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Jackson County Courthouse employee Jerry Mencl bundled up and shoveled snow from the Courthouse sidewalk Thursday morning after a winter storm moved through the area and shuttered the Courthouse and other businesses for the day. See Page 2 of today's Recorder for this week's weather outlook. Photo by Brian Sanders

Purple Heart Profiles

Biggs died in Cabanatuan POW camp

Editor's note: This is the 78th 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.

The Japanese prisoner-ofwar camps near the Philippine

city of Cabanatuan was regarded by many World War II veterans who survived the camp as a place where Allied troops who were captured by the Japanese were subject to some of the most brutal and inhumane treatment

tenant colonel in the U.S. Army with ties to Jackson County. Lloyd W. Biggs Sr., who had been captured by the Japanese following the Battle of Corregidor and taken to Cabanatuan,

was tortured and then executed possibly beheaded — by his captors after a failed attempt at escaping the camp with two other American soldiers.

Biggs' Purple Heart Medal, along with a Silver Star awarded for his actions on Corregidor, were presented to his wife, Violet, who was living with their children in Holton at the time of his death. His name is among those listed on the Purple Heart monument in Holton's Linscott

Born May 20, 1892, in East

Peoria, Ill., one of 11 children of a coal miner, Biggs joined the Army in March of 1916 but was never sent overseas during World War I due to an injury in

He graduated from the Detroit College of Law in 1923, from the Army Cavalry School at Fort Riley in 1925, from field officer school at Fort Benning, Ga., in 1930 and from cooks and bakers' school at Fort Riley in 1931.

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Sentence of nearly 10 years given on murder conviction

By Brian Sanders

A Holton man convicted of second-degree murder in the October 2015 death of his wife was given a prison sentence of nearly 10 years on Friday morning in Jackson County District

George E. Fleshman Jr., 66, found guilty by a jury in December on a single charge of murder in the second degree, showed little reaction after being sentenced to 117 months (nine years and nine months) in prison on the charge by District Court Judge Norbert Marek.

However, Fleshman — who continued to insist that he was not responsible for the Oct. 21, 2015 death of his wife, Beth said he was "speechless" in regard to the jury's finding.

"I've helped and cared for people all my life," Fleshman

said prior to being sentenced. "Family members told me I was doing a great job, and I've reached out and helped them when they needed help... I'm just at a loss for words.

Family members of Beth Fleshman were not at a similar loss for words, though, as Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller said "several letters" from her family were submitted to her office prior to Friday's sentencing hearing. None of Beth Fleshman's relatives spoke

during the hearing.

Miller also told Marek there were two reasons to give Fleshman a maximum sentence and deny a motion filed by Holton defense attorney J. Richard Lake for dispositional departure from sentence. recommended

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Conservation award winners announced

The 70th annual meeting of the Jackson County Conservation District will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the First United Methodist Church in Holton, 1401 W. 4th St., it has been announced.

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with the business meeting, entertainment and award presentations to follow at 7

This year's conservation

winners are: ■ Keith Hug – Kansas Bankers Award.

■ The A.J. and Helen Keeler Jr. family - Outstanding Conservationist Award.

■ Mike and Sheila Day – Grassland Award.

■ The Shane and Kelli New family - Soil Health Award.

Dara and Jerod Conley will provide the entertainment for the annual meeting, it was reported.

To make meal reservations for the dinner, contact the district office at (785) 364-3329, ext. 136, by Feb. 14. The Holton Recorder's

special soil conservation section will be published prior to the event. To advertise in this special section, call Errin Edwards or Shannon Schmille at 364-3141.

Accidents. closures result from winter storm

By Ali Holcomb The Jackson County Sheriff's Office worked several accidents Thursday due to the winter weather conditions.

Ice blanketed county roads early Thursday morning, which later saw a snowfall of about two inches in Jackson County. The county was placed in a winter storm warning from 4 a.m. to noon that day.

Wind speeds fluctuated between 15 to 30 miles per hour, according to the National Weather Service in Topeka. Most of the county averaged an inch of snowfall or less.

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office was called to work five accidents and one slide off on Thursday. Of the five accidents, one resulted in injuries, according to office personnel.

Accidents were reported at U.S. Highway 75 and 178^{th} Road and just west of the highway on 254th Road. An early morning rollover accident occurred south of Holton near Indian Country Mini Mart and a vehicle struck a utility pole on Timber Ridge

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One of its prisoners in the early days of WWII was a lieu-



The 20th year of the Prairie Band Casino & Resort was celebrated Friday at the casino by casino staff and members of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. A special cake-cutting ceremony was held to mark the event. Those shown in the photo above include (from left) Ryan Brandt, general manager; Denise Marshall and Jerry Tuckwin, Prairie Band Potawatomi Entertainment Corp. board members; Liana Onnen, Prairie Band Potawatomi Photo by Ali Holcomb Nation Chairwoman; Camilla Chouteau and Thomas Wabnum, Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Council members.

Prairie Band Casino and Resort marks 20 years

By Ali Holcomb

Prairie Band Casino and Resort celebrated its 20th year on Friday – a milestone that Liana Onnen, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Chairwoman, said many should be proud of.

"To be this successful is an achievement," Onnen said prior to a special cake-cutting ceremony at the casino. "The casino and the tribe are thriving, and as a result, the community is thriving. This is a cause for celebra-

The casino opened in 1998 after successful negotiations with the state of Kansas. This allowed the Nation to operate a Class III gaming facility on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation in accordance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

"We struggled to get this past the state," Onnen said. "I have to give a lot of credit and respect to the leaders who came before me. We want to continue

to sustain and grow what they started."

When it opened, the casino was known as Harrah's Prairie Band Casino, and in 2007, the PBPN took over the management of the facilities and changed the name to Prairie Band Casino and Resort.

The revenue generated by the casino is the main funding source for tribal government operations, Onnen said.

Many of these services benefit

not only tribal citizens but also non-tribal citizens who reside within reservation boundaries. These include fire, police and emergency services, road and land maintenance and environmental and solid waste services, Onnen said.

'The casino has given us the opportunity to develop this area," she said. "Its economic impact has been very large, and it's been a wonderful thing for northeast Kansas."

In addition to providing funding for governmental services, the Nation also gives a portion of the casino revenues back to the community through chari-

table contributions. Over the past 20 years, the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation reportedly has donated nearly \$10 million dollars back to the northeast Kansas community, it was reported.

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THE HOLTON RECORDER, MONDAY, JAN. 15, 2018, PAGE 2 DISTRICT COURT NEWS Sacret Truck Stop

Traffic

Roderick L. Baptisto, Horton, driving under the influence, found guilty.

Lea D. Bowers, address not listed, no seat belt, \$30.

Johnnie L. Brown III, Topeka, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$309.

Hayley B. Castro, address not listed, speeding, \$222.

Ronald W. Currence, address not listed, speeding, \$159. Kain A. Fink, address not list-

ed, speeding, \$294. Daniel T. Griffith, Wakefield,

failure to yield to an emergency vehicle, failure to exercise due care in regard to pedestrian,

Leondre J. Hale, Mayetta, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$158.

Sheldon B. Haynes, address not listed, speeding, \$195.

Calli J. Herman, Topeka, speeding, diversion.
Jenny M. Kim, Topeka, speed-

ing, \$189. Zachary J. Kuti, Topeka, speeding, \$213.

Jon E. Lane, address not list-

ed, speeding, \$276. Luis E. Lavy Chang, address not listed, driving on left in nopassing zone, \$183.

Paul G. Lee, address not listed, transporting an open container, \$110.

Aliza B. McGuffin, Holton, speeding, improper safety belt or shoulder harness, \$303.

Andrew J. Miller, address not listed, speeding, \$183.

Desiree L. Morris, address not listed, transporting an open

container, \$110. Edgar F. Olvera, Omaha, Neb., speeding, driving while license cancelled, suspended or

revoked, \$273. Leonard A. Pelton, Mayetta, improper driving on laned roadway, no proof of insurance, di-

version. Ethan D. Pitney, Topeka, driving under the influence, \$878.

Landon J. Roberson, Lawrence, driving under the influence, diversion.

Caleb J. Shopteese, address not listed, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license,

Erick T. Smith, address not

listed, speeding, \$171. Kelsie L. Strathman, Topeka,

speeding, \$183. Donald E. Wischmeier, address not listed, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, \$183.

Criminal

State of Kansas vs. Michael D. Kern, Denison, domestic battery; sentenced to 48 hours suspended: placed on 60 days probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Chase T. Cropper, Topeka, possession of

The Jackson County Sheriff's

Office has reported the follow-

■ At 9 p.m. on Dec. 13, Can-

dace Wishkeno, 49, Horton, was

traveling north on U.S. High-

way 75 near 286th Road when

her vehicle struck a deer in the

road. Wishkeno's 2006 Dodge

sustained damage to its front

bumper and hood that was listed

■ At 9:40 p.m. on Dec. 16,

David Priest, 55, Fort Worth,

Texas, was traveling south on

U.S. 75 near 266th Road when

The December meeting of

Jackson County Arts was held at

More Than Lemons in Holton.

Those who attended were Katie

Morris, April Lemon, David and

Mary Schock, Linda Brownlow,

Suzette McCord-Rogers, Mari-

lyn Spiker and Sandy Studebak-

David Schock was to show

his art at the library in Decem-

ber. Mary Schock is scheduled

to show her work at the library

Meetings are held at 6 p.m. on

the fourth Monday of the month

with a program and show and

tell of art currently being done

McCord-Rogers said that an

er-Gilbert

in January.

at more than \$1,000.

ing accidents:

County accidents noted

Jackson County Arts group

holds December meeting

marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, criminal trespass;

State of Kansas vs. Justin L.M. Dohrman, Holton, criminal trespass; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Justin M. Dohrman, Mayetta, battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Carlos A. Esquibel, Topeka, interference with law enforcement, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on unspecified probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Jay A. Haverkamp, Wetmore, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, speeding; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Bobby C. Hopkins, Topeka, possession of marijuana; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Tammy Kern, Denison, disorderly conduct; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Ivan G. Meraz-Meraz, Topeka, criminal damage to property; diversion.

Filed State of Kansas vs. Angela R. Bergstrom, Topeka, disorderly conduct.

State of Kansas vs. Charles J. Nolan, Topeka, disorderly conduct.

State of Kansas vs. Melina Gibson, Kansas City, Mo., possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug parapherna-

State of Kansas vs. Robert N. Kirk Jr., Topeka, distribution or possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, posses sion of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Darren D. McManus, Hoyt, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Paul G. Tuckwin, Mayetta, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Dawn M. Boehm, Bern, possession of methamphetamine, driving under the influence, possession of drug paraphernalia, no proof of insurance, failure to maintain a single lane.

State of Kansas vs. Shaun J. Barber, Delia, aggravated assault, domestic battery.

State of Kansas vs. Shaun J. Barber, Delia, kidnapping, two counts of aggravated battery, domestic battery.

Civil Filed

Jackson County Sheriff's Department vs. 2006 Dodge Charger, VIN 2B3KA53H86-H233893, and \$5,010 U.S. currency, notice of pending forfeiture filed.

Holton Police Department vs. 2001 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WF52E219336781, notice of pending forfeiture filed.

Limited Civil

Dispositions Midland Funding L.L.C. vs.

William Evans, sought judgment of \$1,190.34 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Southview Apartments of Holton L.L.C. vs. Kaci J. Dinwiddie, sought judgment of \$198.44 plus interest and court costs; granted.

John Hollander vs. Lee Dudoit, sought judgment of \$1,150 plus court costs; granted.

Midland Funding L.L.C. vs. Jean Oden, sought judgment of \$605.98 plus interest and court costs; granted.

Filed

Midland Funding L.L.C. vs. Amy Austin, seeking judgment of \$550.11 plus interest and court costs.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Jason L. Forgy, seeking judgment of \$3,000.10 plus interest and court costs.

LVNV Funding L.L.C. vs. Tiffanie Spencerware, seeking judgment of \$590.81 plus interest and court costs.

Denison State Bank vs. Kevin K. Moore, seeking judgment of \$2,103.93 plus interest and court

Domestic

Dispositions

State of Kansas, Department for Children and Families vs. Coury Waldron, sought support judgment; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Felicia Holbrook and Jay Holbrook, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Josh Moulin and Sarrah Moulin, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Rebecca Goombi and Kurtis Goombi, sought divorce; grant-

Filed

In the matter of the marriage of Nathaniel J. Matya and Amanda M. Matya, seeking registration of foreign judgment for custody and support.

Marriage Licenses

Michael R. Area, 48, Mayetta Cindi R. Renyer, 56, Mayetta

Several arrests reported in county

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the follow-

On Jan. 4, Vailaquese Coger, 35, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Jan. 4, Angela Helms, 36, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge.

■ On Jan. 4, David Hug, 54, Hoyt, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.

■ On Jan. 4, Ariell Nierenberg, 30, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a

charge of failure to appear. 36 Olathe was arrested or criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear and on a traffic warrant from another jurisdic-

his 2018 Dodge struck a deer

in the road. Priest's vehicle sus-

tained damage to its front bum-

per that was listed at more than

Lawrence Clark, 72, Holton,

was traveling west on Kansas

Highway 16 near D Road when

his vehicle struck a deer in the

road. Clark's 2016 Chevrolet

sustained damage to its front

bumper, hood and front right

and left sides that was listed at

more than \$1,000. It was towed

art walk committee would meet

as needed. It was reported that a

fair committee would be added

with the chair from Jackson

The next meeting will be held

is invited to attend the meeting.

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■ At 5:42 p.m. on Dec. 21,

■ On Jan. 5, Angela Meil, 26, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant a charge of failure to appear.

☐ On Jan. 5, Marcelo Moran-Diera, 22, Topeka, was arrested on charges of driving while suspended and driving while declared a habitual violator.

■ On Jan. 5, Hannah Herrero, 21, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear, on a criminal warrant out of Shawnee county and on a traffic warrant out of Shawnee County.

■ On Jan. 5, Meliana Gibson, 39, Kansas City, Mo., was ar-■ On Jan. 4, Skyler Tosspon, rested on charges of possession hallucinogenic drugs and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.

■ On Jan. 5, Angela Estrada, 35, Wichita, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge.

■ On Jan. 5, Shaun Barber, 33, Delia, was arrested on a warrant on charges of aggravated assault and domestic battery, on a criminal warrant on charges of kidnapping, aggravated battery, domestic battery, on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear and on two warrants from the Prairie Band

Potawatomi Nation. ■ On Jan. 6, Tamatha Hearn, 26. Mayetta, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of motion to revoke bond and on two criminal warrants on probation violation charges.

■ On Jan. 7, a 16-year-old male from Horton was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and on possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.

■ On Jan. 8, Heather Rees, 40, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge.

■ On Jan. 8, Russell Oldaker, 55, Hiawatha, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Jan. 8, Adrian Baldwin, 48, Soldier, was arrested on a charge of battery.

■ On Jan. 9, Larry Shopteese, 23, Mayetta, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear. ■ On Jan. 9, Tiffany Johnson,

45, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear. On Ian 9 M

39, Blue Springs, Mo., was arrested on charges of driving under the influence, driving the wrong direction on a one-way road, improper driving, possession of marijuana and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.

■ On Jan. 10, Brian Rees, 37, Topeka, was arrested on two criminal warrants on probation violation charges.

■ On Jan. 10, Cheryl Huhs, 59, address unknown, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear. ■ On Jan. 10, Kyler Hernan-

dez, 20, Topeka, was arrested on charges of driving while suspended and no liability insur-■ On Jan. 10, James Bovd.

37, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

On Jan. 11, Matthew Lange, 26, Ottawa, was arrested on charges of possession of stimulant and possession of illegal drug paraphernlia.

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Dues are \$15 for singles and Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Jan. 8, 2018.) The Art Walk will be held on

IN THE DISTRICT COURT Officers for 2018 are Stude-OF JACKSON COUNTY, baker-Gilbert, president; Mary **KANSAS** Schock, vice president; Brown-(Petition Pursuant to low, secretary; and McCord-K.S.A. Chapter 59)

In the Matter of the at 6 p.m. on Jan. 22 at More **Estate of** Than Lemons on the east side of Jeane K. Carter, Deceased Anyone interested in the arts

No. 2018-PR-11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS ALL **PERSONS** CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 2nd day of January, 2018, a Petition for Issuance of Letters of Administration Under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, was filed in this Court by Blaine A. Carter, heir of Jeane K. Carter, deceased.

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

> Blaine A. Carter, Petitioner

Submitted and Approved By: Dennis A. White, #12108 White Law Office 120 West 5th Street, P.O. Box 445 Holton, Kansas 66436 785-364-3971 Attorney for Petitioner

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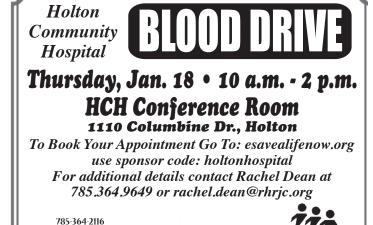
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MEMORIES

5 Years Ago Week of Jan. 14-20, 2013

Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback recently announced numerous appointments to boards and commissions. Dr. Joel Hutchins of Holton was appointed to a four-year term on the Kansas Board of Healing Arts.

The "Watch D.O.G.S." program is at work at Holton's two elementary schools. In this program, the fathers of elementary school students spend a day at their children's schools and get a chance to participate in the educational process. The program is in its first year in Holton, and elementary principal Beth Smith said the program is a success.

Doorbells have been installed at both of Holton's elementary schools, it has been reported. Visitors now must ring a doorbell and wait for a member of school staff to let them into the building. This is a new safety precaution in the wake of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Connecticut in De-

A crew from JWK Construction of Topeka has been working through bitterly cold days in recent weeks to meet the projected construction completion date of June 10 at the Hornet's Nest Sports Club in Netawaka. A metal frame is up and in place, roof work is under way and work on the facility's indoor pool is expected to begin shortly, with a grand opening tentatively slated for July 4.

10 Years Ago Week of Jan. 14-20, 2008

A 1992 BMW recently seized during patrol by Jackson County sheriff's deputy Darrel Chapman is now being used as a school resource vehicle, it was

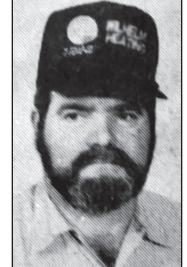
More than 200 people attended a special reception at Medicalodges Jackson County in Holton in honor of Mildred Lynn, who was celebrating her 100th birthday. Lynn will turn 100 on Wednesday, Jan. 16.

Holton Recorder sports editor Randal Horobik has been named the top sportswriter in the state by the Kansas State High School Activities Association, it has been reported. Horobik has been the Recorder's sports editor since 2005.

Holton's boys basketball team put on a defensive play not witnessed in more than six decades during a 55-13 Big Seven League rout of visiting Hiawatha on Thursday night, Jan. 10. The 13 points surrendered by Holton in the contest were the fewest allowed by a Wildcat team since the 1943-44 squad held Horton to 13 points in a 27-13 victory. To find a better defensive performance, fans have to look to the 1941-42 season when Holton posted a 27-6 win over those

Thanks for reading The Holton Recorder!





This week's "Blast From The Past" features a local businessman in an advertisement selling and servicing Trane heaters. Can you name him? Call The Recorder office at 364-3141 and be the first to correctly identify this man, just as Loyola Holt-Ritenour was the first to correctly identify last week's subject, Dean Tuley.

same Horton Chargers, it was reported.

15 Years Ago Week of Jan. 14-20, 2003

The Whiting facility of Jackson Farmers co-op has been shut down, according to manager Ken Heaton. Jackson Farmers acquired the Whiting facility in 1984 with the purchase of the old Effingham co-op, which will remain in operation and operate at facilities in Holton, Denison, Lancaster, Oskaloosa and Meriden.

During the annual reorganization meeting for the Jackson County Commission, Lois Pelton was elected as the new chairman.

Between eight and 10 inches of snow was measured on the ground in Holton on Jan. 16, the day after a big storm moved through the area.

The Jackson County Planning Commission has approved rezoning for a three-acre tract at the western edge of Whiting, which would be used for a farm implement repair business. The zoning change request was made by Brian Keeler.

25 Years Ago Week of Jan. 14-20, 1993

Local law enforcement vehicles blocked the entrance to the Holton Wal-Mart store Monday afternoon after an anonymous telephone caller warned that the building should be evacuated. Officers and store employees searched the store three times, but nothing was found and business there resumed shortly before 5 p.m.

The top two scorers in the history of Holton girls basketball are set to square off against each other in a battle of MIAA Conference college hoops powers on Saturday, Jan. 16, at Lee Arena in Topeka. Lisa Kranz, Washburn University sophomore, figures to play a key role off the bench as her team faces its main rival, Pittsburg State, led by junior Shelley Tanking.

Jim Birkbeck, president of Denison State Bank in Holton, has announced the addition of Dennis Hadley, a real estate loan officer, to the bank staff.

50 Years Ago Week of Jan. 14-20, 1968

Dennis Wing put one point up for Denison as Denison defeated Whiting 94-68 in Friday night's basketball game. Guarding was Whiting's Larry Williams, who led the scoring for Whiting with 28 points. A photo of the action appeared in The Holton Record-

Two Jackson County students are among 94 at Kansas State University who have been initiated into Phi Kappa Phi national honor society for superior scholarship. Those initiated were Ronald Smith of Soldier and John Wheeler of Holton.

Ray Culp, Holton instrumental music instructor, was elected director of the Holton Unit of the Educators of Jackson County on Monday afternoon, Jan. 15, in a meeting at the high school. Loyal Torkelson was elected assistant director.

Congressman Bob Dole visited with Jackson County Republican chairman Ed Dunn at a breakfast meeting in Holton on Tuesday morning, Jan. 16. About 40 local Republicans turned out to meet Dole, who was making his first visit to the county in his campaign for the Republican nomination for United States senator.



Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Jan. 8, 2018.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, **KANSAS**

IN THE INTEREST OF:

Name: Kyley Cruz Year of Birth: 2011 A female

Case No. 2017-JC-38

Name: Leonel Cruz Year of Birth: 2014 A male

Case No. 2017-JC-39

TO: Leonel Cruz and all other persons who are or may be concerned

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

parent should be terminated. and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 15th day of February, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child.

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

An attorney has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child: Alex Morrissey, PO Box 333, Holton KS 66436. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support. An attorney has been appointed for you: Darla Ottensmeier, 13827 70th Rd., Oskaloosa, Kansas 66066.

Date and time of hearing: February 15, 2018, at 9:30

Place of hearing: Jackson County Courthouse, 3rd Floor, Holton, Jackson County, Kansas 66436

> s/ Judge Dennis Reiling Člerk/Judge of the District Court

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Soldier City Council discusses property, utility-related concerns

The Soldier City Council met on Dec. 12. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Luke Geist. Council members present were Brenda Holliday-Stanton, Nina Reed, Jack Tannahill and Rosemary Junod. Council member Ida Nadeau was absent. City employees present were Joe Denny, Desirae Compton and Brandi Fritz.

The council approved the Nov. 14 minutes as presented.

Denny gave a report to the council and said that six loads of rock were brought in and sev-

Honored at KSU

A total of 26 Jackson Countyarea students attending Kansas State University are among a record 4,044 KŠU students earning semester honors for their academic performance in the fall 2017 semester, it was reported.

Students earning a grade point average for the semester of 3.75 or above on at least 12 credit hours receive semester honors along with commendations from their deans. The honors also are recorded on their permanent academic records.

Area students earning honors are listed below by hometown.

Holton: Kaden Brandt, Eero Halbleib, Ethan Holaday, Dean Klahr, Sarah Marek, William Patterson, Madison Reith, Brandt Rose, Joshua Wilhelm and Karl Wilhelm.

Circleville: Emily Burdiek, Kaitlin Peterson and Trey Tanking **Delia:** Samantha Thompson. Effingham: Ashley Chalfant and Bridgett Kelly.
Hoyt: Jessica Lake.

Mayetta: Jesse Smith. Soldier: Elizabeth Hasenkamp, John Kennedy and Joel Nelson.

Wetmore: Kaleb Keehn and Jena Winkler.

Whiting: Alexandria Bontrager, Tori Bontrager and Jason

eral city streets were rocked. He said he will be taking wastewater samples to Salina this week. Holliday-Stanton discussed the emergency water plan with Den-

Compton, city treasurer, reported that the pest control would start next month. Outstanding water bills were also discussed. Compton presented the bills

to the council. The council was informed that Sherman Stanton wants to donate his check back to the city.

Tannahill made the motion to pay the bills as presented, except for Sherman's check, and the motion carried.

Compton presented the treasurer's report to the council, and a motion was made and carried to accept the report as presented.

A city water loss report was presented. A total of 207,600 gallons of water was purchased and 191,190 gallons were sold for a water loss of 16,410 gallons or eight percent.

City employee Sherman Stanton discussed a city resident's property with the council and removing items off of the property. Fritz will check with the city attorney on Stanton's concerns. City council members stressed to Stanton that he needed to contact law enforcement before entering

Stanton informed the council that a new property owner in town allegedly did not go through proper channels to tear down a structure and had allegedly not obtained a building permit for the new structure brought in. Stanton will post the ordinances on the property and try to contact the new owners.

The council continued to discuss several other properties of

The council agreed to renew the cereal malt beverage license for the Soldier Grill. Rosemary Juned abstained from voting.

Mayor Geist presented information on the Kansas League dues. The council agreed not to renew its membership at this

The council received a letter from the Jackson Heights Post Prom committee seeking donations. The council agreed not to make a donation at this time.

Council members Nina Reed and Ida Nadeau, who was absent, were recognized for their years of service by Mayor Geist and honored with a commemorative plaque. This was Reed's and Nadeau's last council meeting.

The board adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for Jan. 9.



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OPINION

Time to end anonymous bills

■ Most other states don't allow it

A Kansas lawmaker says she plans to introduce legislation that would end the State Legislature's practice of bills being proposed that do not publicly name the sponsor.

And that idea may be one of the best ideas to come out of the 2018 Legislative Ses-

Did you know that in Kansas our state lawmakers can keep their names off all bills, if they want, by introducing them through committees?

During last year's State Legislative Session, 94 percent of the bills passed had no named sponsor, The Kansas City Star newspaper reported recently.

The new proposal from Rep. Stephanie Clayton, a Republican from Overland Park, however, would require bills introduced by a committee to include the name of the person who asked for it in the first place. The name would follow the bill through the entire legislative process.

The Star reported earlier that more than 90 percent of the Kansas laws passed in the last decade stemmed from bills whose authors were anonymous, which means of course - the public doesn't know who sponsored a bill or that person's motivation.

Kansas used to require that all bills introduced at the Legislature included the name of the state senator or state representative who introduced it.

Most of the 49 other states in the nation still require that every bill contain the name of the lawmaker sponsoring it. And with good reason.

It is important for citizens to understand not only what bills are being proposed at the State Legislature, but why they are being proposed,

Without the identity of the bill sponsors, citizens can only conclude that special interest groups and wealthy lobbyists are controlling our state leaders like puppets on a string.

While anonymous bills have been part of the Kansas legislative process for several years now, that doesn't make the practice right.

Believe it or not, there was a time back in the 1960s and 1970s that our State Legislature was considered one of the best, and most respected, in the nation for the way it handled the people's busi-

Ever since our State Legislature started adopting the ways of Congress, however, our state government has been moving away from open and effective government.

Thank you to Rep. Stephanie Clayton for standing up for something that is so obviously right, it's difficult to listen to the lame excuses being made now by her peers at Topeka who say her proposal does not have the chance of a snowball in hell of being approved.

"I want to make it so if you look up a bill, you'll know who the requester is, and

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who asked for it," Rep. Clayton said.

Is that too much to ask? I think not.

House Minority Leader Jim Ward, a Wichita Democrat who has announced he's running for governor, said the House Democratic caucus is planning several bills designed to improve transparency in the Legislature. Good for them.

Some lawmakers, however, continue to defend the use of anonymous bills, saying bills proposed by an entire committee carry more weight because, they say, it indicates wider approval.

Many lawmakers also argue that because their bills sometimes get amended or even replaced through a process known as "gut-andgo," they may not want their names associated with the final product.

That's too bad.

Gut-and-go allows lawmakers to strip the language in a bill that's usually already passed one chamber and replace it with a totally unrelated measure, then advance it with little or no debate.

House Speaker Ron Ryckman, an Olathe Republican, told The Star that there would be "unintended consequences" if members started putting their names on bills that end up going through the gut-and-go process.

The gut-and-go debate will have to wait for another day. Senate President Susan

Wagle has said anonymity gives the legislation a better chance of passing.

"If I want a bill passed, I always want it to be a committee bill," said Wagle, a Wichita Republican. "I don't want a name attached to it because there are people here who see a name on the bill and they vote against it if they have a personal vendetta that they want to carry out."

The excuses by Rep. Ryckman and Sen. Wagle are both politically motivated.

What we must keep in mind is whether the public's best interest is served by anonymous bill. And it's not.

This new proposal is more important than the petty political preferences mentioned by Ryckman and Wagle.

Legislation that is introduced in Kansas should be passed or failed on its own merit, not because it was introduced by a more popular or more politically powerful committee.

The reason there is pushback on this bill is because no one at the Legislature wants to sign their name to any legislation for fear it won't be popular with their constitutents.

Plus, it makes it very easy for powerful lobbyists to continue to buy influence at Topeka.

If Kansans want their state legislators to stop this anonymous bill practice, they need to tell them now.

The legislators probably won't change it on their own, so Kansans must demand it. David Powls



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

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Spending time with family and friends over the holidays is a time-honored Kansas tradition. It's a chance to come together, celebrate the season and share great food.

Homemade pie is always a favorite at our houses. But, when one member of the family continually takes more than his fair share of the pie, forcing others to go without, even the most patient family members have to speak up.

We've seen the same thing happen over and over again in

For decades, lawyers have entangled our school districts in lawsuit after lawsuit seeking more funding. Each time, taxpayers pay more, yet wind up with less for other essential

Under the latest ruling, school districts are at the front of the line again, seeking 60 percent of state taxpayers' pie while other priorities for our families - like job training, roads, healthcare and foster care - continue to

In fact, Alan Rupe, the Wichita lawyer paid to represent school districts in the court case, recently told The Wichita Eagle that other programs "may have to suffer" so that schools receive more money.

Make no mistake: education should be - and is - a top priority for our state. That's why more than half of the state budget is directed to K-12 education. But our families and our economy shouldn't continually get the short end of the stick.

The truth is, our families rely on an infrastructure that includes more than schools.

If we want our kids to be able to achieve their fullest potential, that infrastructure also has to include good-paying jobs so our kids can grow up and raise their families here, viable roads so that economic opportunities won't bypass our state, safe bridges so our farmers and ranchers can go from harvest to market, access to healthcare so our families and seniors can get

the care they need and reliable services for children in need so that no Kansas child goes hungry or without a home.

According to Kansas Fiscal Facts produced by the Kansas Legislative research department, the current state budget directs \$3.4 billion to school districts, an increase of 9.5 percent in education spending over the prior year. But, the lawyers say that's still not enough.

At the same time, nearly every other priority in the state has been cut in order to meet the lawyers' demands, including veterans' affairs, healthcare, law enforcement and corrections, our colleges and universities, agriculture and our roads.

It's time for a more balanced approach. Legislators have a duty to support the essential priorities that protect our families and move our economy forward instead of being forced to the sidelines while one priority continually moves to the front of the line.

Unlike the lawyers who think some families have to suffer, Kansans know the value of sharing the pie so that all essential priorities can be funded. Just like in our own homes, one member of the family shouldn't keep taking more of the pie at everyone else's expense.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

All over the state of Kansas, nonprofit home health organizations are closing their doors due to funding cuts and increased regulations.

NEK Home Health and Hospice, like many others, operates its home health department at a loss that has, for 20 years, only been sustainable through its hospice revenues.

We remain committed to providing services, but we are currently operating near patient capacity and do not have the resources to hire additional staff to fill the service void left in the wake of Hiawatha hospital's closure of its home health program.

We have provided quality care to our three-county region (Jackson, Atchison and Brown counties) since 1972 and will continue to do so, but we must reiterate that we do not have the resources to take on patients that have lost care due to the recent changes at Hiawatha hospital, nor do we have the resources to hire any additional

We are committed to working with our local partners in healthcare to be part of the solution to this community health crisis Kristin Watkins, CEO

NEK Multi-County Health

PLAINS FOLK: Water witching is age-old

By Jim Hoy

The ability to locate underground water by the use of a forked stick is age-old and goes by a variety of names.

Some names are prosaic - water finder, water locater, water staker - while others are more exotic - diviner, dowser or water witch.

This last term used only in the Unit-States ed and apparently refers not to any demonic power but to the nearubiquitous use in co-



lonial times of a forked branch of witch hazel as the instrument with which to locate a subterranean water vein.

Dowsers have used their skill (gift? power?) to locate many other things besides water, how-

Back in the late Renaissance, for instance, Germany miners used forked wooden sticks to determine where to dig for tin or copper ore.

In fact, a description of these miners and their forked sticks provides the earliest surviving detailed written account of divining, a 1556 document written by one Georgius de Agricola, who writes of them - wandering hither and thither at random through mountainous region - in their search for pay dirt.

Over two centuries earlier, Marco Polo witnessed divination with cane stalks in China.

Well before that, the Roman historian Tacitus (died c. AD 120) described how the Frisians used cuttings from fruit trees to find out murderers.

And well before Tacitus, the Greek historian Herodotus (died c. 425 BC) tells of the Scythians using willow sticks to detect perjurers.

There is even prehistoric evi-

dence of dowsing.
In northwest Africa there are 8,000-year-old petroglyphs in the Atlas Mountains that appear to show a dowser plying his

Detecting water and ore de-

posits is one thing, but using a dowsing rod as a tool in crime detection is something differ-

In the late 17th century, a Frenchman named Jacques Aymar claimed that his divining stick jerked down over the grave of a murdered woman, then jerked up to point at her husband, who took off running.

Aymar received a royal permit to hunt down murderers, which he did avidly, and was even recruited by Catholic officials to locate Protestants.

In 1701, however, the Inquisition outlawed divining as a tool in identifying heretics and the dowsing stick soon reverted back to finding water.

Earlier in the 17th century, churchmen had argued over the use of the dowsing rod, some claiming its power came from heavenly (thus perhaps the term - divining - rod?), others that it was satanic.

At least two Frenchmen died in prison after being locked up for water dowsing. After that many dowsers, taking no chances, had their rods baptized.

Although divining for murderers and perjurers is no longer employed by criminologists (at least it hasn't appeared on any of the plethora of crime shows on television), it is used by some dowsers today to locate dead bodies and unmarked graves.

In addition to using their gift to locate a spot to drill a water well, find gold, silver, other ores, or petroleum, some even claim they can hold the rod over a map half a world away in order to find those things.

I have strong doubts on that, but I do think that some people have the power to locate water. How does it work?

Well, the average adult body is composed of 60 percnt water. That might have something to

Or maybe electromagnetism. I do know that I don't have the gift, but when a water witcher has lightly placed his hands over mine, the stick pointed

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

DAR meeting held recently

By Tena Brucken

The Samuel Linscott DAR Chapter met on Dec. 16, 2017 at the Denison State Bank conference room.

Members present were Anne Emily Jane Stoll, Jerry Brees, Tena Brucken, Jane Elliott and Dorothy BeDunnah. The guest was Adalynn Feldhausen. Regent Brucken led the open-

ing ritual. Brees presented the president

general's message congratulating the Fox River Valley DAR Chapter in Algonquin, Ill., on winning the 2016 Spread the American Spirit Contest. That chapter chose the image on the December magazine, which focused on renovating the Illinois Executive Mansion.

The National Defense message was read by Elliott.

Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved. Treasurer Brees gave the monthly report regarding the account including Gene Dickinson's memorial fund.

Regent Brucken reported the Madonna of the Trail in Council Grove is badly damaged and is in much need of repairs. There was no old business. Un-

der new business, Brees made a motion to send \$50 from Gene Dickinson's memorial fund towards repair of the Madonna of the Trail in Council Grove. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried. Brees provided the program

regarding the Madonna of the Trail located in Lamar, Colo., dedicated Sept. 24, 1928. Schools and businesses were closed that day because the entire community was behind the Brockelman, Sharon Beaman, awarding of the Madonna to their community. In addition to the official dedication, a parade and dance were held. Re-dedication ceremonies were held in

For the holidays, all members brought refreshments. The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 20, 2018, at the Denison State Bank conference room on the Holton Square.



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OBITUARIES

Wilson

Mona E. Wilson, 87, of Holton, passed away Friday, Jan. 12, 2018, at Medicalodges Jackson County.

She was born Aug. 27, 1930, in Muscotah, the daughter of Sherman and Carrie (Liggett) Wiley.

Mona graduated from ACCHS in 1949. She worked at Coopers Drug Store, Shields Jewelry and Westside Sundry's (retiring in 1992), all in Holton. She also was an Avon Representative for eight years. She was a member of Netawaka United Methodist Church. She was also a member of O.E.S. 184, Zenith Chapter in Hiawatha.

Mona married Duane E. Wilson on Dec. 3, 1950, in Holton. He preceded her in death on Jan. 9, 2011.

Survivors include three sons, Gary Wilson (Brenda) of Holton, Keith Wilson of Circleville (Rosanna) and Daryl Wilson (Della Wrightsman) of Netawaka; a sister, Reta Cooper of Olathe; nine grandchildren; 16 greatgrandchildren and two greatgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2018 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial will follow in Netawaka Cemetery. Family will greet friends from 9:30 a.m. until service time.

Memorial contributions may be given to Netawaka United Methodist Church, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270. Holton, KS 66436. To leave a special message for the family, please visit www. mercerfuneralhomes.com Holton Recorder 1/15/18 ▲

Patterson

Rebecca "Becki" Wah-Satch-Mo-Quah Sue Patterson, 63, of Horton, Kansas, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018, at Manor Care of Topeka.

She was born on Sept. 22, 1954, in Kansas City, Mo., the daughter of Joe and Mary Belle Ray Patterson.

Becki worked for the Kickapoo Tribe as a cook at the senior citizens, Golden Eagle Casino, helped open the Sac-N-Fox Truck Stop and the Kickapoo Truck Stop, Kanza as a case worker before having to retire due to health reasons.

Survivors include two daughters, Amy (Dean) Mick of Holton and Jenifer Glessner of Horton; son, Jason Patterson of Horton: father and mother, Joe and Mary Belle Patterson of Horton; brother, Bill Patterson of Horton; 10 grandchildren, Matt Mick, Kyle Mick, Tyler Mick, Britney Mick, Ramsey Mick, Shilah Patterson, Shelby Patterson, Chandler Newman, Makena Patterson and Clint Glessner: and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister, Frankie Patterson on Jan. 24, 1997.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date with inurnment in the Kennekuk Cemetery on the Kickapoo Reservation.

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Davis

Lewis "Elmer" Davis, 92, Topeka, died Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2018, at Stormont-Vail Regional Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 18, 1925 at Hoyt, the son of Frank H. and Josie A. Sallee Davis. He graduated from Hoyt High School in 1943 and had lived in Topeka most of his life.

Mr. Davis was a captain in the Topeka Fire Department, where he served from Nov. 2, 1953, until his retirement on Dec. 21, 1979. He and his wife farmed north of Topeka for several years.

He was a member of Firefighters Union Local 83 of To-

He married Doris Faye Fordice on Sept. 30, 1945. She sur-

Other survivors include two sons, James L. Davis and wife Linda and Marvin A. Davis and wife Julie, all of Topeka; a daughter, Judy K. Donnelly and husband Patrick, Topeka; seven grandchildren, Christopher Davis and wife Keli, McPherson, Justen Davis and wife Crissy, Lone Tree, Colo., Loren Davis and wife Nikki, Topeka, Ann Ellebracht and husband Brad, Columbia, Mo., John Davis and wife Melanie, Overland Park, Sharah Davis, Lawrence, and Clint Davis and wife Jennifer, Overland Park; and 19 greatgrandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Davis and Ralph Davis, and a sister, Lorraine Cummings.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Penwell-Gabel Parker-Price Chapel, 245 N.W. Independence Ave., Topeka. Interment was held in Hoyt Cemetery. A last alarm ceremony was conducted by the Topeka Fire Department.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fireman's Offduty Relief Fund, 720 S.W. 21st St., Topeka, KS 66612.

Buck's Grove

By Betty Bernritter

Epiphany Sunday, Jan. 7. Lay

pastor Charlotte Milroy greeted

everyone as they came through

the double doors into a warm

church at Buck's Grove United

As LeRoy Rieschick took

charge of the recorded music,

Mary Ringle lighted the altar

candles. After announcements,

Pastor Charlotte led the congre-

gation in the call to worship,

Songs sung were "Jesus Loves Ie," "Epiphany," "We Three

Pastor Charlotte read scripture

Joyce Immenschuh's special

The gospel reading was Mark

was a reading by R.R. Newbery,

1:4-11 and the message was

titled "Epiphany (Looking For

Jesus)." We tend to receive a lot

of material possessions this time

of year, but let us think about

the manger scene. Joseph and

Mary were peasants. Everyone

in Bethlehem was basically what

we call poor. You don't hang

Christmas lights on houses made

The shepherds and angels

were around the manger, but

the wisemen probably were not.

Matthew says they entered the

house where Jesus was, not the

cave or stable where a manger

would have been. The wise-

men were so curious about God

that they spent months walking

through a desert wondering what

amazing baby, sent by God to

save all people, even you and

me. Where is He in your heart?

What does Christmas mean to

Boling and Lloyd Ringle and

the service closed by singing

"God Be With You Till We Meet

Offertory ushers were Don

The Christmas story has an

they were going to find.

you?

Again."

of dirt, mud and straw.

Genesis 1:1-5 and Acts 19:1-7.

opening prayer and Psalm 29.

Kings" and "Spirit Song.

Methodist Church.

Me,"

"It's You."

It was a little warmer on

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Kientz Corner

By Beverly Ramey Newell On Jan. 7, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "This Is A Day Of New Beginnings.

Game night will be held on Jan. 19 with a potluck at 6 p.m. followed by bingo. All prizes will be chocolate. Come enjoy fellowship, food and fun.

The birthdays for Jan. 7 through Jan. 13: Alice Hurst, Jan. 7; Kyle Neblett, Jan. 11; Brayden Cochran, Jan. 12; and Marvin D. Smith, Jan. 13.

The anniversaries for the week were Jeremy and Debbie Watson, Jan. 8; and Gary and Carole Stout, Jan. 13.

The concerns were prayers for Pauline Domer, who is strug-

gling with cancer; Cindy Nelson, who was to have surgery on Jan. 10; Jackie Nelson and her husband, who are dealing with the loss of their son; Al and Joyce Mannell, who are moving to Aldersgate Village – Trent Plaza in the near future; the family of John Coufal; the family of David McNorton; the family of Beverly Meister; the family of Anna Marie Taylor Tanner; the family of Reymundo Tinoco; and Pastor Jin Cho, who is sick. A joy was that Bryce and Ker-

ry Lovewell are expecting their first child in July. The children's story was

given by Kevin McDowell. He showed the children some photos of his family. He told them that parents are proud of their children and family. That is why they show their photos to their friends.

God was proud of Jesus, His son. Jesus always did what His father told Him.

John 6:38 says, "Jesus said, For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him who sent

Linda Griffiths read the scripture Matthew 2:12 and Mark 1:4-11. Due to Pastor Jin being sick, there was no sermon.

The congregation sang the following hymns, which were requested by members of the congregation: "Pass It On," "Joy To The World," "How Great Thou Art," "We Three Kings" and "On Eagle's Wings."

The closing hymn was "Change My Heart, O God." Those assisting with the service were Linda Griffiths, liturgist; Mary Smith, organist; Joy Jepson and Deb Mannell, sound system; Molly and Megan Strobel, acolytes; John Wilson, song leader; and Gary Domer, Ron Griffiths, Kevin McDowell and Mark Searles, usher team.

On Jan. 4, Larry and Barbara Hanson, John and Dorothy Holt and Gary and Barbara Slimmer attended the Pleasant Hill coffee group for breakfast at Perkins restaurant in Topeka.

On Jan. 4, Gary and Barbara Slimmer attended a memorial service in honor of John Charles Coufal at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Netawaka.

Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

Don and Deloris Beam had a house full with their children and grandchildren all home for Christmas on Christmas Day. They had a wonderful time in spite of the cold weather.

Rita Keehn spent several days with her dad, Ralph Vanderkolk, recently. Ralph had the misfortune of a fall that left him with a broken ankle. Rita returned home to Lake Ozark, Mo., on Friday, Jan. 5. On Sunday, Jan. 7, his daughters, Renee and Rhea, came for the afternoon. Ralph is doing much better now and able to get around with the aid of a boot.

Bob and I visited his mother, Maxine Lewis, in Holton on Wednesday, Jan. 3, and Saturday, Jan. 6. On Wednesday, we enjoyed having lunch with Merlin and Judy Arnold of Topeka.

Barbara and Dennis Hutchinson attended the Washburn University vs. Emporia State University basketball games on

By Jeannie Arnold

traditional service at Circlev-

ille Christian Church on Jan.

14. Brody Bliss gave the wel-

come and announcements and

the opening prayer. Music was

provided by the praise team of

Gary Bell, Johnny Lynch, David

Allen, Max Lierz, Shelley Will,

Kay Hallauer and Paul and Sue

Paul Davault used text from

1 Corinthians, chapter 13, as he

gave the communion medita-

tion. Communion servers were

Donnie Askren, Mike Cochren,

Davault.

Mark and Debby Knouft,

Saturday, Jan. 6, at Lee Arena. Emporia State women won and Washburn University men won their respective games. Both of them were close games.

Dennis Hutchinson plans to have a booth set up at the annual Topeka Farm Show at the Expocentre next week. The event is Tuesday, Jan. 9 thru Thursday, Jan. 11.

Roy and Beverly Kranz went to Brock and Shawna Blackwood's home for Christmas on Dec. 23. Others attending were Carson and Madison Blackwood, Deb and John Kennedy, Brandon, Jessica, Gage and Lincoln DeVader, Brooke Johnson and children Brynley Cowen and Tate Johnson, Paul Wilcox and Katy Kennedy.

On Dec. 24, Roy and Beverly hosted their son, Charles Kranz, and his family, Chuck, Ashley, Cori and Liam Kranz. Doreen was unable to attend because of illness. On Dec. 25, they hosted their daughter, Kathy Kranz,

Jeremy Kennedy and Roger

nion was served and the offering

Luke 3:1-20 as he gave the

morning sermon titled "Preach-

ing And Proclaiming." This ser-

mon series on "Evangelizing"

covered the points that we need

to go out and preach God's word

with trust in reliability and allow

the spirit to move through us.

Learn, study and rely on the word

of God. Be spirit-filled and God-

ordained. The service closed

by singing "Family Of God."

Brody Bliss used text from

and sister, Judy Robison. It was a busy Christmas but very enjoyable.

Sympathy goes out to Liz and Ed Rostetter at the death of Liz's mother, Betty Johnson. Betty died at her home in Nortonville on Monday, Jan. 8. Funeral services are planned for Jan. 13 at Nortonville Christian Church.

Sympathy is also extended to Keith and Rosanna Wilson at the death of Keith's mother, Mona Wilson. Mona died on Friday, Jan. 12, at Medicalodges in Holton. Her service is planned for Wednesday, Jan. 17 at Mercer Funeral Home.

Dennis Hutchinson had a booth at the Farm Show in Topeka last week, Tuesday through Thursday, Jan. 8-11. The first two days saw a good crowd, but Thursday's weather kept a lot of people from getting out.

There were some from Circleville that attended the Soldier Fire Department soup supper on Saturday evening, Jan. 13. They had a good turnout for the weather conditions.

The Circleville Saddle Club members held their annual meeting with a potluck meal and election of officers at the Circleville Lodge Hall on Saturday evening, Jan. 13. The officers for 2018 will remain the same: Don Askren, president; Susan Rollins, vice president; Tammy Askren, treasurer; and Deb Dillner, secretary.

Board of directors members are Nikki Robinson, Cassey Schooler, Lindsay Alley, Jen Bailey, Brian Roush and Charlie McCauley. The 2018 Queen is Rebekah Eilert.

Belonging to the Circleville Saddle Člub is the best family fun you can have for \$10 a year and you don't have to own a horse. New members are always welcome.

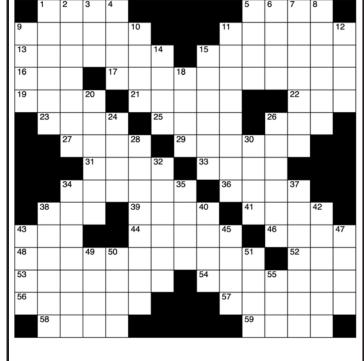
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Rethman. The prayer for the offering was given by David Alalong with their granddaughter, SANDWICH SHOPPE Leslie Ladusch, served as greetlen. Kay Hallauer provided the ers at the door for the cowboy/ lovely piano music as commu-CROSSWORD PUZZLE



33. Witnesses

39. Laments

pursuits

Fastened

34. Taking place in a series

41. "Girls" creator Dunham

43. Indian title of respect

46. Network of nerve cells

48. Link together in a chain

57. A cotton fabric with a

58. Whiskey and bread are two

satiny finish

59. Scottish tax

52. Cool 70s crew "The __ Squad"

53. Persons engaging in energetic

54. Accumulation of glacial debris

Immanuel Lutheran

Circleville Christian

By Esther L. Ideker

Worship services were not held on Jan. 14 at Immanuel Lutheran Church because of the illness of Pastor Michael Van Velzer. Services are scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 21, followed by the first quarter congregational meeting of the year.

Immanuel LWML met on Friday, Jan. 12, at the church with roll call being favorite Bible story and Esther Ideker leading the Bible study, "Jesus Above All," from the winter Lutheran Wom-

an's Quarterly.

Projects were Mission Mites, contribution to the Zone Delegate Fund and "Lead a Child." Plans were made for Day of Prayer Service on Feb. 11 with door offering for Fairmount Coffee House, the student center at Wichita State University.

Family Game Night was held on Sunday evening, Jan. 7, at Immanuel with fellowship supper, followed by games. The benefit was for the Ukele family of Sabetha and was arranged by Janet Amon.

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Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Clarence Junior Bolz, deceased

Case No. 2018 PR 03

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS **PERSONS** TO ALL **CONCERNED:**

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the Court by Vernona Bolz, surviving spouse of Clarence Junior Bolz, deceased, and praying:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Jackson County, Kansas, to-wit:

The West Half of the Quarter Northeast Section 9, Township Range 16, Jackson County,

Kansas; and North Half of the Northwest Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4, Township 9, Range 16, Jackson County, Kansas; and

The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4, Township 9, Range 16, Jackson County, Kansas;

and all other personal property owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such real estate and all personal property owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 6th day

of February, 2018, at 8:30 o'clock A.M. 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.

> Vernona Bolz, Petitioner

Alexandria S. Morrissey #23966 111 W. 4th, Box 366 Holton, Kansas, 66436 785-364-0158 **Attorney for Petitioner**

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- 1. Methaqualone pill (slang)
- 5. Religious service 9. Woodland gods (Greek myth.) 36. Satisfy
- 11. "Where Is My Mind?" rockers 38. Freshwater fish of N. America 13. Deliberately contrary states of affairs
- 15. Inflection of the voice 16. "Great Expectations" character 44. Cocoa plum
- 17. Becomes a butterfly
- 19. Spoke 21. Tennis player Sharapova
- 22. Midway between northeast and east 23. Afrikaans
- 25. No instruction set computing
- 26. Pacific Standard Time 27. Relaxing places
- 29. Confiscates
- 31. Gladys Knight's fellow performers

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- 3. Field force unit 4. Guitar great Clapton
- 5. Slang for type of skirt
- 6. Figure skating jump 7. Innocent
- 8. Mathematical ratio 9. Slowly drinks
- 10. Line where edges meet 11. Offices of the pope
- 12. Dry or withered 14. "__ the Man" Musical
- 15. Difficult situations
- 18 Greek goddess of discord
- 20. Marked by smartness in
- dress and manners
- 24. Habitat

- 26. Annoy constantly 28. Full of life
- 30. Great energy
- 32. BBQ and soy are two 34. Virtuous
- 35. Not fatty
- 37. Foes 38. Merchandiser
- 40. Dishonest scheme 42. Repents
- 43. Protective crust
- 45. Native American people 47. Any place of bliss or delight 49. Bring up
- 50. Birds
- 51. Geological times
- 55. Consumed

RV Panthers split games at Sabetha

By Ali Holcomb Royal Valley High School basketball teams split games against Sabetha Friday,

with the Lady Panthers taking home the win against the Lady Bluejays 41-33. With the win, the Lady Pan-

thers are now 5-3 in the Big Seven League and 6-3 overall. Sabetha drops to 4-4 in

the league. The Panthers started off slow, but outscored the

Bluejays 4-2 in the first quarter. "We took a step back. We weren't taking good shots and being patient on offense," said RV head coach Kyle Porter. "Luckily, we were able to stay in the game because of our defense. In the end, we were able

to find a way to finish strong." At the half, the Lady Panthers led 14-10. Out of the locker room, RV picked up 12 points in the third quarter and held Sabetha to eight points.

"Sabetha played great defense that forced us to run offense," Porter said. "They also crashed the boards hard on offense, and we let them get second-chance shots. We need to continue to work on our rebounding."
Both teams scored 15 points

in the final quarter.

RV was led by Mary Broxterman, who had 12 points. Overall, the team was 8-14 at the free throw line. Sabetha was 3-8 at the line.

"We're a team that is constantly working on improving and becoming better then we were the day before," Porter said. "There are going to times when things aren't pretty, but at the end of the day, I think they're competing hard and finishing out those games. That's a huge step forward from where we were earlier in the season."

The Lady Panthers will host Hiawatha tonight for a Big Seven League match-up. Games begin at 4:30 p.m.

RV: 4-10-12-15 – 41 Sabetha: 2-8-8-15-33Individual statistics RV: Broxterman 5 2-5 12, T. Thomas 2 (1) 2-2 7, Thompson 3 0-0 6, Ogden 1 4-4 6, Jordan 2 (1) 0-0 5, K. Thomas 2 (1) 0-1 5. Totals 15 (3) 8-14 41.

Sabetha: Krebs 3 (2) 0-0 8, Schuette 3 0-0 6, Schumann 2 (2) 0-0 6, Hughes 2 (1) 0-0 5, McAfee 1 2-6 4, Schuette 1 (1) 0-0 3, Michael 0 1-2 1. Totals 12 (6) 3-8 33.

The RV boys battled a tough Sabetha team and came up short, 68-44, on Friday.

The Panthers drop to 3-5 in the league and 3-6 overall. Sabetha moves to 6-2 in the league.

The Bluejays outscored the Panthers 14-9 in the first quarter and extended their lead to 33-14 at the half.

To close the gap, the Panthers scored 10 points in the third quarter, but the Bluejays answered back with 12.

Both teams exploded in the final eight minutes, but the Blue-jays secured the win by outscoring RV 23-20.

Both teams relied on their three-point shooters throughout the game. Sabetha had eight three-pointers, while the Panthers had six from beyond the

Masen Spoonhunter led the Panthers with 11 points, and the team was 4-5 at the free throw line. Sabetha made 8 of 15 free throws.

RV: 9-5-10-20 - 44 Sabetha: 14-19-12-23 - 68 Individual statistics

RV: M. Spoonhunter 4 (1) 2-3 11, Neuner 4 (1) 0-0 9, Frisby 3 (1) 0-0 7, Shopteese 2 (1) 2-2 7, K. Spoonhunter 3 (1) 0-0 7, Hale 1 (1) 0-0 3. Totals 17 (6)

Sabetha: Stallbaumer 4 (3) 0-0 11, Garber 4 (2) 0-0 10, Stapleton 2 (1) 4-6 9, Burger 4 0-0 8, Grimm 3 1-4 7, Dyke 3 1-1 7, Gruber 3 0-0 6, Cox 2 (1) 0-2 5, Spellmeier 1 (1) 2-2 5. Totals 26 (8) 8-15 68.

The Panther boys have a break until Thursday when they open the Panther Classic tournament with a game against Chapman (see related article for tournament information).



Holton sophomore Cody Mulroy, no. 12 shown above in the white jersey, drives to the basket Friday night in the game against Hiawatha. Photo by Michael Powls



Holton sophomore Adalee Degenhardt, No. 33 in the white jersey shown above, sets up the Holton offense during Friday's game against Hiawatha. Photo by Michael Powls

Holton sweeps Hiawatha

■ Mid-season tourneys start today

By David Powls Both of Holton's varsity basketball teams were victorious on the home court

against Hiawatha Friday. HHSboys w o n 44-39 to improve to 5-5 overa 1 1



a n d 4-5 in the Big Seven League while the Hiawatha boys remain winless over eight games.

The HHS girls won 58-18 over the Hiawatha girls to improve to 9-1 overall and 8-1 in the Big Seven while Hiawatha moved to 1-7 overall and in the league.

The Holton boys, starting today, will play in the Tonganoxie Invitational. At 5:30 p.m. today, the Wildcats will play De Soto. The tourney bracket is published below on this page.

The Holton girls, also starting today, will play in the Basehor-Linwood tourney. Today, at 3 p.m., the Holton girls will play Park Hill. The tourney bracket for the girls is published on page 7 of this issue.

The Holton boys led Hiawatha 13-6 after the first quarter Friday but trailed 20-16 after scoring just three points in the second quarter.

In the second half, Holton outscored Hiawatha 28-19 to win the game.

The lead changed hands five times in the game and the score was tied five times.

'Our posts played well

against Hiawatha and we did a better job of getting the ball to them in the sec-ond half," said HHS head coach Ryan Noel after the game. "We are still looking for more consistent re-

bounding and scoring, but look forward to getter better this week. Mason Chanay paced the Wildcats with 21 points and

Zane Moylan pitched in 13. Moylan also had six rebounds in the game while Chanay had five and Trey Wright had five, also. Chanay also blocked three shots in the game.

As a team, the Wildcats made 13 of 26 field goals and 2 of 8 three-pointers for 44.1 percent shooting from the field. The team also made 12 of

16 free throws for 75 percent, had 26 rebounds, 16 turnovers, 12 assists and nine steals. The Hiawatha boys made

8 of 25 field goals and 2 of

10 three-pointers for 28.6

percent shooting from the Hiawatha also made 17 of 24 free throws for 70.8 percent, had 24 rebounds, 15

Holton boys 44,

turnovers and five assists.

Hiawatha boys 39 Holton – 13-3-15-13 — 44 Hiawatha 6-14-9-10 — 39 Holton - Chanay 7 (1) 6-7 21, Moylan 4 (1) 2-3 13, Strader 2 1-2 5, Wright 0 2-2 2, Haussler 1 1-2 3. Totals 15 (2) 12-16-44.

Hiawatha - Lierz 3 (1) 3-6 10, Pavlish 1 2-2 4, Siebenmorgen 1 0-0 2, Moreno 1 0-0 2, Meyer 0 2-2 2. Totals 9 (2) 14-17 39.

The Holton girls jumped

out to a 23-8 first quarter lead and by halftime led going away, 43-8.

Shay Tanking led the way scoring with 21 points, five steals and three assists. Overall, 10 Wildcats

scored points in the game. Holton's defense forced Hiawatha into 27 turnovers.

The Wildcats made 16 of 36 field goals and 5 of 9 three-pointers for 46.7 percent shooting from the field.

The Wildcats also made 11 of 13 free throws for 84.6 percent, had 25 rebounds, 17 deflections, 13 steals, seven turnovers and 12 assists.

The Hiawatha girls made 3 of 12 field goals and 3 of 9 three-pointers for 28.6 percent shooting from the field.

The Hiawatha girls also made 3 of 4 free throws, had 14 rebounds, five steals and 27 turnovers.

Holton girls 58, Hiawatha

Holton - 23-20-11-4-58

Hiawatha 8-0-5-5—18 Holton – Shay Tanking 8 (3) 2-2 21, Saydee Tanking 2 3-3 7, Moore 2 2-4 6, Haussler 2 (1) 0-0 5, Holaday 1 2-2 4, Flewelling 2 0-0 4, Ramirez 2 0-0 4, Barta 1 (1) 0-0 3, Price 0 2-2 2, Hickman 1 0-0 2. Totals 21 (5) 11-13 58.

Hiawatha – Pierce 2 (2) 0-0 6, Kettler 0 3-4 3, Meyers 1 (1) 0-0 3, Hrencher 1 0-0 2, Madsen 1 0-0 2, Diller 1 0-0 2. Totals 6 (3) 3-4 18.

Cobras climb to 6-1 records

By Brian Sanders
Jackson Heights

School's Cobra varsity basketball teams both improved their records to 6-1 in the Northeast Kansas League and 7-1 overall with Friday night's on-the-road sweep of Horton, it was report-

First, the Lady Cobras engaged in a defensive battle with the Lady Chargers and came out ahead in the end by a score of



33-30, bouncing back from last Tuesday's first loss of the season against Jefferson County North.

The Lady Cobras got off to a good start, outscoring the Chargers 13-7 in the first quarter, but Horton came charging back in the second to close up the gap with a halftime score of 17-15. The second half was more backand-forth play as the Cobras outscored the Chargers 8-5 in the third quarter while Horton outscored Heights 10-8 in the fourth.

It was sophomore Kylie Dohl hitting two free throws with 10 seconds left to go in the game to seal the deal for the Lady Cobras; Dohl had a total of 15 points on the night, it was reported. Also helping out the Cobras in scoring was Amaya Marlatt, who chipped in seven points.
For the Lady Cobras, the win

keeps them in a three-way tie with Jefferson County North and Valley Falls for the top of the NEK League standings, with all teams holding 6-1 league records at present. Sixth-place Horton fell to 2-5 in the league and 4-5 overall.

The Lady Cobras' next game is Friday, when they host St. Marys of the Mid-East League.

Jackson Heights 13-4-8-8 33 Horton 7-8-5-10 30

Jackson Heights – Dohl 5 (1) 4-8 15, Marlatt 3 1-1 7, Williams 1 3-6 5, McMahon 2 0-0 4, White 1 0-0 2. Totals 12 (1) 8-15 33.

Horton – Bone 3 (1) 0-0 7, McAfee 2 (2) 0-0 6, McAfee 2 (2) 0-0 6, Lockwood 2 1-3 5, Smith 1 2-4 4, Randall 1 0-0 2. Totals 11 (5) 3-9 30.

JV: Jackson Heights 28, Horton 17.

The Cobra varsity boys also finished Friday night to stay in a three-way tie at the top of the NEK League standings, deadlocked with Maur Hill and Jefferson County North after Friday's 46-28 win against Horton. The sixth-place Chargers fell to 2-5 in the league and 2-7 overall.

Jackson Heights Head Coach Chris Brown said Friday's game "looked like a lot easier win than it actually was," particularly in the second quarter, where neither team was doing particularly well offensively.

"Friday was not a pretty night for offense, but we played good defense," Coach Brown said. "We really pulled away in the fourth quarter.'

In fact, the Cobras had a commanding 26-14 lead at the end of the third quarter when they exploded for 20 points in the final frame to match the Chargers' 14 points. Most of those points were scored by Braden Dohl, who contributed 21 points and 11 rebounds on the night, along with Lane Thomas with 12 points.

"We started forcing more turnovers and got some easy baskets," Brown said. "Nothing really went well for them."

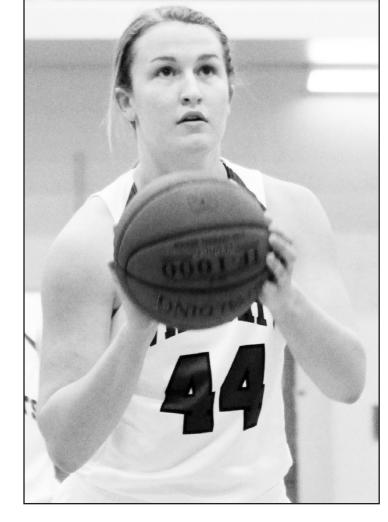
Both the Cobras and the Chargers will head to Seneca on Tuesday for the opening round of the Thunder Classic, where third-seed Jackson Heights will take on sixth-seed Falls City, Neb. at 5 p.m. and seventh-seed Horton will take on second-seed Silver Lake at 3:30 p.m.

"Nebraska teams do things a lot differently," Brown said of the Falls City team. "I'd expect this to be the toughest game we've played all year."

Scoring Jackson Heights 12-5-9-20 46 Horton 4-3-7-14 28

Jackson Heights - Dohl 8 5-6 21, Thomas 4 (1) 3-7 12, Williams 1(1) 12-4, Rethman 0 3-3 3, Olberding 1 1-2 3, Holliday 1 0-0 2, Niehues 0 1-2 1, Thompson 0 1-2 1. Totals 15 (2) 15-24 47.

Horton – Banks 2 (2) 0-0 6, Wahwahsuck 2 1-2 5, Bottom 1 2-4 4, Dean 1 0-0 2, Isaacs 1 0-0 2, Wishkeno 0 2-2 2, Madere 0 2-5 2, Cowley 1 0-0 2, Gamino 1 0-0 2, Cortes 0 1-2 1. Totals 9 (2) 8-15 28.



Holton junior Lauryn Moore, No. 44 shown above, gets ready to shoot a free throw in Friday's game.

Photo by Michael Powls





Panther Basketball Classic this week

By Ali Holcomb

Royal Valley High School will host the 11th annual Panther Classic basketball tournament this week at the high school gym in Hoyt.

Besides the host team, other teams competing will include Santa Fe Trail, Wabaunsee and

Action will kick off on Thursday, and the schedule will in-

Thursday, Jan. 18

* Santa Fe Trail vs. Wabaunsee – girls at 3:30 p.m. and boys

at 5 p.m.
* RV vs. Chapman – girls at 6:30 p.m. and boys at 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19 Wabaunsee vs. Chapman girls at 3:30 p.m. and boys at

5 p.m. * RV vs. Santa Fe Trail – girls at 6:30 p.m. and boys at 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20 * Chapman vs. Santa Fe Trail – girls at noon and boys at 1:30

team members on the first, second and third-place teams.

A free throw contest will be held during the tournament. Each team's coach will designate two players to participate in the contest, which will consist of 15 shots taken prior to the start of the games on Friday. In case of a tie, a shoot off will be held on Saturday.

Daily admission is \$5 for

adults and \$3 for students. * RV vs. Wabaunsee – girls at 3 p.m. and boys at 4:30 p.m. Medals will be awarded to

Big 7 league leaders at break noted

By Michael Powls

The Big 7 League released its individual girls basketball stats at the Christmas break.

In scoring, L. Macke from Nemaha Central was the leading scorer with 107 points in six games and she averaged 17.83 points per game.

Shay Tanking from Holton was in second place with 104 points scored in six games and she averaged 17.33 points per

Mary Broxterman from Royal Valley was in third place with 81 points scored in six games and she averaged 13.5 points

per game. Tamo Thomas from Royal Valley was in eighth place with 63 points in six games and she

averaged 10.5 points per game. J. Ernzen from ACCHS was in 11th place with 35 points in four games and averaged 8.75 points

per game. Saydee Tanking from Holton was in 12th place with 52 points in six games and averaged 8.67

points per game. Kiikto Thomas from Royal Valley was in 14th place with 46

points in six games and averaged 7.67 points per game. Lauryn Moore from Holton

was in 15th place with 44 points points per game.

In the two-point field goal percentage, L. Macke from Nemaha Central was in first place with 41 out of 66 made for 62.1 percent.

MaKenzie Ogden from Royal Valley was in third place with 11 out of 19 made for 57.9 per-

Sa. Tanking from Holton was in fourth place with 17 out of 31

made for 54.8 percent. Sh. Tanking from Holton was tied for fifth place with 25 out of

46 made for 54.3 percent. M. Broxterman from Royal Valley was in eighth place with 33 of 62 made for 53.2 percent.

L. Moore from Holton was in

ninth place with 17 out of 32 made for 53.1 percent.

Bella Thompson from Royal Valley was in 11th place with 13 out of 26 made for 50 percent.

In the three-point field goal percentage, A. Appel from ACCHS was in first place with 7 out of 13 made for 53.8 per-

J. Ernzen from ACCHS was in third place with 8 out of 19 made for 42.1 percent.

Sh. Tanking from Holton was in fourth place with 12 out of 29 made for 41.4 percent.

T. Thomas from Royal Valley was in fifth place with 13 out of 33 made for 39.4 percent.

M. Appel from ACCHS was in seventh place with 5 out of 14 made for 35.7 percent.

Sarah Holaday from Holton was tied for eighth place with 2 out of 6 made for 33.3 percent.

Tabor Barta from Holton was in 11th place with 2 out of 7 made for 28.6 percent.

In the free throw percentage, T. Thomas from Royal Valley was in first place with 10 out of

12 made for 83.3 percent. Sa. Tanking from Holton was

tied for fourth place with 12 out of 16 made for 75 percent. M. Broxterman from Royal

Valley was in sixth place with

Sh. Tanking from Holton was in 10th place with 18 out of 27 made for 66.7 percent.

In the offensive rebounds, M. Fast from Perry-Lecompton was in first place with 20 rebounds in five games and averaged four

rebounds per game. M. Broxterman from Royal Valley was in fourth place with 18 rebounds in six games and averaged three rebounds per

L. Moore from Holton was in sixth place with 15 rebounds in six games and averaged 2.5 per

In the defensive rebounds, M. Murdie from Jeff West was in first place with 53 rebounds in six games and averaged 8.83 rebounds per game.

M. Broxterman from Royal Valley was in second place with 35 rebounds in six games and averaged 5.83 rebounds per

Sh. Tanking from Holton was in third place with 31 rebounds in six games and averaged 5.17 rebounds per game.

B. Thompson from Royal Valley was tied for eighth place with 21 rebounds in six games and averaged 3.5 rebounds per

L. Moore from Holton was tied for eighth place with 21 rebounds in six games and averaged 3.5 rebounds per game.

In steals, G. Folks from Perry-Lecompton was in first place with 17 steals in five games and averaged 3.4 steals per game.

J. Ernzen from ACCHS was in third place with 11 steals in four games and averaged 2.75 steals per game.

Sh. Tanking from Holton was tied for eighth place with 13 steals in six games and averaged 2.17 steals per game.

In assists, J. Dalinghaus from Nemaha Central was in first place with 30 assists in six games and averaged 5 assists

Sh. Tanking from Holton was in third place with 18 assists in six games and averaged 3 as-

sists per game. K. Beien from ACCHS was tied for fourth place with 10 assists in four games and averaged

2.5 assists per game. J. Ernzen from ACCHS was tied for seventh place with 8 assists in four games and averaged

2 assists per game. In blocks, M. Murdie from Jeff West was in first place with 26 blocks in six games and av-

eraged 4.33 blocks per game. L. Moore from Holton was

tied for fourth place with six blocks in six games and averaged 1 block per game.

announced for JH **Elementary**

Honor rolls

Friday 1/19- 4:30 pm

The following students have been named to Jackson Heights Elementary School's honor roll for the second nine weeks of the 2017-2018 school year. (All A's)

Sixth Grade: Dawson Cochren.

Fifth Grade: Taylor Bosley, Kade Holliday, Jenna Joiner, Korbin Karns, Azlyn McMahon, J.W. Moore, Makinley Mulroy, Ava Rash, Jace Robinson and Clara Will.

Fourth Grade: Lucas White, Carter Will and Tristan Wilson. (All A's & B's)

Sixth Grade: Lillian Brown, Emma Brucken, Michael Cornelison, Brayden Felps, Ellie Gresham, Sean Hayden, Michaela Hutfles, Haddlea Kilpatrick, Felicity Kirk, Samuel McKinney, David Penrod, Kryndon Proffitt and Alex Rol-

Fifth Grade: Remington Bliss, Emirson Fritz, Katie Keithline, Constance McAlpine, Sean Morrissey, Mariah Streeter and Max Watkins.

Fourth Grade: Ian Allen, James Bottom, Teagen Bowhay, Talen Browning, Karma Carlson, Kavan Carlson, Chesnea Cochren, Jace Doyle, Anthony Gulotta, Ashlin Hackathorn, Drake Mellies, Laquita Peters, Alexis Richter, Emma Sides and Brooke Slipke.



Community HealthCare System Holton Family Health Center

Thursday 1/18- 4:30 pr



18th Annual Bobcat Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament

January 15 - 20, 2018

Benton

Ottawa

Blue Valley

Tuesday 1/16 - 6:00 pm Basehor-Linwood

Holton

Monday 1/15 - 3:00 pm Park Hill

Hayden

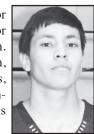
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lay 1/17 -3:00 pm

Wed. 1/17 - 6:00 pm

Holton junior Zane Moylan scored 13 points in the Wildcats' victory at Hiawatha Friday night. Moylan is averaging 8.5 points per game plus 6 rebounds per game.

Royal Valley High School senior Darius Frisby has been a top leader for the boys basketball team this season. During the first six games of the season, Frisby had 64 points for the Panthers, including nine three-pointers. Defensively, Frisby has recorded eight steals and 11 total rebounds.



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Jackson Heights Alumni Basketball Games

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Former basketball

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Varsity Tournament - @ Tonganozie; HHS Girls Basketball - Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Basehor; JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Nemaha Central Tourna-

NEDNESDAY, JAN. 17: HHS Boys Basketball -

Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Tonganozie; HHS **Basehor**

Varsity Tournament - @ Tonganozie; HHS Girls Basketball - Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Basehor; JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Nemaha Central Tournament - @ Seneca; RVHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Panther Classic – 3:30 p.m. @ Hoyt

Varsity Tournament - @ Tonganozie; HHS Girls Basketball - Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Basehor; HHS Wrestling - Holton JV Tournament - 3:30 p.m. @ Holton; JHHS Girls Basketball vs. St. Marys - 5 p.m. @ Jackson Hts.; RVHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Panther Classic - 3:30 p.m. @ Hoyt; RVHS Wrestling - Holton JV Tournament - 3:30 p.m. @ Holton

SATURDAY, JAN. 20: HHS Boys Basketball - Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Tonganozie; HHS Girls Basketball - Mid-Season Varsity Tournament - @ Basehor; HHS Boys Wrestling (V) – Sadowski Invitational – 9:30 a.m. @ Holton; JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Nemaha Central Tournament - @ Seneca; RVHS Boys/Girls Basketball - Panther Classic - 12 Noon @ Hoyt; RVHS Wrestling - Holton Sadowski Tournament - 9:30 a.m. @

UESDAY, JAN. 23: JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball -





KBCA rankings announced 2. Coldwater-South Central

The KBCA (Kansas Basketball Coaches Association) has announced its weekly rankings as of Jan. 8.

The Holton girls basketball team is ranked second in the state and the Jackson Heights girls basketball team is ranked ninth in the

GIRLS RANKINGS

- 4A D1-Girls 4A D2-Girls
- 1. Baldwin 2. Holton
- 3. Andale 4. Clay Center
- 5. Marysville 6. Jefferson West
- 7. Burlington 8. Topeka-Hayden
- 9. Girard 10. Santa Fe Trail
- 3A Girls 1. Haven
- 2. Garden Plain Nemaha Central
- 4. Council Grove 5. Halstead
- Thomas More Prep Beloit 8. Scott Community
- 9. Eskridge-Mission Valley 10. Kingman
- 2A Girls 1. Central Plains
- 2. Olpe 3. Wabaunsee
- 4. Hoxie
- 5. Meade
- 6. Smith Center
- Pittsburg-St. Mary's Colgan 8. Elbing-Berean Academy
- 9. Holton-Jackson Heights
- 10. Howard-West Elk
- 1A-Div 1-Girls 1. Hanover

- 3. Centralia 4. Frankfort
- 5. Rural Vista 6. Montezuma-South Gray
- 7. St. Paul 8. Stockton
- 9. Valley Falls 10. Sylvan-Lucas
- 1A-Div 2- Girls 1. Rexford-Golden Plains 2. Cunningham
- 3. Ingalls 4. Hartford
- Quinter 6. Waverly
- 7. Attica Wilson 9. Otis Bison
- 10. Beloit-St. John's/Tipton BOYS RANKINGS
- 6A Boys 4A-Div 1-Boys
- 1. Bishop Miege
- 2. McPherson 3. Ottawa
- 4. Wamego 5. Augusta
- 6. Bonner Springs 7. Labette County
- 8. Andover Central
- 9. KC Piper
- 10. Baseĥor-Linwood 4A-Div 2-Boys
- 1. Wichita Trinity Topeka-Hayden
- 3. Holcomb Andale
- Wichita Collegiate Rock Creek
- Marysville 8. Burlington

10. Baxter Springs

9. Girard

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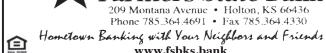
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RIDAY, JAN. 19: HHS Boys Basketball - Mid-Season

Hiawatha Tournament @ Hiawatha



WMS lists honor rolls

The following students have been named to the honor roll for the second quarter of the 2017-2018 school year at Wetmore Middle School.

High Honor Roll

(4.0 GPA)

Eighth Grade: Eric Lee

Bloom, Campbell Ashton Bloom, Brown, Taylor Marie Fillmore and Kenzie Anne Strathman. Seventh Grade: Faith Noel

Bloom Sixth Grade: Karis Rose Lar-

Principal's Honor Roll

(3.5-3.99 GPA) Eighth Grade: Juliana Amana Crismas, Colby Dayne Hanzlicek, Braden John Henry and Rachel Ann Vandiver.

Seventh Grade: Jacob William Carls, Kaitlyn Nicole Claycamp, Grant Fulkerson, Dierk Reyne Hanzlicek, Shyann Moore, Alex W. Rowland and Kyler Allen Wommack.

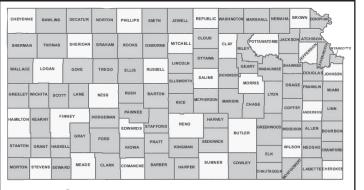
Sixth Grade: Brayden Eric McQueen, Rylie Taylor Nichols and Weston Theodore Schulte-

Honorable Mention (3.0-3.49 GPA)

Eighth Grade: Tyson Alexander Ball

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WHS honor rolls

The following students have been named to Wetmore High School's honor roll for the first semester.

High Honor Roll (4.0 GPA) 12th: McKayla Rose Henry and Alena Martina Pfrang.

11th: Curtis Allen Bloom, Joel Joseph Hutfles and Seth Aaron Shumaker.

9th: Alyssa Kay Bloom, Kael McQueen and Austin Wayne Smith.

Principal's Honor Roll (3.5-3.99 GPA)

12th: Faith Lynn Bratcher and Jill Catherine Henry. 11th: Alyssa Mae Davis and

Lauryn Ashley Scott. 10th: Savannah R. Bryant, Ashley Marie Flowers and John Michael Lamberson.

9th: Alvana Helene Crismas, Jasmine Johnson, Abbigail Jane Shumaker and Ross Michael Shumaker

> **Honorable Mention** (3.0-3.49 GPA)

12th: Ethan Gilbert Osterhaus and Josephine Bernice Shumaker. 11th: Jonathan Tyler Hladky-

10th: Shayla Marie Ball, Michael Christopher Hemenway and Kevin John Shumaker.

9th: Zachariah Lee Cole and Reagan Elizabeth Osterhaus.

Time sheets, employee job descriptions discussed at county commission meeting

During the holidays, the Jackson County Commissioners met on Friday, Dec. 29, and Tuesday, Jan. 2.

During the Dec. 29 meeting, the commissioners heard a report from Dan Barnett, road and bridge director.

As the county entered the New Year, the commissioners requested that the road and bridge employees keep track of their daily mileage on all the county equipment. The mileage is to be included on each employee's time sheet.

Barnett reported that he is working on revising employee position descriptions for his department. The changes will be reviewed by employees and will be used for clarity purposes during employee evaluations, Barnett said.

Barnett and the commissioners also reviewed a concern from a resident about an alleged blind spot in a county road.

After reviewing photos of the site, it was determined that the brush near the road would need to be maintained by the homeowner.

Barnett also reported that road graders have been out

clearing ditches on minimum maintenance roads.

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

* Heard a weekly report from Mixie Vance, noxious weed and environmental services director.

Vance said that the county's household hazardous waste center isn't equipped to handle large amounts of waste and that needs to be taken into consideration before the county enters into an additional contract with other counties for waste disposal.

* Signed the 2018 pay schedule for Jackson County employees. The commissioners reported they would not take any pay increases themselves for four years.

* Met with John Kennedy, Banner Creek Reservoir director, who discussed the possibility of hosting a triathlon at the lake in the future.

* Agreed to allocated \$5,000 in county funds to the Royal Valley Recreation Association. Appointed Commissioner

Bill Elmer as the commission chair for 2018 and Commissioner Rob Ladner as co-chair.

* Approved payroll changes notices for sheriff's office employees Marie Katz, Brian Montague, Megan Shea, Katy Spire, Corey Schuetz, Brad

Hanika and Čecil Mercer. Adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m. All commissioners

were present. During the Jan. 2 meeting, which lasted two hours, the commission:

* Met with Kennedy who invited the commissioners to the reservoir when it gets warmer to discuss possible locations for future cabins and a community building.

Kennedy discussed getting a traffic counter to determine the number of vehicles entering the lake on a monthly basis and for special events.

* Accepted the resignation of Dr. Jeffrey Warner from the NEK Multi-County Health Board and approved a motion to appoint Dr. Vance Lassey to the board.

* Approved the resignation of Dolly Simpson at the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

* Adjourned the meeting at 11 a.m. All commissioners were present.

HCH adds Avera eCARE services

Holton Community Hospital has announced the addition of Avera eCARE® Emergency services to the hospital in Holton.

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Crossword Answers



Purple Heart...

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Not long after that, on Jan. 15, 1933, he married the former Florence Violent Fairbanks in Onaga. They would move two years later to the east central Illinois community of Mattoon, where Biggs taught public speaking, coached the school's debate team and commanded the ROTC unit at the city's high school.

Late in 1939, Biggs returned to active military duty and went to the Philippines with his wife, their three sons and his daughter, Bevie, from a previous relationship, in tow. It was reported in the Mattoon city newspaper that Biggs had been sent to the Philippines for two years to make him eligible for military retire-

When tensions in the region began to worsen not much more than a year later, Violet and the children returned stateside in an evacuation ship in February of 1941 and settled in Holton. Biggs' two-year service period for retirement had nearly expired when Japanese troops attacked Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7 of that

Biggs, promoted to lieutenant colonel, served under General Douglas MacArthur and fought with the Coast Artillery Corps in the Philippines. On March 25, 1942, Biggs was serving at Fort Mills when Japanese planes bombed the fort, and his efforts to fight the resulting fire while evading enemy bombs earned him a Silver Star medal.

Little more than a month later, on May 5 and 6, it was reported



Lt. Col. Lloyd W. Biggs Sr.

that he led a provisional battalion of Coast Artillery troops in a night action on the Philippine island of Corregidor, and his actions in that battle earned a Bronze Leaf Cluster to the Silver

"By his aggressive action, the attacking enemy force was pinned down until a counterattacking force could be assembled and employed," according to Biggs' Silver Star and Bronze Leaf Cluster citations as reported in the Aug. 26, 1946 edition of The Holton Recorder.

Allied forces lost that battle, however, and Biggs was among the more than troops captured and sent to Cabanatuan, where more than 3,000 other American prisoners of war were also being held. Their Japanese captors had instituted policies at the camp that attempted to prevent escapes by warning prisoners that for every one that tried to escape, 10 others would be shot.

Those policies prompted American commanders in the camp to institute their own guard system to prevent other POWs from escaping. But in September of 1942, Biggs and two other officers decided to escape from the camp with all the money, food and medicine they could gather, it was reported.

Unfortunately for Biggs and the other two officers, an American enlisted man on guard caught them and a struggle between them was loud enough to be heard by Japanese soldiers in a nearby barracks. The Japanese apprehended Biggs and the other two officers and returned them to the camp, where they were stripped and tied to posts where they were beaten and starved for two days.

"Passing Filipinos were forced to beat them in the face with clubs," according to a report from the U.S. State Department that was reprinted in the Mattoon newspaper. "After two days of torture they were taken away, and according to the statements of the Japanese guards, they were killed, one of them by decapitation."

Biggs was returned to the U.S. and buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. His wife, Violet, died in November of 1997 and was interred near her husband in Arlington.



Members of the Holton High School Scholar's Bowl team were named the Big Seven League champions during a recent competition. Team members include (from left) Walker Sheldon, Grant Cawby, Alexis Twombly, Michaela Adcock, Seth Peterson and Karissa Herd. Coaches are Mike Spade and Brenda Eubanks.

Crops and Soils

Planting trees? Start them off right

By David G. Hallauer Meadowlark Extension District Agent, Crops and Soils/Horticulture

The right tree in the right spot is typically the focus of most tree planting programs. Finding what works for our intended purpose and then making

sure we have it located appropriately is an important part of the planting's success, and cannot be ignored. What often does get overlooked, however, are some of the finer

details we need to pay heed to after planting. We always think about watering. That's important. We might give some attention to wildlife damage if deer or rabbits are issues. That's also important. What about weed and grass control? Any cause for concern?

Research says definitely. Three K-State researchers at the John C. Pair Horticultural Center wanted to take a look at the effect of grass control (or lack thereof) on newly planted trees. This study was designed to look at landscape trees, but the same effect can be had on windbreak plantings as well.

Their study included five treatments on pecan and redbud and three species of grasses: bare soil maintained with herbicides, area under tree mulched three inches deep and grass (tall fescue, bermudagrass, or Kentucky bluegrass) allowed to grow under the tree.

All trees were fertilized according to recommendations and watered as necessary during the growing season. Trees were monitored and information collected on diameter at six inches above ground, weight of aboveground portions of the tree, leaf area and leaf weight.

The results were clear cut, showing no differences in any measure between the mulched and bare soil treatments for either tree species. When compared to treatments where the turf grasses were allowed to

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grow, all measures showed significant growth increases if lawn grasses were controlled around the tree.

Tree diameter was compromised if any grass was allowed to grow with cool season grasses reducing diameters by almost half as compared to treatments where grass was controlled. Top growth weight, leaf area and leaf weight were all significantly greater when grass was controlled as well.

The obvious conclusion: control grasses under newly transplanted trees to get the best possible growth. If herbicides don't leave the look you want or you don't want to risk damage to trees, give strong consideration to mulch or even weed barrier fabric.

No matter how you do it, make sure grasses are controlled to a minimum of three feet from the trunk of the tree.

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Fleshman...

Continued from Page 1 which ranged from 109 months (nine years and one month) to 123 months (10 years and three

"The victim in this case was particularly vulnerable due to her health situation and her limited mobility," Miller said of Beth Fleshman. "The second thing, and maybe it's not technically a fiduciary duty, but a husband's vows are to love and protect his wife, and Mr. Fleshman ultimately failed to do that."

Lake's motion for downward durational departure asked that Fleshman receive "strict probation" rather than prison time on the basis of his declining health and also because of his "excellent military history," regarding the trial.

20 years of service in the U.S.

In pronouncing the sentence, Marek acknowledged both Fleshman's military service and his "poor health" that has worsened over the past two years as 'mitigating factors." But Marek also cited Fleshman's alleged consumption of alcohol that made him "out of control because of a chemical substance" and verbally aggressive toward

"When alcohol's involved," Marek said, "you're somebody

Marek also took Fleshman to task for what he didn't say when he took the witness stand to testify in his own defense during

"I half expected you to at least turn to the jury and say, 'I'm an alcoholic and I'm a mean drunk but I didn't do those things to her," the judge said. "You never refuted or even tried to suggest that it was anything but true... You should have gotten treatment for it eons ago, but that didn't happen, either."

Fleshman's sentence will be reduced by about three months already spent at the Jackson County Detention Center in relation to the charge. Part of that time was spent in jail immediately after his March 2016 arrest on the charge, Miller noted, and Fleshman has been held at the detention center since the conclusion of the trial on Dec.

Prairie Band Casino...

Continued from Page 1 The growth of the casino has

also led to expansion of new casino provides employment Boys and Girls Club, road and construction and economic de- to more than 700 people. The velopment there.

An expansion was announced in 2002, and in 2016, the casino finished a \$10 million expansion that included a new bingo hall, additional restrooms and more than 250 additional gaming machines.

The casino and resort includes:

- * A 46,616 square-foot gaming floor.
- * A 400-seat bingo hall. * More than 1,200 slot ma-
- chines. * 25 table games.
- * A variety of meeting spaces, including a 14-person boardroom and a 12,000 square-foot
- convention center. * 990 parking spaces.
- * 297 hotel rooms. * Prairie Meadows Lodge, which is a four-bedroom, four
- bathroom luxury golf cabin. RV park with 67 spaces. * Four dining options – Buffalo Grill, Longhouse Buffet,
- Three Fires Steakhouse and Hot Stuff Pizza. * Nation Station convenience
- * The prestigious Firekeeper Golf Course, which opened

Accidents...

Continued from Page 1 Lane, it was reported.

One accident was reported in Hoyt, and the sheriff's office was asked to assist a slide off north of Holton.

All three Jackson County school districts Heights, Holton and Royal Valley - cancelled school and activities on Thursday during the weather.

The Jackson County Courthouse was also closed for business on Thursday due to the weather.

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tribal government and its other enterprises employ another 400 people from Topeka, Holton and

the surrounding communities. "We would like to thank all the employees, patrons, business associates and the community for their continued partnership in celebrating the last 20 years of operating Prairie Band Casino and Resort," she said. "We appreciate your dedication and loyalty."

The economic successes of the Prairie Band Potawatomi has not only provided direct employment but indirect employment through the use of area vendors, engineering and auditing firms, construction companies and many other businesses in Shawnee County, Jackson County and northeast Kansas, Onnen said.

'The funds the Nation receives from the casino have helped us build up our community and our members," Onnen said. "We fund police, fire

and emergency services, hous-Onnen said that each year the ing programs, a health facility, bridge maintenance and all of the things it takes to run a government. We also provide early childhood education, childcare, meal services to elders in our community, education opportunities and language and culture classes to our people. All of these things combined help create a safer community in which our children, our future and our culture can thrive.'

In October of last year, a \$55 million expansion was proposed for the casino that would in-

* A hotel expansion that would include 80 new rooms. Additional amenities in-

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