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HOLTON GARAGE SALE MAP INSIDE

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# Farm & Home closes its doors

■ Holton business shuts after 46 years

Holton Farm and Home, located at the corner of U.S. Highway 75 and Sixth Street in Holton, closed Saturday, it was reported.

No other details about the closing were officially announced by press time this morning.

The store opened on March 1, 1973, with Frank and Anne Lossman as managers. After the Lossmans, Darlene Meier served as store manager until Wally and Julie Hawthorne purchased the store in 1978.

Holton Farm and Home was known as “your friendly hardware store” and sales staff there worked hard to be able to answer all customer questions and fulfill all customer product needs.

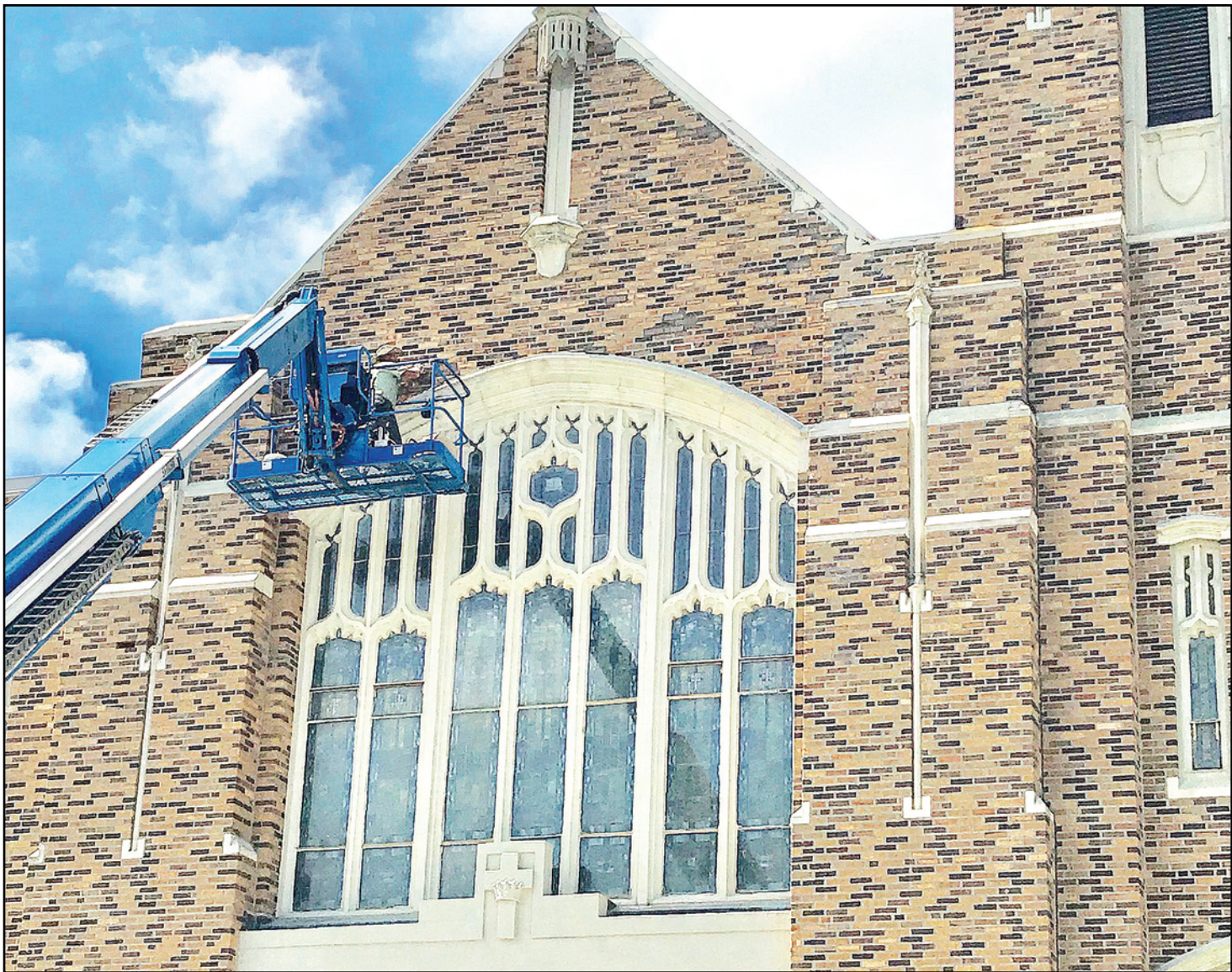
The store specialized in sell-

ing agricultural and finish mowers, cattle equipment including cattle feed bunks, barbed wire fencing, steel fenceposts and various power equipment.

The store also provided work clothing lines, work boots, an extensive line of paint and painting supplies, along with a full line of general plumbing, electrical and miscellaneous hardware items — everything for the farm and home.

The store’s owners — the Hawthornes — have been some of the biggest supporters of community activities and youth sports and youth projects for many years.

Additional information about the store’s closing will be reported as it is made available.



Gary Salts of Salts Masonry has been busy in recent weeks replacing damaged bricks on the exterior of the Evangel United Methodist Church building. Replacing some of the bricks has required the use of a boom, it was noted.

Photo by David Powls

# City commission tables action on Prairie Lake issue

*By Brian Sanders*

Action on a proposal to allow retired City of Holton employees to camp out at Prairie Lake at no charge will have to wait until later this month, it was noted.

The Holton City Commission met on Tuesday evening — a day later than normal due to the Labor Day holiday — to hear the proposal to allow retired city employees to enjoy the privilege of free camping at Prairie Lake that current full-time city employees, current Holton volunteer firemen and city commissioners past and present already enjoy.

Commissioners tabled the proposal, however, noting the absence of commissioner Mike Meerpohl from the meeting — Holton Mayor Robert Dieckmann and commissioners Dan Brenner, Tim Morris and Marilyn Watkins were present — and discrepancies among commissioners about limits to be placed on how many days retired city employees should be allowed to camp at Prairie Lake for free.

Holton City Manager Kevin McKee said the proposal stemmed from a comment received from a retired city employee and aired at the commission’s Aug. 19 meeting about not being able to camp at the lake grounds at no charge. McKee suggested giving retired city workers the same “unlimited free camping” that current city employees are allowed.

Brenner, however, suggested that retired city employees “would be willing to accept so many days per year of free camping based on the amount of years they spent with the city” — for example, if a retired city worker had racked up 20 years of service to the city, they would get 20 days of free camping at the lake.

“We need to reward these folks,” Brenner said. “I know other cities don’t have something like this in place, but I feel that we should be a leader and do something different.”

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Citywide Garage Sales this weekend

Holton’s annual citywide garage sale event will be this Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6 and 7.

More than 30 garage sales are advertised in this edition of *The Recorder* and a map of all local garage sales advertised is available on page 10 (back page) of this section.

# Suicide prevention efforts encouraged

*By Brian Sanders*

The subject of suicide can be a tough subject to approach — particularly when people start to recognize the “warning signs” in someone they know.

But with September being recognized as Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month, mental health professionals in the Jackson County area are encouraging everyone to support suicide prevention efforts at all levels of the community, regardless of the factors that may cause someone to consider suicide.

“It is hard because there’s so much to it — there’s a lot going on with regard to suicide,” said Kailey Patton, clinical director with KANZA Mental Health. “There’s not just one thing about why it’s so hard to talk about. But I think we’re becoming a little more comfortable talking about it as a society, which is helpful, because people who are having these thoughts can get help and support.”

Resources are available in the Jackson County community for people who may be consid-

ering death by suicide, or for those who know someone who may be considering it. One such resource in the latter category is the Mental Health First Aid program, offered by Community HealthCare System, which owns and operates Holton Family Health Center.

Another resource available locally is the Senior Life Solutions program offered by Holton Community Hospital and led by Jackie Halls, who recently met with the Holton City Commission to have Holton Mayor Robert Dieckmann sign a proclamation recognizing September as Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month.

“Suicide is prevalent in our geriatric population... It continues to be a real problem,” Halls told commissioners during their Aug. 19 meeting, noting that the Senior Life Solutions program incorporates “intensive outpatient geriatric mental health therapy.”

Recognizing the “warning signs” in a person who may be suicidal may not be easy, says Angie Sauvage, licensed master

social worker with CHCS.

“They can vary from person to person,” Sauvage said. “It’s really important to look, because unfortunately, sometimes we see the signs after the fact. They’re not always obvious to us.”

Those signs, she said, can range from the obvious — someone talking about wanting to die or about being a burden to others, seeking “means or access to means” such as guns or drugs — to the subtle, such as someone giving away possessions that hold sentimental value.

Patton said the “warning signs” are “highly individualized” and can vary from person to person.

“It’s entirely different for every person, because everyone has their own issues,” Patton said. “It’s hard to just cherry-pick one or two things to focus on, because it depends on the presentation and the age. But it is important to talk about these warning signs, because there are more than just one or two things to look for.”

Fear may also prevent some-

one from talking about suicide with a potentially suicidal subject, Sauvage noted.

“There’s a fear of placing the thought, if it’s not already there, or people might fear how another person might respond,” she said. “They might fear that they don’t know what to do with the information they get when someone discloses thoughts of suicide.”

CHCS’ Mental Health First Aid program, Sauvage noted, teaches people to recognize the “warning signs” of potentially suicidal subjects and the symptoms of other mental health issues.

“Some things that we talk about, especially in the Mental Health First Aid class, are things that we take very seriously, such as someone talking about wanting to die or wanting to kill themselves,” she said. “We like to say that it’s similar to a traditional first-aid class, but it teaches people to recognize the signs and symptoms of certain mental health conditions.”

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This photo, taken last Friday morning by Norma Baum, shows the extent of the damage caused by the stormy weather the night before — this tree in the 300 block of Topeka Avenue was knocked down by the storm, and the downed tree fell across the street and caused damage to a pickup bed. Clean-up crews were dispatched to a handful of similar scenes that morning, it was reported.

Photo courtesy of Norma Baum

# Strader retires after 35 years of teaching

*By Ali Holcomb*

After a 35-year teaching career, Diann Strader (pictured) has retired from Holton Elementary School.

“Every year was an adventure,” Strader said. “There were always new challenges, and you never knew what to expect. Every day was different. I never got bored, and it was a wonderful job.”

Strader grew up Diann Hamilton in Partridge, a rural town southwest of Hutchinson, and graduated from Haven High School. She also graduated from Emporia State University with a degree in education.

“I was always interested in teaching,” Strader said. “My grandmother was a teacher in a one-room schoolhouse, and my



dad taught for 38 years in the Nickerson school district.”

Prior to college graduation, Strader already had several connections to Holton, including her uncle Ray Wright and her roommates, Jo Hufford and the late Debbie Danner Morris.

“I also met my future husband, Scott, a Holton native, at Emporia,” she said. “I applied to several places but took a job at Holton in 1984, and I’ve been here ever since.”

She started as a third-grade teacher at Holton Colorado Elementary School in a mobile unit.

“We had to walk through the weather to get to lunch, P.E. or music,” she said. “During that first Christmas break, the heater went off and the fish we had in the classroom froze and died.”

She taught third grade for six years and then moved to Central Elementary School where she taught fourth grade for more than 20 years.

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THURSDAY'S FORECAST

Sunny and Hot, High 91

Look for the complete forecast on Page 2.



# DISTRICT COURT NEWS

## Traffic

Rachael D. Butts, Hoyt, registration violation, child restraint violation, \$168.

John R. Davis, Topeka, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$270.50.

Miguel A. Delgado-Martinez, address sealed by court, speeding, \$183.

Bryce A. Denton, address sealed by court, registration violation, \$158.

Karla M. Gallegos, Holton, child restraint violation, \$168.

Delores J. Hooper, address sealed by court, speeding, \$189.

Isiah D. Howlett, address sealed by court, speeding, \$201.

Donnie R. McHendry Jr., Perkins, Okla., driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$208.

Jesus J. Muniz, Topeka, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$409.

Mitesh B. Patel, Wichita, speeding, \$240.

Matthew C. Strahm, Lawrence, speeding, license plate display violation, diversion.

Dedra D. Thurmond, Hiawatha, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$158.

Linda K. Woods, Topeka, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.

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## Criminal Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Shawndra L. Hailey, Topeka, possession of heroin; sentenced to 11 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Jacob D. Kull, Kansas City, aggravated escape from custody, battery, theft; sentenced to 36 months imprisonment and six months in jail and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Anna M. Henneberg, Wheaton, theft; sentenced to one year in jail and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Gretchen M. Fortune, Lawrence, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 13 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Ryan P. Calderwood, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 17 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Austin L. Terry, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine, flee and elude while reckless driving; sentenced to 19 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Kari Hopkins, Mayetta, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Gino V. Vicchiullo, Mayetta, theft; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Travis L. Amon, Holton, battery; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

**Filed**

State of Kansas vs. Shawn M. Duble, Holton, solicitation to commit criminal possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

State of Kansas vs. Gary J. Conner, Winchester, theft of property lost, mislaid or delivered by mistake.

State of Kansas vs. Jamie Olson, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

State of Kansas vs. Dedra D. Thurmond, Holton, theft.

## Civil

**Dispositions**

Bayview Loan Servicing L.L.C. vs. Ryan L. White, Annette M. White, John Doe, Jane Doe, JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., Asset Acceptance L.L.C. Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles, Kansas Highway Patrol and related estates, sought judgment of \$80,349.28 plus interest, court costs, foreclosure of mortgage and quiet title to property; dismissed.

Bruce L. Lutz and Betty Lutz vs. Tina Gail (Tesch) Cox Lutz and Benjamin Lutz, sought judgment of \$42,750 plus court costs; dismissed.

Lakeview Loan Servicing L.L.C. vs. Aaron C. Eisenbarth, Janelle R. Eisenbarth, also known as Janelle Renee Teter, and State of Kansas, Department of Labor, sought judgment of \$97,065.05 plus interest, court costs and foreclosure of mortgage; dismissed.

Nationstar Mortgage L.L.C. doing business as Mr. Cooper vs. Jason J. Bernasek, Jennifer L. Bernasek, Denison State Bank and John Doe/Jane Doe (occupant), sought judgment of \$54,835.35 plus interest, court costs and foreclosure of mortgage; dismissed.

**Filed**

Discover Bank vs. Linda Yazzie, seeking judgment of \$3,261.06 plus interest and court costs.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust vs. Anthony Scheid (deceased), John Doe, Jane Doe, unknown heirs of Anthony Scheid (deceased), Jennifer Scheid, Ben Scheid, Kathy A. Dutt, formerly known as Kathy A. Scheid, also known as Kathleen Scheid and related estates, seeking judgment of \$76,488.73 plus interest, court costs, foreclosure of mortgage and quiet title to property.

U.S. Bank N.A. vs. Dillon Frederick, Breanna Frederick and unknown spouse of Dillon Frederick, if any, seeking judgment of \$60,132.27 plus interest, court costs and foreclosure of mortgage.

Discover Bank vs. Robert Eigenman, seeking judgment of \$20,779.97 plus interest and court costs.

Francis Haverkamp vs. Barrow Tooling Systems Inc., seeking economic damages plus interest and court costs.

# Sheriff's officers note several recent arrests

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

■ On Aug. 22, Damian Boyd, 34, Topeka, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.

■ On Aug. 23, Samuel Seeley, 26, Mayetta, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a probation violation charge and on a charge of interference with law enforcement.

■ On Aug. 23, Ariel McKinney, 30, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Aug. 23, Michael Kohl, 33, Delia, was arrested on charges of domestic battery and disorderly conduct.

■ On Aug. 23, Jason Hokanson, 32, Topeka, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Aug. 23, John Davis, 46, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Aug. 24, Garrett Simon, 28, Horton, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence and transporting an open container.

■ On Aug. 24, Leianne Jones, 33, Onaga, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of theft.

■ On Aug. 25, Daniel Brown, 21, Carbondale, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Aug. 26, Kevin Schiff, 56, Mayetta, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence.

■ On Aug. 26, Matthew Hiedman, 31, Holton, was arrested on charges of domestic battery and disorderly conduct.

■ On Aug. 26, Steven Foster, 51, Meriden, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Aug. 26, Shawn Duble, 26, Holton, was arrested on a charge of criminal possession of a weapon.

# Holton police investigate recent traffic accidents

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

■ At about 9:10 p.m. on Aug. 23, Martin Solis-Castro, 22, of Holton, was driving a 2009 Toyota Corolla east on Ninth Street when he drove through the intersection of Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenue and struck a house just east of the intersection, damaging the house's porch and foundation, with more than \$1,000 in damages estimated in the accident.

Solis-Castro was charged with driving under the influence and driving without a license. The house's owner was listed as Santiago Reveles-Aguayo of Holton.

■ Lyla D. Jessepe, 40, of Mayetta, was backing a 2005 Dodge Caravan from a parking stall in the 400 block of New York Avenue at about 10:25 a.m. on Aug. 15 when the Caravan struck a legally parked and unoccupied 2014 Dodge Durango owned by Michelle J. Meddock of Holton. More than \$1,000 in damages resulted, it was reported. Police

said Jessepe was backing in an illegal manner at the time of the accident.

■ A 2008 Ford Ranger pickup belonging to Craig Figge of Holton was legally parked and unoccupied in the 200 block of West Eighth Street on July 31 when shortly after midnight, an unidentified motorist driving west on Eighth hit the rear driver side of Figge's pickup with his or her vehicle, then left the scene without reporting the accident. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.

# Accidents checked in county

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

■ At 4:53 p.m. on Aug. 15, Ashton Wood, 14, Meriden, was traveling west on 214th Road near Q Road when his vehicle left the right side of the road and struck a mailbox.

The 2004 Jeep that Wood was driving sustained damage to its front right bumper, hood, windshield and front right quarter panel that was listed at more

than \$1,000.

The mailbox was owned by Raylene Wallace of rural Holton.

■ At 5:21 a.m. on Aug. 23, James Betts, 51, Muscotah, was driving west on Kansas Highway 9 near S Road when his vehicle struck a deer in the road.

Betts' 2010 Chrysler sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and front right and left quarter panels that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

# Thefts investigated in Holton

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

• Wendi M. Collins of Holton reported that someone entered her home in the 400 block of West Second Street and stole a ring sometime between 12:30 p.m. and 12:45 p.m. on Aug. 26. The ring was valued at \$3,000.

• Personnel at the Casey's General Store on U.S. Highway 75 reported a gasoline drive-off sometime between 7:05 p.m. and 7:10 p.m. on Aug. 24 in which \$20 in fuel was stolen.

• A DeWalt 20-volt drill belonging to Shawn D. Harris of Holton was stolen from prop-

erty located in the 300 block of East Eighth Street sometime between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Aug. 15, it was reported. The drill was recovered on Aug. 19.

• James P. Huber of Holton reported that sometime between 3:25 p.m. and 3:40 p.m. on Aug. 17, seven bank cards belonging to him were stolen from him at an unspecified location in the city. The value of the bank cards was not listed in the police report.

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Lowe's	111.18	-1.02	Milo	\$3.09	
Target	106.71	-0.33	Soybeans	\$7.68	
Hershey	159.93	+1.45	Source: Jackson Farmers Co-Op, Holton. Prices listed at close of trading on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019. Grain buying hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cash bids subject to change without notice.		
Walmart	114.64	+0.38	FUEL PRICES		
Phillips 66	99.47	+0.84	Current Last Mo. Last Year		
US Bancorp	52.02	-0.67	Kansas Average	\$2.32	-\$0.139 -\$0.312
Pfizer	36.12	+0.57	National Average	\$2.56	-\$0.146 -\$0.261
Deere & Co.	150.82	-4.09	Holton Average	\$2.42	
United Parcel	117.33	-1.33	Source: GasBuddy.com. Current prices listed as of Monday, Sept. 2, 2019.		
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Friday		Sunny	High: 87 Low: 63
6			
Saturday		Mostly sunny	High: 86 Low: 64
7			
Sunday		Mostly cloudy, slight chance of rain	High: 80 Low: 64 Precip: 20%
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### ELEMENTS OF A "HEALTHY" PERSONALITY

There is a belief that some personality traits are "healthy" because they are conducive to leading a happier, healthier life, while others are "unhealthy." In a recent study, the five personality traits that researchers focused on were: extraversion, openness to experience, agreeableness, conscientiousness, and neuroticism (which is defined as a long-term tendency to be in a negative or anxious emotional state). According to an analysis of data from more than 3,000 study participants, it was found that those with healthy personality profiles had higher self-esteem, a sense of clarity and optimism, and an aversion to aggression and antisocial behaviors, as well as better ability to resist temptation, self-regulate behaviors, and stay focused on the task at hand.

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# MEMORIES

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## 5 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 1-7, 2014

Jackson County Appraiser's Office employee Jason Clay-camp has been announced as the county zoning administrator.

Sarah LeDoux and Sherry Burns are each celebrating 25 years of service to Denison State Bank, it has been announced.

The Jackson County Fair Board recently dedicated the new flagpole at the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex located southwest of Holton. The flagpole and adjoining area was an Eagle Scout project of Troop 64 member Evan Fox.

Contractors are remodeling the former Kathy's General Store south of Holton in preparation for a possible November reopening of the convenience store under the auspices of Prairie Band L.L.C., it has been reported.

Holton High School alumnus Jordan Brandt was recently named one of the top "Next Gen Innovators" by Forbes magazine. Brandt is the son of Les and Jan Brandt of Holton. He is a technology futurist for Autodesk, which is the world's biggest seller of design and engineering software, it was reported.

## 10 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 1-7, 2009

For nearly 15 years, Joe Conley of rural Delia has taken kids at small-town celebrations in Jackson County and the surrounding areas for a ride—a ride on his homemade train. Conley made the train from an old lawn tractor and several 50-gallon drums that have been cleaned out, cut, upholstered and decorated as train cars. The train is also a fund-raising tool for the Rossville United Methodist Church.

Tuesday, Sept. 1, was heavy lifting day in downtown Holton as a crew from Midwest Coating of Topeka took roofing materials and air conditioning units to the top of the old Western Auto building, soon to be occupied by Lifetime Eye Care.

Holton native Steve Bowser has been hired at Denison State Bank as a senior vice president and investments/analysis officer, it has been announced. He works at the main office in Holton.

About three weeks ago, Mike Henry made the decision to shut down Thunder Hill Speedway in Mayetta. On Friday, Aug. 28, Dean Konkright of Manhattan took ownership of the dirt track and will maintain it with the help of his sons, Mike And Dave Konkright.

## Letters written by area soldiers sought for Vets Day program

Letters written by area soldiers during their tours of duty are being sought by students at Royal Valley Middle School as part of a special Veterans Day program in November, it has been reported.

Ten seventh- and eighth-grade students at RVMS are enrolled in the National History Day elective class at the school, and they are starting to prepare for the school's annual Veterans Day Breakfast and Assembly.

The students are gathering information for a "Touching History" project, said Laura DelToro, RVMS teacher.

"These students are asking for help from citizens of Jackson County and the surrounding areas if they would be willing to share their letters that veteran soldiers wrote to family and friends during their tours of duty from World War I to the present," DelToro said. "Students are not asking for the originals just copies of the originals."

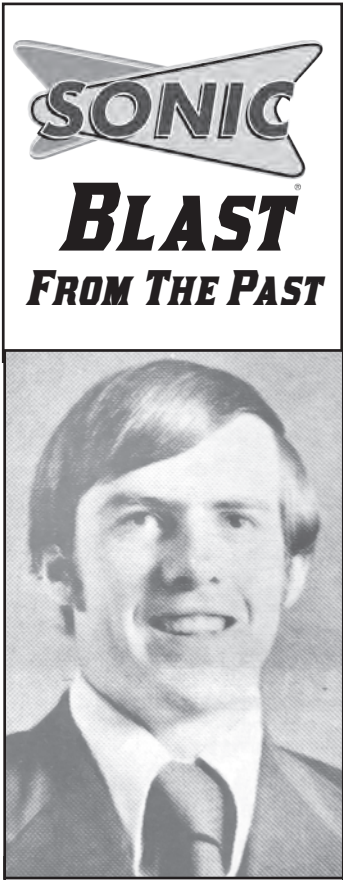
If possible, the students would also like a copy of a picture of the veteran, with the veteran's first and last name, to accompany the letter. The history students plan to put together a display for the annual Veterans Day Breakfast and Assembly, which will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 15.

All veterans in the Jackson County area and family members of the students who are veterans or currently serving the country are invited to attend this breakfast being held in their honor, DelToro said.

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**Last week's "Blast From The Past" featured Ray and Dolores Wright, who were correctly identified first by Marjorie Hundley.**

**Winners may pick up their Sonic coupon at The Holton Recorder office.**

## 15 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 1-7, 2004

On Friday, Aug. 27, the expansion to Harrah's Prairie Band Casino west of Mayetta officially opened with a flame lighting ceremony. Also new to the casino grounds is the first state-of-the-art RV park, which opened on Aug. 1.

In 1991, Merlin and Lois Wing started a custom manufacturing company that they named Wing Products. They are now selling the business, and all designs and production tooling have been sold to John McManigal of rural Holton.

Jackie Robinson of Holton, a freshman at Jackson Heights High School, is a true cowgirl who can really compete. The

14-year-old is a member of the Fly'n D Bar X Rodeo Association, which focuses on allowing children and teenagers an opportunity to participate in young rodeos around the state.

Robinson, despite some telling her that "she shouldn't or girls can't ride bulls," has been riding bulls since she was 10 years old. She has also been competing in rodeos since she was seven years old. In addition to bull riding, she also participates in barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, break-away and roping.

Though he's 75 years of age, former Holton resident Harry McKeever is still going strong with his passion for table tennis. McKeever is currently ranked fifth nationally in his age category at the sport, and has defeated some players more than 50 years younger than him, it was reported. He has also won gold, silver and bronze medals in the National Senior Games as a Senior Olympian.

## 25 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 1-7, 1994

Work is progressing rapidly on a new apartment complex for low-income, disabled adults at 500 New York Ave. in Holton. In other construction news, work is expected to begin this fall on a new downtown housing project for senior citizens.

Holton Plaza Apartments, to be located at the northeast corner of Fourth and Wisconsin streets, will offer 24 one-bedroom apartments to seniors. Marcia Zimmerman of Holton will be the site manager. Land at the site of the three-story facility is owned by Al LeDoux of Holton.

Patty Gillin has taken the reins as the new Royal Valley cross country coach, it has been announced.

Jamie Blackwell, age 15, a student at Jackson Heights High School, recently placed first in youth barrels and took fourth place in open barrels at the World Championship Show. Competitors from the United States, Canada and England took part in the event. Jamie is the daughter of Sue Kennedy of Larkinsburg.

An after-school program has been set up for the first time this year at Royal Valley. Now in its third week of operation, the program, called Prime Time, is reported to be running smoothly. It was set up this year to provide the district's parents with alternatives to more expensive, or perhaps no, after-school care for their children.

## 50 Years Ago

Week of Sept. 1-7, 1969

A general USD 335 faculty meeting was held on Thursday, Aug. 28, in the music room of the new Jackson Heights High School. Although not completely finished, the building is far enough advanced that school will start there this week, it was reported. The gymnasium floor is not yet down and other finishing remains to be done, but most classrooms and office space are ready to use.

Melvin Oxandale, Jackson County farmer, has been appointed a member of the Jackson County Farmers Home Administration Committee, it has been announced. Oxandale succeeds Charles Ideker of Whiting, who has served on the committee for the past three years.

Gary Akright has accepted a position as loan servicing officer for American Savings Association in Topeka, it has been reported. Akright is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Akright of Circleville.

Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Wright have announced the sale of Wright's Federated Store at the southeast corner of the Holton Square to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Padden of Holton.

Mr. Wright, who is retiring, has operated the Federated Store for more than 23 years. Under the new ownership, the business will continue to be known as the Federated Store. Charles Kemper will continue to serve as manager of the business.

Patricia Ann Atwater of Netawaka is among more than 200 Kansas State University graduates who have been placed in teaching positions for the first time this fall, it has been reported. Atwater has been hired as an elementary teacher at Shawnee.

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## International spam calls reported here

Several Jackson County residents reported receiving spam phone calls from an international phone number from France last week.

People who receive an unknown international phone call are advised not to answer the call or call back, according to the Federal Communications Commission.

Placing a long-distance call from your wireless phone in the United States to a wireless phone in another country may result in a surcharge on your bill in addition to your usual charges, according to the FCC.

For illegal robocallers, the goal isn't always getting you to answer. Sometimes, it's getting you to call back, the FCC warns.

Every so often, your phone may ring once and then stop. If that happens to you, and you do not recognize the number, do not return the call. You may be the target of a "one-ring" phone scam.

One-ring calls may appear to be from phone numbers somewhere in the United States, including three initial digits that resemble U.S. area codes. But savvy scammers often use international numbers from regions that also begin with three-digit codes – for example, "232" goes to Sierra Leone and "809" goes to the Dominican Republic, the FCC reports.

Scammers may also use "spoofing" techniques to further mask the number in your caller ID display.

If you call back, you risk being connected to a phone number outside the U.S. As a result, you may wind up being charged a fee for connecting, along with significant per-minute fees for as long as they can keep you on the phone. These charges may show up on your bill as premium services, international calling or toll-calling.

Variations of this scam rely on phony voicemail messages urging you to call a number with an unfamiliar area code to "schedule a delivery" or to notify you about a "sick" relative.

The FCC recommends the following:

\* Don't answer calls from un-

known numbers. If you answer such a call, hang up immediately.

\* You may not be able to tell right away if an incoming call is spoofed. Be aware: Caller ID showing a "local" number does not necessarily mean it is a local caller.

\* If you answer the phone and the caller - or a recording - asks you to hit a button to stop getting the calls, you should just hang up. Scammers often use this trick to identify potential targets.

\* Do not respond to any questions, especially those that can be answered with "Yes."

\* Never give out personal information such as account numbers, Social Security numbers, mother's maiden names, passwords or other identifying information in response to unexpected calls or if you are at all suspicious.

\* If you get an inquiry from someone who says they represent a company or a government agency, hang up and call the phone number on your account statement, in the phone book or on the company's or government agency's website to verify the authenticity of the request. You will usually get a written statement in the mail before you get a phone call from a legitimate source, particularly if the caller is asking for a payment.

\* Use caution if you are being pressured for information immediately.

\* If you have a voice mail account with your phone service, be sure to set a password for it. Some voicemail services are preset to allow access if you call in from your own phone number. A hacker could spoof your home phone number and gain access to your voice mail if you do not set a password.

\* Talk to your phone company about call blocking tools they may have and check into apps that you can download to your mobile device to block unwanted calls.

\* To block telemarketing calls, register your number on the Do Not Call List. Legitimate telemarketers consult the list to avoid calling both landline and wireless phone numbers on the list.

## North Jackson Jets meet

By Devin Bloom

The August meeting of the North Jackson Jets 4-H Club was called to order by Brooke Slipke. Phyllis Slipke let the club know that its hay bale received Grand Champion honors at the fair. The club also received Reserve Champion honors for its banner and purple for its float.

The club donated food for the August Thrive meal.

Club members discussed fairground improvements, including adding program boxes for the livestock arena and improvements to the signage for the back of the livestock barn (order of the show).

The August council meeting reported the possibility of another fan in the livestock building and an awning over the eating area at the concession stand.

Club leader Phyllis Slipke discussed State Fair deadlines. Club members also talked about record books and were urged to bring pictures of their fair experiences for the club's display case.

Members were also urged to think about upcoming officer positions they may be interested in for the next meeting in September.

The meeting was adjourned and April Slipke led recreation time.

## Come Support Topeka Rescue Mission!

5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019  
at the Holton First United Methodist Church!  
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\* Dinner serving barbecue pulled pork!  
\* After dinner, Barry Feaker, executive director of Topeka Rescue Mission, will be guest speaker!  
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# OPINION

## HOF nominees sought

More than 70 Jackson County individuals and organizations have been inducted into the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame, and nominations are now being sought for the 15th round of inductees, it has been reported.

Inspiring leadership, long-time business excellence, entrepreneurial spirit, community impact and influential volunteer work are among the qualities that Chamber officials are looking for again in this year's nominations.

Chamber officials said nominations are open to all Jackson County residents who are currently or who have in the past been active in Holton and Jackson County with the Chamber in some form. Nominations made in previous years should be updated each year, it was reported.

This year's nominations must be submitted by noon on Friday, Oct. 18 at the Chamber office, located at 118 E. Fifth St., Suite 1, on the north side of the Town Square in Holton. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Nomination forms may also be filled out online at [www.exploreholton.com/events/hall-of-fame-nomination-form](http://www.exploreholton.com/events/hall-of-fame-nomination-form)

Nomination forms are also available at The Holton Recorder office located at 109 W. Fourth St. on the south side of the Town Square from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The inductees for 2020 will be honored at the annual Hall of Fame banquet, to be held early next year. At that time, current and past business leaders, many of whom are also part of the Hall of Fame, also will be honored. New inductees also will be profiled with Holton Recorder feature stories.

Inductees for 2020 will join Hall of Fame members honored in previous years, including:

\* 2006: John Chiles, Homer Clark (deceased), Bud Geis (deceased) and Frank Gilliland.

\* 2007: Jim Birkbeck, Scott Foster, Harold Ireland (de-

ceased) and Vestina Nonken (deceased).

\* 2008: Ron Anderson, Tom Davies (Volunteer of the Year, deceased), Ross (deceased) and Betty Moser, and Marlin White (deceased).

\* 2009: Warren E. Bottenberg (deceased), Robert Brown, Carolyn Koger and the Jackson County Friends of Hospice (Volunteer of the Year).

\* 2010: Neva Heiselman, Roger and Cindy Hower, Pat McClintock (deceased) and Dan Mehninger (Volunteer of the Year, deceased).

\* 2011: Gary Bell, Dr. Joel Hutchins, Anna Wilhelm and Freda Galer (Volunteer of the Year).

\* 2012: George Gantz (deceased), Francis Jensen (deceased), Judy Olson, Janet Zwonitzer and Joannie Dannenberg and Betty Flemming (Volunteers of the Year).

\* 2013: J. Richard Lake, Wayne and Gladys Ogilvie (deceased), Cathleen Reed and Gloria Stavropoulos.

\* 2014: Dr. Carlos Chavez (deceased), Roy Hale and Rich and Lynne Mulroy.

\* 2015: Bill and Debra Brown, Mike Ford, Jim Potter (deceased) and Brad Stauffer.

\* 2016: Harold (deceased) and Jan Hodge, Joe and Dorothy Rogers (deceased), Paula Taylor and Dianna Wilson.

\* 2017: Drs. Ernest and Roy Moser (deceased), Lenamaye Williams (deceased), Mike McManigal, Emily Jane Stoll and Margaret Utz.

\* 2018: Harry and Dale Coffman (deceased), Ellen Durst, David (deceased) and Ellen Schirmer, Mary Schultz and Bruce and Jennifer Shaw.

\* 2019: Dr. David and Ange Allen, Dan Harris, Jerry and Susan Mencl and Blair Wagner.

Take time to nominate those people in the community you know that fit the bill to be honored this year by the community!

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



## Limit automatic weapon magazine capacity

By Glenn Mollette  
Terrorists proved on Sept.

11, 2001 that guns are not necessary to kill 2,753 people. Timothy McVeigh proved that a truck load of explosives can kill 168 people and injure 680 while destroying one third of a building and damaging many others in Oklahoma City. A man with a knife killed four people and wounded two others in Los Angeles recently.

A weapon of mass destruction can be a plane, an automobile, a knife, a gun or whatever an evil person chooses to utilize at a certain moment.

By and large the weapon of choice has been an automatic weapon capable of holding a high-capacity magazine. Whether it was Las Vegas, Columbine,



Charleston, El Paso, Dayton or sadly too many other locations to name, the weapon of choice has been an automatic rifle with high-capacity bullet magazines. A truck can kill people but normally you can hear and see a truck coming. A knife can kill people but not as many as a rifle with a magazine clip holding 70 or more bullets.

An evil person can walk into a church, theatre, Walmart or school and immediately have a couple of hundred people huddled together as a target. He doesn't have to aim. He just points the weapon and pulls the trigger. The gun acts like a sprayer of bullets hitting people so fast that running or dodging is almost impossible. The shooter looks for scenarios where people are trapped with limited escape door opportunities. Thus a shooter with a bullet clip of 50, 70 or more has a potential of killing many people in just a minute or less.

This is why Congress must

enact background checks, strict licensing for high powered rifles and limit the number of bullets a clip can hold at one time. However, here is the problem. What is the magic number?

My ordinary pistols hold six shells and my automatic ones hold more so what is the magic number of bullets that Americans will be limited to in one clip? Will it be 10 or 15 or 20? Honestly, there is no right number because a skilled marksman will still be able to kill. The hope is that maybe the ending of one clip or emptying of one pistol would give someone a chance to tackle the monster if anyone is still alive. Hopefully someone in the room will have a gun and be able to stop the shooter.

I'm for limiting magazine capacity but it won't eliminate terrorism and mass shootings. It's a Hail Mary and our Congress has to do something but we have to do more. All gatherings must take security measures. Hollywood and network televi-

sion has to change. Universal Studios/NBC television is the biggest hypocrite of all. They constantly bark gun control and are negative toward the National Rifle Association while coming out with a movie titled "The Hunt" which is supposedly about liberals hunting despicable and killing them. This movie reportedly has now been shelved.

This kind of junk is a huge part of the problem. Hollywood, the music industry and video games must dramatically change their tone. Barney Fife in the Andy Griffith show carried a gun but he never made any of us want to kill anyone or hate people.

Guns, knives, trucks and airplanes can all kill and there are many other weapons that will kill massive numbers of people. We can't eliminate them. Our greatest need is a culture change.

*Note: Glenn Mollette is the author of 12 books. His column is read in all 50 states.*

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,  
Any person involved in healthcare is doing very important work. Doctors are the most important because they are involved from pregnancy until death. Three doctors have been prominent in my life. The late Dr. Jim Seeley was a very direct doctor who once told me that I was "as healthy as a horse, but a little bit porky."

The late Dr. Carlos Chavez, who was my friend, really preserved me for years. I now abide in the "safe pasture" care of my friend Dr. Joel Hutchins. Healing from God and a good doctor is a good combination when you are less than whole.

Recently, a local doctor has

really got my attention. For a number of years, Dr. David Allen has doctored members of my family, currently watching over my parents and younger brother, Duane.

Not too many days ago, Duane suddenly got very ill. Dr. Allen promptly put him in the hospital, finding that his blood sugar registered 1,010! My brother nearly passed.

On one very eventful day at 6 a.m., Dr. Allen took quick action to save my brother's life. He was on the case like a duck on a junebug. An hour earlier, at 5 a.m., Dr. Allen had delivered a baby.

A little after lunch, the same day, I was with my 86-year-old dad in the Holton Family Health

Center for his therapy. Dr. Allen popped out of a side door to engage Dad in the running conversation they have about John Deere tractors and "red tractors."

Dad is all about anything John Deere, while Dr. Allen drives "red tractors" – oh well, nobody is perfect. Now, to continue, that same very eventful day, Dr. Allen was back out at the hospital in Onaga to check on my brother again at 4 p.m.

Besides caring for people at Holton Family Health Center, Dr. Allen farms, featuring beef cattle, is president of the Jackson Heights school board and is an elder and a song leader at Circleville Christian Church. He has coached fifth and sixth

grade football and basketball.

I run into Dr. Allen at cross country meets. Also, he is a good family man. I'm sure I'm not listing all that he does. It seems like Dr. Allen is everywhere and is always affable, positive and supportive.

The kicker is that he does what he does for the right reasons. He is obviously a Christian, and as such, simply loves and lives to serve. At only 48, in apparent good health and wonderful stamina, he may not yet be at his zenith. Dr. David Allen is an Exhibit A for why we have such a great community!

Steve Cappleman  
Holton



The premium on Kolby Rethman's grand champion beef entry at the recent Jackson County Fair, shown above, was purchased by The Farmers State Bank, Holton Meat Processing and Wetmore Vet Clinic. Photo courtesy of Deb Dillner

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

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,  
On Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, I received duplicate over-sized post cards from Rep. Steve Watkins, announcing that he had "co-sponsored" H.R. 2693 "increasing access to osteoporosis testing for Medicare Beneficiaries Act of 2019."

These were obviously mailed throughout his district at considerable expense.

At best, the bill seems to simply establish a "floor" value for payment to medical providers for bone density testing, which incidentally, Medicare has always approved.

The bill was introduced by Rep. John Larson, D-Conn., on May 14, 2019, and apparently has not yet passed.

Through Aug. 16, 2019, a total of 28 other House members have also "co-sponsored" this bill – 17 Democrats and 11 Re-

publicans (including U.S. Rep. Roger Marshall on the introduction date).

Congressman Watkins' name is not on that list of co-sponsors, so he must be a late-comer to the table and decided to flood his district with notification.

It is not a major piece of legislation and has apparently not yet passed. My issue? This was not an accomplishment by our U.S. representative.

Read the fine print on the top front of the card, and you will see "this mailing was prepared, published and mailed at taxpayer expense."

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Susan Hershey  
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# OBITUARIES



## Minde

Cassandra Jean “Stormy” Minde, 60, of Holton, passed away Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, at her home with family by her side. She fought a courageous battle with ovarian cancer.

She was born April 24, 1959 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the daughter of Robert Bruce and Ethel Garnet (Gardner) Carl.

Cassandra attended Baxter High School and graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1977. In 2017, she graduated from Highland Community College with an associate’s degree.

She lived in the Holton community since 1991 and had a daycare in her home from 1991-2017. Cassandra was a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Topeka.

She married Dale Minde on Aug. 4, 1979 in Baxter, Iowa; they celebrated more than 40 years of marriage.

Cassandra was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Ethel Carl; and a sister, Patricia Holtsclaw.

Survivors include her husband, Dale, of the home; four children, Zeb Minde of Bloomington, Ill., Daniel Minde of Liberal, Aaron Minde (Tara) of Holton and Cheyanne Huls (Jeremy) of Yorktown, Va.; the fifth children and the Nana children know who they are; two sisters, Pam Dennis of Des Moines, Iowa, and Barbara Huffaker of Laurel, Iowa; a brother, Bruce Carl (Margaret) of North Pole, Alaska; and four grandchildren, Kaleb, Harmoni, Loral and Adalie.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Topeka. Family will greet friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton.

The family requests no flowers. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Hope Lodge of Kansas City or Peace Comfort Dogs, 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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• Saturday, Sept. 7. Starting at 9:30 a.m. James Tull estate auction, held at 5791 Hunters Landing, Atchison. For more information, contact Hoffman Auction Service at (913) 370-0747.

• Thursday, Sept. 26. Starting at 6 p.m. Elizabeth Mansfield estate auction, held at 419 W. Second St., Holton. For more information, contact Harris Real Estate and Auction at 364-7137 or (785) 851-0068.

• Saturday, Sept. 28. Hoffman fall consignment auction, held two miles east of Effingham on U.S. Highway 159. For more information, contact Jeff Hoffman at (913) 370-0747 or (913) 833-4125.

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## Hill

Jerry Hill, 81, Holton, died Monday, Sept. 2, 2019, at his home.

He was born June 7, 1938, in St. Paul, Ark., the son of Hugh and Geneva Lockwood Hill. He graduated from Fullerton High School in California and attended college for a few years.

Mr. Hill served in the U.S. Army. He was a machine operator for 3M Manufacturing in Corona, Calif., and later farmed in Oklahoma. He had lived in the Holton area for 23 years.

He was a member of the Lakeview Faith Chapel.

He married Violet Earline Ellis on Feb. 19, 1972, in Fullerton, Calif. She survives.

Other survivors include three sons, Charles Hill and wife Shondi, Topeka, Cleveland Cartmill and wife Robin, Holton, and Lee Cartmill, Topeka; four daughters, Roxanna Lewis, Topeka, Gena Aldana and husband Carlos and Jera Hill, all of Las Vegas, Nev., and Genny Clarkson and husband Robert, Cleburne, Texas; a sister, Ruby Cochran, in Arizona; two brothers, Lonnie Hill, in Oklahoma, and James Hill, in California; 31 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Joellen West and Doris and Barbara Hill; his brothers, Bud, John and Bill Hill; and his grandchildren, Chad Ward, Charles Hill II and Floyd Shaffer.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 at Lakeview Faith Chapel south of Holton.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436 to help with funeral expenses. *Holton Recorder 9/4/19*

## Proctor

Jane F. Kennedy Proctor, 70, Topeka, died Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019, at Midland Hospice House in Topeka.

She was born April 7, 1949, in Holton, the daughter of Bernard and Doris McKinsey Kennedy. She graduated from Holton High School in 1967 and earned her bachelor’s degree from Mount St. Scholastica in Atchison.

Mrs. Proctor taught school briefly before working as an accountant in Oklahoma and Kansas, and for 30 years for the State of Kansas.

She was a member of Christ the King Catholic Church in Topeka, where she helped with funeral dinners and did Adoration.

She married Charles Proctor on Jan. 8, 1972, at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Holton. He survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Tara Proctor, Topeka, and Melissa Griffey and husband Matt, Overland Park; two sons; Chris Proctor and wife Maria, Leawood, and Andrew Proctor and wife Kirsten, Lawrence; two brothers, Charles Kennedy, Holton, and Paul Kennedy and wife Janet, Mayetta; two sisters, Margo Gambill and Mary Gonzales and husband John, all of Kansas City; and four grandchildren, Addison and Taylor Griffey and Emily and Ava Proctor. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Christ the King Catholic Church in Topeka. A rosary will be prayed at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday prior to the mass. Burial will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery west of Holton. Mrs. Proctor will lie in state Tuesday at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Holton.

Memorial contributions may be made to Midland Care Hospice House, sent in care of Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1034, Holton, KS 66436.

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## Guidelines for obituaries

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. Have the mortuary or funeral home contact us at (785) 364-3141 or e-mail [holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net](mailto:holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net) for more information.

## Thursday, Sept. 5

\*10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Holton Community Hospital blood drive, held at the HCH conference room, 1110 Columbine Dr., Holton. For more information, contact Rachel Dean at 364-9649, ext. 2010.

\*Wetmore school and fall pictures.

\*3:30 p.m. RVMS cross country at Shawnee North Community Center.

\*4:30 p.m. JHMS volleyball vs. ACCMS at Jackson Heights.

\*4:30 p.m. RVMS football at HMS.

\*4:30 p.m. WMS 8<sup>th</sup> grade football at Perry.

\*5 p.m. WHS cross country at Jeff West.

\*6 p.m. WMS volleyball with Centralia.

\*6:30 p.m. JHMS football vs. ACCMS at Jackson Heights.

## Friday, Sept. 6

\*Jackson Heights 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

\*No Little Panther preschool classes at Royal Valley.

\*Holton citywide garage sales.

\*7 p.m. WHS football with Clifton-Clyde.

\*9:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Wetmore back to school dance.

## Saturday, Sept. 7

\*The Jackson County Farm-

ers’ Market will be open from 8 a.m. to noon on the east side of the Courthouse in Holton.

\*Holton citywide garage sales.

\*11 a.m. 13<sup>th</sup> annual Kody Kautz memorial ride, beginning at Red Roof Inn parking lot in Holton. Registration is at \*9:30 a.m. The event is not limited to motorcycles, and there is no charge to ride.

\*Jackson Heights 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

\*53<sup>rd</sup> annual Old Albany Days celebration at the Albany Museum.

\*WMS SADD dance at Seneca.

## Sunday, Sept. 8

\*Attend the church of your choice.

\*53<sup>rd</sup> annual Old Albany Days celebration at the Albany Museum.

## Monday, Sept. 9

\*9 a.m. Jackson County Commission meeting at the Jackson County Courthouse in Holton.

\*RVMS After School begins.

\*4:30 p.m. JHMS volleyball triangular at Jackson Heights.

\*4:30 p.m. HMS volleyball vs. Royal Valley at Holton.

\*5:30 p.m. RVES PTO meeting.

\*6 p.m. Holton USD 336 Board

## Holton City Commission...

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Discussion of the proposal also touched on another complaint that some commissioners said that they had received — city employees and others taking their campers and RVs to the lake and leaving them there. According to general park rules at Prairie Lake, unoccupied camping units are not to be left at the grounds overnight, and campers cannot exceed 14 days on any one campsite at the grounds.

One possible exception to the 14-day policy, McKee noted, would involve “special events” such as the annual Prairie Lake Pickin’ Party, in which the lake grounds are “jam-packed” with

music fans’ campers and RVs, sometimes for two weeks.

In other business on Tuesday, commissioners heard a request from Brenner for the placement of signs prohibiting all-terrain vehicles, or UTVs, on the new concrete fitness path at Country-side Park after he recently saw a “side-by-side” vehicle on the path.

“We can’t have this,” Brenner said of the presence of UTVs on the fitness path. “A contractor told me that the new walking path will not hold up to heavy equipment like that.”

Brenner proposed a “hefty” fine for people caught driving UTVs on the fitness path or in

## Diann Strader...

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“It’s such a fabulous age,” she said. “They are funny and quirky. They’re huggy, and even when they are grumpy, they are still cute. They are my people.”

Strader then served as the Title 1 reading specialist for four years.

“Last year, a week before school started, I was moved to a new math intervention position,” she said. “I taught children in grades kindergarten through fifth.”

When the two elementary schools consolidated into Holton Elementary in 2016, Strader said it was a big change.

“Going from 300 kids (in one building) to 600 kids was a little overwhelming,” she said. “There were advantages to being in a smaller school, but there are also advantages to being all together in one school.”

Strader said she’s seen many changes in the classroom through the years.

“The government has tried to have more say in what goes on in the classroom, and it’s critically changed everything,” she said. “It’s not really what their expertise is. I think it’s sad that people who are making the decisions about learning in schools don’t have a background knowledge in education to make those choices.”

Strader is battling her third round of cancer, and she said now was a good time for her to retire.

“My treatment takes a lot of time away from working, and my medication just kills my immune system,” she said. “I’m still healthy and active. I’ve been very

grateful for the community’s support through the years.”

As Strader transitions into retirement, she said she’ll miss seeing her students at school each day.

“They were always kids waving, smiling or running to hug you no matter what hall you walked down or what corner you turned,” she said of her teaching career. “It makes me smile just thinking about it.”

Strader has three grown children, Taylor, Sydney and Riley. She also has one grandchild. Her husband, Scott, died Nov. 13, 2011.

“I can’t imagine ever doing anything else,” Strader said of her career at Holton. “It was the perfect choice, and I wish that on anybody — find something you love and then it’s not work.”

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of Education meeting.

\*6 p.m. Prairie Hills USD 113 Board of Education meeting at Sabetha.

\*6 p.m. The Four Seasons Garden Club will meet at the Holton rec center for a potluck dinner. For more information and to RSVP, call (785) 851-1008.

\*7 p.m. Jackson Heights USD 335 Board of Education meeting.

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

\*7:30 p.m. Whiting City Council meets at Whiting City Hall.

\*7:30 p.m. Royal Valley USD 337 Board of Education meeting.

## Tuesday, Sept. 10

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

\*7 p.m. Cancer Companions meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church, 401 Cheyenne Ave., Holton. For more information, contact Marcia Coufal at (785) 851-6023.

\*WHS volleyball with Clifton-Clyde and Doniphan West at Wetmore.

## Wednesday, Sept. 11

\*8 a.m. Wetmore ASVAB test at Sabetha High School.

\*9:30 a.m. Late start for all Royal Valley students.

\*The Crisis Pregnancy Center in Holton is open every Wednes-

day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\*Jackson Heights grades 7-12 pictures.

\*6 p.m. RVMS Lions Quest parent meeting.

\*6:30 p.m. Royal Valley JAG K I and I banquet at RVHS.

\*7 p.m. RVMS PRO meeting.

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

## Thursday, Sept. 12

\*The Holton Rotary Club will meet for a noon luncheon at Trails Café’s “The Station.” Those interested in joining the club should call David at 364-3141 for more information.

\*Jackson Heights preschool through sixth grade pictures.

\*1:30 p.m. Wetmore United 4 Youth presentation.

\*4 p.m. JHMS, HMS and RVMS cross country at Holton (Banner Creek Reservoir).

\*4 p.m. WHS cross country at Holton.

\*4:30 p.m. JHMS volleyball at McLouth.

\*HMS and WMS football at Sabetha (7<sup>th</sup> grade at 4:30 p.m., 8<sup>th</sup> grade at 6 p.m.)

\*4:30 p.m. HMS volleyball vs. Sabetha at Holton.

\*4:30 p.m. RVMS volleyball at Hiawatha.

\*6:30 p.m. JHMS football at McLouth.

Uniform Public Offense Code, as published by the League of Kansas Municipalities on an annual basis.

■ Learned from McKee that a drainage tube to be installed on Sixth Street would likely arrive today, with Brahma Excavating of Holton to install the tube.

■ Learned from McKee that police officer Nathan Osborn resigned his position at the Holton Police Department to move out of state. Commissioners noted that Osborn was “a good officer.”

■ Heard an update from McKee about work at the city’s water treatment plant.

■ Heard a comment from McKee about the effect of recent thunderstorms on the city’s streets and trees in the city limits.

■ Heard a comment from Brenner praising the work of the city’s police and fire departments and the Jackson County Sheriff’s Department in handling the recent fire at Johnsonville.

■ Adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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- Breakfast & Lunch at Masonic Lodge / Indian Tacos and soups by City Hall
- SAFE KIDS by Jon Hurla of the PBP Tribal Police - Car seat checks from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (enter from east side of Main Street)
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# SPORTS

## Lady Panthers win Marysville tourney

*By Ali Holcomb*

For the second year in a row, the Royal Valley High School varsity volleyball team won the Marysville volleyball tournament to open its season.

The Lady Panthers took first in the 10-team tournament on Saturday after defeating Big Seven League foe Sabetha in two sets in the championship match.

The tournament included varsity teams from Concordia, Nemaha Central, Royal Valley, Marysville, Washington County, Riley County, Hanover, Sabetha, Chapman and Valley Heights.

The Panthers were assigned to the “red pool” where they defeated Sabetha, 25-22 and 27-25, followed by wins over Washington, 25-8 and 25-11, Chapman, 25-23 and 25-22, and Marysville, 25-19 and 25-14.

The Lady Panthers then headed to the semifinals bracket where they defeated Valley Heights, 25-18 and 25-18.

In the championship match against Sabetha, Royal Valley edged out a 32-30 win in the first set and took the second set 25-16.

The Panthers will host a dual on Thursday against Holton. Games begin at 5 p.m.

Marysville Tournament Scoring

Black Pool

Nemaha Central def. Valley Heights: 25-21 and 25-21.

Concordia def. Nemaha Central: 25-23 and 26-24.

Concordia def. Hanover: 25-19 and 25-22.

Riley def. Hanover: 25-16 and 25-22.

Valley Heights def. Riley: 25-22 and 26-24.

Concordia def. Riley: 25-22 and 25-10.

Valley Heights def. Hanover: 25-22 and 25-20.

Nemaha Central def. Riley: 25-22 and 25-21.

Concordia def. Valley Heights: 25-12 and 26-24.

Nemaha Central def. Hanover: 25-16 and 25-11.

Red Pool

RV def. Sabetha: 25-22 and 27-25.

Chapman def. Marysville: 25-21 and 25-17.

Sabetha def. Marysville: 25-17 and 26-24.

RV def. Washington: 25-8 and 25-11.

Chapman def. Washington: 25-11 and 25-15.

Marysville def. Washington: 25-14 and 25-17.

Sabetha def. Washington: 25-16 and 25-15.

RV def. Chapman: 25-23 and 25-22.

Sabetha def. Chapman: 25-19, 17-25 and 25-18.

RV def. Marysville: 25-19 and 25-14.

Semifinals bracket

RV def. Valley Heights: 25-18 and 25-18.

Sabetha def. Concordia: 19-25, 25-23 and 25-20.

Finals

RV def. Sabetha: 32-30 and 25-16.

Consolidation bracket

Valleys Heights def. Concordia for third place: 22-25, 25-14 and 25-17.

## HHS girls golf season under way

*By Brian Sanders*

Holton High School’s three-member golf team began its 2019 fall season with two tournaments — a Spring Hill-hosted junior varsity scramble at Paola and a Jefferson West-hosted varsity scramble at the Village Greens near Ozawkie that saw two members of the team finishing seventh.

“I like the idea of playing scrambles early in the season to ease our way into competition and to allow the players to learn how to handle the complexities of the sport,” HHS girls golf coach Connor Bechard said of his team’s efforts this past week.

The Spring Hill scramble at Paola on Tuesday, Aug. 27 was “a great first tournament for our young team” at a golf course that the three members of the team — junior Olivia McAsey and sophomores Katina Bartel and Lilly Kimberlin — had not played before, coach Bechard said.

“Our team of three competed well,” said Bechard, who noted that 10 schools ranging in size from Class 4A to Class 6A competed with 20 total scramble pairings. Holton’s team finished in a tie for sixth place with a score of 49, which Bechard

noted was “all just done with score cards.”

Then, on Wednesday, Aug. 28, the Lady Cat trio traveled to the Village Greens for the Jeff West two-person scramble, where McAsey and Bartel finished seventh with a score of 100 and Kimberlin paired with Jeff West’s Reinke to finish in 12th place with a 117 score.

The team also competed in a Tonganoxie-hosted varsity tournament on Tuesday at Dub’s Dread Golf Course in Kansas City. Results from that tournament will be posted later.

Scoring

Jefferson West Scramble

Village Greens Golf Course

Team results: 1. Silver Lake 179, 2. Jefferson West 183, 3. Rossville 214.

Pairing results: 1. Lindstrom/Hay (SL) 85, 2. Kimble/Hartley (JW) 91, 3. Thompson/Yager (JW) 92, 4. Smith/Field (SL) 94, 5. Cregan/Beam (SL) 94, 6. Williams/Starr (JW) 94, 7. McAsey/Bartel (Hol.) 100, 8. Greene/Ronnebaum (JW) 101, 9. Moore/Aldridge (SL) 103, 10. Rodehurst/Worrell (Rovl.) 105, 11. Davis/Steele (Rovl.) 109, 12. Kimberlin/Reinke (Hol./JW) 117, 13. Broughton/Thompson (Rovl.) 127, 14. Broughton/Williams (Rovl.) 133.

## Preseason prep volleyball rankings reported

The KVA (Kansas Volleyball Association) ON Aug. 28 announced the 2019 preseason volleyball rankings in Class 6A through Class 1A on Aug. 28. Both Royal Valley and Holton were ranked in 3A.

The preseason rankings were s follows:

**Class 6A**

1. Blue Valley
2. Olathe Northwest
3. Gardner-Edgerton
4. Lawrence-Free State
5. Blue Valley West
6. Mill Valley
7. Blue Valley North
8. Shawnee Mission Northwest
9. Garden City
10. Washburn Rural

**Class 5A**

1. St. Thomas Aquinas
2. Lansing
3. St. James Academy
4. Topeka-Seaman
5. Bishop Carroll
6. Bonner Springs
7. Andover
8. Spring Hill
9. Goddard
10. Blue Valley Southwest

**Class 4A**

1. Bishop Miege
2. Andale
3. Topeka-Hayden
4. Louisburg
5. Wichita-Trinity Academy

**Class 3A**

1. Silver Lake
2. Royal Valley
3. Beloit
4. Hesston
5. Belle Plaine
6. Frontenac
7. Holton
8. West Franklin
9. Concordia
10. Nemaha Central

**Class 2A**

1. Wabaunsee
2. Smith Center
3. Sedgwick
4. Garden Plain
5. St. Mary’s-Colgan
6. Valley Heights
7. Jefferson County North
8. Ellinwood
9. Maranatha Christian
10. Trego Community

**Class 1A**

1. Centralia
2. Spearville
3. Moundridge
4. Little River
5. Chetopa
6. Central-Burden
7. Rural Vista
8. Thunder Ridge
9. Otis-Bison
10. Beloit-St. John’s/Tip-ton



The Royal Valley volleyball team, shown above, won the Marysville tourney over the weekend and afterwards posed for this group photo. Those shown are, front row, left to right, Hadley Gregory, Emily Wurster-Lowe, McKenzie Ogden, Karlie Albright and KJ Miller. Back row, left to right, Coach Gary Armstrong, Tressa Jim, Shanokwa Price, Kennedy Bryan, Maddie Saia, Emma McKinsey, Morgan Harvey, Ivy Fink and Coach Kyann Eslick.

Submitted photo



Royal Valley hosted a football jamboree last Friday. The four players in dark jerseys above are all Panther seniors who are expected to play big roles in the team’s success this season. Those shown lining up against Silver Lake at the jamboree are Greg Koon (No. 67), Gavin Cumpton (No. 15), Jaiden Wamego (No. 70) and Chance Lyming (No. 2).

Photo by Michael Powls



Royal Valley senior running back Tegan Ruddy (No. 26 in dark jersey at right) follows the blocking of junior teammate Skyler Mechtley (No. 3) during the football jamboree last Friday night at the Panther field. This Friday, the Panthers travel to Perry-Leocompton.

Photo by Michael Powls

## Following jamborees, prep football games get started this Friday night

Following last Friday evening’s prep football jamborees, the 2019 season gets officially under way this Friday.

Here are the area matchups:

\*The Holton Wildcats travel to the Jeff West Tigers on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m.

\*The Royal Valley Panthers travel to the Perry-Leocompton Kaws on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m.

\*The Horton Chargers travel to the Jackson Heights Cobras on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m.

\*The ACCHS Tigers travel to the Oskaloosa Bears on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7p.m.

\*The Clifton-Clyde Eagles travel to the Wetmore Cardinals on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m.

Holton High School head football coach Brooks Barta said last Friday’s jamboree was a positive experience for his team.

“I thought it went pretty well,” coach Barta said. “It was good

to see us at game speed and see how our players would react. We lost the number of reps we would have had in our own scrimmage. Our younger groups especially suffered the loss of reps.”

Barta said that offensively, “we looked better than I had expected and executed fairly well.”

“There are a lot of little things to work on,” he said.

Defensively, he said, the team “has a lot to learn.”

“I think our players are learning that they have to play with the fundamentals and key reads they are taught every day,” he said. “Everyone has to do their job for our defensive schemes to fit together. We did not especially prepare for the offenses we saw the other night but our players learned a great deal.”

The Wildcats participated in the jamboree at Royal Valley with Silver Lake and Santa Fe

## Nadeau wins Week 1 Pick ‘Em

Find Week 2 match ups on Page 5A of this issue

The first week of *The Holton Recorder’s* Football Pick ‘Em Contest is in the books.

A total of 17 of the 18 games were counted this week since *The Recorder* did not list the full name of one of the teams in a matchup.

The number 14 game should have read Florida Atlantic at Ohio State but the game was listed as Florida vs. Ohio State. Sorry about that.

Regina Adolph of Holton correctly picked 17 of the 17 featured football games in the first week of the Pick’em Contest, making her the first weekly winner in the contest.

Ida Nadeau of Soldier took second place this week by correctly picked 16 of the 17 games.

The tiebreaker game featured the NCAA matchup between the Campbell Camels and the Troy Trojans. The Trojans won 43-14 for a total of 57 points scored in the game.

Adolph and Nadeau will both be awarded prizes provided by the local businesses listed on the football pick’em page. They can claim their prizes at The Recorder office.

There were about 30 participants in the contest for the first week. Everyone is invited to play.

The number of games that each contestant picks correctly each week is added to their overall score and at the end of the contest an overall winner will be named and awarded \$100 in *Holton Recorder* bucks, plus a free one-year subscription to *The Recorder*, plus bragging rights for an entire year.

The second place overall winner of the contest will also win a free one-year subscription to *The Recorder*.

The scores from the featured games were as follows:

- \*Kansas State defeated Nicholls 49-14.
- \*Nebraska defeated South Alabama 35-21.
- \*Kansas defeated Indiana State 24-17.
- \*Alabama defeated Duke 43-3.
- \*Navy defeated Holy Cross 45-7.
- \*Army defeated Rice 14-7.
- \*Air Force defeated Colgate 48-7.
- \*Georgia defeated Vanderbilt 30-6.
- \*Wisconsin defeated USF 49-0.
- \*North Carolina defeated South Carolina 24-20.
- \*Texas Tech defeated Montana State 45-10.
- \*North Carolina State defeated East Carolina 34-6.
- \*Texas defeated Louisiana Tech 45-14.
- \*Rutgers defeated UMass 48-21.
- \*ULM defeated Grambling State 31-9.
- \*Tiebreaker game – Troy defeated Campbell 43-14.

\*Note: The week two football pick’em games wer published in last Wednesday’s edition and today’s edition on Page 5A and the deadline to enter the contest this week is 5 p.m. Friday.

Even if a contestant misses a week or two, they still have a chance to win the overall grand prize and bragging rights with their friends and family for an entire year!



Some prep football rankings listed

Some 2019 prseason high school football rankings were announced Aug. 19 for Class 6A through Class 8-Man Division II, based on polls of coaches.

The pre football rankings are as follows:

Class 6A

- 1. Derby
- 2. Topeka High
- 3. Blue Valley North
- 4. Gardner-Edgerton
- 5. Olathe North
- 6. Lawrence-Free State
- 7. Shawnee Mission

East

- 8. Blue Valley
- 9. Manhattan
- 10. Olathe East

Class 5A

- 1. St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2. Wichita Northwest
- 3. Maize South
- 4. Bishop Carroll
- 5. Salina Central
- 6. Great Bend
- 7. Mill Valley
- 8. De Soto
- 9. Emporia
- 10. Andover

Class 4A

- 1. Bishop Miege
- 2. McPherson
- 3. Goddard
- 4. Wellington
- 5. Paola
- 6. Pittsburg
- 7. Louisburg
- 8. Basehor-Linwood
- 9. Buhler
- 10. Tonganoxie

Class 3A

- 1. Marysville
- 2. Andale
- 3. Sabetha
- 4. Scott City
- 5. Wichita Collegiate
- 6. Topeka-Hayden
- 7. Halstead
- 8. Jefferson West
- 9. Wamego
- 10. Parsons

Class 2A

- 1. Hoisington
- 2. Phillipsburg
- 3. Conway Spings
- 4. Humboldt
- 5. Rossville
- 6. Riley County
- 7. Silver Lake
- 8. Lakin
- 9. Norton
- 10. Garden Plain

Class 1A

- 1. Smith Center
- 2. Plainville
- 3. Jackson Heights
- 4. Centralia
- 5. Olpe
- 6. Troy
- 7. St. Mary's-Colgan
- 8. Sedgwick
- 9. Ell-Saline
- 10. Valley Heights

Class 8-Man Division I

- 1. Canton-Galva
- 2. Madison
- 3. Jetmore-Hodgeman County
- 4. St. Francis
- 5. Claflin-Central Plains
- 6. Coldwater-South Central

- 7. Oswego
- 8. Hill City
- 9. Leoti-Wichita County
- 10. Maranatha Academy

Class 8-Man Division II

- 1. Hanover
- 2. Axtell
- 3. St. Paul
- 4. Hutchinson Central Christian
- 5. Osborne
- 6. Thunder Ridge
- 7. South Barber
- 8. Sylvan-Lucas
- 9. Frankfort
- 10. Otis-Bison



NFC awards prizes at recent cookout

Sunday, Aug. 18, was an exciting day for Arlene Wahwasuck of Horton, shown above at left, as she took her family to the Kansas City Royals game and sat in prime seats — in the shade of the lower level with a close view of the players.

Even better, all this was free, including the parking pass. The experience came about after Wahwasuck's name was drawn at the recent "Backyard Cookout" held at the Netawaka Fitness Center.

"It was a really enjoyable, memorable day," Wahwasuck said. "It was a great game, and these were great seats. More

importantly, it allowed us great quality family time together."

The cookout was held to thank long-time members for their help in urging friends and others to join the center. Their efforts helped the center top the 1,000-member mark recently.

The prizes were contributed by more than 30 area businesses. They were not cash prizes. Instead, the firms contributed gifts of their products or services. Topping the list was a highly valued "Mystery Prize" that wasn't revealed and awarded until the end of the evening.

That prize was won by David

Schock of Holton. He won \$25 of free groceries per month for a full year from Cecil K's Hometown Market in Holton - a total value worth \$300.

The NFC staff is planning more members-only functions like the Backyard Cookout. Their goal is to continually come up with new ideas, programs and parties that keep the members involved.

"There's a lot to do here at the center during the summer months, and more people are taking advantage of it," says Scott Steffes, NFC director.

KSHSAA reports statistics following first year of policy on reporting concussions

More than 2,100 student concussions across grades 7-12 were reported during the 2018-19 school year, the first year that the Kansas State High School Activities Association (KSHSAA) required member schools to report concussions to the association, it was reported recently.

"KSHSAA is committed to adopting policy and implementing best practices in order to minimize risk for student participants," said KSHSAA executive director Bill Fafflick. "We believe it is important to use relevant data to craft such policies and protocols, and we certainly appreciate member schools playing their part by reporting concussions realized in practices and contests under administration of the KSHSAA."

The tracking of concussions comes from the recommendation and work of the KSHSAA Sports Medicine Committee, which meets twice a year. Reporting was done by the school's administration and/or athletic trainer.

Brent Unruh, KSHSAA office manager and sports medicine liaison, said KSHSAA stresses the importance of having concussion data from specific activities "to truly understand at what level sport concussions are affecting our student participants."

"Sport-related concussions don't necessarily happen at a high rate compared to some other injuries, but due to the significance of the injury, proper

recognition and management are extremely important," Unruh said. "As this dataset continues to grow and trends begin to emerge, KSHSAA leadership, including the association's Sports Medicine Advisory Committee, can make better informed decisions related to risk minimization and student safety."

KSHSAA's summary of concussions reported by activity divided total participants in each activity by the total number of concussions reported to get the incidence for each activity. The three sports with the highest incidence of reported concussions were football (6.16 percent of participants in the sport reporting), girls soccer (3.63 percent) and wrestling (2.98 percent).

The number of days missed and the average by activity were also highlighted in KSHSAA's report. Interestingly, the top three sports with the highest incidence of concussions in Kansas also have the highest concussion injury rate nationally, according to the High School RIO study.

Of the reported concussions, 60.5 percent were reported to be the student's first ever concussion, 17.5 percent of the cases were reported as not being the student's first concussion and 22 percent of the cases were reported as not knowing. Thirty-seven percent of the reported concussions were incurred at a practice versus 63 percent in a competition setting.

When considering the higher

number of practice exposures versus competition exposures throughout a season, this difference illustrates a much higher risk of concussion incidence in a competition setting.

The ongoing High School RIO study taking place through the Colorado School of Public Health is considered the preeminent high school injury tracking study in the nation. This study collects the number of athlete exposures which enables the researchers to obtain an injury rate by sport.

KSHSAA's concussion tracking does not track athlete exposures, so it is not possible to compare Kansas concussion injury rates to the national average. But in comparing the overall incidence by sport in Kansas to national data, some very similar trends have been observed over this first year of reporting, it was noted.

KSHSAA officials said they were "extremely appreciative" of the effort of all member schools to report every concussion to the association. This requirement continues to be in effect for the 2019-20 school year.

According to the requirement, any concussion sustained by a student participating in a KSHSAA-sponsored activity shall be reported to KSHSAA through the online reporting system. By collecting this type of incidence data on an annual basis, better informed decisions can be made regarding risk minimization in activities, KSHSAA officials said.

Lady Cobras start volleyball season with 2 wins at Effingham triangular

By Brian Sanders

In preparing for the 2019 varsity volleyball season, Jackson Heights High

School's volleyball team has been focusing on "starting out strong and finishing strong," according to Head Coach Denise Visocky.

Last night, the Lady Cobras traveled to Effingham for a volleyball triangular with Atchison County Community High School and Maur Hill-Mount Academy, and the two wins that JHHS racked up last night were, as Coach Visocky noted, a good testament to that focus.

"We've been excited about getting this season started, so last night was a good start for us," Visocky said this morning. "We've been focusing this year on getting a stronger start than we did last year. We struggled getting started last year, so it was nice to see the girls come out from the get-go and not let up."

The Lady Cobras started the evening and the season by dispatching the Lady Tigers in straight sets, 25-12 and 25-8. Visocky said her team was led by senior Kylie Dohl and junior Sarah Marshall in the first game.

In the nightcap, Maur Hill-Mount Academy provided the Lady Cobras with more

of a challenge, but JHHS was able to overcome it with another win in straight sets, 25-19 and 25-17, again with Dohl and Marshall as standout players.

"Kylie and Sarah played really well over all last night, hitting the ball so well and being able to play in some different areas and fill the open holes," Visocky said. "Mount Academy had quite a few returning from last year as well, and it was nice to see that competition again. But we are really focusing on starting out strong and finishing strong, and that really came through because we were able to keep the lead the whole time."

The Lady Cobras will travel to Rossville on Thursday for a triangular that also includes Mission Valley.

"I'm expecting Rossville to be really tough again this year," Visocky said. "We have the potential to see them at sub-state time, so it's nice to be able to play them before that so we can make adjustments as needed. They're going to be some pretty good competition for us."

UPCOMING PREP SPORTS

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 5:** HHS Volleyball vs. Royal Valley – 5 p.m. @ Royal Valley; HHS Cross Country – 4 p.m. @ Jeff West; JHHS Volleyball – V/JV Tri. – 5 p.m. @ Rossville; RVHS Volleyball vs. Holton – 5 p.m. @ Royal Valley; RVHS Cross Country – 5 p.m. @ Shawnee N.C. Center

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 6:** HHS V Football vs. Jeff West – 7 p.m. @ Jeff West; JHHS Football vs. Horton – 7 p.m. @ Jackson Heights; RVHS V Football vs. Perry-Lecompton – 7 p.m. @ Perry

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 7:** RVHS V Volleyball – Jeff West Tourn. – 8 a.m. @ Meriden

**MONDAY, SEPT. 9:** HHS JV Football vs. Jeff West – 4:30 p.m. @ Holton; RVHS JV Football vs. Perry-Lecompton – 4:30 p.m. @ Royal Valley

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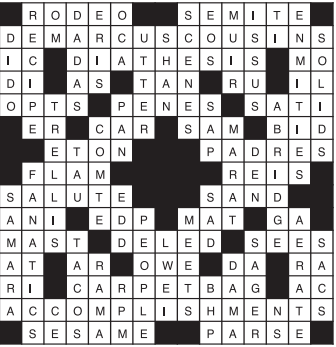
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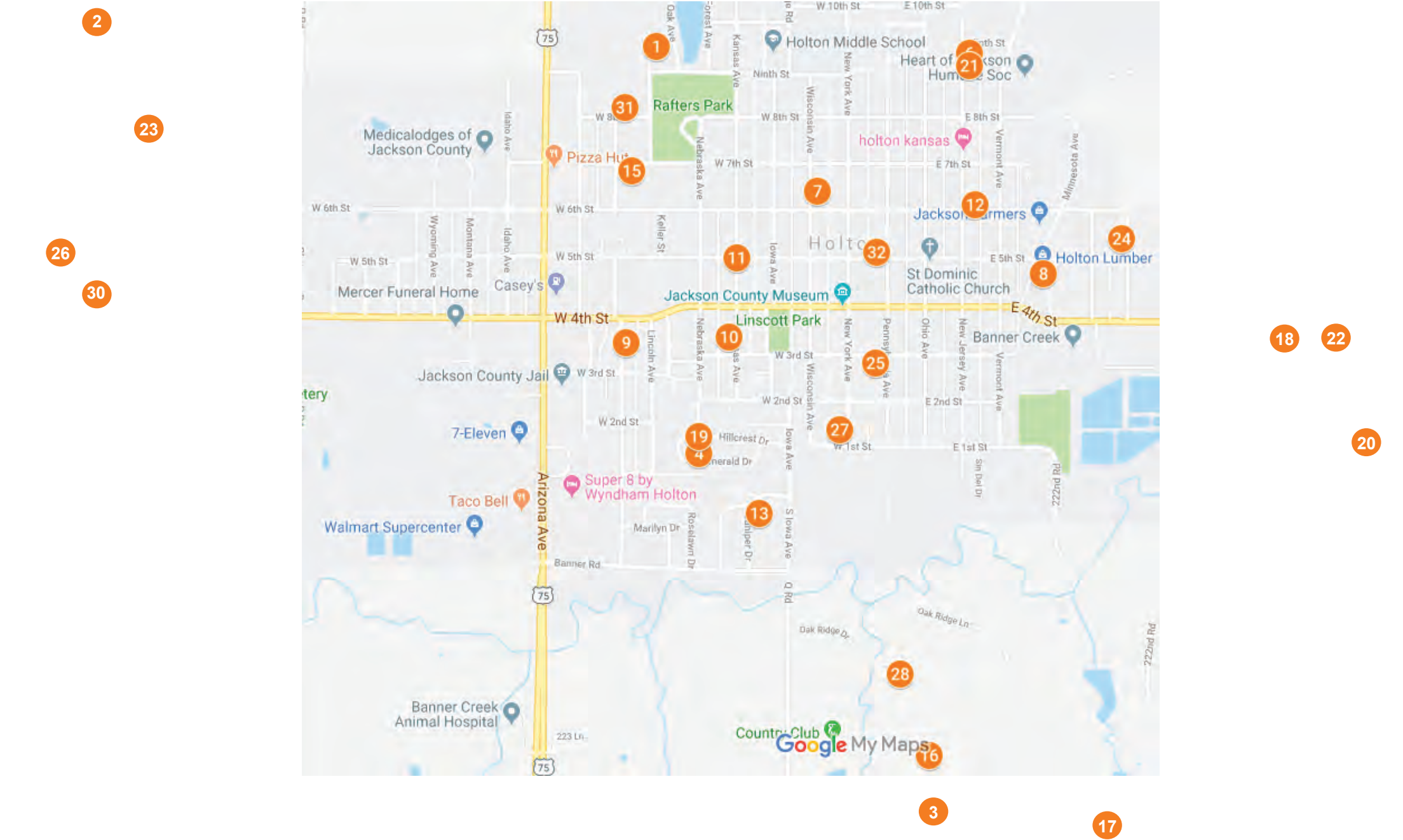
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- (1) 3-FAMILY SALE: 910 Washington, Holton, Friday, Sept. 6 & Saturday, Sept. 7, 8a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Baby items, lots of books, much miscellaneous!
- (2) 11050 238TH RD., Holton, Friday, Sept. 6 8a.m.-4p.m. & Saturday, Sept. 7, 8a.m. to noon. Estate Sale - everything must go! Desks; couches (sectional); 4 Oak dining room chairs; garden tools; knick-knacks; pictures; dishes; & much misc.
- (3) HUGE MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 21420 Q Rd./Holton. Friday, Sept.6 and Saturday, Sept. 7, 7a.m. Womens plus-size clothing, vintage, lots of miscellaneous housewares under \$1.
- (4) 417 EMERALD DRIVE/HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 7am-4pm. 4-drawer dresser, sewing machine, dinnerware, food processor, carry-on luggage, small kitchen appliances, craft supplies, outdoor patio glider, wood cabinet, miscellaneous items.
- (5) 18346 HIGHWAY K-16/HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 7am-4pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-2pm. Shop equipment, hand tools, steel barrels, 28-foot extension ladder, kitchenware, small appliances, throw rugs, lots of DVDs, pet supplies, large dog crate, professional treadmill, professional elliptical, (2)Kansas City Chiefs coats, (1)Denver Broncos leather coat, coats/jackets, ladies clothing including Under Armour, ladies shoes, kitchen sink.
- (6) 4-FAMILY SALE in garage behind alley: 842 New Jersey Ave./Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 8am-4pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-4pm. Household items, clothing, car stereos, amps, leather jacket, Home Interior, James Patterson large print books, wall hangings, knick knacks, tons of items.
- (7) 612 WISCONSIN SALE! Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-1pm. 2-gaming chairs, Xbox 360 with 12GB HDD, Nintendo Wii w/games, toys, books, full-size truck tool box, kitchen miscellaneous, wok, massaging seat cushion, melting pot, Thanksgiving light, 2-adult bicycles, beginner's drum set, full-size moose bedding set and more.
- (8) 415 MICHIGAN AVE./HOLTON (old Holton Lumber): Friday, Sept.6, 8am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-5pm. Glider porch swing, outdoor carpet (new), large fire pit on wheels, matching gold chairs, Showtime rotisserie, luggage, assorted cast-iron skillets and Dutch ovens, turbo cooker, stereo console plus much more.
- (9) LARGE MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 324 Topeka Ave./Holton. Friday-Saturday, Sept.6-7, 8a.m., Marshall-Moulden-Cox families. Old school desk, hammock, wooden shelf, wooden floor dollies, tow chains, stackable drawers, old 5-gallon lube oil can, yard light pole, child's rocker, ice cream parlor chair, brass candle sticks, old Copenhagen blue plates, baskets, frames, large oval gold frame, golf bag and shoes, fire pits, lots of clothes (all sizes), vases, dishes, collectibles, holiday decor.
- (10) MULTI-FAMILY SALE: 309 Kansas Ave./Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 7am-6pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-2pm. Girls' clothes (size newborn-7), boys' clothes (size 5T-10), adult clothes and tons of miscellaneous items.
- (11) SEVERAL FAMILY SALE: 501 W.5th St./Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 10am-7pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-? Fishing boat, hitch carrier with ramp, "manly items," lots of furniture, dressers, tables, quilt racks, pet cage, rocking chairs, barn wood, child's chairs, small windows, lots of baby items, pictures, toys, primitives, wind chimes, garden items, seasonal decorations, lots of 25-cent items and free stuff sure to be something you like!
- (12) 306 E.6TH ST./HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 7am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-5pm. Chest freezer, chair, fabric, books, baskets, pans, new fleece blankets, pillows, seasonal decor, decor and more!
- (13) FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (parking lot): 404 Juniper Dr./Holton. Thursday, Sept.5, 5pm-8pm/Friday, Sept.6, 7am-8pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-8pm. All proceeds go towards Kaitlynn Little's missions trip. Find cookware, chairs, electronics, records, toys, movies, craft supplies, home interior decorations, lamps/lighting sets, clothing for all sizes/occasions, shoes/accessories, sports equipment, garden/shop tools, picture frames.
- (14) RETIRING/MOVED/DOWNSIZED. Garage Sale Thursday & Friday, SEPTEMBER 5 & 6 only (no Saturday sale), 7a.m.-7p.m., 25647 K Rd., Circleville. NO ROOM in new home so selling some antiques, kitchen appliances, furniture, linens, lamps, mirrors, pillows, decor, printer, monitor, wood stove, pool cues, ceramic tile, patio table and umbrella, exercise equipment, tools, gardener's table, hose storage, bucket seats, Western Horseman magazines from the 1970s, barn wood scraps, Walnut pieces, minimal clothing & shoes, wedding dress, formals, plus more items.
- (15) MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE! 743 West 7th St./Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 8am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-2pm. Name brand clothes, mostly young men/women; dresses; womens dress clothes; winter gear; shoes; Vera Bradley & Thirty-One bags; stuffed animals; household items; furniture; seasonal items; truck tires; craft supplies; Holton items; lots of miscellaneous!
- (16) AT HOLTON COUNTRY CLUB (upstairs), 22304 Q Rd., Holton. Saved the Best for Last - come early for best selection. Oak/mirror storage hall tree; 2 same-lighted curio cabinets; church pew bench; antique 3-piece bed set 1930s(?); Coach purses, new with tags & matching billfolds; other purses; Longaberger baskets; metal wall decor; large 3 metal wood shelf; Hoover rug shampooer; table runners; tablecloths; 3-piece snowman set; many of seasons decor; household & kitchen items; JEWELRY-over 150 pieces; Holton sweatshirts; toys; fabric; printer; mens, womens, girls clothes; Too much to list!
- (17) 20585 R4-ROAD, HOLTON: Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6 & 7, 7:30am-? Huge selection of rods/reels/sinkers. 1/2 Price-Handmade rag rugs, Crocheted doilies & potholders, some tires, Radial armsaw.
- (18) KLAHR & INGELS FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 22955 S Rd./Holton (1-mile east on 116 Highway, brown house on corner). Thursday, Sept.5, 7am-6pm/Friday, Sept.6, 7am-6pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-2pm. Lots of clothes (adult size large to 3X), coats, jackets, concert t-shirts, Nebraska clothes, girl clothes (some 7-8 to 14/16), kitchenware, dishes, pans, Tupperware, purses, wallets, baby bed, high chair, bibs, blocks, sturdy wooden kids' chairs (5), (2)kids' plastic chairs, girl's bicycle, dolls, blankets, shoes, slippers, adult western boots, sheets, books, coloring books, photo albums, pictures, cow decor, puzzles, home decor, lots of holiday decor (Christmas, Halloween, fall and Easter), Christmas cards, jewelry, Ty beanie's, Shopkins, Shopkins dolls/accessories, Fur Real friends, flash cards, gift/holiday bags, holiday pencils, sticks, trucks, animals, vases, stuffed animals, toys, tin cans, Wii games, wooden and plastic rocking horses, lots of miscellaneous.
- (19) SOUTHERN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY BUILDING: 100 Southern Heights/Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 9am-3pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 9am-3pm. Many items for sale! Costume jewelry, old trunk, paper shredder.
- (20) 22479 HIGHWAY K16/HOLTON (Sandy Flohrschutz) 3rd house on road: Friday, Sept.6, 2pm-7pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 9am-? Lots of wall hangings, lamps, knick knacks, household items, memorabilia, garden tools, lots of miscellaneous.
- (21) MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 832 New Jersey Ave./Holton: Thursday, Sept.5, 12pm-4pm/Friday, Sept.6, 9am-4pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 9am-12pm. Furniture, kids' stuff, video systems, games, tools, truck topper, holiday decorations, kids' clothes, books, baby clothes, lots of tchotchkes, air mattress, electronics, stroller.
- (22) 14643 K-16 HIGHWAY/HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 8am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-4pm. One mile south of sale barn, south side of the highway. Tiller, blower, auto, outdoor accessories, kittens. Drive a little, save a lot!
- (23) 11138 TIMBER RIDGE DRIVE/HOLTON: Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-? Furniture, antiques, clothes, shoes, jewelry, prom dresses, jazz/tap shoes, lots of miscellaneous.
- (24) 511 ILLINOIS AVE./HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 8am-?/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-? Antique wooden spoke-wheel wagon, 2-wheel dump wagon, Maytag electric dryer, swing set, tools, burn barrels, drop-down bumper, lots of miscellaneous. 364-6271.
- (25) EUM CHURCH: 227 Pennsylvania Ave./Holton. Thursday, Sept.5, 8am-4pm/ Friday, Sept.6, 7am-4:30pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7am-12:30pm. Furniture, kitchen items, toys, clothes, bedding, lots of miscellaneous. Concession Stand: Biscuits/gravy, homemade cinnamon rolls, pies, cookies/brownies, chips, chili dogs, hot dogs, pop, coffee, floats.
- (26) 23150 N RD./HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 7:30am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, all day! Single-family distressed white farm table and 4-chairs; white Cracker Barrel rocking chair; wooden high chair; kid's rocking chair; kid toys; board games; girl's bike; purses; elliptical; kitchen items; craft/sewing; tons of holiday items; full-sized mattress with box, very clean; black vanity with mirror/bench seat; tri-fold tonneau truck cover, never used; so much more!
- (27) MOVING SALE: 111 New York Ave./Holton. Friday, Sept.6, 8am-?/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-? Tile saw, furniture, dishes, bedding, toys, children's books, floor steamer, scrapbook supplies, microwave, stereo, home decor, wedding supplies, many miscellaneous items.
- (28) 12845 OAK RIDGE DR./HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 7:30am-5pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 7:30am-noon. Lots of household items, furniture, building supplies, fall and Christmas decor.
- (29) 27257 Q4 RD./HOLTON: Thursday, Sept.5, 8am-4pm/Friday, Sept.6, 8am-4pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-4pm. Trailer hitches, jewelry, metal bunk bed frames, hardback books (200 to choose from), KISS memorabilia, Nascar mem.figurines, semi truck equipment (straps, binder, etc.), stereo system (radio, turn table, cassette/CD player, amp, speakers), lots of miscellaneous.
- (30) 23040 N RD./HOLTON: Friday, Sept.6, 8am-3pm/Saturday, Sept.7, 8am-12pm. Table saw, chipper/shredder, cement mixer, trimmer, housewares, Christmas decor, desk, golfing items, crafts, collectibles. Items added daily!
- (31) DOYLE/PAT SPOHN: 802 Colorado Ave./Holton. Friday, Sept.6 and Saturday, Sept.7. Nice women's clothes, Pyrex dishes, shelves, dressers, shoes and purses, pictures, etc.
- (32) 104 W. 5TH - ALLEY, Saturday 9a.m.-2p.m.: Loads of miscellaneous merchandise. Wood trim; clothing; household; etc. Unmarked - Make an offer! Must go!

## Suicide prevention...

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The program, which Sauvage said may be offered to civic groups in Holton later this month, also provides people with information on how to respond to someone with suicidal thoughts.  
“We know that thoughts of suicide can often be associated with a mental health disorder that could be very treatable, and then we talk about instilling hope and research shows that people really can and do recover from mental health disorders,” she said.  
When someone recognizes the warning signs of a potentially suicidal person and expresses a desire to help, Patton said that “a willingness to listen and to be there” is often the best policy.  
“If someone is talking about wanting to die by suicide, take it seriously and be there with them and try to get them the help that they need, whether it’s a medical doctor or a therapist,” she said.  
“Helping them to get through this time can be very scary.”  
Patton said KANZA offers

crisis services to those who may be having suicidal thoughts, as well as individual, couples or family therapy and case management services at KANZA’s Holton office. KANZA also offers a 24-hour crisis line that is “open and operated by a living, breathing person” at all times, she added.  
In addition to CHCS’ Mental Health First Aid program reaching out to Holton during the month of September, Halls said she plans to meet with older residents at senior centers at Holton and Hoyt this month for a presentation on the Senior Life Solutions program.  
Holton Community Hospital CEO Carrie Saia also noted that hospital staff are coordinating a 12-hour “community walk” on Thursday, Sept. 12 to promote suicide prevention and awareness.  
Jackson County’s schools are also involved in suicide prevention and awareness. Jackson Heights Superintendent Adrienne Walsh said that staff members receive mandatory annual

training on suicide awareness and that a social worker has been hired to assist the school counselor with students who have mental health issues.  
Holton Superintendent Bob Davies said staff receive annual training “to look for students who might share that they are in crisis.” However, the district does not have a social worker in place during the current school year, as Davies noted that a social worker hired for this year in late spring “decided they were not coming” a month after being hired.  
At Royal Valley, Superintendent Aaric Davis said that staff receive annual training on suicide awareness and that the district has also hired a social worker to assist administrators and counselors working as “the first line of defense when a report is made about thoughts of suicide.” Davis added that the school has implemented a “Question Persuade Refer” protocol for suicide prevention, and training for families and youth on the protocol is planned for

November.  
The Holton Special Education Cooperative, which serves all three Jackson County schools, has employed social workers in the past, Davies said, including two that were part of the cooperative’s behavior team during the 2017-18 school year.  
“Since then, we have not had any, as we couldn’t find any,” he said.  

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## County commission approves 2020 budget

*By Ali Holcomb*  
With no comments from the public, the Jackson County Commissioners unanimously approved the county’s 2020 budget as proposed during their meeting yesterday – held a day later due to the Labor Day holiday.  
The 2020 budget sets the county mill rate at 75.442 mills, which is a half mill decrease from the 2019 budget.  
Despite the mill levy decrease, the county is expected to levy more local taxes than last year because the county’s assessed valuation has increased by \$5.9 million.  
The county expects to collect \$9,447,626 in local taxes, which is up \$390,113 more than the \$9,057,513 collected last year. The county’s maximum budget authority is \$15,485,046.  
Also during Tuesday’s meeting, the commissioners met with Dan Barnett, road and bridge director, who presented one bid for road salt.

The bid was submitted by Central Salt of Lyons and was \$58 a ton for an estimated 400 tons. If the county purchased all 400 tons, it would cost \$23,200.  
Barnett suggested seeking bids on salt and sand mixtures, as opposed to salt only, and compare the price. The commissioners agreed.  
The commissioners and Barnett also met in executive session for 10 minutes to discuss a personnel matter.  
Back in open session, the commissioners agreed to include a six-month training period for any new foreman with the road and bridge department. Once the training is complete, the foreman will receive an additional 50 cents per hour, it was reported.  
The commissioners also met with Randy and Kathy Robinson of rural Mayetta to discuss the poor condition of a road south of 158<sup>th</sup> Road that the Robinsons use to access one of their fields.