

## Fireworks show planned for New Year's Eve

By Brian Sanders  
Holton's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1367 wants to see 2021 go out with a bang — and everybody's invited to join them.

The VFW post's third-annual New Year's Eve fireworks show will be held at 7 p.m. this Friday at Banner Creek Reservoir, and post member Leroy Bailey said the show will last "between 20 and 30 minutes."

"The fireworks that we shoot will be the kind that we sell for the Fourth of July," Bailey said. "We've got some nine-shot cakes and some six-shot tubes."

It's the second year that the

fireworks show will be held at 7 p.m. rather than midnight, Bailey said, after the post received some complaints that a midnight start time was too late for younger children.

"It seemed a lot more favorable for a lot of people to start it at 7 instead of at midnight," he added.

Admission to the fireworks display is free, but free-will donations will be accepted for the display. Visitors to the reservoir grounds are asked to enter at the north gate, which will open at 5:30 p.m.

"Just come on out and enjoy it!" Bailey said. "It's going to be a pretty good show."

## Results of statewide housing survey shared

By Ali Holcomb  
The Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC) and the state's Office of Rural Prosperity have recently released the results of the state's first comprehensive housing needs assessment in nearly 30 years.

The organizations sought feedback from Kansans with an online survey over the summer to help guide future housing development efforts, it was reported.

According to the KHRC and the Office of Rural Prosperity, the aim of the survey was to help "address a decades-long shortage of data on existing housing

resources and current and projected needs."

A lack of "quality, affordable housing is widely recognized as one of the state's biggest barriers to growth and development, particularly in rural and underserved communities," according to the state organizations.

RDG Planning & Design of Omaha, Neb. conducted the in-depth study over the past year and the findings revealed several key goals for the state to address future housing needs that include:

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## HOF tickets on sale Monday

Tickets for the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce's 17th-annual Hall of Fame Banquet will go on sale Monday, Jan. 3, Chamber director Ashlee York said yesterday.

The Hall of Fame's Class of 2022 — David and Evelyn Allen, Vern and Cari Andrews, Chris Mercer and Dean Tuley — will be honored at the banquet, scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Northeast Kansas Her-

itage Complex exhibition hall south of Holton.

That evening's events will begin with a social hour starting at 5 p.m., followed by the dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the Hall of Fame induction ceremony at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the banquet are \$30 each and will be available at Holton's main Denison State Bank, The Farmers State Bank

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About 200 dinners, including 25 deliveries, were served at this year's Community Christmas Dinner, a "drive-through" affair held this past Saturday at Holton's Evangelical United Methodist Church.

In the photo above, volunteers (from left to right) Rosalie Lassiter, Kiri Mock and Sarah Gideon prepared dinners with turkey, ham, gravy and green beans for distribution, while in the photo at left, volunteers John Chiles Jr. (at left) and Steffanie Kivviter bagged the dinners to be picked up or delivered.

Dinner organizer Tammy Elliott said the dinner was "a huge success" that could not have been accomplished without volunteer help. "We had new volunteers this year, as well as several returning from previous Christmas dinners," Elliott said.

Photos by Brian Sanders

## January through June recapped

As the calendar year 2021 draws to a close, *The Holton Recorder* takes a look back on the many stories that made the year one to remember.

The following is the first of a two-part retrospective of the year that was, covering the months of January through June; the months of July through December will be featured next week.

### January

Work on the proposed Banner Oaks subdivision along the south side of Banner Road in Holton could begin as soon as March, with the first house in the subdivision ready for occupancy within a year, the Holton City Commission was told to start 2021.

Denison State Bank has announced its intention to donate \$3,500 to the Jackson County Community Foundation each year for the next five years as a "founding investor" of the foundation, with the donation to help cover the foundation's overhead expenses, including Web site maintenance and other promotional materials.

After 14 years with the Jackson Heights school district, Adrienne Walsh, who has served as superintendent for 10 years and also as elementary school principal, announced that she would be leaving the district at the end of the current school year.

In other school business this month, the Holton school board approved Phase Three of heating and cooling upgrades

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at Holton High School, while at Royal Valley, the school board adopted a less stringent COVID-19 quarantine policy for elementary students at the recommendation of Superintendent Aaric Davis.

Phase one of the COVID-19 vaccine rollout, which has included health care workers and residents and patients of long-term care facilities, is nearing completion here, with county residents who are 65 and older with underlying health care conditions to receive vaccines next, the Jackson County Commission learned this month.

Two of the youngest spellers at this year's Jackson County Spelling Bee battled back and forth for several rounds before Holton Elementary fifth-grader Gabriel Stark correctly spelled "studio" and "hooligan" to win the bee. Stark and Jackson Heights fifth-grader Gracie White were the only two left standing out of 12 after three rounds of competition at the bee.

### February

Jackson County-area residents survived the paralyzing "polar vortex" that was blamed for a massive but brief increase in the cost of natural gas for

area towns, with area towns — particularly Denison — left to figure out their game plans for paying the unusually high bill for the gas.

The Mayetta City Council voted this month to send a proposal to raise its city sales tax from 1 percent to 1.5 percent to the city's voters at a special election in March. The sales tax increase, if approved, will help cover the cost of extending a city sewer line to the new Dollar General store.

Derrick Bohnenkemper was sentenced to 155 months (one month short of 13 years) for his role in the September 2018 shooting death of his father. Bohnenkemper was found guilty of second-degree murder in the incident, which also involved him reportedly shooting at Jackson County deputies.

Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly announced this month that the City of Holton would receive \$600,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the Kansas Department of Commerce, with the funds to be put toward the purchase of a new primary fire engine, which has been identified as a need for the city.

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## Heights wildlife management class finalist in national STEM competition

By Brian Sanders

Gary Keehn and the students in his wildlife management class at Jackson Heights High School are hopeful that, when it comes to Samsung's "Solve For Tomorrow" contest, the third time's the charm.

Keehn and his class have been notified that their school has been named Kansas state winners in the contest, a nationwide competition designed to increase interest in science, technology,

engineering and math, or STEM skills, by challenging teachers and students to take topics out of traditional classroom settings and into their communities to address real-world concerns.

This time around, Keehn and his students are looking for solutions to the problem of pollution for fish habitats in local and state ponds, lakes and reservoirs by developing structures that promote healthy water systems using recycled materials.

"I have been fortunate to work beside more than 100 students in some way in this competition," Keehn said. "They have just been the best fit for the topics I have chosen to challenge them with in this competition."

Keehn's wildlife management class was first recognized as the state winner of the competition in 2015, when the class researched shortages in local water sources

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## Donations being collected here for farmers affected by recent fires

By Brian Sanders

A group of area farmers is pitching in to help farmers and ranchers in northwestern Kansas who were hit especially hard by the Dec. 15 wind storms and fires that burned more than 160,000 acres and destroyed farms in that part of the state.

"The basic ideas is that they'd do the same for us if the tables were turned," said Luke Schreiber of Soldier, who is part of the relief effort. "Even if a group of neighbors threw in a bale apiece or a bundle of posts, it'd add up fast."

Schreiber said the idea to help farmers affected by that day's wind storms and fires came from another Soldier-area farmer, Lance Coe, who started by contacting friends via social media about helping "farmers and ranchers just like us" who had suffered greatly as a result of those storms.

Coe and Schreiber are calling for donations of hay bales, fence

posts and wire, bagged feed and other agricultural tools and items that could help farmers and ranchers in that area recover from that day's devastating fires and winds.

The Kansas Forest Service reported that about 163,000 acres of land burned in a handful of fires reported in

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New Year's Day		Mostly cloudy and blustery; chance AM snow	High: 19 Low: 1 Precip: 30%
Sunday		Sunny	High: 31 Low: 15
Monday		Sunny	High: 44 Low: 27

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In the photo at the top of this page, Community Christmas Dinner volunteers (from left) John Chiles, Steve Meerpohl, Barb Meerpohl and Cindy Meerpohl put together Christmas Day dinners at Saturday's event. The above photo shows two more volunteers, Ann McCauley (at left) of Mayetta and Bill Sechler of Horton, who helped put the dinners together. Photos by Brian Sanders

## Community Calendar

Note: All calendar events are subject to change/cancellation. Contact *The Holton Recorder* at 364-3141 or holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net for more information about placing an event on this calendar.

### Thursday, Dec. 30

\*Hours at the JCMA New Hope Center Food Pantry, located at Fifth Street and Wisconsin Avenue in the Holton First Christian Church basement, are from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information, call 362-7021.

### Friday, Dec. 31

\*New Year's Eve.  
\*Holton VFW Post 1367 New Year's Eve fireworks display, 7 p.m. at Banner Creek Reservoir. Enter reservoir grounds on north side (gates open at 5:30 p.m.); free-will donations accepted.

### Saturday, Jan. 1

\*New Year's Day.

### Sunday, Jan. 2

\*Attend the church of your choice.

### Monday, Jan. 3

\*9 a.m. Jackson County Commission meets at the Jackson County Courthouse in Holton.  
\*7 p.m. Holton City Commission meets at Holton City Hall.  
\*7 p.m. Delia City Council meets at Delia City Hall.

\*7 p.m. Netawaka City Council meets at Netawaka City Hall.

\*School resumes for Holton students.

### Tuesday, Jan. 4

\*7 p.m. Hoyt City Council meets at Hoyt City Hall.

\*The Harvesters Food Group will stop at Countryside Park (soccer fields in Holton at First Street and Pennsylvania Avenue) on the first Tuesday of every month. Signup is from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Serving ends at 10 a.m.

\*School resumes for Jackson Heights, Royal Valley and Wetmore students.

\*5 p.m. WHS basketball at Centralia.

### Wednesday, Jan. 5

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

\*7 p.m. Mayetta City Council meets at Mayetta City Hall.

\*7 p.m. Circleville City Council meets at Circleville City Hall.

\*7 p.m. Effingham City Council meets at Effingham City Hall.

\*Wetmore KAY board meeting during seminar.

\*3:30 p.m. Wetmore BLT meeting.

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## More donations received for reservoir building

By Ali Holcomb  
During the recent Thoughtful Giving Day, an additional \$10,800 was raised for the new community building being constructed on the north side of Banner Creek Reservoir, it was reported.

Kurt Zibell, Banner Creek Reservoir director, reported the additional donations to the project during a recent Jackson County Commission meeting.

Johnsonville Holton also recently donated \$10,000 to the project, it was reported.

Zibell told the commissioners that the Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir board was expected to meet on Dec. 14 to finalize the plans for the building in order to

seek bids for the project.

It was reported that additional funds will still be necessary to fully complete the building due to the expected increase in material costs.

The proposed project is a 42-foot by 60-foot climate-controlled multipurpose building that would seat 125 to 150 people and include a serving kitchen.

Recently, the FOBC was awarded a \$160,000 matching grant from the Kansas Land & Water Conservation Fund for the project.

In other business, according to the approved minutes from Dec. 6, the commission:

\* Heard a report from Commissioner Dan Brenner on a

Kansas Association of Counties Zoom meeting he attended recently with Pat Korte, director of emergency management.

\* Met with Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick and Payroll/Deputy Clerk Sally Jo Alley to discuss health insurance rates for county employees. Mick also discussed budget amendments to county general funds.

\* Met in executive session for eight minutes with Zibell to discuss personnel and wages. Back in open session, the commissioners approved a length of service pay increase for Zibell.

\* Heard a weekly report from Eric Fritz, road and bridge superintendent, and Scott Kieffaber, public works director.

Fritz reported that crew members have been working on roads in the southern part of the county with plans to complete work on roads in the northern part of the county soon.

The commissioners reported on some roads that need atten-

tion, as well as several roads that look better.

It was also reported that the road and bridge department still has openings for truck drivers and motor grader operators.

\* Met in executive session for 10 minutes with County Counselor Lee Hendricks, Kieffaber, Fritz and Deputy County Clerk Tara Peek to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

\* Met in executive session for 10 minutes with Hendricks to discuss a matter of attorney/client privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

\* Approved a motion to reappoint Brenner to the NEK-CAP board for 2022.

\* Signed payroll change notices for Brian Elliott, who transferred positions within the sheriff's office; Andrew Patterson, a new full-time hire with the sheriff's office; and Kevin Robbins, who was promoted at the road and bridge office.

\* Signed requests and petitions for Telcom Construction to occupy a county right-of-way at S Road and Stephen Massey to occupy a county right-of-way at R4 Road.

\* Signed a purchase order for 120 15-inch road pipes and bands from Welborn Sales of Topeka totaling \$3,194.15.

\* Adjourned the meeting at 4:19 p.m. All three commissioners were present.

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FUEL PRICES		
	Current	Last Mo. Last Year
Kansas Average	\$2.96	-\$0.077 +\$0.972
National Average	\$3.25	-\$0.141 +\$1.000
Holton Average	\$2.96	

Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Monday, Dec. 27, 2021.

**Year In Review...**

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Holton Police Chief Gale Gakle announced this month that he would be retiring from the police department after 40 years of service to the city. Friday, March 5 would be Gakle's last day on the job, it was reported.

Jackson County Road and Bridge department director Dan Barnett resigned from his position this month, and county commissioners announced they were restructuring the department with noxious weed and environmental services director Scott Kieffaber serving as "public works director."

**March**  
Mayetta's city sales tax will increase by half a percentage point following a special election where city electors voted to increase the tax. The vote count was 21-5 in favor of increasing the tax to 1.5 percent, effective April 1, to help pay back a 20-year loan to cover the cost of extending a new sewer line to the new Dollar General store.

Steve Frederick, a Holton police officer who has also served as a Jackson County undersheriff, was promoted to chief of police this month following Gale Gakle's retirement. Frederick has been with the Holton police department since 2000.

Jackson County has overspent its Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds, and the Jackson County Commissioners are seeking reimbursements from the Jackson County Attorney's Office and the Jackson County Sheriff's Office for overages related to CARES Act-funded construction projects, the Jackson County Commission learned this month.

Hiawatha native and Hoxie superintendent Jim Howard has been chosen by the Jackson Heights school board to be the new superintendent, starting with the 2021-22 school year after Adrienne Walsh's departure. Other superintendent candidates included Volora Hanzlicek of Valley Falls, Dustin D. McEwen of Norton and Jennifer Gatz of Prairie Hills.

Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly praised the efforts of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation to vaccinate members of the Nation as well as Royal Valley teachers and Jackson County residents against COVID-19 after a tour of the Nation's vaccine clinic this month.

**April**  
Arts, crafts and food vendors and classic cars will be returning to Holton on Saturday, May 29 for the annual Glory Days festival to herald the unofficial beginning of summer, but COVID-19 concerns prompted cancellation of the HHS Alumni Banquet for a second year.

To ensure that residents in the unincorporated areas of Jackson County don't abandon their property after a destructive fire, the Jackson County Commission

has approved a resolution allowing the county to hold back part of a homeowner's insurance payout on a loss claim on a house fire until the building site is cleaned up.

Royal Valley is noting its 50th anniversary this year and alumni, current students and community members are invited to celebrate the milestone during a special two-day anniversary event planned for the first weekend of May, it was announced this month.

The use of face masks to stop the spread of COVID-19 in schools was a hot topic, as the Jackson Heights school board agreed to keep a policy in place through the end of the school year while Royal Valley district parents petitioned their school board to end a policy currently in place.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation is moving forward with establishing a 49-acre real estate development on land east of U.S. Highway 75 and 150th Road, it has been reported. Prairie Band, LLC recently announced a contest to determine the name of the new development project.

Angie Reith, Jackson County local health officer, has resigned from her position due to a personal family matter, it was reported. Former Horton Community Hospital administrator Ty Compton was later tapped to fill the position.

**May**  
City governments noted the Kansas Legislature's recent action to establish a "revenue neutral rate" for their upcoming 2022 budgets, putting strain on cities to put together budgets without mill levies that exceed previous year's budgets or hold separate public hearings on whether those mill levies should be increased.

A home explosion north of Holton resulted in the death of Banner Creek Reservoir director Lu Griffiths and severe injuries to his wife, Terri, with a propane leak at the house pinpointed as the likely cause for the fateful explosion.

Passing lanes are being installed on a two-mile stretch of U.S. Highway 75 near Netawaka, with work on the lanes expected to be finished by next spring. The Kansas Department of Transportation-announced project was aimed at alleviating concerns over what is considered to be one of the more dangerous highway sections in Kansas.

Shai Boyd, 26, of Topeka, died after a vehicle pursuit that ended in a two-vehicle crash seven miles north of Holton on U.S. Highway 75, Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse said. Four other people were injured in the accident.

More than 180 high school seniors from the Jackson County area saw their high school years coming to an end this month at graduation ceremonies, days before Holton High School alumni and others returned to Holton on

Memorial Day weekend for Glory Days activities.

Mike Lovvorn was chosen to be the head coach of the new Holton High School girls wrestling team, which would hold its inaugural season later this fall. The job was viewed as a perfect fit for Lovvorn, who wrestled for Holton during his high school years.

**June**  
Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller discussed with the county commission the possibility of recouping some, or all, of the \$80,000 in county funds spent to hire Spradling for the Jacob Ewing trials in 2017. Spradling's disbarment has been recommended over "prosecutorial misconduct" in the Ewing trials, it was reported.

Ewing, meanwhile, received a new prison sentence of 10 years following a May conviction on two charges of aggravated sexual battery after his original convictions were reversed and remanded at the state level. The new sentence replaced his previous sentences totaling more than 30 years following the 2017 trials.

Assessed valuations on real estate and personal property in Jackson County increased by 3.36 percent this past year, and each of the county's school districts and several of the county's cities also noted valuation increases that would help local government officials as they prepared their 2022 budgets.

Jackson County is eligible to receive \$2.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and the Jackson County Commissioners are in the early stages of determining how those funds could best be used here. The county received \$2.9 million in Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act funds in 2020.

Zwontzer Propane of Holton announced recently that it would pay the swim pass for the first 50 people at the Holton Swimming Pool on Sundays through the rest of the summer. The announcement prompted other area businesses to cover swimming pool admissions for the other six days of the week for the rest of the summer.

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and GNBank locations, as well as the Chamber office, located at 104 W. Fifth Street, Suite 3. The Chamber office is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Boomers' Steakhouse, Grill and Catering will again provide the dinner for the banquet. York noted the evening's meal will include a muffuletta salad, Cajun chicken with orzo and dirty rice, cornbread and a bourbon caramel poke cake.

For more information, contact the Chamber office at (785) 364-3963.

**5 Years Ago**

Week of Dec. 26, 2016 – Jan. 1, 2017

Relatively warmer weather in recent days has been a boon to workers with the Chris Gross Construction crew, recently shown at work on the new B&P Propane facility about a mile south of Holton on Q Road. Carly Fletcher of B&P Propane said the propane company, along with Knotty Pine Oil and Head 2 Toe Salon and Spa, plan to move into the new facility in early spring.

Due to a recent law passed by the Kansas Legislature, there will not be a school board election in spring 2017. Instead, future school board elections will be held in November during odd-numbered years.

The Jackson County Fair for 2017 will be pushed back one week due to a contract with a new carnival provider. Toby's Amusement of Arma has provided carnival entertainment to the fair since 1969, but this year Fun Time Shows will provide rides and games.

**10 Years Ago**

Week of Dec. 26, 2011 – Jan. 1, 2012

Heather Kathrens, a Circleville native and Peace Corps volunteer, is promoting literacy in West Africa. Kathrens is hoping to raise funds to purchase 22,000 books for the communities in Cameroon, West Africa, where there are currently very few, if any, text books in schools.

Joannie Dannenberg and Betty Flemming, longtime volunteers with the Heart of Jackson Humane Society, are being honored individually with the "Volunteer of the Year" award as part of this year's Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame inductees, it has been announced.

The Holton fourth grade football team recently competed in the YMCA tackle football league, finishing the season with a record of 9-0-1 to win the league outright. The team also went on to win the season-ending tournament and outscored its opponents 205-12 through the season.

Members of the championship team included Keegan Purcell, Riley Althausler, Taygen Fletcher, Brady Boswell, Karsen Brandt, Cayman Monson, Conner Tannahill, Cameron Smith, Ian Watkins, Kolby Roush, Eli Prine, Aaron McAllister, Cody Mulroy, Dakota Johnson, Ben Bontrager, Trey Wright, Wyatt Nightingale, Cody Bohannon and Kyle Figge.

Recognizing 40 years of



This week's "Blast From The Past" received a \$500 scholarship from Union Pacific Railroad during her senior year at Holton High School in 1981.

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Last week's "Blast From The Past" featured Carol Bickford, who was correctly identified first by Shari Monaghan. Winners may pick up their Sonic coupons at The Recorder office.

A reception is being held on Jan. 8 to honor Jackson County Commissioner John Grau for 12 years of service, it has been announced.

Holton High School's FFA chapter excelled at national competitions this year, with the horse judging team placing second in the nation and the parliamentary procedure team placing fourth. The Holton City Commission took time at a meeting to honor the chapter for its excellence at the national level.

**25 Years Ago**

Week of Dec. 26, 1996 – Jan. 1, 1997

Property tax incentives for residential and commercial improvements in Jackson County were made official on Monday, Dec. 23, when the county commission adopted a Neighborhood Revitalization plan. The plan provides five years of tax rebates to qualifying improvements and new construction within the city limits of all cities in the county.

Holton FFA President Jeff Goodman recently presented a plaque to USD 336 Superintendent Jerry Fuqua commemorating the club's National Gold Emblem Chapter status earned at the National FFA Convention this fall.

When the Holton City Commission recently decided to take bids for the removal of the barn at Linscott Park, it bid goodbye to the last structure of what was once one of Holton's grandest estates, it was reported. Holton resident George Gantz, who purchased the barn, said he plans to move the barn to another site, where it will be restored as a local historic property.

**50 Years Ago**

Week of Dec. 26, 1971 – Jan. 1, 1972

A new metal building has been constructed at the Holton light plant as part of a project to modernize the switchgear and metering equipment of the plant, it was reported. The building will house part of the new equipment being installed.

Arcada Theatre manager John Lemon has announced that beginning Dec. 30, the theater will operate on a six-day-a-week schedule. The theatre will be open Thursday through Tuesday, whereas previously it had been open Friday through Monday.

Virgil Razak has been elected president of the Holton Chamber of Commerce for 1972, it has been reported. Razak is the owner of the A&W Drive-In in Holton. Previous Chamber president was Richard Homan.

**Donations...**

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several northwestern Kansas counties, the bulk of which — more than 120,000 acres — was burned in a four-county area encompassing Ellis, Osborne, Rooks and Russell counties, affecting the communities of Natoma, Paradise and Waldo.

The "Four County Fire," as it has become known, burned equipment, houses and ag buildings and killed hundreds of cattle, and a Natoma man was also burned to death in that particular fire, it was reported.

Schreiber said that a "gathering spot" has been set up at Coe Farms, located two miles west of the junction of Kansas Highways 16 and 62 in western Jackson County, where farmers may take hay, fencing supplies and livestock equipment. Another drop-off site for hay and fencing materials has been established at Schreiber's property located a quarter-mile north of the junction, he added.

"The plan is to take a couple of loads out in the next couple of weeks as supply arrives," Schreiber said. "Several local producers have volunteered semitrailers or hay trailers to make the trip."

One local farmer is also challenging others in the area to

donate toward the relief effort even if they can't supply their own hay, Schreiber said. Donations of \$50 will be put toward the purchase of two bales of hay to be hauled out to the affected area — "sort of a buy-a-bale-to-go and send two," he added.

To make a cash donation or other contribution to the relief effort, contact Coe at (785) 364-7622, Schreiber at (785) 364-0779 or Jim Kissel at (785) 285-0756.

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### New year, new personal goals

It's time to make those New Year's Resolutions as we prepare to say good-bye to 2021 and welcome in 2022!

Regardless of your age, the new year is a great time to re-boot and rededicate yourself to your personal goals.

Here are some of the most common New Year's Resolutions:

- \*Exercise more.
- \*Lose weight.
- \*Get organized.
- \*Learn a new skill or hobby.
- \*Live life to the fullest.
- \*Save more money.
- \*Spend less money.
- \*Quit smoking.
- \*Spend more time with family and friends.
- \*Travel more.

\*Read more.

New Year's Resolutions provide us with opportunities for growth and transformation. Here's how:

\*Knowing what you want to achieve allows you to focus your efforts in the right places.

\*Having an idea about where you want to go, and what you want to do and be, helps you make the best choices in those regards and sets you up for success.

Benjamin Franklin once said, "If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail."

Use New Year's Resolutions to help bring out the best in you.

David Powlis

### PLAINS FOLK

## Inspiration for "Lonesome Dove" cattle drive shared

By Jim Hoy

And here I thought I knew all about the cow towns and cattle drives that followed the Civil War, the era in which the cowboy emerged as an American icon, but it turns out that I had missed one of the earliest and most daring of those early drives.

Almost no Texas cattle had been sold during the four years of the war, and when it concluded there were millions of market-ready steers running loose in the Lone Star State.

They were worth almost nothing, maybe \$2 or \$3 a head, but get them to Chicago, and they could bring \$40.

Joe McCoy, who established Abilene as a major cattle market, famously noted that you could tell how rich a Texas rancher was by the number of cattle he owned - the more he had, the poorer he was.

In 1866, the cattle drives started again,



most of the steers headed up the Shawnee Trail to Sedalia, Mo., to load on trains for the eastern markets. Charles Goodnight and Oliver Loving went west with their herds, blazing the Goodnight-Loving Trail and selling cattle to government forts in New Mexico. The following year marked the opening of the Chisholm Trail and Abilene, Kan., as the prototype of the cow town.

But also in 1866, a man named Nelson Story, who three years earlier had gone to Montana to prospect, had made a fortune in the gold mines near Virginia City. He decided to invest some of his profits in beef, which was in great demand among the Montana miners. So he bought a herd north of Fort Worth, some accounts say 1,000 head, some 3,000 head (which is probably more accurate).

Along with 26 Texas drovers, he headed toward Sedalia, but was turned away at the Kansas border south of Humboldt by jayhawkers, fearful of Spanish fever.

So Story headed west, then turned north into Greenwood County, but was arrested, fined \$75 and told to go farther west. He did, to east of where Wichita would be established, then north and east to Leavenworth. There he bought 15 freight wagons, loaded them with merchandise and bought 150 oxen and hired men to drive them.

The Leavenworth newspapers were filled with stories about Indian troubles along the Bozeman Trail, so he also bought 30 breech-loading Remington rifles, which could be fired about six times per minute, much faster than the older cap-and-ball rifles.

On July 10, 1866, the cattle

and freight wagons started for Montana. At Fort Laramie, they were joined by two freighters, Steve Grover and Civil War veteran Major John Catlin, who were rightfully leery of going farther into Sioux territory alone.

The group had no trouble until a hit-and-run attack occurred about 10 miles south of Fort Reno, led by Red Cloud and Crazy Horse. Two drovers were wounded.

On Oct. 7, they had reached Fort Phil Kearney in Wyoming Territory, where Colonel Carrington, the base commander, told them they couldn't proceed with fewer than 40 armed men. So Story hung around for two weeks, then, growing tired of waiting, left in the middle of the night with the cattle and the wagons.

Carrington was angry, but rather than bringing them back, he sent 15 soldiers to make a contingent of 40. They were attacked two more times and lost a total of two drovers to Red Cloud.

The drive entered Montana Territory near Fort C.F. Smith and then angled northwest to the Gallatin Valley, where Nelson Story established the Story Ranch. The trading goods were taken on to Virginia City, and Story opened a store, the beginning of his mercantile career that would make him the first millionaire in Montana. More about that next column.

It would be several more years before another cattle drive would head to Montana, and those I knew about. Story's drive, I didn't until recently. Thankfully Larry McMurry knew about it, which inspired him to write "Lonesome Dove."

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

### LETTER

Dear editor,

Corporations are using inflation as an excuse to raise prices and make fatter profits and it's making the problem worse, according to a story at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) entitled "Corporations Use Inflation As Excuse to Boost Prices, Profits."

From the article: "Consumer prices are going up, but corporate profits are rising even faster... a lot of large firms have spent their recent quarterly calls bragging to investors about their ability to hike prices with relative impunity... Roughly two-thirds of the largest publicly traded U.S. companies have reported better profits this year than the same period in 2019, The Wall Street Journal found, citing FactSet data. Nearly 100 of those were performing at least 50 percent better this year than in 2019."

If those profits were not skyrocketing, who knows what our inflation, if any would be.

Phil Connor  
Alpine, Calif.



## Retired generals failing in restoring military's reputation

By Victor Davis Hanson

In a recent *Washington Post* op-ed, three retired generals, Paul Eaton, Antonio Taguba and Steven Anderson, warn of a supposedly impending coup should Donald Trump be elected in 2024.



The column seemed strangely timed to coincide with a storm of recent Democratic talking points that a re-elected Trump, or even a Republican sweep of the 2022 midterms, would spell a virtual end of democracy.

Ironies abound. From Election Day in 2020 to Inauguration Day 2021, we were told by the Left that democracy was resilient and rightly rid the nation of Trump.

The hard Left, for one of the rare times in U.S. history, was now in complete control of both houses of Congress and the presidency.

Spiking inflation, supply-chain shortages, near-record gas prices, open borders, the flight from Afghanistan, multi-trillion-dollar deficits and polarizing racial rhetoric all followed.

In response to these events, Joe Biden's popularity utterly collapsed. His own cognitive challenges multiplied the unpopularity of his failed policies.

In reaction, the Left again pivoted. It suddenly announced that should it lose congressional power in 2022 or the presidency in 2024, democracy was all but doomed.

Apparently, what changed Democrats' views was that de-

mocracy was working all too well in expressing widespread public disgust... with the Left.

Even more ironies followed. The three retired generals shrilly write of the dangers of insurrection and coups. Yet the FBI found no such insurrection or conspiracy in the buffoonish riot on Jan. 6.

Only serial media misinformation and lies turned a ragtag band of misfits into an existential threat to the nation.

Almost every media talking point turned out to be untrue. No Capitol police officer died at the hands of the mob. (Early reports that Officer Brian Sicknick had been beaten into a coma by protesters were incorrect. The Washington, D.C. medical examiner ruled Sicknick died the next day of a stroke.)

The media all but ignored the lethal police shooting of a military veteran and unarmed petite female trespasser, for the apparent crime of trying to enter Speaker Nancy Pelosi's office through a broken window. There were no gun-toting "insurrectionists" arrested inside the Capitol.

Another irony. The three retired generals say nothing about the Russia collusion hoax in which Obama administration officials at the Department of Justice, the FBI and the CIA helped to seed a fake dossier - paid for by candidate Hillary Clinton's campaign.

Ex-British intelligence operative Christopher Steele's made-up opposition research was designed first to derail Trump's campaign, then to disable his transition and finally sabotage his presidency. All that seems rather coup-like.

In truth, coups were regularly

discussed during the last four years - but only in the context of a by-any-means-necessary way of deposing Donald Trump extralegally before his term ran out.

In August 2020, two retired officers, John Nagl and Paul Yingling, urged Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Mark Milley to remove Trump from office if Milley felt it necessary after a contested election.

Both officers knew that the law forbids Milley from interfering in the chain of command, given his mere advisory role to the president.

Yet Milley himself had dangerously violated his purview at least twice. He once ordered subordinate officers to report to him first should Donald Trump consider any nuclear action against China. And Milley additionally called his Chinese communist counterpart to warn him that he would tip the Chinese off about any preemptive American strike on China.

Earlier, Rosa Brooks, a former Obama Pentagon legal official, wrote a now infamous essay in foreign policy, listing the choices available in removing Donald Trump from his less than two-week-old presidency. Among the possible means, she listed a potential military coup.

Article 88 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice forbids even retired military officers publicly attacking or disparaging their current commander-in-chief. Yet several retired generals and admirals serially did just that during the last administration, smearing their president in every imaginable way, from being a Mussolini-like fascist to a veritable Nazi.

The officers published in the *"Washington Post"* are clueless as to why the military is now suffering its most dismal public approval ratings of the modern era - with only 45 percent of the public registering trust and confidence in their armed forces.

The nation is clearly not blaming the courageous soldiers in the enlisted ranks. But it has had enough of the Pentagon's loud top brass who seem more interested in stirring up political divisions at home than adopting winning strategies in Afghanistan, Iraq and Libya, or deterring China and Russia.

The officer corps too often broadcasts its woke credentials, calibrated for career advancement. Top-ranking officers upon retirement too predictably head for corporate defense contractor boards and procurement lobbying firms.

To restore the military's reputation, officers should eschew politics to focus on restoring strategic deterrence and military readiness. They should keep clear of divisive domestic issues. They should stop virtue signaling to the media and influential members of Congress.

But most importantly, officers should quit all their coup porn talk - either to remove a president they don't like, or to project their own reckless, insurrectionary behavior onto their political opponents.

Note: Victor Davis Hanson is a classicist and historian at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, and author of the book *"The Second World Wars: How The First Global Conflict Was Fought And Won."*

## Major, powerful forces at work to divide us

By Lee H. Hamilton

I still remember a question I got years ago. It was at a public meeting in southern Indiana, in one of those squat, featureless cinder-block buildings you find all across the country.



This young woman stood up and commented that I'd traveled throughout the U.S. and had met all kinds of people. So she wanted to know: What was my impression of Americans? I didn't even hesitate: The American people are fundamentally decent, I told her.

I still believe this. And when I say it, I'm not talking about a bare majority. Most Americans are good people.

Why even mention this? Because at the moment, we live in a country where a lot of Americans don't believe it. They think fellow citizens who belong to a different political party are

at best misguided and at worst, evil.

We have public officials - who, I believe, want nothing more than to do a good job and stick by the laws - resigning because they're tired of the threats to themselves and their families.

Civic-minded Americans who believe in the institutions of democracy are steering clear of volunteering because they're afraid of the anger and physical danger they may face.

I don't think this happened by accident. There are major, powerful forces working to divide us. Some are pernicious, others are just looking to make themselves more powerful. Media companies and political commentators find that they can make money - a lot of money - by putting out divisive information.

Politicians have discovered that they can benefit politically by appealing to their base and treating the other side as the enemy. Countries such as Russia and China spend enormous time and money sowing seeds of division in our country so they

can make our system of democracy look bad and weaken us as a country.

There's an antidote for this, but it's not going to be easy: All of us, ordinary citizens and politicians alike, have to restore in our lives a belief in the importance of the common good - to ask ourselves not what's good for any one of us, or for our party or business or people who look like us, but what's good for the country as a whole, in all its complexity and diversity.

I know what you're going to say: Especially today, there isn't any single definition of "the common good," so how can we possibly agree on one?

And here's my response: We live in a country that was designed to allow us to debate the question and to find common ground so we could move forward. In a sense, the common good in America is the opportunity to define the common good. Together.

That's why the threats of violence and extreme behavior we're seeing these days are so un-American. Our institutions evolved over centuries to allow us to settle political questions, overcome divisions and compromise in the interest of progress. When ordinary citizens are afraid to step forward - then our

mechanisms for agreeing on the common good break.

Yet there is plenty of agreement to be found. Let's go back to that question at the beginning. Americans, no matter our political stripe, take a good deal of inspiration from the best ideals of the founding fathers. Most support the enduring values of the country, like striving for a more perfect union and pushing to correct things they think are wrong.

They want to be good citizens, useful to their communities. They work hard and though they make mistakes, they're also very serious about improving on the status quo and correcting those mistakes. And when they set their minds to doing something good in the way of change, they'll keep working at it until they get there.

These are, of course, more qualities than beliefs. But they're the qualities that have stood Americans in good stead through trying times in our past. And, I believe, they're the qualities that, in the long run, will help us get past this period of extreme divisiveness.

Note: Lee Hamilton, a Democrat, is a senior advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government.



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*Even when it upsets and overwhelms us, truth above all.*

**Pollock**

Edwina "Winnie" Pollock, 96, of Holton, passed away Thursday, Dec. 23, 2021.

She was born Aug. 25, 1925, in Soldier, the daughter of W.H. "Major" and Ella M. (Forrest-Cook) Caspey.

Winnie graduated from Soldier High School in 1943. She worked alongside her husband, Wayne, on the family farm.

She attended Buck's Grove Church.

Winnie married Wayne D. Pollock on Feb. 15, 1947, in Olathe; they celebrated more than 62 years of marriage before his passing on Dec. 10, 2009. She was also preceded in death by her parents; a son, Edwin Pollock; a great-grandson, Christopher Strahle; six sisters, Nora Helen Allen-Monroe, Maurine McCorkle, Mary Sourk, Lela Kroh, Betty Rieschick and Georgena Miller; and a brother, Kenneth Caspey.

Survivors include a son, Dan Pollock (Carol) of Havensville; a daughter, Janet Trainor (David) of Santa Fe, Mo.; a daughter-in-law, Cynthia Roederer of Kansas City, Mo.; seven grandchildren, Dana Kemp (Ian), Carrie Baxter (Matt), Sara Philipi (Danny), Wendy Milner (Rick), Pat McManamey (Chris), Dustin Pollock (Rachel) and Sean Pollock (Leah); 15 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial followed in Olive Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Olive Hill Cemetery or the Soldier Hall, 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](http://www.mercerfuneralhomes.com)

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**Martin**

Nancy Rene Martin, 59, Holton, died Friday, Dec. 24, 2021, at The University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City.

She was born Nov. 6, 1962, in Topeka, the daughter of Gerald Lee and Veronica Mary Kadese (Shoptese) Martin. She graduated from Holton in High School in 1980.

Ms. Martin worked at various restaurants as a waitress and bartender. Most recently she was a home health live-in attendant.

During her younger and school age years, she attended St. Dominic Catholic Church. She was a member of Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

She married Rick Cochran. He preceded her in death, as did her parents.

Survivors include a son, Dakota "Cody" Cochran, Netawaka; a granddaughter, Arianna Cochran; a brother, Mark Martin, Holton; three nephews, Derek, David and Daniel Martin; and a niece, Stacie Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 30 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Family will greet friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Inurnment will be held at a later date at Shipshew Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mercer Funeral Home to help with expenses, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. Holton Recorder 12/29/21

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**Mathena**

Anolene Elizabeth "Annie" Mathena, 85, of Mayetta, passed away Thursday, Dec. 23, 2021, at her home.

She was born Sept. 20, 1936, in Cummings, the daughter of Earl B. and Ida E. (Nitz) Ricketts.

Annie graduated from ACCHS in 1954 at Effingham. She was a nursing technician for more than 22 years at Stormont-Vail Hospital in Topeka, retiring in 1991.

She was a member of Hoyt United Methodist Church and Hoyt OES #189.

Annie married Robert E. "Bob" Mathena on Aug. 29, 1954, in Cummings. He preceded her in death on July 17, 2013; they had celebrated more than 58 years of marriage. She was also preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Ida Ricketts; a daughter, Debra Lynn Mathena; son-in-law, Jon A. Schuh; two sisters, Darlene Carmack and Earlene Heston; and a brother, William Ricketts.

Survivors include two daughters, Roberta Schuh of Mayetta and Connie Peters (Jeff) of Mayetta; five grandchildren, Matthew Schuh (Shannon), Brian Schuh (Beka), Dustin Schuh (Brittany), Joshua Peters (Megan) and Robert Peters; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Dec. 28 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial followed in Hoyt Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holton Community Hospital Hospice, 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](http://www.mercerfuneralhomes.com)

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**Trostle**

Dona Faye Trostle, 90, Soldier, formerly of Hutchinson, died Sunday, Dec. 26, 2021, at Sabetha Manor.

She was born Dec. 20, 1931, in Cleveland, Okla., the daughter of Elza and Gladys Lee Shields. She graduated from Leon High School in 1949.

Mrs. Trostle was a housewife and homemaker.

She was a member of the First Christian Church in Haverhill.

She married Robert Alvin Trostle on Feb. 25, 1954, in Weisbaden, Germany. He died July 23, 2020. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Terri Sherwood; two sisters, Betty Evans and Patty Burris; and three brothers, Ronald, Larry and Reggie Shields.

Survivors include her three children, Robert A. Trostle Jr. and wife Michele, Outing, Minn., Pamela Holland and husband Jeffrey, Pottsboro, Texas, and Lisa Uhl and husband George, Soldier; two sisters, Connie Lee, Hutchinson, and Linda Sheave, Newton; a brother, Kent Shields, Cleburne, Texas; 17 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Private family inurnment will be held at a later date. Mercer Funeral Home in Holton is in charge of arrangements.

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**Obit guideline**

When submitting obituaries to be printed in *The Holton Recorder*, we request that obituaries are sent by the mortuary or funeral home handling the funeral arrangements.

**Strader**

Kathy Diann Strader, 60, passed away Friday, Dec. 17, 2021, at Olathe Health Hospice House.

She was born Nov. 9, 1961, in Reno County, the daughter of Glenn and Morene (Wright) Hamilton.

Diann graduated from Haven High School in 1980. Following graduation, she attended Emporia State University and graduated in 1984, then began teaching in USD 336. On Aug. 3, 1985, she married Scott Strader. Diann taught various elementary classes within USD 336 for 35 years until she retired.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Scott, and her father-in-law, Ronald Strader.

Survivors include children, Taylor (Strader) Stonerock and her husband, Anthony, of Winfield, Sydney (Strader) Haas and her husband, Ryley, of Overland Park, and Riley Strader of Lenexa; grandson, Cayde Stonerock; mother-in-law, Linda (Locher) Strader of Holton; siblings, Darren Hamilton of Shawnee and Shelia Hamilton of Galva; and nieces and nephews.

The family will hold a small celebration of life in January.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to KU Endowment, 3901 Rainbow Blvd., Mail Stop 3012, Kansas City, KS 66160, to benefit Dr. Sharma's triple negative/BRCA fund. Please indicate that donations are for the Diann Strader memorial.

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# Minnesota woman dies in Christmas Eve accident

A two-vehicle traffic accident on U.S. Highway 75 in southern Brown County in the early morning hours of Christmas Eve resulted in the death of a Minnesota woman, according to a Kansas Highway Patrol report.

Socorro Mercado, 46, of West Concord, Minn., was pronounced

dead at the scene of the accident, which occurred at about 1:25 a.m. Friday on U.S. 75 near the Sac and Fox Truck Stop after the vehicle she was driving rear-ended a semitrailer.

According to the KHP report, Roy L. Ebarb, 59, of Park City, was driving a 2011 Freightliner semitrailer that was pulling out of a private drive near the truck stop and turning south onto U.S. 75. Mercado was driving a 2005 Chevrolet Suburban south on U.S. 75 in the area.

While Ebarb was attempting

to complete the turn onto U.S. 75, the Suburban struck the rear of the semitrailer, resulting in fatal injuries to Mercado, who was wearing a safety belt at the time of the accident.

Ebarb, who was also wearing a safety belt, was not injured.

Friday's accident was one of two fatality accidents investigated by KHP over Christmas weekend, the other a single-vehicle accident early Sunday in Comanche County that resulted in the death of a Coldwater woman.

## Auction Calendar

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• Friday, Dec. 31. Starting at 10:30 a.m. Bed Heideman estate farm auction, held at 271 State Highway 63, Coming. For more information, contact Wilhelm Auction Service at (785) 294-8569.

• Saturday, Jan. 8. Starting at 9:30 a.m. Hoffman winter consignment auction, held at 6587 U.S. Highway 159, Effingham. For more information, contact Jeff Hoffman at (913) 370-0747.

## Calendar...

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**Thursday, Jan. 6**

\*Hours at the JCMA New Hope Center Food Pantry, located at Fifth Street and Wisconsin Avenue in the Holton First Christian Church basement, are from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information, call 362-7021.

\*4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Retirement celebration for Dr. Tom Walsh, held at Onaga Community Hospital, 120 W. Eighth St., Onaga. Dr. Walsh and his family request that only those who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 attend.

\*4 p.m. RVHS Varsity Scholars Bowl at Cair Paravel Latin School, Topeka.

\*4:30 p.m. JHMS boys basketball vs. Pleasant Ridge.

\*4:30 p.m. HMS boys basketball at Hiawatha.

\*7:30 a.m. Wetmore Cardinal Kiddos.

\*6 p.m. WMS basketball at Frankfort.

The following Jackson County departments will be closed all day on **Friday, Dec. 31, 2021, and Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022**, in observance of the New Year holiday.

- Jackson County Courthouse
- Road and Bridge Department
- Senior Citizen's Meal Site
- Recycling Center
- Noxious Weed Dept.
- Household Hazardous Waste

The Jackson County Landfill will be closed all day **Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022**, in observance of the New Year holiday.



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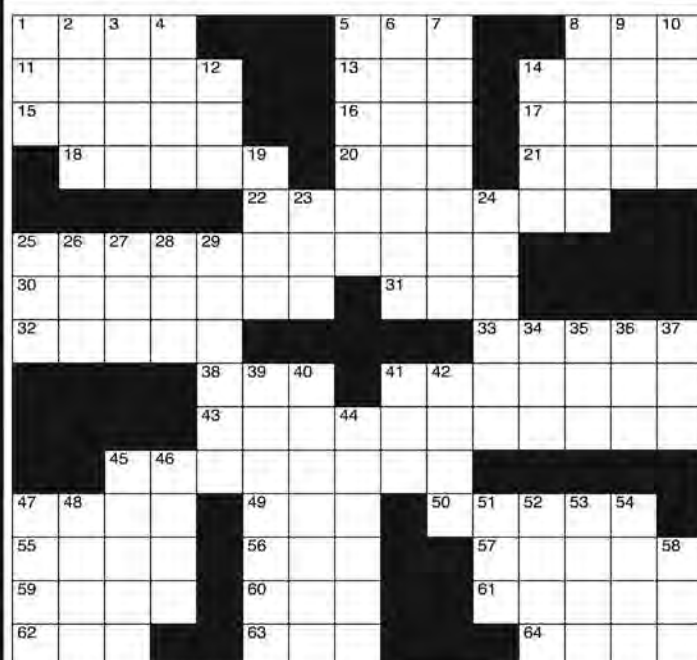
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| 1. Loud cheer                       | 33. Sun-dried brick             |
| 5. Defensive nuclear weapon (abbr.) | 38. One point south of due east |
| 8. Type of cell                     | 41. Female fashion accessory    |
| 11. Oblong pulpits                  | 43. A way of making a copy of   |
| 13. Pitching statistic              | 45. A way to debilitate         |
| 14. Uncommon                        | 47. Wings                       |
| 15. Liabilities                     | 49. Social insect               |
| 16. Thin, straight bar              | 50. Dull brown fabrics          |
| 17. Oh goodness!                    | 55. Indian musical pattern      |
| 18. Competitions                    | 56. N. England university       |
| 20. Jima, WW II battlefield         | 57. Portable stands for coffins |
| 21. Professional assn. (abbr.)      | 59. Iranian district            |
| 22. Italian mountain range          | 60. Envision                    |
| 25. Taking possession of            | 61. Passerine bird genus        |
| 30. Used in cooking and medicine    | 62. Container                   |
| 31. Water (French)                  | 63. Falter                      |
| 32. Parent a child                  | 64. Tunisian city               |

**CLUES DOWN**

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| 1. Cool!                               | 29. Et ... indicates further          |
| 2. Passover offering                   | 34. Insecticide                       |
| 3. Swedish rock group                  | 35. Luke Skywalker's mentor -Wan      |
| 4. Collegiate military organization    | 36. Cast out                          |
| 5. Large nests                         | 37. Breakfast food                    |
| 6. Beloved baked good                  | 39. By reason of                      |
| 7. 1980s pop legend                    | 40. One who makes thread              |
| 8. Finger millet                       | 41. Baseball stat                     |
| 9. Hillside                            | 42. Breezed through                   |
| 10. Surrender                          | 44. Frothy mass of bubbles            |
| 12. Midway between south and southeast | 45. Tony-winning actress Daisy        |
| 14. Long, narrow strap                 | 46. Made of fermented honey and water |
| 19. Discount                           | 47. Member of a Semitic people        |
| 23. A type of cast                     | 48. Monetary unit of the Maldives     |
| 24. Large, tropical lizard             | 51. Run batted in                     |
| 25. Half of "Milli Vanilli"            | 52. Makes publicly known              |
| 26. Single                             | 53. Disagreement                      |
| 27. Big truck                          | 54. Soluble ribonucleic acid          |
| 28. Midway between east and southeast  | 58. Single-reed instrument            |

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**Big 7 League  
Basketball Standings**  
*(As of Monday, Dec. 27, 2021)*

BOYS		
Team	League	Overall
Royal Valley	4-0	5-0
Sabetha	3-0	5-0
Nemaha Central	2-1	4-1
Holton	2-1	4-1
Perry-Lecompton	1-2	3-3
Hiawatha	1-2	3-2
Riverside	0-3	2-3
Jefferson West	0-4	0-5

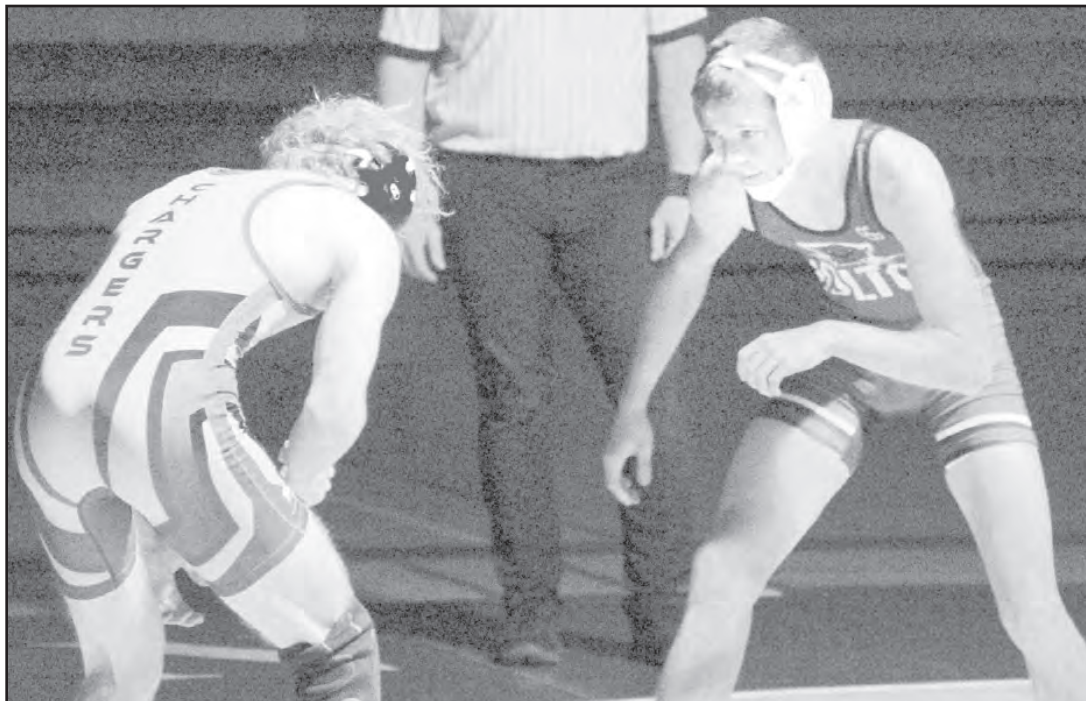
GIRLS		
Team	League	Overall
Hiawatha	3-0	5-0
Jefferson West	3-1	3-2
Nemaha Central	2-1	3-2
Royal Valley	2-2	2-3
Holton	1-2	2-3
Sabetha	1-2	1-4
Riverside	1-2	2-3
Perry-Lecompton	0-3	1-5

**NEK League  
Basketball Standings**  
*(As of Monday, Dec. 27, 2021)*

BOYS		
Team	League	Overall
Valley Falls	5-0	6-0
Jeff. Co. North	5-0	5-0
Pleasant Ridge	4-2	4-2
Maur Hill-Mt. Acad.	3-1	3-2
ACCHS	2-3	2-4
Jackson Heights	1-3	1-4
McLouth	1-4	1-4
Horton	0-4	0-4
Oskaloosa	0-4	0-5

GIRLS		
Team	League	Overall
ACCHS	5-0	5-1
Jackson Heights	4-0	5-0
Maur Hill-Mt. Acad.	3-1	3-2
Valley Falls	3-2	3-3
Jeff. Co. North	2-3	2-3
McLouth	2-3	2-3
Horton	1-3	1-3
Pleasant Ridge	1-5	1-5
Oskaloosa	0-4	0-5



Holton's Madeline Montgomery is shown in the top photo at right wrestling in a match earlier this season before the Christmas break. Holton's Tucker Gililand is shown in the photo above at right wrestling in a match earlier this season before the Christmas break.  
Photos by Michael Powls

**Regional wrestling assignments reported**

Holton and Royal Valley boys wrestling teams have been assigned to the Class 4A Regional Tournament at Paola on Feb. 18-19, 2022, it has been announced by the Kansas State High School Activities Association.

Marys, Wabaunsee, Riverside and Wellsville.

The top four wrestlers in each weight class at each regional qualify for the state wrestling tournament set for Feb. 25-26, 2022 at Salina.

Other wrestling teams assigned to the Paola regional include Atchison, Baldwin, Eudora, KC-Bishop Ward, Louisville, Jefferson West, Ottawa, Perry-Lecompton, Santa Fe Trail, Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege, Tonganoxie and Topeka-Hayden.

The Holton, Royal Valley and ACCHS girls wrestling teams have been assigned to the Class 4A-1A Regional Tournament at Baldwin on Feb. 11-12, 2022.

Atchison County Community High School's boys wrestling team has been assigned to the Class 321A Regional Tournament at Silver Lake on Feb. 18-19.

Other wrestling teams assigned to the Baldwin regional are Atchison, Burlingame, Santa Fe Trail, ACCHS, Mission Valley, Eudora, Doniphan West, KC-Bishop Ward, Marysville, McLouth, Jefferson West, Osage City, Oskaloosa, Perry-Lecompton, West Franklin, Rossville, Sabetha, Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege, Silver Lake, Rock Creek, Tonganoxie, Topeka-Hayden, Wamego and Wellsville.

Other wrestling teams assigned to the Silver Lake regional include Maur Hill-Mount Academy, Burlingame, Centralia, Pleasant Ridge, Mission Valley, Doniphan West, Horton, McLouth, Onaga, Osage City, Oskaloosa, West Franklin, Central Heights, Rossville, Sabetha, Nemaha Central, St.

The girls state wrestling tournament is set for Feb. 23-24, 2022 at Salina.

**UPCOMING PREP SPORTS**

**TUESDAY, JAN. 4**  
HHS Basketball vs. Royal Valley - 4:30 p.m. @ Holton  
JHHS Basketball vs. Maur Hill - 4:30 p.m. @ Maur Hill  
RVHS Basketball vs. Holton - 4:30 p.m. @ Holton

**THURSDAY, JAN. 6**  
RVHS V Wrestling Mixer - 5 p.m. @ Perry-Lecompton

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Top 2021 Sports News

**Twin Valley League  
Basketball Standings**  
*(As of Monday, Dec. 27, 2021)*

BOYS		
Team	League	Overall
Hanover	4-0	5-0
Axtell	3-0	3-2
Troy	3-0	3-2
Centralia	2-1	2-2
Frankfort	1-0	4-1
Clifton-Clyde	1-1	4-1
Linn	1-1	2-3
Doniphan West	1-2	2-4
Onaga	1-2	1-4
Wetmore	1-3	3-3
Valley Heights	0-2	0-5
BV-Randolph	0-3	1-3
Washington Co.	0-3	1-3

GIRLS		
Team	League	Overall
Centralia	3-0	4-0
Hanover	3-1	4-1
Valley Heights	2-0	5-0
Linn	2-0	4-1
Troy	2-1	2-3
Doniphan West	2-1	5-1
Clifton-Clyde	1-1	4-1
Washington Co.	1-2	2-2
Axtell	1-2	1-3
Wetmore	1-3	2-4
Frankfort	0-1	4-1
BV-Randolph	0-3	1-3
Onaga	0-3	1-4

**Jackson Heights girls, Royal Valley boys both state ranked**

The KBCA (Kansas Basketball Coaches Association) announced the 2021-2022 KBCA basketball rankings on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

The Jackson Heights girls were ranked sixth in Class 2A and the Royal Valley boys were ranked fifth in Class 3A.

- Girls Rankings**
- Class 6A Girls  
1. Shawnee Mission Northwest, 2. Washburn Rural, 3. Shawnee Mission West, 4. Olathe North, 5. Derby, 6. Topeka High, 7. Blue Valley, 8. Dodge City, 9. Wichita Heights and 10. Liberal.
- Class 5A Girls  
1. St. Thomas Aquinas, 2. Salina Central, 3. Andover Central, 4. Lansing, 5. Bishop Carroll, 6. Goddard, 7. Emporia, 8. St. James Academy, 9. Andover and 10. Maize South.
- Class 4A Girls  
1. Bishop Miege, 2. Wamego, 3. Wellington, 4. Eudora, 5. Andale, 6. Louisburg, 7. Rock Creek, 8. Clearwater, 9. Labette County and 10. Topeka-Hayden.
- Class 3A Girls  
1. Hugoton, 2. Nickerson, 3. Goodland, 4. Phillipsburg, 5. Silver Lake, 6. Cheney, 7. Cimarron, 8. Nemaha Central, 9.

Smoky Valley and 10. Southeast of Saline.

- Class 2A Girls  
1. Sterling, 2. St. Mary's-Colgan, 3. Valley Heights, 4. Berean Academy, 5. Smith Center, 6. Jackson Heights, 7. Ell Saline, 8. Garden Plain, 9. Hillsboro and 10. Elkhart.
- Class 1A Division I Girls  
1. Burlingame, 2. Pretty Prairie, 3. South Central, 4. Little River, 5. Centralia, 6. Hodge-man County, 7. Osborne, 8. St. Paul, 9. Doniphan West and 10. Frankfort.
- Class 1A Division II Girls  
1. Central Plains, 2. Lebo, 3. Hanover, 4. Golden Plains, 5. Hutchinson Central Christian, 6. Attica, 7. Rural Vista, 8. Linn, 9. Wheatland/Grinnell and 10. Ashland.

- Boys Rankings**
- Class 6A Boys  
1. Lawrence Free State, 2. Blue Valley West, 3. Lawrence High, 4. Olathe South, 5. Dodge City, 6. Shawnee Mission South, 7. Wichita Heights, 8. Blue Valley North, 9. Blue Valley Northwest and 10. Junction City.
- Class 5A Boys  
1. Maize, 2. Andover, 3. Highland Park, 4. Andover Central, 5. Blue Valley Southwest, 6. Kapaun Mt. Carmel, 7. Topeka West, 8. Hays High, 9. Maize

South and 10. St. James Academy.

- Class 4A Boys  
1. Bishop Miege, 2. Eudora, 3. Buhler, 4. Concordia, 5. Tonganoxie, 6. Paola, 7. Abilene, 8. McPherson, 9. Chanute 10. Augusta.
- Class 3A Boys  
1. Hesston, 2. Cheney, 3. Galena, 4. Wichita Collegiate, 5. Royal Valley, 6. Nemaha Central, 7. Holcomb, 8. TMP-Marian, 9. Southeast of Saline and 10. Osage City.

- Class 2A Boys  
1. Hillsboro, 2. Wabaunsee, 3. St. Mary's, 4. Lyndon, 5. Valley Falls, 6. Ellinwood, 7. Jefferson County North, 8. Erie, 9. Trego Community and 10. Berean Academy.
- Class 1A Division I  
1. Olpe, 2. South Gray, 3. Solomon, 4. Macksville, 5. Norwich, 6. Clifton-Clyde, 7. Frankfort, 8. Wichita Classical School, 9. Burlingame and 10. Osborne.

- Class 1A Division II  
1. Hanover, 2. Northern Valley, 3. Logan-Palco, 4. Axtell, 5. Wheatland/Grinnell, 6. Greeley County-Tribune, 7. Elyria Christian, 8. Pawnee Heights, 9. Attica and 10. St. John's-Tipton.

**Area wrestlers provided top sports news early in year**

Area wrestlers provided some of the top local sports news in early 2021.

Holton senior Konnor Tannahill, shown at left in the photo below, became the third HHS wrestler in school history to win two state wrestling tournament championships. Tannahill won the 195-pound division at the Class 4A state wrestling tournament, successfully defending his title from the previous season.

vision II Class 4A through Class 1A State Wrestling Tournament at Salina. Senior Tannah Forbes was a state champion in the 191-pound weight class and had an ending record of 9-3.

The Holton Wildcats, Royal Valley Panthers and ACCHS Tigers had a total of 17 girl and boy wrestlers qualify for state competition and 10 advanced out of the first round to the main Salina site.

The Holton Wildcats had six boy wrestlers compete at the 2020-2021 KSHSAA Class 4A State Wrestling Tournament at Salina. Sophomore Tucker Gililand took sixth place in the 106-pound weight class and had an ending record of 21-15.

The Holton Lady Wildcats had one girl wrestler compete at the 2020-2021 KSHSAA Girls Division II Class 4A through Class 1A State Wrestling Tournament at Salina. Junior Macey Gross took fourth place in the 126-pound weight class and had an ending record of 20-8.

Senior Jake Barnes took fifth place in the 120-pound weight class and had an ending record of 27-4.

The Royal Valley Lady Panthers had one girl wrestler compete at the 2020-2021 KSHSAA Girls Division II Class 4A through Class 1A State Wrestling Tournament at Salina. Senior Maya Ogden took sixth place in the 138-pound weight class and had an ending record of 23-3.

Sophomore Jayden Fletcher took fourth place in the 152-pound weight class and had an ending record of 31-6.

The ACCHS Lady Tigers had one girl wrestler compete at the 2020-2021 KSHSAA Girls Division II Class 4A through Class 1A State Wrestling Tournament at Salina. Junior Mason Scholz took second place in the 132-pound weight class and had an ending record of 23-11.

Senior Konnor Tannahill was a state champion in the 195-pound weight class and had an ending record of 30-1.

Other state qualifying wrestlers on the girls side were Holton's Piper Robinson and Gracie Gallagher and ACCHS's Hannah Simmer. Other state qualifying wrestlers on the boys side were Holton's Cale Hein, Slater Skaggs and Garyson Booth and ACCHS's Brice Lee.

Freshman Dalton Roush took fourth place in the 220-pound weight class and had an ending record of 20-7.

Junior Dustin Chermok did not place in the 285-pound weight class and had an ending record of 23-11. The ACCHS Tigers had one boy wrestler compete at the 2020-2021 KSHSAA Class 321A State Wrestling Tournament at Fort Hays State University. Junior Mason Scholz took second place in the 132-pound weight class and had an ending record of 25-5.

**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**

Holton junior Lindsey Wisdom scored 10 points in the Lady Wildcats' recent game with Hiawatha.



Holton sophomore Dalton Roush, in the 220-weight class, recently pinned opponents from Prairie View, Osawatomie, Pittsburg, Wellsville, Santa Fe Trail and Sabetha.

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Holton's Konnor Tannahill, shown in the photo at left, on the left, became the third HHS wrestler in school history to win two state wrestling championships last season. Tannahill won the 195-pound division of the Class 4A state tourney, successfully defending his state title from the previous season.

Recorder file photo

More 2021 sports highlights on Page 13.

Housing Survey...

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\* Prioritizing middle income housing.

\* Diversifying housing stock to meet local needs.

\* Extending housing security.

\* Reinvesting in older housing stock, including vacant units.

\* Addressing the building trades labor shortage.

\* Extending existing human capital resources.

Jackson County is a part of the Northeast Region in the survey results along with 15 other counties: Geary, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Pottawatomie, Riley, Wabaunsee, Atchison, Brown, Clay, Dickinson, Doniphan, Marshall, Morris, Nemaha and Washington.

Population

The survey results outline population trends in each region. From 2010 to 2020, Jackson County's population decreased 1.71 percent. In 2020, 18.93 percent of Jackson County's population was considered a minority.

In Jackson County, 32.57 percent of the population is over the age of 55.

Income & Employment

The median household income in Jackson County in 2019 was \$57,914, according to the survey. Statewide, the median household income average is \$59,597.

The median household income in Jackson County grew

11.89 percent from 2010 to 2019, it was reported.

All the other counties in the Northeast Region, except Dickinson, had higher income growth rates from 2010 to 2019 than Jackson.

In the Northeast Region, 13 percent of the civilian population is employed in healthcare and social assistance, 12.4 percent in educational services and 12.3 percent in manufacturing.

Housing

In Jackson County, 75.57 percent of homes are owner-occupied. The county has a 9.8 percent vacancy rate. According to the survey, the county saw an increase in its vacancy rate between 2010 and 2020.

A five percent to six percent vacancy rate is a good rate for a community, according to the survey.

"At this rate, housing options exist for those looking to move to an area or change housing type. However, the vacancy rate does not always tell the full story. When the vacant units are in poor condition, they may not be meeting community needs," according to the survey report.

In Jackson County, the median year homes were built here is 1975, which is similar to Nemaha County (1970) and Jefferson County (1975) and newer than Brown County (1958) and Atchison County (1957). Pottawatomie County's median

year homes were built is 1980.

Housing Conditions

The northeast part of the region, particularly, Jackson, Nemaha, Brown and Doniphan counties have the highest percentage of housing stock that is considered at "average or below condition," according to the survey. Each are above 90 percent.

This may be one indication of low new construction activity, according to the survey report.

What are people saying about the Northeast Region?

Of the 494 respondents living in the Northeast Region:

\* The age of survey respondents skewed older with 22 percent more than 65 years old.

\* Nearly 90 percent of survey respondents were white.

\* Hispanic or Latino respondents represent four percent of respondents.

\* Most were homeowners (73 percent). Of those that rent, 59 percent do so by necessity.

\* When asked if they were interested in moving, 44 percent noted they are happy with where they live. Of those indicating they would consider moving, the most (19 percent) said to another community for quality of life reasons.

\* The largest share of respondents' household income was between \$50,000 and \$74,999.

The full results of the survey can be found online at https://kshousingcorp.org

Products to protect county facilities from electromagnetic pulses discussed

By Ali Holcomb

The Jackson County Commissioners are considering purchasing equipment to protect county facilities from unexpected electromagnetic pulses, like a lightning strike, it has been reported.

During a recent Jackson County Commission meeting, Rowdy Meyer and Timothy Carty of EMP Shield of Burlington presented information on the products the company offers to protect critical infrastructures from electromagnetic pulse attacks and lightning strikes.

Several county departments heads were also present during the presentation, including Pat Korte, director of emergency management; Kurt Zibell, Banner Creek Reservoir director; Chad Phillips, Courthouse custodian; and Heath Delaney of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

Meyer and Carty said that the company offers a variety of products and all of them are built in Kansas and meet military standards.

If an EMP Shield device is installed, and a facility is struck by lightning, the facility will not be damaged, Meyer and Carty said.

The products come with a 10-year warranty and are designed to take multiple, large hits. They have products for buildings, cars, electric utility meters and anything with a micro processor, they said. Most of the products start at \$300 to \$400 a piece.

The commissioners asked if EMP representatives could conduct an assessment of the county's facilities to determine where, in their opinion, EMP devices would need to be installed. An assessment was scheduled for Dec. 16.

Meyer and Carty said that the federal government may mandate that municipal facilities have protection from electromagnetic pulses in the near future.

In other business, according to

the approved minutes from Nov. 29, the commission:

\* Agreed to allocate \$1,000 in county alcohol tax funds to the Holton High School post prom program.

\* Learned from Zibell that he has been mowing the dam and placing concrete rubble where needed at the reservoir.

Zibell said he has also been discussing dust control on campground C and the south side with Eric Fritz, road and bridge superintendent.

\* Heard a weekly report from Fritz and Scott Kieffaber, public works director. Kieffaber submitted a revised highway agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation for spraying right-of-ways. The commissioners approved the agreement.

\* Learned from Kieffaber that the test results from the wells at the landfill came back and one is leaking. Staff members will be monitoring it for the next 18 months by taking regular samples.

\* Learned that 190th Road from T to U Roads was expected to be getting rock that week and a pipe was delivered to 134th and C Roads for installation.

Kieffaber and foreman Wade Cormier met and looked at some roads they feel need closed or vacated. They roads include B and 134th Roads, 118th and C Roads and F and 94th Roads. The commissioners said they will visit the roads when they have time.

\* Approved a motion to transfer \$42,770.76 from the noxious weed capital outlay fund back into the

current year's budget in order to purchase additional chemicals before the price increases.

\* Met in executive session with Fritz, Kieffaber and County Counselor Lee Hendricks for eight minutes to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken back in open session.

\* Learned from Commissioner Dan Brenner that Spring Road needs graded, and Commissioner Keith Kelly requested a "trucks entering sign" at Stauffer Ag Repair.

\* Met with District Court Clerk Jennifer Strathman who gave an update on the court system moving to the new Odyssey software program. The state has mandated that the program be used as it will allow all courts to see information across the state and serve as a centralized case management system.

Jackson County is scheduled to go live with the new software program in February, Strathman said.

\* Discussed health insurance options with Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick.

The commissioners made a motion to approve an agreement with the State of Kansas Employee Health Benefits Program for health insurance for county employees.

\* Approved a motion to empower Commissioners Kathrens to terminate the county's agreement with Freedom Claims Management Inc. for employee health insurance.

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

Jackson Heights Wildlife Management...

Continued from Page 1

caused by droughts and how to fix those shortages by creating wetland sources that would do a better job of holding and filtering water.

Then, in 2020, the class was again recognized as the competition's Kansas state winner for its work in researching how water runoff from buildings and parking lots can negatively impact water quality as that water finds its way to area streams and creating a structure to hold and filter that runoff before pollution gets into waterways.

In both cases, the projects had a shot at getting into the contest's top-10 "national finalist" level, but fell short of that goal both times. But that hasn't deterred Keehn and his class from seeking out ways to improve the environment in their community — and they're hopeful to make the top 10 this time with their fish habitat project.

Keehn said this project involves the class' studies on "the lack of good habitat for fish we have in our private ponds, local lakes and reservoirs" and ways to rectify that situation.

"We discussed how quickly the brush-pile habitats break down and wanted to design new habitats for the local fisheries that would last," he said. "We also wanted to reduce the energy needed to make new material for fish habitats and even reduce landfill space by making these habitats from material that we recycle or even repurpose from other materials that would in some way end up in landfills."

The class' aim, Keehn said, is to research the best and safest material that could be used to create fish habitats and see out "business, government and private scrap piles" for material to collect and recycle.

"The fish mostly don't care what they're made of," he said. "They just want good cover, nesting areas and a structure that will allow aquatic plants and algae to attach."

The class' next step involves collecting those materials, repurposing them for fish habitats and placing those habitats into local ponds, lakes and reservoirs. As with the class' previous entries in the "Solve

For Tomorrow" contest, the class will also put together a three-minute project video outlining its work.

"We'll have to have our project done by mid-February, and in mid-March, Samsung will let us know if we qualify for the next level," Keehn said.

State winners were chosen by "Solve For Tomorrow" officials based on creative and strategic proposals to solve complicated issues that affect their respective communities through STEM learning, it was reported. Keehn's class will be awarded \$6,500 to be redeemed via DonorsChoose.org, along with a video kit to help them with the next phase of the contest.

Ten national finalist schools will be chosen to participate in a "pitch event" involving presentations before a judge panel, and seven of those schools will be awarded \$50,000 in technology and supplies for their projects. The other three schools will be named national winners and receive \$100,000 in classroom technology and supplies, it was reported.

KSU calving school set for Jan. 11

By David G. Hallauer Meadowlark Extension District Agent

Crops & Soils/Horticulture

The 2022 KSU calving schools are set, and the next one is just around the corner. Planned for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 11 at the Fairview Community Center (511 Front Street in Fairview), the programs are designed around the goal of increasing the number of live calves born when assistance is required.

Using a life sized cow and calf model to demonstrate the proper timing and use of calving equipment, KSU Extension veterinarian Dr. AJ Tarpoff will discuss the entire calving process, including what's normal, when to intervene and how to manage a difficult birth. He'll also share how you can develop a system to support the lifetime health and performance of the calf following birth.

The program starts at 6 p.m. with an evening meal. To re-

serve your meal and handout materials, please RSVP by Jan. 7 by contacting the Brown County Extension Office at (785) 742-7871. Additional information or questions can also be directed to any Meadowlark Extension District office.

Preferred Trees For NEK

Winter isn't the right time to plant trees, but winter is the right time to start thinking about what you want to plant. Getting the right tree for the right site is the key to a successful planting, and that means some advance preparation.

One resource northeast Kansas landowners should consider is an information packed four-page publication put out by our Kansas Forest Service Community Foresters. It combines the recommendations of industry professionals (city foresters and local tree boards) with input from Extension foresters, commercial arborists and retail/production nurseries to present a list of trees that work well in

a number of different situations for northeast Kansas landowners.

The list is split into three sizes of deciduous trees plus evergreens. Within each section, trees are rated based on environmental tolerances (light shade, drought, wet soils, etc.) and landscape attributes (height, spread, color, flowers, etc.) Species recommendations include cultivar recommendations when necessary as well. For example, Red Maple includes five different recommended cultivars.

The list can be used to help you get started looking as well as fine tune your search once you locate trees. There will be trees that perform well here not on the list, but it does provide a great starting point for evaluating species for landscape plantings. Access the list online at www.kansasforests.org/community\_forestry/community\_docs/NE%20Kansas%20Preferred%20Trees.pdf or request a copy from any district office.

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2021.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN CHARLES CONKLIN, a/k/a STEVEN C. CONKLIN, a/k/a STEVE C. CONKLIN, DECEASED

Case No. 2020-PR-000001

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a petition has been filed in this

Court by Kristen Conklin, duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Steven Charles Conklin a/k/a Steven C. Conklin, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Valid Settlement Agreement be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allowances requested for attorneys fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts, the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Administrator of the Estate of Steven Charles Conklin, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before January 10, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. in the District Court, in Jackson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Kristen Conklin Petitioner

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**Atchison County Community Junior Senior High School seniors Mason Scholz (shown above at right) and Kelcei Clem (at left) were named King and Queen of Mats prior to the Friday, Dec. 17 home wrestling matches against Jayhawk-Linn and Silver Lake. The Tiger wrestlers won against both teams, it was reported. Photo courtesy of ACCHS**

## Holton police check into recent accidents

The following accidents were investigated in recent days by the Holton Police Department.

■ At about 6:05 p.m. on Dec. 19, Cole E. Vornholt, 24, of Holton, was driving a 2005 Toyota Tacoma south on the inside lane of U.S. Highway 75 when the Toyota struck a deer in the roadway. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.

■ Police investigated a hit-and-run accident that occurred at about 2:25 p.m. on Dec. 16 at the intersection of Second Street and Wisconsin Avenue, where an unknown white four-door vehicle, northbound on Wisconsin, failed to yield at Second and struck a westbound 2007 Toyota Corolla driven by Alyssa R. McCammon, 19, of Holton, then left the scene. More than \$1,000 in damage was noted.

■ Teresa Scheidegger, 70, of Holton, was backing a 2004 Lexus from a parking stall on the south side of Holton's Town Square at about 10:25 a.m. on Dec. 16 when the Lexus backed into an eastbound 2008 Buick Lucerne driven by Donald E. Grogan, 89, of Holton. More than \$1,000 in damage was noted.

■ At about 10:40 a.m. on Dec. 11, Marilyn K. Shumaker, 80, of Netawaka, was driving a 2021 Buick Enclave south on Arizona Avenue and attempted to turn east onto Fourth Street when the car crossed the path of a northbound 2017 Dodge pickup driven by Douglas C. Weinman, 52, of Burbank, Ohio, and the pickup struck the Buick.

The Buick then struck a westbound 2014 Chrysler Town and Country minivan driven by Miranda L. Twombly, 32, of Holton, that was stopped at the intersection at a red light. More than \$1,000 in damage was noted in the accident. Shumaker received injuries in the accident and was taken by Jackson County EMS ambulance to Holton Community Hospital for treatment.

■ A 2003 Ford Explorer driven by Steven W. Richardson, 69, of Holton, was backing from a private drive in the 600 block of Illinois at about 3:20 p.m. on Dec. 10 when the Ford backed into a 2013 Dodge Caravan, belonging to Christine M. Zeller

of Hutchinson, that was parked across the street and unoccupied. More than \$1,000 in damage was estimated.

■ Police investigated a hit-and-run accident that occurred at about 5:35 p.m. on Dec. 7 near the intersection of Ninth Street and Iowa Avenue, where a 2020 Buick Encore belonging to Roger W. McClintock of Holton was legally parked and unoccupied on the north side of Iowa. An unknown vehicle sideswiped the Buick, causing more than \$1,000 in damage to the driver's side door and mirror of the Buick, then left the scene.

## Land Transfers

The following land transfers have been filed with the Jackson County Register of Deeds Office, located on the second floor of the Courthouse.

Quit claim deed: Jennifer L. McAfee to Jennifer L. McAfee and Caleb D. McAfee, land in the southwest quarter of S28, T5S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Warranty deed: Renee Ward, a single person, to same as trustee of the trust in her name, land in the northwest quarter of S27, T7S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Warranty deed: Mark W. Allen and Cheri D. Allen, husband and wife, to Andrew V. Klein, also known as Andrew Vincent Klein, part of Lot 23, McKeage's 2nd Addition, city of Hoyt, Jackson County.

Warranty deed: W. Patrick Murphy and Cynthia J. Murphy, husband and wife, and W. Matthew Murphy and Tammy

R. Murphy, husband and wife, to Jarrett L. Roy, part of Lots 23 and 31 and all of Lots 25, 27 and 29, Annetta Avenue, city of Hoyt, Jackson County.

Trustees deed: the G.S. Misenhelter Trust and Scott H. Misenhelter, as co-trustee of the trust in his name, to Beau G. Bissitt and Kaitlyn L. Bissitt, husband and wife, land in the northwest quarter of S23, T7S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Trustees deed: the G.S. Misenhelter Trust and Scott H. Misenhelter, as co-trustee of the trust in his name, to Beau G. Bissitt and Kaitlyn L. Bissitt, husband and wife, land in the northwest quarter of S23, T7S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Warranty deed: Gerald J. Darveaux, a married person, Loretta Carol Darveaux, a married person, William J. Darveaux, a married person, Teresa Lynn Darveaux, a married person, Bernard J. Darveaux, also

known as Bernard J. Darveaux, a married person, Kristina Helen Darveaux, a married person, Cynthia A. Darveaux, a single person, Cathryn A. Darveaux, a married person, and Andrew John Lauer, a married person, to Edward S. Thornsby, land in the southeast quarter of S12, T7S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Warranty deed: Evan J. Wedel and Beryl Corrin Wedel, husband and wife, to Johanna R. Lynch, part of Lots 58, 60 and 62, Western Avenue, city of Holton, Jackson County.

Quit claim deed: Linda D. Williams to Christopher McManigal and Carol A. McManigal, Lots 71, 73, 75, 77 and 79, Western Avenue, city of Denison, Jackson County.

Quit claim deed: Patrick G. Mulroy and Mulroy L.L.C. to Patrick G. Mulroy and Carol Jean Griffin, land in the southeast quarter of S33, T7S, R15E

of the 6th P.M., Jackson County. Quit claim deed: Edward S. Thornsby, a single person, to Edward S. Thornsby, a single person, and Rebecca J. Windsor, a single person, land in the southeast quarter of S12, T7S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

Warranty deed: John Rogers and Joyce Rogers, husband and wife, to Shawn W. Link and Jill K. Link, husband and wife, land in the northeast quarter of S35, T9S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jackson County.

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# County commissioners get "progress report" on the roads, bridges

By Ali Holcomb

A progress report on road and bridge projects and concerns was presented to the Jackson County Commission on Monday.

Scott Kieffaber, public works director, gave a report on work completed by the road and bridge department since the department was restructured in March.

Kieffaber was appointed the public works director in March following the resignation of Dan Barnett, who served as the road and bridge director. Kieffaber previously served as the county's noxious weed and environmental services director.

Also in March, Eric Fritz was promoted from road foreman to road and bridge superintendent. From March 8 to Dec. 27,

the department developed a list of 127 major projects, with 76 complete so far. Five are currently in progress, and 46 are incomplete.

This past year, the department also instituted a more organized call-in list in order to keep track of complaints and concerns reported to the department by the public.

Since March, the department has received a total of 384 calls on road concerns, and according to Kieffaber, 342 of the concerns have been addressed, seven are in progress and 35 remain incomplete.

"There's a good feeling in the county that the roads are getting better. That's the feedback I'm getting," said Commissioner Dan Brenner.

## Whiting, Netawaka UMC

By Mary E. Edwards

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" was the organ prelude by Susan Gordon as Michael and Julia Robertson lighted the altar candles at Whiting United Methodist Church on the fourth Sunday of Advent. Worship leader Jon Yingst led the call to worship and congregational prayer. The hymn of praise was "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

The fourth Advent candle, symbol of the Prince of Peace, was lighted by the Edwards family, Mike and Helen, their grandsons, Jack and Henry Toothaker from Olathe, and Mary. Pastor Nick Marsh gave the blessing of the Nativity scene.

Joys and concerns were shared. Kenny and Norma Thomas are celebrating 58 years of marriage. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Paul and Vickie Lierz. Paul brought citrus fruit to share with the congregation.

Prayers and sympathy to the families of Alice Uber and Don Honaker (Jon's uncle), both recent deaths. The prayer hymn was "Come Down, O Love Divine." After a time of silent prayer, Pastor Nick offered up a prayer for our joys and concerns. The Lord's Prayer was prayed with the response hymn, "Give Thanks."

Pastor Nick read scripture, Micah 5:2-5, a ruler from Bethlehem is promised, and Hebrews 10:5-10, Christ's sacrifice for all. The gospel lesson was Luke 1:39-55, Mary visits Elizabeth, including Mary's song. The sermon was titled "Jumping With Joy."

After the angel gave Mary the news that she would give birth to Jesus the Savior, Mary went to visit her older cousin, Elizabeth, who was pregnant with John the Baptist. When Mary arrived and greeted Elizabeth, the child in Elizabeth's womb leapt for joy and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she called out "Blessed are you among women and blessed is the child you will bear."

Mary answered with the words known as Mary's song, beginning with "My soul magnifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior, who is mindful of His humblest of servant."

God's mercy is for all who believe Him from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds, has brought down the proud and raised up the humble. We should stop and think about our focus - is it on selfish things or the things that are of God's plan, His works and His people?

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"Joy To The World" was the closing hymn. Pastor Nick gave the benediction.



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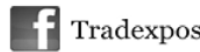
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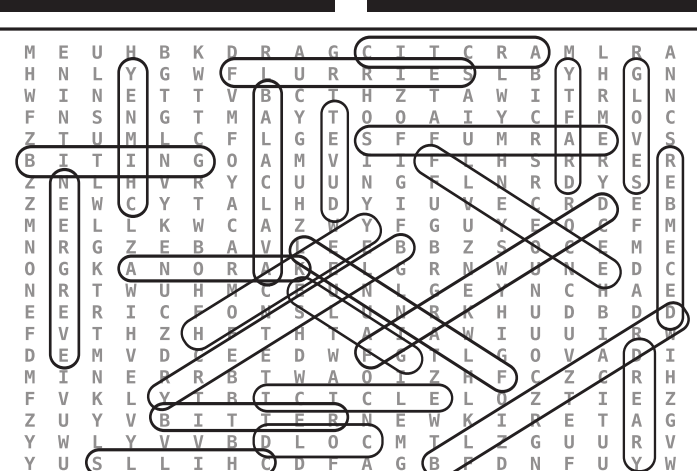
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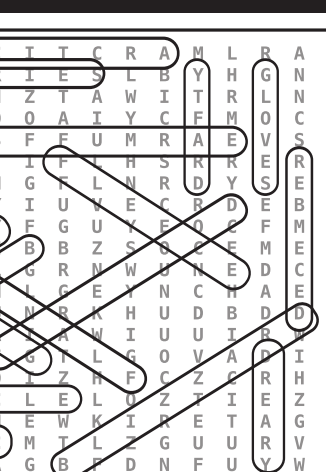
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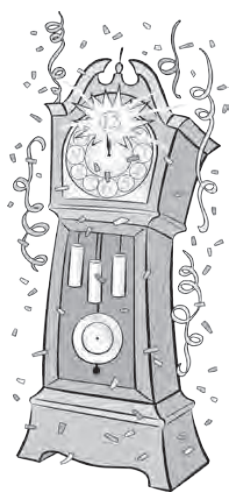
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The Holton Recorder office will be **CLOSED** all day *Friday, Dec. 31, 2021*, in observance of the New Year. Happy 2022!



TOP LOCAL SPORTS OF 2021

## Track & field performances noted in spring

During the first six months of 2021, the Jackson County area had plenty of stellar sports performances in wrestling, basketball, softball, golf and track and field.

Below is a summary of the track and field highlights. Watch for more 2021 local sports highlights next week.

The Holton Wildcats, Royal Valley Panthers, Jackson Heights Cobras, ACCHS Tigers and Wetmore Cardinals all had several girls and boys qualify for the 2021 KSHSAA State Track and Field Meet.

The Holton Wildcats qualified nine girls and eight boys for the 2021 KSHSAA Class 4A State Track and Field Meet.

For the girls, Macey Gross took 14th place in the 110-meter hurdle prelims with a time of 17.73. She also took 16th place in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 52.96 and she took 14th place in the high jump with a height of 4'06".

Jayana Carlson took 15th place in the 100-meter hurdle prelims with a time of 22.78.

The Holton girls 4x800-meter relay team was made up of Charlotte Cyphers, Delaney New, Paige Paxton and Piper Robinson and that team took 15th place with a time of 11:21.25.

Piper Robinson also took fifth place in the pole vault with a vault of 10'06".

Amariah Allen took 14th place in the triple jump with a jump of 30'03.5".

Darcee Ashcraft took ninth place in the shot put with a throw of 33'05.75" and she also took seventh place in the discus with a throw of 104'05".

Saydee Tanking took fifth place in the javelin with a throw of 134'03".

For the boys, the Holton boys

4x400-meter relay team was made up of Rees Robinson, Kale Purcell, Dalton Ashcraft and Slater Skaggs and that team took 13th place with a time of 3:36.58.

The Holton boys 4x800-meter relay team was made up of Dalton Ashcraft, Rylan Pittaway, Ashton Schrick and Rees Robinson and that team took 10th place with a time of 8:50.69.

Ashton Schrick also took 12th place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:08.69.

Kale Purcell also took ninth place in the 110-meter hurdle prelims with a time of 15.87. He also took third place in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 40.57 and he took 13th place in the long jump with a jump of 19'00.5".

Canon Karn took fifth place in the triple jump with a jump of 42'04" and he also took 16th place in the javelin with a throw of 138'10".

Matthew Lierz took 15th place in the discus with a throw of 114'03".

The Royal Valley Panthers took three girls and two boys to the 2021 KSHSAA Class 3A State Track and Field Meet.

For the girls, Ivy Fink took third place in the high jump with a jump of 5' and she also took 11th place in the shot put with a throw of 34'01".

Morgan Harvey took 15th place in the triple jump with a jump of 31'03.25".

Samantha Neuner took 16th place in the javelin with a throw of 85'11".

The ACCHS Tigers took four boys to the 2021 KSHSAA Class 2A State Track and Field Meet.

For the boys, Haeden Forbes took sixth place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:04.29.

Bricen Lee took 13th place

in the 110-meter hurdle prelims with a time of 17.92 and he also took 12th place in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 45.84.

Kieran Courter took 13th place in the long jump with a jump of 18'10".

Keegan Lott took sixth place in the shot put with a throw of 45'09.25" and he also took second place in the discus with a throw of 152'01".

The Jackson Heights Cobras took three girls and eight boys to the 2021 KSHSAA Class 1A State Track and Field Meet.

For the girls, Kanyon Olberding took 12th place in the 200-meter dash prelims with a time of 28.11 and she also took first place in the triple jump with a jump of 35'06".

Annalysse Allen took 11th place in the 3200-meter run with a time of 13:09.90.

Sarah Marshall took 10th place in the javelin with a throw of 109'03".

For the boys, the Jackson Heights boys 4x400-meter relay was made up of Devin Mock, Alexander Browning, Daniel Little and Wyatt Bacon and they took seventh place with a time of 3:39.80. Grant Amon was an

alternate.

Daniel Little also took fourth place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:05.84. He also took second place in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:34.39 and he took third place in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:02.51.

Nathaniel Linck took 14th place in the 1600-meter run with a time of 5:01.79 and he took 13th place in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:51.74.

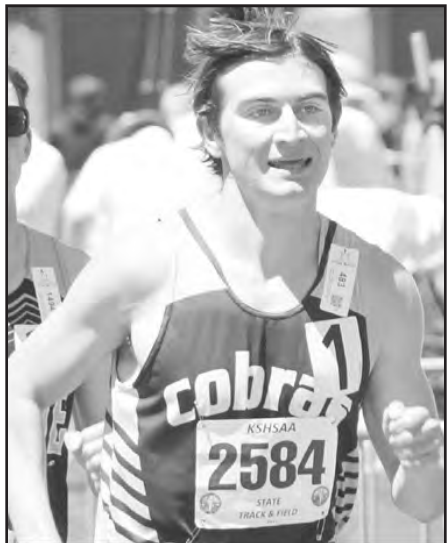
Ian Anderson took 14th place in the 110-meter hurdle prelims with a time of 17.30.

Taylor Wamego took seventh place in the shot put with a throw of 48'02".

The Wetmore Cardinals took four boys to the 2021 KSHSAA Class 1A State Track and Field Meet.

For the boys, the Wetmore 4x800-meter relay team was made up of Colby Hanzlicek, Eric Bloom, Austin Smith and Kael McQueen and that team took 16th place with a time of 9:11.51.

Colby Hanzlicek also took 12th place in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:48.80.



**Jackson Heights' Daniel Little, shown at right, took second in the Class 1A state 1600-meter run, third in the 3200-meter run, fourth in the 800-meter run and was also part of JH's 4x400 relay team that placed seventh last spring.** Recorder file photo



**Jackson Heights' Kanyon Olberding, shown above, was the Class 1A state champion girls triple jumper last spring.** Recorder file photo

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## Agriculture Week

*By Matt Hines*  
Livestock futures finished last week steady to higher and triple digits higher week over week. Cash-fed cattle trade dropped another \$3 last week to \$135 live and \$216 to \$218 dressed. After the close, USDA released its monthly cattle on feed report and quarterly hogs and pigs report.



The cattle on feed report was neutral versus the expectations, but slightly bearish overall. Cattle and calves on feed as of Dec. 1 totaled 12 million head, just slightly below last year's inventory. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.97 million head, four percent above 2020, and marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.87 million head, five percent above a year ago, but also with one more business day.

The quarterly hogs and pigs report was bullish but also expected with U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on Dec. 1, 2021 at 74.2 million head, down four percent from last year and down one percent from Sept. 1. Breeding inventory, at 6.18 million head, was up slightly from last year, but down slightly from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 68 million head, was down four percent from last year and down one percent from last quarter. The September-November 2021 pig crop, at 33.7 million head, was down four percent from 2020. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.01 million head, down five percent from 2020.

For the week, Friday, Dec. 17 through Thursday, Dec. 23, December live cattle were up \$2.20, February was up \$3.20, January feeder cattle were up \$3.20, March was up \$2.05, February lean hogs were up \$2.42 and April was up \$1.87. Boxed beef, Choice was down \$.07 at \$262.94, Select was up \$4.67 at \$252.95 and pork carcass cutout was up \$5.65 at \$91.47.

Cattle slaughter for the week was estimated 488,000 head, down 169,000 from the week previous but up 72,000 from last year. Hog slaughter for the week was estimated at 1,918,000 head, down 727,000 compared to the week previous but up 178,000 compared to a year ago.

Cattle futures were mixed to start this week while lean hogs continue to rally. December live cattle expire on Friday and the previously discount to cash flipped last week with futures

now \$2 higher than cash. The February contract hit a contract high on Nov. 29 at \$141.85 with support tested last week at \$135.50.

The long-term higher trend is still intact with major support down around \$130. January feeders remain choppy with resistance at \$166, then \$168, hitting a new recent low last week at \$158.40 and support below that at \$156.80.

February lean hogs have been chopping in a \$14 range since June with nearby support around \$79 and testing resistance on Monday at \$84.65.

Grains continued to rally last week, most posting higher closes every day. The soy complex continues to lead the charge higher with the nearby January soybean contract \$1.50 or more higher from the November lows and meal \$95 per ton higher from its October lows. Weekly export sales reported last Thursday were actually a marketing year low for soybeans at 29.8 million bushels.

Shipments have been good, just not great, as China continues to source beans from both the U.S. and Brazil. The hot and dry forecasts for Argentina seem to be the most supportive news for the grains, adding in some weather premium during these low volume holiday trading days.

For the week, Friday, Dec. 17 through Thursday, Dec. 23, March corn was up \$.12½, January soybeans were up \$.46¾, March Kansas City wheat was up \$.51½, July was up \$.45, March Chicago wheat was up \$.39¾ and January soybean meal was up \$26.60 per ton.

Below normal temperatures and winter weather dominate the Northern Plains to start the week as the Southern Plains remain dry. Heavy rains are in the forecast for the Southeast and Midwest towards the end of the week and into the New Year.

The six-to-10-day outlook shows normal to above normal temperatures across the southeastern quarter of the country and below normal in the north and west with above normal moisture for the Pacific Northwest, north and eastern quarter but below normal remaining in place for the Southern Plains.

*Note: There is risk of loss in trading commodity futures and options. Matt Hines is a licensed commodity broker for Loewen and Associates, Inc. of Manhattan, specializing in grain and livestock operations as well as commercial consulting clients since 2004. He can be reached at (785) 289-0036.*

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Menus are subject to change. For more information, call 785-966-8091.

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Cast members shown in the photo above include Shannacy Schimmel (at left) and Carrie Holliday (at right).

In the photo at right, husband and wife duo, Casey and Kisha Patterson, are shown during one scene of a Christmas spoof.

Photos by David Powlis



## Two arrested on drug charges here

Two people were arrested on various drug charges here following a traffic stop in southern Jackson County on Dec. 21, Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse reported.

A Jackson County Sheriff's Office deputy stopped a 2019 Ford Escape near 126<sup>th</sup> Road and U.S. Highway

75 that evening for a traffic infraction. Richard Michael Lane, 40, Topeka, was arrested and booked into the Jackson County Jail on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia and making false information. Jennifer Leigh Crabill,

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Auswell (Bud) and Shirley (Bontrager) Stauffer will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Friday, Dec. 31, 2021. They were united in marriage on Dec. 31, 1961 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Holton.

The couple has four children, Bryan and Cindy Stauffer of Stanwood Wash.; Kevin and Laura Stauffer

of Holton; Jeff Stauffer and Melissa McDonald of Silver Lake; and Todd and Rose Stauffer of Mayetta. They have 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Bud and Shirley will celebrate this milestone with a family dinner in January. Cards may be sent to them at 17566 R Rd., Mayetta, KS 66509-8930.

### Albright, Nelson receive scholarships through KLF



Albright

Two area students, Emily Albright of Delia and Jirilyn Nelson of Soldier, have each been awarded scholarships through the Kansas Livestock Foundation (KLF), it has been reported.

Albright, daughter of Scott and Barb Albright, was awarded a \$1,500 Douglas A. Laue Memorial Scholarship, administered by the KLF.

Nelson, daughter of Jerry and Jo Ann Nelson, was awarded a \$1,000 Merck Animal Health Cartridges for Cash/KLF scholarship.

The women are two of 29 students who were awarded a grand total of \$30,000 in scholarships for the 2021-22 school year during the KLA Convention on Dec. 1.

Albright is a junior majoring in animal sciences and industry at Kansas State University. She has been active in many organizations at K-State, including the meat judging team, Agricultural Ambassadors and Alpha of Clovia 4-H Cooperative Leadership House. Albright also works at Dutch Creek Farms.

Made possible by a gift in memory of Laue, who served as KLA Cattle Feeders Council chairman in 1991-92 and died in February 2015, the Douglas A. Laue Memorial Scholarship is offered to juniors and seniors at Kansas State University or Fort Hays State University pursuing a degree in agriculture.

Nelson is a second-year student at Kansas State University majoring in animal sciences and industry with a pre-vet option. She is a student member of the K-State



Nelson

Block and Bridle Club, Pre-Veterinary Medicine Club and Veterinary Voyagers. Nelson plans on becoming a large animal veterinarian after the completion of her schooling.

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**Wednesday, Jan. 5:** Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Spaghetti, breadstick, green beans, salad, fruit and milk.

**Thursday, Jan. 6:** Breakfast – Waffles, ham patty, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Pork rib sandwich, sweet potato fries, salad, sliced tomato, fruit and milk.

**Friday, Jan. 7:** Breakfast – Biscuit with sausage gravy, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Chili cheese dog, hash brown rounds, cauliflower, Snickerdoodle, fruit and milk.

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**Monday, Jan. 3:** Breakfast – French toast sticks or cereal and graham crackers, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Grilled ham and cheese or barbecue rib on a bun, fries, fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

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**Wednesday, Jan. 5:** Breakfast – Waffles or cereal and graham crackers, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Taco burger or yogurt parfait with muffin, tortilla chips (6-12), fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

**Thursday, Jan. 6:** Breakfast – Sausage and cheese biscuit or cereal and cheese stick, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Lasagna and roll or turkey and cheese sub, fresh fruits and vegetables, cookie and milk.

**Friday, Jan. 7:** Breakfast – Long john or cereal and graham crackers, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Chicken patty and roll or peanut butter and jelly sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

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**Monday, Jan. 3:** No school (staff work day).  
**Tuesday, Jan. 4:** Breakfast – Pancake on a stick, fruit and milk; Lunch – Taco salad, refried beans, salsa, cookie, fruit and milk.

**Wednesday, Jan. 5:** Breakfast – Muffin, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken strips, tater tots, green beans, biscuit, fruit and milk.

**Thursday, Jan. 6:** Breakfast – Bagel, fruit and milk; Lunch – Burrito (ES/HS), taquitos (MS), nacho cheese, corn, carrots, fruit and milk.

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# Gardener's Corner

## A season of tradition and meaning

By Sandra M. Siebert

Deck the halls with boughs of holly. 'Tis the season to be jolly...



Have you ever noticed how certain plants, herbs and spices get featured during the winter holidays? Have you ever wondered why? Tradition, of course.

A fondly remembered tradition in my family was the annual trip to the pasture to hunt for the perfect Eastern red cedar tree to use as our Christmas tree. Of course, no such thing as a perfectly shaped red cedar exists. They tend to be rather lopsided, but we persisted.

When we were old enough to wander by ourselves, my siblings and I would race off to search for a tree. That meant lots of distracting adventures playing in the small stream running through the pasture. We stayed until we found the perfect tree, or, more likely, my parents got tired and settled for a "good enough" tree.

This tradition is carried out in many Kansas country households, while others make an annual trip to the Christmas tree farm, where they're more likely to find a "perfect" tree.

But why bring in a tree at all?

In general, plants that remain green throughout the winter (hence the name "evergreen") once symbolized immortality, everlasting life. They reminded people that life goes on, even in the darkness of winter. Life

returns, rebounds and continues beneath the surface. That is an important thing to remember as daylight hours dwindle, the cold deepens and survival becomes more difficult.

While our modern calendars say Winter Solstice, when the sun reaches its lowest point on the southern horizon, marks the "first day of winter," older traditions more appropriately referred to the Solstice as "mid-winter." At this time, the sun begins climbing toward its summer heights. Evergreen plants brought into the home reminded people that spring and summer are on their way.

Bringing in green boughs full of fragrance also brings life into the home during dark days. The fragrance of these usually aromatic evergreens uplifts the spirits. To this day, the fragrance of red cedar leaves brings to me a sense of contentment and security.

The trees typically used as Christmas decorations are all aromatic in nature. The volatile oils that create the fragrances possess medicinal properties, one being antimicrobial, killing disease organisms. Even simply letting the fragrance waft through the air can clear away some "germs." Some of these trees, particularly pine, also can be used to make teas or salves to help prevent or treat illness.

Beautiful greenery and fragrances that uplift the spirit and help prevent illness; we need no other reasons to bring boughs of cedar, fir or spruce into our homes. One more thing, though, our European ancestors believed that nature spirits took refuge in evergreens. They brought branches of these plants inside to share the warmth and nour-

ishment of their homes during the darkest days of winter, thus befriending these spirits so they would bring blessings when the seasons were more favorable.

In some regions, holly was considered the favored home of nature spirits. Holly trees provide food and shelter to tangible woodland spirits, like birds, who love the red berries, which are toxic to us. The bright red berries contrasting against the green leaves is a beautiful sight, and probably led to the popularity of red and green symbolizing this holiday season. Holly leaves also possess medicinal properties, but not through any sort of aromatic character, as they are not fragrant.

The thorniness of holly leaves caused our ancestors to associate holly with protection, so bringing boughs of holly into the home also provided protection against poison and evil spirits to the household. During stormy seasons, it was thought to protect the home against lightning.

Mistletoe is another evergreen plant rife with ancient tradition and symbolism. In Norse mythology, the goddess of love had a son who was killed by a sprig of mistletoe because she went through the world to obtain a promise of protection for her son from all plants and animals, forgetting the little mistletoe.

Through the usual drama of Norse mythology, her son died and was restored to life. Apologies were made for overlooking mistletoe, which then became a symbol of love. Druids also considered mistletoe to be a fertility charm. In honor of these two traditions, we now kiss beneath the mistletoe.

Mistletoe also possesses some medicinal qualities in its twig

and leaf. Like the holly, its berries are toxic to us, but not to the birds.

Other fragrances and associated flavors have become traditional at this time of year. Like the evergreens mentioned above, these herbs and spices possess antimicrobial properties, and have a positive impact on the digestive system (important in this season of overindulgence).

Rosemary doesn't exactly say "Season's Greetings" here in Kansas, but it is evergreen in the proper climate. We often see potted rosemary plants pruned to resemble the iconic Christmas tree at this time of year. Rosemary seasons meats and vegetables - particularly potatoes.

The gifts of rosemary include help for the digestive system, stimulation of the nerves and circulatory system in a way that assists memory, powerful antimicrobial action (such that it is sometimes used as a preservative) and relief of fevers and spasms. I like drinking a mild tea made with fresh rosemary, as well as inhaling the fragrance of rosemary to clear sinuses and sweep cobwebs from my brain when my mental energy wanes.

Cinnamon and ginger are two other fragrances and flavors of this season, along with peppermint. They share antimicrobial properties and digestive aid with rosemary. Plus they taste and smell wonderful.

Tradition is a great thing when it creates good memories and doesn't add to the stress of this season. However, traditions have reasons for being, reasons that sometimes go back millennia.

Happy Holidays.  
Note: Sandra M. Siebert is a former longtime associate editor at The Holton Recorder.

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Menus are subject to change. Menus listed for the week of Monday, Jan. 3 through Friday, Jan. 7 are as follows:

**Monday, Jan. 3:** Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, cooked carrots, fruit cup and hot roll and margarine.

**Tuesday, Jan. 4:** Sweet and sour meatball with rice, Japanese vegetables, pineapple tidbits and bread and margarine.

**Wednesday, Jan. 5:** Ham and beans, carrot salad, sliced

pears and cornbread and margarine.

**Thursday, Jan. 6:** Meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, peas and carrots, fruit pie, ice cream and bread and margarine.

**Friday, Jan. 7:** Pork patty with a bun, tater tots, scalloped corn, mandarin oranges and cake.

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In the photo above at left, Tim Brey of the Holton Masonic Lodge is shown presenting a \$500 donation for the Christmas Bureau from the lodge to Jennifer Ingels, event organizer.

In the photo above at right, HMS students Rhevi Murphy (at left) and Kaylin Segenhagen (at right) are shown organizing popcorn tins, which were handed out to each participating family.

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*By Beverly Ramey Newell*

On Dec. 19, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church adult bell choir opened the worship service by playing "O Christmas Tree." Those playing bells were Susan Arnold, Lauren Feleay, Sam Feleay, Kay Jones-Ray, Danette Martin, Annie McDowell and Barbara Slimmer. Kelly Neiman directed them.

The candles on the Advent wreath were lit by Joy Chapman and Kate Hamilton.

The congregation sang the fourth verse of the hymn "Light The Advent Candle" while Mary Smith played the organ. Joy Chapman gave the Advent responsive reading.

Gracious God, long ago you made the shepherd, David of Bethlehem, a king of Israel. You promised that you would send a peaceful king whose reign lasts forever.

Jesus is the good shepherd who peacefully feeds the flock and watches over us. Help us to show by our calm words and peaceful actions that we belong to you.

The congregation sang the hymn "What Child Is This" while Mary Smith accompanied everyone on the organ.

The children's story was given by Pastor Kara. She asked them, "Who is someone that is really powerful?"

Some answers were "God," "my dad," "the president," "Superman," "the Rock," "Goliath" and "Samson." It is amazing how God can use an ordinary person to do awesome things.

The sermon "Magnificat" was given by the Rev. Kara Eidson. She read the scriptures from Luke 1:46b-55. During the time when Jesus was born, women had very little control and no power. God used ordinary people in many ways. God picked Mary to be the mother of Jesus. God is still at work among us. God has the final decision in all things.

The congregation sang "Light Of The Stable." They were accompanied by Marc Serrano on his guitar.

Billie Winsor presented Pastor Kara with a Christmas and farewell gift from the congregation.

Pastor Kara gave the benediction.

Mary Smith played the postludes, "Angels From The Realms Of Glory" and "Angels We Have Heard On High."

On Jan. 9, 2022, a soup lunch will be held after worship services. Everyone is invited to get acquainted with Pastor Faye Wagner and her husband, Wayne, and then help take down the Advent decorations.

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# Hoyt City Council approves UTV ordinance

The Hoyt City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, Nov. 2. Present were Mayor Debbie Dreasher and council members Leonard Allen, Joe Romans and Lana Dillner. Also present were Justin Faulkner, Amy Klotz, Jessica Bryan, Larry Valdez, Nick Ehrhart, Chuck Gunter, Lee Hendricks and Police Chief Dan Wentling.

Mayor Dreasher called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. The council had been given minutes from the Oct. 5 meeting for review. Allen's motion to approve the minutes as presented was seconded by Romans and approved.

Dreasher nominated Faulkner to the council position left vacant by Nathan McAlister. Dillner's motion to accept Faulkner's nomination was seconded by Romans and approved. City Clerk Shawna Blackwood swore Faulkner in.

Klotz and Bryan with the Pride of Hoyt Days Committee discussed having the Miracle on Fourth Street Event again this year, recommending the evening of Sunday, Dec. 5. Klotz presented an agenda for the event, and possible locations for a craft show were discussed. Klotz said the committee wanted to have a house decoration contest this year with prizes for first, second and third place, with the committee to vote on the decorating. It was noted that the committee would like to close down part of Fourth Street for the event.

Romans' motion to empower the mayor to approve a resolution closing Fourth Street from Annetta to the alley just west of Highland Avenue from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Dec. 5 for the event was seconded by Allen and approved.

There were no building permits for review. Hendricks said he had a new version of a building permit he would present for review at the next meeting.

Dillner reported that Kenny Bryan had picked up the concrete table and benches that were previously approved for use at Robinson Park. Bryan voiced some concerns about them toppling over and wanted them addressed before they are placed for public use. Council members discussed different options. The table and bench set is currently stored at the fenced area by the maintenance building.

Klotz came back to the meeting to ask if the community building would be available for the craft show if they cannot find another location. It was noted that the building is available. Dillner's motion to allow the committee to use the community building on Dec. 5 for the craft

show and waive the rental fee was seconded by Romans and approved.

Romans relayed notes from a conversation with the Meriden police chief on handling of security camera problems once cameras are installed. It was noted that Meriden's chief offered to allow Hoyt to borrow one of the cameras they use to determine if the city is interested in the product.

Romans also reported on a conversation with Adam Schafer of the Computer Doctors regarding vandalism and additional options that could be added to the current setup at the park to increase coverage. Romans and Dillner discussed a second estimate Schafer had presented for additional coverage. The second estimate was \$2,589. The council opted to table adding anything additional at this time.

Romans reported on information received regarding plaques for the council and mayors to present after their terms end in recognition of service. After discussion, Dillner's motion to approve purchasing 10 plaques to be used for recognition of service, effective January 2022 moving forward, with an estimate cost of \$555 was seconded by Allen and approved.

Discussion continued on security cameras and options for protection against vandalism. Allen noted some possibilities and said that he would research this further and give a report at the next meeting.

Dreasher opened discussion of a draft UTV ordinance previously provided by the city attorney for review. The proposed ordinance provides requirements for allowing UTV use, including but not limited to proof of insurance, licensed driver, head lights, brake lights, tail lights, turn signals, one rearview mirror, annual review and inspections, a sunrise-to-sunset provision except for city sponsored events (to which it is extended until midnight), seatbelts and safety seats for children.

Hendricks discussed changing the language to reflect that state inspections will be done by the police chief and discussed the addition of a one-year sunset provision for review that Allen had suggested for inclusion in the ordinance. Council members discussed a fee for the permit. Dreasher suggested having specific blocks of times set for the police chief to review vehicles for inspection.

After lengthy discussion, Allen's motion to pass the ordinance allowing UTV use in the city with changes to the proposed ordinance, including striking the sunset-to-dawn

provision (section 5B), stating that the chief of police would perform the inspections and adding the sunset date provision, was seconded by Romans and approved.

Dillner's motion to have an annual rate of \$25 for UTV permit applicants was seconded by Romans. There was discussion regarding waiving the fee for the school, along with discussion regarding necessity of having the chief inspect UTVs each year when applicants renew their permits. Dillner withdrew her motion.

Allen's motion to have an annual permit fee of \$25 for UTVs with the first registration period to take effect Jan. 1, 2022, and a renewal date of May 1 or during the first week of May of every year after May 2023 was seconded by Dillner and approved.

Hendricks revisited his discussion from last month regarding having an independent third party inspector for permits. He recommended Paul Crawford, who works for other small cities and has a number of years of experience. Crawford was unable to attend the meeting but could attend in December to discuss rates and duties.

Hendricks provided a status update on the leaning garage and other nuisances for the property at 112 W. First St. Police Chief Wentling said he met with the owner and provided an update on the nuisances, which have been satisfactorily resolved.

Hendricks reported on ongoing violations at 100 E. First St. and 505 Highland Ave. The property owners have received numerous letters, yet violations still exist on the properties. Hendricks said the city is well past the allowable time to move forward with having the nuisances removed and billing the property owners for related costs.

Hendricks recommended looking for outside companies to remove the violations. Hendricks said he and a police officer will be present when this removal occurs. Allen's motion to give the city attorney and police chief authority to find a contractor and move forward with removing violations at these two properties and send a letter to the property owners

regarding same was seconded by Romans and approved.

Hendricks requested an executive session later in the meeting for attorney-client privilege discussion regarding contract negotiations and explained the rules of executive session to Faulkner.

City Clerk Blackwood presented the monthly financial report from the city accountant for review. Romans' motion to transfer \$35,000 from the sewer fund to the sewer reserve fund was seconded by Dillner and approved. Blackwood said she would ask the accountant to attend the December meeting.

Mayor Dreasher provided an update on council seats up for election.

Chief Wentling provided the monthly police report, noting that replacement costs for tires from Kansasland Tire on the black police car totaled \$602. Allen's motion to approve the purchase of tires for the black police car in ago amount not to exceed \$650 was seconded by Romans and approved.

Wentling reported that he would attend a code enforcement conference in Manhattan that week. Romans' motion to approve hotel costs and expenses, including reimbursement for mileage for Wentling's attendance at the code enforcement conference, not to exceed \$300, was seconded by Dillner and approved.

Romans said he would talk to Kenny Bryan regarding sand and salt for the streets.

Allen's motion to pay bills was seconded by Dillner and approved.

Allen's motion to enter executive session for attorney-client discussion under the contract negotiations clause for 10 minutes to include council, mayor, city attorney and city clerk was seconded by Dillner and approved. Upon returning to open session, Romans' motion to pay Nina David and Jimmie Joy \$1,000 each for accessing their property for a water line project was seconded by Allen and approved.

Blackwood said utility rates would be discussed at the December meeting. Allen's motion to adjourn was seconded by Dillner and approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.



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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMIE NATION PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NATION RESERVATION**  
Mayetta, Kansas

*In the Matter of the Marriage of*  
Dominic Dominguez, Petitioner,  
and  
Jessica Dominguez, Respondent

Case No. 2021-DV-0042-FD

**NOTICE OF SUIT**

The State of Kansas to Jessica Dominguez

You are notified that a Petition for Divorce was filed in the District Court of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Mayetta, Jackson County, Kansas asking that the person filing the divorce be granted a divorce and asking that the court make other orders in that divorce matter.

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Dominic Dominguez  
Petitioner

The Prairie Band of Potawatomi Tribal District Court,  
11444 158th Road,  
Mayetta, Kansas 66509

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**Public Notice**

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

*In the Matter of the Estate of*  
**BERNIECE L. TILTON, deceased,**

Case No. 21 PR 44

**NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021, a Petition was filed in said Court by Harold M. Tilton, Jr., named executor under the Last Will and Testament of Berniece L. Tilton, deceased, praying the instrument dated August 20, 2018, attached thereto be admitted to probate and record as the Last Will and Testament of the decedent; and that Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act be issued to Harold M. Tilton, Jr. You are further advised under the provisions of the Kansas Simplified Estates Act the Court need not supervise administration of the Estate, and no notice of any action of the executor or other proceedings in the administration will be given, except for notice of final settlement of decedent's estate.

You are further advised if written objections to simplified administration are filed with the Court, the Court may order that supervised administration ensue.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before January 18, 2022, at 8:30 A.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Holton, in Jackson County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

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Harold M. Tilton, Jr.,  
Petitioner

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Mayetta council discusses sludge removal

The Mayetta City Council met in regular session on Nov. 3 at Mayetta City Hall. Mayor Jonathan Wimer called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Those present were Wimer and council members Judy Penfield, Linda Robinson, Dan Whiteman and Darrel Chapman. Absent was Shelley Ramage. The council then reviewed the monthly financial report. Ramage arrived to the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Whiteman made a motion to approve the monthly consent agenda, including the minutes of Oct. 6 and the monthly payment voucher. Ramage second-

ed the motion, and it passed 5-0. City Treasurer Rudy Schmidt has resigned due to her husband's health. Schmidt's last day was Nov. 9. Christmas decorations have been ordered, but they won't be here until after Christmas, it was reported. Everything has been set up for the sludge removal this month. Doug Holthaus asked if the council wanted the park sprayed next year and if so, the cost will go up to \$235. The council declined. It was reported that city representatives had talked to Granite Telecommunications of Maryland, a wholesale company for government agencies. The busi-

ness has contracts with major telecommunication companies to provide phone and internet service and can sell the city the same service for a lesser cost. The city currently has two phone lines that currently cost about \$120 each per month. The company could do it for \$90 each per month. There is no contract for the phone service. Also, the company can offer the same internet service that the city has now. Currently, the city is paying \$90 per month, and, with the new company, it would go down to \$74 per month. The total bill would go down to \$163 per month. The council declined the services. Wimer reported that the city has signed a contract with A-1 Pump Service of Kansas City for sludge removal. Chapman asked about the city treasurer's position. The council asked if the utility superintendent could hold that position also. City Attorney Tom Barnes will see if the utility superintendent and city treasurer are compatible positions. Ramage made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Robinson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Buck's Grove Church

By Colleen Reamer Twelve people met for services on Sunday, Dec. 26 at Buck's Grove Methodist Church. We really appreciate the crowd we had for the Christmas Eve program. It was wonderful to see the church full. Mary Ringel lit the candles to the tune of "What Child Is This." Other songs sung on Sunday were "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "O Come All Ye Faithful," "That Boy Child Of Mary," "There's A Song In The Air," "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" and "Away In A Manger." Pastor Charlotte told many of the songs' histories. It is amazing how old some of our favorite Christmas hymns are. Trevor Ashcraft read scripture. The first scripture read was from 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26. In this, we learn of how Samuel's mother would each year make him a new robe to take to him when she and her husband went to the annual sacrifice. Eli would ask the Lord to give Samuel's mother and her husband more children to take the place of the one she gave to the Lord - Samuel. The second scripture read was Colossians 3:12-17. In this, we are asked, as God's chosen people, to have compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. The special was given by Colleen Reamer. She read a number of Christmas quotes from various people. Prayers go out to the family of Winnie Pollock, who died earlier this week. Prayers are also asked for Rich Hall, a friend of the Ashcraft family, who is having some health concerns. Betty Bernitter was thrilled to have her whole family with her for Christmas, and several members of the congregation celebrated or will celebrate their birthdays this week. Pastor Charlotte read from

Luke 2:41-52. This scripture tells of how Mary and Joseph went to the Festival of Passover in Jerusalem. Jesus was with them. When the festival was over, they started home but Jesus stayed in the temple in Jerusalem. When Mary and Joseph realized Jesus was not with them, they frantically searched and ended up going back to Jerusalem. Three days later, they found Jesus in the temple with the teachers. The teachers were amazed at Jesus' understanding. When asked why He had stayed, Jesus replied that He had to be in His Father's house. Mary and Joseph did not understand what He meant by this, but Jesus did return home with them. Jesus continued to grow in wisdom and stature and found favor with both God and man. Pastor Charlotte's message was "Seeking Jesus Still." For the last few weeks, we have been in the Old Testament. People had hope and were trusting the Messiah would come. The government was in chaos, much like ours. People were impatient and distracted, much like we are today. When the Messiah did come, many were disappointed. They did not expect a baby. Have you ever lost a child, just for a short time? Mary and Joseph did. They looked for several days. Jesus was never lost. He was just where He was supposed to be. Even when He died on the cross, He was not lost. He was just where He needed to be. He was dying for us and for our sins. When He was raised from the dead, He brought life to all who believed in Him. God is troubled when His children go missing. It is Jesus who came to find and save us. We need to thank God every day for sending Jesus to us. Services ended with the closing hymn of "Go, Tell It On The Mountain" and the benediction.

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## Schmidt challenges Head Start vax mandate

Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt on Tuesday, Dec. 21 filed a federal lawsuit challenging the new federal vaccine mandate for Head Start programs, arguing that the mandate will place greater strain on the availability of early childhood programs for low-income Kansas families, it was reported.

Schmidt joined 23 other state attorneys general in filing a petition with the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana seeking to block the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from implementing its mandate that staff, volunteers and others who come in contact with Head Start students must receive COVID-19 vaccinations by Jan. 31. The mandate also forces everyone at Head Start age two and up to wear a mask.

"Kansas families are already facing challenges finding child care," Schmidt said. "The Biden Administration's adoption of this one-size-fits-all mandate will worsen child care shortages. This mandate is likely to result in the loss of staff, closure of facilities or at least reduced capacity for low-income children."

"It is another example of the administration taking shortcuts and failing to consider consequences as it rushes forward, and the courts should strike this mandate down as they have others,"

he added.

The filing asks the court to declare the mandate arbitrary, capricious and unlawful under the federal Administrative Procedures Act. The filing notes that the mandate will be particularly detrimental to low-income Kansans who rely on Head Start.

"As a result of the Head Start Mandate, staff and volunteers will likely leave the Head Start program," the petition states. "As a natural and foreseeable result, certain providers will close and children from low-income families in affected areas will be denied access to the preschool education that Congress guaranteed them and children who are denied access to preschool education will miss out on crucial years of development."

"Those programs that do not close entirely still may have to decrease enrollment capacity to meet teacher-student ratios," the petition continued. "Parents will have to leave their jobs or hire others to take care of them. And states and local school boards will have to immediately address the impairment to early-childhood education program alignment with entry into kindergarten programs."

This case is the fourth filed by Schmidt challenging the federal government's recent attempts to mandate vaccination.



Volunteers at the Community Christmas Dinner on Saturday at Holton's Evangel United Methodist Church performed a wide variety of tasks to keep the dinner running smoothly. In the photo above, volunteers Donna McNicholas (at right) and Teresa Scheidegger could be found in the EUM church kitchen, making sure that food for the dinner was cooked just right. And in the photo above at right, volunteer Mike Meerpohl made sure that bags were properly packed with holiday dinners. Photos by Brian Sanders



## Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold

The Joe and Keri Brucken family hosted a Christmas gathering for Keri's family on Sunday, Dec. 19, at their home. Guests were Keri's mom, Rosemary Barnaba, and her sister, Katie Hubbard, and her son, Zayden. They enjoyed chili, cinnamon rolls and a lot of snacks and exchanged gifts while they had a nice visit.

Kenny Wykert and his brother, Bob, were picked up by Kay and Charlie Hamilton on Friday, Dec. 24, and spent Christmas Eve at their home in El Dorado. On Christmas Day, they were guests of Rick and Meggin DeMoss of Rose Hill, and Meggin brought them back home on Sunday, Dec. 26.

Bob and I hosted a fam-

ily Christmas gathering at our home at noon on Friday, Dec. 24. Our guests were Maxine Lewis, Merlin and Judy Arnold, Kim Marten and Brady, Shelley and Kevin Crowson and Colin and Aubrey, Lori Burdick and Bailey Burdick. We had a variety of soups, sandwiches and lots of other goodies to eat. In the afternoon, we enjoyed a fun gift exchange.

Sandra Hewitt spent Christmas Eve with Mike and Melinda Hewitt and family at their home.

Lori and Bailey Burdick and a friend were guests at our home on Christmas Day for supper and a gift exchange. We had a lot of fun opening gifts and visiting.

Kyle and Janet Fernkopf and

Kent Fernkopf were guests of Allen and Mary Jo Fernkopf for dinner on Christmas Day.

The Joe and Keri Brucken family celebrated Christmas with a visit by Keri's dad, Gary Jackman, on Christmas Day. They visited and the kids showed him their Christmas gifts from that morning and they exchanged gifts. They spent Christmas evening playing new card games the kids got for Christmas.

Barbara Hutchinson was a guest in the Tim and Sandee Morris home in the afternoon on

Christmas Day to have dessert and visit with the daughters and their families.

Doug Hutchison was a guest at the Dennis and Barbara Hutchison home on Sunday, Dec. 26.

I want to wish everyone a happy and blessed New Year.



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# Jackson County District Court

## Traffic

Christopher M. Finkelstein, East Stroudsburg, Penn., license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$228.

John M. Forrester, address sealed by court, no seat belt, \$30.

Marcus E. Henninger, Seneca, no seat belt, \$152.

Charles M. Marker, address sealed by court, speeding, \$183.

Beth A. Mikita, Topeka, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$350.

Robert J. Nickelson II, Holton, no proof of insurance, diversion.

Jeffrey M. Patton, Topeka, no proof of insurance, \$408.

Jeffrey M. Patton, Topeka, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$208.

Jonny O. Pichardo, address sealed by court, speeding, \$171.

Neal R. St. Cyr, Topeka, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$133.

## Criminal

Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Rebecca McGill, Netawaka, two counts of theft; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Nicole L. Balmain, Topeka, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$200 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Scott L. Donald, Underwood, Iowa, theft of property lost, mislaid or delivered by mistake; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. James T. Dyer, Onaga, giving a worthless check; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Kenneth A. Fischer, Manhattan, disorderly conduct; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Donna A. Graves, Mayetta, interference with judicial process; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Angela Hertlein, Junction City, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, transporting an open container; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Caleb Horton, Topeka, underage gambling; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Julie M. Keithley, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Marco A. Quintero Jr., Topeka, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; diversion.

State of Kansas vs. Michael A. Tibbits, Topeka, possession of marijuana; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

Filed  
State of Kansas vs. Jesse L. Davis II, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine, possession of

marijuana, circumvention of ignition interlock, transportation of liquor in an open container.

State of Kansas vs. Connor M. Brown, Inman, underage gambling.

State of Kansas vs. Harley A. Taylor, Holton, two counts of violation of a protective order.

State of Kansas vs. Patrick S. Freel, Topeka, distribution or possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance, possession of methamphetamine, no drug tax stamp, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, interference with law enforcement-obstruction of official duty.

State of Kansas vs. Kristina E. Hyatt, Holton, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Stephen Albright, Holton, interference with law enforcement-obstruction of official duty, criminal damage to property, theft, criminal trespass.

State of Kansas vs. Andrew A. Ware, Manhattan, possession of methamphetamine.

State of Kansas vs. Thomas R. McNeil Jr., Scranton, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked.

State of Kansas vs. Boady S. Partain, Topeka, four counts of

criminal damage to property, driving under the influence, reckless driving, duty of driver to report accident with an unattended vehicle or property, failure to stop and remain at scene of an injury accident.

State of Kansas vs. Colby C. Kastens, Topeka, non-residential burglary, criminal damage to property.

State of Kansas vs. Stephanie M. McGrath, Clay Center, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Michael A. Robinson Jr., Topeka, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Stephen V. Albright, Topeka, theft.

## Civil

Dispositions  
Newrez L.L.C., doing business as Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing vs. Edith D. Prescott and Arnold G. Strunk, sought replevin of manufactured home plus court costs; dismissed.

Filed  
Kathy Smith and Jason Smith vs. Terry R. Lierz and Lisa E. Lierz, seeking declaratory judgment, injunctive relief and judgments of indemnity, trespass and intentional nuisance plus damages and court costs.

# Sheriff's office reports recent arrests

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

■ On Dec. 14, Kristina Hyatt, 33, Holton, was arrested on charges of possession of an opiate and possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ On Dec. 14, Lloyd Ratzloff, 49, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 15, Braden Rickel, 19, Burlingame, was arrested on charges of possession of an opiate, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ On Dec. 16, Jim Baker, 55, Augusta, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence, transporting an open container and operating a vehicle without a valid license.

■ On Dec. 16, a 16-year-old from Holton was arrested on a juvenile warrant on a charge of aggravated criminal threat.

■ On Dec. 17, Patricia Jimenez-Lewis, 32, Topeka, was arrested on charges of domestic battery and possession of stolen property.

■ On Dec. 18, Martin Volle, 29, Axtell, was arrested on charges of

possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, unsafe turning or stopping and defective tail lamp.

■ On Dec. 18, Troy Neely, 45, Perry, was arrested on charges of possession of stolen property, possession of an opiate and possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ On Dec. 19, Saida Mahkuk, 26, Mayetta, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 20, Tommie Ballard, 58, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 20, Adriel Braxton, 29, Topeka, was arrested on three traffic warrants on charges of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 20, Landen Osborne, Topeka, 18, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 20, Cory Venveck, 33, Delia, was arrested on two criminal warrants on probation violation charges.

■ On Dec. 22, Jose Fernandez-Mejia, 21, Madelia, Minn., was arrested on charges of fleeing or

## Limited Civil Dispositions

The Berwick Cooperative Oil Co. vs. Frank Stoldt, sought judgment of \$502.30 plus interest and court costs; granted.

## Small Claims

Filed  
Jaime L. Cowan vs. James L. Joy, seeking judgment of \$2,081.72 plus interest and court costs.

## Domestic

Filed  
In the matter of the marriage of Darold R. Godfrey Jr. and Jody L. Godfrey, seeking divorce.

## Marriage Licenses

Nolan L. Peters, 32, Holton  
Chatley N. Lovvorn, 28, Holton

Justin K. Pollom, 37, Meriden  
Shayla R. Hannigan, 33, Meriden

Jason W. Crow, 48, Liberty, Mo.  
Shelby R. Brey, 47, Holton

David N. Garcia, 40, Corpus Christi, Texas  
Brittney L. Rief, 29, Hoyt

## Accidents investigated

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following accidents. Six accidents involved deer in the road.

■ At 4:16 p.m. on Nov. 26, Donald Stewart III, 16, Mayetta, was driving west on 150<sup>th</sup> Road near S Road when he lost control of his 2006 Saturn trying to avoid a deer in the road.

The Saturn struck an embankment on the south side of the road and overturned. The entire vehicle was damaged and towed from the scene. Stewart did not report any major injuries.

■ At 11:30 p.m. on Nov. 26, Isaac Livingston, 29, Rossville, was driving south on G Road near 110<sup>th</sup> Road when he lost control of his 2010 Chevrolet and it struck a bridge barrier on the west side of the road.

The Chevrolet sustained damage to its front bumper and front right corner panel that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

■ At 6:50 a.m. on Nov. 12, Teresa Schafer, 47, Holton, was driving south on U.S. Highway 75 near 174<sup>th</sup> Road when her 2020 Dodge struck a deer in the road.

The Dodge sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

■ At 1:55 p.m. on Nov. 4, Barry Wells, 60, Valley Falls, was driving north on U.S. 75 near 166<sup>th</sup> Road when his 2018 Dodge struck a deer in the road.

The Dodge sustained damage to its front left bumper and quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000.

than \$1,000.

■ At 7:22 p.m. on Oct. 20, Elijah Mullock, 27, Guilford, Mo., was driving north on U.S. 75 near Kansas Highway 214 when his 2012 Ford struck a deer in the road.

The Ford sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

■ At 12:32 a.m. on Nov. 5, Jennifer Schmidt, 38, Topeka, was driving south on U.S. 75 near 102<sup>nd</sup> Road when her 1996 Chevrolet struck a deer in the road.

The Chevrolet sustained damage to its front left bumper, hood, windshield, top and trunk that was estimated at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

■ At 3:10 a.m. on Oct. 27, Janel Niehues, 41, Goff, was driving north on U.S. 75 near 178<sup>th</sup> Road when her 2013 Toyota struck a deer in the road.

The Toyota sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

■ At 4:42 p.m. on Sept. 14, Zoe Noll, 20, Horton, was driving north on U.S. 75 near 278<sup>th</sup> Road when she attempted to pass a vehicle. According to the accident report, her vehicle did not have enough room to safely pass.

Noll attempted to turn her 2013 Chevrolet onto 278<sup>th</sup> Road instead, but the vehicle left the road to the north and struck a tree. The Chevrolet sustained damage to its front bumper and hood that was listed at more than \$1,000.

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# Crops and Soils: KSU soybean production schools are returning

By David G. Hallauer  
Meadowlark Extension  
District Agent, Crops and  
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The K-State soybean production schools are back, this year with a full slate of in-depth topics important to Kansas soybean producers. The northeast Kansas event will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 25 at the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex, 12200 214th Rd. south of Holton. Doors open for registration (no cost to attend) at 3:30 p.m. K-State Extension weed specialist Dr. Sarah Lancaster will kick off the program at 4 p.m. with a discussion on weed control options for soybean growers. A summary of management practices research will follow from cropping systems specialist Dr. Ignacio Ciampitti, then soil fertility considerations for soybean production with Extension nutrient management specialist Dr. Dorivar Ruiz-Diaz. We'll wrap up with an insect update from Dr. Jeff Whitworth and a catered meal for attendees.

Dinner is provided at no cost courtesy of the Kansas Soybean Commission. To assist with meal arrangements and meeting materials, participants are asked to pre-register by Friday, Jan. 14. Online registration is available at <http://bit.ly/KSUSoybean> or via the Holton office of the Meadows Extension District at (785) 364-4125 (e-mail [dhallaue@ksu.edu](mailto:dhallaue@ksu.edu)). In case of inclement weather, contact the Holton office or visit [www.meadowlark.k-state.edu](http://www.meadowlark.k-state.edu) for details.

**Watering...In Winter?**  
If you start digging in to the many resources available from the Kansas Mesonet, you'll find a couple useful pieces of information for lawn and landscape owners. The first is a map showing number of days since a tenth of an inch of recorded precipitation: <https://mesonet.k-state.edu/precip/consecutive/>. The recent storms "reset" the

tally, but prior to that weather event, many parts of the Meadows Extension District had gone 30-plus days without more than a tenth of an inch of rain. Soil moisture levels reflected it as well. So while we may have received a slight reprieve from moisture stresses on trees/shrubs in the landscape, they may soon again be in need of supplemental moisture — especially if temperatures remain above normal.

Winter watering is an often overlooked management practice for trees and shrubs — particularly newly planted ones. When weather this time of year provides us an opportunity, it might be a task we want to consider to enhance the long-term survival of our plantings. If you do elect to provide supplemental watering, consider these tips.

First, water can be applied without harm to plants any time temperatures are above freezing and soil is not frozen. Soak soils to a depth of six to eight inches to reach crowns and feeder roots.

Second, if we stay dry, consider watering every two to four weeks. Even better — use a screwdriver or metal rod to check for moisture depth. Damp soils penetrate much easier than dry soils.

Finally, focus on trees/shrubs five years old or less — and evergreens. Evergreen trees lose moisture year round and are typically at much greater risk for winter drought.

For winter watering information, contact a district office or e-mail [dhallaue@ksu.edu](mailto:dhallaue@ksu.edu)

**Brush Control Options**  
The 2022 edition of the KSU Chemical Weed Control guide is at the printers (access the online version at [www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/CHEMWEEDGUIDE.pdf](http://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/CHEMWEEDGUIDE.pdf) (print copies available after the first of the year). It includes herbicide recommendations for all our major field crops plus pasture and rangeland recommendations, including brush control options.

It's pretty easy to see where most of our interest lies when it comes to brush control — more than two and a half pages are devoted to foliar applications. During this time of the year, however, foliar isn't an option, and it

might be time to consider some of the options that get a little less page space: cut stump, soil applications and, this week, basal bark considerations.

Many woody species can be effectively controlled through mid-winter via application of herbicide to the bark at the base of the tree. Most labels call for mixing with an oil-type carrier for better penetration across the bark to the living tissue just below the bark that needs to absorb herbicide for control to take place.

Mixtures should be liberally applied to the circumference of the tree from the ground all the way up to a height of 12 to 18 inches. This allows the tree to absorb product to kill it standing. It takes more product than cut stump treatments (next week...), but avoids time spent cutting and piling trees.

Avoid treatment when ground is saturated, snow covered or frozen, or efficacy may be reduced. Labeled products include PastureGard HL, Remedy Ultra and Milestone. Always read and follow label directions. Not all product application windows or oil/diluent mixes are identical.

**K-State Garden Hour**  
If you can't get enough of good gardening information, check out the K-State Garden Hour webinar series. The first Wednesday of the month is the date. Noon to 1 p.m. is the time. The place? It's up to you. This webinar series can be accessed anywhere you can get a connection to the Internet and is recorded for posting after each event.

The 2022 series kicks off Jan. 5 discussing vegetable varieties. Eleven more monthly sessions will follow on topics ranging from indoor seed starting to landscaping. Check out registration at [https://ksu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_2MHtKfEQS6q18Q\\_vr9OYA](https://ksu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2MHtKfEQS6q18Q_vr9OYA) or contact any of our district offices for details.

## Family and Consumer Sciences

# Better conflict resolution

By Cindy Williams  
Meadowlark Extension  
District Agent, Family and  
Consumer Sciences

As I write this, I realize just how much I need to talk about the uncomfortable word... **conflict.** Whether it be with my family or working relationships, I must say, I either avoid it or do the complete opposite: be over-reacting. Tell me I am not alone!



It is not uncommon that conflict can create considerable anxiety and dread for everyone, but it is not something that most of us want to actually deal with until maybe it's too late. The ability to manage conflict well is not something you were born with or without. Instead, it is a set of skills that can be learned or muscles that can be developed.

Here are some things you can practice to build your sense of confidence, well-being and acceptance of challenging situations.

1. Always pause. When a conflict arises, avoid lashing out. Take a moment to breathe slowly and become calm. Attempting to engage with someone when you are reactive can make things worse.
2. Allow yourself to feel what you're feeling. Emotions are indicators that something is going on. They help us recognize what may be happening in us and in others. Ask yourself these questions:
  - a. What is the emotion/feel-

ing that's coming up for me?  
b. What was it that someone did, or the situation that I am in, that may have brought up this emotion/feeling?  
c. Why is this important to me?

3. Acknowledge that you have space to choose. Recognize that the person that you have the most ownership over is you. Take as much responsibility as we truthfully can for our actions, whether we believe them to be small or insignificant, allows us to recognize that we play a part in the how a conflict is resolved or exacerbated.
4. Challenge your assumptions. Attempt to understand before attempting to be understood. Be open-minded to the views of others involved in the conflict. Remember, there's always one more fact in every person's story that we know nothing that could explain why they may be doing what they are. Challenge yourself to ask open-ended questions so that you can truly understand their perspective.
5. Move forward. Stick to the point of the conflict and brainstorm ways to resolve it. Agree to try a resolution without resentment. And when you move forward with a suggestion, give it your full effort.

I know this is a lot to take in and handling conflict differently starts with you and I. What is one thing you could start, stop and continue when it comes to better handling difficult situations, people and yourself?

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*Helping Children Cope With Holiday Stress*  
For many children, the holidays are happy, fun and exciting times. There is a break

from school and chance to see friends and relatives.

However, the American Psychiatric Association (APA) notes that for some children, the holidays can also be stressful and confusing.

Family plans and celebrations may be complicated by divorce, separation or remarriage. The holidays can also be a difficult time for children who have lost a parent, sibling or close relative. This year, many children are also separated from parents due to ongoing military service.

The holidays often remind children of what's changed and what's now different. For example, a child from a divorced family may feel sad on some level because he/she misses the "intact" family he/she used to have. A child whose parent is on active military duty may feel it's particularly unfair that his/her daddy or mommy needs to be away over the holidays.

The following are some tips for parents to help children cope with holiday stress.

- Discuss holiday plans well in advance, and include your children in the planning process. Kids need some degree of control and predictability. Prolonged uncertainty, constantly changing or last-minute decisions can all increase stress.
- Make sure kids get plenty of rest. While it may be exciting to stay up late, lack of sleep often leads to increased irritability.
- Limit the amount of time kids spend along watching TV or playing video games. Encourage physical activity and interaction with peers.

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## Storm clean-up resources available

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Kansas Department of Agriculture have personnel available to answer questions about the disposal of animal carcasses and other agricultural needs following the widespread storms and wildfires that impacted Kansas on Wednesday, Dec. 15, it has been reported.

KDHE personnel can also assist with questions concerning building debris and recovery from that day's storms, it was noted. KDHE district office personnel or county emergency managers can provide appropriate forms and assist with their completion, and KDHE will issue approvals as quickly as possible upon receipt of completed

forms.

If a federal disaster is declared, government agencies and persons who seek FEMA reimbursement for costs incurred for disaster response may need to demonstrate prior authorization was obtained for disposal or open burning, it was reported. The use of these forms will provide that demonstration.

To request forms or assistance completing forms, you may contact the county KDHE district office, county Emergency Manager or the KDHE Bureau of Waste Management at (785) 296-1600.

Links to some common forms used to dispose of disaster debris can be found on the KDHE website.


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**Holton Community Theatre recently presented "The Holiday Channel Christmas Movie Wonderthon," a parody of the Hallmark Channel's Christmas movies. Cast members shown from left to right in the photo above include Mallory Jacobs, Shannacy Schimmel, Carrie Holliday, Casey Patterson and Kisha Patterson. Shown in the photo at left are cast members Justin Fluke (at left) and Karen Williams. Photos by David Powls**

**Brown County Sheriff's Office reports several recent arrests**

The Brown County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests in recent days, as reported by Brown County Sheriff John D. Merchant.

- At about 10 p.m. on Dec. 20, a Brown County deputy received a call to assist a motorist in the vicinity of 140th Road near Bittersweet Road. The driver, John Fereira, 42, of Kansas City, was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- At about 6 p.m. on Dec. 20, a Brown County deputy filed charges on two juveniles following a traffic stop at the Hiawatha Walmart. One of the juveniles was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and minor in possession of electronic cigarettes.
- At about 5:30 a.m. on Dec. 19, a Brown County deputy investigated a report of a suspicious person and vehicle in the 1000 block of South First Street in Hiawatha. The investigation resulted in the arrest of the driver, Ryan Prentice, 42, of Hiawatha, on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked.
- Following a traffic stop on Dec. 17, Katherine Kessler, 35, of Independence, Mo., was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Following a traffic stop on Dec. 17, Joshua Gorman, 20, of Phoenix, Ariz., was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and operating a motor vehicle without a proper license.
- Following a traffic stop on Dec. 16, Chancellor Crawford, 21, of Atchison was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and no proof of insurance.
- At about 1:15 a.m. on Dec. 16, a Brown County deputy stopped a vehicle for speeding. The driver, Stephen Wisdom, 53, of Hiawatha, was found to have two outstanding Brown County failure to appear warrants, and Wisdom was arrested and taken to the Brown County Jail.

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- Don't promise things you can't produce. For example, don't promise a parent will be home in time for the holidays if the decision is really out of your control.
- Don't try and compensate for an absent family member with lots of gifts. What most kids really want is your time and attention.
- Uphold and maintain family traditions even if a parent is absent. Kids count on certain traditions. They can have an important grounding effect by let-

ting kids know that even though some things have changed, other things have remained the same.

- As the adult, take care of yourself. Try to avoid getting overloaded with obligations. If you feel stressed, it increases the pressure and tension on your children.

Most kids, even those dealing with loss or family transitions, do enjoy the holidays. However, preparation, patience and honesty can help prevent conflict, reduce stress and enhance the holiday season for the whole family.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Dennis Dickinson, deceased

Case No. 2021 PR 45

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

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

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the Court by Cynthia Dickinson, surviving wife of Dennis Dickinson, deceased, and praying:

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

**Any and all interest in the following described tracts of real estate, to-wit:**

**Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 17, in Township 6, of Range 16, in Jackson County, Kansas, described as follows:** Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of Section 17, thence running West 26 rods, thence South 56 rods, thence East 26 rods to the Section line, thence North to the place of beginning, except the strip of right of way heretofore deed to Jackson County for public highway.

**The Northeast quarter, except eight and one-half acres described as follows:** Commencing at the Northeast corner of said section, running South fifty-six rods, thence West twenty-six rods, thence North twenty-seven rods, thence

east two rods, thence North twenty-nine rods, thence East to the place of beginning; all in Section Seventeen, Township Six South, Range Sixteen, East of the Sixth Principal Meridian; containing in all one hundred fifty-one and one-half acres, more or less, according to the United States Government survey thereof, Jackson County, Kansas;

The East one-half of the Southwest Quarter (E 1/2 SW 1/4) of Section Seventeen (17), Township Six (6), Range Sixteen (16), East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Jackson County, Kansas;

The Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Seventeen (17), Township Six (6), Range Sixteen (16), East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., in Jackson County, Kansas;

and all other personal property owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such real estate and personal property, if any, 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022, 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.

Cynthia Dickinson, Petitioner  
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Attorney for Petitioner

**Public Notice**

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Susan K. Mulroy, Deceased

Case No.: 2021-PR-28

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

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

You are notified that on December 10, 2021, a petition was filed in this Court by Thomas S. Mulroy, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Susan K. Mulroy, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court finds the allowances requested for Executor's expenses and attorney's fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed;

the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of Susan K. Mulroy, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before **January 10, 2022, at 8:30 a.m.** in the District Court, Holton, Jackson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

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Any questions or to claim the vehicle contact Deputy Heath DeLany at the Jackson County Sheriff's office, 210 US Hwy. 75, Holton, KS 66436, Phone 785-364-2251.



**Immanuel Lutheran Church**

*By Esther L. Ideker*  
 Christmas Eve candlelight service was held at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 24. Family members coming home and friends joined in worship for a full church and beautifully decorated chancel.  
 The opening hymn was "Joy To The World." Following the invocation, call to worship, confession, absolution and prayer of the church, Deacon Mike Carney read the Old Testament lesson from Isaiah 7:10-14, the Epistle lesson from 1 John 4:7-16 and the holy gospel from Matthew 1:18-25. The congregation professed the Nicene Creed.

The sermon hymn was "What Child Is This?" Following the sermon, the offerings were gathered and the prayers of the church were offered, to which the congregation responded with "Hear Our Prayer."

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" was sung. Following the benediction, the lighting of the candles took place while singing "Silent Night, Holy Night." Sacks of Christmas candy were distributed after the services.

Worship on Dec. 26, the Second Christmas Day, were held at 9 a.m. The opening hymn was "Angels We Have Heard On High." Following the confession, absolution, introit, Kyrie,

Gloria in Excelsis, salutation, and collect of the day, Deacon Carney read the Old Testament lesson from Ezekiel 13:1-3a, 11-15. Psalm 111 was read responsively.

The Epistle was from Colossians 3:12-17, and the holy gospel was from Luke 2:22-40.

The text of Deacon Carney's message was the Epistle lesson, Colossians 3:12-17. Jesus makes us a part of a community of other believers. He calls us to fellowship together, to worship together, to pray together, to serve together, to preach and teach together, and a big part of the reason for this is so that others in the body can teach us stuff. This is amazing stuff; stuff that can change your life, renew your mind and refill your heart.

Paul calls us to do two important things in this statement: teach and admonish. Here are three things that admonishment should be. Most importantly, it is to be loving. Secondly, admonish is to confront and to speak the truth in love. The first key is the prerequisite of peace. "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace."

One key to teaching and admonishing is the privilege of praise. Sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in

your hearts to God. By singing in church, you are helping your brothers and sisters in Christ. Music and song have incredible power. When you sing with all of your heart you are making yourself a vehicle for God to use to touch other's persons lives. We can be together what we never could be apart.

The congregation professed the Nicene Creed. In the prayers of the church, petitions were for making us good stewards of teaching and admonishing in love; for medical personnel, first responders and our military, for families, for those who are travelling and for those who are ill and suffering loss. The congregation joined in the Lord's Prayer.

The offering was gathered followed by the singing of the offertory. Following the benediction, the service closed with the singing of "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

Serving Sunday were Tex Manuel II, elder and acolyte; Joyce Peterson, organist; and on the altar committee, Nancy Schumann and Deanna McAllister.

Cindi Ideker and daughters, Kelsey and Keira, from Olympia, Wash. have been visiting Esther Ideker over the Christmas holiday to the joy of mother and grandmother.

**Circleville Christian**

*By Jeannie Arnold*  
 Bill Dyer gave the welcome and opening prayer for the Dec. 26 service at Circleville Christian Church. Praise team members Dr. David Allen, Max Lierz, Tim Boswell, Shelley Will, Lori Mellenburch, Garrett Will and Travis Self led the congregation in singing "God On The Mountain" and "Graves Into Gardens" to open the service.

Dr. David Allen spoke about moving forward from Christmas and what that means. To him, it means that when Christmas is over, it leads to Easter. It leads us to think about what Jesus has done for us and how we are commanded to love God and love people. Then the praise team led the congregation in singing "Holy Water" and "Wonderful Merciful Savior."

Bill Dyer gave the communion meditation and prayer, bringing out how we celebrate Christmas and New Years, birthdays and many other occasions. We also celebrate the Lord's Supper and the hope of eternal life. Those serving communion were Allan Simmons, Larry Self Jr., Larry Holliday and Johnny Lynch. The praise team led the congregation in singing "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

Bill Dyer used text from Matthew 28:18-20 as he talked about how Jesus tells us to move forward in our lives by witnessing to others about Christ. Following that, the praise team led in singing "Only Jesus" and "There Was Jesus."

Lyle Alley closed the service by referring to Matthew 14:22-33, "Jesus Walks On Water," and the faith of Peter. Peter had faith by stepping out of the boat, but when he took his eyes off of Jesus, he began to sink. Jesus saved him and Jesus will save us, too, when we find peace in His presence. Take courage and don't be afraid.

As we approach 2022, don't take your eyes off of Jesus, but answer the call of service for Him. The service closed by singing "This Is Amazing Grace."

**Mayetta Christian Church**

*By Joyce Cochren*  
 On Dec. 26, Tom Stiers opened the worship service at Mayetta Christian Church with prayer and announcements. After the scripture reading from Matthew chapter 2, "His Banner Over Me Is Love" was the opening song. Lauri Harris and Bob and Alma Morse led singing.

For the children's story, Alma talked to the kids about the opening song. She explained that it is easy to feel God's love when things are going well, but not as easy when they are not going as we would like. She displayed a banner about His love and encouraged the kids to keep loving and let God work things out because we are always covered by His love.

Praises were given for good care being given family members recently resettled in assisted living, the abundance of so many necessities as well as extra enjoyable things, and for

family present to worship with us. After Pastor Coleman gave the invocation, "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "Truth Be Told" were songs of praise.

Philippians 2:1-11 was the scripture text for the morning message, "The Name Above Every Name." There may be names that stand out when we think about sports or politics, but it is by the Holy Spirit that we recognize the name of Jesus as the name above every name. God Himself came into the world as a baby when Jesus was born.

The Holy Spirit confronts us with our sin as we accept Jesus as our savior. Just as an arrow is aimed for the target, our aim becomes to be like Christ.

We rest in comfort as we experience the love and salvation God gives us through Jesus. His name is above every name and His name is the reason we gather and celebrate the gift of Christmas.

"Amazing Grace" was the hymn for communion. Stonie Taylor gave the scripture reading and prayer. Daelyn Parker carried the offering forward.

The song of invitation was "Scars In Heaven" by Casting Crowns. After prayer, services closed by singing "Jesus Messiah."

Sunday mornings at Mayetta Christian Church include waffles for all at 8:15 a.m., Sunday school at 8:45 a.m., prayer circle at 9:30 a.m. and worship service at 10 a.m. The annual board meeting will be held on Jan. 9 after worship service.

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# Some free, reduced-price school meals announced for state

Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly on Friday, Dec. 17, announced that Kansas has been selected as one of eight states to participate in a demonstration project utilizing Medicaid eligibility data to certify eligible students for free and reduced-price school meals.

"This project will expand free, reduced-priced meals for some of our most vulnerable students," Gov. Kelly said. "Our kids need reliable access to healthy foods to learn and grow, and this is great news for our state, students and families."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service Mountain Plains Region made the announcement earlier this week.

The Kansas State Department of Education is working in collaboration with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) on the project, said Cheryl Johnson, director of KSDE's Child Nutrition and Wellness (CNW) team.

KDHE Acting Secretary Janet Stanek said Kansas is "excited to be a part of this pilot project."

"This project will directly impact students on Medicaid and remove barriers to receiving healthy and nutritious meals while at school," Stanek said. "According to the CDC, research shows that students who participate in the school meal programs consume more whole grains, milk, fruits and vegeta-

bles during mealtimes and have better overall diet quality which ultimately has a positive effect on learning."

The newest round of this demonstration project creates an important opportunity to further test the impact of Medicaid Direct Certification, which was first initiated through the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.

Seven other states were also selected to participate in this round of the project: Alabama, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, North Carolina and South Carolina.

The direct certification process makes it easier for children from low-income households to receive free and reduced-price school meals, according to the USDA. Historically, most students who receive free or reduced-price school meals have been certified based on information they submit in an application.

Families can also be deemed eligible because they participate in one of a few benefit programs, like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Adding Medicaid to the list of benefit programs that can

directly certify a student to receive free or reduced-price meals is a win-win for students, families and school officials, according to the USDA. This means less paperwork for families and fewer school meal applications for school districts to process and verify.

Since 2012-2013, USDA has authorized demonstration projects allowing states to test direct certification with Medicaid. With the addition of eight states this week, 27 states are now participating in these projects, representing approximately 75 percent of students nationwide,

the USDA said.

An evaluation by USDA found that these projects allowed more than one million students to be certified for free meals and nearly 260,000 students for reduced-price meals in school year 2017-2018.

"This is a win-win for Kansas students, families and school districts," said Cheryl Johnson, director Child Nutrition and Wellness for the Kansas State Department of Education. "This means school districts have fewer school meal applications to process and verify, and families have less paperwork to

complete. It also helps ensure access to nutritious meals for all students, which fuels them for overall success."

"Direct certification works to ensure children in need aren't mistakenly left behind, and can decrease errors in school meal program administration," said Cheryl Kennedy, USDA, Food and Nutrition Service, Mountain Plains Region administrator. "By eliminating applications, direct certification reduces the burden on families and schools and connects more children to the nutrition they need to succeed in school."



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