



If it's cold outside, "blame the groundhog." At least that's what fourth-grade students at Royal Valley Elementary School recommended during their spring concert Tuesday evening in Hoyt. The students' program focused on a variety of holidays celebrated throughout the year, such as St. Patrick's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day and birthdays.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Benefit for Hoyt woman battling breast cancer set for March 19

By Ali Holcomb

Residents in the southern part of Jackson County are rallying to support a Hoyt woman battling breast cancer.

On Saturday, March 19, a large fund-raising event will be held at the Hoyt Community Building, Eighth Street and Highland Avenue, that will include several auctions, a bake sale, car show, activities for kids and several home-cooked meals as a benefit for Emma Carreno of Hoyt.

Carreno, 37, was diagnosed in December with what's called triple-negative breast cancer. She has three children who attend Royal Valley schools.

A silent auction will be held from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. that day at the community building with a live auction set for 3 p.m., according to Donna Wege, one of the event organizers.

"We've received so many donations for the auctions," Wege said. "David's Jewelers just gave us a \$200 watch for the auction, as well as custom-made jewelry."

Some of the other auction items include tanning and salon packages, signed sports memorabilia and a whirlpool tub.

A bake sale will also be held, and a bouncy house and face painting will be available for kids.

Additional donations are still being accepted for the auctions and the bake sale. The items can be delivered to the community building the day before the benefit or the morning of, Wege said.

For more information about the event, contact Wege at 785-383-1686 or dwonthego@yahoo.com.

Food will be served in the community building throughout the day for a free will donation. Biscuits and gravy, pancakes, sausage and eggs will be available from 6:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch and dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will include chili, chicken noodle and vegetable beef soups, pulled pork

sandwiches, baked potatoes, hot dogs and cinnamon rolls.

"It's been a real blessing from the community," Wege said of the donations. "I hope we have a huge crowd. We're planning for 500 people to show up for the breakfast."

A "Cars For A Cause" car show will also be held that day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. outside the community building. The show is open to all makes and models of vehicles. Participants were to pre-register by today (March 9) for \$10 or for \$15 on the day of the event between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Trophies and door prizes will be awarded at 2 p.m., which will include three "People's Choice" awards and "Kids' Pick."

The car show is being organized by Cassie Douglas, Carreno's sister. "She's been very overwhelmed with all the support and everyone pitching in to organize this," Douglas said of Carreno. "It's been amazing."

For more information about the car show, contact Cassie Douglas at 785-231-8109 or douglas_081890@yahoo.com

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City may sell industrial park lots to B&P Propane

By David Powls

The Holton City Commission has tentatively accepted a proposal to sell two lots in the city industrial park at the north edge of town on the west side for a total of \$32,000 to B&P Propane of Holton, it has been reported.

The purchase contract agreement presented to the city commissioners at Monday evening's meeting is contingent on B&P seeking and receiving Industrial Park (IP) zoning through the city planning commission and obtaining a special use permit.

Bret Bauer, city manager, said action on the purchase contract agreement with B&P could be back on the agenda as an action item at the next city commission meeting.

Currently, Bauer said, there are four vacant lots in the industrial park.

At their meeting, commissioners also discussed whether a connecting road should be built between the industrial park and the road traveling east and west behind the Holton Community Hospital — known as Gilliland Lane.

A special meeting for city commissioners and city staff to visit

the area to get a better look at the possible location for a connecting road may be scheduled soon, it was reported.

At their meeting, city commissioners also brainstormed about possible capital improvement projects that might be undertaken in the near future such as hard-surfaced parking lots for the Chandler, Countryside and Rafters Parks.

Another capital improvement project that is being considered is the purchase and installation of a new "clarifier" for the city water treatment plant.

Bauer explained that a "clarifier" is a piece of equipment that separates sediment from incoming raw water, the process that starts the water treatment process.

Another possible capital improvement project mentioned was the installation of water lines at the city's Prairie Lake, which would serve the campgrounds.

There is some new curb and guttering work under way for the east side of the Courtyard located at the inside area of the Town Square roads. Bauer said one section has been completed.

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Holton man arrested on murder charges

By Ali Holcomb

A Holton man was arrested here Tuesday on second-degree murder charges for his alleged involvement in the death of his wife on Oct. 21, 2015, according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse.

George E. Fleshman Jr., 66, was taken into custody by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office Tuesday morning at his home at 418 Nebraska St. in connection with the death of his wife, Elizabeth Jane Fleshman, 62, Sheriff Morse said.

At 9:38 p.m. on Oct. 20, Morse said, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from the Fleshman residence.

Mr. Fleshman allegedly told dispatchers that he had found his wife unresponsive. Elizabeth Fleshman was transported by Jackson County EMS to Holton Community Hospital and then later to St. Francis Hospital in Topeka where she died the next day, it was reported.

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Spring break is next week

Local school districts and area colleges and universities will be closed for spring break from Monday, March 14, through Friday, March 18, it has been reported.

All three Jackson County school districts — Holton, Jackson Heights and Royal Valley — as well as students who attend schools in Prairie Hills USD 113 and Atchison County Community Schools USD 377 will be out of class for a full week.

All state universities, as well as Washburn University, will also take spring break that week.

New school progress noted

By David Powls

Within the next couple of weeks, the window frames, windows and doors will all be installed at the new Holton Elementary School, the school board learned Monday evening at its meeting.

Most concrete work inside the new school building has been completed now, except for a flight of stairs going from the first floor of the building to the second floor.

Sheetrock work on the bottom level of the school is nearly complete now also, said Superintendent Dennis Stones, and the building is being heated to around 60 degrees to aid in the sheetrock "mud and taping" process.

Stones also said that the installation of metal studs in the new building is almost completed.

The construction company, he said, is gearing up to start laying the asphalt for the school bus drop-off area on the west side of the new school building.

Other construction progress noted included that gas lines are being laid to the building, brick joints are being caulked and the roofwork on the building is nearly completed.

"Things are moving fast and we have made up a lot of time in the last couple of weeks with all of this nice weather," Stones said. "We are still on target within a few days of when we need to have access in May. With the weather looking good over the next two weeks, we should be well on our way to being back on track."

Stones added that he and others who have toured the new school building recently have been impressed with the work going on there.

During the new school construction update provided by Stones, he also informed the board about the need to

formally approve an \$18,450 expenditure that he had okayed involving a "vapor lock" concrete additive utilized by the construction company on a cold day when some flooring concrete needed to be poured.

Stones said a decision had to be made quickly whether to use the additive and the expenditure was within the \$20,000 limit outlined by the board. The board approved a motion to okay the purchase.

The board heard from Dr. Randy Watson, commissioner of insurance for the Kansas Department of Education. Among several education topics, Dr. Watson told board members that Kansas needs more associate-degree graduates and that about one half of the careers in the state require workers to have such degrees to excel and advance in their fields.

Dr. Watson also advocated for an alternate high school graduation course path for tech-minded students that should be valued as much as the Board of Regents college-bound course work path.

More about Watson's hour-long talk will be reported in later editions of *The Recorder*.

As of Monday, Stones said, 38 students had been signed up for the community pre-school that the school district will start offering in the fall.

Stones encouraged more parents to enroll their students in the community pre-school and that increased need will prompt an additional class to be offered. He also said some "scholarship" funding is being organized for families that may need some financial assistance with the program.

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Construction of the new elementary school in Holton has moved inside, with window frames, windows and doors scheduled to be installed soon. In the photo above, David Lassiter (left), job superintendent for Nabholz Construction, is pictured inside the new school with Holton Superintendent Dennis Stones. At left, construction workers are shown installing concrete blocks in the building. Photos by Brian Sanders



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





A total of 635 votes were cast in the Republican Party presidential caucus held Saturday at Effingham by Republican Party voters from Jackson, Atchison and Doniphan counties. The photo above was taken during the caucus at Effingham. About seven different speakers talked about their favorite candidates during the 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. event. Candidate Ted Cruz was declared the winner of this caucus with 247 votes. Cruz also won statewide. Donald Trump took second at this caucus with 185 votes, Marco Rubio took third with 133 and John Kasich fourth with 67.

Photo by David Powls



Jackson County Republican Party voters and those from Atchison and Doniphan counties joined together to participate in the Republican presidential caucus held Saturday at Effingham. Jackson County Republicans shown above at the county's registration table were, left to right, State Rep. Becky Hutchins, Cindy Bottle (Jackson County Republican Party Chair), Karen Welliever and Rick Bottle. Presidential candidate Ted Cruz was named the winner of the Kansas Republican Caucus.

Photo by David Powls

Westar invites area youths to turkey hunt

Westar Energy is inviting eligible youths to its spring turkey hunt, April 1-12, at Jeffrey Energy Center, located seven miles north of St. Marys. The event is open to children ages 12 to 17 who have not harvested a turkey.

The project is supported by Westar Energy Green Team volunteers who are veteran hunters available to assist the youths and their mentors.

Youths must be accompanied by an adult mentor, preferably one who does not have turkey-hunting experience. These trips will take place in enclosed blinds around small crop fields scattered through the plant's property, where turkeys are abundant.

A shotgun, but no special clothing, calls or decoys, is needed. Hunters 15 years and younger will need to purchase a youth spring turkey permit. Hunters 16 years and older will need to purchase a unit three turkey permit and have a hunting license and a hunter's safety certificate or an apprentice hunting license.

Hunts will take place primarily in the mornings and on weekends, but weekdays and afternoons are possible based on volunteer guide availability.

Registration will be open through Friday, March 18, or until all slots are filled. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis with preference for inexperienced mentors.

Contact Barb Cornelius at 785-575-

8125 to apply or for more information.

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Brownback signs budget bill, vetoes two provisions

Gov. Sam Brownback recently signed House Substitute for Senate Bill 161, the budget bill.

The budget reduces overall spending while also addressing several key areas, including increased pay for officers in the Department of Corrections and Kansas Bureau of Investigation. It also provides the funding called for in the Governor's State of the State Address to enhance the safety of Kansas National Guard recruiters.

"I want to thank every member of the Kansas Legislature for their hard work in passing this budget quickly," said Gov. Brownback. "I look forward to working with the Legislature in the coming weeks as we focus on managing spending and growing the Kansas economy."

Pursuant to Article 2, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, the governor returned House Substitute for Senate Bill 161 with the following line item vetoes:

*Department of Commerce,
STAR bonds*

* Vetoed language that would bar any consideration or approval of STAR bond projects in Wyandotte

County until Fiscal Year 2018.

The Secretary of Commerce is working with legislators to enact important reforms to the program. However, there is no precedent for prohibiting them in a single county while they remain available in other counties across the state.

Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services,

Mental Health Screenings

* Vetoed Section 48(o) in its entirety. While the governor supports these screenings, the federal government's Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has threatened to reduce federal funding to Kansas by millions of dollars if we continue this policy, it was reported.

The discussions with CMS will continue throughout this month, and the governor likely will revisit the issue with the Legislature when further clarification has been received.

The governor has now signed five bills into law this session and vetoed one. By law, the Kansas governor has 10 calendar days to sign the bill into law, veto the bill or allow the bill to become law without his or her signature.

Baby News



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STOCKS		
Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	38.10	-0.03
CenturyLink	31.50	-0.27
Lowe's	70.99	+0.22
Target	80.53	-0.29
Hershey	92.06	-0.38
Walmart	68.04	+0.15
Phillips 66	84.80	-2.61
US Bancorp	39.86	-0.90
Pfizer	29.36	-0.43
Deere & Co.	83.86	-1.82
United Parcel	100.61	-0.69
Apple	101.03	-0.84
Facebook	105.93	+0.20
Westar Energy	43.72	+0.19
Goodyear	32.23	-0.24

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

GRAIN		
Description	Price at Close	
Wheat	\$3.64	
Corn	\$3.33	
Milo	\$2.93	
Soybeans	\$8.17	

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. 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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OPINION

Common sense talk on educating successful students

Dr. Randy Watson, commissioner of education for the Kansas State Department of Education, was a featured speaker at the Holton school board meeting here Monday evening.

Dr. Watson said the biggest learning gap between students in Kansas schools occurs on the first day of kindergarten and is due to poverty.

“Low kindergarten readiness and family poverty is almost a direct relationship,” Watson said.

But Watson’s main reason for visiting the school board was to start “changing the discussion on education” in the state.

Watson said recent studies by a group called Georgetown Policy Institute showed that in Kansas about one half of state’s workforce needs bachelor’s degree or above and about one half do not.

The one half who do not need

bachelor’s degrees or above still need some kind of associate’s degree or technical degree, he said.

In a nutshell, Watson’s main point was that Kansas high schools need to start considering whether to offer an alternate course of study leading to graduation for some students more interested in technical careers and to start honoring the students who excel in technical skills the same way as we honor the students who excel at the Board of Regents college-bound coursework of study.

We need a workforce with both kinds of skills, he said.

And he’s right.

What we may see in the future, Watson indicated, is more technical degrees offered directly through our universities.

We need more common sense talk like this on educating successful students.

David Powls

We can solve America’s higher education dilemma

By Glenn Mollette

Bernie Sanders wants to give Americans free college education. This sounds good to any parent who has three or four college age children.

Such an idea would have to have huge boundaries. Schools such as Harvard, Baylor, Notre Dame or even Universities like Southern California, Indiana University or the University of Miami are not going to teach, house and feed students for free.

We do have major issues when it comes to higher education in America. The one major issue is that is has a neckbreaking price tag.

We can solve America’s higher education dilemma.

Make the first year of community college or technical school free. Do I sound like Bernie Sanders now?

Please note that I said community college. In most cases, federal grants that cover costs for poorer American kids will cover the cost of the first year of a community college.

Poorer kids who qualify for federal grants will receive enough money to cover the costs of the second year and therefore even a nice chunk of money for the third and fourth year of their college endeavor.

Many kids who have more access to money often skip community college because they want to get away from home as quickly as possible for the college dormitory. It’s a decision that families have to make.

Next, reduce the college education Bachelor’s degree from 120 hours to 105 hours of study. This would be essentially eliminating one semester.

A student attending two years of

community college would therefore need 45 hours of study beyond the community or two year college. The financial savings could be in the multi thousands.

I realize this sounds barbaric to many. How dare I to suggest less education?

“We need more education to compete with China and Japan” someone is saying. We need good education to compete with Japan and China. We do not need additional time and massive more debt.

Everybody in college has taken three or four classes that were not crucial studies. Plus, people can always enlist into a Master’s degree program or go back and take more classes.

Next, give college students the lowest interest rates possible. People who borrow money should pay it back but young adults shouldn’t have to pay high rates of interest on obtaining a college education.

I like the idea of eliminating 10 percent of a student’s debt when the money is paid back in 10 years. This would be a great incentive to work a little harder to pay back the government’s money instead of dragging it out forever.

Finally, four years of college is a waste of time and money for many. There are so many trades and vocations that can be learned in one or two years of trade or vocational school.

Why blow \$80,000 at a college to get a liberal arts degree to become a truck driver or a factory worker at Toyota? Why not spend a year or two learning the trade that you really want to do to make a living.

We can get ahead in America, if we will just use our heads.

Note: Glenn Mollette of Washington, D.C. is an American syndicated columnist and author. He is the author of 11 books and read in all 50 states.



The photo above was taken recently at the State Capitol Building in Topeka from the visitors’ balcony area of the Kansas House of Representatives Chambers. Kansas citizens are welcome to visit the State Capitol Building while the Legislative Session is in progress, to watch our state government at work.

Photo by David Powls

PLAINS FOLK: Going down the road...

By Jim Hoy

Rodeo cowboys refer to traveling from one rodeo to the next as “going down the road.” They still do it, but the mode has greatly changed over the years, especially for the calf ropers and bulldoggers. Rough stock riders could always just hop in a car and go (or, in the early days, hop a freight train), but you need to haul horses for timed events.

Way back when I went to the high school rodeo in Topeka, we didn’t have a horse trailer, but we did have a new 1957 Chevy pickup. Dad built some wooden stock racks, and away we went. Several years ago, Emporia started hosting a high school rodeo, and I was amazed at the collection of fancy trailers parked at the fairgrounds – big three- and four-horse rigs with built-in tack rooms and air conditioned sleeping quarters, pulled by F-350 duallys. All this for high school students, not PRCA cowboys.

The foregoing thoughts were fueled by a book I’ve been reading called “Rodeo Trails.” Back in the late 1970s and early 1980s, I was researching early-day rodeo and somehow or other made connections with the author, Bill King. He was then



living in eastern Colorado, Kim, as I recall, but was a native of Garden City out in western Kansas. Bill was born in 1904, a younger brother of well-known bronc rider and rodeo producer, Cliff King.

In the mid-teens, the Kings started the Cattlemen’s Carnival in Garden City, a rodeo that ran for 20 years and rivaled the Pendleton Roundup and the Cheyenne Frontier Days as the nation’s premier rodeo. Bill tells that story in his book, along with a trove of other early day rodeo history. In fact, in 1981, he was honored as Rodeo Historian of the Year by the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City.

Bill rode a few broncs, but his forte was calf roping and trick roping, which, like trick riding, was often a competitive event back in the first half of the 20th century. Bill’s rodeoing took him to Providence, Boston, New York, Chicago and other points back east, but what really caught my attention as I read his book was his description of going to a rodeo in Ottumwa, Iowa in 1927. As you’ll see, it was a far cry from the way calf ropers (professional or high school) travel today.

The producer of that rodeo lived near Pendennis, Kan. He wrote Bill (who didn’t have a phone on his ranch north of Lakin) and offered him a trick roping job, his entry fees in calf roping and a train ride to Iowa for Bill’s horses, if he could get them to Pendennis. Bill had only an old stripped-down Model T Ford, but he

and two neighboring brothers, Keggie and Cootie Lusk, drove down to Ulysses to talk to Shorty Trafton, who had a brand new Model T touring car.

Shorty was eager to go to the rodeo, so Bill got Keggie (real name Oliver, but as a teenager he got thrown off bucking horses so often that people said he must have had a beer keg for a butt) to haul his two horses to Pendennis. Shorty (real name Henry, but small in stature, thus the nickname) showed up with his Model T, and everybody loaded up: Keggie and Cootie (Earl got his nickname from a case of lice he picked up at school), Bill, his wife, Mary, and their two-year-old daughter, Ruth.

They pulled a little two-wheeled trailer behind them filled with bedrolls, suitcases, ropes, saddles, bridles, spurs, chaps and surcingles. At Great Bend, they sat in the shade of a big cottonwood and ate the picnic lunch Mary had packed, then drove on to Lawrence and filled up with gas.

From there they headed north, but a couple of washed-out bridges forced them to try various country roads, which eventually took them to McLouth, which made quite an impression on Bill.

We’ll get them from McLouth to Ottumwa in my next column.

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

INSIGHT: Share the highways, roads

By John Schlageck
Kansas Farm Bureau

Travel on our highways and country roads should be a two-way street. Motorists and farmers alike need to be cautious during the busy spring farming season.

Seems Kansas farmers are always doing something in their fields. No matter where you travel in our state, you’ll probably wind up approaching farm tractors, trucks and other large ag equipment on the roads.

In 2014, Kansas recorded 94 accidents and three deaths as a result of roadway crashes involving motor vehicles and farm equipment.

Tractors, combines and other equipment traveling on our public roadways are required to display slow-moving vehicle (SMV) reflective triangles, and most must also display hazard lights. The SMV markers signify that the equipment is moving at less than 25 miles per

hour.

Farmers should check to make sure their SMV markers are clean, bright and still reflective. Always check to make sure that reflectors and hazard lights are not blocked by equipment that is being towed. After dark, motorized equipment must have properly working headlights.

Motorists must also ensure our highways and country roads are safe. The National Safety Council reports that even if you’re following a tractor from a distance, you’re closing the safety gap between the two of you at an average rate of about 59 feet per second. That’s the length of a football field in just five seconds.

Remember these two words while traveling on rural roads and highways – slow down. Plenty of people travel these roads today – bikers, joggers horseback riders – you name it, they’re out there. With more and more people from urban areas moving to rural areas, there’s more traffic on our roads and many of them don’t have shoulders to pull over on.

Motorists remember, relax while driving no matter which roads you travel – busy Interstate highways or a nearly deserted country road. Enjoy the beautiful countryside – but be alert. Impatience is often partly

Watch out for “CEO Fraud” con artists

Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Nebraska, South Dakota, the Kansas Plains and Southwest Iowa is warning businesses that there has been a rising wave of a specialized form of phishing attacks known as “CEO Fraud.”

The latest version appears as an “Urgent Request for W-2 Forms” from the CEO of the company, and it is sent to someone in the business’s accounting or HR department.

“It’s a clever manifestation of the generic phish because most employees, upon receiving a direct request or demand from their CEO would probably be less likely to question its particulars and request confirmation, said BBB President Jim Hegarty.

One of these phony messages had the CEO’s photograph and email address at the top. It stated that he wanted the employee to send him an email with attached copies of all employees’ W-2 forms with their wage and tax statements for 2015 in PDF format.

The employee who received this request did not have access to that information and asked the company’s CFO for help. Luckily, the CFO had just completed cybersecurity training and smelled something “phishy.”

They went to the CEO who confirmed that the email was not from him.

BBB’s investigation of the header on the email showed the scammers used someone’s GoDaddy email server and the return address was definitely not from the company’s CEO! However it was a valid email address that the hackers are monitoring.

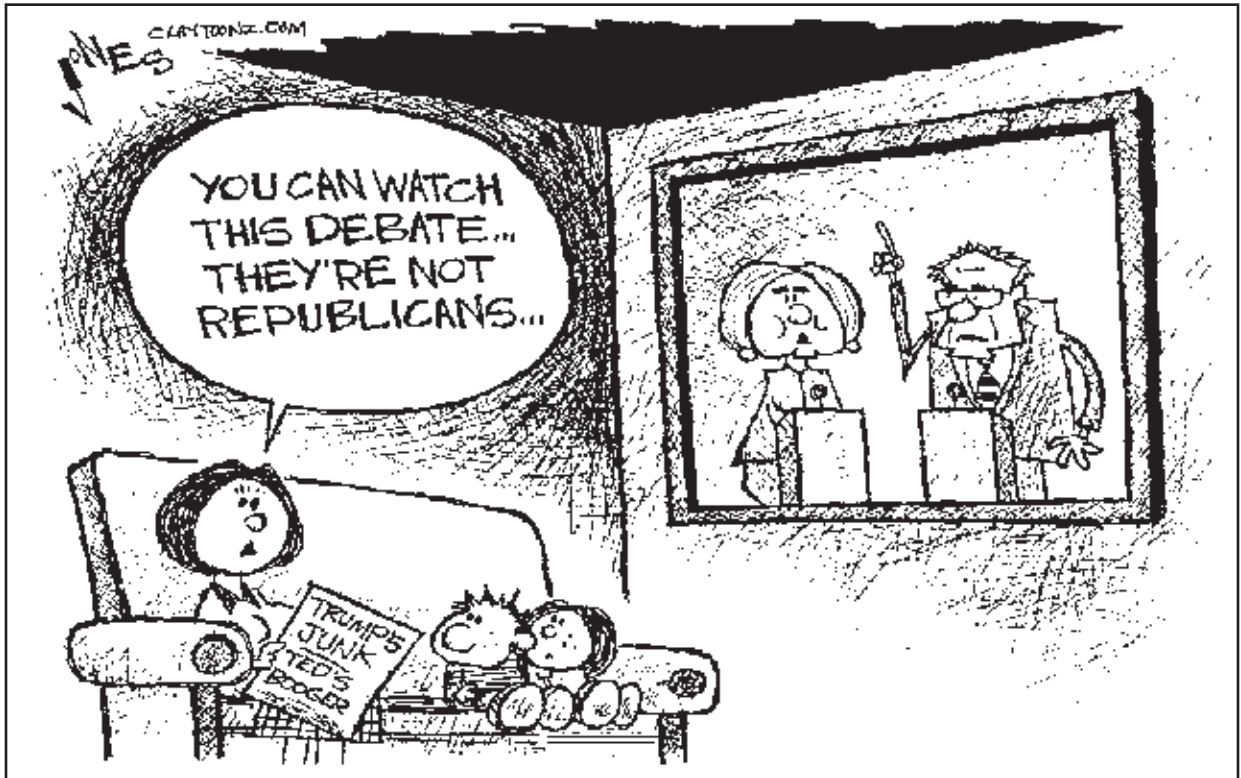
Hegarty said, “If they would have sent that information, it would have opened up all of the company’s employees to identity theft and financial fraud because W-2s have full names, addresses, wages and Social Security numbers. I strongly suggest that businesses warn their accounting and HR teams about this new kind of phishing attack.”

Better Business Bureau has joined with the National Cyber Security Alliance’s STOP. THINK. CONNECT. Campaign to recommend the following tips to avoid falling for an email phishing scam:

Be vigilant. Only open emails, attachments and links from people you know.

Avoid sharing. Don’t reveal personal or financial information in an email, and do not respond to email solicitations for this information.

Pay attention to a website’s URL. Hover over any links to see where they lead. Malicious websites may look identical to a legitimate site, but the URL may use a variation in spelling or a different – but similar – domain.



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OBITUARIES

Koontz
Larry B. Koontz, 68, Pratt, died Monday, March 7, 2016.

He was born Jan. 25, 1948, in Augusta, the son of Jimmie Lloyd and Peggy Jo Jones Koontz. He graduated from Dodge City High School in 1966, attended Dodge City Community College and served in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Mr. Koontz moved to Pratt in 1985 to work as street superintendent for the City of Pratt. He was promoted to public works director in 1988, then later promoted to public works director/electric superintendent, retiring in August 2006.

He had been a member of First Baptist Church of Dodge City and was currently attending Pratt Presbyterian Church.

He married Sharon Redinger in 1970 in Dodge City. They divorced. He married Betsy Sanders on Oct. 14, 1988, in Medicine Lodge. She survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Jimmie Koontz and Ryan Koontz and wife Shelly, all of Pratt; two stepsons, Craig Sanders and wife Becky, Chetopa, and Brian Sanders and wife Jenny, Topeka; five grandchildren, twins Alissa and Alexis Koontz, both of Pratt, and Nikki Sanders and fiancé Lane Rathjen, Austen and Jaylee Sanders, all of Chetopa; three step-grandchildren, Tanner Oberle, Kaylynn Oberle and Dawson Cox, all of Pratt; a sister, Linda Gleason and husband Butch, Dodge City; a brother, Mark Koontz and wife Cheryl, Dodge City; an adopted brother, Steve Koontz, Wichita; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant daughter, Amanda Koontz.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Pratt Presbyterian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pratt County Lake Committee or Southwind Hospice, both of Pratt, or the Chetopa Little League. Ayres-Calbeck Mortuary, Pratt, is in charge of arrangements.

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FENCELINE: Information about the Livestock Indemnity Program

*By Jody G. Holthaus
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Livestock-Natural Resources*
I was reading this in Beef Tips and thought I would share.

The Livestock Indemnity Program provides benefits to livestock producers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by adverse weather or attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the government.

The 2014 Farm Bill made this a permanent program that is retroactive for losses back to Oct. 1, 2011. The program can provide payments for livestock losses in excess of "normal mortality rates," which are 2.7 percent for beef animals less than 400 pounds, 1.9 percent for calves 400 to 799 pounds and 1.1 percent for cows and bulls.

It is important for producers to document mortalities throughout the year so that if a weather event did cause death losses, those losses could count toward the normal mortality base.



Hoffman
Ernest Hoffman, age 86, died Friday, March 4, 2016, at The Pines Nursing Home at Holton.

He was born July 26, 1929, on the farm south west of Victoria, Kan., to Conrad and Christina (Geist) Hoffman. He married Dolores J. (Leiker) on Aug. 24, 1957, in Munjor, Kan. She died March 2, 2006.

He was a farmer, a home builder-carpenter in the Victoria and Hays area for 45 years.

Survivors include three sons, Tom Hoffman and wife, Deb, Hays; Jeff Hoffman and wife, Myrna, Hays; Dave Hoffman and wife, Brenda, Victoria; one daughter, Kara Hoffman, Holton; one brother, Leroy Hoffman; two sisters, Henrietta Windholz and Verna Befort; one sister-in-law, Juanita Hoffman; 10 grandchildren, including Landon Bagby (Kallie) and Lauren Bagby; and six great grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, Kan.

Burial was at St. Fidelis Cemetery at Victoria, Kan. Memorials in Mr. Hoffman's name may be made to The Basilica of St. Fidelis and sent to Cline's Mortuary, P.O. Box 252, Hays, KS 67601-0252. Cline's Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

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ABOUT OBITUARIES

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For example, if a producer calving 100 cows lost six calves in a winter storm, payment could only be made on three of those calves if 1) either no other losses had occurred or 2) other calf death losses had not been documented. If three (2.7 percent) calves died before the winter storm and the producer could document those losses, then the program would pay for the six calves lost during the winter storm.

Payments are 75 percent of the fair market value of the livestock on the day before the loss as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. This is good reason to make sure to track and date all death losses that occur during the year.

Not only can those records be instructive in assessing management and production practices, but in the event of a weather event, gets you payment for as many animals as possible. You can plan for some unexpected death loss, but we usually don't expect there to be 30 cows under the big tree when it gets struck by lightning!

You can find more information about the Livestock Indemnity Program from your local Farm Service Agency or at www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/disaster-assistance-program/livestock-indemnity/index

Mayetta Methodist

By Shirley Stauffer

Church services at Mayetta Methodist Church on Sunday, March 6, the fourth Sunday of Lent, began with the prelude played by Sharon Gabriel. Tim Smith rang the bell and the acolyte was Cory Smith. Pastor Howard began with a prayer and Bible reading. Call to Worship was from Psalms 138:6-8.

Hymns were "Open My Eyes That I Might See," "How Great Thou Art" and "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." The congregation sang "Nothing But the Blood" for the special. Karen Burns read scripture from Isaiah 29:11-13. The children's message was titled "Ezra Was Dedicated To God" followed by the Lord's Prayer. Pastor Howard's message was "Passion And Purpose."

Randy Rickel and Bud Stauffer were the offertory ushers and Karen Burns assisted with Holy Communion. The service closed with the circle of friendship.

On Saturday evening, March 5, Karen Burns met with family mem-

bers at a restaurant in Topeka for a birthday celebration. Those being honored were Carol Just, Cordell Neely, Tom Neely and Brady Sprecker. There were 15 in attendance. The food and fellowship contributed to a joyful gathering.

Sharon Gabriel was in Lawrence on Thursday evening to attend her granddaughter, Ellis Spray's, junior high play. It was a cute play and a joy to attend.

On Friday morning, March 4, Mary Anderson accompanied Lisa Smith to Manhattan, where they picked up MaRyka before going on to Hays. That afternoon, they called on some of the professors that MaRyka had when she was a KAMS student. That evening, Kevin and Karsen joined them.

On Saturday morning, Karsen Smith wrestled in the Western Kansas Classic tournament. He placed fourth in his class. It was a beautiful weekend.

Prayer covenant church this week is Bellevue-Highland-Denton.



At the Kansas Democratic Party Caucus held at Atchison High School on Saturday, the Jackson County Democrat Party booth was supervised by those shown above, left to right, Christina Murphy, Valerie Ramage and Michelle McClintock Ramage (Jackson County Chair). Kansas Democrats from Jackson, Doniphan, Brown, Atchison, Marshall and Nemaha counties converged for the caucus. A total of 57 votes were cast by Jackson County Democrats. A total of 439 votes were cast overall. Presidential candidate Bernie Sanders won this caucus and he also won statewide among Democrats. Photo by David Powlis

Auction Calendar

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

- Saturday, March 12. John and Sara Banks farm auction. 5016 Anderson Rd., Muscotah. For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 785-364-7137.

- Saturday, March 12. Hoffman consignment auction, located two miles east of Effingham on U.S. Highway 159. For more information, contact Hoffman Auction Service at 913-370-0747 or 913-833-4125.

- Friday, March 18, and Saturday, March 19. Bull and female sale. Cattle viewing from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bidding starts Friday at noon. 25544 Q4 Rd., Holton. For more information, contact Rinkes Cattle Company at 785-364-3517.

- Saturday, March 19. Steve Porubsky farm auction, located west of Topeka. For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 785-364-7137.

- Saturday, March 26. Harris spring consignment auction, located at Holton Livestock Exchange (sale

bill deadline is March 9). For more information, contact Harris Auction Service at 785-364-7137.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS under sealed and oral auction of the Farming and Grazing Lease Sale on Indian trust property, conducted by the Horton Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs on **April 13, 2016**. SEALED BIDS only for farming and grazing lease on tracts of land on the Potawatomi Reservation will be received until the Lease Sale begins at 10 A.M., **April 13, 2016**. For a copy of the advertised lease packet, which describes the tracts being offered, and sale conditions, please contact the Branch of Realty, Horton Agency, Horton, KS at 785-486-2161. Bids are to be opened at 10 A.M. at the Rock Building adjacent to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Administration Office, 16281 Q Road, Mayetta, KS.

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The Emporia State University Lady Hornets, shown above, celebrated their Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Tournament Championship recently. The Lady Hornets (now 26-5) have qualified for the NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Tournament and as one of the 64 teams in the tourney will start competition at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, March 11 against Northern State University of Aberdeen, S.D. Jory Collins, head coach of the team, is shown above, second from left. Collins, a Holton native and son of Donnie Collins and Cindy Collins (both of Topeka), has been head coach of the team since 2010 and has posted six straight winning seasons with the team. Kyrstie Miller of Holton, shown above with the No. 33 dark jersey behind the banner, is a 5-9 sophomore guard/forward on the team and the daughter of Vern and Keri Miller of Holton.

Submitted photo

Big 7 Girls Final Stat Leaders

By Michael Powls
Big 7 League Girls Basketball Stats Leqders

Note: Here are the final individual stats as reported by coaches.

Scoring Top 5

AVG points per game

E. Gartner (Hiawatha) 18.5 ppg
T. Thomas (RVHS) 14.3 ppg
A. McAfee (Sabetha) 12.65 ppg
S. Tanking (Holton) 12.4 ppg
R. Baumgartner (NCHS) 11.63 ppg

Other local players

M. Eckert (ACCHS) 9.6 ppg
C. Boswell (Holton) 9.42 ppg
H. Thompson (Holton) 9.1 ppg

Free Throw Shooting Top 5

A. McAfee (Sabetha) 81.4%
T. Schuette (Sabetha) 78.3%
A. Folks (PLHS) 74%
C. Kunkel (Hiawatha) 72.5%
R. Baumgartner (NCHS) 72%

Other local players

H. Thompson (Holton) 68.8%
S. Tamking (Holton) 67.2%

Steals AVG per game Top 5

A. McAfee (Sabetha) 3.05/g
K. Hawkins (Riverside) 2.85/g
T. Thomas (RVHS) 2.75/g
F. Becker (JWHS) 2.75/g
J. Dalinghaus (NCHS) 2.74/g

Other local players

B. Boswell (Holton) 2.58/g
A. Weilert (Holton) 2.56/g

2 point FG% Top 5

E. Gartner (Hiawatha) 64.3%
E. Meyer (Sabetha) 58%
A. Weilert (Holton) 55.8%
A. McAfee (Sabetha) 52.9%
M. Murdie (JWHS) 52.3%

Other local players

B. Boswell (Holton) 46.8%
H. Thompson (Holton) 46.5%

AVG OFF-REB per game Top 5

E. Gartner (Hiawatha) 3.15/g
E. Meyer (Sabetha) 3.00/g
A. Folks (Perry) 2.95/g
M. Murdie (JWHS) 2.85/g
H. Thompson (Holton) 2.8/g

Other local players

K. Hanson (RVHS) 2.2/g

AVG Assists per game Top 5

A. McAfee (Sabetha) 6.1/g
F. Becker (JWHS) 3.5/g
T. Schuette (Sabetha) 3.25/g
C. Boswell (Holton) 3.21/g
K. Broxterman (Sabetha) 3.05/g

Other local players

S. Tanking (Holton) 2.65/g
T. Thomas (RVHS) 2.45

3 point FG% Top 5

S. Campbell (Hiawatha) 41.2%
C. Boswell (Holton) 37.5%
S. Tanking (Holton) 37.4%
K. Broxterman (Sabetha) 34.8%
A. McAfee (Sabetha) 33.3%

Other local players

T. Thomas (RVHS) 31.4%
L. Kearney (ACCHS) 28%
S. Lierz (Holton) 26.9%
M. Jordan (RVHS) 26.2%
L. Baker (RVHS) 23.8%

AVG DEF-REB per game Top 5

E. Gartner (Hiawatha) 8.45/g
M. Murdie (JWHS) 5.7/g
A. McAfee (Sabetha) 5.15/g
F. Becker (JWHS) 4.95/g
A. Folks (Perry) 4.84/g

Other local players

K. Hanson (RVHS) 4.5/g
H. Thompson (Holton) 4.5/g

AVG Blocks per game Top 5

E. Gartner (Hiawatha) 3.9/g
M. Murdie (JWHS) 3.75/g
J. Winkler (Sabetha) 1.9/g
A. Garza (JWHS) 1.1/g
L. Macke (NCHS) 1.05/g



The Holton Hoopsters, a sixth grade girls basketball team shown above, recently placed second at the Wamego Tournament. The team also posted a 6-1 record in the Hiawatha League. Team members are, front row, left to right, Amariah Allen, Macey Gross, Jayana Carlson and Macey Patch. Back row, left to right, coach Shelby Patch, Taylor Moore, Olivia Summers, Gracie Gallagher, Staci Bond and coach Lisa Moore. Not pictured was Timber Wilson.

Submitted photo



Royal Valley Panther Anna-bella Thompson, a sophomore, is shown above at the free throw line in the recent game against Silver Lake.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

By Michael Powls JV Girls Basketball League Standings and Overall Standings League, Overall

Sabetha.....	(14-2)	(15-4)
R. Valley.....	(13-3)	(16-3)
N. Central.....	(12-4)	(13-4)
Holton.....	(11-5)	(12-5)
Jeff West.....	(9-7)	(10-9)
ACCHS.....	(6-10)	(9-11)
Hiawatha.....	(3-13)	(4-13)
Perry.....	(3-13)	(3-15)
Riverside.....	(0-16)	(0-16)
9th/C Team League and Overall Standings		
Holton.....	(9-1)	(13-1)
Sabetha.....	(8-2)	(13-6)
N. Central.....	(6-3)	(6-4)
ACCHS.....	(5-3)	(5-3)
Perry.....	(0-8)	(0-8)
Riverside.....	(0-6)	(0-6)
R. Valley.....	No Team	
Hiawatha.....	No Team	
Jeff West.....	No Team	



Holton junior Bryson Patch, shown above at left in the dark, No. 25 jersey, squares up for a shot from the corner at the Wildcat gym in a recent sub-state game. Also shown in the photo is Holton junior Aaron Bain, No. 15 in the dark jersey.

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Baker University senior Macy Wallisch

Wallisch Three-Time Defensive Player of Year for Heart of America Conference

Regular season champion Central Methodist claimed four of the five individual awards when the 2016 Heart of America Athletic Conference women's basketball all-conference teams were announced recently.

Sophomore guard DaJonee Hale was selected the Player of the Year, one of three Eagles to earn an individual award. Freshman forward Lexie Moe was named the Freshman of the Year, while senior guard Alissa Campanero was chosen the Newcomer of the Year. Central Methodist head coach Mike Davis was picked the Coach of the Year by his peers.

The remaining individual award

was claimed by Baker senior center Macy Wallisch, shown above, who earned the Defensive Player of the Year award for the third-straight season.

Wallisch, a 2012 Holton High School grad, completed a three-year run on the top defensive honor by owning current averages of 10.5 points, 8.1 rebounds and a league-leading 2.9 blocked shots.

She was one of just two Heart of America league players to record a triple-double thus far in 2015-16, tallying 10 points, 10 rebounds and a school-record 11 blocked shots against Avila on Jan. 27.

She is the daughter of John and Heather Wallisch of Denison.

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Chelsea Hiltbrand's kindergarten class from Colorado Elementary School was just one of several classes that participated in a scavenger hunt in Holton on Tuesday that included more than 50 local businesses. The hunt was organized by the district's Positive Behavior Intervention and Support team.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, March 10

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

*4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Jackson Heights parent/teacher conferences.

*3:30 p.m. RVHS baseball and softball pictures.

*6:30 p.m. RVHS Spring Fling.

*Book club at 6:30 p.m. at the Beck-Bookman Library in Holton. Sharon Beaman will lead the discussion on the book "The End of Always" by Randi Davenport. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, March 11

*First Christian Church annual ham and bean luncheon, starting at 11 a.m. at the church. Free-will offerings accepted.

*Lenten dinner, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Dominic Hall in Holton. Free-will offerings accepted.

*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.

*No school for Jackson Heights students.

*RVMS Jump Day #3.

*RVMS STEM Day.

*RVES Character Recognition Assembly at RVES Gym (2:30 p.m. kindergarten and first grade, 2:55

p.m. second, third and fourth grade).

Saturday, March 12

10 a.m. Fruit tree management seminar (rain date March 19) at the Soldier Community Orchard. Event hosted by Red Rock Guest Ranch. For more information, call 785-834-2552.

*8 a.m. Jackson Heights Forensics at Riverside.

*Axtell KAY Recycle.

Sunday, March 13

*Attend the church of your choice.

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

*Daylight Saving Time begins.

Monday, March 14

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

*Denison City Council meets at 7 p.m. at city hall.

*Whiting City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. at city hall.

*The Four Seasons Garden Club will meet with Alice Patterson at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

*The Hoyt Senior Citizens will

meet at noon at the Hoyt Community Center. Everyone is welcome to a potluck luncheon and entertainment to follow.

*Spring break begins for all Jackson Heights, Holton, Royal Valley and Prairie Hills students.

*7:30 p.m. Royal Valley Board of Education meeting.

Tuesday, March 15

*2016 personal property forms must be filed by today at the Jackson County Appraiser's Office to avoid a penalty. Call 364-2358 for more information.

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

*FFA State Scholarships, Band and Chorus applications due at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16

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

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker

The third midweek Lenten service at Immanuel Lutheran Church was preceded by a fellowship meal to be shared with servant events offered during the pre-service time. As the service began at 7 p.m., selected hymns were "In The Garden," "Stand Up, Stand Up, For Jesus" and "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Following the invocation, opening verses and prayer, Pastor Jeff Geske read Part 3 (The Palace of the High Priest) and Part 4 (The Praetorian) of the Passion Reading. Between the readings, the congregation sang "My Song Is Love Unknown" and "Alas, And Did My Savior Bleed." Elder Topher Dohl read from 1 John 3, which was the text of Pastor Geske's sermon titled "The Love Of God."

The sermon hymn was "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love To Me," with the tune from "Eternal Father, Strong To Save." During this time of Lent, we are recalling the journey of Jesus to the cross for us. The third chapter of 1 John brings forth the love of God and how that love can and should come alive through us.

"See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God." God wants us to know Him, trust Him and love Him. John tells us not to get caught up in the lawlessness and rebellion of this sinful world rather than focusing on God's love and what He has done to restore the broken relationship caused by sin.

Today, we can encourage others and to share the hope that is ours. We are to be God's love, with skin on. We recall how He was the one with skin on to give us the victory that we could never earn or achieve. May God use us to share His love with others.

Mike Keehn and Topher Dohl and acolyte Kylie Dohl served as offering stewards. "How Great Thou Art" was sung. In the prayers, blessings were asked on our ministry, for those needing hope and certainty and for the gifts of time, taken and treasure. One day we will be going home because of God's redeeming

love. The congregation joined in Luther's Evening Prayer and The Lord's Prayer.

Following the benediction, the service closed with the hymn "Abide With Me."

The fourth Sunday in Lent service on March 6 at Immanuel Lutheran Church opened with the hymn "Today Your Mercy Calls Us." The order of Holy Communion was followed. Psalm 32 was spoken responsively. "Father Welcomes All His Children" was sung before the reading of the Old Testament lesson, Isaiah chapter 12, and the Epistle reading from 2 Corinthians 3 by Elder Mike Keehn. Pastor Jeffrey Geske read the Holy Gospel from Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

In the children's message, Pastor Geske reviewed the story in Luke of the prodigal son – it reminds us of how we are forgiven as the father welcomed His son back.

There are times when we do not "measure up." What joy there is when we have wandered to be welcomed in the arms of our God's forgiveness. All people matter to Him and are precious in His sight – God loves the little children of the world.

Pastor Geske closed the children's message with singing "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know." The sermon hymn was "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing."

"God's Righteousness Is Ours" was the title of Pastor Geske's sermon based on 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. At the center of the Christian faith is a God who loves, forgives and restores us; not because of who we are or what we have done, but because of what He has done for us in His deep love. So central to what our faith and our time of Lent is all about is our God sending His Son to make a journey to the cross to pay for our sins.

Sunday's lessons focused our attention on the promises of God to this hurting and sin-sick world in which we live. Thanks be to God that Jesus became sin for us so that we receive God's forgiveness.

In our Gospel lesson, the son realized his stupidity, realized he had a

forgiving father and he was willing to go back and work for his father. The father had longed for his son's return and when he returned, he did not treat him as a slave but rather as what he was, his son. The prodigal son in the parable is surprised by the undeserved welcome and complete forgiveness of his father's open arms, offered on his return (though not shared by his brother).

Like the prodigal, we were lost, but we have been found! Today and each day, we bridge the gap by being God's ambassadors and sharing His righteousness, forgiveness and love with others.

The congregation joined in professing The Nicene Creed. The Gathering Of Our Gifts followed with Larry Amon and Mike Keehn as ushers. In the prayers of the church, blessings were asked on the sharing of God's word in this corner of the world, for the spreading of the gospel to the world, for our leaders and for volunteer fireman, doctors and nurses and all who preserve the general welfare.

Members of Wathena Lutheran Church were brought to our heavenly Father, as they are seeking a candidate of the ministry. Remembered were those who are in need of healing, which we named in our hearts. The congregation joined in The Lord's Prayer.

Elder Mike Keehn assisted Pastor Geske with the distribution of Holy Communion with distribution hymns "God Loved The World" and "Soul, Adorn Thyself With Gladness."

Following the benediction, the service closed with the hymn "Abide, O Dearest Jesus."

The fourth and final Lenten midweek service will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9. A fellowship supper will be held at 6 p.m.

On Monday evening, March 7, the second session of the "Preparing For Death" workshop was held at the church at 7 p.m. led by Pastor Geske and Tricia Geske.

A women's Bible study, "Daughters Of The King," was held at the church at 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, led by Tricia Geske.

It may not be what you think it is – Broomsedge bluestem

By David G. Hallauer
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent

Crops & Soils/Horticulture

If you noted the increasing presence of a dull orange grass standing above the canopy of your cool season forage as you fertilized this spring, you may have at first wondered why native grass was invading. If you got out and looked, you probably found it to be something much different – Broomsedge bluestem.

Stress on our pastures and hay fields over the years have resulted

in "open space" in grass stands. Into those open spaces come "invaders," with Broomsedge often the most noticeable. Before long, it can become a real problem! What can you do?

Broomsedge tends to infest fields with lower fertility or that have been heavily grazed. Its low Phosphorous (P) and lime requirements aid in its survival in low fertility soils (approximately 60 percent of our soil tests show low P levels). It tends to be unpalatable to livestock, and since it's not consumed, it expands! It may even produce allelopathic chemicals that inhibit other plants, including nitrogen fixing bacteria, making clover establishment a challenge.

Mowing doesn't seem to slow its spread. Burning has some merit, but has to be done in the fall when the

damage to our cool season grasses may be greater than the benefit. Herbicides like glyphosate work – but they are non-selective, meaning you can't want to get any on the desired grasses. You may have some success if you could use a wiper or roller – but they've been inconsistent, too.

Fertilizer is the key. Since most of our fertilizer is already on, now is the time to start planning to implement a fertilizer based control program this coming fall. Start with a soil test following haying or in later summer, then develop a fertility program based on those results. Work in both Missouri and Oklahoma suggests that a balanced fertility program (pH and N/P/K) can change the species composition back to a predominance of desirable species in as few as two years.

It won't be an overnight fix, but if you don't start soon, Broomsedge will be your forage of default – and its value for livestock production is pretty well nonexistent!

Adding Organic Matter In The Spring

Organic matter is a good way to improve garden soil as it improves a heavy soil by bettering tilth, aeration and how quickly the soil absorbs water. However, organic matter added in the spring should be well decomposed and finely shredded/ground.

Manures and compost should have a good earthy smell without a hint of ammonia. Add a two-inch layer of organic matter to the surface of the soil and work the materials into the soil thoroughly. Be sure soils are dry enough to work before tilling, as wet soils will produce clods.

To determine if a soil is too wet to work, grab a handful and squeeze. If water comes out, it is much too wet. Even if no water drips out, it still may not be dry enough to work. Push a finger into the soil you squeezed. If it crumbles, it is dry enough, but if your finger just leaves an indentation, more time is needed.

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

Menus listed for the week of Monday, March 14 through Friday, March 18 are as fol-

lows:

Monday, March 14: Chicken dressing casserole, winter mix vegetables, cranberry sauce, peaches and bread and margarine.

Tuesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, tropical fruit, chocolate pudding and French bread and margarine.

Wednesday, March 16: Barbecue pork, cheesy potato, chuckwagon corn, strawberries-bananas, ice cream and bun and margarine.

Thursday, March 17: Baked chicken breast, baked potato, Harvard beets, lime jello with pears, cookie and bread and margarine.

Friday, March 18: Baked fish, macaroni and cheese, country blend, mandarin oranges and bread and margarine.

PBP Elder Center Menu

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

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

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

Reservations are required if you are in a large group. The center is located on K

Denison Bible

By Esther L. Hall

March 6 was Lord Supper Sunday at Denison Bible Church. We don't have all the answers to everything in the Bible, but that's okay – God knows everything. The only thing we have to know is that Jesus Christ died for us so that we might be saved and all we have to do is to have faith. Taking part in communion is a time for us to take inventory of all the things we have that we recognize as sin and reconcile them with Jesus Christ.

Pastor Tom's message, "The Joy That Lasts," was based on John 15:11-17. Some born again believers are "walking contradictions." That's a person who is serving the Lord but has no joy in serving. As born again believers, we should be having fun serving the Lord. What is joy? Biblically, joy is a by-product of loving the Lord. It's an attitude.

The Bible never promises us happiness, but it does promise us joy. Happiness is temporary and based on happenings. Joy, on the other hand, is from the Lord and it cannot be taken away from us. The instant we get saved and God moves into our lives, we receive His joy. The more we serve the Lord, the more joy we have.

Our joy can be contagious to others and is continuous. It's not just reserved for the good days we have because even when we're faced with loss, trials and suffering, we can still experience joy. Joy can make heartaches more bearable.

Joy is not of this world! Whenever there is worldliness involved, there is loss, especially if it is a professed Christian living in the world. Too many born again believers get caught up in worldliness and not so much in God.

When we have unconfessed sins, there can be no true joy for believers in this lifetime. We must recognize and confess our sins to the Lord.

Making time for Bible study and prayer is very important if we're going to grow in our faith. God talks to us through His word. The Bible not only reveals God to us, it also outlines what it is that we must do and how we must live.

When we don't include prayer time in our lives, it's the same as telling God that we don't need him and that we will rely on our own resources. How many of us have tried that and didn't get very far? God wants to be part of everything we experience and He delights in everything, big or small, that we are dealing with.

We will always fight some sort of temptation, but without God, fighting those temptations can be a losing battle. But talking to the Lord about them can make them easier to restrain from.

Joy is required in serving the Lord. If people don't or can't see our joy, they'll be more reluctant to come to the Lord. Having no joy in our lives can be exhausting, but with joy our lives can be refreshing and energizing.

Are you serving with joy or are you continually grumbling about everything?



The Jackson Heights forensics team competed well at the recent NEKL league tournament. Aside from winning first place in sweepstakes points as a team, the team qualified three more events for state, bringing its total state qualifying event numbers to nine.

As for individual accomplishments, Steven Marshall placed first in prose and first in improvised duet acting along with Caleb Sullivan, who also placed second in humorous solo acting. Marley Wareham and Bree Williams placed first in duet acting. Joel Nelson won informative speech, placing first, and took third in extemporaneous speech. Lance Coe took fourth in extemp, as well as placed second in original oration. Tyler Bloom took third in original oration, as well as placed fourth in informative speech.

Those pictured include (front row, from left) coach Jeff Folger, Tyler Bloom, Caleb Sullivan, Steven Marshall, Marley Wareham, Bree Williams, (back row, from left) Alexis Beaman, Joel Nelson, Lance Coe and Ty Brenner.

Submitted photo

Potawatomi Methodist By Ilene Dick

Sunday, March 6, was a good example of how March winds can blow in Kansas. All are hoping for some moisture soon.

Pastor Howard opened the service with words of David, followed by prayer as the congregation celebrated the fourth Sunday of Lent.

During announcements, the Easter breakfast committee had a sign-up sheet available for donations. A reminder was given that Easter breakfast will be held at 6:45 a.m. on Easter Sunday, March 27, followed by worship service at 7:40 a.m. Everyone is welcome to both.

It was a joy to have Judy back from her, and Donnie's, vacation in Arizona. Judy expressed the joy of the opportunity to be away a while, but a greater joy to be back.

Betty Bowser reported on calling Leetha Smith. It is good to know she is doing well and will be getting a new cast this week, having to wear it for two more weeks. She sent a

thank-you to the church family for cards and prayers via Betty. She hopes to be back to church soon.

Prayer requests were given for Cindy Nelson, former Topeka District U.M.W. president, who recently had cancer surgery, completed radiation and began chemotherapy, followed by several years of medication. She is now having much back pain with scoliosis of the spine.

Prayers are also needed for the family of country singer Joey Feek in her recent death, following a long battle with cervical cancer. Joey and her husband, Rory, were a well-known couple in country music. Joey was 40 years old, and mother of their two-year-old daughter.

Acolyte for the service was Judy Thoman. Ronald Dick read the scripture from Isaiah 29:11-13. The Lent prayer was prayed in unison.

Hymns were "Open My Eyes That I May See" "How Great Thou Art" and "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." Music was prepared by Tina Pugh,

Ilene Dick and Ann W.

Leon and Pam Daugherty provided the special. They sang the beautiful song "Climb Higher," and Leon accompanied on guitar.

Offertory ushers were Leon Daugherty and Jim Shenk.

The sermon text was from Isaiah 55:1-9, with the title "Passion And Purpose."

Life is a bundle of moments, a temporary assignment. Life is brief and earth is only temporary. There is a need and a want both for passion and purpose.

Isaiah calls us to listen carefully to him. There is food that does not satisfy. Don't waste time on life that does not satisfy. God offers free nourishment that feeds the soul. Eat rich foods of love that will bring joy to your day.

Pastor Howard served Holy Communion, assisted by Betty Bowser. Following the prayer after communion, the serviced closed with the Benediction.

Marjean Shenk's sister, Linda, and her husband, Larry, were guests of Marjean and Jim Shenk on Monday evening as they returned from medical tests for Larry's heart.

On Wednesday evening, Marjean and Jim Shenk enjoyed a trip to Tonganoxie to see their granddaughter, Elizabeth, and her family.

Anna Pugh and Darby Comer spent the weekend with Anna's parents.

Martha and Loren Roush enjoyed having their grandson, Rocky Romeo from San Francisco, Calif., and his father, Rocco Romeo from Lee's Summit, for lunch and a visit on Sunday, March 6.

Martha Roush and I attended the Topeka District U.M.W. spring meeting at Meriden on Saturday, March 5. It was a nice, warm day for travel, and a good meeting.

Judy and Donnie Thoman enjoyed visiting with friends in Whiting on Sunday afternoon, March 6.

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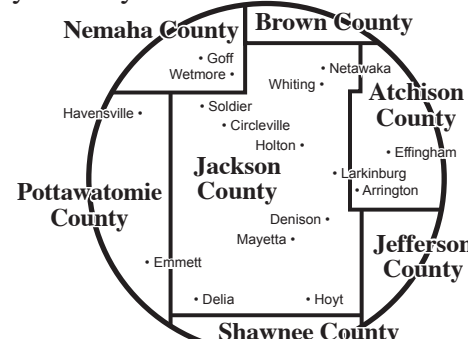
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-SEASONAL MOWER OPERATORS: Must be 18 yrs. of age or older and have a valid driver's license.

Be sure to note on the application, the position(s) you are applying for.

Applications for these positions are available at City Hall, 430 Pennsylvania Ave., Holton, or on our Web site at www.holtonkansas.org and must be returned to City Hall by March 20, 2016.

Also looking for **UMPIRES** for Holton Ball Association. Must be 16 years of age.

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Screening times begin at 8:30 a.m.

If you have any questions please contact Suzie Conger at 364-3251.

February 2016 Weather Readings				
Date	High	Low	Rain	
2/1	53	23	0	
2/2	46	30	.58	
2/3	50	25	0	
2/4	32	15	0	
2/5	42	17	0	
2/6	41	19	0	
2/7	48	20	0	
2/8	50	28	0	
2/9	37	20	0	
2/10	28	17	0	
2/11	57	19	0	
2/12	38	21	0	
2/13	35	15	0	
2/14	21	14	0	
2/15	51	21	0	
2/16	56	31	0	
2/17	46	20	0	
2/18	64	33	0	
2/19	77	48	0	
2/20	70	29	0	
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Art, food featured during Second Saturday event

By Ali Holcomb
Art from local high school students – as well as free food samples – will highlight this weekend’s Second Saturday event scheduled from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. around and near the Holton Square.
Area high school students will be displaying their artwork in shops around the Square that evening.
Holton High School student Sonora Sheldon and local artist Lorie Fleming Huyett will demonstrate pottery throwing at The Gossip, 118th E. 5th St.

Free food samples from area restaurants and caterers will be available to sample throughout the event at expressions, JM Sewing, Jhett’s Pizza, Heart To Home, Koger Variety, More than Lemons, Penny’s, Quilting on the Square, The Golden Fleece and The Gossip, it was reported.
Those attending Second Saturday can also win prizes by playing an online scavenger hunt while strolling the town Square.
Second Saturday events are sponsored by the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Carreno Benefit...

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In the evening, the band Nuclethead Jones will perform a benefit concert for Carreno at Serendipity, 820 N. Kansas Ave. in Topeka. Admission is \$10, and the 80s band is set to perform from 8 p.m. to midnight.
Funds raised throughout the day will be used to help Carreno cover medical expenses and wages lost while she has undergone treatment and surgery.

Fleshman...

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The Jackson County Sheriff’s Office opened an investigation into her death due to “suspicious circumstances,” Morse said.
An autopsy was performed on Mrs. Fleshman’s body by Frontier Forensics in Kansas City, and the results reportedly concluded that her death could have resulted from

In February, tickets were sold at the Royal Valley High School basketball game against Sabetha for a drawing to win a free iPad. All money raised from that drawing also benefited Carreno.

If you can’t attend any of the benefit events, but would like to make a donation, there is an account set up in Carreno’s honor at Denison State Bank in Hoyt.

a trauma to her spleen, Morse said.
As a part of the ongoing investigation, the sheriff’s office served a search warrant on Fleshman’s residence Tuesday morning, and arrested Fleshman on a charge of second-degree murder.
He was booked into the Jackson County Jail. Bond is still pending.

Historical society to host “Harvey Girls” April 14

The Jackson County Historical Society in Holton will host “The Harvey Girls – Service with Style,” a presentation and discussion by Michaeline Chance-Reay at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 14 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 401 Cheyenne Ave., Holton, it has been announced.

Members of the community are invited to attend the free program. Contact the Jackson County Historical Society at 785-364-2316 for more information. The program is made possible by the Kansas Humanities Council.

Prior to the program, a catered meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. by Trails Cafe and Cafe Catering. Cost of the meal is \$25 and tickets must be purchased by calling 785-364-2316 before April 8. The menu is stuffed chicken marsala, garlic mashed potatoes, asparagus medley, Caesar salad with French bread and butter, turtle cheesecake, iced tea and water.

The Jackson County Historical Society was organized in April 1979 to preserve Jackson County history. This annual Founder’s Day dinner and program is open to members and anyone else who is interested in history. The evening’s program will include the presentation of a scholarship to a graduating senior.

The Harvey House chain of restaurants got its start in Topeka when Fred Harvey opened a café for people traveling the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad line. Preferring the term “Harvey Girl” to waitress, he recruited single women to work at his restaurants that gradually sprang up all the way to California and Texas. This presentation explores the job duties and working conditions of Harvey Girls from 1876 to the early 1950s.

Michaeline Chance-Reay teaches courses in women’s studies and education at Kansas State University. Her current research focuses on the

Harvey Girls and historic sites on the K-State campus, especially those related to women.

“Women in the 19th and early 20th centuries who wanted jobs or careers outside of the home had few choices,” said Chance-Reay, “but the Harvey Company offered unique opportunities. It was demanding work but also offered a decent salary in a protected environment, in addition to travel and adventure.”

“The Harvey Girls” is part of the Kansas Humanities Council’s Kansas Stories Speakers Bureau, featuring presentations and discussions that examine our shared human experience – our innovations, culture, heritage and conflicts.

The Kansas Humanities Council conducts and supports community-based programs, serves as a financial resource through an active grant-making program, and encourages Kansans to engage in the civic and cultural life of their communities. For more information about KHC programs, contact the Kansas Humanities Council at 785/357-0359 or visit online at www.kansashumanities.org.

For more information about “The Harvey Girls” in Holton, contact the Jackson County Historical Society at 785-364-2316 or visit <https://sites.google.com/site/jchsk/home>

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In other business, the city commission:

*Appointed Bauer to serve as the city’s ex officio member on the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

*Re-appointed Ira Harrison, power plant production superintendent, to represent the city as Director 2 on the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency.



Youth from Trinity Lutheran Church of Holton collected food donations for the local food pantry. On Feb. 26 and 27, the church’s youth group participated in the 30-Hour Famine event sponsored by World Vision. The youth raised enough money over the course of the project to feed 23 malnourished children for an entire month. They also collected non-perishable food donations for the local food bank. Youth group members and leaders that participated in the 30-Hour Famine included (from left) Grace Stark, Kyle Bohnenkemper, Via Heitzman, Allison Campbell, Ethan Stark, Abby Heitzman, Gladys Heitzman, Richard Heitzman and Aimie Heitzman. Not pictured is Bobbie Horr.

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Plans are to keep class sizes to about 12 students per class. It was reported that 18 to 20 students enrolled in the community pre-school have been identified as having some special needs.

The school board, at its meeting, took action to change the way that the high school selects dance and cheer squads, based on recommendations by staff. The board reviewed the proposed new, nine-page “Spirit Squad Constitution.”

Starting this spring, judges for the dance and cheer tryouts will be cheerleaders from Washburn University at Topeka, who will do judging for a small fee of about \$50, it was reported.

All students trying out for the squads are required to have a citizenship/scholastic rating form filled out by 10 different school staff members – teachers, coaches or administration. High and low scores are then dropped from those forms and an average score is used along with tryout scorecards used by judges.

Dance and cheer squad members who wish to take on additional responsibility as leaders of their squads are now asked to fill out a short application form and be interviewed by sponsors and a member of the school administration.

The board picked “option three” from three proposed school calendar options for next year. First day of classes for grades kindergarten through eighth and ninth grade stu-

dents will be Aug. 18. The rest of the high school students will start the next day, Aug. 19. Thanksgiving Break will be Nov. 23-25. Winter Break will be Dec. 23-Jan. 4. Spring Break will be March 20-24. HHS graduation will be 6 p.m. on May 20. Last day of classes for other students will be May 24.

In other business, the school board:

*Enjoyed Pizza Hut pizza with staff before the meeting.

*Approved bills totaling \$2,156,067.31.

*Approved March payroll totaling \$1,128,350.42.

*Approved the resignations of Gwen Bartles (Central para) and Heather Link (HMS scholars bowl sponsor).

*Approved the hiring of Dyann Parks (HMS ELL para), Samantha Nolte (Onaga, special ed. para) and Tonya Ball (Wetmore special ed. para).

*Accepted the donation of \$1,080.09 on behalf of the high school from the Diamond Club for the purchase of netting for fence.

*Accepted the donation of \$2,000 on behalf of the high school from the 3-Point Club.

*Accepted the donation of \$75 on behalf of the Colorado and Central Elementary Schools from the EUM church, \$10 from Phyllis Kathrens and \$25 from Barb Kathrens.

*Accepted the donation of \$1,900 on behalf of the Holton Middle School from School & Home Partnership to purchase a laminator (\$1,600) and li-

brary (\$300).

*Approved a motion to accept the bid of \$3,900 from Pur-O-Zone to re-seal the gym floors with two coats of water-based sealer. Southwest Paper submitted a bid of \$4,045 for one-coat of water-based sealer.

*Discussed the cost to replace bleachers at the old high school gymnasium. Four-row aluminum bleachers to seat 150 to 175 people will cost about \$8,000. Pull-out bleachers to seat up to 215 people will cost about \$25,000. The older bleachers will be advertised for sale.

*Approved board of education policy changes as recommended by the Kansas Association of School Boards and others.

*Set regular school fees for next year at \$45, the same as this year.

*Approved a 15-cent increase to the cost of school meals from \$1.35 per breakfast to \$1.50 and \$2.35 per lunch to \$2.50. Milk prices stay the same at 35 cents per carton.

*Approved the summer school and drivers’ education programs.

All summer school activities will take place at the Holton Middle School. Total summer school cost is not to exceed \$37,000.

The board approved a motion to move the classroom portion of the drivers’ education program online. Students in the program will have 35 days in April and May to complete the online tests for the program.

The drivers’ education fee for students will increase from \$115 to \$150, it was decided.

*Approved a motion to renew the one-year contract with Schneider Electric Service of Topeka for service at the Holton Middle School.

*Approved two student trip requests for FFA and FCCLA. Holton FFA will go to Fort Scott CC Aggie Days and other FFA competitions.

The district will provide the bus and fuel and students will play for their own meals.

Holton’s FCCLA will be traveling to Wichita on April 3-5 with eight students and two sponsors to participate in the state STAR event and FCCLA Conference. Registration fees are \$70, adult meals are \$60 and lodging is \$230, so total district cost is \$360.

*Learned that at recent parent-teacher conferences, 91 percent of parents of third graders attended, 94 percent of the parents of fourth graders attended and 91 percent of the parents of fifth graders attended. Since then, additional parents have met with teachers, also.

*Took a 10-minute break at 8:25 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:35 p.m.

*Approved a motion to enter into executive session at 8:35 p.m. for 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Superintendent Dennis Stones and Assistant Superintendent Joe Kelly.

*Returned to open session at 8:55 p.m. No action was taken.

*Approved a motion to enter into executive session at 8:55 p.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Supt. Stones, Asst. Supt. Kelly and Mike Porter, maintenance director.

*Returned to open session at 9 p.m. No action was taken.

*Approved a motion to enter into executive session at 9:02 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss teacher salary negotiations with Stones and Kelly.

*Returned to open session at 9:17 p.m. No action was taken.

*Adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

*Important dates – No school on Spring break, March 14-18, and Good Friday, March 25.



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