



AmeriCorps volunteers Shelly Pickering of Massachusetts (front) and Marisa McDaniel of California are shown painting a mural on the side of the bathhouse at the RV park at Banner Creek Reservoir. The mural depicts a camper, a fisherman and other scenes from around the reservoir. The team of AmeriCorps volunteers will wrap up their time in Jackson County on July 7.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Sheriff seeking budget increase for office in '18

By Ali Holcomb

Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse has requested a budget increase for the sheriff's office, communications center and jail for 2018.

The budget increase, which includes an additional \$133,487, includes a \$600 raise per employee and also offsets the cost of additional technology expenses.

The sheriff's office is exempt from the new tax lid restrictions, and to help save the county one mill last year, Sheriff Morse said he utilized more of the revenue generated by the Jackson County Jail to fund his office.

Morse has also proposed hiring a second, full-time administrative assistant.

A \$8,179 increase in technology has been budgeted for next year for a variety of reasons, Morse said, including increases in technology licenses.

Morse said the jail's contract with Advanced Correctional Healthcare for inmate healthcare is increasing \$2,846.75, from \$72,993.55 to \$75,840.30 for the year.

Morse did note that cost-saving reductions have been made in vehicle and building maintenance needs since the creation of the maintenance supervisor position.

The proposed budget totals \$2,555,192, which is up from the \$2,421,705 appropriated last year. This total does not include employee benefits, which are

also exempt from the tax lid.

The commissioners told Morse that they would be working on the county budget soon and that they would address his budget requests once they know the budgets for the other departments.

In other business, according to the approved minutes from June 12, the commission:

* Met with Mixie Schafer, noxious weed and environmental services director.

Schafer reported that after talking with other counties, most neighboring counties do not charge the public to dispose of used oil.

Some do charge a nominal fee per gallon after a set amount of gallons has been accepted.

The recycling center's tank holds 500 gallons, and Schafer said that the oil is usually picked up four times a year.

Schafer said she will check with additional companies to see if they could contract with the county at a lower disposal rate.

* Learned from Schafer that one of the recycling center's support beams is broken and pushing on the wall. Commissioner Bill Elmer requested that Dan Barnett, road and bridge administrator, look into the issue.

* Met with Barnett who reported that work needs to be completed on several minimum maintenance roads after recent rains.

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Remember fireworks safety for 4th of July

By Brian Sanders

The sound of fireworks crackling, popping, whistling and booming and the scent of gunpowder will be in the air once again starting Tuesday, as kids of all ages celebrate the Independence Day season.

Tuesday marks the official start of fireworks sales in the Holton and Jackson County area, and Class C fireworks may be legally sold and discharged through Wednesday, July 5, it has been reported. Such fireworks include firecrackers, Roman candles, rockets, shells, fountains and other pyrotechnic

displays.

In Holton and Jackson County, fireworks may be discharged between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. on those dates and on Wednesday, July 5. On Tuesday, July 4, they may be discharged between 8 a.m. and midnight, according to city ordinance.

The state of Kansas has banned the sale or discharge of bottle rockets or M-80 firecrackers — crackers that contain more than 50 milligrams of gunpowder — and in Jackson County, the sale or discharge of metal-handled sparklers and Chinese lanterns, or "sky lanterns," are

also prohibited.

All other fireworks classified as "Consumer Fireworks" by the U.S. Department of Transportation and labeled as "Class C" are legal, according to the Kansas State Fire Marshal's office.

Young people are reminded to exercise care when discharging fireworks in the coming days. Some of the most common tips for handling fireworks safely include:

■ Don't throw or propel fireworks in the direction of or into the path of anyone else or into a vehicle. Not only does that action lack common sense, but in

Holton, it's also prohibited by city ordinance.

Furthermore, the Kansas Fire Marshal's office notes it is illegal "to shoot fireworks on or under a vehicle, on any public roadway, within 50 feet of a firework stand or where fireworks are stored, and gas stations or anywhere liquid gas including propane is stored."

■ Buy high-quality fireworks from a legitimate, reliable source, and don't carry them in your pocket. Store them in cool, dry places.

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Purple Heart Profiles Frantz on USS Houston in Battle of Sunda Strait

Editor's note: This is the 60th 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 are among those placed on a special monument for Purple Heart Medal recipients now standing in Holton's Linscott Park.

Shortly before midnight on Feb. 28, 1942, the USS Houston, an American heavy cruiser in the U.S. Navy, made its way into the Sunda Strait between the Indonesian islands of Java and Sumatra with 1,061 crewmen aboard. One of those men was Storekeeper Third Class Harlan M. Frantz, a 22-year-old native of Soldier.

Little more than an hour later, the Houston and another ship had been sunk by an Imperial Japanese Navy task force in what is known today as the Battle of Sunda Strait.

Only 368 members of the Houston's crew survived the sinking, but Frantz was not among them.

Born Dec. 11, 1919, the son of Fred and Cleo Channel Frantz of Soldier, Harlan Milton Frantz spent his early years in



the Soldier area, and he attended one year of high school in Soldier before his family moved to Junction City.

Frantz graduated from high school in Junction City, and he eventually joined the Navy. He became a crewman on board the USS Houston, where he was tasked with maintaining the ship's supply store.

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One issue next week

Due to the Fourth of July holiday, *The Holton Recorder* will publish one issue next week, not two.

The *Recorder* will publish a combined Monday and Wednesday edition on Wednesday, July 5. There will be no issue printed on Monday, July 3.

The deadline to schedule

advertising or submit copy for the combined edition will be 5 p.m. Monday, July 3. For more information, call 364-3141.

The *Holton Recorder* office, as well as government offices, financial institutions and many area businesses, will be closed next Tuesday to observe the Fourth of July.



Northbound traffic on U.S. Highway 75 was diverted just south of Mayetta for almost three hours Sunday morning after a recreational vehicle caught fire at 158th Road and U.S. 75, according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse. A 2013 Hurricane 29X motor home (shown above at right) caught fire at 9:40 a.m. and was completely destroyed. Two people were inside the vehicle when it caught fire, but no injuries were reported, Morse said. The RV and two occupants were from Georgia. The Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Mayetta Fire Department, the Hoyt Fire Department and Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Fire Department and Police responded to the incident. The cause of the fire is still being determined, but Morse reports that it may have been an electrical issue.

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DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Traffic

Daniel J. Abernathy, Tonganoxie, transporting an open container, \$309.

William G. Booth, Topeka, registration violation, no proof of insurance, \$458.

Richard P.M. Brewer, Hoyt, child restraint violation, \$286.

Edmond D. Cay, Wichita, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$375.

Brianna A. Childers, Holton, no proof of insurance, \$408.

Evarardo P. Esparza, Wichita, driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked, \$208.

Robyn D. Hetherington, Corning, registration violation, \$259.

Robyn D. Hetherington, Corning, driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked, \$309.

Gaspar Lux Perez, Holton, driving under the influence, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, improper driving on laned roadway, diversion.

Mauricio D. Nieto, Miami, Fla., speeding, \$426.

Karen A. Tipton, Topeka, driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked, \$662.

Nickademus M. Torres-Pimentel, Hiawatha, transporting an open container, \$228.

Juan B. Wishteyah, address not listed, no seat belt, \$91.

State of Kansas vs. Mavric J. Dalsing, Topeka, two counts of lewd and lascivious behavior, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked.

State of Kansas vs. Keisha J. Brown, Topeka, fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer.

State of Kansas vs. Jordan E. Sowers, Holton, disorderly conduct.

State of Kansas vs. Shanna M. Sell, Topeka, disorderly conduct.

Civil

Filed
The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company N.A., formerly known as The Bank of New York Trust Company N.A., as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. vs. Patricia A. McKinney, John Doe, unknown spouse of Patricia A. McKinney, and John Doe (unknown occupant), seeking judgment of \$45,751.65 plus interest, court costs and foreclosure of mortgage.

Discover Bank vs. Misty Herbster, seeking judgment of \$14,336.72 plus interest and court costs.

Jackson County Sheriff's Office vs. \$2,518 U.S. currency, notice of pending forfeiture filed.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Curtis D. Kaler and Christina M. Kaler, sought judgment of \$2,704.75 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Rural Health Resources of Jackson County vs. Shelly R. Kovar and Kevin Kovar, sought judgment of \$221.54 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Denison State Bank vs. James A. Strader Jr. and Betty J. Strader, sought judgment of \$778.81 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$683.68 plus interest and court costs.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Casandra L. Hyatt, sought judgment of \$2,307.44 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Filed
The Farmers State Bank vs. Ian M. Steele, seeking judgment of \$209.06 plus interest and court costs.

The Farmers State Bank vs. Arin Alley, seeking judgment of \$360.19 plus interest and court costs.

RSI, doing business as Pizza Hut 103 vs. Suzanne M. Freeland, seeking judgment of \$514.92 plus interest and court costs.

Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Andrea Mattice, seeking judgment of \$3,777.96 plus interest and court costs.

World's Foremost Bank vs. Janet S. Peek and Gary Peek, seeking judgment of \$10,040.78 plus interest and court costs.

Synchrony Bank vs. Justin Mitchell, seeking judgment of \$770.75 plus interest and court costs.

Domestic Dispositions

In the matter of the marriage of Tina Martin-Klobnak and Ron Klobnak, sought divorce; granted.

State of Kansas, Department for Children and Families vs. Merriam Langdon, sought support judgment; dismissed.

State of Kansas, Department for Children and Families vs. Greco Reyes, sought registration of foreign support order; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Darlene D. Rezac and David J. Rezac, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Karlene New and Gary D. New, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Stephanie Hoch and Braden Hoch, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Misty D. Horan and Michael D. Horan, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Samantha L. Gerry and Timothy M. Medina Jr., sought divorce; granted.

Filed
In the matter of the marriage of Elaine M. Weddle and Caleb J. Weddle, seeking divorce.

Marriage Licenses

Steven M. Bunde, 30, Holton
Andrea R. Schindler, 29, Holton

Seth S. Stiers, 28, Holton
Lindsay A. Roberts, 26, Holton

Kendall A. Holt, 40, Mayetta
Kylie T. Riddle, 37, Mayetta

Christopher J. Eshom, 35, Hoyt
Jaimee L.S. Finneran, 26, Hoyt

Damian D. Scott, 19, Topeka
Carley J. Shane, 19, Hoyt

Criminal Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Maria B. Stille, Lawrence, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Allison N. Brese, Topeka, theft; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Kelley J. Fernandez, Hiawatha, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

Limited Civil Dispositions

LVNV Funding L.L.C. vs. Deborah Baker, sought judgment of \$1,389.67 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Kim L. Ross, sought judgment of \$2,904.22 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Dawn M. Pence, sought judgment of \$2,571.15 plus interest and court costs; dismissed.

Small Claims Dispositions

Tamaira Wright vs. Ariana Rodriguez-Babineau, sought judgment of \$4,000 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Sheriff's officers report arrests

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

- On June 15, Stella Mahkuk, 35, Horton, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge.
- On June 15, a 13-year-old male from Holton was arrested on a probation violation charge.
- On June 15, Tammie Adanson, 53, Holton, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.
- On June 16, Ambrosia Selby, 26, Topeka, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.
- On June 16, Christopher Reighard, 35, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
- On June 16, Hevair Loucious, 25, Topeka, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia and driving while suspended.
- On June 16, a 17-year-old female from Topeka was arrested on charges of possession of a hallucinogenic drug and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.
- On June 16, John Bronson, 46, Topeka, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia and on a warrant from another jurisdiction.
- On June 17, Jordan Sloop, 29, Valley Falls, was arrested on charges of possession of stolen property, possession of illegal drugs, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia, driving while

suspended and driving while declared a habitual violator.

- On June 17, Tonya North-Sanders, 49, Hoyt, was arrested on a charge of domestic battery.
- On June 17, Richard Fitzgerald, 54, Topeka, was arrested on charges of driving while suspended and having no vehicle liability insurance.
- On June 17, Levi Dudoit, 26, Horton, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge and on another criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
- On June 17, Ashlie Anderson, 21, Valley Falls, was arrested on charges of possession of stolen property, possession of illegal drugs and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.
- On June 20, Lloyd Townsend, 48, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a

charge of failure appear.

- On June 20, Brandon Rothwell, 25, Ottawa, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure appear.
- On June 20, Kimberly Kuykendall, 40, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
- On June 20, Britiany Ensign, 28, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear and on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.
- On June 21, Miguel Cayetano-Rolios, 26, Holton, was arrested on a charge of driving without a license.

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Accidents investigated

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

- At 5:52 a.m. on May 23, Pamela Flewelling-Baum, 54, Holton, was traveling south on 110th Road near U.S. Highway 75 when her 2012 Ford struck a deer in the road. Flewelling-Baum's vehicle sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.
- At 11:30 p.m. on June 16, Austin Mock, 16, Holton, was traveling west on 254th Road near O Road when a tree fell in the road ahead of him. The 1998 Chevrolet Mock was driving was steered off the road to the north and struck some branches before coming to rest in a ditch, it was reported. The Chevrolet sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and windshield that was listed at more than \$1,000.

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MEMORIES

Compiled from the Holton Recorder archives by Kendra Moppin



In the top photo, Bridget Woltje, a student in the Level 5 swim class during swimming lessons at the Holton Municipal Swimming Pool last week, practiced her swimming techniques. In the photo above, Woltje (second from left) was congratulated by lifeguard and class teacher Taryn Weilert (right) and classmates Havilah Myers (left) and Jennifer Buck (second from right) on returning to the side of the pool.

Photos by Brian Sanders

5 Years Ago

Week of June 25-July 1, 2012

Demolition of the old wrestling gym and ag classrooms at Holton High School got under way recently. The projected completion deadline is Dec. 5.

Jennifer McMahon, a 1992 graduate of Jackson Heights High School, moved back to the area from Tennessee a month ago and is now set to take charge of her alma mater's volleyball program as the new coach. This is her first high school head coaching position.

Kansas residents planning to vote in the Aug. 7 primary election, or any future election, must now present a photo ID when voting, according to a new state law. Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick said the photo ID is used to verify each voter's name and appearance, not their address.

Jackson Heights High School and Middle School science teacher Gary Keehn was honored in recent days by the Kansas chapter of the Air Force Association as the Major General Edward R. Fry Chapter Teacher of the Year for 2012, and as the Kansas AFA State Teacher of the Year.

10 Years Ago

Week of June 25-July 1, 2007

Plans for the first July Jubilee are being finalized, it has been announced. Sponsored by the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, the event will be held on Saturday, July 7, at Banner Creek Reservoir.

On Tuesday morning, June 26, road signs to be placed along U.S. Highway 75 at 158th Road were unveiled. The signs will lead motorists to the Prairie Band Potawatomi tribe's veterans memorial at Prairie Peoples' Park.

Brett Oxandale, O.D., Netawaka, was among 116 students awarded the Doctor of Optometry degree from Southern College of Optometry (SCO) in Memphis. Dr. Oxandale is the son of Rod Oxandale of Wetmore.

At the beginning of June, Darla Lanter became general manager of Jackson Farmers, Inc., in Holton, with the retirement of Ben Griffith. Lanter started working with Jackson Farmers in 2001 as office manager/controller.

15 Years Ago

Week of June 25-July 1, 2002

Jackie Risen has joined the staff of Kellerman Real Estate in Holton, it has been announced.

Holton's Lasting Impressions "Sluggers" 8-U girls softball team won the Jefferson-Jackson league tournament at Perry over the weekend. The Sluggers beat Perry-Lecompton and Royal Valley twice to go 4-0. Royal Valley took second in the tourney. Members of the Sluggers team included Kelsey Helus, Justine Powls, Kylie Miller, Shannon Maxwell, Austin Marriott, Kaylsey

Wallace, Kyrstie Miller, Emily Zwonitzer, Megan Lovvorn, Logan Fornelli and Victoria Harshaw. Coaches were Vern Miller, Steve Harshaw and David Powls.

Holton High School teacher Mike Ford was among 120 educators from 44 states presented with a Milken Educator Award at the Milken Family Foundation National Education Conference in Los Angeles, Calif., it was reported.

25 Years Ago

Week of June 25-July 1, 1992

The bridge on Old U.S. Highway 75 over Elk Creek on Hol-

ton's north city limits was torn down early this week in preparation for construction of a new one. The 130-foot, three-span bridge will have a 30-foot roadway.

Justin Rinkes of Hoyt was recently elected reporter for the Kansas Northeast District Junior Angus Association, it was reported.

Audiology services at Holton Community Hospital will soon expand. The hospital's board of trustees has approved minor modifications to one room of the out-patient area to allow for installation of a sound-proof booth for audiology testing.

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Kansas Ag Department to launch Emergency Response Corps

This summer, the Kansas Department of Agriculture will make Kansas the first state in the nation to launch a comprehensive volunteer corps to address agriculture emergency response, it was reported.

The Kansas Agriculture Emergency Response Corps (KAERC) will be made up of volunteers representing a broad range of skills who will be trained and prepared to respond rapidly and efficiently to an agricultural emergency. KDA needs skilled, dedicated citizens from many different backgrounds, possessing a wide range of proficiencies, to be members of this volunteer corps.

"The agriculture emergency response corps will play an important role in responding to agricultural emergencies," said Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Jackie McClaskey. "Kansas is at the forefront of emergency preparedness in case of an agriculture emergency, and through our annual exercises we have determined that one of our greatest needs for an adequate response is more people.

"Kansans have always been willing to step up and help when emergencies occur, and this new

volunteer corps will provide structure and training to maximize that community support. We look forward to working with these volunteers across the state," McClaskey added.

During a large-scale incident, the limited state and federal staff cannot fill all the necessary roles, so the KAERC will use the wide range of skills of volunteers in local communities to meet the needs. Volunteers will be able to choose roles they feel comfortable in and will operate under direct supervision of KDA.

All volunteers, regardless of their role, will complete several training courses to serve as an introduction to the KAERC

program and to form a foundation for the emergency response framework.

Other role-specific training will also be required, depending on the position held by the volunteer. KAERC volunteers will gain valuable emergency preparedness knowledge, skills and experience, giving them the tools to not only aid the state, but their communities and families.

More information about the application process, specific volunteer roles and training can be found at agriculture.ks.gov/KAERC. For more information, e-mail KAERC program manager David Hogg at david.hogg@ks.gov

Willett notes 20 years at KDOT

The Kansas Department of Transportation expresses appreciation for employees celebrating state years-of-service anniversaries in July. KDOT is proud to acknowledge them for the long-term dedication they have provided to the state of Kansas.

Those celebrating 30 years of service include Tammy Albers, administrative specialist, Oakley; Donald Beydler, engineering technician Specialist, Hutchinson; and Mark Willmann, highway maintenance supervisor, Clay Center.

Steven Willett, land surveyor I, Holton, is celebrating 20 years of service.

Those celebrating 10 years of service include Roger Brown, equipment operator, Wichita; Karl Hurt, equipment operator, Garnett; Kevin Jantz, equipment operator, Dodge City; Ricky Larson, equipment operator trainee, Lindsborg; Jadon Lord, equipment operator, Topeka; Keith Martin, engineering technician, Independence; and Kevin Vaughn, engineering technician senior, Topeka.



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SPORTS Monday



“Pad camp” Wed. at Rossville

Royal Valley, Jackson Heights and Rossville high school football squads will meet up Wednesday at the Rossville field for a one-day pad camp, it has been reported.

RV coach Jacob Lott said the three squads will workout in football pads from about 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. that day.

The Panthers held their team camp last week over the course of four evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. each evening. It was a helmet and shorts camp that focused on football fundamentals, conditioning and specific position assignments.

Coach Lott said the evening sessions averaged about 25 players per evening, which was down about five players from previous years.

“The camp was run similar to what we’ll do in the first week

of practice in the fall,” coach Lott said. “We started with small offensive position groups, then moved to backfield and line groups, and then to a team group. In the second hour of practice, we did the same for defense.”

Coach Lott said some Panthers have also been competing this summer in a 7-on-7 camp at Seaman High School along with a team from Rossville. The 7-on-7 workouts have been held every Tuesday evening in June and will continue for one more Tuesday in July.

This will be Coach Lott’s fourth year as head coach for the Panthers. Assistant coaches back this season are Dave Barta, David Bocher and Kyle Porter. Andy Gower is a new assistant coach for the team.

Regional players in KBCA All-Star games

At the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association All-Star games played Saturday at Salina’s Kansas Wesleyan college court, the Blue team won the boys game 144-115 over the White team and the Blue team won the girls game, also, with an 86-82 win over the White team.

Manhattan star guard Trevor Hudgins scored 32 points to lead the boys Blue team. Ottawa product Isaac McCullough pitched in 28 points for the Blue team and Circle’s Cal Hartley had 20 for the Blue team. Hanover’s Michael Jueneman, who wasn’t named to the original roster for the Blue team, scored 13 for the Blue team.

Hartford’s Danen Kistner led the White team with 23 points and Salina Central’s Braden Neuschafer scored 21 for the White team.

For the girls, Olathe South’s DejaNae Roebuck and Cheney’s Haley Albers both scored 16 points to pace the girls Blue team.

Wichita West’s Brianna Johnson scored 16 points to lead the girls White team in scoring. Waverly’s Bailey Massoth scored 14 points for the White team. Cassidy Haufler of Centralia scored nine points and had 10 rebounds for the White team. Rossville’s Amanda Hill scored 10 points for the White team.

Graduating senior athletes named to the KBCA All-Star rosters included the following players. Some players named to one team, actually played for the other one, due to a high number of no-shows for the all-state games, it was reported.

Girls Blue Team: Haley Albers, Cheney; Katy Heeger, Hugoton; Casey Knoth, Salina Central; Kali Martin, Circle; Gigi McAtee, Manhattan; Terrion Moore, Leavenworth; Matti Morgan, Paola; Ashley Ray, Girard; DejaNae Roebuck, Olathe

South; Amy Scott, Hugoton; Jaylin Stapleton, Meade; and Allie Wright-Frederick, Clay Center. Coaches: Scott Mall (head coach); Chris Beikmann (assistant); Andy Gilen (assistant); and Brad Herlocker (assistant).

Girls White Team: Erica Birch, Topeka High; Faith Brintle, Council Grove; Sara Cramer, Dighton; Scout Frame, Kinsley; **Cassidy Haufler, Centralia; Amanda Hill, Rossville;** Taylor Holmes, Maize; Brianna Johnson, Wichita West; Bailey Massoth, Waverly; Brynn Niblock, Hoxie; Madison Piper, Free State; and Janae Ryan, Central Plains. Coaches: Pat Stiles (head coach); Rick Hetzel (assistant); and Ty Piper (assistant).

Boys Blue Team: Tyrell Andrews, Wichita Heights; Trey Brown, Shawnee Heights; **Will Bruna, Hanover;** Colby Bullock, Blue Valley North; Poncho Freeman, Shawnee Heights; Cal Hartley, Circle; Darien Jackson, Blue Valley Northwest; Cole Kinnamon, St. John; Isaac McCullough, Ottawa; Michael McKinney, Wichita East; Jamichael Morgan, Blue Valley Northwest; **Michael Jueneman, Hanover;** and Nic Slavin, Olathe South. Coaches: Steve Wallace (head coach); Ed Fritz (assistant); and Kim Lohse (assistant).

Boys White Team: Davis Dubbert, BeLoit-St. John’s; Rayce Hoepker, Humboldt; Trevor Hudgins, Manhattan; Danen Kistner, Hartford; Samson Kohman, Pratt; Baylor Melchiori, Caney Valley; Jackson Montgomery, Southeast-Saline; Brayden Neuschafer, Salina Central; Matt Pile, Eisenhower; Chandler Stiawalt, Ness City; Ryan Wilson, Abilene; and Nyjee Wright, Derby. Coaches: Chad Novack (head coach); Scott Brown (assistant); Pat Martin (assistant); and Larry O’Connor (assistant).



Royal Valley High School football camp was held June 20-24 on the Panther football field. The photos above were taken at the camp on Thursday evening. In the top photo, head coach Jacob Lott, at left, gives some instructions to a Panther defensive end on pass rushing. In the middle photo, assistant coach David Boucher talks to Panther receivers about pass routes. In the photo above, a portable water supply on wheels came in handy at the workout.

Photos by David Powls

Obstacle course to challenge kids, parents

The second annual “Family Obstacle Course” event at Banner Creek Reservoir is planned for 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 29, it has been reported.

The event is open to children and their parents. Registration and check-in starts at 8 a.m. that day. Participants should use the north entrance to the reservoir grounds.

More than 20 obstacles, including inflatable water slide, mud pit, tire agility and tight rope walking will all be set up for kids and their parents to test their agility.

Registration forms are available at the Holton Fitness Center (the co-sponsor for the event) and/or can be found online at www.runsingup.com - search for

“Family Obstacle Course.”

There is a \$10 fee for kids 5-17 before July 18 and \$15 after that date.

There is a \$20 fee for those 18 and older before July 18 and \$25 after that date.

Longtime Jackson Heights coaches had interesting meeting at state track

Note: In a recent column written by Kimbook Tennal for the Seneca newspaper, he told the story about how coaches Ken Thomas and Dave Henry met. The account is reprinted below:

Tennal wrote, I am going to finish off this article with a story John Thomas’ dad told me about his first ever year in Wichita at the state track meet.

Ken Thomas had never been to the state track meet before, but in his first year at Jackson Heights, he had one boy qualify.

He didn’t have a place to stay the night, but when he sat down in the stadium, the man next to him also had one boy at state. Ken asked the man if he knew of a good place to stay the night.

“Why don’t you two just stay with us,” the man said. They introduced themselves and it just so happens that the man Ken sat by was Dave Henry, the track coach at Sts. Peter and Paul.

Dave told Ken that he had just signed a contract to teach at

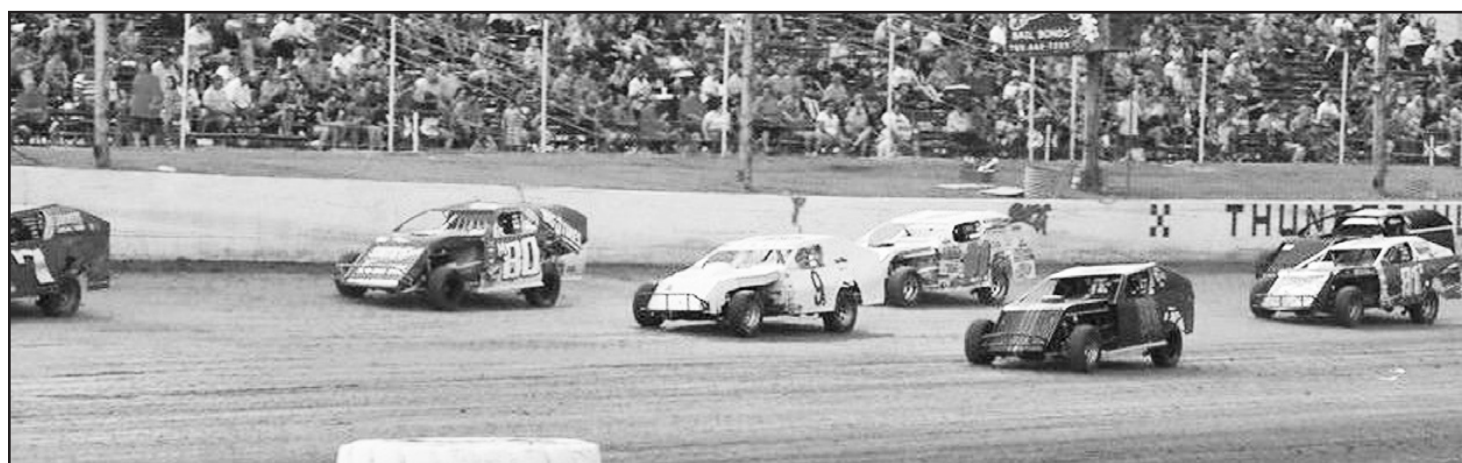
Jackson Heights the next year. The two had never met before, but became lifelong friends while teaching and coaching at Jackson Heights for almost 40 years.

The late Dave Henry was Ken’s assistant coach when the Jackson Heights Lady Cobras beat Hill City in the Grand State basketball championship game in 1976.

Dave Henry was born in Seneca and attended Sts. Peter and Paul High School. He coached football at Jackson Heights for 24 years, then was the athletic director until 2007.

Dave drove a bus and took care of the grounds and field at Jackson Heights until 2015. He died after a five and a half year battle with cancer on June 22, 2016.

Ken Thomas coached basketball at Jackson Heights almost 40 years before stepping down in 2007. He was inducted into the Kansas Basketball Hall of Fame in 2010.



Exciting dirt track racing at Thunder Hill Speedway is scheduled for Saturday evenings in the summer at the 3/8-mile clay dirt, high-bank oval facility located near Mayetta and features three and sometimes four-car wide race competition. On July 1, one of the best-known race nights of the season is planned, it was reported. There will be an added attraction that evening of a fireworks show. General admission gates open at 5 p.m. Kids 12 and under are admitted free with parents. The photo above shows a race scene from Thunder Hill.

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Circleville alumni gather for reunion

A total of 112 graduates, former students, teachers and guests attended this year's alumni reunion held at the Circleville High School Auditorium on May 27, 2017. A social hour preceded the 5:30 p.m. buffet dinner.

Phyllis Sigmund Shupe, Thelma Abel Dick and Charlotte Larrison Utz presided at the tea table while Russell Stauffer, Dale Askren and Thersa Abel Wade were in charge of registration.

President Ed Claycamp gave the welcome and introduced Nick Pool, who led the flag salute, and Gary Akright, who gave the invocation. A delicious dinner was provided by Your Place or Mine catering.

As the meeting opened, all veterans were asked to stand and were honored by a round of applause. Ellen Durst, former teacher, came forward to lead and accompany group singing, which consisted of several patriotic songs.

As a special, Ed Claycamp sang a beautiful rendition of "My Way." Thanks, Ellen and Ed!

During the business portion of the meeting, Ilah Rose Askren read last year's minutes. Russell Stauffer gave the alumni treasury report, and Thersa Wade gave the building treasury report.

Three gold-bar line plates were added to the \$100-\$999 plaque this year – one from Allen Abel in memory of his wife, Mickie; one in memory of Darrell Carr, teacher; and one in memory of Mary Carr (class of 1950).

One \$1,000 plaque was added this year in memory of Ross Nelson (class of 1943).

Ed called our attention to the new venetian blinds and the newly hung stage curtains, a gift from Holton schools when they replaced their curtains. A great improvement!

The list of deceased alumni members was read by Barbara Hutchinson and included Melvin Moore (class of 1951), Mary Burns Carr (class of 1950), Nellie Sanders Larabee (class of 1943), Gerald Wykert (class of 1947), Shirley McAlister Leslie (class of 1943) and Ross Nelson (class of 1943).

The list of deceased friends

Tessendorf, guest.
Bob Beightel, class of 1963; Richard Bradshaw, class of 1953; Wanola Slimmer Buss, class of 1943; Jerry Bottom, class of 1956; Jackie Bottom, guest; Marilyn Meyer Burrous, class of 1952; Don Burrous, class of 1952; and Cleta Mae Brown, Bancroft School graduate, class of 1951.

Hal Cochren, class of 1967; Joyce Cochren, guest; Ed Claycamp, class of 1964; Victoria Claycamp, guest; Sharon Brune Cochren, class of 1964; Mike Cochren, class of 1963; Sharon Cochren, guest; Betty Slimmer Cramer, class of 1962; Leon Cramer, guest; Silvia McCarthy, guest; Rita Frost Cattrell, class of 1967; and Larry Cattrell, guest.

Thelma Dick, class of 1950; Delores Keller Deppe, class of 1953; Pete Deppe, guest; Ellen Durst, teacher; Rod Durst, guest; Dennis Durst, guest; Bill Dugan, class of 1958; and Charles Dugan, former student.

Mary Beightel Edwards, class of 1957.

Kenneth Farmer, class of 1946; Norma Farmer, guest; Helen Askren Farley, guest; Virginia Farrier, teacher, class of 1956; and Allen Fernkopf, class of 1952.

Gary Gibson, class of 1958; and Clara Wells Gibson, class of 1960.

Barbara Morris Hutchinson, class of 1956; Dennis Hutchinson, class of 1962; and Floyd Hladky, class of 1958.

June Slimmer Jepson, class of 1945; and Peggy Slocum Jenkins, guest.

Harlan Jim Kocher, guest; Bruce Kocher, guest; Julia Burns Kennedy, class of 1957; Phillip "Skip" Kennedy, guest; Ted Kauffman, class of 1959; Pat Bareiss Kauffman, class of 1960; Ned Kauffman, class of 1953; Glenn Kauffman, guest; and Roy Kranz, class of 1956.

Mary Slocum Link, class of 1962.

Geraldine Beightel Moore, guest; Richard May, guest; Theresa Burns McNary, class of 1951; Wayne McNary, guest; Darrell Morgan, class of 1956; Mary Billman Morgan, class of 1956; Eula Fowler Moulden, class of 1951; Bill Moulden, guest; Lana McKinsey, class of 1962; LeRoy McKinsey, guest; Ronald Meyers, class of 1965; Donna Knehans, guest; Donna Segrist Murrow, class of 1966; and Gene Murrow, guest.

Judy Olson, guest and hostess.

Virginia Segrist Nelson, class of 1955; Shirley Segrist, guest; and Betty Nelson, guest.

Gladys Huerter Parnell, class of 1957; Keith Parrett, class of 1956; Joyce Parrett, guest; Nick Pool, class of 1964; Shirley Nott Pool, class of 1964; Ronnie Parrett, class of 1967; and Marilyn Parrett, guest.

Nelda Wells Rolfe, class of 1957; and Bill Rolfe, class of 1955.

Phyllis Sigmund Shupe, class of 1962; Bill Slimmer, class of 1950; Shirley Slimmer, guest; Gary Slimmer, guest; Barbara Slimmer, guest; Russell Stauffer, class of 1954; John "Bill" Sanders, class of 1954; Marcelline Sanders, guest; Leonard Sigmund, class of 1957; Anne Sigmund, guest; Bud Stauffer, class of 1956; Shirley Stauffer, guest; David Spencer, class of 1967; Roberta Spencer, guest; Freda Eisenbarth Smith, class of 1956; Norman Smith, guest; Milton Snyder, class of 1950; and Dixie Mannell, guest.

Charlotte Larrison Utz, class of 1967; and Kenny Utz, guest.

Thersa Abel Wade, class of 1954; Kenneth Wykert, class of 1955; Steve Wilkerson, class of 1952; Leota Wilkerson, guest; Sue Beightel Wichman, class of 1961; Virginia Dick Wesley, class of 1956; and Bob Wykert, class of 1943.



Members of the 60-year class of Circleville High School (Class of 1957) who attended the recent reunion included (front row, from left) Gladys Huerter Parnell, Mary Ellen Edwards, Leonard Sigmund, (back row, from left) Nelda Wells Rolfe and Julia Kennedy.

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Classmates from the 50-year class (Class of 1967) who attended the reunion included (from left) Charlotte Utz, David Spencer, Rita Cattrell, Ron Parrett and Hal Cochren.

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Those present from the 55-year class of CHS (Class of 1962) included (from left) Betty Slimmer Cramer, Mary Lou Slocum, Phyllis Shupe, Lana Snyder, Allen Abel and Dennis Hutchinson.

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At left, those present at the CHS reunion from the 65-year class (Class of 1952) included (from left) Steve Wilkerson, Allen Fernkopf and Marilyn Meyer Burrous.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. A minute amount (Scott)
5. Supernatural
11. Shortening
14. More firm
15. Other side
18. Philippine island
19. More unnatural
21. Microsoft Surface Book
23. Ice T's wife
24. Domesticates
28. Only one time
29. In absentia
30. Crustlike surface of a healing skin lesion
32. Distress signal
33. Engine additive
35. 1990s female R&B trio
36. Very fast airplane
39. A reward (archaic)
41. Anno Domini
42. Golf supplies
44. Indian term of respect
46. French river
47. Turn down the lights
49. Blood-sucking African fly
52. Provides info
56. Procrastinates
58. Tower with balconies
60. Where researchers work
62. Religious office
63. Must-have for office workers

CLUES DOWN

1. In possession of
2. Aborigines
3. Early Syrian kingdom
4. Clip
5. Misleads
6. Cosmetic Ingredient Review
7. Calcium
8. United Talent Agency
9. Hair problem
10. Took down
12. Round Dutch cheese
13. Bicycle manufacturer
16. Suffix plural
17. Painting technique
20. Small Eurasian deer (pl.)
22. Mr. T's character "___ Baracus"
25. Progressive nerve disease
26. Shock therapy
27. Able to be sold
29. Suffix
31. Binary coded decimal
34. Goes well with a carrot
36. A way to measure performance
37. Doctor __, children's book author
38. Jewish calendar month
40. Designated hitter
43. Polish village
45. Part of the mind
48. Hand (Spanish)
50. Hit with the open hand
51. Italian island
53. Shakespeare was one
54. Lake __, one of the Great
55. Oswald and Marvin were two
57. Soak up using something absorbent
58. Kids' dish __ and cheese
59. Expression of disappointment
61. The ancient Egyptian sun god

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On June 20, a number of county employees, employees of surrounding counties and elected officials honored Corrections Officer Russell Ross (left) for his more than 10 years of service to the citizens of Jackson County. Officer Ross not only served the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, but he also served for approximately five years at the Atchison County Sheriff's Office and served this nation in the U.S. Marine Corp.

Sheriff Tim Morse (shown at right) presented Officer Ross with a plaque in appreciation for his dedication, commitment and years of service to the safety of Jackson County and the citizens of Northeastern Kansas.

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RV board will meet tonight

The Royal Valley USD 337 board of education will meet at 7:30 p.m. today (Monday) at the district office in Mayetta.

Board members are expected to receive an update from Superintendent Aaric Davis on state funding for education.

Building principals from each school will then present changes to student, parent and staff handbooks for review. Updates to the transportation and coaches' handbooks will also be addressed.

Under official action items, the board is expected to approve early payment of special education cooperative funds, June 30 transfers and estimated ending cash balances and district leadership team recommendations for Kansas Education Systems Accreditation.

An executive session is planned to discuss non-elected personnel and teacher salary negotiations.

The meeting is open to the public; interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Correction

Jerry Bowser's place of residence reportedly was listed incorrectly in a recent anniversary announcement. Bowser, *The Recorder* was told, resides in Netawaka.



The Netawaka Rural Fire District #6 recently received a \$1,200 fire prevention grant from FM Global. Those pictured receiving the grant include (from left) firefighters Justin McGee, Jon Banaka, Nathan Edwards, Chief Jonathan Edwards, Gary Stone, FM Global representative Jeff Winkel, Assistant Chief Steve Banaka, Alan Slipke and Belinda Edwards.

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Netawaka Fire receives grant

The Netawaka Rural Fire District #6 has received a \$1,200 fire prevention grant from FM Global, one of the world's largest commercial property insurers, it has been reported.

Jeff Winkel, FM Global representative, presented the award to Netawaka Fire Chief Jonathan Edwards at the Netawaka Fire Department in May. The award will be used to assist with fire investigation and prevention activities in the community.

Because fire continues to be

the leading cause of property damage worldwide, during the past 35 years FM Global has contributed millions of dollars in fire prevention grants to fire service organizations around the globe.

Locally, the company has awarded grants to a number of Kansas-based organizations.

"This is the second grant we've received from FM Global through their fire prevention grant program," Chief Edwards said. "It really makes a difference for small departments to

afford equipment and materials we might otherwise do without. We appreciate the additional support."

Through its Fire Prevention Grant Program, FM Global awards grants quarterly to fire departments, as well as national, state, regional, local and community organizations worldwide that best demonstrate a need for funding, where dollars can have the most demonstrable impact on preventing fire or mitigating the damage it can quickly cause.

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Prairie Band to host BBQ contest

Prairie Band Casino and Resort will host its seventh annual Keepers of the Fire BBQ Contest and festival on Friday, July 14.

The contest and festival will be held from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the RV park and include a People's Choice Award and a Best Sauce contest.

Admission to the event is free, but people who want to sample some of the food can purchase "BBQ Bucks" at the gate.

Additional activities that evening will include:

- Tethered hot air balloon rides and glow (weather permitting).

- Live entertainment by Nucklehead Jones.
- A beer garden and food vendors.

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Holton school board meets tonight

The Holton school board will meet this evening at 6 for its final meeting of the 2016-17 fiscal year. The meeting is open to the public.

The board is expected to approve the following new hires – Lindsey Willey, special education para at SHS; John Apel, district ESOL teacher; Briana Coplin, special education para at JHES; Angela Webster, special education para at WES; Nancy Holloway, special education para at OES; and Karen Leiker, special education para at HESEC.

The board is also expected to approve the transfer of Sarah Mitchell from regular ed to special ed para at JHMS/HS.

In other business, the board is expected to discuss, and possibly approve, a bid for a school bus and discuss and approve classified staff for the new school term.

The board is also expected to authorize the superintendent and board clerk to make final financial transfers and closeout the fiscal 2016-17 budget.

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Harry Long (right) of the Boy Scouts of Australia, branch chief commissioner for scouts in South Australia and Australia commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America, visited Holton Friday and met with Holton Boy Scout Kyle Figge at the site of Kyle's Eagle Scout project, the installation of an old town bell at Holton's Public Safety Department. Long, who heard about Figge's project through lifelong friends who live in Holton, presented Figge with a scout patch from Australia and complimented Figge on how well his project turned out. The two of them will be attending the National Boy Scout Jamboree in West Virginia in July, it was reported.

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Fireworks...

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 ■ Eight words found on most firework labels say it all: "Place on ground, light fuse and get away." Also, don't discharge them indoors or in glass or metal containers, and if it doesn't go off the first time, don't try to light it again.

■ Choose your fireworks display site and methods with care. Mishandled fireworks cause hundreds of fires that can cause severe damage to homes, motor vehicles and grasslands, causing hundreds of thousands of dollars in damages each year — and that's not to mention the innumerable injuries caused by careless handling of fireworks. In 2012, the Kansas Fire Marshal's Office reported that 51 percent of Kansas hospitals reported a total of 197 fireworks-related injuries.

■ Make sure that children are carefully supervised if and when handling fireworks. And let the professionals handle the "big stuff."

Jackson County area residents wishing to get together for an Independence Day community celebration have at least three options in the coming week, including:

■ **Holton:** The Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce

will host the annual "July Jubilee" event at Banner Creek Reservoir this Saturday, with activities at the reservoir grounds starting at 5 p.m. A free-will donation dinner of hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and a drink will be served by the Chamber, with meat provided by Holton Meat Processing, and bounce houses will be available for children.

Topeka-based band Nucklehead Jones will play throughout the evening, and the Jackson County Community Band will play at 8 p.m. at the reservoir chapel, followed by a fireworks display by 2 Kirks' Fireworks, estimated to begin between 9:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Free-will donations will be accepted at the reservoir gates, and commemorative T-shirts are now being sold to cover event expenses. For more information, visit the Chamber's Web site — www.exploreholton.com — or call the Chamber office at 364-3963.

■ **Hoyt:** The southern Jackson County community will hold its annual Independence Day celebration on Monday, July 3 at Hoyt City Park. The Hoyt Fire Department will hold a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the park's basketball court, and

Hoyt United Methodist Church will sell homemade ice creams and desserts at the park shelter house, from 5:30 p.m. until supplies run out or the fireworks display begins.

Hoyt's fire department will set off a display of large fireworks starting at dark. Donations to help the participating organizations will be accepted, and visitors to the park are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs and blankets for seating.

■ **Goff:** The 65th annual Goff Independence Celebration will be held this Saturday in this southern Nemaha County community and feature a full day of activities. Food vendors will open for the day at 10 a.m., and registration for a bike and classic car show will also begin at that time.

This year's celebration will feature a barbecue cook-off, with judging to begin at 3 p.m. There is a \$50 registration fee, including meat, and participants must register by Wednesday.

Games for all ages will begin at 1 p.m., followed by a parade at 4 p.m. Classic rock and country band "Rewind" will perform starting at 7 p.m., and a fireworks display will begin at 10 p.m. For more information, call Cathy Cannon at (785) 939-2220.

Purple Heart...

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 The Houston left from the Philippine island of Panay on the night of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and arrived in Darwin, Australia, on Dec. 28, 1941. The ship shot down four Japanese bombers in the Battle of Makassar Strait on Feb. 4, 1942, but its number three turret took a hit in the battle.

After participating in the Timor Convoy, the Houston left Darwin ahead of a Japanese air attack on Feb. 19 and also escaped destruction a week later on Feb. 26 in the Battle of Java Sea, at that time described as the largest naval battle since the Battle of Jutland in World War I.

Two days later, on Feb. 28, the Houston, accompanied by the light Australian cruiser HMAS Perth, attempted to resupply at Tanjung Priok but were met with fuel shortages and no available ammunition. They were ordered to sail for the Indonesian harbor of Tjilatjap, with Allied forces believing that Sunda Strait was free of enemy vessels.

Shortly after 11 p.m., lookouts on the Perth sighted an unidentified ship that turned out to be a Japanese destroyer. The Perth began to fire on the destroyer, but it was not long until the Australian vessel and the Houston were surrounded by Japanese warships and attempted to fight their way toward Tjilatjap.

At midnight, the Perth attempted to force its way through a destroyer squadron but was hit by four torpedoes within a few minutes, then was subject to close-range gunfire until it sank at 12:25 a.m., it was reported.

Meanwhile, the Houston was losing headway after it was hit by a torpedo shortly after midnight. The ship's gunners had hit three different Japanese destroyers and sank a minesweeper but was hit by three more torpedoes in quick succession, then finally took a shell at 12:30 a.m.

As the ship came to a stop, Japanese destroyers moved in, machine-gunning the decks. A few minutes later, the Houston rolled over and sank, and Frantz

was among the nearly 700 members of its crew who perished in the wreck.

The Houston's fate was not immediately revealed to the world, but *The Holton Recorder* reported on March 18, 1942, that Frantz was aboard the Houston at the time of its sinking. "No word has been received as of yet in regards of the fate of those stationed on the ship," *The Recorder* reported.

Even the details of the Houston's fateful night were not revealed until the survivors who were liberated from Japanese prison camps at the end of World War II spoke of the battle. Of the 368 who survived the sinking of the Houston, 77 would die in captivity, it was reported.

The Recorder reported on April 29, 1943, that Frantz was "the first man of Junction City in the service of this war to be reported missing or killed. He was also the first in Geary County." He was honored with a memorial stone in Junction City's Highland Cemetery.

District Court...

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 In other Jackson County District Court news:

■ A final pre-trial hearing for Megan Hollister, 32, of Horton was scheduled on Friday for discussion of instructions for a jury trial set for Thursday and Friday, Aug. 3 and 4 in district court. That hearing, slated at the request of defense attorney Andrew Delaney of Atchison, will be held on Friday, July 28.

Hollister, a former resident of Holton, has been charged in Jackson County with possession of methamphetamine, residential burglary, theft, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and criminal damage of property, according to court records. She is currently free on \$10,000 bond.

The charges stem from an Aug. 21, 2016 burglary in Whiting, in which Hollister and Shelby Hopkins, 19, of Whit-

ing, allegedly stole a number of electronic items from a Whiting residence. Hopkins was arrested shortly after the alleged burglary, but Hollister managed to evade law enforcement for nearly three months and was captured in November of last year in Atchison County.

Hopkins, who is currently serving an 18-month prison sentence after being convicted in October in district court on charges of burglary and obstruction of official duty in connection with the Whiting incident, is likely to participate as a third-party witness in the trial, Delaney said.

■ Jury selection began this morning for the second of four scheduled trials against Jacob C. Ewing, 22, of Holton, who has been charged with various sexual crimes against six area women. The first trial, in which Ewing was charged with having

sex with a 13-year-old girl, was held in April and ended with a jury finding Ewing not guilty of the charges in the case.

This week's trial involves two cases against Ewing — one involving the alleged rape and two incidents of aggravated criminal sodomy of one woman in September 2014, the other involving the alleged rape and two incidents of aggravated criminal sodomy of another woman in May 2016.

The third and fourth trials against Ewing are set for August and October, and it is possible that a fifth trial may be slated after he was charged in May with 13 counts of sexual exploitation of a child when a search of his cellular telephone and computer reportedly turned up as many images or videos of alleged child pornography. A preliminary hearing in this case is set for late July.

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 * Learned from Commissioner Rob Ladner that a resident contacted him about the condition of C Road by Soldier south to 246th Road. There are several soft spots and areas that have "wash boarded."

* Discussed 190th Road. It was determined that the road has always been a minimum maintenance road and was rocked by the state in 2006 in order to provide a safe route around a box culvert that was being repaired on Kansas Highway 16.

The minimum maintenance signs were never replaced.

* Discussed a secondary containment system for used oil. Barnett said he is researching whether the county should go with a double-barrel or double-walled container or instead build a concrete wall with a concrete floor. The county currently has three oil containers.

Barnett said he is going to move the barrels to a more ideal location once he determines what kind of secondary system he wants to use for protection

from accidental spills/leaks.

* Discussed stabilization product options, which would be used as a base for chip-and-seal instead of rock.

* Accepted the low bid of \$2,085 from North Central Air of Downs for a 120-gallon air compressor for the road and bridge shop.

The other bids were \$4,599.99 from Chicago Pneumatic and \$3,599.99 from Emax.

* Approved a motion to enter into a yearly contract with McElroy's for heating and air conditioning maintenance at the Courthouse for \$2,732.42.

* Learned from Chad Phillips, head Courthouse custodian, that a water fountain had backed up and caused a sewage issue recently. The issue has been resolved.

* Met with County Counselor Alex Morrissey who said she notified the Kansas County Association Multiline Pool of the death of Dan Mehringer at Banner Creek Reservoir.

* Met in executive session with Morrissey and Mick for

10 minutes to discuss a matter of client/attorney privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

* Heard a weekly report from John Kennedy, Banner Creek Reservoir director, who noted that \$7,458 of revenue was generated June 4 — 10.

Kennedy noted that 75 cars participated in a car show at the reservoir as a fund-raiser for the Heart of Jackson Humane Society. A total of \$1,200 was raised for the society.

* Learned that Kennedy has added additional signage around the rental house and docks regarding swimmers yielding to boat traffic and illegal parking.

* Discussed the county's interlocal agreement with KCAMP with Morrissey. The commissioners approved a motion to adopt the new by-laws and yearly agreement between the county and KCAMP.

* Met in executive session with Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse, Morrissey and Mick for 45 minutes to discuss a matter of client/attorney privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

* Met in executive session with Morrissey and Mick for 15 minutes to discuss a matter of client/attorney privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

* Signed payroll change notices for Kendall Holt (promotion at the sheriff's office), Morgan Williams (resignation at the sheriff's office) and Lena Courter (pay increase after completing introductory period).

* Signed a purchase order for two paddle boats from Kay Park at a cost of \$4,721 for the reservoir.

* Adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m. All three commissioners were present.

Highland resident arrested after early Thursday chase

A Highland man was jailed after an early Thursday morning chase through Brown County, according to Brown County Sheriff John Merchant.

Zachariah Brown, 34, was booked into the Brown County Jail on charges of felony fleeing and eluding, a \$7,500 Brown County warrant on a charge of fleeing and eluding and a \$5,000 Nemaha County warrant. Merchant said further charges may be filed against Brown.

At about 3 a.m. on Thursday, a Sac and Fox Tribal Police officer noticed a vehicle in the ditch near the Pemberton Village apartment complex in Hiawatha with the driver as the lone occupant, Merchant said.

The vehicle's driver then drove away, and the Sac and Fox officer gave chase for about six

miles, going north and east of the city, according to Merchant. The vehicle left the roadway near the intersection of 260th and Plum Tree roads, he said, and the driver fled on foot.

Brown was located about 100 yards from the vehicle in tall corn and was arrested without incident about six minutes later, Merchant said. Brown County deputies, Kickapoo police and a K-9 unit from the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism assisted in the search.

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