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New county, EMS contract includes funding increase

By Ali Holcomb

Jackson County and Jackson County EMS have entered into a new contract for ambulance services that includes an additional \$50,000 per year for each of the next three years.

On Monday, Jackson County Commissioners and Brent Teter and Jay Watkins, owners and operators of Jackson County EMS (also known as TECHS Inc.), signed the new three-year contract that takes effect Jan. 1.

With the new contract, EMS will continue to provide emergency and non-emergency ambulance transfer services to all of Jackson County, including the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation.

For 2017, Jackson County EMS will be paid \$302,000 annually (\$25,166.66 per month) as part of the contract.

The business will receive an additional \$50,000 in 2018 for a total annual payment of \$352,000 (\$29,333.33 per month).

In the third year of the contract, EMS will be paid \$402,000 (\$33,500 per month).

This year, Jackson County

EMS was paid \$252,000.

Between 2013 and 2015, EMS received \$187,000 from the county each year.

Prior to that, \$159,500 was allocated to the EMS each year from 2010 to 2012.

With the statewide tax lid set to take effect, it was noted that funds from emergency medical services are exempt from the lid. However, the commissioners added a stipulation to the contract that states if the Kansas Legislature removes that exemption, the county reserves the right to renegotiate the contract, if necessary.

As part of the new contract, EMS will provide two licensed ambulances. One unit will be stationed in Holton, and the second unit will be located elsewhere in the county at the discretion of EMS.

Jackson County EMS will fully staff the primary ambulance at all times. The secondary ambulance will be an on-call ambulance and will be fully staffed 32 hours per week in 2017.

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Holton Sitzler fund to help 15 families

By Brian Sanders

Every year during the Christmas season, members of the Holton City Commission are asked to provide the city manager with information on city residents who could benefit from disbursements out of the Sitzler Fund, created more than a century ago to help families in need during the holidays.

On Monday, Holton City Clerk Teresa Riley told those present at that evening's regular commission meeting that the amount of this year's Sitzler Fund disbursement, at little more than \$1,000, represented a decline in the amount of funds disbursed from year to year in recent years.

However, commissioners said they were hopeful that interest rates on certificates of deposit would soon rise — a statement reflecting the Dec. 14 announcement by the Federal Reserve that it was raising its benchmark interest rate from 0.5 percent to 0.75 percent.

The fund, which is managed

by the City of Holton and overseen by Holton City Attorney Dennis White, was established by the estate of Holton resident Louise Sitzler in 1912 to provide financial assistance to those less fortunate during the Christmas season.

Sitzler Fund disbursements come from interest generated by the fund through its checking and money market accounts and certificates of deposit at Holton banks. Commissioners are asked to nominate families who would benefit from the disbursements, and disbursed funds are used to help pay those families' utility bills.

In the past, fund disbursements have also gone toward community events such as the Community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, as well as helping out local charities such as the New Hope Food Pantry. Riley said Tuesday that would continue with this year's disbursement.

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United Way of Greater Topeka names interim president/CEO

The board of directors for United Way of Greater Topeka has named Carol Wheeler as the organization's interim president/ chief executive officer. Wheeler will begin her new role on Jan. 3.

In early December, Miriam Krehbiel, CEO and president, and Kim Ribelin Cebula, vice president of resource development, both resigned unexpectedly, it was reported.

Jackson County officially became a part of United Way of Greater Topeka in 2012, and local funds through United Way continue to help support a variety of basic needs programs here. Since then, more than \$93,000

donated by individuals and businesses in the county have been invested through United Way into Jackson County.

Wheeler retired from Stormont Vail Health in 2015 after 45 years with the organization. She started as a nurse and was steadily given increased responsibilities until retiring as vice president and professional services officer.

In addition to her work at Stormont Vail Health, Wheeler has been actively involved in the community. She has served on the board of directors for a number of organizations, including American Red Cross, Topeka

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Look for Wednesday editions only next week

The Holton Recorder will publish Wednesday editions only the next two weeks due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The Holton Recorder office, along with many other area businesses and government offices, will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26, to observe the Christmas

holiday and on Monday, Jan. 2, to observe the New Year's holiday, therefore Monday editions of The Recorder will not be published those days.

As always, for up-to-the-minute local news for Jackson County, follow The Recorder on twitter at @HoltonRecorder and online at holtonrecorder.net



Items still needed for Community Christmas Dinner

By Brian Sanders

Although responses to and pledges for food donations and volunteer help for the annual Community Christmas Dinner have been encouraging, dinner organizer Freda Galer said some food items are still needed to make this year's dinner a success.

"I only need two more people to cook and debone turkeys," Galer said of preparations for the dinner, which is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday — Christmas Day — at the EUM Family

Life Center. "And the only help I need is somebody to deliver meals and somebody to give rides."

Pledges of volunteer help have been excellent so far, she said — in fact, so much so that some who have volunteered to help with Sunday's dinner have been turned down.

"A lot of people don't call until the last minute," Galer said. "I've got all kinds of people calling in to help, and we hold onto their names in case somebody calls and cancels."

Other food items needed for Sunday's dinner include six gallons of sweet potatoes, three gallons of baked beans, 17 vegetable or fruit salads, nine Jell-O salads, 17 pies, eight cakes and nine dozen rolls.

She added that she is looking for enough food to feed "about 450 to 475" people. The most recent Community Thanksgiving Dinner saw a total of 375 dinners served, it was reported.

"I had a lot of stuff left over from Thanksgiving that we could freeze and use on Sunday," she said. "Most of the response has been for the turkey cookers and a few pies."

Galer continued to emphasize that the annual Commu-

nity Christmas dinner, as it has always been in the past, is open to everyone — regardless of their age, income, residence or religious affiliation.


Galer also encouraged those who want a Christmas dinner delivered to them to call her at 364-4160 by 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 24. Galer may be reached at that same number for those who wish to make a food donation or pledge volunteer services for the Christmas dinner.

Monetary donations also are being accepted for the Christmas dinner; contact Francis DeVader at 364-2507 for more information. Donations may also be mailed to DeVader at 13805 Kansas Highway 16, Holton, KS 66436.



THURSDAY'S FORECAST
PARTLY SUNNY, HIGH OF 40

Look for the complete forecast on page 2.

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Several vehicle accidents, including the one shown above, occurred Friday evening in Jackson County due to the icy road conditions. This accident occurred sometime between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m. that evening and involved a single vehicle hauling a trailer that left the road just south of Holton and overturned into the east ditch. This photo was taken Saturday morning, when the vehicle's owners returned to the scene of the accident to retrieve items from the vehicle. More details about the accident were not available at press time.

Photo by David Powls

Land Transfers

The following land transfers have been filed with the Jackson County Register of Deeds Office.

*Special warranty deed – Great Plains Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, a Kansas not for profit, Wichita, to Soldier Christian Church, Lot 24, Block 3 in town of Soldier, Jackson County.

*Statutory warranty deed – Anna M. Barnes, fka Anna M. Barnes-Henneberg, a single person, to Kevin M. Powers, land in Section 8, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M.

*Kansas transfer on death deed – Harold W. Pace, aka Harold Pace and Ruth M. Pace, husband and wife, to Patricia L. Davis, a single person, and Raymond W. Pace, a single person, a tract of land in Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., aka the east one half of Lot 13, New Jersey Ave., Holton, Jackson County.

*Quit claim deed – Dan Reiff and LaDonna Reiff, husband and wife, to LaDonna O. Reiff

and Danny Reiff, trustees of the revocable trust in their names, dated March 31, 2016, of Shawnee County, 8.76 acres more or less in Section 27, Township 5 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Trustee's deed – Scott H. Misenhelter and G.S. Misenhelter as co-trustees of the Scott H. Misenhelter Trust dated April 25, 2000, and G.S. Misenhelter and Scott H. Misenhelter, as co-trustees of the G.S. Misenhelter Trust dated April 25, 2000, to Scott C. Misenhelter and Courtney Misenhelter, husband and wife, 10 acres more or less in Section 23, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Kansas quit claim deed – Cecilia M. Greene, trustee of the revocable trust in her name dated Jan. 3, 2007, to Capital Hill Ranch, LLC, a Kansas limited liability company, a one half interest in land including all of Section 34 and Section 35 and the south three-fourths of Section 36, all in Township 9

South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Kansas quit claim deed – Cecilia M. Greene, trustee of the Gerald F. Greene revocable trust under the date of Jan. 3, 2007, to Capital Hill Ranch, LLC, a Kansas limited liability company, a one half interest in land including all of Section 34 and Section 35 and the south three-fourths of Section 36, all in Township 9 South, Range 14 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Trustee's deed – The Trust Company, Lawrence, as successor trustee of Martha S. Wanke Trust dated Nov. 22, 2000, to The Trust Company, 21 acres more or less in Section 33, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*Kansas transfer on death deed – Larry Dean Cashier and Betty Lou Cashier, husband and wife, to Kelle J. Ireland, a married person, Deanna L. Moege, a married person, and Jerry D. Cashier, a married person, land in Section 11, Township 7

South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

*General warranty deed – Bruce A. Welliever and Karen S. Welliever, husband and wife, to McMan Properties LLC, Lots 1, 3 and 5 on Ohio Avenue, city of Holton, Jackson County.

*Kansas transfer on death deed – Leonard Kranz and Theresa M. Kranz, fka Theresa M. Anderson, husband and wife, to Barbara Nicoloff, a married person, Kristan Vicker, a married person, Gary Kranz, a married person, Marilyn Collins, a married person, Rhonda Baker, a married person, Jennifer Anderson, a single person, and Tracy Anderson, a single person, the south one half of the north-east one quarter of Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 14 of the 6th P.M. Jackson County.

*General warranty deed – Paul Ray, a single person, to Ernest J. DeBusk, Lots 72 and 74 and the west five feet of Lot 76 on Main Street, Lunger's Addition, city of Mayetta, Jackson County.

Police Calls

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

■ 6:20 a.m. Dec. 1, 300 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, animal control.

■ 2:43 p.m. Dec. 1, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 3:08 p.m. Dec. 1, 800 block of Ohio Avenue, citizen assist.

■ 5:28 p.m. Dec. 1, 400 block of Arizona Avenue, assisted Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

■ 7:09 p.m. Dec. 1, 500 block of Ohio Avenue, theft.

■ 12:42 a.m. Dec. 2, 400 block of South Arizona Avenue, suspicious activity.

■ 6:14 a.m. Dec. 2, 400 block of Arizona Avenue, assisted Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

■ 6:43 a.m. Dec. 2, 200 block of Arizona Avenue, juvenile matter.

■ 10:23 a.m. Dec. 2, Banner Road at Arizona Avenue, non-injury accident.

■ 11:34 a.m. Dec. 2, 12000 block of Oak Ridge Drive, alarm.

■ 9:14 p.m. Dec. 2, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 11:24 a.m. Dec. 3, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 1:24 p.m. Dec. 3, 400 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, animal control.

■ 4:50 p.m. Dec. 3, 1000 block of New Jersey Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 5:30 p.m. Dec. 3, Holton Town Square, parade escort.

■ 2:04 a.m. Dec. 4, 100 block of Parkview Court, EMS assist.

■ 10:15 a.m. Dec. 4, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 1:14 p.m. Dec. 4, 300 block of West Fourth Street, EMS assist.

■ 2:05 p.m. Dec. 4, 10th Street at New Jersey Avenue, suspect arrested on a City of Horton warrant.

■ 3:04 p.m. Dec. 4, 600 block of New York Avenue, disturbance.

■ 1:09 a.m. Dec. 5, 500 block of Nebraska Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 9:59 a.m. Dec. 5, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 1:58 p.m. Dec. 5, funeral escort.

■ 6:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Holton Business Women's Club program presentation.

■ 7:53 p.m. Dec. 6, 200 block of New Jersey Avenue, welfare check.

■ 7:34 a.m. Dec. 7, 400 block of Nebraska Avenue, EMS assist.

■ 2:41 p.m. Dec. 7, 800 block of West Third Street, hit-and-run accident.

■ 3:12 p.m. Dec. 7, 400 block of West Fourth Street, suspect arrested on charges of assault and battery.

■ 3:25 p.m. Dec. 7, 10th Street at Iowa Avenue, non-injury accident.

■ 7:13 p.m. Dec. 7, 400 block of West Second Street, EMS assist.

■ 9:07 p.m. Dec. 7, 600 block of Wisconsin Avenue, disturbance.

■ 9:20 a.m. Dec. 8, 400 block of South Arizona Avenue, citizen assist.

■ 12:11 a.m. Dec. 9, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 9:40 a.m. Dec. 9, 400 block of Arizona Avenue, suspicious activity.

■ 12:41 p.m. Dec. 9, 500 block

of Ohio Avenue, animal control.

■ 7:17 p.m. Dec. 9, 900 block of West Fourth Street, citizen assist.

■ 12:50 a.m. Dec. 10, 400 block of Emerald Drive, suspect arrested on a charge of domestic battery.

■ 5:15 a.m. Dec. 10, 600 block of Dakota Avenue, suspicious activity.

■ 10:20 a.m. Dec. 10, Southern Heights, EMS assist.

■ 10:47 a.m. Dec. 10, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 10:57 p.m. Dec. 10, U.S. Highway 75 at Banner Road, suspect arrested on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs and failure to maintain a single lane.

■ 11:43 p.m. Dec. 11, 200 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, animal control.

■ 9 a.m. Dec. 12, 800 block of Ohio Avenue, tag for tow.

■ 9:19 a.m. Dec. 12, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 6:37 p.m. Dec. 12, 800 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, possible gas leak.

■ 8:45 a.m. Dec. 13, 700 block of Colorado Avenue, dog bite.

■ 2:25 p.m. Dec. 13, 500 block

of Vermont Avenue, animal control.

■ 3:09 p.m. Dec. 13, Fifth Street at Kansas Avenue, disturbance.

■ 4:35 p.m. Dec. 13, 800 block of West Third Street, theft.

■ 9:18 p.m. Dec. 13, Prairie Lake, area check.

■ 4:51 a.m. Dec. 14, 100 block of East Fifth Street, alarm.

■ 7:37 a.m. Dec. 14, 800 block of West Fifth Street, non-injury accident.

■ 9:17 a.m. Dec. 14, 100 block of Clements Drive, citizen assist.

■ 10:48 a.m. Dec. 14, funeral escort.

■ 3:08 p.m. Dec. 14, 800 block of Wisconsin Avenue, medical call.

■ 5:06 p.m. Dec. 14, 100 block of East Fifth Street, alarm.

■ 5:29 p.m. Dec. 14, 200 block of Dakota Avenue, medical call.

■ 7:48 p.m. Dec. 14, 100 block of East Fifth Street, alarm.

■ 8:55 p.m. Dec. 14, 200 block of Topeka Avenue, welfare check.

MARKETS

STOCKS

Description	Price at Close	Change
AT&T	42.47	+0.35
CenturyLink	24.13	-0.06
Lowe's	74.27	+1.35
Target	77.65	+0.61
Hershey	102.61	+1.15
Walmart	71.82	+0.24
Phillips 66	86.94	-0.23
US Bancorp	52.54	+0.67
Pfizer	32.85	+0.02
Deere & Co.	103.64	+1.39
United Parcel	117.52	+0.54
Apple	116.95	+0.31
Facebook	119.09	-0.15
Wester Energy	56.57	+0.26
Goodyear	32.13	+0.10

Source: Edward Jones Investments, Shannon Wright, financial advisor. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016.

GRAIN

Description	Price at Close
Wheat	\$3.00
Corn	\$3.08
Milo	\$2.65
Soybeans	\$9.06

Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.

FUEL PRICES

	Current	Last Mo.	Last Year
Kansas Average	\$2.05	+\$0.156	+\$0.264
National Average	\$2.24	+\$0.102	+\$0.245
Holton Average	\$2.01		

Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016.

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Today's Weather

Thursday		Partly sunny	High: 40 Low: 27
Friday		Slight chance of snow before noon, then wintry mix	High: 40 Low: 26 Precip: 20%
Saturday		Partly sunny	High: 43 Low: 38
Sunday		Mostly cloudy; chance of showers/T-storms	High: 60 Low: 35 Precip: 70%
Monday		Mostly sunny	High: 40 Low: 21

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Please Note Our Holiday Schedules Below:

<p>Christmas Eve Saturday, Dec. 24 All bank locations ~ CLOSED ~</p> <p>Monday, Dec. 26 Christmas holiday observed ~ CLOSED ~</p> <p>New Year's Eve Saturday, Dec. 31 All bank locations open during regular business hours (all close at noon)</p> <p>Monday, Jan. 2 New Year's holiday observed All bank locations ~ CLOSED ~</p>	<p>Christmas Eve Saturday, Dec. 24 Both Locations ~ CLOSED ~</p> <p>Monday, Dec. 26 Christmas holiday observed Both Locations ~ CLOSED ~</p> <p>New Year's Friday, Dec. 30 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (Both Locations) (end-of-year CUTOFF for processing is 3 p.m.)</p> <p>New Year's Eve Saturday, Dec. 31 Both Locations ~ CLOSED ~</p> <p>Monday, Jan. 2 New Year's holiday observed Both Locations ~ CLOSED ~</p>
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CALENDAR

JHES students enjoy "career fair"

Thursday, Dec. 22

*Winter break begins for Jackson Heights, Royal Valley and Prairie Hills Schools schools.
*HHS KSU concert band clinic.

Friday, Dec. 23

*Winter break begins for Holton schools.
*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, Dec. 24

*Christmas Eve.
*Wetmore KSHSAA non-practice.

Sunday, Dec. 25

*Christmas Day.
*Community Christmas Dinner, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the EUM Family Life Center. The dinner is open to the public and free-will donations will be accepted. Call Freda Galer at 364-4160 before 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 for pick-up or delivery service.
*Attend the church of your choice.

Monday, Dec. 26

*City, county and state gov-

ernment offices will be closed today in observance of Christmas Day.

*The Harvesters Food Group will stop at the Hoyt City Park the fourth Monday of every month at 9 a.m. Enter from the west drive on Kansas Highway 214.

*Jackson County Arts meets at 6 p.m. the fourth Monday of every month at Better Than Lemons on the east side of the Holton Square.

Tuesday, Dec. 27

*The Jackson County Board of County Commissioners meet at 9 a.m. today (note change of date) 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 placed on a meeting agenda.

Wednesday, Dec. 28

*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.

By Brian Sanders

On Tuesday morning, Jackson Heights Elementary School students were given a few options to consider when they are asked the age-old question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

A handful of Jackson County-area business and industry people visited JHES that morning for a "Building Cobra Excellence Career Fair," which Jackson Heights Superintendent and Elementary Principal Adrienne Walsh said lined up with the school's "Building Strong Cobras" theme for the 2016-17 school year.

"I think it went really well," Walsh said of the event. "The kids had the opportunity to enjoy something different, but they were also able to see how something they're learning now will apply to them in real life."

During the "career fair," participants were able to share with students what kind of education or training was necessary for their careers, as well as skills that are important to their respective professions.

"One of the top talking points I asked them to consider was what they wish they would have paid more attention to in school, but didn't," Walsh said.

Participants also were asked to share with students what a typical work day looks like for them, special projects they had worked on recently and a "real-



Dean Williams (at right) of the Williams Company of Whiting utilized a robot in his "job fair" presentation on Tuesday morning at Jackson Heights Elementary School. Several area people participated in the "job fair," which was designed to incorporate the school's theme for this year, "Building Strong Cobras."

Photo courtesy of JHES

life show-and-tell."

Among those coming to JHES for Tuesday's event was Brant Morris, a 2013 graduate of Jackson Heights High School now

working for Briggs Automotive in Topeka. Walsh said Morris was able to show students "some cool stuff," including model airplanes that the students could take home and build.

Walsh said participants also included John Calvert of the Jackson County Sheriff's Department, who shared with students "how you build a case;"

Scott Steffes of the Netawaka Fitness Center, who explained "how you build a healthy body" and incorporated some exercises into his presentation; and Dean Williams of the Williams Company of Whiting, who impressed youngsters with a robot.

"I feel like it was a worthwhile learning experience for the kids," Walsh said.

Falk graduates from ESU

Taylor Ann Falk of Maple Hill was one of more than 500 candidates for December graduation at Emporia State University, it was reported. Falk graduated on Dec. 17 with a bachelor of science degree in health promotion.

Undergraduates received their degrees during baccalaureate ceremonies at 9:30 a.m. at White Auditorium, 111 E. Sixth Ave. At 2 p.m., graduate students were hooded at Albert Taylor Hall in Plumb Hall on the Emporia State campus.

Dr. Blake Flanders, president

and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents, gave remarks during both ceremonies. Dr. Marshall Sundberg, biological sciences professor and 2016 Roe R. Cross Distinguished Professor, addressed the undergraduates.

Lighting contest nominations sought

The City of Holton is still accepting nominations of the town's top residential holiday light decorations for its annual Christmas Lighting Contest.

Nominations may be made by calling the Holton Parks and Recreation Department at 364-

9000 through the end of the day Thursday, it was reported.

The first-place winner will receive a \$100 rebate on an upcoming City of Holton utility bill. The second-place winner will receive a \$50 utility rebate, and third place will receive a \$25 rebate.

Jackson County Senior Menus

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 from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. only if reservations are not filled the previous day. Cancellations

must be made by 9:30 a.m. same day.

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

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

Monday, Dec. 26: Closed.

Tuesday, Dec. 27: Tuna noodle, mashed potatoes, Japanese vegetables, plums

and bread and margarine.

Wednesday, Dec. 28: Baked pork, cheesy hash-browns, Malibu vegetables, cherry fluff and biscuit and margarine.

Thursday, Dec. 29: Beef stroganoff, noodles, Italian vegetables, fruit pie, ice cream and hot roll and margarine.

Friday, Dec. 30: Chicken salad, bread, broccoli cheese soup, crackers and mandarin orange cake.

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 Road, about one-half mile south of 158th Road. For more information about the program, call (785) 966-0040.

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

Monday, Dec. 26: Closed.

Tuesday, Dec. 27: Barbecue pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, potato salad and fruit.

Wednesday, Dec. 28: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans and fruit.

Thursday, Dec. 29: Turkey and cheese wrap, chips, carrots and celery and fruit.

Friday, Dec. 30: Closed.

Merry Christmas from The Holton Recorder!

Jackson Farmers, Inc.

December 24, 2016	Closed
December 25, 2016	Closed
December 26, 2016	Closed
December 27 - 30, 2016	Normal Hours
December 31, 2016	8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
January 2, 2017	Closed
January 3, 2017	Normal Hours

Wishing all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Seneca Bridal Walk

January 14th, 2017 • 12pm - 3pm
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There is still time to participate!!
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OPINION

Merry Christmas!

At Christmas time, we give thanks to the community for its unwavering support of us throughout the entire year. We really appreciate it.

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Thanks to all of our business associates for allowing us to help them in their daily business pursuits in the community.

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The best part, truly, about our newspaper work is being able to share all the positive things happening in our community.

Together, we can change the world for the better – when we make doing good deeds a daily habit.

May the Christmas attitude of giving to others and of reflecting on the religious meaning of Christmas help us all in the new year ahead! Thank you.

David Powls

LETTER: Transparency in state government demand

Dear editor,

During the past year, the reality of our state's fiscal and economic situation has become quite serious.

The challenges we face can only be solved by working together. And as Kansans, we must demand transparency from our public officials as they grapple with these issues that will impact each of our daily lives.

The issue of government transparency impacts every single issue facing Kansas – from our schools, to the economy, to the budget crisis.

In the coming weeks, a new State Legislature will convene in Topeka to solve many of these problems. Some are newly elected and some were re-elected. But all have an obligation to the people of Kansas – and that obligation is transparency and openness. Their job is to work on behalf of the people of Kansas.

Kansans have been disappointed by the serious lack of openness in recent years. In 2015, the Center for Public Integrity gave Kansas an "F" grade for transparency in government – ranking among the worst in the nation. Laws were negotiated behind closed doors. Decisions were made in secret. And these things have had a signifi-

cant impact on our trust in our leaders.

Last legislative session, some progress was made to improve transparency in our state government. Some committee hearings will now be streamed live. A loophole in the Kansas Open Records Act was closed, prohibiting public officials from using private e-mail accounts. These are all positive steps forward, but there is more to do. The culture of closure in Topeka must change.

Legislators were asked last year to sign the Open Kansas Transparency Pledge reaffirming their commitment to an open, accountable government working on behalf of the people. We continue to encourage new and returning legislators to sign this important pledge. It is a simple way to make a statement in support of these important principles.

The challenges we face are real and complex. While we may differ on the solutions, we can all agree that the debate, negotiation and votes ought to be done in the open. And Kansans ought to have a place at the table.

Ashley All, spokesperson,
Open Kansas Initiative
Topeka

Moran's Better Online Ticket Sales bill signed by president

U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran's (R-Kan.) bill to end duplicative practices of online "ticket bots" that monopolize tickets for entertainment events was signed into law recently by President Barack Obama, it was reported.

The Better Online Ticket Sales (BOTS) Act has been described as a bill to "improve consumer access to entertainment events" and put a stop to "ticket bots" – software designed to circumvent security measures of online event ticket outlets by buying

tickets in bulk and reselling them at a third-party Web site.

The BOTS Act, which gives enforcement authority to the Federal Trade Commission, received bipartisan support.

Moran said the BOTS Act "levels the online playing field and makes ticket prices fairer so a greater number of everyday folks can go to that big football game, see the musical in town or attend a concert their son or daughter is longing to see. I appreciate the support of the president and my colleagues in

Congress to get this done in a bipartisan manner."

Similar sentiment was expressed by A.J. Boleski, general manager of Wichita's Intrust Bank Arena.

"This bill is a step closer in helping make the purchase of tickets more fair to all of those fans going to shows," Boleski said. "Preventing bots allows patrons in Kansas equal access to ticketing inventory. We greatly appreciate the steps taken by Sen. Moran to introduce and get this bill passed in the House and

the Senate."

Moran serves as chairman of the Senate Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance and Data Security Subcommittee.

He convened a Consumer Protection Subcommittee hearing in September that included testimony from "Hamilton" producer Jeffrey Seller, Big 12 Conference Commissioner Bob Bowlsby and representatives from StubHub and Ticketfly.

AGRICULTURE WEEK: Sharply higher livestock futures

By Matt Hines

Sharply higher livestock futures ended the week with higher cash feedlot trade as well. Totals of \$112 live in the south and \$175 on a dressed basis in the north were reported finally Friday afternoon, which is \$2 to \$5 higher than the week previous.

The FCE had more than 7,000 head of fed cattle consigned mid-week, but only traded 3,249 at an average price of \$110.47 with the lows seen in South Dakota at \$108 and as high as \$111.50 in Texas. Holiday trading kicks in here soon for the next couple weeks, but we do have an important report day on Friday with Hog and Pig, Cattle on Feed and Cold Storage reports.

Compared to last week, the majority of the calf and yearling market calls this week were \$3 to \$6 higher with instances of \$10 higher in spots. The greatest demand is for long time weaned calves and fully preconditioned calves with multiple rounds of shots.

For the week, Friday, Dec. 9 to Friday, Dec. 16, December live cattle were up \$3.60, February was up \$4.82, January feeder cattle were up \$3.95, March was up \$3.80, February lean hogs were up \$3.15 and April was up \$2.35. Boxed Beef, Choice was up \$5.69 at \$194.63, Select was up \$9.41 at \$181.09 and Pork Carcass Cutout was up \$2.04 at \$77.85.

Cattle slaughter from Friday was estimated at 107,000 head, down 6,000 from a week ago and down 2,000 compared to a year ago. For the week, the total was 599,000 head, down 12,000 compared to the week previous

but up 13,000 compared to a year ago.

Hog slaughter from Friday was estimated at 436,000 head, down 1,000 from the week previous but up 1,000 compared to a year ago. Weekly totals were estimated at 2,544,000 head, up 101,000 compared to the week previous and up 45,000 compared to a year ago.

Livestock Futures Settlements

Monday, Dec. 19
• December live cattle down \$3.7 at \$111.95, February up \$5.7 at \$115.92.

• January feeders up \$97 at \$130.87, March up \$62 at \$126.92, August up \$22 at \$124.70.

• February lean hogs up \$1.40 at \$66.10, April up \$37 at \$68.67.

December live cattle pushed through for a new recent high at \$112.67 on Friday. The August high at \$116.65 is the next area of strong resistance and looks to hold for the balance of the contract. Support is seen near \$110 and \$107.

January feeders also pushed to a new recent high on Friday at \$130, followed by another on Monday at \$130.92, with the August highs at \$139.40. Again, it will be difficult for the both these markets to break through that next level without very strong cash support which we typically do not see during the holidays. Support is down in the \$125 area with the December low down at \$122.92.

Lean hog futures took out their August highs last week and continue to rally sharply. The February contract should

see some resistance every \$2 higher from here to the summer highs at \$70. On the weekly chart we still have a gap to fill up to \$66.82.

Soybeans and Kansas City wheat were the only grains to finish higher on Friday but KC wheat was the only one to finish higher for the week. Export demand remains strong, and the South American weather premium remains; both continue to help support soybeans. Corn futures remain range bound while wheat futures try to stave off another run lower for new contract lows.

For the week, Friday, Dec. 9 to Friday, Dec. 16, March corn was down \$0.33, May was down \$0.34, January soybeans were down \$0.03, March was down \$0.13, March KC wheat was up \$0.13, May was up \$0.14, March Chicago wheat was down \$0.07 and May was down \$0.04.

Starting this week, grains were mixed with soybeans under pressure and pulling corn lower while wheat traded both sides. Argentina received some very beneficial rains over the weekend, allowing some of the weather premium that has built into the soybeans to come back out.

Wheat futures started higher, as there could be a little bit of concern over winterkill here in the Plains from the extremely cold temps over the weekend. Some is covered by snow, providing protection, but dry soil conditions exist, which is more harmful.

Export inspections for the week ending Dec. 15 were as

follows: soybeans at 63.6 million bushels (MBU), corn at 30.3 MBU, wheat at 17.6 MBU and grain sorghum at 8.1 MBU.

Grain Futures Settlements

Monday, Dec. 19
• March corn down \$0.03 at \$3.53, New Crop December down \$0.02 at \$3.84.

• January soybeans down \$0.15 at \$10.21, New Crop November down \$0.07 at \$10.12.

• March KC wheat down \$0.03 at \$4.14, New Crop July down \$0.01 at \$4.37.

• March Chicago wheat down \$0.04 at \$4.05, New Crop July down \$0.03 at \$4.31.

March corn is still trying to hang in the upper end of its range with support at \$3.50 and resistance up at \$3.69. January soybeans closed Monday right at key support levels with resistance at the recent high of \$10.65.

March KC wheat hit resistance at \$4.20 and is still holding support at the 10-day moving average of \$4.10. March Chicago wheat is still holding the recent uptrend, going back to the contract low at \$3.93 from Dec. 1 with resistance also up in the \$4.20 area.

Merry Christmas, everyone!
Note: There is risk of loss in trading commodity futures and options. Matt Hines is a licensed commodity broker specializing in grain and livestock operations as well as commercial consulting clients since 2004. Hines can be reached at (785) 289-0036. Matt and his family live west of Holton.

GARDENER'S CORNER: Searching for some ho, ho, ho

By Sandra M. Siebert

Baby, it's cold outside. Sleigh bells are ringing, but I've lost my hoe, hoe, hoe.

With the top few inches of soil hardened and coming out in frosty chunks, if I can break through at all, weeding (do the weeds never end?) appears unlikely at the moment – not with a hoe, hoe, hoe or any other tool. Many garden tasks remain half done, or have yet to be started.

Only half of the pile of almost-finished compost has been moved over to make way for yet another pile to start. I've been dealing with it in small chunks because too much scooping makes my shoulder cranky and achy.

Early last week, I bent to the task again and was able to force the shovel through the eight-inch layer of frozen compost to reach the loose, friable stuff in the center (crunchy on the outside). However, by Friday the shovel would not break through.

Perhaps it's just as well. I can use a few days of sitting by the fire, with my feet up and some good reading material in hand.

Or a few days sitting at the sewing machine working on the pile of mending and new construction projects – or rearranging that sewing room, cleaning

out closets, sorting photos or figuring out how to cook up all of the stuff I harvested from the winter garden last week.

While the fire roared in the stove last week, making the indoors toasty and cozy, I spent the frigid afternoons in the garden closing up shop on most of the low tunnels (created by bending PVC pipe over the beds and draping it with clear plastic sheeting anchored at the edges with scrap lumber and stones).

I spent several days harvesting and cleaning up the growing areas after seeing the weekend's forecast for 0 degrees Fahrenheit or lower. I loaded up my largest baskets several times with the last of the cabbage, kale, Chinese cabbage, bok choy, lettuce, leeks and so on. A picnic cooler sits in the garage, filled with produce that would not fit in the refrigerators.

In some past years, I've managed to continue the harvest well into January, but not when the temperature dropped below zero in December already. Typically, those first negative temperatures of the winter would fall in January, spelling the end of the harvests. Same temps, just different timing.

While harvesting last week, I had to work quickly. When I pulled off the plastic sheeting, the vegetables were crisp and perky, but once cut and placed in the basket, they started to freeze. First I cut the sturdiest things, such as the cabbage and beets, and make the lettuce the final cut, as it froze quickly. I took one heavy basket of pro-

duce inside and headed back out with an empty basket for the next round of cutting.

Inside the low tunnels, the soil was soft and unfrozen, but a bit dry. One difficulty with winter growing is keeping things watered. Soaker hoses snaked among the plants to facilitate watering, but nothing has been watered since we started getting freezing temperatures. I struggle enough with garden hoses when it's warm outside. Stringing a garden hose from the house to the garden when it's 28 degrees F? Um, no.

Although the plastic tunnels plus blankets spread over the plants inside them protected things fairly well, some things still suffered. Many layers of yellowed and mushy leaves made the Chinese cabbage look a bit unappetizing. Beneath all the funkiness, however, were crisp, white and tender leaves. Now what will I do with all of this Chinese cabbage? Stir fries, soups and maybe some kimchi.

I had to compost a good bit of the lettuce, which showed evidence of having been frozen. But that was mostly the romaine lettuce. I find it odd that this romaine variety called "Winter Density" succumbed to the cold more readily than the Red Salad Bowl and Batavian lettuces.

While keeping vegetables going through the winter gives me a sense of pride and accomplishment, I am glad to have the garden pretty much closed for business. It can get tedious going out into the cold and wrestling with the plastic sheeting to pick

vegetables, especially when production dwindles. I found the one large harvest more satisfying, and it will be less work later on.

Three low tunnels still stand. One protects a patch of kale that I hope will survive until spring to provide an early harvest.

Daikon radishes, less than half the original planting, will remain under another tunnel until I've gone through the long, white roots already pulled. They fill about half of the aforementioned cooler in the garage. As long as I can keep the ground from freezing, the daikons are safe.

We use the spicy, giant radishes frequently, in cooked dishes, chopped raw in salads or sliced as "chips" for dips. I'm also planning a flavorful daikon ferment seasoned with ginger and garlic. A third low tunnel contains radicchio and will come down this week. I just got tired last week.

Freezing drizzle falls and snow swirls. My seeds have been counted, and I'm making my list (checking it twice) of what I will need for spring. The house is warm (throw another log on, please) and the garden is at rest. Maybe I'll get those closets cleaned out this year, finally.

Or not. This week's warmer weather will likely get me back out into the garden. Whatever happens, I'm sure I'll find a little bit of my ho, ho, ho.

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Fenceline: Where does food come from?



Roper
William LeRoy "Bill" Roper, 70, Guthrie, Okla., died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016, of heart failure, at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Oklahoma City, Okla.

He was born Oct. 2, 1946, in Hillsboro, Ill., to Kenneth and Jessie Isaacs Roper, the third of eight children.

Bill served in the U.S. Air Force, in Tripoli, Libya, from 1966 to 1970.

He married Shirley Walder on March 14, 1970, in Holton. They were later divorced.

Bill spent most of his life working and living in the outdoors with animals and bluegrass music. He managed Limestone Springs Ranch, Soldier, for 11 years. He was a 4-H leader for the Pleasant Valley Rustlers Club and a beef superintendent for the Jackson County 4-H clubs. He also volunteered for the Soldier Fire Department.

Bill later lived and worked on ranches in California, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. In 1994, he was a founding member of the Salmon Valley String Band, Salmon, Idaho. The band continues playing bluegrass music today. In April 2010, he retired from the National Parks Service as a Maintenance Supervisor at Scottsbluff National Monument, Scottsbluff, Neb.

Bill spent his remaining years living near Guthrie, Okla., playing music and singing, enjoying family and living the simple life.

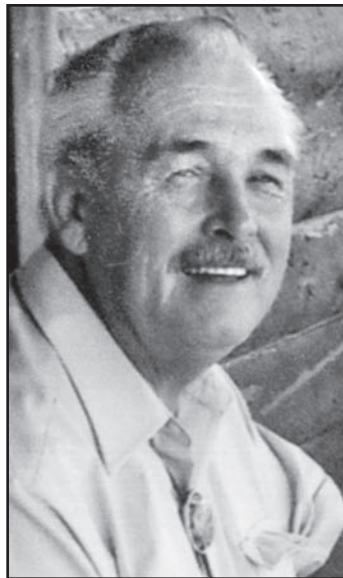
Bill was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by two daughters, Tammi Mitchell (Bryan) of Ulysses and Tara Ripperger (Jeff) of Coweta, Okla.; four grandchildren, Keenan Mitchell, Denver, Colo., Kylie Mitchell, Ulysses, and Camden and Gracen Ripperger, Coweta, Okla.; four sisters and three brothers; and many nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salmon Valley String Band or Palliative Care Unit, OKC VA, sent in care of Tammi Mitchell, 2298 N. Road I, Ulysses, KS 67880.

"Fly high with your horses and dogs, Daddy — until we meet again!"

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Grigsby
Dale Grigsby, 69, Holton, died Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016, at his home.

He was born Feb. 27, 1947, in Oroville, Calif., the son of Murvin Grigsby and Grace McHenry.

Survivors include his wife, Linda; four children, Michael Grigsby and wife Cathy, Dianna Grigsby and husband Ron, David Grigsby and Debbie Grigsby; and seven grandchildren, Jacob, Alexis, Joseph, Colton, Allison, Trenton and Gabriella.

Mr. Grigsby was cremated and no services will be held upon his request.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Jackson County Friends of Hospice, 129 W. Fourth St., Holton, KS 66436.

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Murray
Marvin Wayne "Curly" Murray, 80, Hoyt, died Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016, at Medicalodges Jackson County.

He was born Jan. 2, 1936, at Rossville, the son of Alfred Robert and Ellen Lucile Myers Murray. He attended Seaman schools and spent most of his life in Topeka.

Mr. Murray farmed and raised cattle.

He attended Hoyt United Methodist Church and was a member of Seaman Congregational United Church of Christ, Mayetta Lodge 393, AF&AM, Topeka Scottish Rite Bodies and Arab Shriners.

He married to Shelia Janita Fink Clark on April 4, 1998, at Hoyt. She survives.

Other survivors include a daughter, Angela J. Moore, Topeka; a sister, Marcia Harvey, Topeka; a brother, Gary Murray and wife Sherry, Topeka; three granddaughters, Jessica Moore, Topeka, Alicia Miller, Coppas Cove, Texas, and Kelsey Moore, Topeka; and two great-grandchildren, Jaxon Mercer and McKinnlee Ketter. He was preceded in death by his parents and three siblings, Roy Murray, Marlene Case and Frankie Murray.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Penwell-Gabel Parker-Price Chapel, 245 N.W. Independence Ave., followed by Masonic services conducted by Mayetta Lodge 393, AF&AM. Interment will be held in Half-Day Cemetery, Elmont. Mr. Murray will lie in state after 3 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the funeral chapel, where family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

This is a talk that I've created for kids — since we are two or three generations removed from the farm, it's important that they know how their food is made.

Someday, they will be our consumers and making their own decisions in the grocery store, or more likely at the fast food place.

Livestock production has changed dramatically in the last 50 years. Farms have gone from mixed crop and livestock opera-

tions to specialized livestock operations. Economic factors — the cost of land, labor, capital and environmental regulations — have brought about these changes.

The cost of labor and land per animal fell dramatically while capital investment and environmental costs increased. Farms with small herds or flocks yielded to large specialized farms with larger animal concentrations.

Before 1950, farms had many different crops, including hay and pasture, as well as many types of animals, cattle, hogs and chickens. In the 21st century, there are large specialized farms: dairies, beef feedlots, hog operations and chicken and turkey houses.

These operations use smaller land areas, and can be managed with smaller amounts of labor. The result is animal facilities where all the best health controls

are available and applied to keep the herds or flock healthy.

Technology has come to the farm. Dairies know daily and annual milk output for every cow in the herd. Beef farmers know weight gain and feed conversion efficiency of every sire used in their breeding programs. Feedlot operators know weight and gain and carcass value of every animal. Poultry producers know feed to meat ration of their broilers and egg production of each hen.

Animals such as cattle, sheep and goats still graze land too rolling, too dry or otherwise not suited for crop production. This is a question the kids often ask: "Why don't we plant all the land to fruits and vegetables for people?" I then explain the difference in crop production and that type of farming. Cow/calf and sheep operations harvest the biomass

that would otherwise be uneconomical to harvest.

Farm size has increased from 160 acres to more than 500 acres. The labor necessary to produce a bushel of corn decreased from more than 30 minutes in 1930 to a fraction of a minute.

Availability of high powered, well designed equipment; well adapted hybrids very precise weed, insect and disease control; improved plant and animal genetics; and improved animal health have all contributed to the revolutionary plant production.

Biotechnology and computer revolutions enable us to manage large operations and design crops and animals that will be more nutritious in the future. Consumers are the major beneficiary of these developments since food purchases now require less than 1 percent of average income.

How to navigate the world of student loans

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

I recently saw in the local papers about Jefferson County students who are receiving scholarships. Congratulations, but this also means the reality of paying for another semester or year of college.

As state funding for higher education has dipped and tuition and fees have gone up, college students have increasingly turned to student loans to help pay for tuition, books and more.

The good news is that such help is available, but understanding the long-term implications on a borrower's overall financial picture is critical, according to Dr. Elizabeth Kiss, associate professor of family studies and human services at Kansas State University. Student loan debt can affect careers, home ownership and overall wealth years after the last college exam is taken.

"Approximately 40 percent of undergraduate students received federal student loans in 2013-

2014," said Kiss, who is a family resource management specialist with K-State Research and Extension. "Student loan debt, as a proportion of American's debt, has increased over time. By 2013 it was 9 percent of the total debt of Americans, second only to mortgage debt."

Kiss and colleagues at other land-grant universities collaborated to provide comprehensive information about student loans in one place. The student loan fact sheet series includes information on pre-borrowing, borrowing repayment considerations and what to do if you run into challenges. The resources are on eXtension.org., an educational collaboration by land grant universities aimed at providing information on a variety of topics.

An analysis of U.S. Department of Education data shows 30 percent of student loans in 2015 were either in deferment or forbearance, where borrowers have requested more time to pay them off or asked that the amount of the payment be temporarily reduced. In addition, 7 percent of student loans were in default.

Having student loan debt well into adulthood can hamper one's ability to buy a home, save for retirement or start a business, Kiss said.

Critical moments in the decision-making process include

evaluating post-high school options. Is a four-year school across the country the best choice? What about a community college 15 minutes from home? Public university or private college?

Would-be borrowers should understand what type of loan they are considering: private

(commercial lenders or banks) or public (government) loans? Is the loan need-based or non-need based? Borrowing and repayment options differ by the type of loan.

Know the long-term implications, Kiss said, including the repayment process, before signing loan documents.

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Kansans may be eligible for Provigil settlement: Schmidt

Kansans who bought the wakefulness drug Provigil may be eligible for part of a \$35 million settlement, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said Tuesday.

Consumers who purchased generic versions may also be eligible, Schmidt said.

Kansas was part of a settlement in August with Cephalon, Inc., and its affiliated companies. The settlement included Kansas and 47 other states that filed a law-

suit asserting the manufacturer violated antitrust laws. Affected consumers can submit claims beginning this month.

Those who purchased Provigil and/or generic versions of Provigil (modafinil) between June 24, 2006, and March 31, 2012, may be entitled to a payment, it was reported.

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SPORTS *Wednesday*

In matches wrestled at Marion, Panther grapplers go 14-14

By Michael Powls

The Royal Valley Panthers varsity wrestling team traveled to Marion for the Marion County winter duals this past Friday.



The Panthers were placed in the red pool with Fredonia and Wabau-see.

In the first round, the Panthers had an automatic bye and got 26 points.

In the second round, the Panthers faced off against Wabau-see. The Panthers won this dual 30-24.

In the third round, the Panthers faced off first with Minneapolis and lost that dual 54-24. Royal Valley then faced Wellington and lost that dual 60-18. The Panthers finished the Marion duals in eighth place.

After the first three rounds the teams were put into three brackets, the championship bracket, the fifth place bracket and the ninth place bracket.

In the fifth place bracket, the Panthers faced off first with Minneapolis and lost that dual 54-24. Royal Valley then faced Wellington and lost that dual 60-18. The Panthers finished the Marion duals in eighth place.

The Burlington team took first place, while Clearwater took second, Marion third, Fredonia fourth, Douglass fifth, Minneapolis sixth, Wellington seventh, Royal Valley eighth, Hillsboro ninth, Leon Blue-Stem 10th, West Elk 11th and Wabau-see 12th.

"We took eight wrestlers to Marion with the goal of get-

ting everybody five matches and some more quality matches to help prepare us for the end of the season," Royal Valley head coach Jason Puderbaugh said. "For two of our more veteran wrestlers, stats were almost identical-Dalton Ware had eight takedowns and Jacob Box had six, both wrestlers had three pins and scored 28 total match points. Box pulled off several more impressive wins. For the second time this season, in a 5-4 decision, he defeated fifth ranked Palic of Marion."

Royal Valley had three wrestlers go undefeated in the tourney with Box, Ware and Blake Garrison all going 5-0.

Other notable performances were Garrett Pruyser going 3-2 and Karsen Smith going 2-3.

Royal Valley's Zach Burger picked up some wins going 2-3 for the team while the other freshman on the team's roster struggled to find a win in the five duals.

"Lastly, it's important to note that the Panther team picked up its first dual win of the season over Wabau-see by a score of 30-24," coach Puderbaugh said. "We will cherish that dual victory as they will be limited this season with our small roster."

In actual matches wrestled, Royal Valley went 14-14 and 22-14 with forfeits included.

*Against Marion, Garrett and Jacob got wins, Karsen lost and Caleb lost to the sixth-ranked Jarrett Johnson.

*Against Wabau-see, Dalton won and Karsen lost to the

second-ranked Kolby Droege-meier.

*Against Fredonia, Dalton, Karsen, Blake and Jacob all got wins and Garrett, Caleb and Zach took losses.

*Against Minneapolis, Dalton, Blake and Jacob all got wins and Caleb, Joe, Karsen and Zach took losses.

*Against Wellington, Dalton, Karsen, Blake and Jacob all got wins and Garrett, Caleb, Joe and Zach took losses.

In overall matches, Royal Valley was 22-37 with eight wins by forfeit (48 points) and 23 losses by forfeit (138 points).

"It's noteworthy to point out that we are in a negative ratio week in and week out in the forfeit column with this week being (8-23 or in points (48 points) gained vs. 138 points lost in forfeits so a differential of 90 points," the coach said. "Without the bodies to fill weight classes, we will not be able to win duals."

Puderbaugh said, however, that he is impressed with how his team continues to go out and take care of business individually, which means that good things are still happening this season.

"The guys are embracing the challenge, working hard and seeing success that, while it doesn't payoff in duals, it will come at state," the coach said.

Royal Valley's next action will be at Seaman High School on Jan. 7 for the Seaman Duals.



Holton senior Alex Clark (No. 44 in dark jersey at left) goes up for a shot against Perry-LeCompton in a recent game with teammate Lauren Leavendusky (also in dark jersey) trailing the play. Photo by Michael Powls

Cats blast visiting Tigers

By David Powls

With no game last Friday due to inclement weather and no practice on Monday, it didn't really surprise the Holton Lady Wildcats' coaches Tuesday night when the team came out shooting cold in its home game against Atchison County.

After a slow start, the Lady Wildcats took control of the game against the Lady Tigers and won handily, 64-35.

"We came out cold and missed some wide open threes, but once we settled down and scored some layups, we warmed up and were pretty effective scoring," said HHS head coach Jon Holliday.

Holton held a 14-13 scoring edge after one quarter of play and led 30-19 at halftime. The Lady Wildcats then outscored ACCHS 34-16 in the second half.

The Lady Wildcats improved to 4-1 in the Big Seven League and 4-1 overall.

ACCHS dropped to 0-4 in the Big Seven and 0-5 overall.

"We are happy with where we are here at the break, but when we get back we need to be striving to be better," coach Holliday said. "We're pleased with the energy and enthusiasm of the team. We'd like to be undefeated but we just need to make the best of where we're at and keep getting better."

Sarah Lierz, a 5-4 junior, scored 17 points to lead Holton while Courtney Boswell, a 5-7 senior, scored 14 and Shay Tanking, a 5-7 junior, had 12.

Jaycee Emzen, a 5-6 sophomore, led the Lady Tigers in scoring with 13.

The Lady Wildcats made 19 of 32 two-point field goals for 59.5

percent and 4 of 19 three-point shots for 21.1 percent. Overall field goal shooting was 23 of 51 or 45.1 percent.

ACCHS was 10 of 30 for 33.3 percent in two-point field goal shooting and 1 of 5 three-point shooting for 20 percent. Overall, the team made 11 of 35 field goals for 31.4 percent.

From the free throw line, Holton made 14 of 19 attempts for 73.7 percent while ACCHS made 12 of 16 for 75 percent.

The Lady Wildcats held a 14-10 offensive rebound edge while ACCHS had 16 defensive rebounds to Holton's 15.

Holton had 14 deflections and 15 steals in the game to 4 steals for ACCHS.

The Lady Wildcats had 13 turnovers in the game to 24 for ACCHS.

Additional note: Because the HHS auditorium is being renovated, Monday's Winter Vespers band concert for grades 7-12 had to be moved to the gym, it was reported. Following the weekend of inclement weather, with temps still around 0 fahrenheit, the Lady Wildcats decided not to have a basketball practice at 6 a.m. Monday - the only time that the gym was available that day.

The Holton Wildcats will host Perry-LeCompton on Jan. 3 after the Christmas break.

Holton girls 64, Atchison County 35
Holton 14-16-16-18-64
ACCHS 13-6-6-10-35

Holton - Lierz 6 (3) 2-3 17, Boswell 6 2-4 14, Tanking 5 2-2 12, Barta 3 (1) 2-2 9, Weilert 1 5-5 7, Price 1 0-0 2, Baum 1 0-0 2, Leavendusky 0 1-2 1. Totals 23 (4) 14-18 64.

Atchison County - Ernzen 3

(1) 6-6 13, Parnell 2 4-4 8, Appel 4 0-2 8, Beien 1 2-4 4, Hawk 1 0-0 2. Totals 11 (1) 12-16 35.

In the boys varsity game, Holton rolled over the visiting ACCHS Tigers, 51-23.

The Holton boys, tied for first place in the Big Seven League with Nemaha Central entering the game, improved to 4-1 in the league and 4-1 overall.

The ACCHS Tigers fell to 0-4 in the Big Seven and 0-5 overall.

Bryson Patch, a 6-2 senior, and Mason Strader, a 5-10 junior, scored 16 points apiece to lead the Wildcats.

HHS head coach Ryan Noel said he is pleased with how his team has been playing so far and is excited about the second half of the season after the Christmas break.

"It's hard to say whether this is where we thought we'd be at the break," coach Noel said. "We knew we'd be athletic and able to score inside and out."

Coach Noel said the Wildcat players really want to keep improving this season and they talk to him about areas that they know they can improve in.

"I think that in itself is a really good sign of good things to come," the coach said.

Holton boys 51, Atchison County 23

Holton 15-12-20-4-51
ACCHS 2-5-8-8-23
Holton - Patch 7 (1) 1-4 16, Strader 6 (4) 0-0 16, Haussler 3 (3) 0-1 9, Wilhelm 3 0-0 6, Bain 1 0-0 2, Mulroy 1 0-0 2. Totals 21 (8) 1-7 51.

ACCHS - McAlexander 3 (1) 0-0 7, Bowen 2 2-3 6, Smith 3 0-0 6, Oswalt 1 0-0 2, Kramer 1 0-0 2. Totals 10 (1) 2-7 23.

Panthers rock visiting Riverside

By Ali Holcomb

Both the Royal Valley High School boys and girls basketball teams found success last night at home against Riverside, with the Lady Panthers claiming their first victory of the season, 61-32.

"The kids have been working really hard, and they hadn't seen the results of that hard work yet so this win feels really good," said head girls coach Corey Kater. "We're definitely making progress as a team, and we could see how much better we had already gotten from the first game to going into last night."

The Panthers scored five points in the first quarter and 18 in the second quarter and were up 23-11 at the half.

"We played a little over aggressive in the first half and backed off a little and got back to the fundamentals defensively," Kater said. "We allowed our defense to kind of create our offense."

RV added 16 points in the third quarter and 22 in the fourth while Riverside scored 12 out of the locker room and nine in the final quarter.

Kater said the team was prepared for the Lady Cyclones to use a zone defense against the team in the second half, but the team stuck with a man-to-man defense, as well as full court pressure.

"It really opened things up for us," he said. "It allowed our post players to take control. We've got a new defensive system this year, and the kids continue to

buy into what we are doing."

Panther sophomore Taylor Russell had 18 points during the game, and Kater said that Bella Thompson, a junior, was also a key player for the team last night.

"She had eight points but five or six rebounds that were a huge difference for the team," he said. "She's really been playing well defensively and offensively."

The Lady Panthers are now 1-3 in the Big Seven league and 1-4 overall.

RV: 5-18-16-22 - 61
Riverside: 6-5-12-9 - 32
Individual Statistics
RV: Russell 8 2-3 18, Jordan 3 6-6 12, Broxterman 4 3-3 11, Thompson 3 2-3 8, Shoptee 2 2-3 6, Albright 1 0-0 2, Stithem 0 2-6 2, Moore 1 0-0 2. Totals 22 17-24 61.

Riverside: Brewer 4 1-2 9, Butts 2 2-4 6, Schmilte 2 1-3 5, Hawkins 2 0-0 4, Gray 1 (1) 1-6 4, Byrd 0 3-4 3, Miller 0 1-2 1. Totals 11 (1) 9-21 32.

Royal Valley boys basketball coach Keith Pelton said a strong second half helped secure his team's win against Riverside last night, 64-45 at home.

"It came down to just focusing on what we do well as a team," coach Pelton said. "I thought we did a better job of pushing the ball and running our offense."

After the first quarter, the Cyclones were up 15-14 against the Panthers, but 13 points by RV in the second, compared to just five by Riverside, helped the team go into the locker with

the lead.

"We had a slow start, but we substituted a second group of five players and they went in there and played hard and gave us some energy," Pelton said. "They caused some turnovers and showed the starters that it can be done."

The Panthers, who are now 3-1 in the Big Seven league, added 24 points in the third quarter and 13 additional points in the fourth. The Cyclones had 10 points in the third quarter and 15 in the fourth.

RV senior Ian Lee had 20 points, including one three-pointer, last night. A total of 10 Panther players scored during the game.

"Riverside did a few things differently in the second half, and we were able to capitalize on those changes," he said. "Everyone contributed last night."

RV: 14-13-24-13 - 64
Riverside: 15-5-10-15 - 45
Individual Statistics
RV: Lee 7 (1) 5-6 20, L. Hale 4 (1) 1-2 10, Knoxsah 2 (1) 2-4 7, Spoonhunter 2 2-5 6, Broxterman 2 1-1 5, Grinnell 2 (1) 0-0 5, P. Hale 2 (1) 0-0 5, Neuner 2 0-0 4, Stithem 1 0-0 2, Fenske 1 0-1 2. Totals 25 (5) 11-19 64.

Riverside: Williamson 8 2-2 18, Brewer 5 (1) 5-7 16, LaRue 3 0-1 6, Miller 1 0-3 2, Patterson 1 0-0 2, Pelton 0 1-2 1, Shue 0 0-2 0. Totals 18 (1) 8-17 45.

The Panthers will return to action on Friday, Jan. 6, when they travel to Jeff West. Games start at 4:30 p.m.

Wetmore Cardinals find tough competition at Doniphan West

The Wetmore boys lost 65-34 Tuesday night at Doniphan West.

The Cards, with the loss, dropped to 0-3 in the Twin Valley League and 0-4 overall.

Doniphan West, meanwhile, improved to 2-2 in the Twin Valley League and 3-2 overall.

The next game for the Wetmore teams will be on Jan. 3 when they host Cornerstone.

The Mustangs posted 21-6 first quarter lead Tuesday night and at halftime led the Cards, 41-15.

Three Mustangs hit double-digits in scoring - junior Levi Watts (24), senior Trevor Taylor (19) and junior Devin Taylor (11).

Doniphan West boys 65, Wetmore 34

Wetmore - 6-9-9-10-34
Doniphan West - 21-20-15-9-65

Wetmore - Bloom 2 (1) 3-4 8, Hutfler 2 3-13 7, Achten 2 (2) 0-0 6, Osterhaus 1 3-7 5, Bloom 2 0-0 4, Potter 0 2-4 2, Morfitt 1 0-0 2. Totals 10 (3) 11-28 34.

Doniphan West - Watts 9 (3) 3-4 24, Taylor 9 1-2 19, Taylor 3 (1) 4-4 11, Parsons 1 (1) 2-4 5, Blevins 1 0-0 2, Robinson 0 1-2 1. Totals 23 (5) 11-16 65.

In the varsity girls basketball contest Tuesday night, the Wetmore girls lost at Doniphan West by the score of 59-49.

The Lady Cards dropped to 0-3 in the Twin Valley League and

1-3 overall.

The Lady Mustangs, meanwhile, improved to 1-3 in the Twin Valley League and 2-3 overall.

The Lady Cards trailed Doniphan West by just one point at halftime (18-17) but in the third quarter the Lady Mustangs held a 21-9 scoring edge that proved to be the difference in the game.

The Lady Cards won the fourth quarter (23-20) but it wasn't enough to claim the win.

Doniphan West had three players hit double digits in scoring - 5-6 freshman Makinley Smith had 17, 5-8 senior Carlie Taylor had 13 and 5-3 senior Mia Scott had 10.

For Wetmore, Henry scored

18 points, including 12 of 14 free throws, to lead the Cards while McQueen had 11.

Doniphan West girls 59, Wetmore 49

Wetmore - 9-8-9-23-49
Doniphan West - 10-8-21-20-59

Wetmore - Henry 3 12-14 18, McQueen 2 (1) 6-9 11, Henry 3 1-4 7, Strathman 2 (1) 0-0 5, Bloom 2 0-2 4, Shumaker 1 (1) 0-0 3, Ramirez 0 1-2 1, Totals 13 (3) 20-31 49.

Doniphan West - Smith 4 (1) 8-10 17, Taylor 5 3-5 13, Scott 3 (1) 3-8 10, Caudle 3 2-5 8, Whetstone 1 (1) 2-4 5, Wilson 1 1-1 3, Huss 0 3-8 3. Totals 17 (3) 22-41 59.

Jackson Heights boys 3-1 at Christmas break

By Brian Sanders

Jackson Heights varsity boys basketball head coach Chris Brown said he wanted to see his team take a winning streak into the Christmas break.

Brown got his wish, but it took a few extra days to get it.

"The game before Christmas break is always one of the most important ones of the year, because it sets the tone for your Christmas break practices. So we were happy to get a big

win," said Brown, whose Cobra boys team on Tuesday plowed through a sluggish Oskaloosa Bears team by a score of 59-27.

The Cobra win on Tuesday - a few days later than the game's originally-scheduled night due to winter weather - sent them into the holiday break with a 3-1 record overall and in the North-east Kansas League. Oskaloosa fell to 2-3 in the league and overall with the loss.

Led by seniors Wyatt Olberd-

ing and Mason Thomas and junior Braden Dohl, the Cobras jumped out to a 32-12 lead in the first half.

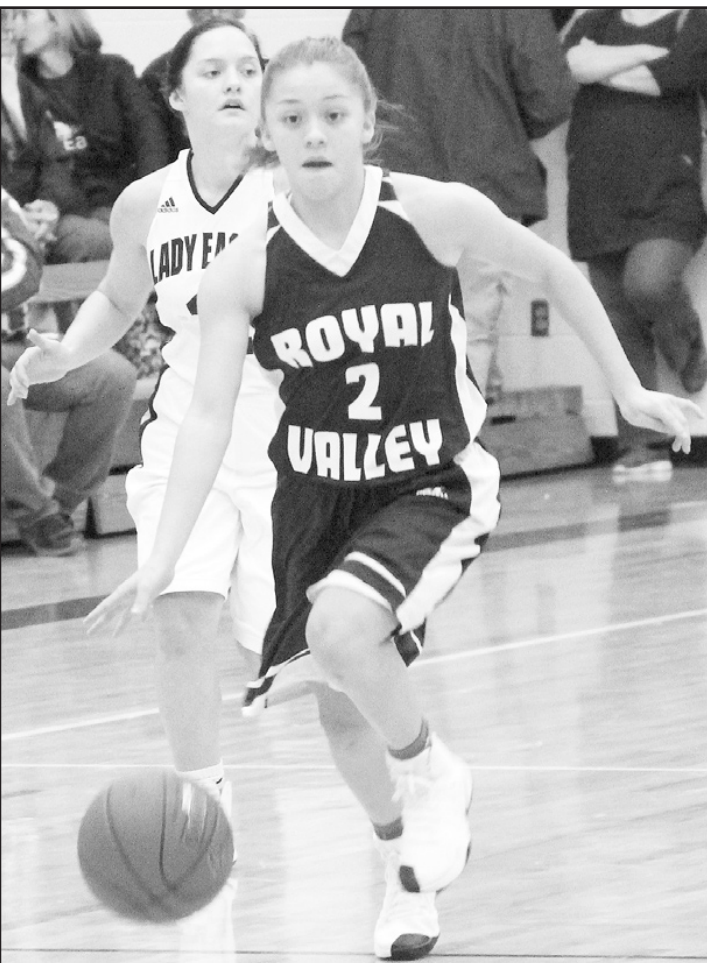
Then, in the third quarter, the Cobras exploded for 24 points.

"The great thing about having a veteran team is they are always ready to play," Brown said. "They know what it takes to win and so we have a pretty consistent approach in pre-game."

Brown said that with the Co-

bras up 56-21 going into the fourth quarter, it was time to give other players a chance to hit the boards.

"We were able to get everyone in the game in the fourth," he said. "That playing time is very valuable to some of our bench guys who we will be looking to play more in the future." Continued to Page 7



Royal Valley freshman McKenzie Ogden (No. 2 in dark jersey above) dribbles the basketball down the court for the varsity Panthers in a recent game. Photo by Michael Powls

Holton girls, JH boys crack rankings

The Kansas Basketball Coaches Association released the basketball ranking for classes 6A - 1A-DII as of Dec. 19. The Holton girls are ranked sixth in class 4A-DII and the Jackson Heights boys are ranked eighth in class 2A.

GIRLS RANKINGS

- 6A Girls**
1. Wichita South
 2. Shawnee Mission Northwest
 3. Manhattan
 4. Lawrence
 5. Olathe South
 6. Olathe East
 7. OP-Blue Valley
 8. OP-Blue Valley North
 9. Derby
 10. Gardner-Edgerton
- 5A Girls**
1. Newton
 2. Leavenworth
 3. Bishop Carroll
 4. Salina Central
 5. De Soto
 6. Maize
 7. KC - Schlagle
 8. Shawnee - Mill Valley
 9. Emporia
 10. Liberal
- 4A D1-Girls**
1. Bishop Miege
 2. KC Piper
 3. McPherson
 4. Baldwin
 5. Rose Hill
 6. Towanda-Circle
 7. Labette County
 8. Andover Central
 9. Abilene
 10. Hays
- 4A D2-Girls**
1. Girard
 2. Clay Center
 3. Columbus
 4. Burlington
 5. Hayden
 6. **Holton**
 7. Concordia
 8. Baxter Springs
 9. Santa Fe Trail
 10. Jeff West
- 3A Girls**
1. Hugoton
 2. Thomas More Prep
 3. Kingman
 4. Hesston
 5. Caney Valley
 6. Council Grove
 7. Riley County
 8. Nemaha Central
 9. Erie
 10. Sabetha
- 2A Girls**
1. Central Plains
 2. Moundridge
 3. Meade
 4. Kiowa County
 5. Hoxie
 6. Hill City
 7. Rosalia-Flint Hills
 8. Washington County
 9. Jefferson County North
 10. Valley Falls
- 1A-Div 1-Girls**
1. Centralia
 2. Olpe
 3. Hanover
 4. Dighton
 5. Goessel
 6. Beloit-St. John's/Tipton
 7. Coldwater-South Central
 8. South Barber
 9. Norwich
 10. Thunder Ridge
- 1A-Div 2-Girls**
1. Cunningham
 2. Ingalls
 3. Waverly
 4. Hartford
 5. Otis Bison
 6. Grainfield/Wheatland/Grinnell
 7. Rexford-Golden Plains
 8. Almema-Northern Valley
 9. Southern Cloud
 10. Minneola
- BOYS RANKINGS**
- 6A Boys**
- 1) OP-Blue Valley Northwest
 - 2) OP-Blue Valley North
 - 3) Wichita Southeast

- 4) Derby**
- 5) Shawnee Mission South
 - 6) OP-Blue Valley
 - 7) Manhattan
 - 8) Wichita East
 - 9) Lawrence
 - 10) Olathe Northwest
- 5A Boys**
1. Goddard Eisenhower
 2. Kaupan Mt. Carmel
 3. St. James Academy
 4. Shawnee Heights
 5. Wichita Heights
 6. Salina Central
 7. Liberal
 8. Maize
 9. KC Harmon
 10. Topeka Seaman
- 4A-Div 1-Boys**
1. Bishop Miege
 2. Hays
 3. Ottawa
 4. Basehor/Linwood
 5. Wamego
 6. Eudora
 7. McPherson
 8. KC Piper
 9. Abilene
 10. Buhler
- 4A-Div 2-Boys**
1. Wichita Collegiate
 2. Holcomb
 3. Andale
 4. Wichita Trinity
 5. Scott City
 6. Topeka Hayden
 7. Rock Creek
 8. La Cygne-Prairie View
 9. Burlington
 10. Osawatomic
- 3A Boys**
1. Marysville
 2. Hesston
 3. Galena
 4. Norton
 5. Hugoton
 6. Gypsum-SE of Saline
 7. Nemaha Central
 8. Silver Lake
 9. Wellsville
 10. St. Mary's
- 2A Boys**
1. St. John - Hudson
 2. Ness City
 3. KC Christian
 4. Troy
 5. Lawrence-Bishop Seabury
 6. Spearville
 7. Elbing-Berean Academy
 8. **Holton-Jackson Heights**
 9. Claflin-Central Plains
 10. Hill City
- 1A-Div 1-Boys**
1. Hanover
 2. Olpe
 3. St. John's-Tipton
 4. Osborne
 5. St. Francis
 6. Centralia
 7. Lebo
 8. Montezuma-South Gray
 9. Dighton
 10. Burlington
- 1A-Div 2-Boys**
1. Otis Bison
 2. Caldwell
 3. Hartford
 4. Logan
 5. Sharon Springs-Wallace County
 6. Rozel-Pawnee Heights
 7. Hutch-Central Christian
 8. Attica
 9. Sylvan-Lucas Unified
 10. Chase

Cards coach profiled

By Jill Henry
WHS Student
Correspondent

Wetmore has several changes on the basketball coaching staff. This year's Lady Cardinals team is being coached by Adam Maas, who is replacing last year's coach Perry Smith. Coach Maas was born in Bowling Green, Ohio and moved to the Fairview area in 2008. Coach Maas brings much coaching experience to Wetmore. He played basketball at Labette Community College and Oklahoma Panhandle State University, and then went on to coach boys basketball at B&B High School.



Assistant coach Harlan Suther is also excited for his third season with the Lady Cardinals.

Starting the season with a win Dec. 3 against Lewiston was a good sign for Coach Maas and an excellent way to start the season. The Lady Cardinals have fallen short to Centralia and Linn at this writing, but Maas hopes to turn things around.

Maas's hopes for this year's team are to be as successful, or even more successful, as last year's team.

The Lady Cardinals have traveled to the state tournament two years in a row and the girls hope to go again this year. The state tournament is on everyone's mind.

"I like how coach pushes us to our limits. He recognizes areas that we need to work on and he strengthens them. It was a blessing to have him walk into our lives this year," said Jossie Shumaker, a member of the team.

"The girls work hard and I'm excited to see what we can accomplish this year," said Coach Maas. With Christmas break approaching as well as the TVL Tournament, the team hopes to put more wins under its belt.



Tulsa junior tight end Rob Riederer of Holton, shown above at right, had his photo taken with the Miami Beach Bowl trophy that his team won Monday by defeating Central Michigan. Matt Linscott (No. 38), a senior linebacker from Tulsa, is also shown in the photo.

Photo submitted by Morgan Riederer

Riederer catches pass in Tulsa's Beach Bowl win

Tulsa smothered Central Michigan, 55-10, Monday in the Miami Beach Bowl at Miami's Marlins Park, and in the process the Golden Hurricane made NCAA history.

Tulsa became the first NCAA football program to boast a 3,000-yard passer (Dane Evans), two 1,000-yard receivers (Keevan Lucas and John Atkinson) and two 1,000-yard rushers (James Flanders and D'Angelo Brewer) in a single season. Atkinson's 11 first-half catches gave the Golden Hurricane the record.

Rob Riederer of Holton, a junior tight end for Tulsa, caught one pass for 16 yards in the Miami Beach Bowl game. Riederer also was a member of the Golden Hurricane special teams squads in the game.

Tulsa (now 10-3) and Central Michigan (now 6-7) were close in the first quarter, but the Golden Hurricane broke the game open with a 17-point second quarter to go into the half up 27-3.

From there, Tulsa never looked back. Overall, Tulsa scored on its first eight possessions. The only possession on which it didn't score was late in the fourth quarter when the starters were out and the backups were running out the clock.

Evans completed 28 of 38 passes for 304 yards and five touchdowns. He ends his career

as the school leader in completions, attempts, passing yards, total yards and passing touchdowns with 84.

Flanders notched his sixth 100-yard rushing game in Tulsa's past seven contests, and Lucas had a game-high three touchdowns. Atkinson, who was playing in his final game in a Tulsa uniform, had 131 yards, his second-highest performance of the season.

Riederer is the son of Russ and Mary Ann Riederer of Holton.

JH boys beat Bears

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Dohl led scoring for the Cobras, hitting seven from the field and one from the line for a total of 15 points. Thomas and OIberding each added 10.

Up next, the Cobra boys look forward to starting 2017 on Tuesday, Jan. 3 with a road win against Valley Falls, who go into the Christmas break with a record of 1-3 in the NEK League and 1-4 overall after Tuesday's loss at Jefferson County North.

"Valley Falls is a very well-coached team that has given a couple of the best teams in our league great games already this year," Brown said. "We'll need to come out focused and sharp defensively, and that will hopefully lead to easy offense."

Scoring

- Jackson Heights 59, Oskaloosa 27
 JHHS 15-17-24-3—59
 Oskaloosa 5-7-9-6—27
 JHHS: Dohl 7 1-2 15, OIberding 5 0-0 10, M. Thomas 4 (2) 0-0 10, L. Thomas 4 1-5 9, Hamilton 3 2-4 8, Holliday 3 1-2 7, Williams 0 0-1 0. Totals 26 (2) 5-15 59.
 Oskaloosa: Reed 3 (1) 0-1 7, Shufflebarger 3 (1) 0-0 7, Wells 1 (1) 2-2 5, Hopkins 1 1-2 3, Tarwater 0 3-4 3, Robbins 1 0-0 2, Pfau 0 0-2 0, Webb 0 0-2 0. Totals 9 (3) 6-13 27.
 JV: Oskaloosa 41, JHHS 21
 C-Team: JH 37, Oskaloosa 20

More sports on page 13

For a report on the Jackson Heights girls basketball game played Tuesday night, please turn to page 13 of this edition. Thanks!

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Hats off to our local high school bands!



Holton High School

Holton High School band members (shown in the photo at left) include (front row, from left) Michaela Adcock, Cally Rodriguez, Alexys Campbell, Alexis Twombly, Alex Myers, Emily McGrath, Abbie Lamme, Riley Althaus, Breanna Gouge, director Jayme Malsom, (second row, from left) Olivia Mulenga, Mikaela Mayhew, Chardae Dick, Sidney Bohnenkemper, Zachary Binkley, Danika Hickman, Taygen Altenburg, Ben Bontrager, Calina VanAusdall, Kortnee VanDonge, Ethan Stark, (third row, from left) Kaitlyn Peven, Noah Stotts, Brittney Schafer, Jack Gilliland, Grace Stark, Jacob Gillie, Annika Bergsten, Brooklyn Klahr, Ryan Taylor, Ashlyn Carlson, (fourth row, from left) Jackson Martin, Noah Woltje, Sam Conger, Lauren Leavendusky, Rafe Folk, Kris Richardson, Wyatt Marriott, Grant Cawby, Killian O'Conner and Maverick Uhl.

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Royal Valley High School

Members of the Royal Valley High School band (shown at right) include (front row, from left) Josie Matsapto, Cassidy Parks, Shannon Nease, Emma Poort, (second row, from left) Taylor Holte, director David Wingerson, Katie Rose, Hanna Allen, Lexi Greene, Quinn Lewis, Mack Serna-Blakemore, Page Simpson, Masey Lafferty, Garrett Anschutz, Anthony Zeller, Megan Putnam, Isaac Burnworth, Connor Creollo, assistant director Melissa Kimble, (third row, from left) Hannah Schnacker, Skyla Knoxsah, Ashley Olds, Tanner Holte, Gregory Koon, Katie Hanshaw, Nathaniel Haislip, Zach Schnacker, Kain Fink, Christina Hanshaw, Jase Preston, Garrett Pruyser, Gabi Simmons, (fourth row, from left) McKenzie Handley, Chris Powell, Kaleb Preston, Isaac Neuner, Hanna Neuner, Devon Hale, Corey Humpert, Dylan Creollo, Caroline Hanson, Hannah Smith, Alli Clements, D J Kester, Emily Albright, Dane Spoonhunter, (fifth row, from left) Bri Kesler, Courtney Hanshaw, Charlotte Rooks, Abby Harding, Karsen Smith, Benjamin Neuner, Johnny Koon, Geoffrey Cain, Izayah Roberts, Jessica Rose, Caleb Kebert, Saige Busen and Kaylee Johnson.

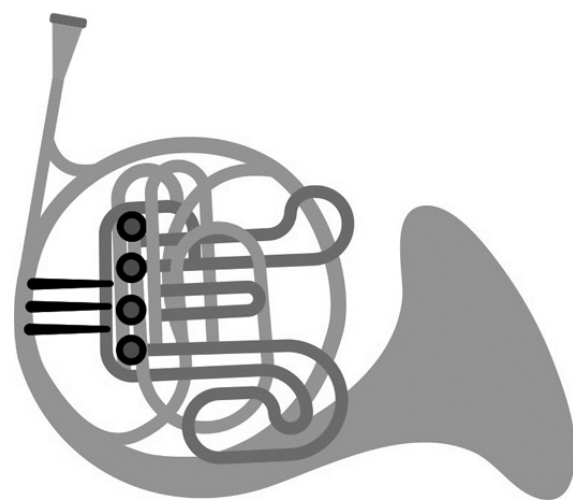
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Jackson Heights High School

Jackson Heights High School band members (shown in the photo at left) include (front row, from left) Haley Rogers, Hanna Davault, Sydney Raborn, Hannah Williams, (second row, from left) Jaden Baker, Monika Raye, Emilee Borders, Meghann Eisermann, Caitlyn Morrissey, MaKenzie Kennedy, (third row, from left) Kaleb Keehn, Ty Binkley, Erin Curtis, Kate Lierz, (fourth row, from left) Ethan Fund, Chase Gigstad, Rhett Kennedy, Southern Raborn, Kaitlin Pino, Jill Buck, (fifth row, from left) Garrett Hartman, Jason Parker, Drew Holliday, Steven Marshall, Zac Armstrong and (sixth row) Mark Mavrovich.

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Students help with Holton High auditorium renovation

By Spencer Baum
HHS senior correspondent

The Holton High School auditorium is currently going through some much needed renovation. The entire auditorium is being repainted. Also, all of the seats on the base floor of the auditorium are being replaced. "Painting the ceiling was the first stage, followed by new lights, and new curtains," Rod Wittmer, HHS principal, said. "Currently, we are on stage four and five of the remodeling process, which includes new seats and new paint on the walls. This



was something that we really needed to do considering the seats were from the 1930s, the lights were not dependable at all and the curtains were deteriorating as if a cat had been scratching them."

The removal of all of the seats is being performed by the music for the stage class. The class was designed for students to be able to build sets and props for musicals. Now that the musical is over, this year the students were given the opportunity to be a part of the renovation process.

"Taking out the seats has been a great learning experience for most of us students because the removal process gets repetitive and it tests our work ethic," junior Dylan Aeschliman said.

Concerns were raised over the removal of the old seats as

many of them were "purchased" by community members. Memorial and/or honorary brass nameplates were attached to those chairs.

Vocal director Randall Bond said, "Those name plates were carefully removed and will be placed on a nice plaque that will adorn the auditorium for generations to come."

Bond is in charge of the seat removal process, and he has been selling the auditorium seats to the general public. The seats are being sold for \$15 per seat and all of the profits are going to help offset cost for replacements. The remainder of the seats that are not sold will be completely disassembled and scrapped. The profits of the scrap will also go to help offset the cost of installing the new chairs.



Above, members of the Royal Valley High School Soundsations choir performed during the school's recent winter concert. Those shown above include (from left) Charlotte Rooks, Danielle Stithem, Janine Gustafson and Christina Handshaw.

Photos by Ali Holcomb

Wetmore para gives back to community

By Alena Pfrang
WHS Student Correspondent

Patti Dean is a Wetmore para professional who has served in Wetmore schools for the past 20 years.

Because she always feels the need to do her share, Dean has joined the Goff Lions Club and the Goff City Council. This volunteer has dedicated 10 years to helping children grow in a school program called Head Start.

She has served as the mayor of Goff in the early 1990s as well. As an auxiliary member, she helps out with funeral dinners.

The Goff Lions Club is an organization of which she is a 28-year member. This club does many community services, such as food pantries, giving glasses to kids in need and picking up trash along Kansas Highway 9.

Her first love, however, is helping children. She enjoys

watching the elementary students grow. The children she taught in Head Start for 10 years are the reason why Dean became a para.

From being mayor of Goff to being an active community member to this day to helping children learn, she loves to help people.

"I know help is needed, so I participate in projects to help the community because I love giving back," she said.

Barger named ESU Capitol Federal Scholar

Derrick Barger of Hoyt was recently named a Capitol Federal Scholar at Emporia State University.

Barger is a freshman majoring in business administration.

In 2002, Emporia State was the first of seven Kansas higher education institutions to partner with Capitol Federal in a scholarship program preparing business students for the challenges of the future.

The 2016-17 Capitol Federal scholars were celebrated during an annual luncheon at the Sauder Alumni Center.

Recognizing high-achieving students in Emporia State's School of Business, this program's scholarships are renewable annually. This means a student who becomes a Capitol Federal Scholar as a freshman will remain eligible through graduate school as long as he or she maintains the required minimum 3.25 grade point average.

Over the years, the Capitol Federal Foundation has given Emporia State more than \$750,000 in support of the Capitol Federal Scholars program. Capitol Federal chairman, president and CEO John Dicus, Foundation President Tammy Dishman and members of the Foundation Trustees traveled to Emporia for this annual celebration.

"Our scholarship program at Emporia State was the first that we set up, so it's very sentimental to us," said Dicus. "What's impressive to us is what the students not only achieve in the classroom, but also in university life; the student-athletes and what they're balancing; and the work students do outside the classroom. We're always honored to be a part of students' college education and to give back."

Since 2013, the Capitol Federal Foundation has also awarded student-athletes through their Capitol Federal Athletic Scholars program.

Room and board increase approved for KU students

Students at The University of Kansas will face at least a 3 percent increase to live on campus next year, it has been reported.

KU students next year will pay \$5,910 to live on campus, which is \$172, or 3 percent, more than this year, the *Lawrence Journal-World* newspaper reported. Add in \$4,150 for meals, that's \$10,060 total for the year.

The figures are for what university officials describe as a "typical" dining plan and a double room in a renovated residence hall, and were among state university housing and dining rates approved recently by the Kansas Board of Regents.

KU's typical rates for 2017-18 were the second highest of the six state schools. Wichita State University had the highest typical rates, charging \$6,470 for living and \$4,540 for dining, for a total of \$11,010.

FFA sells fruit, meat

By Kaylee Goodwin
HHS freshman correspondent

The FFA Chapter has been selling fruit and meat for more than 22 years. It is a common tradition here at Holton High School.



The FFA Chapter as a whole

raised about \$5,000. They usually raise around \$4,000-\$5,000 every year just by selling fruit.

"I'm very proud of how much work and effort the FFA members put in," advisor Jason Larison said.

The sales require students to get out and talk to people they might not be comfortable or used to talking to.

Senior Eugene Harris sold the most fruit and meat for the chapter.

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Case No. 2014-JC-47

TO: Cassey McKinney and all other persons who are or may be concerned

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a Child in Need of Care. The Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the parents unable to care properly for a child, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 2nd day of February, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child.

The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this Court on the

date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents or any other present legal custodian under further order of the Court, or finding the parents unfit, and entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights.

An attorney has been appointed as guardian *ad litem* for the child: Heather Schrick, 634 S. Kansas Ave., Suite C, Topeka, Kansas 66603. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support. An attorney has been appointed for you: Darla Ottensmeier, 13827 70th Rd., Oskaloosa, Kansas 66066.

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Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

Don and Deloris Beam joined family and friends for their annual Holiday dinner over at Danny and Shirley VanDonge's on Sunday, Dec. 11. They all had a good time with a large group of approximately 70 to 80 in attendance.

On Tuesday, Dec. 13, Thersa Wade hosted the AYLI Club. For roll call, they told what plans they had for Christmas. After the meeting, they enjoyed a dessert of various kinds of cheesecake and ice cream. They played three rounds of bridge. They will not meet in January, so the next AYLI Club meeting will be held on Feb. 14.

On Wednesday, Dec. 14, the United Methodist Women met at the home of Thersa Wade with eight members and one guest present. Pastor Charlotte gave the program titled "Mary And Joseph's Journey."

Ginger Johnson read a Christmas poem and also played "Silent Night" on her harmonica. A report was given about the 247 turkey gravy packets that were assembled and taken to the Baptist church to use at the Christ-

mas House.

A final report was given about the Bishop's Roundup. A thank you was given to Thersa and Thelma for taking poinsettias and other things to the "shut ins."

There will be no meetings in January, February and March. Special recognition will be given about the UMW organization on March 12, with refreshments served before the service. The next meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on April 12 and will be a joint meeting with the Net-awaka UMW group.

Bob and I had surprise visitors on Wednesday, Dec. 14, as Virginia and Marv Stojakovic came from Blackwell, Oklahoma to spend a few days. They returned home on Friday, Dec. 16, and got ahead of the icy weather for a safe trip home.

On Thursday, Dec. 15, Dennis Hutchinson attended the Washburn University Fall 2016 Commencement in Topeka. His granddaughter, Kylie Moore, was a candidate for graduation in health care technology. She is a junior at Royal Valley High School.

Joe and Keri Brucken hosted an early Christmas at their home on Sunday, Dec. 18. Keri's dad, Gary Jackman, her twin sister, Katie Hubbard, and Katie's son, Zaydren, (from Leavenworth) and Gary's friend, Leroy Bailey, came to celebrate Christmas. They braved the icy roads to get there. They enjoyed chili, summer sausage with cheese and crackers, homemade Christmas candy and brownies. They then opened gifts. All had a great time.

Don and Deloris Beam had their family home on Sunday, Dec. 18, to celebrate Christmas. The weather was not very good and some roads were bad, so several of the families were unable to attend. They had a good time but missed the ones that were not able to come.

The Circleville Christian Church is offering a Christmas Eve candlelight service at 6 p.m. It is open to anyone who would like to come worship and celebrate the birth of Jesus. On Christmas Day, there will be one combined church service at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday school that morning.

Area students benefit from BCBSKS grant

For an 11th consecutive year, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Foundation is sending Healthy Habits for Life grants to Kansas schools to help nurses, teachers and administrators fund programs or activities aimed at helping thousands of children reduce their cardiovascular risk, increase their physical activity or learn healthy eating habits.

In all, the BCBSKS Foundation is awarding 155 grants totaling \$149,485.69 that will give students in 66 Kansas counties access to at-school health programs during 2017, it was reported.

"With school budgets tighter than ever and a growing recognition that childhood obesity equates to health issues as an adult, the Foundation's Healthy Habits for Life grant program remains as committed to funding at-school, health programs as are the school personnel who request funding to deliver these outstanding programs," said Marlou Wegener, chief operating officer of the BCBSKS Foundation.

"Through the dedication of

nurses, teachers and administrators, we have hope that this generation of Kansas children will learn at school those healthy habits that will translate into healthy adulthood and brighter futures," she said.

Healthy Habits for Life was the first major grant program of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Foundation, which was incorporated in 2005.

The BCBSKS Foundation has now distributed 1,237 Healthy Habits for Life grants totaling \$1,167,583.91 during 11 giving cycles. The most recent grants will be used during 2017 for a variety of programs ranging from purchasing heart monitors, healthy snacks or nutrition curriculum, to organizing health fairs and walking programs.

The amount of each grant was based on the applicant's request for the program he or she proposed, up to a maximum of \$1,000. The school district or private school must be located in the service area of the BCBSKS Foundation (all Kansas counties except Johnson and Wyandotte).

In Jackson County, \$1,000 grants were awarded to Karen Ford and Amy Oldehoeft, junior English and FACS teachers at Holton High School; Amy Mosier, district nurse at Royal Valley High School; and John Linn, principal at Royal Valley Middle School.

Janafer Chartier, title 1 coordinator at Horton Elementary School in Brown County, will receive a \$1,000 grant.

Those in Jefferson County receiving grants include Susan Grey, principal at Valley Falls Elementary School, \$997.20; Abby Martin, school nurse at Jefferson West Schools, \$1,000; and Gerard Aligo, health/PE teacher at McLouth High-Middle School, \$1,000.

Brook Brubeck, food services director at Sabetha Middle School in Nemaha County, will receive \$1,000.

In Pottawatomie County, Tina Callender, PE teacher at West Elementary School, will receive \$1,000, and Krista Caffey, occupational therapist at Westmoreland Elementary School, will receive \$985.39.

Special enforcements conducted by KHP last month

Throughout the month of November, the Kansas Highway Patrol worked numerous special enforcements related to traffic safety issues, including speeding, seat belts and DUI patrols.

These enforcements were in addition to the work patrol personnel conduct every day and calls they respond to on a regular basis on Kansas roads.

"Earlier this year, I asked KHP commanders to add an additional component to our enforcement efforts. Specifically,

they were asked to identify known areas where aggressive enforcement efforts may prove beneficial," said KHP Superintendent, Col. Mark Bruce. "I am proud of our troopers' continued efforts toward reducing crashes and injuries on our roads."

Results of these enforcements included:

- * DUI arrests – four in November and 30 year to date.
- * DUI-Drugs – zero in November and 11 year to date.
- * Warrant arrests – 11 in November and 33 year to date.
- * Felony-Drug – zero in November and five year to date.

* Speed citations – 304 in November and 1,614 year to date.

* Speed warnings – 263 in November and 1,136 year to date.

* Seatbelt citations-adult – 246 in November and 468 year to date.

* Seatbelt citations-teen (14-17 years) – 22 in November and 23 year to date.

* Child restraint citations (0-13 years) – four in November and 19 year to date.

* Total public contacts – 1,103 in November and 5,002 year to date.



Friends of Hospice volunteers recently went caroling at Holton Community Hospital. Those pictured are (from left) Carol and H.B. Keithline (Mr. and Mrs. Claus) with Kristin Hundley, Janae Nilges, Katie Barnes and Nicole Kathrens. Submitted photo

Annual state watershed meeting set

"SAKW, A Partner in Natural Resource Protection" is the theme for the 66th annual meeting of the State Association of Watersheds, it was reported.

The event will be held in the Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel on Jan. 17-18.

Barb Oltjen, president of SAKW from Robinson, will preside over the meeting that will bring together representatives from the 76 watershed districts in Kansas, many state and federal agencies, organizations and individuals.

By sticking with the theme of the meeting, attendees will hear from many SAKW partners presenting past accomplishments and future challenges to natural resource protection efforts.

Conservation program managers, partners and customers must do a better job of telling the stories of how each program benefits communities, the state and the country.

The first day's keynote speaker is John Floros, dean of the

College of Agriculture at Kansas State University.

Dean Floros will outline how Kansas State University strives through research and education to present the best options all of production agriculture might need moving forward through difficult times ahead.

The second day keynote speaker is Rich Felts, president of Kansas Farm Bureau, and he will speak on how Kansas Farm Bureau offers partnerships with anyone interested in sustaining production agriculture in Kansas today and into tomorrow.

Reports from several agencies, Kansas Water Office, Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Water Resources and Conservation and the Natural Resources Conservation Service, will be presented throughout the conference.

A report from Dan Sebert, executive director of the National Watershed Coalition, will also be given that looks through the

national perspective on how people are advancing the cause of natural resource protection efforts.

The evening session of the first day's activities will be the annual Legislative banquet where watershed districts can dine and converse with legislators as they begin their challenging task of creating policy to guide Kansas through the next fiscal year.

Other presenters will speak on watershed district audits, budgets, emergency action planning, dam breach efforts and other additional available federal programs.

Information on annual meeting registration, motel reservations, resolutions listings and the complete meeting agenda can be found on the SAKW website at www.sakw.org.

Additional questions about the annual meeting can be directed to Herbert R. Graves Jr., SAKW executive director at 785-922-6664 or sakwwatersheds@sbcglobal.net.

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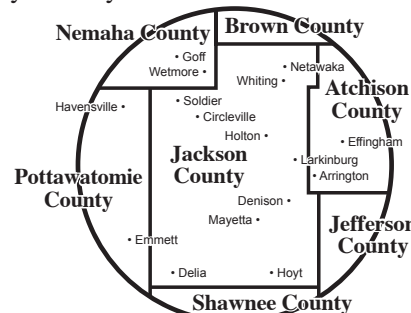
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Wanted

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Varsity Basketball

JH girls upend Oskie to close out 2016

By Brian Sanders

After the tough, one-point road loss last week to Pleasant Ridge, the Jackson Heights High School Lady Cobras varsity basketball team rebounded and picked up a Tuesday night home win over Oskaloosa to close out 2016.

The Cobras' 43-33 victory over the Bears evened out the Heights girls' record at two wins and two losses, both in the Northeast Kansas League and overall for the 2016-17 season, before going into the Christmas break. Oskaloosa's record fell to 1-4 in both the NEK League and overall.

Freshman Kylie Dohl and senior Hannah Williams — picking up 14 points and 13 points, respectively, on the night — led the Lady Cobras in scoring, helping the team to get out to a 13-7 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Cobras doubled their score in the second quarter, taking a 26-12 lead into intermission. Despite the Bears — led in

scoring by freshman Lainey Schmelzle and senior Shelby Wright — showing some signs of life in the second half, the Cobras were able to hold the lead and take the win.

The Lady Cobras will come back from the holiday break on Tuesday, Jan. 3, hitting the road to take on a Valley Falls team (3-1 NEK League, 3-2 overall) that lost to Jefferson County North in overtime on Tuesday.

Scoring

Jackson Heights 43, Oskaloosa 33
 JHHS 13-13-10-7—43
 Oskaloosa 7-5-9-12—33
 JHHS: Dohl 6 2-3 14, H. Williams 6 1-2 13, Rieschick 2 (2) 0-0 6, A. Williams 3 0-2 6, McMahon 1 0-2 2, Keehn 0 1-2 1, Lierz 0 1-2 1. Totals 18 (2) 5-13 43.

Oskaloosa: Schmelzle 3 3-6 9, Courter 2 3-4 7, Wright 3 1-2 7, Pfau 2 (1) 1-4 6, Bassett 1 0-0 2, Hickman 1 0-0 2, Hamm 0 0-1 0. Totals 12 (1) 8-17 33.

JV: JHHS 31, Oskaloosa 11

Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker

Brantley Dohl lighted the candles of the Advent wreath at the beginning of the mid-week Advent service at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 7 p.m. on Dec. 14. A fellowship supper was served before the service by Barb Klahr and Kathy Jones as hostesses.

The opening hymn was verses 1-3 of "On Jordan's Bank." Following the opening sentences and Psalm prayer, the congregation read Psalm 146 responsively. The readings were from Genesis 2:18-25, Philippians 1:3-6 and the Holy Gospel lesson, Luke 1:57-66. The sermon hymn was "Hark The Glad Sound."

Elder Topher Dohl read the sermon, "Our Way," based on the Gospel reading from Luke. In the series called "Family Life," the story began with Zechariah and Elizabeth, who had times when they must have simply wanted to run away. Zechariah and Elizabeth, though, decided on another way — to follow God's way.

Healing relationships emphasizes reconciliation, not resolution. There's a big difference. Reconciliation means my first priority is our relationship. You are more important than our problems. We don't bury the issue — but we bury the hatchet.

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We can disagree agreeably. We can walk arm in arm without seeing eye to eye. Let's be honest — the approaching holidays can make for some very trying family times. Yet because of grace, God gives us new life, forgiven life and eternal life. John 1:16 says that God is full of grace. Romans 6:14 says we are "under grace." Grace reconciles us to God and grace reconciles us to each other.

In the prayer for peace, God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels and all just works, giving to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The congregation joined in The Lord's Prayer. Following the benediction, the service closed with the final verses of "On Jordan's Bank."

Because of the winter weather, no services were held at Immanuel Lutheran on Sunday, Dec. 18. A candlelight Christmas Eve service will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24 with Pastor Michael Van Velzer leading.

Auction Calendar



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

• Wednesday, Dec. 21. Starting at 10 a.m. Prairie Band Potawatomi land lease auction. Auction to be held at old PBP bingo hall, 162nd and Q Road, Mayetta. For more information, contact Chris at (785) 966-2737 or Festus at (785) 342-2592.

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Elkhorn Lake taken off algae watch

The City of Holton announced on Monday that Elkhorn Lake in Holton's Rafters Park has been declared safe for animal consumption after the lake was placed under a blue-green algae alert a month earlier.

The suspected presence of blue-green algae at the city-owned lake prompted city officials to warn fishermen who visit the lake and close the lake's pump station to protect livestock who drink pumped water from the lake, it was reported.

The pump station was closed

and notices were posted about the presence of blue-green algae on Nov. 16.

Now, according to a statement on the city's Web site, "the pump has been reactivated and can be used for watering animals again."

Cyanobacteria — commonly known as blue-green algae — are considered harmful in animals, and in addition to closing the pump to farmers whose livestock drink pumped water from the lake, city residents were advised to keep their pets from drinking water from the lake,

and notices were posted about the presence of blue-green algae on Nov. 16.

At the time the water watch was issued, Holton Water and Sewer Superintendent Dennis Ashcraft said that since the lake is located "in a hill," and warmer weather conditions lasted longer than normal into October and November, conditions were "just right" for blue-green algae to form in the lake.

However, it was noted that the water watch would not have prevented local anglers from fishing in the lake, even though precautions were recommended for visitors to Elkhorn Lake, which is stocked by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism's Community Fisheries Assistance Program.

For more information on blue-green algae, visit the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's Web site, www.kdheks.gov/algae-illness

The Jackson County Courthouse and Senior Citizen Center will be closed

Monday, December 26 for the Christmas Holiday.

The Noxious Weed Dept., and the Landfill & Recycle Center will be closed Saturday, Dec. 24 for the Christmas Holiday.

Merry Christmas!



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CITY OF HOLTON

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-009

On December 19, 2016, the governing body of the City of Holton, Kansas passed an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC OFFENSES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HOLTON, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE FOR KANSAS CITIES," EDITION OF 2016; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 15-013.

The ordinance updates the

uniform public offense code from the 2015 uniform code to the 2016 uniform code.

A complete text of the Ordinance may be obtained or viewed free of charge at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 430 Pennsylvania Ave., Holton, Kansas. A reproduction of the Ordinance is available for not less than 7 days following the publication date of this Summary at www.holtonkansass.org.

This Summary is hereby certified to be legally accurate and sufficient pursuant to the laws of the State of Kansas.

DATED: Dec. 19, 2016.

/s/ Dennis White
 Dennis White, City Attorney

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CITY OF HOLTON

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-008

On December 19, 2016, the governing body of the City of Holton, Kansas passed an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HOLTON, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES," EDITION OF 2016; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 15-012.

The ordinance updates the traffic ordinance from the

2015 standard traffic ordinance to the 2016 standard ordinance.

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EMS...

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In 2018, secondary the ambulance is expected to be fully staffed 64 hours per week and then 96 hours per week in 2019.

Jackson County EMS originally proposed a five-year contract with the county, and Teter and Watkins noted last summer that, to fully staff a second ambulance, a \$535,500 annual budget would be needed.

Since county commissioners are elected every four years, the commissioners said they preferred a three-year contract with EMS.

"We didn't want to make a funding decision for someone else if they took office," said commissioner Rob Ladner. "We do want to work with you guys."

As part of the contract, EMS will continue to provide continuing education training for all local first responders with Jackson County who are affiliated with Jackson County EMS, including all fire departments and first responders without charge.

Also, EMS will provide, without charge, assessments and transports of all county prisoners at the jail and also free blood draws on suspected persons driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs when its requested by an officer.

During the term of the new contract, EMS will also continue to provide free standbys for all law enforcement when requested and to all potentially dangerous fire scenes when requested by the local fire de-

Jackson County's Annual Payment to Jackson County EMS



2010	\$159,500	2015	\$187,000
2011	\$159,500	2016	\$252,000
2012	\$159,500	2017	\$302,000*
2013	\$187,000	2018	\$352,000*
2014	\$187,000	2019	\$402,000*

*Under terms of the new EMS contract with Jackson County.

partments.

EMS, according to the new contract, will also provide, at no charge, medical care and transportation for all county emergency employees while on call or while on duty.

CPR training for county employees will also be provided by EMS as part of the contract. "We appreciate you guys working with us, and we want to do what we can for Jackson County," Teter said.

As part of Jackson County's new contract, Jackson County EMS is to provide status reports to the county at least once a quarter summarizing the ambulance service activities in the county.

Ambulance contracts throughout northeast Kansas vary by county.

In Jefferson County, ambulance services are an in-house county department with two ambulance stations. In 2016,

ambulance department expenses there totaled \$1,128,303, it was reported.

This past year, Atchison County had a \$680,000 contract with Jackson County EMS. This fall, county leaders agreed to terminate that contract this January in order to manage its own ambulance service.

Nemaha County contracts with Seneca EMS and Sabetha EMS for services. The companies charge a flat rate plus a certain fee per run, it was noted. So far this year, Nemaha County has paid out an estimated \$500,000 to Seneca EMS and \$245,000 to Sabetha EMS.

Brown County does not contract with any ambulance company for services, it was reported. Funds are sometimes requested from the independent ambulance company located there, however, to put towards the purchase of an ambulance.

Sitzler Fund...

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Riley also noted that last year, 15 families in Holton benefited from Sitzler Fund disbursements, and she said the city would attempt to help a similar number of families this year.

However, the amount of the annual disbursement has been decreasing in recent years, according to Riley. In 2012, more than \$3,000 was disbursed from the fund; in 2013, the disbursement totaled \$2,496.47; in 2014, \$1,839.48; in 2015, \$1,419.54; and this year, \$1,027.65.

Meanwhile, the balance of the Sitzler Fund itself grew slightly in the past 12 months, according to a report from White that showed that the fund's various accounts totaled \$134,898.45 on Dec. 2, 2015. As of this past Dec. 15, the total was \$137,176.66. Donations have been accepted into the fund from time to time, it was reported.

In other business during Monday's meeting, commissioners learned that the city's old street sweeper had been sold to a private individual after the sweeper — a 1996 model sweeper that had been in the city's employ since 2001 — had been replaced by a newer model earlier this year. The old sweeper, they noted, had racked up more than \$38,000 in repairs over time.

"I'm hoping for the best for whoever bought it," Commissioner Tim Morris said of the old sweeper's buyer, reportedly Larry Grimsley of Americus, who

paid \$3,600 for the sweeper.

In May, commissioners approved a \$189,900 bid from Sellers Equipment of Topeka for purchase of a new Global M3 street sweeper. The purchase, commissioners noted at the time, came after discussion of what to do with sizable balances in the city's capital improvement and equipment reserve funds, which Morris attributed to the commission's spending practices in recent years.

"We've got to continue to reduce our debt by doing what we've been doing, and also having some luck," he said. "This has been the first year we really had where we took money and spent it where we wanted to spend it, but we have to continue to remember the difference between what we want to do and what we have to do."

Mayor Robert Dieckmann also commended the work of Holton's street department in cleaning up the city's streets after a winter storm moved through the area on Saturday and left two inches of snow in its wake.

"It wasn't the best time to be working, and it wasn't the best snow to get rid of," Dieckmann said of snow-clearing work by Street Superintendent Greg Tanking and his crew.

Holton City Manager Kerwin McKee also relayed concerns from Tanking that the sand/salt mix used to treat snow and ice on the city's streets was not very

effective in subzero temperatures.

"But once the temperature gets up a little bit, it really starts working," McKee added.

Commissioners also:

■ Approved minutes from their Dec. 5 meeting and budget appropriations made since that meeting.

■ Approved cereal malt beverage license renewals for Your Place or Mine Catering L.L.C., Off the Square Grill L.L.C., Holton Country Mart, K&N Pizza Hut Inc., Haag Oil Company-Holton 66, Casey's General Store (both locations), Walmart, Trails Café and Catering and 7-Eleven.

■ Approved a retail liquor license renewal for Arcada Liquor L.L.C.

■ Approved summary ordinances adopting updated and amended versions of the Standard Traffic Ordinance and the Uniform Public Offense Code.

■ Scheduled their year-end meeting for 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 30 at City Hall.

■ Met in executive session for 10 minutes with McKee and Riley present to discuss non-elected personnel matters. No action resulted from the session.

■ Adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. All commissioners were present, including Dieckmann, Morris, Dan Brenner, Mike Meerpohl and Twila White.

United Way...

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Chamber of Commerce, Kansas Heart Association, Rotary Club of Topeka, Topeka Symphony Orchestra and YWCA.

"I believe in the work United Way does here in the greater Topeka community and look forward to the opportunity to play a role in advancing that work," Wheeler said. "The impact this work has made in our community is making positive sustainable changes and truly improving the lives of our neighbors and members of this community."

United Way of Greater Topeka has benefitted from Wheeler's volunteer involvement through the years. In addition to serving on the United Way board, Wheeler has chaired the Resource Development Committee and served on community investment panels. She also led the 2012 workplace campaign as chairman.

"The board of directors is pleased to have Carol stepping in

to continue our work in the community through this transitional time," said Larry Robbins, board chair for United Way of Greater Topeka. "Carol brings a depth of knowledge about the United Way organization and years of successful leadership experience that will prove beneficial to our staff, volunteers and donors."

In Jackson County, United Way of Greater Topeka currently focuses on serving basic needs, specifically food, rent and utilities, and prescription assistance to area residents.

The purpose of United Way is to bring together people, companies and nonprofits to create positive, sustainable change in a community.

Members of the Jackson County Advisory Council for the United Way of Greater Topeka include co-chairs Tonya Barta and Carrie Saia and Pam Holaday, Roger Hower, Carol Lamme, Janet Mercer, Nancy

Sullivan, Adrienne Walsh, Rod and Shannon Wittmer, David Eisenbarth, Susan Pfrang and Phyllis Slipke.

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