.

He was born Dec. 9, 1949, in Holton, the son of Albert H. and Josephine M. Spiker Meyer. He graduated from Wetmore High School in 1968 and attended Cloud County Community College.

Mr. Meyer served with the Army National Guard for six years. He worked at Hills Pet Food in Topeka and retired after more than 25 years. He later worked for Crosswinds Pet Food in Sabetha and Hiawatha and retired again after several years.

He was a member of Wetmore American Legion Post 282 and the Knights of Columbus in Wetmore.

He married Virginia M. "Ginger" Bloom on Oct. 12, 1974, in Wetmore. She survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Christel Massey and husband Michael, Lyndon, and Mindy Sudbeck and husband Curtis, St. Benedict; three brothers, Gary Meyer and wife Patricia, Athens, Ohio, John Meyer and wife Sue, Shawnee, and Larry Meyer and wife Valerie Jennings-Meyer, Shawnee; and five grandchildren, Darian and Jalen Massey and Kanin, Adrian and Brynne Sudbeck. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Mary Jane Durst.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the Axton Meyer Medical Expense Fund (Mr. Meyer's great-nephew) or American Legion Post 282, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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Carey

William "Bill" Carey Jr., 77, Hoyt, formerly of New Braunfels, Texas, died Sunday, Aug. 23, 2015, at Midland Hospice House in Topeka.

He was born July 16, 1938, in Jefferson City, Mo., the son of Bill and Marietta Cleland Carey.

Mr. Carey was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He had also been a truck driver and a deputy sheriff in western Kansas.

He was a member of a Topeka Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite and the Shriners.

He married Judith Bock on June 9, 1984, in Topeka. She died April 22, 2014. Bill was also preceded in death by his parents and a nephew.

Survivors include a sister, Beth Fenske and husband Larry, Hoyt; a nephew, Stephen Fenske, Hoyt; two nieces, Sheila Raleigh, Wichita, and Carrie Emberson and husband Bret, Colwich; and great-nieces and nephews.

Mr. Carey was cremated, and no services in Kansas are planned. Inurnment will be held in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in New Braunfels, Texas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hoyt Rural Fire Department, sent in care of Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, P.O. Box 280, Hoyt, KS 66440.

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Seymour

Charles A. Seymour, Nibaoose, 69, Mayetta, died Monday, Aug. 24, 2015, at his home.

He was born Jan. 18, 1946, in Topeka, the son of Ernest and Angeline Whitefish Seymour.

Mr. Seymour was a surveyor for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Road and Bridge Department, retiring about 10 years ago.

He was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and the Drum Religion.

Survivors include a son, Chris Seymour and wife Gina, in Texas; two daughters, Lisa Fitzgerald, Chicago, Ill., and Angeline Fairchild, in Texas; a brother, Dennis Harrison, Omaha, Neb.; five sisters, Wynona Wahweotten, Laura Abeyta, Julia Masquat and Cindy LeClere, all of Mayetta, and Karen Thomas, Horton; and several grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, John Seymour, Peter Seymour, Ernest Seymour and Robert Clemons; and two sisters, Joy Yoshida and Elmira McClure.

Drum services will be held Thursday evening at the Dance Ground west of Mayetta. Burial will be held Friday afternoon in the Potts Cemetery. Mr. Seymour will lie in state today at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hoyt, where family and friends will meet from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Fenceline

Points to ponder at weaning time

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

We were able to "get away" last week for a while. It's always good to see different country and get refreshed.

We made a swing through southeastern Kansas. I've been through most other parts, so this was a real adventure for me. I was amazed at the different geography and terrain. I had no idea that there were counties made up of just trees and brush! Made us feel good about the patches of grass we manage.

Then there were the armadillos. I don't know why I'm so fascinated with them. Unfortunately, we only saw four dead ones along the road. I'd probably have a different opinion if I encountered a live one.

This is the time of year when many cow-calf producers are think-



Crops and Soils

What is 'proper' soil sampling?

By David G. Hallauer
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What exactly does "proper" soil sampling mean? Is there an "improper" way to soil sample? Isn't sampling in some way superior to not sampling at all?!

Fair questions – and ones that we'll take the next couple of weeks to discuss as we head into harvest and the shortly thereafter post-harvest soil sampling window.

For starters, try to maintain some consistency in the depth of your samples. Some soil tests – P, K, pH, organic matter and Zn, for example – need to be pulled at shallower depths since they tend not to move much in the soil profile. Samples for mobile nutrients like nitrogen or sulfur need to be pulled to deeper depths.

For the former, a zero to four or six inch – or even split depth samples – will be your best bet. For the latter, you need to do more of a profile sample to a 24-inch depth.

Why the differences? The depth you choose for the immobile nutrient sampling may depend on what infor-



ing about weaning calves. Here are some points to consider:

Stress is the number one issue that impacts calf performance at weaning. Calves are being removed from their dams and a herd social structure in which they were comfortable. Plus, the calves are often being moved into different environment with new feed and water sources.

Having a good herd health program plan can help to reduce sickness at weaning, improve the treatment response of those calves that do get sick and increase the overall performance of calves during weaning. Precondition calves prior to weaning. Work with your veterinarian to plan vaccination strategies and treatment protocols.

Introducing new feeds to calves while they are with their dams prior to weaning can help calves start on feed more quickly when they are weaned. Feedstuffs should be palatable with minimal fines and dust. Feeds should be evaluated to determine if they have adequate levels of protein and energy to meet desired performance goals.

Fence-line weaning calves or

placing nose weaners into calves four to seven days before removal from their dams are a couple of methods to accomplish this. Both of these methods prevent the calves from nursing while still giving the calf social contact with its dam. This gradual process appears to help the calves forget about nursing and begin the transition to being on their own and part of a new herd.

Ideally, fence-line weaning should be in an environment that allows both cows and calves to spread out along the fence, has minimal dust present and provides feed and water resources for the calves that are familiar and close to the fence.

Consider supplementing calves while they are still with their dams beginning two weeks before fence-line weaning. Leave calves in the pasture they are used to being in and move cows to the adjacent pasture. A number of studies have shown calves that were fence-line weaned have lower incidents of sickness compared to their contemporaries that were hard weaned and immediately separated from visual and audio contact with their dams.

mation you are trying to capture and what type of application system you are using.

For example, surface applied fertilizer in a no-till system may require a shallower sampling depth than banded nutrients in a tillage system might to accurately capture the "true picture" of nutrients available.

Once you settle on a depth – stick with it! If nutrients are stratified in any way, and you pull some samples three inches deep and some five, you may end up comparing apples to oranges or at the very least add a great deal of variability to the results based solely on sampling depth.

A consistent depth from year to year is also helpful if you are trying to get an idea of how well your soils are responding to application rates.

Next time: what is the appropriate number of samples?

Cool-Season Fertilization Time!

If there was one time of year that I would encourage you to fertilize your cool season turf grass, September would be it! As days shorten and temperatures cool, cool season

grasses start to tiller, or thicken up, by forming new shoots at the base of existing plants.

To help them in that process, a little fertilizer is never a bad idea. For best results, apply one to one and a half pounds of actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet using a quick-release nitrogen source.

The second most important fertilization window is coming up soon as well! November fertilizer applications help grass green up earlier next spring and provide the nutrients needed until summer. It, too, should be quick-release formulation, applied at the rate of one-pound actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet.

Take a little time now and start figuring up how much square footage you have to cover so you can begin looking for product the next time you visit your favorite horticulture supply outlet. It would also be a good time to familiarize yourself with your lawn spreader again, to make sure it is in good working order and delivering the right amount of product in an even manner.

Mayetta Methodist

By Shirley Stauffer

On the cool, beautiful morning of Aug. 23, church services at Mayetta Methodist Church began with a welcome to Kenny Jordan, who was substituting for Pastor Howard. Pastor Howard is on vacation. The prelude was played by Sharon Gabriel with Tim Smith ringing the bell and Karsen Smith lighting the candles.

During announcements, June Schlodder reported that the float for Mayetta Pioneer Days is coming along nicely. Connie Reding introduced her friend from Iowa, who is visiting for a few days.

Hymns used were "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," "Softly And Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" and "God Will Take Care Of You." Karen Burns read scripture from John 14:6. Ushers were Todd Stauffer and Randy Rickel. Birthdays celebrated were Greg Rickel, Elmer Schlodder and Aidan and Brenna McDonald-Stauffer.

Kenny's sermon, "Abide In Me," was based on the text from John 15:1-8. Mary Anderson was in Topeka on Monday to attend the monthly meeting of the 21 Book Club held at

Perkins Restaurant.

Bud and Shirley Stauffer attended the Topeka Rodeo at the North Topeka Saddle Club grounds on Saturday evening.

Floyd and June Schlodder joined friends on Tuesday at the Whistle Stop Café in Mayetta for their monthly get-together.

Marie McKinney accompanied Floyd and June Schlodder to Horton on Saturday to visit Allen Hallauer, who is in the hospital. He was doing well and happy to visit for a while. They then drove around Mission Lake, where there were many campers enjoying the wonderful weather. They also took a tour of downtown Horton and saw the many improvements being made.

Bud and Shirley Stauffer attended a birthday party on Sunday afternoon in honor of granddaughters Aidan and Brenna McDonald-Stauffer. The party was held at Chuck E. Cheese. This was the girls' fifth birthday. Afterwards, the families ate out at Yuki restaurant.

The prayer covenant church for this week is Topeka-Oakland.

Potawatomi Methodist

By Ilene Dick

Sunday Aug. 23, was a pleasant, cool day as the congregation celebrated the 13th Sunday after Pentecost at Potawatomi United Methodist Church. Kenny Jordan of Topeka led the service in the absence of Pastor Howard, who is on vacation.

Acolytes were Lily Hall and Heather Redlightning. Marjean Shenk served as liturgist, reading from John 14:6. Hymns were "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," "Softly And Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" and "God Will Take Care Of You." Music was provided by Ilene Dick and Ann W.

Prayer requests were for safe travels for Judy Thoman and Jessie to the Kansas City airport Sunday for Jessie's flight home to Maine; Tina Pugh injuring her back when a hammock broke; for the firefighters fighting the horrific fires in the western states; for Pastor Howard traveling to Texas; and for the family of Marge Abney in her death.

It was a joy to have Gabriel Bernart-Shenk from Virginia present for worship with his grandparents, Jim and Marjean Shenk.

For the special, Ilene shared information of history about Joseph Scriven, the author of the hymn "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." He had written it as a poem to his mother when she was facing a crisis in 1855 when he was 35 years old.

Happening to find a manuscript of the hymn in 1896, a short time before Scriven's death, a neighbor questioned him about it and asked him if he composed the hymn. He replied, "The Lord and I did it between us."

Offertory ushers were Jim Shenk and Keith Bell.

Kenny Jordan's message was "Abide In Me," with the scripture coming from John 15:1-8. The scripture explains that Christ is the vine and God is the gardener who cares for the branches to make them fruitful.

When grafted to the vine of Jesus, we must submit to sanctification, spirituality and souls. We must learn to abide in Him or we can't bear fruit. The fruit we bear tells a lot about our lives. Bearing much fruit brings glory to Him.

Next Sunday, Kenny will be bringing the message "Who To Love."

Lily Hall's oldest son, Joe Redlightning, son-in-law Eric, grandchildren Lenora and Hepi and niece Jade

went to the Royals game on Sunday, Aug. 16, in Kansas City. The game was televised on ESPN and when the cameras viewed the crowd, we saw the family. In a crowd of 35,000 people, it was quite a surprise to see them on national television.

Elizabeth Daniels won an art contest in Wichita and now can have her own art show. Congratulations Elizabeth! This talented lady is the daughter of Michael and Jan Shenk and granddaughter of Marjean and Jim Shenk.

Gabriel Bernart-Shenk from Virginia spent a week with his grandparents, Jim and Marjean Shenk. They had an enjoyable time.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker

Holy Communion was celebrated at the Aug. 23 worship service at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

The opening hymn was "Today Your Mercy Calls Us." Following the opening sentences, confession and absolution, salutation and prayer of the day, the Old Testament lesson from Isaiah 29 and the Epistle lesson from Ephesians 5 were read by Elder Topher Dohl. Pastor Jeffrey Geske read the Holy Gospel from Mark 7:1-13.

In the children's message, Pastor Geske greeted the children with "This is the day the Lord has made... We will rejoice and be glad in it!" Christian children follow the 10 Commandments out of love for God. A love that took Jesus to the cross – this is the message we want to share with others – of His love and forgiveness.

The sermon hymn was "In Christ Alone." Pastor Jeffrey Geske's sermon was titled "The Love Of Christ," based on the Epistle lesson, Ephesians 5:22-23.

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know Him." (1 John 3:1)

Sunday's text is the text that is often read at weddings as Paul is addressing husbands and wives. It is best understood in how Christ is the groom and we, His church, are the bride.

Paul continues by saying why Christ gave up His life for the church... "To make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word."

In our lives, reflecting on our failures in our families, failures in our relationships and failures in our friendships, may we turn to the one who is faithful, to the one who gave His life unto death. We rejoice that we have a faithful friend, a wonderful savior and a mighty redeemer!

The congregation professed the Nicene Creed followed by the gathering of the offerings by Travis Amon and Topher Dohl.

The prayer of the church was spoken responsively. Petitions were offered for turning away from the ways of the world and drawing us nearer in love and forgiveness; for the needs of the poor and needy who long for relief; for those who are sick and distressed and hope for the discouraged; for Trinity Lutheran Church in Holton and their pastor; for Missionaries Pastor and Kristie Kolb in Hong Kong; and for the nation and armed forces. The Lord's Prayer was sung.

Elders Topher Dohl and Mike Keehn assisted Pastor Geske with the distribution of Holy Communion. Distribution hymns were "Jesus, They Blood And Righteousness" and "Just As I Am, Without One Plea."

Following the Post-Communion prayer and benediction, the service closed with the hymn, "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing."

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SPORTS *Wednesday*



JHHS head coach Brad Alley (shown above, front right) demonstrates the proper running form to his cross country runners during a practice earlier this season. Alley is returning to his alma mater this fall and is excited with what he has seen so far from the group of young athletes.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Bright future awaits for young Jackson Heights cross country team

New Jackson Heights cross country coach Brad Alley is in a familiar spot and not just because he returned to his alma mater this fall.

Already, Alley said he is noticing similarities between the 2015 Cobra cross country runners and his first squad at Royal Valley High School.

That, too, was a predominantly young group, just like the Cobras who have 30 runners out for both the high school and middle school teams and only three seniors.

Alley's déjà vu continues as he noted the Royal Valley girls struggled for numbers in his first year just as Heights will this fall, not having enough to field a full team, but fostering the middle school program turned that around for the Panthers and the coach sees the same scenario playing out for the Cobras in the near future.

Regarding this season, Alley believes the team will still be in good shape overall, especially after the coach saw how the runners responded after using one of his old tactics and testing the Cobras in a rigorous practice on Monday.

"I usually do a really tough practice early in the year just to see where we're at, how we're going to respond and I was pleasantly surprised with, top to bottom, how we responded and the toughness this team's going to have," Alley said.

While Jackson Heights may be overloaded with freshmen and sophomore runners this season, the few seniors Alley has on the team have set an excellent example for

those underclassmen so far.

Seniors Brianna Cattrell and Lane Holliday are not only leading the way, but Alley said they also spend plenty of time giving positive feedback to their young teammates to keep them pushing forward.

"They're encouraging the young runners. They're willing to go out and cheer on people instead of socializing when they're done. That's helped a lot," Alley said.

Jackson Heights' juniors fall in that group as well, serving as good role models, with runners like Alexis Rieschick and Mark Mavrovich helping set the tone.

That said, Alley noted the young runners are also very talented in their own right, mentioning that his top two runners on the girls team, currently, are a freshman (Faith Little) and a sophomore (Hanna Davault).

It's a similar situation for the boys, as Alley said sophomores Andrew Pino and Dalton Chartier are among his top three runners and a year's worth of experience is only going to help them more.

"You hope those two can progress and become better runners and I think you'll see them become better runners this year and I think you'll just see them get stronger," Alley said.

Overall, with a strong junior class to add into that mix along with a couple of dual-sport athletes, Alley said this could be one of the most well-rounded groups he's ever coached.

"The top seven is going to be as competitive as I can remember having a top seven in my nine years of being in cross country as a coach," Alley said. "When you can create competition like that, that's going to bring success. That's what I hope to come out of that."

While the situation will be a little different for the girls, not having the required numbers to compete as a team, the coach said he is still working to help them grasp the individual competition and set them up for success, which is the goal for all the Cobras.

In his time as a head coach, Alley noted there has been little fluctuation in team goals. Each season, the object is to reap as much postseason success as possible at the league, regional and state meets by progressively getting better each day.

Right now, Alley believes his team has fallen in line with that thinking and is properly motivated. While that is the case now as the Cobras set a base and get settled in at practice, the coach will wait and see how his runners respond when his two-week training cycle kicks in and he starts rotating between tough hill, tough speed and tough distance workouts.

If the early signs are any indication, though, the Cobras can handle it and that may play in the team's advantage

over the course of the fall.

"I don't think there's going to be any teams that work harder than us. That's a pretty high compliment, I think, for a group of high school runners," Alley said. "I can't stress enough how impressed I've been with the work ethic."

Change is a common theme for the Jackson County cross country teams in 2015, but the Cobras are taking it in stride. Alley said his runners have already adapted to him as a coach and he expects the female runners to handle the change in course distance with similar aplomb. Alley says he expects big things from the young Cobras this fall.

Jackson Heights will begin the competitive cross country season with a meet in Holton at Banner Creek Reservoir on Thursday, Sept. 10 starting at 4 p.m.

Returning starters/letter winners:
Alexis Rieschick, jr., All-League in 2014

Brianna Cattrell, sr., All-League in 2014

Braden Dohl, so.
Andrew Pino, so.
Dalton Chartier, so.
Westin Jacobsen, sr.
Lane Holliday, sr.
Mark Mavrovich, jr.
Ethan Fund, jr.

Area volleyball teams start season ranked

After successful 2014 campaigns, the Royal Valley and Holton volleyball teams are seeing their efforts reflected in the Kansas Volleyball Association's preseason rankings, as the squads open the season in the top two spots in the Class 4A-Division II poll.

Number one Royal Valley and number two Holton are among nine area teams that open the season ranked in the top 10 of their respective divisions.

In Class 3A, fellow Big Seven League member Nemaha Central is

ranked ninth to start the 2015 campaign while Twin Valley League member Washington County sits atop the polls in Class 2A.

A handful of other TVL teams received recognition, including Centralia (#2 in 1A-DI), Valley Heights (#10 in 1A-DI), Axtell (#1 in 1A-DII) and Linn (#10 in 1A-DII), while Northeast Kansas League member Immaculata was the final team to be ranked in the preseason, coming in at number eight in Class 1A-Division I.



The Jackson Heights cross country runners take off at the start of a recent practice. New coach Brad Alley noted he has pushed the Cobras early this season and he likes how the team has responded.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch



Royal Valley's Kaytlyn Gooderl (shown above, front right) and Jordan Cox (middle) make their way back to RVHS at the conclusion of a recent practice.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Panther CC has strong foundation to build on in 2015

Over the years, Royal Valley has built up a strong tradition for its cross country program, thanks in part to having a steady hand at the helm.

The Panthers will see some turnover there this season as Keith Pelton will be taking over coaching duties for the recently departed Brad Alley and while Pelton noted coach and athletes alike could be navigating some rough waters early, he plans on staying the course.

"It's going to be a learning experience for me and the kids," Pelton said. "Brad had a lot of things where he built a good program up and I just want to continue that."

"I've got a good base to start with and I just want to make sure that continues and we don't slip," Pelton said.

Continuing that for the girls shouldn't be too much of an issue this fall, considering the top four female runners return for Royal Valley. That includes senior leaders Kaytlyn Gooderl and Deasha Stewart, as well as sophomores Katie Hanshaw and Tamo Thomas, who both made strong debuts in their freshman season.

"The girls who we're counting on and so forth, who have been here, they know what it's going to take. There's not a whole lot of prodding that needs to be done with those runners. They know what it takes. They've been here before," Pelton said.

On the boys side, things could be a little trickier after seeing the top two runners graduate last spring. The team won't be at a loss for numbers, but some athletes are going to have to step up and fill the gaps.

Royal Valley has potential there, according to Pelton, but the biggest question regarding some young runners who may be counted on for the varsity team deals with commitment. One of the first things Pelton said those runners have to identify is what they want, what it's going to take and if they're willing to do that.

Hunger is something Pelton also sees in most of the Panther runners and he hopes that will be a constant during this time of transition as the runners get used to their new coach

and vice-versa. Right now, the RVHS runners are being pushed in practice to find their limitations and adjust while preparing for the first meet of the season, which Pelton said can provide a lot of information.

"That first meet's going to tell us a lot. We're not going to be where we want to be definitely by the first meet, but everybody else is going to be in the same boat. You kind of have an idea, gauge from there and see where you need to go," Pelton said.

Leading up to that first meet, the Panthers are currently focused on speed training, but some overarching keys to just how much success Royal Valley could see this fall depends on the runners' ability to break away from the pack and not let the competition influence their game plan.

"It's important that we get our pace and maintain our pace, not worry about the other factors," Pelton said.

Right now, Pelton said he is trying to build that endurance up for his runners through some low intensity workouts early and taking it one day at a time.

With some proven commodities and some largely unknown runners still, Pelton said one thing that stands out about this team is the camaraderie and how the Panthers have worked together so far this fall.

Change is on the horizon. Along with a new coach, the female runners will be adapting to a new race distance (5K) this season, which is the same as the boy's race, but if the Panthers take care of their business then Pelton believes they can continue to build on an already strong tradition.

Royal Valley's first meet of the season, the Jeff West Invitational, will be held in Topeka at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Returning starters/letter winners:
Kaytlyn Gooderl, sr., All-League in 2014

Katie Hanshaw, so., All-League in 2014

Kwaki Spoonhunter, sr., All-League in 2014
Arrow Levier, sr.
Tamo Thomas, so.
Deasha Stewart, sr.
Meghan Koon, so.
Noah McAlister, jr.

2015 JACKSON HEIGHTS CROSS COUNTRY

2015 Jackson Heights High School cross country schedule			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 10	Holton Invitational	Holton	4 p.m.
Sept. 17	Onaga Invitational	Onaga	4 p.m.
Sept. 24	RV Invitational	Hoyt	4 p.m.
Oct. 1	Horton Invitational	Horton	4 p.m.
Oct. 8	Sabetha Invitational	Sabetha	4 p.m.
Oct. 15	NEKL meet	Easton	4 p.m.
Oct. 20	JH Invitational	J. Heights	4 p.m.
Oct. 24	2A Regional meet	TBA	TBA
Oct. 31	2A State meet	Wamego	TBA

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2015 ROYAL VALLEY HS CROSS COUNTRY

2015 Royal Valley High School cross country schedule			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 3	JW Invitational	Topeka	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	Holton Invitational	Holton	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	McLouth Invit.	McLouth	4 p.m.
Sept. 24	RV Invitational	Hoyt	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Horton Invitational	Horton	4 p.m.
Oct. 15	Big Seven meet	Perry	4 p.m.
Oct. 20	JH Invitational	J. Heights	4 p.m.
Oct. 24	4A Regional meet	TBA	TBA
Oct. 30-31	4A State meet	Wamego	TBA

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Holton golfer Quinn Holaday (shown above) laces a shot with her iron toward the green on number six at the Holton Country Club during practice on Monday. A state qualifier in 2014, Holaday will be a valuable leader for HHS this fall, according to coach Dennis Tegethoff.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Patience could be a virtue for Lady Wildcats on the links

Coming into this season, Holton High School girls golf coach Dennis Tegethoff notes he was not quite sure what to expect of his team in 2015. Yes, the Wildcats have a state qualifier returning in senior Quinn Holaday, but given a frustrating end to last season he didn't know how the team would respond.

So far, so good according to the coach and he hopes the tough ending to last season is motivation for the Wildcats moving forward.

"I was a little worried going into this year," Tegethoff said, "but you know for the most part everybody's got a good attitude and is ready to go. Hopefully that does carry over a little bit."

Holton will feature a good mix of veteran upperclassmen to help keep the team pushing forward and Tegethoff noted there will be a good group of underclassmen to throw into the mix as well, some with previous golf experience and some without.

That good balance starts at the top with the team's senior leaders as Holaday and Anne Bowser have put in the time and are ready to pave the way for the Wildcats, albeit by varying means.

Holaday, who tied for 44th at the 4A state golf tournament in 2014, is a fierce competitor and Tegethoff noted it's that type of attitude that has helped her progress over the years.

"When she's going to do something, she takes it all serious. Golf's pretty serious to her. It's one of the big reasons she's really stepped up her game the last couple years," Tegethoff said.

As for Bowser, she is the "yin" to Holaday's "yang." While she may not be as intense as Holaday, she still doesn't want to disappoint on the course and her attitude regarding continued improvement is a different perspective and one Tegethoff hopes appeals equally to the young

golfers.

Junior Cali Smith is another veteran golfer returning to the team this fall and Tegethoff noted she put in some work in the offseason and it shows.

What the team is working on currently is a little bit of everything, according to Tegethoff. With 11 girls out for golf, he has to mix it up a little in order to check in on all of them over the course of practice. Right now, the older golfers are working on their scoring while the younger, inexperienced group is going over some of the basics as they prepare for their first competition of the season.

"We don't have a whole lot of time before our first golf tournament, so you just kind of have to feel your way through things," Tegethoff said.

Because of that, some freshmen and sophomores may be thrown to the wolves, so to speak, and go through a trial by fire in the first tournament of the season, but Tegethoff sees potential in the young Wildcats.

"I'm hoping they can step up and help us varsity-wise. There's a good chance of that," Tegethoff said.

Goals for the team could depend on the coalescence of the group and how the Wildcats evolve over the course of the season. Tegethoff sees the potential in some individual success for golfers like Holaday and Bowser, but what the team can do together at this point is unclear. If the Wildcats can place highly in a couple of tournaments early in the season, the coach noted that could be a huge momentum boost for Holton

going forward.

That kind of momentum could be crucial if HHS wants a chance at any postseason success this year, with perennial state contender Hayden likely to be in the team's regional once again as well as strong squads from Jeff West and the Kansas City area.

With the uncertainties surrounding the team, Tegethoff said the real key to success for the Wildcats this fall may be something as simple as patience.

"I'm just going to have to be patient because I know that our older kids, they're going to be okay. They're not going to always be perfect by any stretch of the imagination," Tegethoff said. "I probably have to make sure that I keep them with their eye on helping some of those younger kids, being good role models there as the season goes."

There is a definite split between this group of golfers, but even so Tegethoff noted they still get along well and are willing to help each other out, so he is excited for the group and for the program in the near future.

Holton's girls golf team will get the season started at a tournament in Topeka hosted by Shawnee Heights on Thursday, Sept. 3 starting at 3 p.m.

Returning starters/letter winners:
Quinn Holaday, sr., 2014 state qualifier
Anne Bowser, sr.
Cali Smith, jr.

HHS cross country ready for change this season will hold

Change is coming for the Holton High School cross country team this fall. That much was clear from graduation last spring.

On top of losing a number of seniors, mostly from the boys team, the Wildcats will also be getting used to a new venue this season as home meets will now be held at Banner Creek Reservoir. If that's not enough, the female runners will also be preparing for the increase in course length from a 4K to a 5K race set to go into effect this fall.

Still, HHS coach Darin Stous noted he was glad to get back in action even if the Wildcats have plenty to adapt to this season.

"It was good to get out there and get started again. We feel a little raw with so many new faces, the ones that have been out and so many gone from graduation," Stous said. "It's just going to take a little while for the team to gel, naturally, but to get better each week is what we need to strive to do."

With no seniors out this season, it falls to the juniors to help get the team in a position to do that and the Wildcats have some veteran runners in that class to rely on in 2015.

Riley Strader and Claire Mosier may be counted on to take on more of a leadership role than expected given the lack of seniors, but they have experience to look back on in order to help the young runners get acclimated to practice and competition.

"They're going to have to help our other younger runners and inexperienced runners understand also what it takes throughout the race," Stous said.

So far, Stous said those two have set a great example and helped lead workouts through the first week of practice. Over the course of the season, some promising young runners like Nathan Smith and Alexis Coverdale could help share that load.

If change is a common theme for Holton this year, then youth is, too, as Stous noted there are 20 middle school athletes out for cross country this fall. That has put the focus on getting used to the workout routine early this season, with the high school athletes showing the ropes to both the underclassmen and middle school athletes.

While Stous noted that has put a damper on the Wildcats setting any long-term goals so far, he noted the overall objective is pretty simple.

"We're going to focus on working hard to get better as a team just mostly because of the inexperience we have. We haven't been in this situation in quite a long time," Stous said.

At this point, what that entails is the Wildcats working on their running schedule and knowing what is coming up, with a lot of flat courses featured on the early portion of the schedule.

In turn, Stous noted he has his team focusing on speed work currently and doing more repetitions at lower distances.

Banner Creek is among those first meets and both the coach and the team are looking forward to it and running on a more open course.

That means the Lady Wildcats will

get one of their first tastes of the new 5K race at their home course, though that is one change that Stous sees as almost a non-factor. It may be a mental challenge for the HHS runners, but he noted the girls already maintain the same practice regimen as the boys so the change in distance itself shouldn't be an issue.

Considering all the other issues Holton could be dealing with, that is a blessing of sorts. Instead, the Wildcats can turn their attention to staying healthy, working together and pushing each other in practice to help improve the team.

Ups and downs come naturally with the territory of cross country and though Stous expects his team to deal with some of those internally as well this season, he is still optimistic about what the future holds for his

team.

"I think we're going to get there. I think the first meet or two, it's going to take us a little while to get adjusted to what it takes and I expect on the boys side to see some changes, possibly weekly, with who's going to be in the top seven," Stous said.

Holton will kick off competition this fall at a meet in Topeka hosted by Jeff West starting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Returning starters/letter winners:
Riley Strader, jr., All-League in 2014

Nathan Smith, so.
Skyler Weir, jr.
Claire Mosier, jr.
Alexis Coverdale, so.
Ashlyn Robinson, so.

2015 HOLTON HS CROSS COUNTRY

2015 Holton High School cross country schedule			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 3	Jeff West Invit.	Topeka	4 p.m.
Sept. 10	Holton Invitational	Holton	4 p.m.
Sept. 17	Hiawatha Invit.	Hiawatha	4 p.m.
Sept. 24	RV Invitational	Hoyt	4 p.m.
Oct. 1	PL Invitational	Perry	4 p.m.
Oct. 8	Sabetha Invitational	Sabetha	4 p.m.
Oct. 15	Big Seven League	Perry	4 p.m.
Oct. 20	JH Invitational	J. Heights	4 p.m.
Oct. 24	4A Regional meet	TBA	TBA
Oct. 31	4A State meet	Wamego	TBA

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Holton's Nathan Smith (shown above) races around the high school track as the Wildcats worked through some speed training at a recent practice.

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Scrimmages to be held on Friday

With competition less than a week away, Jackson County high school teams are gearing up for their annual "soap scrimmages" this Friday.

Jackson Heights High School will usher in the start of the fall sports season with a community pep rally starting at 6 p.m. in the JHHS gym. Following that, the high school volleyball team will hold a scrimmage starting at approximately 6:40 p.m. and the football team's open practice will follow at about 7 p.m.

Donations of Gatorade (bottles preferred) are requested for admittance to the event. Fans attending can also get a look at the progress of construction work being done to the track and football field, which is nearing completion, though the football team will be on the practice field for the night's festivities.

At Holton, the high school facilities will also be busy as the night will begin with a middle school football scrimmage taking part at 5 p.m. while a high school volleyball scrimmage will be taking place at the same time in the main gym.

The freshman and middle school football teams will then scrimmage starting at 6 p.m., with the HHS special teams getting some work in at 6:30 before the final event of the night, a scrimmage between the varsity team starting at approximately 7 p.m. No donations are required and attendance is free to the public.

Royal Valley, meanwhile, will only be holding football exhibitions on Friday with the middle school scrimmage starting at 4:30 p.m. at RVHS and the high school event beginning at roughly 6:30 p.m. The school is asking fans to donate towels to get into the game.

Area cross country, football and volleyball teams will then have their first games the following week, with volleyball matches starting on Tuesday, Sept. 1. The first cross country meet of the season will be held on Thursday, Sept. 3 while Friday, Sept. 4 marks the beginning of the high school football season around Kansas.



HHS senior Anne Bowser (shown above) tees off on number seven at the Holton Country Club during a recent practice. Bowser and some other veteran golfers saw last season come to a frustrating end, but coach Dennis Tegethoff noted they have come back with a positive attitude looking to string together some success on the golf course this fall.

Photo by Kelly Breckunitch

Local golfer records ace

A hole-in-one was recently recorded at Holton Country Club by local golfer Norman Jepson, who aced the 194-yard par three 11th (second) hole with his hybrid iron.

Witnesses to this feat, which occurred at approximately 2 p.m. on Monday, were Tom Pollock, Dale Salts and Greg Anderson, it was reported.

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2015 HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS GOLF

2015 Holton High School girls golf schedule			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 3	S. Heights Invit.	Topeka	3 p.m.
Sept. 8	Piper Invitational	Kansas City	1 p.m.
Sept. 14	Holton JV Invit.	Holton	3 p.m.
Sept. 23	T. High JV Tourn.	Topeka	3 p.m.
Sept. 24	Council Grove Invit.	C. Grove	3 p.m.
Sept. 28	Jeff West Invit.	Ozawkie	9 a.m.
Oct. 1	Jeff West JV Invit.	Ozawkie	1 p.m.
Oct. 5	S. Lake Invit.	Topeka	3 p.m.
Oct. 8	BL Invitational	Basehor	1 p.m.
Oct. 12	4A Regional meet	TBA	TBA
Oct. 19	4A State meet	Hays	TBA

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Holton district secretary Deb Michael (right) recently accepted a donation of school supplies from Prairie Band Casino & Resort representatives Curtis Dreasner (left) and Joy Knudson (middle). A supply drive was held this summer at the casino, and a total of 34 school districts in the state received the free supplies.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

PBP donates supplies to schools

Classrooms in northeast Kansas have a few more supplies this school year thanks to the Prairie Band Casino & Resort.

A supply drive was held at the casino and resort, located on the reservation in Mayetta, this summer, and guests were able to donate school supplies and specify where

they wanted the items to go, it was reported.

Items donated included copy paper, loose-leaf paper, dry erase markers, dry erasers, pencils and facial tissue.

A total of 34 school districts – including Jackson Heights, Holton and Royal Valley – received donations, it was reported.

The items were delivered to local school districts by casino personnel the week before school started.

The total number of supplies gathered throughout the drive included 1,584 boxes of tissue, 5,764 dry erase markers, 635 dry erasers, 36,144 pencils, 668 reams of copy paper and 227,400 sheets of loose-leaf paper.

Lucky Stars 4-H Club holds August meeting

By Shayne Dorris

The meeting of the Lucky Stars 4-H Club was called to order on Aug. 10, 2015. Roll call was, “What grade will you be in at school?” and was answered by 25 members, three Clover Buds and three leaders. Songs were “Happy Birthday” and “The Wheels On The Bus.”

The program portion of the meeting was held by (in order) Gwyn Arnold, Gavin Arnold, Kinleigh Rhodd, Isaac Utz, Preston Utz, Grace Utz, Macey Gross, Sadey Gross, Thayne Gross

and Tiah Gross.

Gwyn made peanut butter balls – they looked delicious!

Gavin showed pictures of the headboard he displayed at the fair for his woodworking project. He received a reserve champion ribbon for his hard work.

Kinleigh showed pictures that she took to the fair. She received a purple ribbon on them all.

Isaac pointed out the parts of a soybean plant, using an actual plant as his prop.

Preston described the different cuts of pork using a poster and also showing an example of what packaged bacon looked like.

Grace passed out various nutrition fact labels and instructed the group on how to read them.

Last, but not least at all, were the Gross girls, who brought animals: a pig named Ruby, a horse named Rooster and a bunny. The animals were all very cute.

The last meeting of the 4-H year will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 14.

Moore family holds reunion

By Bryce Moore

The 62nd Moore reunion was held at the Larkinburg Christian Church on Aug. 16, 2015. There were approximately 60 persons in attendance this year.

The Moore reunion is for the descendants of Edward and Rebecca Moore. Edward and Rebecca came to Kansas in 1870, settling on a farm north of Larkinburg. The couple had 11 children.

Two of the children died, but nine lived to adulthood. The surviving children of the couple were Samuel Moore, Altha Jane Moore Hollenbeck, William Moore, Rufus Moore, Ida Moore Hettick, Edward Moore, Erffie Moore Medlock, Frank Moore and Charles Moore.

Descendants of these sons and daughters of Edward and Rebecca are the ones who get together for the Moore reunion each year. Edward died in 1906, and his services were held in the newly built Larkinburg Christian Church, the same building where the Moore reunion is held each year today.

Edward’s wife, Rebecca, died earlier in 1888 and was buried on the Moore farm and was the first grave into what became the Larkinburg Community Cemetery of today. The cemetery is located a mile north of Larkinburg.

A delicious potluck dinner was served at noon, which everyone enjoyed very much. Following lunch, Bryce Moore led a tribute to Virginia Bowser, who died earlier this year on April 25. Virginia never missed a Moore reunion, and she will be greatly missed by all of us.

Also, we noted the passing of Donald Utz in Virginia earlier this year. Don is the son of Margaret Utz of Larkinburg. Also noted were the births and marriages for 2015.

A business meeting was held where Brad Moore was elected president and Kenneth Utz was elected vice president. Bryce Moore was re-elected as secretary and treasurer. It was decided to hold the 2016 Moore reunion on the third Sunday in August at the Larkinburg Christian Church.



Smiths to celebrate 50th anniversary

Dennis and Judy Smith of rural Muscotah will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Thursday, Sept. 3.

They were married on Sept. 3, 1965, at the Christian Church at Nortonville.

They have two sons, Brian and

his wife, Shelley, of Muscotah, and Kevin of St. Louis.

They also have two grandsons, Luke and Lance Smith.

The couple will celebrate with a trip and a family celebration.

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Family hosts reunion in Soldier

By Linda Savage
Larry and Linda Savage of Soldier hosted their last get-together on Saturday, Aug. 22. There was a nice turnout with 35 in attendance. There was lots of good food and visiting with each other, some of whom hadn't seen each other since last year.

The evening ended around midnight with a washer tournament. The two winners this year each won a trophy. They are Jerry Wheeler and Auston Savage. All had a good time.

Those in attendance at this year's reunion included Jon Savage, Jordan Savage and Janet Savage, all of Topeka; Mike, Tori and Amy Brownell of Iowa; Jim and Debbie Rogers of Wichita; Dona Wather of Holton; Zane Richter of Holton; Doug and Lana and Auston Savage of Havensville; Don and Deloris Beam of Circleville; Jerry and Annette Wheeler of Soldier; Dave Jones and Brandy Nicholson of Emporia; Bob and Jennifer Bent of Illinois; Larry D. and Mary Savage of Holton; Barb and Lynn Wilson of Mayetta; Lyle Savage of Mayetta; Peggy Hankerson of Soldier; Don Johnson of Holton; Ben Wheeler of Wamego; Raymond and Rebecca Tannahill of Soldier; Travis and Deb Patch of Holton; and T. Wallace of Topeka. Also present were three dogs, Asendia, Max and Peanut.

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Wetmore High School students worked alongside students from across the state at the recent Kansas Youth Leadership Summit held this summer in Junction City. Submitted photo

Wetmore students attend youth leadership summit

Decreasing underage alcohol and drug use and encouraging safety belt use and safe driving behavior were the goals of Wetmore High School at Kansas Family Partnership's (KFP) 14th annual Kansas Youth Leadership Summit (KYLS) held Aug. 2-4 at Rock Springs 4-H Center in Junction City.

A team of five students and adults attended KYLS, a program sponsored by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) that brought together more than 150 high school students and adult advisors from 15 Kansas counties to create action plans to address these issues among youth in their communities.

"KYLS provided our team with workshops that motivated and trained us to serve as catalysts of positive change in our community," said Janelle Boden. "As a result of attending the summit, we can improve our community by addressing alcohol and drug use and promoting safety belt use and safe driving behavior."

Wetmore High School students and adults who attended KYLS were Noah Klingler, Austin Large, Chanler Morfitt, Jill Henry and Katie Vance.

Throughout the summit, youth and adults learned how to tackle tough

issues facing their communities, including easy access to alcohol and drugs, limited law enforcement resources, community norms supporting problem behaviors and no perceived risk for destructive decisions.

Interactive, skill-building sessions provided participants with proven prevention strategies to address these issues, as well as the latest research and data on alcohol, marijuana and motor vehicle crash dynamics.

Bill Cordes, a national speaker and author who uses strategies to empower students, teachers and business professionals to live better lives, led the summit. KYLS participants also heard from Brandon Lee White, a national author, speaker and professional ballroom dance instructor who teaches youth and adults about leadership, management and character.

Other teams that attended KYLS were from Holton High School, Jackson County Youth Coalition (Holton), Bennington High School, Burlington High School, The City Teen Center (Salina), Humboldt High School, Norwich School, Osage City High School, Peabody-Burns High School, Reno County Communities That

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For more information about Wetmore High School KYLS team and action plan, contact Janelle Boden at (785) 866-2860. For more information about KYLS, visit www.kansasfamily.com or call KFP at 1.800.206.7231.

Kansas Family Partnership (KFP) is a statewide nonprofit that promotes safe and healthy youth, families and communities by connecting them with substance abuse prevention education, networks and resources.

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Holton First Baptist

By Shirley M. Cameron
On Sunday, Aug. 23, the following needs were shared in the Holton First Baptist Church bulletin: The food pantry needs volunteers from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursdays; contact Pastor Rhett or Alecia O'Byrne for details. The choir was to resume practice on Wednesday, Aug. 26, with only women for the first two practices.

Congratulations to Ken and Liz Wareham on the birth of a baby boy on Aug. 18. He has been given the name Daniel Phillip. Pastor Tim prayed for the family and for the new addition to their family.

Next Sunday is promotion Sunday with juice and doughnuts being served at 9:45 a.m. Promotion during the Sunday school hour began Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Our sincere sympathy to Ray DeLay and family in the death of his father, Orville. Pray for our college-age youth, who are at their schools for the first time. If you feel led, write them a note of encouragement.

Ben Bauman brought the mini Bible lesson to the children by saying that our faces can tell a lot. It can tell if we are sad or glad; they can even show whether we love Jesus or not. The joy of the

Lord is a testimony to others; a smile is an encouragement to others. Let us be careful that we show others Christian love and kindness through our actions and by what our faces show.

Pastor Tim shared that Joseph in the Old Testament account in Genesis 39, God was always with him no matter what happened to him. God had a plan for Joseph's life in a big way! If we want to do things for God, we must have a vital relationship with God; an intimate relationship. Without the Lord in our lives, we are incomplete.

Sin can cause us to keep our distance from God, disobey Him and withhold our affection for Him, as well as avoid God-given responsibilities. It can cause us to make excuses for not yielding to Him and His plans for our lives. When we have a vital relationship, in Romans 5:8: 1. We will feel a self worth (Romans 5:1); 2. We will be sensitive to the needs of others (Matthew 2:37-40); 3. We will want to spend time with God.

God gives us special gifts in the Spirit. We are each gifted differently, and God can guide us how to use these to reach out to others. We must focus on the giver of the gift.

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Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2015.)

USD 337 PUBLIC NOTICE OF VOTE
2015-16 PROPERTY TAX RATES
2-YEAR PROPERTY TAX REVIEW
(Excluding General Fund, Bond and Interest, No-Fund Warrants, and Temporary Note)

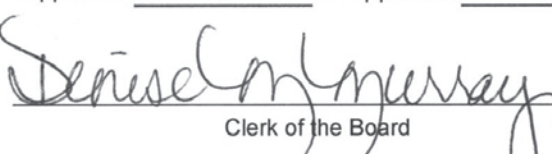
Fund	2014-15		2015-16		Percent Increase Over Prior Year
	Amount Levied	Rate	Amount Levied	Rate	
1. Supplemental General	421,115	14.555	598,906	19.877	42.22%
2. Adult Education	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
3. Capital Outlay	231,461	8.000	241,048	8.000	4.14%
4. Special Liability Exp.	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
5. School Retirement	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
6. Extraordinary Growth	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
7. Cost of Living	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
8. Declining Enrollment	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
9. Special Assessment	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.00%
10. TOTAL	652,576	22.555	839,954	27.877	28.71%

Required by KSA 79-2925b

*This represents a 5.3 local mill increase in the Supplemental General Fund due to the 2015 legislative decision to once again pro-rate state aid as part of block grant funding. No additional total dollars are made available in the Supplemental General Fund of the local school district budget.

BOARD OF EDUCATION VOTE

Approved 5 Disapproved 0


Clerk of the Board

Delinquent tax payments continue

A total of \$7,491.42 in delinquent taxes on Jackson County properties was collected during the second week the list of delinquent properties was published in The Holton Recorder.

During its first week of publication, a total of \$6,215.60 in delinquent taxes was collected.

On Monday, Aug. 24, the names of property owners who still hadn't paid their delinquent taxes were printed in The Holton Recorder. The list has been published for three consecutive Mondays in the newspaper.

Property owners remaining on the list must pay their past due tax bill, as well as a four percent interest penalty on the amount due, plus a publishing fee of \$16. The interest penalty amount due will increase a little each day that the tax bill goes unpaid, it was reported.

Taxpayers with questions about their tax bills should call the treasurer's office at 364-3791.

Circleville Christian Church

By Jeannie Arnold

Ellsworth and Sandra Hewitt served as greeters for Cowboy Church at Circleville Christian Church on Aug. 23. David Allen gave the opening prayer. Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, David Allen, Max Lierz and Paul and Sue Davault. Mike Cochren gave the announcements of upcoming events, and David Allen gave the prayer for concerns and praises.

The congregation enjoyed a special by the praise team as they sang "The Family Bible." There was no special event; they just like the song and the message it has to say.

Randy Wickham started out with text from John 4:31-38 as he gave the morning sermon titled "Does Our Passion Resemble His?" His message told how God has a mis-

sion for each one of us, and that is evangelism. It is a lifetime of commitment for Christians to be ready to share the gospel. Don't invest your life in things that are temporary, but eternity. Now is the time for salvation because we may not have tomorrow. As you live your life, give God all the glory!

Paul Davault used text from the 133rd Psalm as he gave the communion meditation. Communion servers were Don Askren, Ellsworth Hewitt, Roger Rethman and John Ray. Joyce Cochren provided the piano music as communion was served. The prayer for the offering was given by David Allen, and the service closed by singing "Happy Trails To You."

Aug. 30 is Fifth Sunday. There will be one service at 10:30 a.m. with the carry-in fellowship dinner to follow. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m.

Denison Bible Church

By Esther L. Hall

I have really been enjoying these cooler days and nights, and Aug. 23, was beautiful. I wonder if we're in for an early fall?

Denison Bible Church will begin a weekly after school program for kids age four through sixth grade on Sept. 9. It will be on Wednesday evenings beginning at about 4 p.m. (as soon as the school bus arrives) and will end at 5:30 p.m. Youth Under Construction will start back up at 5 p.m. on Sept. 19 for kids ages 10 years and up.

Pastor Tim's message was titled "He Keeps Us," based on Ephesians 2:7-9. The first three chapters in Ephesians explain our rescue from sin and our rescue by grace. It's a gift of God and He keeps us to eternity and through eternity. Three keywords that are addressed are kindness - God's loving actions towards us; Grace - God's favor for underserving people; and Saved - God's forgiveness of sins and saved from eternal death and for God.

We are saved by God's grace. He takes us out of death and into life and seats us in the heavens with Jesus Christ. He did this to show the im-

measurable riches of His grace. God rose us from our spiritual deadness for His glory. His grace is shown to us in kindness.

Man has a tendency to take credit for things that aren't his to take. Nothing we do can save us, but our salvation is a display of divine grace. God designed us for His divine glory. God's purpose for our salvation is for His glory.

We're not saved by our good works. We can't be lost by our bad works, but if we love the Lord, we will do good works for His glory.

We are saved by our faith; however, God gives us our faith. It's not a result of anything we can do, because we are incapable of saving ourselves from death. Grace and salvation are not of ourselves; therefore, we can't boast on it. Everything comes from God, including our faith. He gives us our faith.

Our faith is from Him. He keeps us in that faith so that we won't fail and fall. When we need a stronger faith, He gives it to us. When we are down, God gives us the ability to persevere through the trials in and of life. For the temptations in life, He gives us strength.

Senior Meals

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

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

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

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Aug. 31 through Friday, Sept. 4 are as follows:

Monday, Aug. 31: Chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, lettuce salad, cranberry mandarin orange salad and cookie.

Tuesday, Sept. 1: Taco soup, cauliflower and broccoli salad, diced peaches, brownie and tortilla chips.

Wednesday, Sept. 2: Chicken potpie with biscuit topping, Harvard beets, mandarin oranges and cookie.

Thursday, Sept. 3: Baked steak, baked potato, broccoli-Normandy, fruit crisp and hot roll and margarine.

Friday, Sept. 4: Barbecue meatballs, macaroni and cheese, Japanese vegetable, apricots, cake and bread and margarine.

PBP Elder Meals

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

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

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

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

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Aug. 31 through Friday, Sept. 4 are as follows:

Monday, Aug. 31: Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans and Texas toast.

Tuesday, Sept. 1: Fish sticks, tater tots and coleslaw.

Wednesday, Sept. 2: Goulash, sliced zucchini and tossed salad.

Thursday, Sept. 3: Beef stew, buttered noodles and carrot salad.

Friday, Sept. 4: Ham croissant, broccoli soup and chips.

Circleville Community News

By Jeannie Arnold

Sharon Cochren hosted a back to school barbecue for her family on Sunday evening, Aug. 16. Her guests were Carole and Brett Daner; Logan Fornelli and Jack Daner; Valerie and Kevin Olberding, Kanyon, Cole, Wyatt and Levi and friend, Austin Sauvage; and Michelle and Matt Callison, Katie, Eli and Makayla. They all enjoyed the cookout, pitching some horseshoes and visiting.

The Circleville seniors met at the Lodge Hall on Monday, Aug. 17, with 21 members and guests. They enjoyed a meal of fried chicken provided by the group and salads and desserts provided by the members. Following the meal, a program was given by Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson about their June trip to Ireland. Dawn Duryea played several lively Irish songs on the penny whistle.

David Allen, member of the Jackson Heights Education Foundation, gave a report about the foundation and what they do for the school and students. The JHEF continues to research and apply for funding that helps strengthen the district's schools.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 21, at the Circleville Lodge Hall. There will be no community Circlefest celebration in September this year.

Kay Bottom celebrated her 80th birthday on Saturday, Aug. 22. She was treated to lunch with her granddaughter, Chelsea Shupe, and great-granddaughter, Violet. They went to Dairy Queen, which is Kay's favorite. Later in the day, she was surprised with a party with a few close friends and two of her children, Craig Bottom and Brenda and Steve Tims. Those who came to help celebrate the surprise party were friends Rita Cattrell, Phyllis Kathrens, Mary VainCourt, Alice Parker, Nancy Cattrell and Janet Nissen. Kay was heard saying she had a wonderful birthday. Everyone enjoyed cake and homemade ice cream.

We welcome Randy and Brenda Wickham to Circleville as they have moved into the Christian Church parsonage. Moving day was Saturday, Aug. 22, and they are working on getting settled in.

Barbara Hutchinson was in Topeka on Saturday, Aug. 22, with her sister, Marsha Morris. They enjoyed a sisters' day by eating out and going to

a movie.

Dave and Carla Askren hosted a trail ride for Circleville Saddle Club riders on Saturday, Aug. 22, followed by a potluck and weenie roast. Also on Sunday morning, doughnuts, juice and coffee were provided before riding again Sunday afternoon.

Barbara Hutchinson attended the memorial service for James Frederick Snyder at the Grace Cathedral in Topeka on Sunday, Aug. 23. Jim served in the Silver Haired Legislature for many years as president and had other leadership roles. Barbara also served in the Silver Haired Legislature for three terms representing Jackson County, having just finished in 2014. Evelyn Allen is taking her place.

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School Menus

Jackson Heights
Monday, Aug. 31: Breakfast – Waffle sticks with syrup, sausage links, applesauce, juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken tetrazzini, tossed salad with romaine, steamed carrots, French bread, fresh strawberries and milk.
Tuesday, Sept. 1: Breakfast – Cereal, string cheese, apricots, juice and milk; Lunch – Whole-grain corn dog, garden spinach salad, seasoned peas, apple and milk.
Wednesday, Sept. 2: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fresh fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, fresh baby carrots, biscuit (5-12), pineapple tidbits and milk.
Thursday, Sept. 3: Breakfast – Western omelet with salsa, pears, juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken quesadilla, whole-grain chips, salsa, refried beans, orange wedges and milk.
Friday, Sept. 4: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, orange slices, juice and milk; Lunch – Cowboy cavatini, tossed salad with romaine, green beans, wheat bread (9-12), fresh fruit and milk.

Holton
Monday, Aug. 31: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice choice and milk choice; Lunch – Chicken tetrazzini, garlic bread, tossed salad, seasoned peas, orange smiles, canned fruit choice and milk choice.
Tuesday, Sept. 1: Breakfast

– Pancake on a stick, fruit cocktail, fruit juice and milk; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, leaf lettuce and tomato, oven fries, red bell pepper strips, fresh apple, canned fruit choice and milk choice.
Wednesday, Sept. 2: Breakfast – Biscuits and gravy, fresh banana, fruit juice and milk; Lunch – Flame broiled steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, banana, fruit muffin (6-12), canned fruit choice and milk choice.
Thursday, Sept. 3: Breakfast – French toast with syrup, fresh grapes, fruit juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken nuggets, savory rice, roll and jelly, fresh broccoli, cherry tomato, grapes, canned fruit choice and milk choice.
Friday, Sept. 4: Breakfast – Whole-grain muffin, applesauce, fruit juice and milk; Lunch – Yummy sloppy joe on a bun, potato puffs, green beans, applesauce, fresh fruit choice and milk choice.

Royal Valley
Monday, Aug. 31: Breakfast – Pancakes, fruit and milk; Lunch – Burrito with salsa, refried beans, fresh carrots, fruit and milk.
Tuesday, Sept. 1: Breakfast – Cereal, fruit and milk; Lunch – Turkey and cheese on a bun, potato wedges, green beans, fruit and milk.
Wednesday, Sept. 2: Breakfast – French toast sticks, fruit and milk; Lunch – Barbecue beef on a bun, french fries, pepper strips,

fruit and milk.
Thursday, Sept. 3: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk; Lunch – Corn dog, salad, corn, fruit and milk.
Friday, Sept. 4: Breakfast – Biscuit and gravy, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, fresh broccoli, roll, fruit and milk.
Prairie Hills
Monday, Aug. 31: Breakfast – Cereal or cinnamon pastries; Lunch – Pulled pork on a whole-grain bun, crinkle fries, baked beans, carrot crunchies, pineapple and milk.
Tuesday, Sept. 1: Breakfast – Biscuits and gravy; Lunch – Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, sunshine slices, whole-grain roll and milk.
Wednesday, Sept. 2: Breakfast – Syrup Day; Lunch – Italian dunkers, seasoned green beans, carrot crunchies, peaches, sherbet cup and milk.
Thursday, Sept. 3: Breakfast – Sausage or egg biscuit sandwich; Lunch – Creamy classic mac, sunflower seeds, lemon pepper broccoli, sweet bell pepper strips, apple smiles and milk.
Friday, Sept. 4: Breakfast – Breakfast pizza; Lunch – Stuffed crust pepperoni pizza, spinach garden salad, corn, strawberries and bananas and milk.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Aug. 26
*Holton Alateen, a fellowship of young people whose lives have been affected by alcoholism, meets at 7 p.m. each Wednesday in the library room (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton.
*Wednesday night Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., at Whiting United Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome.
*Jostens will be on site at Jackson Heights at 10 a.m.
*Royal Valley Middle School bus evacuation drills, 8:30 a.m.
*Royal Valley Middle School cross-country and cheerleading pictures will be taken at 3:40 p.m.
*Axtell High School KAY magazine sales begin at 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 27
*Holton Watch DOGS information night at Colorado Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
*Holton's agricultural education/FFA open house and parent meeting will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
*Royal Valley Middle School volleyball pictures will be taken at 3:30 p.m.
*Sabetha Middle School Back to School party, 5 p.m.
*AA meeting in the yellow annex west of St. Dominic Catholic Church at 7 p.m. Use the south door.

Friday, Aug. 28
*Jackson Heights Cobra Backer meal, 5:15 p.m.
*Jackson Heights fall pep rally and scrimmage, 6 p.m.
*Holton High School fall sports pictures will be taken.
*Holton's fall sports preview will be held from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
*Royal Valley Elementary School bus evacuation drills, 8:30 a.m.
*Royal Valley high and middle school football pictures will be taken

at 3:30 p.m. High school cross-country pictures will also be taken at this time.
*Royal Valley Middle School football scrimmage, 4:30 p.m. at RVHS.
*Royal Valley cross-country parent meeting at 5:30 p.m.
*Royal Valley High School football scrimmage, 6:30 p.m.
*Royal Valley High School will hold a Welcome Back to School dance from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
*Sabetha Middle School football scrimmage, 4:30 p.m.
*Sabetha High School soap scrimmage, 7 p.m.
*Narcotics Anonymous meeting from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the library room (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton.


Saturday, Aug. 29
*Quail Forever youth wingshooting clinic for children age 17 and under, Banner Creek Reservoir Boy Scout area, 10975 Kansas Highway 16 (enter off N Road). An archery clinic will also be presented. All supplies will be provided. Contact Greg Tanking at (785) 305-1417, Eric Deneault at (785) 305-0864 or Jerry Valdez at (785) 577-6427 for more details.

Sunday, Aug. 30
*Attend the church of your choice.
*AA meeting in the basement of the Mayetta Catholic Church at 7:30 p.m.
*The Soldier Group Ministry will meet at 10 a.m. at Banner Creek Reservoir, Shelter House 3, for service at the chapel.
Monday, Aug. 31
*The Jackson County Board of County Commissioners meet at 9 a.m. each Monday at the Jackson County Courthouse in Holton. All

meeting are open to the public. To address the county commissioners, contact the county clerk's office at 364-2891 to have your name place on a meeting agenda.
*6:30 p.m. Jackson Heights fifth grade band night.

Tuesday, Sept. 1
*Hoyt City Council meets at 7 p.m. at Hoyt City Hall.
*Jostens will be at Jackson Heights at 7:30 a.m.
*Holton Central Elementary School pictures will be taken.
*Sabetha High School Jaytime Jostens ring presentation.
*Wetmore individual pictures will be taken.

Wednesday, Sept. 2
*Holton Alateen, a fellowship of young people whose lives have been affected by alcoholism, meets at 7 p.m. each Wednesday in the library room (room 104) at Evangel United Methodist Church, 227 Pennsylvania Ave in Holton.
*Wednesday night Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., at Whiting United Methodist Church. Everyone welcome.
*Mayetta City Council meets at 7 p.m. at Mayetta City Hall.
*Circleville City Council meets at 7 p.m. at Circleville City Hall.
*Effingham City Council meets at 7 p.m. at Effingham City Hall.
*Holton Colorado Elementary School and High School picture day. HHS fall sports pictures will also be taken.
*6:15 p.m. Royal Valley High School Booster Club meeting.
*7 p.m. Royal Valley High School After Prom meeting.
*7 p.m. Royal Valley fifth grade band parent meeting at RVMS.
*1 p.m. Axtell fall sports/group photos.
*1:30 p.m. Wetmore school blood drive.



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By Rachel Myslivi
Fifty women attended the Kansas Rural Center's recent Women in Farming workshop in Emporia to learn about soil health and cover crops, livestock and grass management, specialty crop production and season extension, farm credit and other resources available for women farmers.
This was the final workshop in a series of similar KRC workshops this year offering women practical how-to information and access to resources to manage risks in farming.
"Over the last 30 years, the number of women farmers has tripled," explained Mary Fund, KRC director. "The number of women inheriting land and farm management decisions is also increasing, so it's really important that women learn how to make better decisions on the farm and learn the practical skills needed. We've had great reception to these workshops and tours. The energy and optimism at the women's round table also encouraged us to seek ways to facilitate more networking among women farmers."
Fund was referring to the informal panel discussion and round table held Friday evening prior to the workshop, which attracted 25 women to learn about some of the things Kansas women farmers are doing on their farms.
KRC selected seven successful women farmers and ag professionals to share their stories. These mentors talked about ideas, successes and failures along the way. Conversations at the round table reflected the diversity of modern-day agriculture. Many are coming into farming with fresh new ideas and excitement, but often with little technical agricultural training.
Informal networking events help to break down barriers and open doors to new relationships between women farmers at different stages and locations throughout the state.
"Women farmers are very interested in specialty crops and small livestock or poultry production as a way of diversifying operations and income, in addition to their interest in overall farm management issues," stated Fund. "It became clear that size and scale don't really matter on women's farms, it's the intensification and the diversity that is key. We all share the desire to feed ourselves, our families and our communities."
The full-day workshop on Saturday began with demonstrations and presentations about soil health, diversity and agroecosystems by NRCS staff Candy Thomas, Alex Miller and Terry Karcher, giving an overview of ways to positively impact soil health using demonstrations, including a slake test and a desktop rainfall simulator.
"In the past, we've seen diversity as kind of an adversary. Over the centuries, we've taken a lot out of the soil," Miller explained. "The main goal is to bring life back to the soil."
Rancher and rangeland specialist Dale Kirkham encouraged a systematic approach to grazing management asking, "How do we harvest a whole pasture?"
Grazing plans should focus on the things you can control. For instance, you can move mineral, but you can't easily move water.
Farm Service Agency representatives Eric Guenther and Kurt Sch-

weiner explained loan programs and resources of special interest to women farmers, including financial assistance, micro-loans and help putting together farm plans and budgets.
While the FSA representatives got the participants thinking about creative financing, Dan Phelps, KRC program coordinator and specialty crop specialist, presented ideas for extending the growing season.
"From a fruit and vegetable perspective, Kansas is an untapped market," he said. "We have the opportunity to start growing the things we're importing from California."
High tunnels help bridge the gaps between growing seasons while also providing new income streams. Phelps described many options for high tunnels, from expensive and permanent to temporary and DIY. Clearly outlining both the challenges and opportunities with high tunnels, he encouraged participants to think outside of the box with season extension but to "do your homework and realize what you're investing in."
In the final formal presentation, Gail Fuller, Emporia farmer and tour host, insisted that regardless of the operation, soil health should be a primary focus.
"Our whole emphasis is soil first. Chickens, corn, wheat, pigs, it doesn't matter. What matters is how will it affect your soil today, tomorrow, next week, next year or in 50 years," Fuller said.
Fuller and Lynnette Miller work together in a diversified no-till operation, incorporating cover crops, grains, livestock, bees and direct marketing. Fuller cautioned that there are often more failures than successes, but with a diversified system and healthy soils, there are many great opportunities.
Participants found the presentations encouraging, and for at least one participant, they served as a catalyst.
"I came away with a sense of urgency," said Lynnette Petty. "I knew that we wanted to rehab our land and nurture it back to health. After the workshop, I now feel that we need to act sooner and not let the traditional practices of the past continue to stifle our soil and environment."
While the presentations contained technical and specific information, the content was accessible to a broader audience. Lynn Stephan from Wichita commented, "Being a 'city girl,' I've been unaware of the wealth of research and information that now guides farming decisions. The cover crops and soil health presentations were eye-openers. I am so impressed."
Presentations will be made available on the KRC website for broader audiences on the Women in Farming page.
The day ended with a tour at the Fuller family farm just outside of Emporia, where Gail Fuller and Lynnette Miller demonstrated the benefits of stacking enterprises.
The first stop on the tour was the sheep pen, including a discussion of breed characteristics of Katahdin sheep and strategies for fencing, water and care.
Fuller and Miller rotationally graze their herd using portable electric fencing.
The next stop was the egg-mobile, a converted stock trailer used

to move laying hens behind grazing cattle on pasture. The egg-mobile makes it easy to move the chickens around to graze.
Participants also learned about cover crops while witnessing the practical methods used at the Fuller farm.
A fencing demonstration included solar gate-latching systems, step-in posts, polywire and solar chargers. Although heavy rains the night before removed some of the planned stops for the tour, the day ended with a pasture walk on a native prairie led by Dale Kirkham, who identified plants, noted indicators of health and answered questions about grazing systems overall.
Farm tours provide a unique learning experience that positively supplements a traditional workshop. Regardless of experience level, seeing practices in action makes fast impressions.
Risa Kearn explained, "Some of the examples left me feeling wary and with a sense that I would do things differently and others were exciting or opened my mind to trying things I had previously rejected, like sheep."
While many of the tour attendees picked up new ideas to implement on their farms, Lynn Stephan came away with a new perspective.
"I left the day impressed with how incredibly hard farm women work, how physically demanding their work is and how devoted they are to producing positive outcomes," Stephan said. "I left feeling I had met and rubbed shoulders with true American heroines."
The women on the tour got a good sense of the value of diversity for both soil health and resilience and also for the farm resilience, economically. Diversifying farm enterprises benefits soil and water, and also diversifies and spreads out cash flow.
Additionally, diversified agricultural systems build community, as demonstrated by the reciprocal relationships Fuller worked out with his neighbors. Utilizing small patches of neighboring pastures to rotationally graze sheep increased available grazing land while cleaning up brushier areas for the neighbors.
"Community relationships grow along with the variety of crops and small livestock," Fund said.
Connecting women farmers across the state, the four workshops have reached more than 150 women with diverse operations and backgrounds. Gearing programming towards women has the potential to change the course of agriculture in Kansas.
"Projections show that 70 percent of farmland is expected to change hands over the next 15-20 years. Much of that will end up under the management of women," Fund explained.
With adequate funding, KRC hopes to expand educational opportunities for women in agriculture in the coming years. Educating women on farm management and building supportive networks across the state is an excellent investment in our agricultural and food future.
Workshop co-sponsor was the Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops. KRC's Women in Farming project is by a grant from the USDA Risk Management Agency Risk Management Education Program.

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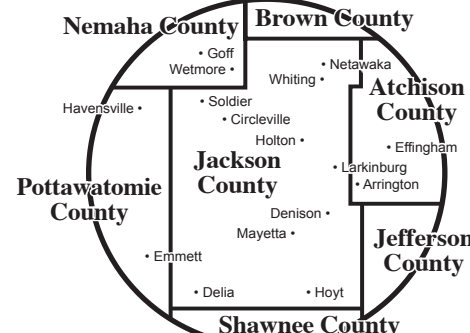
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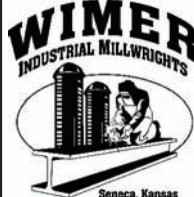
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Early planning key for enjoyable holiday season

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

It may seem too early to think about the holidays, but, actually, now is just the right time.

Having some discussion about holiday expectations and laying out plans for how time and money will be spent can avoid stressful, budget-breaking situations during the holidays. This early planning can establish realistic expectations for children, as well as adults, in the family.

Make a budget for spending money. Start putting events on the calendar now. Decide how much money your family is able to spend this year. Gifts, greeting cards and postage, food and decorations are the four things people typically spend money on around the holidays. Include holiday traditions at home, at work, with friends and at children's schools as you plan your calendar of events.

This is a good time of year to gather gift ideas. Think back through the year – do you remember having a great gift idea for someone? Now is the time to buy it, maybe even wrap it. Doing this for several items

or people on your list will put you ahead, both with time and money. As the holidays get very near, and the weather turns colder, shopping becomes a challenge.

Stay within your spending budget by paying with cash. After developing your gift budget, make an envelope for each person on your list and put that amount of cash in the envelope. Use the cash to buy each gift, replacing the money with receipts. Once you have taken all the cash out, you should be done.

Using credit cards for holiday shopping has advantages in there's not a need to carry cash. There may also be warranty benefits, depending on the item or the credit card you use. The drawback with credit cards is that people sometimes don't stick to their budget and overspend. Research has shown that people often spend 30 percent more when buying with a credit card compared to spending cold, hard cash.

It's easy to go overboard and shower children with lots of toys and gifts. Keep in mind that the reality of the research is that most children tend to have three to five favorite toys. Don't be the family that jokes about the children having more fun with the boxes than all the toys they

receive. A good resource for people looking for age-appropriate gifts for children can be found on the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) website.

Spending time with those you care about is important, too, and that can be done without spending a lot of money. Include children in as much planning and preparation as possible around the holidays. Children can be part of gift-wrapping, baking or visiting family and friends. Including children in holiday activities will be the best gift in the long run.

Incorporate learning into holiday preparations. Buying a Christmas tree becomes a lesson in decision-making and consumer choices when you discuss different prices and options: cut-your-own, buy at the nursery or use an artificial tree.

Teach basic baking skills, as well as numbers and measurement, when you bake cookies together. And there is no better lesson in time management than preparing a holiday meal, and having it ready to put on the table all at once! Children will feel a sense of pride and accomplishment when they are included in holiday preparations.

Share your family traditions for the holidays with children. Many will be

fascinated with how these traditions started with past generations and the meaning they have for your family. Emphasize the quality of time spent together over the quantity of objects everyone receives.

There are (at the time of this writing) less than 100 days left until Thanksgiving, Hanukkah and Christmas... time to get busy!



Manuel Alvarez reached up on Monday morning to paint over a section of the gazebo at Rafter's Park in Holton after rust spots in the gazebo were sanded off and smoothed out. Alvarez and others who spent the morning painting the gazebo were working on behalf of Holton's parks and recreation department.

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Jenkins: Guantanamo best place for combatants

By Lynn Jenkins
U.S. House of Representatives
R-Kansas

After reports broke that Department of Defense (DoD) personnel were currently on site and evaluating Fort Leavenworth as a potential site relocation for the Guantanamo Bay detainees, I immediately sent a letter to Defense Secretary Ashe Carter demanding they abandon this reckless proposal.

The first bill I introduced in Congress was to prohibit funds for the transfer of terrorists from Guantanamo Bay to Fort Leavenworth. I have visited Guantanamo Bay, and I know firsthand that it is the best facility in the world for holding these deadly enemy combatants.

At a time when we face relentless threats from the Islamic State and have yet to hear a strategy to defeat ISIL, it is absurd to hear that the Department of Defense has personnel on the ground at Fort Leavenworth conducting site surveys to advance the president's proposal that could ultimately result in the transfer of these terrorists to Kansas.

An overwhelming majority of Kansans and Americans oppose importing terrorists from Guantanamo Bay into the United States, and Congress has acted in bipartisan fashion over and over again to prohibit Guantanamo Bay detainees from entering the United States. It is irresponsible and reckless for Fort Leavenworth's chief mission of education, and to overstep the law to do so is a dangerous precedent.

Rest assured, I will continue my work to keep these terrorists from being transferred to Fort Leavenworth or anywhere in the United States.

It was a privilege to spend time shadowing employees across eastern Kansas as part of my "Jenkins on the Job" tour. This tour was an opportunity for me to participate in

the daily lives of the folks I work for each day.

Eastern Kansans are working extremely hard to help drive our economy and it was great hearing, and more importantly learning, about the challenges and successes of a variety of professions. I look forward to bringing these experiences back to Washington.

My stops on this tour included lending a helping hand at the Prairie Paws Animal Shelter in Ottawa, helping out at the Family Resource Center in Pittsburg, riding along with Officer Mitch Soden of the Topeka Police Department and stopping by Lawrence Landscaping.

I also went on a rural health tour stopping at the Coffeyville Regional Medical Center, the Cancer Center of Kansas in Independence, the Community Healthcare Center of Southeast Kansas, the Golden Living Center in Pittsburg, Medical Pharmacy in Holton and Hiawatha Community Hospital, as well as holding discussions in Leavenworth with the Kansas Mental Health Directors and

in Atchison with the local physicians group.

Supporting rural health has always been one of my top priorities, and this tour was an opportunity to hear from staff and patients about the challenges they face. Rural health providers face unique tests to provide quality care to their communities, and I will continue to stand with them to ensure they have the necessary tools to care for Kansas families, no matter where they live.

This tour was also an opportunity for me to discuss the rural health legislation I have introduced this Congress with the folks it would impact the most.

Specifically, I spoke about my bill to aid Critical Access Hospitals by preventing enforcement of Medicare's unfair and inflexible direct supervision requirement, as well as my legislation to empower physician assistants to continue being able to care for Kansas' seniors in hospices and my efforts to increase patient access to anesthesiology professionals. I will continue to work in the House to pass this important legislation.

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Honor Flight...

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■ **Vietnam War:** Larry Amon, Netawaka; Leroy Bailey, Topeka, Larry Baxter, Onaga; Lester Crawshaw, Mayetta; Gary Jackman, Topeka; Mickey Moore, Jack Pittaway and Robert Powers, Holton; Clinton Vawter, Carbondale; and Wayne Wheeler and Kenneth Wykert, Circleville. Korean War veterans Claycamp, Hale, Johnson and Ketchem also fought in Vietnam.

Participating JHHS students, serving as “guardians” to the veterans, include Tyler Bloom, Grace Bowhay, Ty Brenner, Brianna Cattrell, Lance Coe, Hanna Davault, Braden Dohl, Xavier Fritz, Brady Holliday, Kaleb Keehn, John Kennedy, Kate Lierz, Ed Mandala, Tayla Manuel, Curtis Niehues, Logan Rethman, Maggie Rostetter, Marley Wareham and Erika White.

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Development...

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Holton city and Jackson County officials also met in 2014 to discuss strengthening their ties in the area of economic development, possibly through the creation of a position that could serve both entities at the suggestion of a Kansas Department of Commerce representative. But as Bauer and Zwonitzer both noted, that suggestion has yet to be realized.

According to the city’s economic development incentives policy, a business must be engaged in one or more of the following activities in order to qualify for public incentives: manufacturing, service sector, research and development, warehousing and distribution, corporate headquarters, transportation, commercial redevelopment, tourism, housing and medical services.

The policy also states that incentives should not be granted if doing so would create “an unfair advantage for one business over another competing business within the City,” and that such incentives must make a difference in that a business’ establishment or expansion within the city would not have otherwise been established or expanded if not for the policy’s availability.

How the different aspects of the incentives policy would affect businesses applying for such incentives would depend on the businesses themselves, it was noted. But in the case of the industrial park, interested businesses seeking one or more of the last four lots have other things to keep in mind.

“The lots that are left may need a lot of dirt work and a lot of site work to bring them to grade,” Zwonitzer said.

Repairing the road, however, is a step in the right direction.

“That road has been taking a beating from those heavy trucks,” she said. “Chip-and-seal roads just can’t hold up to these industrial-size trucks.”

Justin Wensel of Tonganoxie-based KHC Inc., the contractor working with King Engineering on the industrial park road reconstruction project, said work on rebuilding the roads is likely to begin next week and take about two months to complete. The reconstruction work will be done in phases, Wensel added, to allow traffic to continue to move through the industrial park.

But even with a new road in place, commissioners are still concerned with how to sell the last four lots. At the most recent commission meeting, it was suggested that the city enlist the services of a real estate agent to sell the lots.

“The commission can consider any viable option they see fit,” Bauer said of the suggestion. “I would definitely not rule it out.”

Fire Board...

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The county commissioners have requested that the four-member fire board add an additional member in order to prevent any tie votes. They also asked that any new board appointments be approved by the county commission, which is the same practice used with all the other fire boards in the county. Ingels and Ent agreed.

“We want to get all the fire boards on the same page,” Zwonitzer said.

Ingels said a fifth board member will be added during the September meeting and then brought to the commissioners for approval.

County Counselor Alex Morrissey is set to meet with Dennis White, the city’s attorney, to look over a resolution from 1982 regarding the Holton fire board and determine if that resolution needs to be amended to clarify who has authority over the fire board.

It appears in the resolution that the county gave up supervision of the Holton fire board to the city, but more research needs to be done on the matter since the city commissioners stated that city officials have no interest in overseeing the fire board and appointing its members.

In 2014, Holton Rural Fire Board #4 received \$121,867 for its budget through its special tax mill levy, which is how funds are generated by county fire districts.



The photo above is an aerial view of the recently renovated and expanded Community Hospital Onaga. A ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening celebration will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday at the facility. The expansions include a new surgical suite, new imaging department, expanded emergency services, new birth center and new clinic.

Photo courtesy of Donahue Aerial

Royal Valley...

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The student information part of the grade card explains the specific areas in a subject that individual students need to focus on to improve their grade.

“This will allow us to be more specific with parents,” Brandt said. “One of the things we heard about the former grade card was that some things were vague and parents didn’t really know what satisfactory really meant or what areas needed improvement that quarter.”

Brandt said that the new card is based on exit standards, which are the standards students are expected to reach by the end of the school year.

“Most students probably won’t reach the Mastery standard until the fourth quarter,” Brandt said. “The old report card didn’t align with the new standards, and it really didn’t fit in a lot of ways. This needed to be done.”

Previously, only third and fourth-grade students received letter grades on report cards while younger students received “satisfactory” or “needs improvement” marks on their cards. With the new card, no elementary student will receive a letter grade.

Slay said that it would be difficult to tie a certain percentage score to the

standards scores, M, OT, P and N.

“I think this will be the biggest shift in thinking for parents,” Slay said. “It’s very possible that a student could get a 99 percent on a quiz and be On Target because of the skills that are being tested. A student could also take a test over the entire content of the standards and get a 99 percent and that could be Mastery. Same percentage but different scale score because one is assessing a part of the standard and the other is assessing all of the standard. That’s confusing but what we want to communicate to parents is whether their student is on target with where they need to be by the end of the school year or are they struggling and what do we need to do next?”

Slay said parents will have to look at the new report cards differently.

“All parents want their students to get an A,” Slay said. “There are going to be a lot of parents who have reward systems at home for earning A’s and B’s that won’t be able to do that with this new card. It’s a change and a shift, but I think we’re going in the right direction where we need to be with the kids.”

Student report cards are given to students at the end of the first nine weeks, and parents can also track grades online through PowerSchool.

With the approval of the new grade card, however, Slay asked permission from the board to wait until parent-teacher conferences at the end of October to hand out report cards in order to allow staff to explain the new system to parents face-to-face.

Slay, Brandt and Trisha Slimmer, first-grade teacher, also asked that parent-teacher conferences at the elementary school be extended an extra day in order to conduct 30-minute sessions with parents instead of just 20 minutes.

“There’s just not enough time, especially if we’re explaining the new report card,” Slimmer said. “We have an 80 percent participation rate at the school. If we could have two full days in order to extend the sessions, that would really help.”

Parent-teacher conferences had previously been set for all three schools from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28, and 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29.

The board agreed to extend conferences just at the elementary school from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. that Wednesday, which means elementary students will not attend classes that day. Middle school and high school students will still attend classes that day.

In other business, the board:

* Approved consent items.

* Was introduced to new district employees Kimberly Markham, Carol Arnold and David Boucher.

* Received an update on the FCCLA National Leadership Conference from RVHS student Jayme Burger and Monique Litherland, RVHS teacher and FCCLA sponsor. Burger received a gold medal at the competition.

* Discussed the two fall summit meetings being held by the Kansas Association of School Boards. The meetings are being held in Olathe and Salina in October.

* Approved a trip request to allow seven RVHS FFA members to attend the national FFA convention in Louisville at the end of October.

Kim Mitchell is the club’s sponsor, and the board agreed that the district could cover her cost of the trip, which was estimated at \$380. Each FFA student will be expected to pay \$75, with additional FFA funds being used to cover other expenses.

FFA member Anna Johnson spoke to the board about the event, which includes special sessions, a career fair, leadership workshops and networking opportunities for students in agriculture.

* Received updated enrollment projections from Superintendent John Rundle.

“We had 32 elementary students that were expected to move up in their grade level that did not return to school,” Rundle said. “Considering that’s almost 10 percent of the building, that’s hard to plan for. It seems there’s really no particular reason or rationale to it. We just had some moving within our community and those students are no longer with us.”

Rundle said that the elementary school has 294 students this year, compared to about 340 last year.

* Approved an audit contract with Karlin and Long LLC of Lawrence at a cost of \$5,000 to complete the 2015-2016 school year fiscal audit. Last year’s contract was \$4,900.

* Approved a budget resolution. A new change in the state law requires any school district that increased its budget by more than 1.5 percent to adopt another board resolution and publish that notice in the newspaper. The district’s public notice can be found on page 10 of this edition of *The Holton Recorder*.

* Approved employment contracts for Joe Baumchen as the freshman volleyball coach, Susan Cochran as a RVES paraprofessional and Clinton Burger as a bus driver.

* Adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Board members Boone Smith and Ann Kelly were absent.





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