



The ceremonial ribbon-cutting for the new Tractor Supply Company store in Holton was held Friday afternoon, with Holton Mayor Robert Dieckmann (center right) holding the ribbon while store manager Josh Garrett cut it. Members of the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and the Holton City Commission joined TSC store employees in witnessing the ribbon-cutting. Shown along the ribbon were, from left to right, Chamber president Eric Bjelland, Chamber board member Laura Golden, Chamber director Lori Banks, Chamber administrative assistant Ashlee York, Garrett, Dieckmann, city commissioners Tim Morris, Mike Meerpohl and Dan Brenner, and Holton City Manager Kerwin McKee. The new store, which shares the former Holton Walmart building with Dollar Tree, opened to the general public on Saturday morning.

Photo by Brian Sanders

Spradling makes first appearance in Ewing cases

By Brian Sanders

With the first of six criminal trials against a Holton man accused of several sex-related crimes approaching — and a new lead prosecutor coming on board in the case — more pre-trial motion hearings will be necessary due to the amount of information pertinent to the case being received, attorneys noted during a Friday afternoon hearing.

Jacqie Spradling, making her first appearance in Jackson County District Court on Friday as special prosecutor in the six cases against Jacob Ewing, 22, and Kathleen Ambrosio, defense attorney for Ewing, agreed to return to district court for an additional motion hearing on Friday, Feb. 17 to discuss a jury questionnaire related to the first case.

District Court Judge Norbert Marek said having the jury

questionnaire approved by both attorneys and the court was a “primary concern” because of the “lead time” before Ewing’s first trial, which is set to begin Monday, March 27 in district court.

Spradling said she and Ambrosio were “hazardously close to an agreement” on a questionnaire and asked whether Friday would be an acceptable deadline to have the questionnaire ready to send to possible jurors. Both Marek and District Court Clerk Colleen Reamer said they were fine with the Friday deadline.

Spradling was appointed to replace Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller as lead prosecutor for all six trials against Ewing at the request of Miller, who was present during Friday’s hearing as a member of the audience.

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Charge reduced in infant death case

By Brian Sanders

A charge of first-degree murder against a Holton woman in connection with the November 2015 death of her infant son has been reduced, with a preliminary hearing on the matter set for April, according to Jackson County District Court documents.

On Thursday morning, Deputy Jackson County Attorney Brian Yearout filed an amended criminal complaint in the case of Alicia Whipple-Decker, 32, charging her with attempted first-degree murder instead of first-degree murder in connection with the death of her son, who was only two weeks old at the time of his death.

That same day, District Court Judge Norbert Marek accepted the charge reduction for Whipple-Decker, who was freed on a \$100,000 own-recognizance bond on Jan. 26 after being held at the Jackson County Detention Center since Oct. 8, 2016. Marek also set a preliminary

hearing on the charge for Thursday, April 13 in district court.

The amended charge of attempted first-degree murder, a Level 1 person felony, came after Yearout noted at another hearing for Whipple-Decker held two weeks earlier that “issues that have developed” in the case may result in amended charges against her.

Defense attorney John Kurth of Atchison said the presence of those “issues” — which have not been cited either in court or in case documents — “severely impairs” the prosecution’s case against Whipple-Decker, who is currently residing in the Wamego area following her release from jail.

On Thursday, Kurth said he would only need 45 minutes to question witnesses for the defense during the preliminary hearing, while Yearout said he would need “a couple of hours” to question witnesses for the prosecution, including “medical witnesses.”

Purple Heart Profiles

Jim became second Potawatomi to lose his life in Vietnam War

Editor’s note: This is the 44th in a series of stories about past and present Jackson County residents who earned the Purple Heart Medal, which is awarded to military personnel wounded or killed in the line of duty.

The names of those profiled in these stories will be among those placed on a special monument for Purple Heart Medal recipients currently under construction in Holton’s Linscott Park.

Private First Class Martin Jim Jr. of Mayetta was only in South Vietnam for eight days before an explosive booby trap killed him and three others, according to an account by the late Gary Mitchell, former Prairie Band Potawatomi tribal council chairman.

“It was a deadly accident of war, but that was little consolation to his friends and family,” Mitchell wrote.

At the age of 19, Jim became the second member of the Potawatomi tribe to lose his life in Vietnam. The first, ironically, was his cousin, Victor Hale, a lance corporal with the Marines who had been killed in a small arms firefight with the North Vietnamese Army little more than two years prior.

Born May 8, 1951, Martin Jim Jr. grew up on the Potawatomi reservation along with Mitchell.



Martin Jim

him that Jim joined the Army, particularly since Jim “respected the many elders on the reservation, respected the religion of the people and enjoyed

“We knew each other as we grew up, but for the most part, we attended different schools until high school, where we became the best of friends,” Mitchell wrote. “He was like a brother to me. Later I named my daughter after him.”

Mitchell also wrote that it was puzzling to

life with the friends he had around him.”

“No one knows why he wanted to join the army, but one day he announced to his friends he was leaving, and did,” Mitchell wrote. “He joined the Army, took the training and came home on a short leave to visit his friends before leaving for Vietnam.”

During that leave, Jim made a prescient statement to his friends that he wasn’t coming back from Vietnam. Despite reassurances from those friends that everything would be fine in the end, he left the reservation in early January of 1971 for Vietnam, convinced that this was the last time he would see them.

Jim wasn’t the only one in his circle of friends who went into the military.

“They spent their senior trips in Vietnam,” Mitchell wrote.

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Royal Valley students form chess club

By Ali Holcomb

A chess club has formed at Royal Valley that is drawing students of all ages together to master the game of strategy.

“Some students are athletes and others are drama kids, and chess is another avenue for a few kids to get involved,” said Nathan Smith, RVHS math teacher and the club’s sponsor.

On Feb. 4, 14 kids (seven high school students, six middle school students and one elementary student) were among the

220 students who competed at a chess tournament at Topeka Collegiate School.

Both the high school and middle school teams took fifth place in their divisions, and three students medaled individually in their age groups.

“We had some kids do well, and I think they realized that chess is a serious sport for some kids,” Smith said.

At each tournament, students play six matches, and competitors receive one point every time

they win a match and half a point if they tie.

At the Topeka tournament, the top four competitors from the same school had their scores combined to determine a team score.

“I equate chess to cross country,” Smith said. “Most people think it’s an individual sport, and for the most part it is, but there is a team score.”

Smith is in his first year teaching at Royal Valley but said he started chess clubs at previous

districts he’s worked in, including McLouth.

The chess season is also during basketball season, and Smith is a middle school boys basketball coach so the formation of the chess club had been “put on the backburner” until the basketball season slowed down.

Interest in a club at Royal Valley began with Smith’s sons, Jaemon, and Jeven, who competed in a tournament in Law-

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County reviews bids for new motor graders

By Ali Holcomb

While no action was taken on a purchase, bids for new motor graders were recently received by the Jackson County Commission.

The commissioners and the road and bridge department supervisors are looking into the possibility of trading in up to four older motor graders to be

used for the purchase of newer machines, it was reported.

Murphy Tractor of Park City submitted five bids for a 2016 670G motor grader with various trade-in prices. Each of the machines had 84 months/7,500 hours of extended warranty.

The used machines bid by the company had from six to 177

hours on them. With trade-in of the county’s current machines, the prices for the graders were \$175,549.64, \$159,410.92, \$161,427.09, \$176,927.09 and \$162,427.09.

Berry Tractor of Topeka offered a 2017 Komatsu GD655-6 that included a five-year warranty/7,500 hours.

With the different trade-ins, the prices for the machine include \$155,640, \$172,470, \$152,670 and \$169,600.

Foley Equipment of Topeka

bid several Caterpillar 2014 12M2 motor graders, which were previously used by the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Each machine has an extended two-year powertrain hydraulic warranty, and the company is willing to take off between \$23,000 to \$68,400 of the 2014 machines depending which older grader the county wants to trade in.

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Royal Valley High School seniors Max Hennis (left) and Aubrey Willis were named king and queen of courts on Friday during halftime of the Panther varsity boys basketball game against Nemaha Central. Photo by Ali Holcomb



TUESDAY'S WEATHER FORECAST
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DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Traffic

Carrie N. Baxter, Topeka, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$158.

Tara L. Cook, Elk Point, S.D., speeding, \$258.

Courtney L. Dillard, Conyers, Ga., speeding, \$183.

Philip J. Krug, Hoyt, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$158.

Freddie L. Mathews, Topeka, no seat belt, \$10.

Jean D. Okemba, Junction City, registration violation, \$158.

Donna J. Peters, address not listed, speeding, \$207.

Tristan C. Phillips, Mayetta, purchase/consumption of alcoholic liquor/cereal malt beverage by a minor, diversion.

Bobby D. Riley, Topeka, speeding, \$213.

Lois J. Smith, Clarksville, Tenn., improper driving on laned roadway, operating a motor vehicle without liability insurance, \$483.

Tracy N. Teetzel, Hoyt, speeding, \$213.

Tyler M. Teske, Wheaton, no seat belt, \$10.

Richard D. Woosley, Topeka, speeding, \$189.

Criminal Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Jessie D. Kopietz, Junction City, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 11 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Lucinda A. Cluchey, Lawrence, domestic battery; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Gehde J. Griffin, Holton, domestic battery, disorderly conduct; diversion.

Filed

State of Kansas vs. Andrew Daugherty, Holton, domestic battery.

Limited Civil Dispositions

Educational Credit Union vs. Jeffrey A. Hunter, sought judgment of \$1,011.35 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Kim L. Ross, sought judgment of \$1,896.23 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Filed

Denison State Bank vs. Jesse A. Hayes, seeking judgment of

\$380.07 plus interest and court costs.

Manning Music Inc. vs. Donald Wing and Erin Wing, seeking judgment of \$631.83 plus interest and court costs.

Mercer Funeral Home vs. Samantha Howerton, seeking judgment of \$501.24 plus interest and court costs.

Galt Ventures L.L.C. vs. Suzanne M. Freeland, seeking judgment of \$375 plus interest and court costs.

Small Claims Dispositions

Powls Publishing Company, dba Holton Recorder vs. Brockman Home Repair and Cleaning, sought judgment of \$679.38 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Domestic Dispositions

In the matter of the marriage of Jessie Stich and Eric Stich, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Lindsay A. Bone and Ronald J. Bone, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Kaci Dinwiddie and Michael Dinwiddie, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Terence E. O'Loughlin and Sheri L. Cothran-O'Loughlin, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Mitchel J. Foust and Renee J. Foust, sought divorce; granted.

Marriage Licenses

Dustin A. Goff, 38, Junction City

Lura D. Gaston, 35, Holton

Arrests made in county

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following arrests:

■ On Feb. 3, Zenor Wiggins, 32, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 3, Earl Littleman, 58, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 3, Kenneth Fraley, 50, Mayetta, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 5, Mario Silva-Najera, 43, Topeka, was arrested on charges of operating a vehicle without a license and having no liability insurance.

■ On Feb. 6, Ty Brown, 20, Hoyt, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 7, Christopher Riley, 31, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 7, Robert Leeper, 28, Topeka, was arrested on a domestic case warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Feb. 8, Chas New, 21, Topeka, was arrested on a charge of possession of a stimulant.

■ On Feb. 8, Danielle Hutchins, 43, Topeka, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.

■ On Feb. 8, Joshua Dunham, 42, Netawaka, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

■ On Feb. 8, Dustin Barrett, 29, Oneida, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

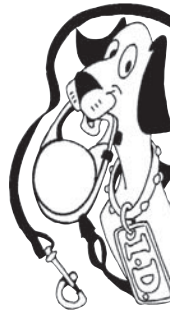
Receive research grants from KSU


Several Kansas State University students are getting a boost with their undergraduate research efforts through a spring semester 2017 research award or travel grant from the university's Office of Undergraduate Research & Creative Inquiry.

The awards and grants, for up to \$1,000, support travel associated with research, such as attending or presenting at a conference or for assistance with a research project.

Local students who received the research award or travel grant include Bridgett Kelly, senior in elementary education, Effingham, research award; and MaRyka Smith, Hoyt, senior in animal sciences and industry, travel grant.






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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MABEL J. HARRIS, DECEASED

Case No. 2017 PR 005

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on January 27, 2017, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Lester F. Harris and Yvonne A. Trickle as Co-Executors named under the Last Will and Testament of Mabel J. Harris, deceased, praying that the instrument attached to the Petition dated March 27, 1997, be admitted to probate, and for the appointment of Lester F. Harris and Yvonne A. Trickle as Co-Executors of the Will without bond.

You are further advised that the Petitioner in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, and if such request is granted the Court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any ac-

tion of the Executor or other proceedings in the administration will be given except for notice of final settlement of the Decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the Court, the Court may order supervised administration to ensue.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses to the admission of the Decedent's Will to Probate on or before February 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in this Court in the City of Holton, in Jackson County, Kansas at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the latter of four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice under K.S.A. § 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, thirty (30) days after the actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they will be forever barred.

Lester F. Harris, Petitioner
Yvonne A. Trickle, Petitioner

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Holton youth injured in accident

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has investigated the following recent traffic accidents, including a Feb. 4 accident in which a Holton youth was injured.

At 1:45 p.m. on Feb. 4, Shawn Kramer, 16, was traveling southeast on 222nd Road near Vermont Avenue when his vehicle left the road and entered the east ditch. Kramer's 2012 Ford sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and front right and left quarter panels that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

Kramer's passenger, Lucas

Hogan, 17, Holton, was transported by Jackson County EMS to Holton Community Hospital for treatment of injuries.

Other accidents investigated by sheriff's officers included:

■ At 9:50 p.m. on Jan. 21, Eva Ebner, 49, Netawaka, was traveling north on U.S. Highway 75 near Columbine Drive when a vacuum fell from the truck bed of her 2009 Ford. A 2012 Chrysler traveling behind the Ford struck the vacuum, and the vehicle sustained damage to its front bumper. The Chrysler was being driven by Caleb Wright, 18, Whiting, and dam-

age to the vehicle was listed at less than \$1,000.

■ At 10:15 a.m. on Feb. 1, Micah Dooley, 23, Valley Falls, was traveling south on W Road near 166th Road when her 2004 Ford struck some ruts in the road and she lost control of her vehicle. Dooley's vehicle rolled once and landed on its wheels on top of a barbed wire fence owned by Esther Hall of rural Denison.

Dooley's entire vehicle was damaged and was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene. No injuries were reported.

Fenceline

EPDs can improve herd genetics

By Jody Holthaus
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent, Livestock and Natural Resources

When I grew up, there were some taboo subjects for mixed company, mostly politics and religion. It just wasn't a good idea to express your opinion on either.

Today, with our social media ever present, there is no taboo. It's a lot to take in. Social media is not a fad. I watched a video that said if Facebook were a country, it would be the third largest in population, just before the United States.

I have a note posted on my desk that says, "Before you send, you need to THINK! T is for is it 'true'? H stands for is it 'helpful'? I stands for is it 'inspiring'? N stands for is it 'necessary'? And the K is for is it 'kind'?"

Maybe if all in social media would use THINK, we wouldn't have "fake news" or "alternative facts." Just saying...

The facts are: EPDs can change your herd! EPDs offer beef producers a tremendous opportunity to improve genetics within their herds. Since the majority of the genetic progress within a herd is a direct result of sire selection, EPDs should be given careful attention when choosing bulls.

With the vast number of EPDs that are available for use, selection goals must be carefully established to determine which EPDs are of primary importance. Additionally, EPDs should be combined with other selection criteria, including structural and reproductive soundness, to determine which sires are most suitable for the operation.

Expected progeny differences (EPDs) provide estimates of the

genetic value of an animal as a parent. Specifically, differences in EPDs between two individuals of the same breed predict differences in performance between their future offspring when each is mated to animals of the same average genetic merit.

EPDs are calculated for birth, growth, maternal and carcass traits and are reported in the same units of measurement as the trait (normally pounds). EPD values may be directly compared only between animals of the same breed.

In other words, a birth weight EPD for a Charolais bull may not be directly compared to a birth weight EPD of a Hereford bull (unless an adjustment is made to account for breed differences). There are charts available to do across-breed EPD comparisons. These are readily available on the Internet. Let me know if you need one.

EPDs are reported by most major beef breed associations and are calculated using complex statistical equations and models. These statistical models use all known information on a particular animal to calculate its EPD. This information includes performance data on the animal itself, information from its ancestors (sire and dam, grandsire, great grandsire, maternal grandsire, etc.), collateral relatives (brothers and sisters) and progeny (including progeny that are

parents themselves).

In short, virtually all performance data that relate to the animal of interest are used to calculate its EPD. These performance records are adjusted for such factors as age and sex of the animal, and age of the dam prior to inclusion in EPD databases. These adjustment factors allow performance records to be fairly compared in the analysis.

Additionally, genetic merit of mates is accounted in evaluating progeny information. Therefore, progeny records are not influenced by superior or inferior mates. The statistical analysis used for EPD calculation also accounts for the effects of environment (nutrition, climate, geographical location, etc.) that exist between herds. These environmental effects can be estimated due to the widespread use of artificial insemination.

Through AI, the same bull can be used in several herds across the country. These common sires create genetic links between herds with differing environments and serve as the foundation for evaluation of performance data and EPD calculation across herds. For these reasons, animals with published EPDs within a breed may be directly compared regardless of their age and origin. Finally, the genetic relationships that exist between various traits are also considered in the EPD calculations.

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MEMORIES

Compiled from the Holton Recorder archives by Kendra Moppin

5 Years Ago

Week of Feb. 12-18, 2012

For more than 110 years, The Farmers State Bank in Circleville has withstood several changes and catastrophic events, including robberies, fires and the Great Depression. But this June, the bank will close its doors in Circleville and will operate at its Holton location.

Jackson Heights High School students now have a new way to get hands-on training in how to run a business. The Cobra Pit, managed and maintained by the students, is a “store” experience designed as a project of the school’s Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter. The Cobra Pit opened at the beginning of the 2010-11 school year.

Holton High School football coach Brooks Barta has been inducted into the Kansas Shrine Bowl Hall of Fame, it has been announced.

10 Years Ago

Week of Feb. 12-18, 2007

Four candidates are in the running for the position of Holton USD 336 superintendent. Candidates include Jim Karleskint, Randy Oliver, John Thissen and Jean Rush.

Kelly Lundgrin has been chosen to lead the Jackson County Road and Bridge Department. Lundgrin’s first day on the job was Monday, Feb. 12, when rain, freezing rain and then snow fell over the county.

Holton High School senior

Boosters meet

By MaKenzie Kennedy

The Soldier Boosters’ monthly 4-H meeting was held on Sunday, Jan. 8, at the Soldier Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Club members then said the flag salute and 4-H pledge. Roll call was, “What is the project that you are working on right now?”

The minutes from the December meeting were then read, and a bill was paid during the treasurer’s report.

The reporter’s report was then given, followed by communications. The club had thank you letters from Jim and Ginger Johnson and Rusty Hill. The club also received a new donation from the Linda Hughes memorial.

During new business, club members had Club Seal Ceremony place on the seal they received for last year’s achievements. They also talked about working a farm auction, 4-H Days and when they needed to be turned into the office and booth and bale ideas for the upcoming fair.

During the leader’s report, club members signed thank you cards, talked about new record books, beef weigh-in on Feb. 26 and projects. Afterwards, programs were given by Quinn Allen and Miles and Carter McCauley. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Deandra Schirmer was announced as a Class 4A honorable mention all-state volleyball player by the Kansas Volleyball Coaches Association, it was reported. Schirmer finished her senior volleyball season with 232 kills, the third-highest total in school history.

A vision for a new “physical fitness and sports performance training center” at Holton High School was shared with the USD 336 school board. HHS alumnus Russ Riederer made the presentation. No action was taken at the meeting.

15 Years Ago

Week of Feb. 12-18, 2002

Little by little, Hoyt’s old 50,000-gallon water tower was taken down over the past few days. Dismantling work was finished on Tuesday, Feb. 12. The water tower has been replaced with a new 200,000-gallon tower.

A sign at Banner Creek Reservoir is in the process of being installed. Thieme Construction in Sabetha is the general contractor for the work being done at the reservoir, which includes the construction of a headquarters building and a bath house, landscaping and related work.

Mark C. Wilson, principal at Holton’s Colorado Elementary School and director of curriculum for the Holton district, was announced Monday evening, Feb. 11, as one of the educators chosen to receive a John W. Vaughn Excellence in Education Award for 2002. Holton school officials noted that the award to Wilson represents only the third time that an educator in Kansas has been selected for the award.

Students in the multimedia productions class at Holton High School received an award “for showcasing learning through technology” at the educational technology fair held at the State Capitol on Feb. 7. This is the third year in a row that an exhibit from the Holton district was accepted for display at the technology fair, it was reported.

On Washburn University honor rolls

Washburn University of Topeka has named several Jackson County-area students to its 2016 President’s List and Dean’s List of honorees, it has been reported.

To qualify for the President’s List, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 4.0. President’s List honorees from this area include, by hometown:

- **Holton:** Madeline Draper.
- **Mayetta:** Ashley Cook.

To qualify for the Dean’s List, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 3.4 to 3.99. Dean’s List honorees from this area include, by hometown:

- **Havensville:** Amber Kopp.
- **Holton:** Danica Haverkamp, Madison Iverson, Nicole Kathrens, Emma McManigal, Mackenzie Moore, Garrett Rogers and

25 Years Ago

Week of Feb. 12-18, 1992

In hopes of attracting a future sub-state basketball tournament and to plan for growth, the USD 337 Royal Valley school board voted Monday, Feb. 10, to slightly increase the size of the proposed new gymnasium. An additional 250 seats were added to the original proposal of 1,400 seats.

Lora Walker got acquainted with members of the Holton Area Chamber of Commerce during the annual chamber mixer on Monday night, Feb. 10. Walker was recently named the chamber’s new executive director. She begins work here this month.

The Royal Valley boys varsity basketball team won at Holton for the first time in school history on Tuesday night, Feb. 11, it was reported. The Panthers took a 52-48 victory over the Wildcats.

Judy Arnold of Circleville was inducted as the first woman member of the Holton Rotary Club on Friday, Feb. 14.

50 Years Ago

Week of Feb. 12-18, 1967

Winners of the Jackson County Basketball Tournament and winners in regular league play for 1966-67 were the Denison High School A team. Team members include David Porter, Dennis Wing, Joel McCrory, Jay Branam, Mark McCrory, Pat Patton, Glen McCrory and Dale Pierson.

Trails Cafe, operated by George Widner, opened for business on Tuesday, Feb. 14, in its new location at Frosty’s Fuel Stop. The new cafe includes a carpeted dining room in addition to the counter area.

Frosty’s Fuel Stop also opened for business this week. The new Skelly dealership is located at Fifth Street and Arizona Avenue and is operated by Forrest Farmer.

Kenton Tegethoff.

- **Hoyt:** Lindsey Hammes.
- **Mayetta:** Roarke Croze and Samantha Wahwassuck.
- **Soldier:** Riley Brenner.

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Volunteer firefighters from Netawaka Rural Fire District 6 on Wednesday presented staff at the Netawaka Fitness Center with an automated external defibrillator, or AED, it was reported. Shown from left to right in the above photo are fitness center general manager Scott Steffes, Netawaka Fire Chief Jon Edwards, fire department captain Loren Edwards, fire department lieutenant Jon Banaka, firefighter Alan Slipke, fitness center representative Dave Williams, “Coach” Frieese, fitness center assistant manager Tony Myers, Mary Williams, firefighter Mary Macy, Netawaka fire captain Rusty Bontrager and Assistant Fire Chief Steve Banaka.

Submitted photo

Netawaka firefighters donate defibrillator to fitness center

Volunteer firefighters from Netawaka Rural Fire District 6 on Wednesday presented staff at the Netawaka Fitness Center with an automated external defibrillator, or AED, according to a statement issued by fire department representatives.

Fitness center representative Dave Williams approached the fire department last year about the need for an AED, it was reported. The fire department was preparing to update its defibrillator to a new unit that was more compatible with Jackson County EMS, making Williams’ request a timely one, even though fire department officials noted it took a few months to work out the details.

Working with Jackson County EMS, the Netawaka fire department was able to obtain a new, compatible AED at a re-

duced cost. Once training was completed, the new AED was placed into service at the fire department, and with approval from the RFD 6 Fire Board, the surplus defibrillator was presented to the fitness center.

Fitness center general manager Scott Steffes accepted the AED and expressed appreciation on behalf of the fitness center, not only for the AED, but for all the firefighters do for the community. A former volunteer firefighter himself, Steffes said he understands the level of commitment it takes to serve as an active volunteer.

Hopefully, the AED will never have to be used, Steffes said, but firefighters and fitness center staff agreed — better to have the device and not need it, than to need it and not have it.

By working together with other professional organizations such as Jackson County EMS and the fitness center, Netawaka firefighters continue to serve their community and offer valuable services with about a dozen professional volunteers.

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JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Plaintiff,

vs.

Heidi R. Byrne, Jane Doe, John Doe, and Carmel Financial Corp, et al.,

Defendants

Case No. 17CV2 Court No. Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. §60

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF KANSAS to the above named Defendants and The Unknown Heirs, executors, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are

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for a judgment against defendants and any other interested parties and, unless otherwise served by personal or mail service of sum-

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OPINION

United Way calls for 2017 funding applications

Organizations interested in receiving United Way of Greater Topeka (UWGT) funding for basic needs assistance should plan to apply online via e-CImpact. It has been reported.

United Way is releasing the 2017 Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide funding for assistance in the basic needs categories of food, rent and utilities assistance and access to health care and prescription assistance.

The RFP process is open to eligible charitable organizations as designated by IRS Code 170 that provide services in Jackson County.

Online Proposal Process: Requests for proposals will be available to organizations via the e-CImpact online community investment management system.

New Applicants: New applicants must sign-up for an account in the e-CImpact online community investment system. Go to <https://agency.e-cimpact.com/login.aspx?org=18530F> and click on the "Click here to create a new account" green button and follow the steps from there.

Training: New applicants interested in being trained in the e-CImpact online community investment system should contact Katie Sullivan at 785-228-5121.

Existing/Previous Applicants: The launch page for e-CImpact is: www.unitedwaytopeka.org/work/e-cimpact/. Click on the link for the agency log-in and save that link in favorites.

Agency representatives should check contact information and update the staff contacts in the profile. Agencies are responsible for keeping this information up to date. UWGT will use this system to alert agencies to community investment grant details

and timelines (when reporting opens, deadlines, etc.).

Please delete accounts for staff that have left the organization and add new accounts for those who need access to reporting. Please confirm that the appropriate staff person is identified as the primary contact.

For questions about the 2017 Basic Needs RFP or application process, contact Katie Sullivan, director of community impact, at Katie.Sullivan@unitedway-topeka.org or 785-273-4804 x121.

Visit United Way of Greater Topeka for information and details anytime at www.unitedwaytopeka.org.

In 2012, Jackson County officially became part of United Way of Greater Topeka. A year later, two Jackson County residents joined the United Way Board of Directors and a Jackson County Advisory Committee was established.

Planning meetings began with Jackson County community members and a Basic Need Survey collected data on community priorities.

Since 2012, United Way has raised and invested \$95,900 back into Jackson County.

A total of \$18,000 in United Way grant funds were awarded to six organizations in Jackson County in 2014, including the Jackson Heights Education Fund for food assistance, Catholic Charities for rent and utility assistance, Jackson County Ministerial Alliance (JCMA) for rent and utility assistance, the YWCA Center for Safety and Empowerment for rent and utility assistance, the Northeast Kansas Multi-County Health Department of Jackson County for prescription assistance and the Jackson County Christmas Bureau.

Sen. Pyle reports on Kansas Senate activities

By Dennis Pyle
R-Hiawatha

The events of the State Legislature started slowly this session. With so many new legislators entering public service, there is much to do to get up to speed.

Legislators and citizens have the ability to introduce new bills every session. Bi-annually, the bills that haven't passed are thrown out and we start with a new slate the following year. That is what happened this year. There is an



all new legislation, with many policy makers enthusiastically working to represent their constituents and uphold their campaign promises.

I have been assigned to three committees this year – Agriculture and Natural Resources, Financial Institutions and Insurance and Education. We meet almost every day of the week and have been exploring many issues.

The committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources heard from the Secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. We have listened to testimony from the Kansas Water Authority, and necessary standards for pet care.

In the Education committee, we have been discussing the items surrounding a new fi-

nance formula as it pertains to our public schools.

Finally, in the Financial Institutions and Insurance committee, we have vetted and voted on the nominee for the State Bank Commissioner and have discussed Kansans' access to quality insurance.

The Ways and Means committee is one of the largest and most prominent committees in the Legislature. Their committee took a unique approach to tough legislative challenges by separating the committee into 13 subcommittees. Although that has meant more meetings for some legislators, it has also given an even higher focus to the many policies they review.

Our legislative website has become an even better tool for those of you who love to follow

along. If you visit the site, make sure to hover your mouse over the "committees" tab and click on the "committee bill hearings" tab down at the bottom.

This list shows what bills will be receiving a hearing that day and some committees offer the option for you to listen in. It is always amazing to have technology as a tool to keep each of you informed on what issues we are discussing.

You can research these bills and track them for yourself at the following website: www.kslegislature.org

Please feel free to contact my office on these or any other issues. You can reach me at: State Capitol, Rm 234-E, Topeka, KS 66612, 785-296-7379 or dennis.pyle@senate.ks.gov.

PLAINS FOLK: Vaqueros expert mustangers

By Jim Hoy

Vaqueros were expert mesteneros (mustangers) employing a number of methods for catching these wild horses.

One was to build a corral de aventura amid trees or brush, then extend V-shaped wings far out into the surrounding countryside.

If the season was dry, then the mustangers would set their traps (corrales de espiar) near waterholes.

A third method was patiently to follow a herd at a slow pace, either horseback or on foot, until they eventually accepted the rider, then work them into a corral de aventura.

Sometimes a vaquero, if mounted on a good horse, would chase and rope the wild horses he wanted, while a more destructive (to the mustang) method was to set noose traps in wooded country.

Wild horses could be tamed



by tying them to the necks of tame burros, by running them in a round corral until they were exhausted, or simply by forcing a saddle and a ride on the unwilling mustang.

Not only did the vaquero provide the Anglo cattlemen and cowboys with the cattle, the horses, the gear and equipment, and the work methods for ranching, he also was the original rodeo cowboy.

Many times the end of a rodeo (a roundup, pronounced ro DAY oh) was celebrated with a rodeo (horseback games and competitions that can be seen as precursors of modern rodeo).

In addition to music, dancing, and feasting (on barbacoa, meat that had been cooked for days in a pit filled with hot coals--the original barbecue), vaqueros would entertain themselves and onlookers with feats of roping, riding bucking broncos or toros, tailing down a bull (coleadura de toros), and trying to pick up the head of a buried rooster at the full run (carrera de gallos).

Horse racing was perhaps the most popular pastime for any occasion--fiesta, saint's day, wedding celebration.

Even today many if not most of the ranches in the border

country rely heavily on the livestock-handling skills of the vaquero.

In many other ways besides branding, roundups, and trail drives Hispanic ranching has also provided a model for that of the Anglos.

Tejano cattle agents (mercaders), for instance, foreshadowed the commission agents, livestock associations, and other regulators of the cattle industry.

An official called the juez de campo supervised roundups, brands, and disputes over stray animals. In fact, modern stock laws are in essence variations and adaptations of legislation that controlled ranching in colonial Mexico.

Vaqueros, as cowboys would later, had a vital tradition of music and poetry. Illiterate (or semi-literate) cultures, such as those of the vaquero and the cowboy, often produce excellent memorizers and reciters of poems, as well as tellers of tales.

Perhaps less happily, vaqueros might be at least partly responsible for the habit of smoking among cowboys.

Vaqueros were inveterate smokers, rolling their tobacco in corn husks to make cigarettes

at a time when most American frontiersmen chewed their tobacco rather than smoking it.

On the other hand vaqueros, like cowboys, had (and have) a strong self-image. They may have been poorly paid for hard and dangerous work, but in their own domain--the saddle--they were lords of all they surveyed.

In this attitude of confidence and positive self-worth, the Mexican Vaquero can be truly seen as the unacknowledged mentor of the American Cowboy.

As scholar Jerald Underwood has observed: "On horseback, the vaquero was something to behold. He rode like a centaur--horse and man were one. He rode with his hand feather-light on the reins, his feet pressed against the bottom of his stirrups, his back and legs straight. The vaquero rode not exactly sitting, not exactly standing, this balance the mark of a true horseman."

And this is where we'll leave the vaquero: at home in the saddle.

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

Beware of new scam

A scam has been identified where potential identity thieves are attempting to obtain taxpayers' IP PINs, it has been reported.

The bogus e-mail explains that, as part of the IP PIN process, the taxpayer must confirm their IP PIN. They are then instructed to reply to the e-mail and provide the IP PIN listed on their CP 01A.

Taxpayers may also call to au-

thenticate the e-mail, it says, but it's all part of the scam.

Taxpayers should be advised that IRS will never contact them by phone, e-mail, text, social media or other method to request confirmation of their IP PIN.

If you receive any communication requesting your IP PIN, contact phishing@irs.gov to report the incident - and contact your local police department.

Mayetta Christian

By Teri Schiffbauer

On Sunday, Feb. 5, fellowship at Mayetta Christian Church began the same as every Sunday with a waffle breakfast at 8:15 a.m. Following this, Sunday school classes continued on their chronological journey through their three-year Gospel Project curriculum, taking a look at the first half of the book of Nehemiah.

Our study reminded us that we follow a God who forgives and redeems and who supplies whatever we need to accomplish His purpose.

At the beginning of the 10 a.m. service, the congregation joined in a reading of a portion of Psalm 119 and Bob Morse gave the children's message and told the children gathered of their Valentine from Jesus. Pastor Ernie Coleman gave a sermon titled "Don't Become A Spiritual Dropout," covering

Galatians 6.

A new women's Bible study, "Chosen And Cherished," began at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 6, at the church. The study will make use of the smart TVs volunteers recently installed in all the classrooms. All women interested are welcome.

The church's Week One Ministry distributed fresh fruit around the Mayetta community at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

On Target For Christ has begun its second eight-week session on Wednesday nights for church youth beginning at 6 p.m. Any area youth interested is encouraged to stop by and see what it's all about. Adult Bible study begins at 6:15 p.m.

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OBITUARIES



Wabaunsee

Mary Theresa "Monnie" Wabaunsee, 70, Mayetta, died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at her home.

She was born Oct. 7, 1946, in Topeka, the daughter of Lou and Freda Jane Nozhackum Wabaunsee. She graduated from St. Paul's Indian Mission in Marty, S.D., and spent most of her life on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation.

Ms. Wabaunsee was a member of Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church and Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

She married David Derby. They divorced.

Survivors include two daughters, Michelle Wabaunsee and JoAnn Letcher, both of Mayetta; three sisters, W. Goffy Wabaunsee, Mayetta, Lois "Louie" Dominguez, Wichita, and Frances Wabaunsee, Mayetta; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lou and Freda Wabaunsee; two sisters, Louella "Henry" Wabaunsee and Marsha Ferrari; and three brothers, Ralph Wabnum, Richard Wabaunsee and Fred Wabaunsee.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church. A rosary will be held at 6 p.m. today at Sister Therese Klepac Hall, with visitation to follow. Burial will be held at a later date in the Shipshee Cemetery. Mercer Funeral Home in Holton is in charge of arrangements.

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Lacey

Dareld D. Lacey, 85, of Holton, died Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017, at Holton Community Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Mercer Funeral Home in Holton.

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Riley

Two days after celebrating 73 years of marriage to his true love, Dr. Harold M. Riley, 94, passed on Jan. 31, 2017 after a long and distinguished life and career.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Hibbs Riley, and two children, Betty R. Padgett of Clemson, S.C., and James H. Riley of Sarasota, Fla. He was predeceased by a brother, George E. Riley.

Born Nov. 13, 1922, in Holton, Harold was the son of the late Bertha Brockelman and Martin Riley. He was raised on a small farm bordering the Potawatomi Indian reservation and he was educated in a one-room schoolhouse. He graduated from Kansas State University with a B.A. and received his Masters and P.H.D. from Michigan State University. He served from 1943 to 1946 in the U.S. Army.

Dr. Harold M. Riley was a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics at Michigan State University. He was an Assistant Professor at Kansas State University from 1948 to 1951, and then joined the Agricultural Economics Faculty at Michigan State University in 1951.

The family wishes to thank the caregivers who attended our father at Clemson Downs and the Providence Care Hospice for keeping our father comfortable in his final days.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.rob-insonfuneralhomes.com

Duckett-Robinson Funeral Home, Central, SC is assisting the family.

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Thank You

Dear Holton Wal-Mart Manager, We, the senior citizens of Jackson County, want to thank you for purchasing the smaller merchandise carts that we requested.

The smaller carts will be easier for us to push around in the store and to the car. We usually do not purchase enough to fill a big cart and we do appreciate you getting smaller ones for us.

Thank you,
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Thank You

The family of Larry Fund wishes to thank everyone for the prayers, concern and support during Larry's illness and passing.

May God bless you all!

Betty Fund & family

Thank You

Dear Holton area friends,

The overwhelming response to Jim's death from friends in Holton and surrounding area helped me realize how many lives he touched.

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Jackson Heights Elementary School's first-grade students recently celebrated Kansas Day by learning about Kansas symbols, making Kansas Day books and enjoying an Icee frozen beverage, which was invented in the late 1950s at a Dairy Queen in Coffeyville. The Icees were provided to students by Holton Burger King, it was reported.

Submitted photo

Kientz Corner

By Beverly Ramey Newell

On Feb. 5, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "To God Be The Glory."

The birthdays for Feb. 5 through Feb. 11: Jill Dierking and Mike Farmer, Feb. 6; Linda Shaffer, Feb. 7; and Kason Boyles and Matt Christman, Feb. 10. The anniversary for the week was Gary and Barbara Slimmer, Feb. 8.

The concerns were prayers for the Herb Palmer family.

The Boy Scout troop 193 was honored. Scout Master Kevin Feleay introduced the boys and told what badges and awards they were working on. Sam Feleay is working on his Eagle Scout badge. D.J. Knight will soon be going in front of a review board for his Eagle Scout award. Troop 193 meets at the church every Monday night.

Pastor Jin introduced new congregation member Carol Powell. She is Dennis Warkentine's sister. The congregation welcomed Carol to the church family.

The children's story was given by Brian Smith. He showed the children a lamp. He tried to turn it

on. They told him he had to plug it in, so he did. Then they told him to turn it on, and he did.

Brian asked the children and the congregation to sing the song "This Little Light Of Mine, I'm Going To Let It Shine" with him.

Matthew 5:16 says, "Let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." We get plugged into God, who is our power, when we come to church, and we get turned on by Jesus.

For special music, new member Carol Powell played the beautiful song "It Is Well With My Soul" on the piano. It was wonderful! Marguerite Pond read the scripture Colossians 1:15-23.

The sermon "The Purpose Driven Life: You Were Created To Become Like Christ" was given by the Rev. Hyun-Jin Cho. What does it mean to be like Jesus? We were created to be like Christ. We need to find our direction to serve Christ.

We should serve God with the joy and have love and forgiveness in our hearts. Let us be humble, loving and caring to others. May the peace of Christ rule in our

hearts. Whatever we do, let us do it in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

The communion elements were served by Pastor Jim, Camille Schoettlin, Bruce and Linda Lanning and John and Linda Reed.

The closing hymn was "Wonderful Words Of Life." Those assisting with the service were Marguerite Pond, liturgist; Mary Smith, organist; Joy Jepson and Deb Mannell, sound system; Molly Strobel, acolyte; Betty Domer, song leader; and David and Anita Link and Nick and Karen Nicolay, usher team.

On Feb. 2, R.E. and Roberta Henley, John and Dorothy Holt and Gladys Law attended the Pleasant Hill coffee group breakfast at Perkins Restaurant in Topeka.

Also on Feb. 2, Jill Dierking from Fort Worth, Texas, was a lunch guest of Dick and Beverly Newell. Jill had been at an early morning work conference in

Lawrence, so she came to visit her parents.

On Feb. 3, Logan Dierking (who is from Fort Worth but attending Nebraska University in Lincoln, Neb.) and Jonathan Farmer (from Fort Worth and attending William Jewell University in Liberty, Mo.) were weekend guests of Dick and Beverly Newell.

On Feb. 4, Denny and Roxann Crowder, Logan Dierking, Jonathan Farmer, Brent and Jessica Newell, Rusty and Monica Newell, and Ryan, Amanda, Mackensie, Maddie and Maycie Newell ate pizza at Glory Days and went bowling in Topeka. They were celebrating Rusty's birthday, which was Feb. 2, and Jessica's birthday, which was Feb. 3.

On Feb. 5, Dick and Beverly Newell and Logan Dierking ate lunch at the Whistle Stop Café in Mayetta. They enjoyed seeing Betty Moser, her daughter and some of her grandchildren there, also. It was good to see Betty.

Earn degrees from KSU

More than 1,600 students completed degree requirements from Kansas State University in fall 2016. The graduates hail from 86 Kansas counties, 40 states and 41 countries.

Degrees earned include more than 1,250 bachelor's degrees, more than 215 master's degrees, more than 50 doctorates and five associate degrees. Some students earned multiple degrees.

Of the university's newest graduates, 206 also earned graduation honors for their outstanding academic work.

Earning summa cum laude, the university's top graduation honor, were 57 students with an academic average of 3.95 or higher; 76 students graduated magna cum laude with an academic average of 3.85 to 3.949; and 73 students graduated cum laude with an academic average of 3.750 to 3.848.

Area students who graduated this fall include:

Delia: Brandon Kerwin, bachelor of science in agriculture.

Holton: Elizabeth Broeckelman, bachelor of science in agriculture; and Amanda Kathrens, bachelor of science in agriculture.

Hoyt: Emma Kelly, bachelor of science in family studies and human services.

Whiting: Morgan Thomas, bachelor of science in business administration.

Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Feb. 13, 2017.)

BEFORE THE JACKSON COUNTY APPEALS BOARD

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that the Jackson County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 8:00 p.m., the 9th day of March, 2017 located at 400 New York Ave., Holton, Kansas in the Court House Room 104 to consider the following application.

Application filed by Ed Kester, requesting a Special Use Permit for operation of a Veterinarian Clinic on the following described real estate:

A Parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M., described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 23, thence North 88 degrees 16' 33" East a distance of 14,455 feet along the southerly section line of Section 23 to the point of beginning, thence North 01 degrees 25' 55" west a distance of 290 feet, thence North 88 degrees 16' 13" East a distance of 140 feet, thence South 01 degrees 25' 55" East a distance of 290 feet to a point on the Southerly section line of Section 23, thence South 88 degrees 16' 13" West along said section line 140 feet to the point of beginning, Jackson County, Kansas, except Highway Right-of-Way.

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The public is invited to the hearing to express their opinion on the application.

Jason Claycamp
Zoning Administrator
Jackson County, Kansas

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BEFORE THE JACKSON COUNTY APPEALS BOARD

NOTICE OF HEARING

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You are hereby notified that the Jackson County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 8:00 p.m., the 9th day of March, 2017 located at 400 New York Ave., Holton, Kansas in the Court House Room 104 to consider the following application.

Application filed by Grace Ruppert, requesting a Special Use Permit for placement of a Single Wide Mobile Home on the following described real estate:

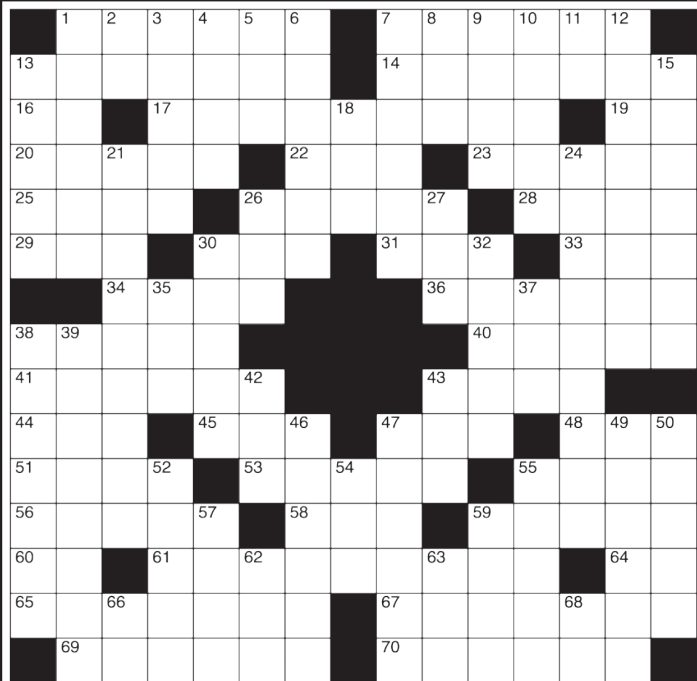
Property located at 16910 158th Rd. Hoyt, KS 66440.

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CLUES ACROSS

- Package
- Wear away
- Joins a leaf to a stem
- Worsen
- Promotes international cooperation (abbr.)
- Your folks
- Publicity
- Moves up
- Dept. of Labor
- Physicist Enrico
- Whitney and Manning are two
- Human foot (pl.)
- Coral is an example
- Extended error correction
- Small amount
- Dash
- The greatest of all time
- Middle Eastern country
- Ravine
- Cup-like cavity
- Chemical substances
- Extremely stupid behavior
- He built Arantea
- Beverage beloved by Brits
- Cereal plant
- Signal
- A bar bill
- Comedienne Faris
- Preface to a book
- Stores grain
- Whitney and Manning are two
- Small island (British)
- An Indiana-based hoopster
- Measures width of printed matter
- Riders use this to transport goods
- Once more
- Thin layers
- Says again
- Cleans thoroughly
- Warnings

CLUES DOWN

- Relating to male organ
- Indicates position
- Covers with frost
- Makes a soft murmuring sound
- Wood
- Type of fuel
- Confused
- Where you go at night
- Canadian flyers
- Type of birch tree
- Beloved Welsh princess
- Coated
- Smooth substance of crushed fruit
- Improves intellectually
- A sign of ascent
- Island-based Italians
- Pragmatic
- Peter's last name
- A bag-like structure in a plant or animal
- Mexican city
- Sir Samuel __, Brit. statesman
- Summer Olympics were just here
- Fiddler crabs
- Southern military academy
- Tumors
- Speaks incessantly
- Sacred sound in Indian religions
- Transactions
- Et-__
- Reminders
- Doesn't interest
- Norse gods
- Canola is one type
- Beloved sportscaster Craig
- Irish mother goddess
- Daddy
- Press against lightly
- Sound unit
- Master of Ceremonies
- Morning

SPORTS *Monday*

Holton
beats
Tigers
Friday

■ Tuesday’s
games at
Effingham

By David Powls

In overtime here Friday night, the Holton Lady Wildcats played solid defense and hit some key free throws to edge Big Seven League opponent Jeff West, 43-39.

Holton, now 11-2 in the league and 14-3 overall, led 12-4 after the first quarter but Jeff West stormed back to score 16 points in the second quarter and led 20-19 at intermission.

Both teams scored 6 points in the third quarter and Holton scored 12 to Jeff West’s 11 in the fourth to force a 37-37 tie at the end of regulation.

In OT, the Lady Wildcats scored 6 points to Jeff West 2 to win the game.

The loss dropped Jeff West to 9-2 in the league and 11-4 overall.

Earlier this season, at Meriden, Jeff West prevailed over Holton in a close game, 45-43.

The Nemaha Central girls at 13-2 league and 15-2 overall, along with Holton and Jeff West, currently sit atop the tight Big Seven League standings.

Tomorrow (Tuesday) the Holton teams will compete at Effingham against Atchison County Community High School teams.

Holton’s Courtney Bowell and Shay Tanking both scored 14 points apiece to lead the team with Lauryn Moore pitching in 10.

In the Jeff West game, Holton made 7 of 36 field goals for 19.4 percent and 4 of 17 three pointers for 23.5 percent. The Wildcats made 11 of 53 field goals overall for 20.8 percent.

The Wildcats also made 17 of 26 free throws in the game for 65.4 percent.

By comparison, the Lady Tigers made 11 of 25 field goals for 44 percent and 3 of 9 three pointers for 33.3 percent. Overall, the team made 14 of 34 field goals for 41.2 percent.

The Lady Tigers also made 8 of 14 free throws for 57.1 percent.

The Lady Wildcats had 17 offensive rebounds in the game with Lauryn Moore leading the way with 10.

The Lady Wildcats also had 18 defensive rebounds with Courtney Boswell leading the way with 5 and Sarah Lierz pitching in 4.

Boswell also had 7 of the team’s 15 steals.

In turnovers, Holton forced Jeff West into 27 for the game, while the Lady Wildcats had 14.

“This was a great team win for us,” HHS head coach Jon Holliday said. “We had to scratch and claw for the win. And it was against a really good team. I was pleased with our intensity level and our defense.”

Holton 43, Jeff West 39 (OT)

Holton 12-7-6-12-6 OT—43.

Jeff West 4-16-6-11-2 OT—39

Holton – Courtney Boswell 2 (1) 7-7 14, Shay Tanking 2 (2) 4-6 14, Lauryn Moore 2 6-11 10, Sarah Lierz 0 (1) 0-2 3, Lauren Leavendusky 1 0-0 2. Totals 7 (4) 17-26 43.

Jeff West – Negonsott 4 3-5 11, Becker 2 (1) 2-5 9, Giltner 0 (2) 0-0 6, Garza 3 0-0 6, Murdie 1 3-4 5, Biltoft 1 0-0 2. Totals 11 (3) 8-14 39.

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Holton Wildcats win Big 7 League Wrestling



The Holton High School Wrestling Team (shown above) won the Big Seven League Wrestling Tournament held on Saturday at Atchison County Community High School at Effingham. Team members were, front row, left to right, Ace Eisenbarth, Dylan Aeschliman, Tel Wittmer, Cael Jackson, Chris Roush and Cameron Smith. Middle row, left to right, Lawson Henry, Kolby Roush, Tyler Price, Taygen Fletcher and Keegan Purcell. Back row, left to right, Logan Cannon and Kyler Tannahill.

Submitted photo

■ Six Holton wrestlers wear Big 7 crowns

By Michael Powls

The Holton High School wrestling team won the Big Seven League Team Title for the second year in a row Saturday at Atchison County High School and for the sixth time in the last seven years.

The Wildcats were league wrestling team champs last year, but the previous year were edged out by Sabetha. Prior to that, the Wildcat had been league wrestling champs four straight years.

The Wildcats had six individual champions on Saturday as well. The following Wildcats won their weight classes – Taygen Fletcher (113), Kolby Roush (120), Henry Lawson (132), Logan Cannon (160), Tyler Price (170) and Kyler Tannahill (285).

In addition, Wildcat Cameron Smith took second (106) and Cael Jackson took third (145).

Holton will compete next Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18, at the Class 4A Santa Fe Trail regional wrestling tournament along with Atchison, Baldwin, Basehor-Linwood, Bonner Springs, Eudora, KC-Bishop Miege, KC-Piper, Jefferson West, Ottawa, Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege, Spring Hill, Tonganoxie and Topeka-Hayden.

Royal Valley will compete next Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18 at the Class 3A regional at Wabunsee along with Maur Hill, Atchison-Riverbend, Burlingame, Council-Grove, Pleasant Ridge, ACCHS, Mission Valley, Herington, Hiawatha, Doniphan West, Leavenworth-Immaculata, Marysville, Onaga, Osage City, Perry-Leocompton, Riley County, Rossville, Sabetha, Silver Lake, St. Marys, Wabunsee, and Riverside.

The top four placers in each weight class, at each of the four regional tournaments for each class, will compete at the Kansas State Wrestling Tournament set for Feb. 24-25.

The Class 4A State Wrestling Tournament will be held at Salina while the Class 3A-2A-1A State Wrestling Tournament will take place at Hays.

The Big Seven League’s 2017 Team placings were as follows – 1. Holton, 158 points. 2. Riverside, 124 points. 3. Perry-Leocompton, 116 points. 4. Sabetha, 116 points. 5. Royal Valley, 84 points. 6. ACCHS, 74 points. 7. Jeff West, 40 points. 8. Hiawatha, 18 points.

Holton’s results at the league tourney on Saturday were as follows:

106 - Cameron Smith (1-1) placed second and scored 11.00 team points.

Round 1 - Austin Hager (ACCHS) 20-9 won by major decision over Cameron Smith (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-1 (MD 9-0).

Round 2 - Cameron Smith (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-1 won by major decision

over Braden Woodson (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 29-7 (MD 13-4).

113 - Taygen Fletcher (3-0) placed first and scored 17.00 team points.

Round 1 - Taygen Fletcher (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 3-0 won by fall over Dalton Kahle (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 19-13 (Fall 0:42).

Round 2 - Taygen Fletcher (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 3-0 won by decision over Dalton Kahle (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 19-13 (Dec 1-0).

120 - Kolby Roush (2-0) placed first and scored 20.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Kolby Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 received a (Bye)

Semifinal - Kolby Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Colton Scholz (ACCHS) 8-13 (Fall 0:53).

First Place Match - Kolby Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by decision over Wyatt Pringle (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 25-8 (Dec 9-2).

126 - Keegan Purcell (0-2) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Joel Scott (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 14-6 won by major decision over Keegan Purcell (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 (MD 8-0).

Cons. Round 1 - Keegan Purcell (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 received a (Bye)

Cons. Semi - Karl Scholz (ACCHS) 16-11 won by decision over Keegan Purcell (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 (Dec 7-1).

132 - Lawson Henry (2-0) placed first and scored 20.00

team points. Quarterfinal - Lawson Henry (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 received a bye (Bye).

Semifinal - Lawson Henry (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by decision over Brett House (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-8 (Dec 12-10).

First Place Match - Lawson Henry (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Kody Gibson (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 18-7 (Fall 1:04).

138 - Chris Roush (1-2) place is unknown and scored 3.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Luke Horn (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 26-5 won by fall over Chris Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Fall 0:49).

Cons. Round 1 - Chris Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 won by fall over Colton Fox (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 3-10 (Fall 0:54).

Cons. Semi - Joel Guess (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 19-10 won by fall over Chris Roush (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Fall 4:09).

145 - Cael Jackson (2-1) placed third and scored 10.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Cael Jackson (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-1 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Nick Quinlan (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 23-4 won by fall over Cael Jackson (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-1 (Fall 3:09).

Cons. Semi - Cael Jackson (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-1 won by fall over Tyler Casto (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 11-15 (Fall 2:06).

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Holton’s Mason Strader, shown above, has helped the Wildcats to an 11-2 record in the Big Seven League so far this season. Overall, the team is 12-5.

Photo by Michael Powls

■ RV’s Box first in 195,
Garrison second in 220

By Michael Powls

The Royal Valley Panther wrestling team competed in the Big 7 League tournament this past Saturday.

The Panthers finished in fifth place as a team this year, after placing second last year.

Panther Jacob Box took first place in the 195-pound class while Blake Garrison took second in the 220-pound class.

Third place finishes went to ach Burger (170), Dalton Ware (120) and Brett House (132).

RV results were as follows:

120 - Dalton Ware (15-7) placed third and scored 12.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Dalton Ware (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 15-7 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Wyatt Pringle (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 25-8 won by fall over Dalton Ware (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 15-7 (Fall 1:14).

Cons. Semi - Dalton Ware (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 15-7 won by fall over Braden Mitchell (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 12-24 (Fall 1:19).

Third Place Match - Dalton Ware (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 15-7 won by fall over Colton Scholz (ACCHS) 8-13 (Fall 0:54).

126 - Garrett Pruyser (17-18) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Karl Scholz (ACCHS) 16-11 won by decision over Garrett Pruyser (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-18 (Dec 5-2).

Cons. Round 1 - Garrett Pruyser (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-18 received a (Bye).

Cons. Semi - Joel Scott (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 14-6 won by decision over Garrett Pruyser (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-18 (Dec 8-4).

132 - Brett House (17-8) placed third and scored 15.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Brett House (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-8 won by fall over Trenton Meyer (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 1-5 (Fall 0:10).

Semifinal - Lawson Henry (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by decision over Brett House (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-8 (Dec 12-10).

Cons. Semi - Brett House (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 17-8 won by major decision over Taylor Hughes (HIAWATHA HIGH SCHOOL) 6-9 (MD 15-6).

Third Place Match - Brett House (ROYAL VALLEY HOGH SCHOOL) 17-8 won by fall over Derrick Karn (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 23-14 (Fall 2:05).

138 - Caleb McEntire (12-17) place is unknown and scored 0.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Hunter Ostertag (ACCHS) 27-2 won by fall over Caleb McEntire (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 12-17 (Fall 0:22).

Cons. Round 1 - Caleb McEntire (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 12-17 received a (Bye).

Cons. Semi - Corbin Halls (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 12-6 won by fall over Caleb McEntire (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 12-17 (Fall 4:55).

152 - Karsen Smith (19-18) placed fourth and scored 6.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Kinstin Juhl

(RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 27-7 won by fall over Karsen Smith (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 19-18 (Fall 2:38).

Cons. Round 1 - Karsen Smith (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 19-18 received a (Bye).

Cons. Semi - Karsen Smith (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 19-18 won by decision over Ace Eisenbarth (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Dec 3-2).

Third Place Match - Kinstin Juhl (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 27-7 won by fall over Karsen Smith (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 19-18 (Fall 1:59).

160 - Bryce Garrison (13-10) placed fourth and scored 5.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Bryce Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-10 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Dylan Birkinsha (ACCHS) 15-12 won by decision over Bryce Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HOGH SCHOOL) 13-10 (Dec 8-4).

Cons. Semi - Bryce Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-10 won by decision over Brayden Siemears (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 12-5 (Dec 7-6).

Third Place Match - Cole Oehm (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 4-7 won in sudden victory - 1 over Bryce Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-10 (SV-1 3-1).

170 - Zach Burger (13-17) placed third and scored 10.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Zach Burger (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-17 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Tanner Ukele (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 16-14 won by fall over Zach Burger (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-17 (Fall 1:11).

Cons. Semi - Zach Burger (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-17 received a (Bye)

Third Place Match - Zach Burger (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 13-17 won by fall over Dexter Campbell (HIAWATHA HIGH SCHOOL) 3-8 (Fall 2:11).

195 - Jacob Box (34-2) placed first and scored 22.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Jacob Box (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 34-2 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Jacob Box (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 34-2 won by fall over Collin Rossillon (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 12-9 (Fall 1:32).

First Place Match - Jacob Box (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 34-2 won by fall over Brendan Rokey (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 13-7 (Fall 2:31).

220 - Blake Garrison (33-3) placed second and scored 14.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Blake Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 33-3 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Blake Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 33-3 won by decision over Keenan Hinton (HIAWATHA HIGH SCHOOL) 10-5 (Dec 5-0).

First Place Match - Donovan Duncan (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 24-4 won by decision over Blake Garrison (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 33-3 (Dec 3-1).

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Panthers fall to Thunder

■ RV teams travel to Riverside on Tuesday

By Ali Holcomb

Both the Royal Valley High School girls and boys basketball teams fell to Nemaha Central in a Big Seven League match-up on Friday. The RV boys dropped to 5-7 in the league after the 56-40 loss at home. The Thunder team is leading the league with a 12-1 league record.

Both teams took nine points in the first quarter of the game, with the Thunder leading 26-23 at the half.

Nemaha Central added 11 points in the third quarter over RV's six. In the final eight minutes, the Thunder took 19 more points while the Panthers managed 11 points.

Masen Spoonhunter led the Panthers with 12 points. The team made 8-9 (88 percent) of its free throws. The Thunder team was 19-29 (65 percent) at the line.

RV: 9-14-6-11 – 40
Nemaha: 9-17-11-19 – 56
Individual Statistics
RV: Spoonhunter 5 (1) 1-1 12, Broxterman 3 3-3 9, Hale 2 (2) 0-0 6, Shopteeze 2 (1) 0-0 5, Lee 0 4-4 4, Frisby 1 0-0 2, Neuner 1 0-1 2. Totals 14 (4) 8-9 40.

Nemaha: M. Henry 6 6-7 18, Beck 5 4-7 14, Enneking 2 1-1 5, Uphaus 0 4-6 4, T. Henry 2 0-1 4, Heiman 1 (1) 0-0 3, Gerety 0 2-2 2, Kramer 1 0-0 2, M. Baumgartner 1 0-2 2, Feldkamp 0 1-2 1, C. Henry 0 1-2 1. Totals 18 (1) 19-29 56.

The Lady Panthers (now 4-8 in the league) came up short in their battle against Nemaha Central 54-44.

The Lady Thunder team is 11-2 in the Big Seven League and is tied for first with the Holton Lady Wildcats.

Royal Valley came out strong in the first quarter leading 13-12 over the Thunder. Nemaha Central rallied in the second quarter and kept the Lady Panthers scoreless while adding 13 more points.

After the half, the Lady Thunder had 12 points and RV had 8. The Panthers exploded in the fourth quarter with 23 points but still came up short as the Thunder added 17 points.

The Thunder's Laura Macke scored 26 points for the team, which was 10-18 (55 percent) at the free throw line.

The Panthers were led by Taylor Russell and Lexi Baker, with 11 points each. The team was 9-18 (50 percent) at the free throw line.

RV: 13-0-8-23 – 44
Nemaha: 12-13-12-17 – 54
Individual Statistics
RV: Russell 5 1-5 11, Baker 3 (2) 3-4 11, Ogden 2 4-4 8, Broxterman 4 0-0 8, Jordan 1 (1) 0-0 3, Thompson 1 1-5 3. Totals 16 (3) 9-18 44.

Nemaha: Macke 13 0-1 26, K. Dalinghuas 4 1-1 9, J. Dalinghuas 3 0-1 6, Larkin 1 4-6 6, M. Hammes 0 2-3 2, A. Hammes 1 0-0 2, Kramer 0 1-2 1, Lueger 0 1-2 1, Kuckelman 0 1-2 1. Totals 22 10-18 54.

The Panthers are on the road Tuesday in a Big Seven League match-up against Riverside. Games begin at 4:30 p.m.

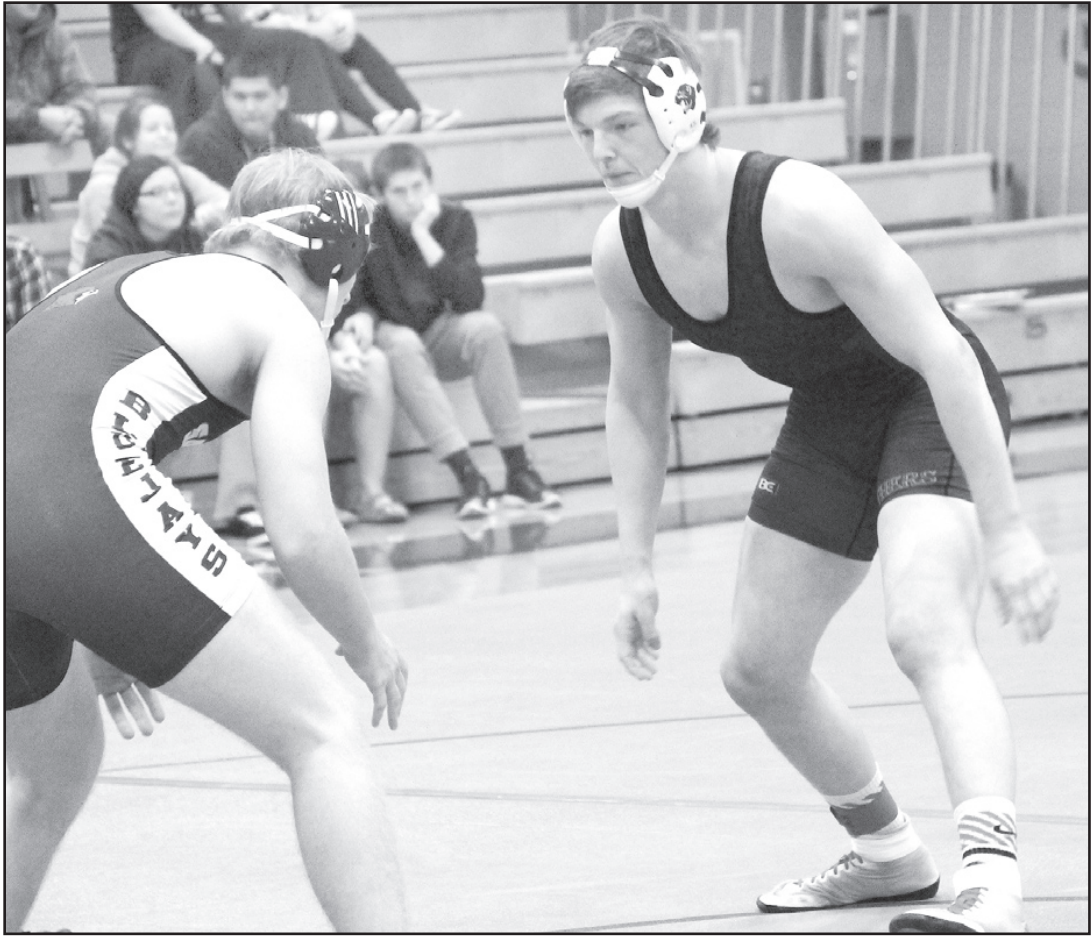
Lady Cobras get big league win over Oskie

By Brian Sanders

A 21-point second-quarter explosion propelled the Jackson Heights Lady Cobras varsity basketball team to a 42-22 win over Oskaloosa that put the Heights girls back at .500 in the Northeast Kansas League for the season.

Friday's win put the Lady Cobras, currently at fifth place in the NEK League, at 6-6 in the league and 7-9 overall for the 2016-17 season. For the Bears, the loss drops them to 3-9 in the league, where they remain in seventh place, and 5-11 overall.

The Lady Cobras were led in scoring by freshman Kylie Dohl, who posted 12 points, followed by sophomore Sydney Raborn with 10 points and sophomore



Royal Valley's Jacob Box, shown above at right, took first place in the 195-pound weight class Saturday at the Big Seven League Wrestling Tourney. Photo by Michael Powls

■ Holton wins Big 7 League Wrestling

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Third Place Match - Cael Jackson (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-1 won by decision over Brandon Brownlee (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 21-13 (Dec 3-2).

152 - Ace Eisenbarth (1-2) place is unknown and scored 4.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Ace Eisenbarth (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 won by fall over Henry Frahm (JEFF WEST HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 (Fall 2:31).

Semifinal - Kamden Brownlee (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 21-15 won by fall over Ace Eisenbarth (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Fall 5:09).

Cons. Semi - Karsen Smith (ROYAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL) 19-18 won by decision over Ace Eisenbarth (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Dec 3-2).

160 - Logan Cannon (3-0) placed first and scored 20.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Logan Cannon (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 3-0 won by decision over Brayden Siemears (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 12-5 (Dec 7-6).

Semifinal - Logan Cannon (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 3-0 won by fall over Cole Oehm (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 4-7 (Fall 0:56).

First Place Match - Logan Cannon (HOLTON HIGH

SCHOOL) 3-0 won in sudden victory - 1 over Dylan Birkinsha (ACCHS) 15-12 (SV-1 4-2).

170 - Tyler Price (2-0) placed first and scored 22.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Tyler Price (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Tyler Price (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Dexter Campbell (HIAWATHA HIGH SCHOOL) 3-8 (Fall 2:08).

First Place Match - Tyler Price (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Tanner Ukele (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 16-14 (Fall 1:49).

182 - Dylan Aeschliman (0-2) placed fourth and scored 4.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Dylan Aeschliman (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Cauty Rokey (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 31-5 won by decision over Dylan Aeschliman (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 (Dec 8-1).

Cons. Semi - Dylan Aeschliman (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 received a (Bye).

Third Place Match - Jacob MacKnight (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 22-10 won by decision over Dylan Aeschliman (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 0-2 (Dec 9-7).

220 - Tel Wittmer (1-2) placed fourth and scored 5.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Tel Wittmer (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Donovan Duncan (RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL) 24-4 won in tie breaker - 1 over Tel Wittmer (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (TB-1 4-2).

Cons. Semi - Tel Wittmer (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 won by decision over Payton Strahm (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 17-9 (Dec 3-2).

Third Place Match - Keenan Hinton (HIAWATHA HIGH SCHOOL) 10-5 won by decision over Tel Wittmer (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 1-2 (Dec 8-7).

285 - Kyler Tannahill (2-0) placed first and scored 22.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Kyler Tannahill (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 received a (Bye).

Semifinal - Kyler Tannahill (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Kyle Bonham (PERRY LECOMPTON HIGH SCHOOL) 24-8 (Fall 0:18).

First Place Match - Kyler Tannahill (HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL) 2-0 won by fall over Elliot Strahm (SABETHA HIGH SCHOOL) 28-7 (Fall 2:40).

JH boys beat the Bears

By Brian Sanders

During Friday night's road match at Oskaloosa, the Jackson Heights Cobra varsity boys dominated early — and overcame a sloppy second quarter in which neither team scored any points — to get a 44-34 win over the hosting Bears.

“That second quarter was pretty ugly both ways,” Cobras Head Coach Chris Brown said. “That was probably an indicator of bad offense, more so than good defense.”

Other than the second quarter — in which the only mark on the Cobra scorecard was a pair of missed free throws by senior Kaleb Keehn — Brown was pleased with the win, which kept the Cobras in third place in the Northeast Kansas League with a 9-3 league record and a 10-6 overall record. The Bears dropped to seventh in the league, standing at 3-9 in the league and 5-11 overall.

The Cobras jumped out to an early 16-6 lead at the end of the first quarter on the strength of seven points from senior Wyatt Olberding, who led the team in overall scoring with 22 points

for the night. That 16-6 score remained on the board at half-time, however, as neither team could get a score in the second frame.

“We knew we had to move the ball better in the third quarter after that awful second quarter,” Brown said.

And that was exactly what the Cobras did, with Olberding again leading the charge and the Cobras outscoring the Bears 15-9 in the third.

“We did a good job of jumping on them early and extending our lead,” Brown said.

In the fourth quarter, however, the Bears appeared to come to life, outscoring the Cobras 19-13, but the Cobras' earlier lead was too much for the Bears to overcome.

In addition to Olberding's point tally for the night, senior Mason Thomas and junior Brady Holliday each contributed six points to the final score. Defensively, Brown said the team was “pretty balanced” overall.

“We did a great job of contesting shots and rebounding until the fourth quarter when we got a little lackadaisical,” he said.

Brown noted that the Cobras cannot afford to be “lackadaisical,” either on offense or defense, for its next home game on Tuesday against Valley Falls. The Dragons are currently sitting sixth in the NEK League with records of 3-9 in the league and 4-12 overall after losing to Jefferson County North on Friday.

“We need to come out and be aggressive on offense and defense and set the tone early against Valley Falls,” Brown said.

Scoring

Jackson Heights 44, Oskaloosa 34

Jackson Heights 16-0-15-13—44

Oskaloosa 6-0-9-19—34

Jackson Heights: Olberding 9 (3) 1-2 22, M. Thomas 2 (2) 0-0 6, Holliday 2 2-3 6, Dohl 2 0-0 4, Keehn 1 1-3 3, L. Thomas 1 0-0 2, Hamilton 0 1-2 1. Totals 17 (5) 5-10 44.

Oskaloosa: Pfau 4 (1) 2-3 11, Reed 4 (2) 1-2 11, Knopp 2 (1) 0-0 5, Webb 1 2-4 4, Thompson 1 1-2 3. Totals 12 (4) 6-11 34.

JV: Jackson Heights 41, Oskaloosa 31.

■ Holton boys win...

(Continued from Page 6)

Holton 43, Jeff West 39 (OT)

Holton 12-7-6-12-6 OT—43.

Jeff West 4-16-6-11-2 OT—39

Holton — Courtney Boswell 2 (1) 7-7 14, Shay Tanking 2 (2) 4-6 14, Lauryn Moore 2 6-11 10, Sarah Lierz 0 (1) 0-2 3, Lauren Leavendusky 1 0-0 2. Totals 7 (4) 17-26 43.

Jeff West — Negonsott 4 3-5 11, Becker 2 (1) 2-5 9, Giltner 0 (2) 0-0 6, Garza 3 0-0 6, Murdie 1 3-4 5, Biltoft 1 0-0 2. Totals 11 (3) 8-14 39.

In the varsity boys game here Friday, Holton beat Jeff West by six points — 38-32.

Holton's Zane Moylan led the team with 14 points while Bryson Patch added 10.

With the win, Holton improved to 11-2 in the league and 12-5 overall while Jeff West dropped to 6-6 in the league and

7-9 overall.

Earlier this season at Jeff West, Holton won in overtime, 45-38. This win came after the Tigers had defeated the Wildcats 50-43 at the Tonganoxie Invitational tourney.

The Nemaha Central boys currently sit atop the Big Seven League standing with a 13-1 league and 15-3 overall record with Holton in second place.

Holton 38, Jeff West 32
Holton 10-4-13-11—38
Jeff West 7-5-9-11—32

Holton — Zane Moylan 4 (2) 2-5 14, Bryson Patch 2 (1) 5-8 10, Josh Wilhelm 3 0-0 6, Mason Chanay 1 (1) 0-0 5, Aaron Bain 0 2-2 2, Mason Strader 0 1-4 1. Totals 11 (5) 11-18 38.

Jeff West — Malloy 4 (2) 2-5 16, Unruh 1 4-5 6, Dean 1 (1) 0-0 5, Schmidt 1 1-2 3, Mickens 0 2-2 2. Totals 7 (3) 9-14 32.



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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Holton freshman, Kolby Roush, wrestling in the 120-pound weight class, took first place at the Big Seven League wrestling tourney, pinning his ACCHS opponent and winning by decision over his Perry-Lecompton opponent.



Holton junior, Lawson Henry, wrestling in the 132-pound weight class, took first place at the Big Seven League wrestling tourney, pinning his Jeff West opponent in the championship match.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 17: JHHS Boys Basketball vs. McLouth – 5 p.m. @ McLouth; JHHS Girls Basketball vs. McLouth – 5 p.m. @ McLouth; RVHS Boys Basketball vs. Jeff West – 4:30 p.m. @ Hoyt; RVHS Girls Basketball vs. Jeff West – 4:30 p.m. @ Hoyt; HHS & RVHS Wrestling – 4A Regional Tournament

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Weed control meetings set

By David Hallauer
Meadowlark Extension
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Crops & Soils/Horticulture

It goes without saying that a weed allowed to compete with a growing crop is going to affect yield. How much?

A 2008 Iowa State study in corn under heavy weed pressure might provide some insight. They created differing periods of weed competition, implementing control at the V2, V4 and V5 growth stages (22, 36 and 43 days after planting) as compared to a weed-free treatment that included a pre-emerge herbicide program followed by a post program.

By measuring corn shoot biomass at the time of the post emerge application, they found large dif-



ferences in the amount of biomass lost from the differing application timings. A 10 percent reduction in biomass at V2 increased to 70 percent by V4.

While the applications at V2 and V4 allowed for decent yield "recovery" (losses were limited to five and 12 percent), waiting an additional week to the V5 stage resulted in a 63 percent increase in lost yield compared to application at the V4 stage.

We know that to be true. What challenges our weed control systems is how to design a weed control program to avoid these losses! That's the goal of the Meadowlark Extension District Weed (Control) Week 2017, coming up on Feb. 22 and 24.

Dr. Curtis Thompson, K-State Research and Extension weed specialist, will be our guest on Wednesday, Feb. 22, to focus on corn weed control programs. Dr. Thompson will discuss new corn herbicides as well herbicide systems to help reduce weed pressure and herbicide resistance.

We'll kick off the morning with light refreshments in the small meeting room of the Nemaha County Community Building in Seneca at 9:45 a.m., followed by Dr. Thompson's presentation from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Dr. Thompson will be available for a question and answer session after the meeting as well.

Soybean weed control will be the focus on Friday, Feb. 24, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Nortonville. Dr. Dallas Peterson, K-State Research and Extension weed specialist, will speak from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on new products in soybean weed control, including Xtend soybeans and management of the new dicamba formulations available. Come early for refreshments at 9:45 a.m.!

RSVP is not required, but is helpful to make insure adequate meeting materials. Please RSVP by noon on Tuesday, Feb. 21 to any Meadowlark Extension District Office or via e-mail to dhal-lauer@ksu.edu. Hope to see you there!

Local DAR chapter holds January meeting

The Samuel Linscott DAR Chapter met on Jan. 21, 2017 at Denison State Bank Conference Room. Seven members were present.

Regent Tena Brucken led the opening ritual. Registrar Sharon Beaman presented the president general's message followed by historian/librarian Jane Elliott reporting the national defense report. The defense report centered on the 100th anniversary of World War I and the Treaty of Versailles. The chapter recognizes the heroes who may be gone, but not forgotten.

Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved. The December meeting was canceled due to inclement weather. Treasurer Jerry Brees reported the amount in the treasury includ-

ing more than \$500 for the Gene Dickinson memorial. A decision for the memorial will be made at a later date.

Regent Tena reminded everyone that the chapter achievement report to national was due Feb. 1. There are a few changes to the state conference agenda to be held in Topeka from April 20 through April 22.

Lineage Research and Registrar Sharon Beaman reported she is assisting a person interested in joining the DAR.

Committee Chair Emily Jane Stoll gave the Indian minute informing those present about taxes or not paying taxes on reservation land.

There was no old business. Under new business, the three

delegates for the state conference were elected. They are Tena Brucken, Emily Jane Stoll and Jane Elliott. Alternates will be Jerry Brees and Sharon Beaman.

The programs were about DAR ancestors who were patriots in the Revolutionary War. William McAllaster was the patriot for Jane Elliott and was at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Due to no meeting in December Emily Jane Stoll presented facts about her ancestor, Andrew Everett. He served at the siege of Boston and his unit drove the British out of Rhode Island.

The chapter's next meeting is Feb. 18, 2017 at 10 a.m. at the Denison State Bank conference room at the main bank in downtown Holton.

Jackson Heights Senior of the Month



Jackson Heights' senior of the month for February is Wyatt Olberding.

Wyatt is the son of Valerie and Kevin Olberding.

He has been active in football, basketball, track and student council.

Wyatt is a member of the National Honor Society.

Following graduation, Wyatt plans to attend Kansas State University to major in business.

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Holton High School Senior of the Month



Congratulations to Eduardo Bertulfo, Holton High's senior of the month for February. He is the son of Eduardo and

Rhea Bertulfo.

Eduardo is a member of the Holton High School Scholars' Bowl team and National Honor Society. While in high school he also has participated in FFA and Model United Nations.

After graduation, Eduardo plans to attend Kansas State University and pursue a degree in computer engineering.

He was presented with a \$25 gift card to Dairy Queen from the Holton High School staff for his involvement at HHS.

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Royal Valley Senior of the Month



Congratulations to Josie Matsapto, Royal Valley's senior of the month for Febru-

ary. Josie is the daughter of Joseph and Kristina Matsapto. She has been active in volleyball, dance, cheerleading, KAY club, band and drumline.

Following graduation, she plans to attend Washburn University.

The Royal Valley student council would like to thank Josie for her continued leadership at RVHS!

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Deep clean in the deep freeze

By Nancy Nelson
Meadowlark Extension
District Agent
Family Life

With the cold weather outside, it's a good time to clean the freezer. It's important to keep the freezer clean of frost and food debris. Here are some tips from Michigan State Univer-



sity Extension for cleaning and maintaining your freezer:

- Remove all frozen food items.
- Check items for expiration dates and for freezer burn.
- Consider throwing out any food that appears old and dried out. It may still be safe to eat, but the quality may be poor. Ice crystals on the inside of packages may indicate thawing and refreezing - those packages may need to be thrown out. Frozen food can be stored up to one year.
- Pack food items you are keeping in another freezer or

a cooler until you can return them to the freezer.

- Wipe down the freezer with one tablespoon of baking soda in one quart of water. Then wipe with clean water before turning the freezer back on.
- Let the freezer cool down for about 30 minutes before placing the frozen items back into it.
- Put a freezer thermometer near the door of the freezer and check it periodically. Adjust the temperature control as needed to keep foods at or below 0 degrees Fahrenheit.

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Students at Holton Elementary School noted their 100th day of school on Jan. 27. To celebrate, the students wanted to give back to the community by donating cans of food. The students collected more than 300 cans to donate to the Jackson County food pantry. Shown above are the school's first-grade students with a pyramid of food cans.

Submitted photo

Denison Bible Church

By Esther L. Hall

Pastor Tom's message at Denison Bible Church on Feb. 12 was "Protecting The Beauty That Is Not Fleeting," based on Ruth 3:14-18. Love relationships should all start out as friendship. A love relationship doesn't have to be a physical love. The norm used to be that friendship came first. Unfortunately, today physical attraction, whether or not love is involved, and too often a baby come first.

Our love relationship should be rooted in God's love and it should last forever. The beauty of a relationship can be seen in the holiness that develops in us through our relationships with God. People should be able to see evidence of God in everything we do and say.

The main reason God gave Eve to Adam was for companionship on all levels. It wasn't for love and to have babies. That came later.

There is beauty in a marriage that lasts. Love and marriage are

not two different things. There should be love in marriage. Sometimes it gets lost in our relationships with each other, but the beauty is suppose to be seen because of God – not because of lust.

A friendship love in marriage develops over time. When it gets lost, it's because we quit protecting it. We have to submit to one another and give God the glory. We're on equal levels, and protection of our marriages falls on both of us. We respect each other because of our responsibility to the Lord. Our responsibility is assigned to us by God.

There are three principles in protecting the beauty of marriage to make it last.

First: Mutual intimacy. We have concern for one another. We do everything to maintain each other's reputation. We meet each other's needs.

Second: Mutual burden bearing. We share the same burdens with each other. Your burdens

are my burdens.

Third: Mutual trust. There are obstacles in our lives, but we must trust each other to do what needs to be done. Sometimes that even means to wait on each other.

Sadly, in this day and age, people don't respect their marriages. They're willing to pay big bucks for the dress, ceremony and reception but they won't pay the cost to sacrifice for each other to make their marriage work. They're not willing to invest in each other.

We don't have to sacrifice for God, but we should strive to have a relationship with Him. Our assignment is to live for God. He deserves first place in our lives. God forgives us and loves us. We should put God on display in our lives for others to see.

Everyone who knows Jesus Christ has God the Holy Spirit living in them, and we can show the world that we are living in a loving relationship with Him.

Buck's Grove

By Betty Bernitter

On Feb. 12, the sixth Sunday after Epiphany, Lay Pastor Charlotte Milroy welcomed everyone to Buck's Grove Methodist Church.

As Althea Fordham played "Breathe On Me Breath Of God," Mary Ringel lighted the altar candles.

Althea also played hymns "Trust And Obey," "Let There Be Peace On Earth" and "My Hope Is Built."

Betty Bernitter read a humorous story titled "Cemetery."

The gospel reading was Matthew 5:21-37 and Charlotte's sermon was titled "Ala Carte Christian." We could call today's Christianity ala carte. That is something you pick and choose what you think or feel like. They

pick as to what commandments they want to obey and what may be important to them.

Jesus talks about making peace with those with whom you are having conflicts and talks about anger, lust and divorce. It all begins with an attitude towards the law. Whoever relaxes one of the least of His commandments and teaches other people to relax them shall be called least in the Kingdom of God.

Forgiveness is the means by which we enter the kingdom of God. None of us will enter the pearly gates and heaven because of our obedience, but by His gracious gift that He has given to us by His death on the cross.

Jesus died for each of us before we knew Him and He knew

us. He has forgiven each of us with grace and given us hope and love to have compassion to show others what we have. We are here to be the people Jesus has called us to be, His disciples.

Charlotte served communion with the assistance of Donna Ashcraft.

Joyce Immenschuh read scripture from Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and 1 Corinthians 3:1-9. The Psalter reading was Psalm 119:1-8.

Wayne Rieschick and Jack Bernitter were offertory ushers and the service closed by singing "Come Oh Lord."

Bible study, under the guidance of Donna, was held as those present learned how Ezekiel served the Lord.

Circleville Christian

By Jeannie Arnold

Jay and Carol Buehrer served as greeters at the door for Cowboy Church at Circleville Christian Church on Feb. 12. Blair Wagner gave the welcome and announcements and the opening prayer. Music was provided by the praise team of Gary Bell, Dale and Ilah Rose Askren, David Allen, Max Lierz, Sandra Hurt and Paul and Sue Davault. The prayer for concerns and praises was

given by Blair Wagner.

David Allen gave the communion meditation. Communion servers were Donnie Askren, Mike Cochren, Jeremy Kennedy and John Ray. The offertory prayer was given by Paul Davault. Hannah Davault with her clarinet and Sue Davault with her guitar provided music as communion was served by playing "I Don't Know About Tomorrow" and as the offering was

received, they played "Amazing Grace."

Blair Wagner brought the morning message titled "Two Is Company, Three Is A Crowd," using text from Genesis 16:1-16. His message was about the story of Abram, Sarai and Hagar. What we took away from the story was that problems happen when we take matters into our own hands. We need to be patient and wait for the Lord.

Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

On Monday, Feb. 6, Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson, Kenny Wykert and Helen Farley attended the Soldier Senior Executives luncheon at the Soldier Community Building. After a delicious meal, the group enjoyed listening to Ron Ahlgren playing his accordion and singing.

Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson went to the Jackson Heights vs. Pleasant Ridge basketball game on Tuesday, Feb. 7. The teams split, with the girls losing and boys winning. Senior night is Tuesday, Feb. 21. It's hard to believe that the basketball season is nearly over.

The Circleville Senior Executives will meet at the Lodge Hall in Circleville on Monday, Feb. 20 for their monthly meal and meeting. The group is serving chicken with members bringing side dishes. Ron Ahlgren will provide the entertainment.

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Case No. 16 PR 17

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Circleville U.M.C.

By Sue Wichman

Sunday, Feb. 12, promised to be a bright, sunny day as the congregation gathered at Circleville United Methodist Church. Leesa Harshaw played "He Touched Me" while Katharyn Duryea lighted the altar candles.

David Allen led the call to worship and the opening prayer.

The hymns were "My Hope Is Built," "In Christ There Is No East Or West" and "Let There Be Peace On Earth." David served as song leader and Leesa provided the accompaniment.

Sue Wichman read the scrip-

ture lesson from Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and 1 Corinthians 3:1-9.

Leesa played "Blessed Assurance" while Allen Fernkopf and Verlin Wichman received the offering.

Lay Pastor Charlotte Milroy's sermon was based on the gospel lesson, Matthew 5:21-37. In today's society, it seems that some people feel that the Ten Commandments should be altered to fit today's morality.

Can any of us obey the law of God perfectly? We will not enter the kingdom of God because

of our obedience, but because of His forgiveness, the gracious gift He gave to us by His death on the cross.

For a Valentine's Day special, Ginger Johnson played "In My Heart There Rings A Melody" on her harmonica.

Theresa Wade assisted Charlotte in offering Holy Communion. Leesa played "Amazing Grace" and "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" during this time of meditation.

The service closed with "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Immanuel Lutheran Church By Esther L. Ideker

"Celebrating 75 Years Of Commending Christ From One Generation To Another" was the theme of the worship service on Feb. 12 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, a service written by the Rev. Dr. Steve Turner, Iowa District West LCMS president and past Lutheran Women's Missionary League pastoral advisor.

Gathered as women and men of the church who are in our generation to be witnesses of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Many of us lament "the generation gap" that seems to be growing with the acceleration of changes in our culture. There are times when we long for the "good old days." Our worship reminded us that God continues to work in our days. That He is the God of all generations!

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League was founded on July 7, 1942, in Chicago. The purpose then of the LWML was to develop a greater mission consciousness among women (missionary education, missionary inspiration and missionary service) and to gather funds for mission projects for which no adequate provision was made in the LCMS budget. "Missionary" meant the individual member, who was to "win and hold souls for Christ the Master, visit the sick and shut-ins, relieve the needy and cultivate the spirit of sisterly

good cheer and fellowship."

Pastor Michael Van Velzer led the service with readers Elizabeth Handke and Nancy Schumann. Opening with the responsive invocation, the first hymn was "We Are Called To Stand Together." The first readings were titled "We Are Connected To The Generations That Have Come Before Us," with reference to Genesis 7:1 and Exodus 34:7.

Following the absolution and confession, the hymn "Let Children Hear The Mighty Deeds" was sung. "Our sons and daughters we shall tell, and they again to theirs, that generations yet unborn, may teach them to their heirs."

In the section, "We are connected to this generation," Builders, Boomers, Generation X and Millennials were described. The Magnificat was spoken responsively and the congregation professed The Apostles' Creed.

"Sing Praise To God, The Highest Good" was sung. The last section, "We Are Connected To All Generations," introduced with Deuteronomy 32:7: "Remember the days of old; consider the years of many generations; ask your father, and he will show you, your elders, and they will tell you."

"Lord, Take My Hand And Lead Me" was sung followed by the prayers to the Lord of all generations. The congregation

joined in The Lord's Prayer. Pastor Van Velzer then installed the Altar Committee members and officers of the LWML before the altar. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League Pledge was spoken. Following the benediction, the service closed with the hymn "O God, Our Help In Ages Past."

The door offering was designated for Lutheran Deaf Ministry.

Pastor Van Velzer happily announced the birth of his first grandson, Christopher Thomas, born in Maryland on Saturday, Feb. 11.

Serving Sunday was Tex Manuel II, elder; Joyce Peterson, organist; and Grant Amon, acolyte.

The LWML served muffins and coffee cake at the fellowship time preceding Bible class and Sunday school. At the Feb. 5 worship at Immanuel Lutheran, recognized at the service were Scouts Grant Amon, Trevor Klahr and Garrett Klahr. Immanuel Ladies met at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 10 at the church. Esther Ideker led the devotions and topic, "Wondrous Cross," written by Jannette Burnett from the Lutheran Women's Quarterly. Roll call was "My Christian Journey" and project was Lutheran Chaplaincy. Elizabeth Handke was hostess. Dianne Jennerich of Shawnee was a welcomed guest.

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Wednesday: 7:15 p.m. Prayer meeting
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Southern Heights Clubhouse
Pastor Jon Hanna
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9 a.m. Worship
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10:45 a.m. Worship service
Circleville Christian Church
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Worship service - 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.
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Mayetta United Methodist
Rev. Howard Sudduth
Sunday: 9 a.m. Morning worship service and Sunday school
Netawaka United Methodist
Rev. Youngwan Won
Sunday: 8:15 a.m. Worship
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Food hubs bringing locally-sourced food to dinner tables

By Jean Stramel
Kansas Rural Center

For more than a decade, the Kansas Rural Center (KRC) has worked to promote a farm and food system that increases the amount of fruits, vegetables and other specialty crops grown in Kansas and consumed by Kansans.

While Kansas currently imports more than 90 percent of the fruits and vegetables consumed in the state, efforts to get more locally produced food onto dinner tables in Kansas are slowly taking hold, and food hubs are playing a role in this success.

KRC's Annual Farm & Food Conference last fall included a workshop that provided an update on some of the food hubs operating in the state, covering how they function, the benefits they provide and some of the challenges they face.

According to the USDA Marketing Service, "A regional food hub is a business or organization that actively manages the aggregation, distribution and marketing of source-identified food products primarily from local and regional producers to strengthen their ability to satisfy wholesale, retail and institutional demand. Regional food hubs are key mechanisms for creating large, consistent, reliable supplies of mostly locally or regionally produced foods."

"Food hubs can play a role no matter what stage a local food system is in," Marlin Bates told attendees of KRC's workshop on food hubs.

Bates served as the K-State Research and Extension horticulture agent in Douglas County until he recently took the role of county extension executive director. As the horticulture agent, he focused on increasing the local foods' supply by working with new and existing specialty crop producers.

Supporting growers includes expanding markets for their products, which means attracting new customers.

The University of Wisconsin Center for Integrated Ag Systems identified five tiers, or relationships, between food producers and consumers.

At one end of the spectrum is personal production of food, including backyard and community gardens, fishing, hunting and gathering. At the opposite end of the spectrum are multi-national food conglomerates, such as ADM and Cargill, who distribute on a global scale.

In the middle are food hubs, which take food grown by farmers and other producers and distribute it to larger outlets. A food hub serves as an aggregator and distributor so that produce from many sources can be pooled and marketed to outlets unavailable to individual growers. By marketing as a bloc, like a cooperative, the value to the farmer is retained as much as possible.

While the idea and term "food hub" is currently very popular, it is not new. Rolling Prairie Farmers Alliance, a cooperative CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) subscription service, is a food hub, although they've been in operation since before the term became common.

Rolling Prairie Farmers Alliance was started in 1993 with help and strategic direction from the Kansas Rural Center and is modeled on the concept of aggregating produce from multiple farms to sell directly to consumers through a CSA model.

Several studies completed in northeast Kansas between 2011 and 2014 showed a large unmet demand for local foods in northeast Kansas and the Kansas City area.

"Building a Deep-Rooted Local Food System: A Food System Analysis for Douglas County, Jefferson County and Leavenworth County in Kansas," published in 2011, outlined a plan to address identified key issues of obesity and lack of food access and land devoted to growing fruits and vegetables.

To address these issues and the demand for more local foods, two groups - the Douglas County Food Policy Council and the Food Policy Coalition of Greater Kansas City - conducted studies to see if the establishment of

a food hub was feasible. These studies surveyed 196 growers and 121 buyers, ranging in size from small food stores to SYSCO-sized companies. Both studies concluded a food hub could be a valuable tool in addressing demand for local products.

Inspired by this assessment, five farmers formed Farm Fresh HQ (farmfreshhq.com), a growers' cooperative, working to aggregate and distribute produce to markets in the KC Metro area.

Tom Buller, a fruit and vegetable grower and part-time KRC staff member, became a founding member of Farm Fresh HQ as he was looking to move away from retail marketing and into wholesale markets. He discussed the structure of the group in the workshop.

According to Buller, the number of members in the organization has grown to 10, and two of the owners/members operate "sub-hubs," one in Olathe and one in Odessa, Mo., where product is co-mingled and readied for markets. The group has support from a USDA Value-Added grant. They still face challenges of supply versus demand, balancing the needs of farmers with those of food buyers and managing multiple location and delivery schedules.

They strive to hold onto the original purpose and values of why they started the effort, while managing six key components of their food hub concept: marketing and sales, aggregation and delivery, crop and stock planning, food safety planning, bulk packing supplies and technology training.

The product line is diverse with both organic and conventional, 20 kinds of vegetables, 10 fruits and meats.

Another food hub operating in Kansas is the High Plains Food Coop, a group of growers in far northwestern Kansas, which started in 2008. Leon Atwell

is the group's business coach through his consulting company Advancing Rural Prosperity. He described the evolution of the High Plains Food Coop at the food hub workshop at KRC's conference.

The coop currently involves 50 producers serving 300 customers in Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska, and offering 750 products. This food hub is a "virtual food aggregator," meaning buyers place their orders online and then the order is delivered to different locations.

Annual sales have gone from \$10,000 in 2008 to \$400,000 in 2016, with growth on track to reach \$1 million in sales in the near future. Deliveries were originally monthly, but are now weekly. The group's business model values community, generating revenue for producers and the cooperative model.

They often link up with other coops from Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming for product. The coop is required to sell 51 percent of its products from members. There is a high value placed on the trust between customers, producers and the coop. The average order is \$108/month, but there is no minimum order amount.

These Kansas food hubs demonstrate that through cooperation and management it is possible to support growers of fruits and vegetables in Kansas and to increase the amount of locally grown food reaching consumers. Growers and consumers both benefit when these aggregation strategies succeed to increase the amount of local food consumed by Kansans.

The mission of KRC, founded in 1979, is to promote the long-term health of the land and its people through research, education and advocacy that advance an economically viable, ecologically sound and socially just food and farming system. For more information, visit www.kansasruralcenter.org.

Jackson County Arts

By Sandi Butler
Secretary

The Jackson County Arts Club met on Jan. 23 at More Than Lemons in Holton. There were eight members present: Fred Appelhantz, Linda Brownlow, Sandi Butler, April Lemon, Katie Morris, David Schock, Mary Schock and Carol Totten. Roll call was answered with "What is your New Year's resolution?"

The treasurer's report was not given because Suzette McCord-Rogers, treasurer, was absent.

It was discussed and voted on to have the club's meetings every other month on the fourth Monday instead of every month as previously held.

Meetings scheduled for 2017 include March 27, May 22, July 24, Sept. 25 and Nov. 27. If there needs to be additional meetings, they will be announced at that

time.

The election of officers for 2017 was held, and the new officers include President Katie Morris, Vice President Fred Appelhantz, Secretary Sandi Butler and Treasurer Suzette McCord-Rogers.

It was discussed to have a display at the Quilts In the Courtyard event set for June 10. Each member is to bring a 16-inch by 20-inch canvas to the March 27 meeting to begin work on this project, which has been named "Common Thread."

It was announced that CL Riley was pleased with the western art displayed at the gun show that was held earlier in January at the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex.

Art to be displayed at the Beck-Bookman Library for the following months include: February - Carol Totten; March -

Sandi Butler; and April - Mary Schock.

April Lemon announced that artist Vernon Brejcha, Lawrence, will be showing his collection of work on the second Saturday in March at More Than Lemons.

The meeting was adjourned, and show and tell was shared. David and Mary Schock showed their woodcarvings of cowboys that they carved at Gerald Copeland's class. Katie Morris showed a Canadian goose she created in colored pencil on scrap matboard. She also showed her graduation picture for her master's degree in art education. Carol Totten showed her painting of mixed media.

Roll call for the March 27 meeting will be "What is your favorite season?" The members then shared snacks and visited after.

Area students graduate from Washburn

Washburn University is pleased to announce the students in the fall 2016 graduating class, which includes several local students.

"At Washburn University, each student is prepared for their career following graduation," said Dr. Jerry Farley, Washburn University president. "I am confident that this graduating class is leaving Washburn to go on and do great things in the community."

Graduates include:

Delia: Lexi Hester, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; and Sydney Jessepe, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology.

Holton: Jordan Callison, bachelor of arts in history; Chel-

sie Moore, certificate in practical nursing; Audra Nelson, bachelor of health science in health services administration; Genna Rollins, stand alone parent program in phlebotomy; and Caroline Yingst, bachelor of education in physical education.

Hoyt: Rachel Garrison, bachelor of science in criminal justice in law enforcement; Juli Haberer, stand alone parent program in certified nurse aide; Leah Mahner, associate of arts in design technology; Kylie Moore, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; Morgan New, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; Timothy Russell, stand alone parent program in certified nurse aide; Carley Shane, certificate in

business bookkeeping and accounting; and Kyle Stockman, associate of science in industrial technology.

Mayetta: Marlissa Jordan, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; Chaley Lemmon, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; Felicity Price, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology; and Lannette Zeller, stand alone parent program in healthcare technology.

Muscotah: Logan Bowen, certificate in auto service technician.

Soldier: Jayna Smith, bachelor of science in nursing.

Wetmore: Megan Henry, certificate in diagnostic medical sonography.

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Extension District to host ‘Miss Meadowlark’ contest

By Michael Powls

The Meadowlark Extension District will host a 2017 Miss Meadowlark Contest sometime in July, it has been announced.

The Miss Meadowlark Contest will be for high school juniors, seniors and first-year post high-school graduates residing in Jackson, Jefferson and Nemaha counties, which are the counties that make up the Meadowlark Extension District.

The Miss Meadowlark Contestants will compete for \$1,000 in scholarships and other rewards, it was reported.

Informational meetings have been scheduled for the following times, dates and places with the same information to be shared at each meeting:

- *In Jackson County, the informational meeting will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 19, at the Northeast Kansas Heritage Building near Holton.
- *In Nemaha County, the informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16 at the Seneca Community Center.
- *In Jefferson County, the informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12 at the Jefferson County Fair Building.

Prior to the competitions, the girls will participate in six weeks of workshops, where they will learn the following skills:

- *How to pick the best colors and styles to compliment your natural beauty.
- *Make up application.
- *Interviewing techniques.
- *Etiquette.
- *Modeling.
- *Confidence building.
- *How to showcase your abilities and gifts.

Some door prizes may be given away to workshop participants, it was reported.

For more information about the Miss Meadowlark Contest, contact Carmen Cattrell at 364-0694 or Rachel Wilson at (785) 409-4077.

Business and professional people are also invited to help with the Miss Meadowlark Contest as sponsors. Donations in the amount of \$50, \$75, \$100, \$200, \$500 and \$1,000 are suggested. Contact Cattrell or Wilson for more information about how your business can help sponsor this event.

Chess Club...

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rence in December, along with another RV student.

“My sons medaled in the tournament, and it drew some interest from other students,” Smith said.

A letter about the new club was sent home with students to enlist more members. Smith said that the group is an “unofficial club,” stating that they haven’t had any group practices or meetings.

“We’re hoping by next year to be more organized and have practice times set aside,” he said.

Smith said he uses chess as a motivator in his math class. If students complete their class work early, they are allowed to play on several chessboards he has set up in his room.

Many of the high school members of the chess club will work on their techniques in Smith’s class during study hall.

“It’s a good workout for the mind,” Smith said. “I think the kids who went to this last tournament learned more about strategy, and I think they’ll do better the next time we compete.”

Smith said students involved in chess learn the importance of focus and patience.

“Each game is on the clock, so it’s a combination of patience and knowing how much time you have left,” he said. “It’s also teaches kids perseverance and how to overcome adversity and come from behind.”

Club members are expected to compete in a tournament on March 4, and Smith’s sons have already qualified for the state tournament on March 11.

Smith said that girls are outnumbered “10 to one” in most chess clubs and that the state also organizes an all-girls state chess tournament. The RV club has one girl on its team, who medaled in the last tournament.

Soldier Creek added to NRCS National Water Quality Initiative

Landowners in three Kansas watersheds, including the headwaters of Soldier Creek, can apply now for assistance to improve the water quality in the targeted watersheds, it has been reported.

U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is providing funds through the National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI) program. This program helps landowners improve small watersheds by remediating issues such as nutrient and sediment runoff or water with excessive pathogens.

The cut-off for fiscal year 2017 funds is April 20, 2017.

The watersheds that would benefit the most from conservation efforts are selected in collaboration with Kansas state agencies, partners and the NRCS Kansas Technical Committee. Three watersheds are being funded for 2017.

“Although financial assistance is provided to individual landowners, all residents living in these watersheds will benefit by having cleaner waterways and safer drinking water,” according to Monty Breneman, Kansas NRCS Assistant State Conservationist for Programs.

For the town of Munjor-Big Creek, funding will continue for 2017 for practices that reduce the E. coli bacteria in the water.

Two additional watersheds have been added. The headwaters of Soldier Creek targets reducing the total suspended solids in the water. The third watershed, headwaters of Mud Creek, targets the reduction of E. coli bacteria in the water.

West Emma Creek, in Heston and Canton, along with the headwaters of Grasshopper Creek, have been taken off the NWQI program for 2017.

For more information, go to the Kansas NRCS Web site www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/programs or visit your local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Service Center. To find a service center, visit offices.usda.gov

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Two local students are among the 765 students who completed associate, bachelor’s or graduate degrees at Fort Hays State University in the fall 2016 semester. The graduates include 186 graduate degrees (master’s and education specialists) and 765 undergraduate degrees.

Rebecca Lee Segenhagen of Holton received a master of science degree in special education with a concentration in high incidence.

Sandra L. Patterson of Whiting received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology.

FHSU does not release degree lists until transcripts have been verified as having met all requirements for graduation, it was reported.



Information sought for Purple Heart Profiles

The Holton Recorder plans to publish more profiles of Purple Heart Medal recipients from Jackson County and welcomes information about the county’s military veterans who have received the medal but have not yet been profiled in this special series.

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County Commission...

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If the county would buy two motor graders, Foley offered a free two-day course for every operator on grading techniques and road maintenance.

The commission did not take any action on the bids.

In other business, according to the approved minutes from Jan. 23, the commission:

- * Discussed a letter from Shannon Cannon who expressed her concern with the condition of V4 from 135th Road south to the county line, 98th Road from V4 to U4 Road, U4 Road from 118th Road south to the county line, V Road from 98th Road south to the county line and X Road from 114th Road south to the county line.
- Later in the week, rock was hauled to those roads, it was reported.
- * Discussed the possibility of drafting a fog policy that would clarify if early morning road work could be suspended due to fog.
- * Met with Dan Fenton who reported he is stepping down as the treasurer of the Mayetta Cemetery. If no one fills the position, the commission will have to take over the treasurer’s responsibilities. The commissioners thanked him for his service.
- * Met with Chad Phillips, head Courthouse custodian, to discuss pricing for fencing for the southeast corner of the Courthouse.
- * Met in executive session for 48 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.
- * Met briefly at the new road and bridge building to look at the recently installed windows.
- * Accepted a \$7,768.94 bid from Montgomery Electric of Holton to install extra circuits on the west and south side of the new road and bridge shop, as well as install an extra breaker.
- No other companies submitted bids for the project.
- * Met in executive session with County Counselor Alex Morrissey for 10 minutes to discuss a matter of client/attorney privilege. No action was taken back in open session.
- * Reviewed subdivision roads with Morrissey and discussed the difference between when the county accepts maintenance of a road that has been built according to county specifications/zoning regulations and access roads to lots within a plat that are not the county’s responsibility to maintain.
- Morrissey said she will research the issue.
- * Signed a request and petition to allow Century Link to bore under 254th Road to install a new service line.
- * Accepted the resignation of Hannah Schröller-Simpson from the county attorney’s office.
- * Adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Purple Heart...

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Jim was an infantryman with A Company, 3rd Battalion, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Airborne Brigade upon arrival in Vietnam. According to another soldier in Jim’s unit, Jim was sent out on point, which “usually didn’t happen with new soldiers,” Mitchell wrote of Jim’s experience in Binh Dinh province in central South Vietnam.

While Jim and three others — First Lt. Carlton Mendall of Hyde Park, Mass., Staff Sgt. Earl Nelson of Memphis, Tenn., and Private First Class Bruce Shover of Marietta, Ohio — were out on patrol on Jan. 16, 1971, it was reported that Jim, Mendall and Shover tripped a “friendly booby trap,” causing one of two explosions to be heard by others in their unit, it was reported.

The second explosion was reportedly triggered when Nelson tripped another wire while running to the aid of the other three. All four men died as a result.

Mitchell wrote that for nearly three decades, no one back home knew about the circumstances surrounding Jim’s death. But in 1998, another man in Jim’s unit contacted Mitchell about what happened, and another member of the unit provided him with more details in 2009.

The second man, Mitchell said, was Don Lovell, who went through Infantry and Airborne training with Jim. Lovell and Jim were both assigned to the 173rd Airborne Brigade and flew to Vietnam on the same plane.

“I thought the world of Martin,” Lovell said in 2009. “He was a good friend and a great soldier. I was devastated when I heard the news of his death. Martin was a very brave man. I still think of him nearly every day.”

Lovell also remembered Jim as a fearless soldier.

“Martin was willing to do what he believed was right and honorable, with no concern or respect for his own well being,” he said. “Vietnam was a tough place. Those of us that survived were very fortunate, and we never forgot, and never will forget, those who willingly paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom we enjoy in this nation.”

Jim is buried in Wah-go Cemetery on the Potawatomi reservation.

Spradling...

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Marek said the court wanted a chance to review the questionnaire, and Ambrosio agreed, noting that Spradling was being thrown into a case with “a lot of paperwork and a lot of discovery... and there’s more coming in” — so much so, in fact, that she wondered whether another motion hearing might be necessary prior to the start of the trial.

“We keep getting inundated with new information that we didn’t have before,” Ambrosio said.


The cancellation of jury trials in other unrelated criminal cases made space in the court’s schedule for another motion hearing on Friday, Marek said, adding that the March 3 motion hearing would likely go on as scheduled. Marek expressed a desire to go over jury instructions during that hearing.

Ambrosio also noted that one motion yet to be filed “may require us to reanalyze the full trial schedule.” Furthermore, she said “one, maybe two motions” would need to be filed under seal, and that could be done during a telephone conference.

Spradling agreed, saying the content of those motions, which were not specified during Friday’s hearing, contain “information that law requires (them) to be filed under seal.”

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