

## NEKAAA brings transportation service to county

By Ali Holcomb

The Northeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging (NEKAAA) has expanded its fee-based general transportation services to Jackson County.

On Dec. 18, NEKAAA began providing general public transportation services from its new dispatching office in Holton located at Giant Communications.

NEKAAA, based in Hiawatha, is a non-profit agency serving senior citizens and their families in Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Jackson, Marshall, Nemaha and Washington counties.

NEKAAA began offering fee-based general transportation services in Brown County in July 2015.

Justina Cockerham, NEKAAA transportation coordinator, said the organization has expanded its services since then to Atchison, Doniphan, Nemaha and now Jackson counties.

"We were getting a lot of phone calls for rides from people in Holton," Cockerham said. "With us dispatching from Hiawatha, we had to start the rates

from there. We'd been asked to expand to Holton, and we talked to the Jackson County commissioners, and they were very excited about it."

The general public transportation vehicle, which is a wheelchair accessible Dodge Caravan, is available to anyone regardless of age, Cockerham said.

"It's first come, first serve," she said. "We're an on-demand service so if we have availability that day, we will accommodate. If we don't, we'll try to work with people to give them a ride the next day."

The transportation service is available 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The mileage rates start from the NEKAAA office in Holton.

"From Holton to Holton (one stop) it is \$2, round trip," she said. "For an additional stop in Holton, the rate is \$3."

From Holton to another town in the county, the fee is between \$5 to \$10, Cockerham said. A roundtrip to Topeka and back to Holton is \$25.

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Holton High School senior Olivia Yingst was among those applying stickers to cases of beer at Holton's Southside Liquor as part of the "Sticker Shock" campaign, conducted over the school's holiday break by the Jackson County Communities That Care Coalition and the Jackson County Youth Coalition. The campaign's intent was to warn adults of the consequences of purchasing alcoholic beverages for minors.

Photo by Brian Sanders

## Hall of Fame tickets on sale

By Brian Sanders

Tickets for the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce's 2020 Hall of Fame event — in which Deb Dillner, Diane Gross, Esther Ideker and Floye Knouft will be inducted into the Hall of Fame — are now on sale, it has been reported.

The event will be held Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the

Evangel United Methodist Church Family Life Center, with a social hour starting at 5:30 p.m. and dinner to be served at 6 p.m., according to Chamber executive director Ashlee York.

Advance tickets are \$30 per person and may be purchased at the main Denison State Bank, GNBank and The Farmers State Bank locations

in Holton and at the Chamber office, York said. The Chamber office is located at 118 E. Fifth St. in Holton in The Gossip building.

The dinner will include a sunflower salad with lemon honey vinaigrette dressing, beef bourguignon with pearl onions, steamed carrots served

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## Conservation award winners named

The 72<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Jackson County Conservation District will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at the First United Methodist Church in Holton, 1401 W. Fourth St., it has been reported.

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with the business meeting following at 7 p.m. Kelly Lenz (pictured), who



recently retired from WIBW-AM as a farm broadcasting director, will be the guest speaker.

Several awards will also be announced at the meeting. This year's conservation winners are:

- Kenneth and Norma Thomas — Kansas Bankers Award.
- Dan and JoAnn Sedlak — Outstanding Conservationist Award.
- Dan and Lesley Harris — Grassland Award.
- Gary and Kim Robbins — Soil Health Award.
- Louis and Victoria Hasenkamp — Wildlife Habitat Award.

Jackson Heights student Joel Kennedy, who won the state speech contest, will be honored, as well as the first-place winners of the elementary school poster contest (grades first through fifth).

To make meal reservations for the dinner, contact the district office at (785) 364-3329, ext. 136, by Feb. 5.

The Holton Recorder's special soil conservation section will be published prior to the event. To advertise in this special section, call Errin Bourdon or David Powls at (785) 364-3141 or send an email message to holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net



The home of Danny Hittle and family about four miles south of Denison lay in ruins Thursday morning after a New Year's Eve fire. The cause of the fire, which rendered the house a total loss, has not yet been determined. Friends and family have been pooling their efforts to assist the Hittles in their recovery.

Photo by Brian Sanders

## New Year's Eve fire destroys home

By Brian Sanders

Members of a rural Jackson County family found themselves starting the new year having to rebuild their lives after a New Year's Eve fire destroyed their home about four miles south of Denison.

But in the wake of the fire, family members and friends of Danny Hittle and his two sons have been pooling efforts to help the Hittles recover from the fire, according to Hittle's cousin, Linda Burger of Hoyt.

"The community has been really supportive," Burger said Friday. "We've gotten lots of donations of clothing, so we're looking for more personal items, or even paper plates and bottled water — anything that will help while they're staying with family members."

According to a news release from the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, dispatchers received a report of a structure fire at the Hittles' residence, located at 17970 158th Rd., from a neighbor at midnight on New Year's Eve.

Firefighters arrived at the residence to find it fully engulfed, with the flames visible from as much as five miles away, it was reported. Firefighters from Mayetta, Hoyt and Prairie Band Potawatomi fire departments responded to the fire, along with sheriff's officers and Jackson County EMS personnel.

The Hittles were not at home at the time of the fire, and no one was injured during firefighting efforts, which required about 35,000 gallons of water, it was reported. The residence and its contents were deemed a total loss.

Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse said his office and the Kansas State Fire Marshal's office are investigating the blaze. It was reported that foul play was not suspected in the house fire, and the cause of the fire had not yet been determined by press time.

Burger said items needed to help the Hittles at this time include men's clothing (large and 2XL shirts, as well as pants sized 32x32, 38x30 and 38x32), men's toiletries, paper plates, bottled water and dog food. School supplies are also being sought, as one of Hittle's sons is a student at Royal Valley High School, she said.

Burger may be contacted at (785) 554-9669 for more information about making donations to help the Hittle family.

## 2019 in review: May through August

The middle four months of 2019 saw a number of newsworthy events in Holton and Jackson County as noted in *The Holton Recorder*.

This article, the second part of our three-part review of the past year, profiles top news stories as they occurred between May and August. Top stories from September through December will be featured in the next *Recorder*.

### • May

Two Royal Valley seventh-grade students, Aubrie Russell and Gishgo Hale, won top honors at the recent Kansas History Day competition for their history projects centered on this year's theme, "Triumph & Tragedy."

More than 200 area high school seniors ended their high school days at graduation ceremonies this month, while Holton High School alumni prepared to return to their alma mater for the "Glory Days" celebration. Karen Welliever was named HHS Alumnus of the Year.

A proposed wetland project at Banner Creek Reservoir has been given the green light by the Jackson County Commission. The project was originally proposed by Roberta Spencer, who retired last year as the county's conservation district manager.

Between 2012 and 2017, the number of active farms in Jackson County shrank by more than 75, but those remaining farms grew in size, as did the crops, according to the 2017 Census of Agriculture, conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Holton Community Hospital's proposed \$17.6-million expansion project received a major boost this month, when Denison State Bank announced its donation of \$100,000 to the hospital's fund-raising campaign for the project.

Steps are being taken to establish a rock quarry for road rock in Jackson County in order to alleviate the cost of having rock hauled to the county. Mid-States Materials of Topeka has filed an application for a special use permit to operate a rock quarry east of Hoyt.

Voters in Holton USD 336 will be asked at the November general election to approve a \$4.5 million general obligation bond issue over 20 years to pay for completion of a plan to upgrade heating and cooling systems at Holton's high and middle schools.

Cody Witte, athletic director and elementary physical education teacher in the Jackson Heights school district the last two years, will start his third year in the district as elementary principal, replacing Adrienne Walsh, who also serves as district superintendent and will remain in that position.

Storms spawned as many as 23 different tornadoes of various sizes May 21 in northeast Kansas, with the strongest reported near Bern in Nemaha County, where a home was reportedly destroyed. A tornado also tore off part of a Mayetta area home's roof.

### • June

Mixing concerns over how the current political situation could affect Kansas farmers with nostalgia for his high school days in Holton, U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts assured about 25 Holton-area residents this month that "things are not as bad in Washington as you probably think."

Plans are being finalized to welcome more than 800 bicyclists from across Kansas and

around the Midwest as they ride into Holton on June 14 as part of the 45th-annual Biking Across Kansas event, it was noted.

Former Royal Valley teacher and coach Justin Moore will serve as the new principal at Royal Valley Elementary School after board action this month. Moore worked at RVMS as an English teacher during the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years.

A total of 38 Jackson County residents have filed for positions on area school boards, city councils and the Meadowlark Extension District Governing Board to be decided in the November general election, it was noted this month.

Holton Community Hospital officials said they are nearing an important fund-raising goal for the hospital's proposed \$17.6-million expansion project, and plans to break ground for expansion before the end of this summer are still in place if the fund-raising goal is reached.

The prospect of some parents in the Holton school district deciding to move their elementary school students out of the district due to safety concerns caused by extreme bad behavior of some students reported at Holton Elementary School is prompting the USD 336 board of education to consider some immediate outside intervention measures.

Mid-States Materials of Topeka has been given the green light to establish a rock quarry at 142nd and W Roads, about six miles south of Denison, in Jackson County after the Jackson County Commission approved a zoning change and special use permit for the quarry this month.

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**TUESDAY'S FORECAST**  
 Sunny, High 50

Look for the complete forecast on Page 2.

# DISTRICT COURT NEWS

## Traffic

Raymundo Alvarado-Sandoval, address sealed by court, speeding, \$276.  
 Jaydon L. Ballman, Marysville, driving on left in no-passing zone, \$183.  
 Marilyn J. Boeckman, address sealed by court, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, \$183.  
 Tomas Cayetano-Jimenez, address sealed by court, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$158.  
 Terri J. Clem, Soldier, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.  
 Andrew U. Coe, address sealed by court, speeding, \$177.  
 Wendi M. Collins, address sealed by court, registration violation, no proof of insurance, found guilty.  
 Agustin Conde, address sealed by court, speeding, \$201.  
 Jean B. Emmanuel, address sealed by court, child restraint violation, \$168.  
 Tammy R. Goodman, Hiawatha, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$228.  
 Sampayo H. Guadalupe, address sealed by court, speeding, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, \$233.  
 Derrick A. Iron-Shield, Mayetta, no proof of insurance, \$408.  
 Darrell A. Jones, Topeka, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$100.  
 Marlon B. Jones, Topeka, driving under the influence, found guilty.  
 Brandi L. Keller, Topeka, speeding, \$183.  
 Amanda R. Madison, Topeka, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, \$590.  
 Joshua D. Miller, address sealed by court, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, \$183.  
 Antonio C. Nissen, Holton, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$108.  
 Jennifer L. Steelman, Mayetta, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$280.

## Criminal Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Bradley L. Lantz, Topeka, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; diversion.  
 State of Kansas vs. Ryan S. Miller, Topeka, criminal damage to property; diversion.  
 State of Kansas vs. Santana K. Noriega, Mayetta, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Heath E. Simpson, Hoyt, battery; diversion.  
 State of Kansas vs. Majesty D.L. Wade, Hutchinson, possession of marijuana; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Freida G. Wheeler, Mayetta, permitting a dangerous animal to be at large; diversion.  
 State of Kansas vs. Daniel A. Wingo, Holton, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Katie M. Cheek, Lawrence, theft; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Bobbi J. Klahr, Holton, disorderly conduct; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Nickolas S. LaPlant, Manhattan, cruelty to animals; found not guilty at bench trial.  
 State of Kansas vs. Curtis J. Nicholson, Topeka, criminal trespass; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.  
 State of Kansas vs. Shawnda R. Pena, Topeka, criminal tres-

pass; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

**Filed**  
 State of Kansas vs. Jeffery M. Harris, Holton, aggravated indecent liberties with a child, two counts of criminal sodomy, indecent solicitation of a child.

State of Kansas vs. Blake A.T. Hodges, Mayetta, aggravated domestic battery, aggravated battery, criminal restraint.

State of Kansas vs. Mark W. Gaede, Falls City, Neb., possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, no proof of insurance.

State of Kansas vs. Dawn L. Hasley, Falls City, Neb., possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

State of Kansas vs. Tina Berry, Eudora, battery on a law enforcement officer, interference with law enforcement-obstruction of official duty, driving under the influence.

State of Kansas vs. Rae L. Conley, Topeka, theft, criminal trespass, driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked.

State of Kansas vs. Bailey J. Raby, Mayetta, residential burglary, criminal possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, criminal discharge of a firearm at an unoccupied dwelling, theft, criminal damage to property.

## Civil

**Filed**  
 Azura Credit Union vs. Charles Scott Dugan, administrator of the estate of David L. Dugan, also known as David Dugan, deceased; the unknown spouse if any of Cheryl L. Dugan, also known as Cheryl Dugan, deceased; the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns, if any, of Cheryl L. Dugan, also known as Cheryl Dugan, deceased; John Doe and Jane Doe (unknown tenants/oc-

cupants) and the Board of County Commissioners of Jackson County, Kansas, seeking judgment of \$28,121.83 plus interest, court costs and foreclosure of mortgage.  
 In the matter of Emily Jane McGrath, seeking change of name to Emily Jane Boeckman.

## Limited Civil

**Filed**  
 Topeka Oral Surgery P.A. vs. Stephanie Allen, seeking judgment of \$378 plus interest and court costs.

Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs. Jessica Hoffman, seeking judgment of \$1,869.84 plus interest and court costs.

Portfolio Recovery Associates L.L.C. vs. Jennifer Murphy, seeking judgment of \$1,925.38 plus interest and court costs.

Unified School District 336 Holton vs. Douglas F.M. DeVader, seeking judgment of \$7,397.25 plus interest and court costs.

## Small Claims

**Dispositions**  
 Complete Chiropractic Care Center vs. Malinda Smith, sought judgment of \$517.80 plus interest and court costs; granted judgment of \$546.39 plus interest and court costs.

**Filed**  
 Penny S. Ludlow vs. Jason D. Donoho and Sarah L. Donoho, seeking judgment of \$2,097.14 plus interest and court costs.

## Domestic

**Filed**  
 In the matter of the marriage of Stephanie M. Dawson and Matthew V. Dawson, seeking divorce.

In the matter of the marriage of Craig Wohler and Tisha Prather, seeking divorce.

## Marriage Licenses

Matthew C. Fritch, 54, Hoyt  
 Angela L. Drake, 49, Hoyt

## Arrests noted in county

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following arrests:  
 ■ On Dec. 26, Dawn Hasley, 39, Falls City, Neb., was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.  
 ■ On Dec. 26, Mark Gaede, 34, Falls City, Neb., was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while suspended and no liability insurance.  
 ■ On Dec. 26, Sloan Bright, 30, Holton, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to warrant.  
 ■ On Dec. 27, Desire Allen, 35, Raymond, Neb., was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.

■ On Dec. 28, Tyrone Rose, 43, Hiawatha, was arrested on a criminal warrant on a charge of failure to appear.  
 ■ On Dec. 29, Tina Berry, 58, Eudora, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence, battery on a law enforcement officer and obstruction.  
 ■ On Dec. 30, Colten Merriam, 22, Holton, was arrested on four criminal warrants on probation violation charges and on a traffic warrant on a probation violation charge.  
 ■ On Dec. 30, Jessie Earwood, 42, Topeka, was arrested on a traffic warrant on a charge of failure to appear.  
 ■ On Dec. 31, Garrett Pruyser, 18, Hoyt, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

## County accidents investigated

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the following accidents:  
 ■ At 4:24 p.m. on Nov. 10, Paul Brown, 55, Missisauqua, Ontario, was traveling north on U.S. Highway 75 near 118th Road when his vehicle struck some debris in the road. Brown's 2019 Hyundai sustained damage to its front left bumper that was listed at more than \$1,000.  
 ■ At 7:21 p.m. on Nov. 15, Raymond Wahweotten, 52, Delia, was traveling north on U.S. 75 near 150th Road when his vehicle struck a deer in the road.  
 Wahweotten's 2007 Chevrolet sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and front right and left quarter panels that was listed at more than \$1,000.  
 ■ At 8:43 p.m. on Nov. 15, Alan Gilchrist, 44, Onaga, was driving west on Kansas Highway 16 near J Road when his vehicle began having mechanical issues.  
 Gilchrist's 1995 Jeep veered to the left and then right before entering the ditch on the north side of the road.  
 Gilchrist's Jeep sustained damage to its front right bumper, front right quarter panel, undercarriage and hood that was listed at more

than \$1,000.  
 ■ At 2:09 p.m. on Dec. 13, Dean Robinson, 88, Mayetta, was driving north on W Road near 166th Road when he reportedly was unable to see due to some dust kicked up by an unknown vehicle.  
 Robinson's vehicle, a 2002 Ford, then began traveling in the southbound lane, it was reported, and collided with a 2001 Ford being driven by Triston McClane, 22, Denison.  
 Robinson's Ford sustained damage to its front left quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.  
 The Ford McClane was driving sustained damage to its rear left quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000.

## Accidents reported in city

The following traffic accidents were investigated by the Holton Police Department in recent weeks.  
 ■ At about 2:45 p.m. on Dec. 22, Henrietta E. Hutting, 67, of Circleville was driving a 2007 Dodge Dakota pickup that was preparing to turn south onto U.S. Highway 75 and was next to a truck pulling large bales of hay on a trailer. While turning onto the highway, Hutting reportedly did not see a 2004 Chevrolet 1500 pickup driven south on U.S. 75 by Gary V. Salts before Hutting's Dodge struck the passenger side of Salts' Chevrolet. More than \$1,000 in damage was noted.  
 ■ Duane E. Chick, 85, of Whiting was driving a 2005 Toyota Matrix north on Arizona Avenue at about 5:50 p.m. on Dec. 11 when the Toyota struck a 30-foot trailer that was hooked up to a

2014 Dodge R35 that was parked on the west shoulder of the road. The Dodge was driven by Dustin B. Medders, 29, of Sulphur Bluff, Texas. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,000.  
 ■ At about 8:55 p.m. on Dec. 5, Tracie L. Grogg, 43, of Holton was driving a 2008 Nissan Rogue on Vermont Avenue when the Rogue crossed the center of the road and struck a legally parked and unoccupied 2004 Honda Odyssey belonging to Matthew D. Wilson of Holton, with more than \$1,000 in damages resulting. Grogg was cited for driving under the influence, no seat belt and no proof of insurance.

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<b>Tuesday</b>		<b>Sunny</b>	<b>High: 50</b>
<b>7</b>			<b>Low: 25</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Mostly sunny and breezy</b>	<b>High: 52</b>
<b>8</b>			<b>Low: 42</b>
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>Partly sunny and breezy, slight chance of rain</b>	<b>High: 56</b>
<b>9</b>			<b>Low: 27</b>
<b>Friday</b>		<b>Slight chance of wintry mix</b>	<b>High: 41</b>
<b>10</b>			<b>Low: 18</b>
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>Mostly cloudy, chance of snow</b>	<b>High: 37</b>
<b>11</b>			<b>Low: 21</b>
			<b>Precip: 20%</b>

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# MEMORIES

Compiled from the Holton Recorder archives by Kendra Moppin

## 5 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 5-11, 2015

George Cochren, a resident at Medicalodges Jackson County, recently received a Christmas basket and a "thank you for your service to our country" from Gary Sawyer of Holton VFW Post 1367's Men's Auxiliary. Members of the auxiliary recently delivered baskets of fruit and snacks to local veterans at their homes and at area assisted living facilities, it was reported.

Rose Clark retired from NEK-CAP, Inc. on Jan. 9 after 44 years of service at Head Start, it was reported. Clark began her career as a Head Start teacher in Holton in 1970 and served as NEK-CAP's education coordinator for five years, and in 1986, became the agency's Head Start director.

Royal Valley High School students received a late Christmas present this week as each student was issued a Google Chromebook laptop as part of a new one-to-one technology initiative at the school. According to principal Jim Holloman, the district had "been dreaming about this for many years."

## 10 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 5-11, 2010

New City of Holton utility poles are standing tall on 246th Road and other locations outside the city. The old poles, damaged in the December 2007 ice storm, are being replaced and given to anyone interested in obtaining one.

Koger Variety in Holton is celebrating its 36th year in business, it has been announced.

Jackson County Commissioners Roger Coverdale, Roy Hallauer and Larry Fenske recently accepted the Kansas Workers Risk Cooperative for Counties award, which honored Jackson County for having the second best loss ratio in its premium size.

Valerie Olberding, RN at Jackson Heights, is a recipient of a \$987 Healthy Habits for Life

grant from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Foundation, it has been reported. Olberding is one of 57 school nurses or program administrators from across the state who received grants to promote healthy lifestyle choices to their school-aged children.

## 15 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 5-11, 2005

Holton senior Blake Raaf has been selected for the 2005 Kansas Shrine Bowl All-Star Football Game, it has been announced.

"Miss Muzzie" is one lucky dog. She survived a Thursday afternoon, Jan. 6, fall through thin ice on a small pond at the home of her owners, Lee and Connie Stewart or rural Hoyt, then fought for about two hours to stay alive before she was pulled out. Had it not been for the efforts of Hoyt's volunteer fire department and a helpful neighbor, John Noller, she would not have made it out of the frozen pond alive, it was reported. Volunteer firefighters said they had never done anything like that before.

Chicago Bears strength and conditioning coach Russ Riederer retired on Monday, Jan. 10, after 13 years working with the team. Riederer and his family plan to move back to his hometown of Holton. The Holton native was named one of the top athletes of the 20th century in Northeast Kansas, it was reported.

## 25 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 5-11, 1995

Jackson Heights' basketball teams pulled off a real coup on Tuesday night, Jan. 3, in Wathena, sweeping the boys and girls varsity games to open league play in the Delaware Valley League. The Cobras sealed a 51-47 victory in the boys game on two free throws by senior Matt Claycamp, who scored a career-high 13 points. On the girls' side, Becky Rieschick erupted for 11 points to help the

## SONIC BLAST FROM THE PAST



This week's "Blast From The Past" features a Holton man who was named a veteran recruiter for the U.S. Naval Reserve in 1977.

Be the first to identify him by calling *The Holton Recorder* at 785-364-3141 and receive a coupon for a FREE Sonic Blast!

Last week's "Blast From The Past" featured Mike Reichle, who was correctly identified first by Bruce Shaw. Winners may pick up their Sonic coupon at *The Holton Recorder* office.

Lady Cobras win 47-30.

Portraits by Kennedy was recently welcomed into the Holton area business community. The portrait studio is in a country setting southwest of Holton. Co-owners are Matt and Kristin Kennedy.

Royal Valley's varsity wrestling team slipped past Sabetha 40-32 and Onaga 35-31 on Thursday, Jan. 5, extending its dual win streak to seven. The Panthers dominated the middleweight classes as Chad Frederick, Justin Ogden and Matt Boyd each went 2-0 on the night.

## 50 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 5-11, 1970

Bryce Tolin and Bob Colhouer built and maintained a sign depicting a thermometer to show the progress of the United Fund drive as a community service project. Recently, the Tolin and Colhouer were able to paint the thermometer to "overflowing" status to show the success of the fund drive in exceeding the \$11,000 goal by \$600. The boys have kept the thermometer at the proper level as the campaign progressed over the past three months.

News of the dedication of the new Jackson Heights high school spread over the world by way of the *Associated Press*. *The Holton Recorder* has received a copy of the *San Juan Star* published in San Juan, Puerto Rico, carrying the story of the school built on a former Atlas Missile site.

Barbara Wilson was named queen of the Holton Roller Rink last month and Leroy Shupe was named king. The winners were chosen by vote of the skaters during a three-month period. Wilson and Shupe were presented with prizes of shoe skates. Presentations were made by Everett Wing and Carol Hiner, managers of the Holton and Netawaka Roller Rinks.

Jay Nott, Lila Latham and Harlan Suther, all seniors enrolled at Wetmore High School, have been selected as Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1970, it has been announced.

## Kansas Corn Symposium is Jan. 23 in Manhattan

Kansas corn producers are invited to the third annual Kansas Corn Symposium to celebrate the accomplishments of Kansas Corn and look to the future on topics including ethanol, trade and research, it has been reported.

The symposium will be held on Jan. 23 at the K-State Alumni Center in Manhattan. All corn producers are welcome to attend the symposium, which is hosted by the Kansas Corn Commission and Kansas Corn Growers Association (KCGA).

The event will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the KCGA annual meeting where association members will weigh in on policy priorities, elect board members for northwest, north central and northeast districts and receive timely state and national policy updates.

The symposium will focus on Kansas Corn's efforts to build markets for corn in all forms, including efforts to build relationships and markets with Mexico, a key trading partner. A panel will feature Mexican Consul Alfonso Navarro-Bernachi, as well as representatives from the U.S. Grains Council and the U.S. Meat Export Federation Mexico offices.

Attendees will hear about efforts being made to expand ethanol availability across the state, as well as efforts to support science education in Kansas schools through the Kansas Corn STEM program.

Kansas Corn will celebrate the completion of the third class of the Kansas Corn Corps young grower program and the second class of the Collegiate Academy. The winners of the second annual Kansas Corn Yield Contest will be honored, followed by a networking social with research partners.

The keynote speaker at dinner will be Naomi Blohm, senior market advisor at Total Farm Marketing by Stewart-Peterson, Inc. The recipients

of 2019 Next Generation Scholarship and winners of the Kansas Corn Challenge will be recognized. The evening will conclude with recognition of the Kansas Corn Impact Award winners.

Registration is free thanks to support from our sponsors. Growers are asked to register for accurate meal counts at [kscorn.com/symposium](http://kscorn.com/symposium) or by calling 785-410-5009.

Kansas Corn is also offering the Kansas Corn Risk Management Workshop beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 23. The workshop will wrap up at 1 p.m. before the beginning of the Corn Symposium. The goal of the workshop is to provide resources and guidance for growers to establish their risk management plans or evolve the plans they already have in place.

Growers interested in building their risk management skills will hear from Senior Market Advisor Naomi Blohm with Total Farm Marketing by Stewart-Peterson Inc. in the opening session.

They will participate in two breakout sessions focusing on topics including building and advancing risk management plans, how to use crop insurance and marketing tools in risk management planning and more.

An expert panel will discuss risk management topics over lunch. Those wishing to attend the workshop are asked to register by Jan. 16 at [kscorn.com](http://kscorn.com)

Farmers who participate in the Kansas Corn Symposium on Jan. 23 are encouraged to stay to attend the Kansas Commodity Classic, which will take place at the K-State Alumni Center the next day, Jan. 24. The Kansas Classic is the annual convention of Kansas corn, grain sorghum, soybean and wheat associations. Learn more about this event and register at [kansascorncommodityclassic.com](http://kansascorncommodityclassic.com)

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(First published in *The Holton Recorder*, Holton, Kan., on Monday, Dec. 23, 2019.)

Petitions have been filed in the Court by Ann Whalen, an heir of the above decedents, and praying:

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

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

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the **14th day of January, 2020, at 9:00 o'clock A.M.** in the District Court of Jackson County, Kansas, at Holton, Kansas, which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

**Ann Whalen, Petitioner**

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

**Case No. 2019-PR-52**

**In the Matter of the Estate of Jacqueline Lynn Fisher, deceased**

**Case No. 2019-PR-53**

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**Case No. 2019-PR-54**

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# OPINION

## Don't let new vehicle technology lull you into driving inattentively

AAA is warning motorists that the advanced vehicle technologies in newer vehicles, designed to help keep them safe, could actually be posing a fatal risk to them over time if their "safety first" approach to driving ever becomes lax or compromised.

A new AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety study finds that drivers can easily become too reliant on the technology after becoming comfortable with using it, leading them to try and multi-task and engage in additional distracting driving behaviors.

At a time when injuries and or deaths occurring from accidents in newer vehicles should be rapidly decreasing, that's just not happening, according to AAA.

The study's disturbing results found that drivers who owned vehicles equipped with advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) were almost twice as likely to take their eyes off the road and be less engaged when using those technologies. You are not supposed to take your eyes off the road at any time when you are driving, except to rapidly check your mirrors.

Technology such as lane-keeping assistance and adaptive cruise control, are meant to assist (not replace) the driver. Regardless of trust or comfort in a system, AAA warns drivers to always remain alert and always remain attentive to the roadway at all times. The importance of this cannot be overstated!

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety partnered with the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute to study distracted driving among two groups of drivers - those who already owned vehicles equipped with advanced driver assist system (ADAS) technology and those who were given ADAS-equipped vehicles to drive for purposes of the study.

Researchers recorded and analyzed driver behavior using video cameras mounted in the cars, it was reported.

When simultaneously using adaptive cruise control and lane-keeping assistance, these drivers showed a 50 percent increase in engaging in some sort of secondary distracting task and an 80 percent increase in performing distracting tasks that divert their hands or eyes away from the sole important task of driving.

In contrast, motorists who were provided with an ADAS-equipped vehicle were more likely to engage in distracted driving behaviors while driving manually than while automated systems were active.

Secondary distractive tasks that impact driving attentiveness can take a variety of forms.

Examples of fatally dangerous multi-tasking that involve vision might include watching pedestrians or looking down at the central console.

Manual fatally dangerous secondary tasks observed included such actions as holding a cell phone or smoking.

A fatally dangerous visual-manual task would be texting or adjusting vehicle controls.

Cognitive tasks would include engaging in conversation with a passenger or through a hands-free device.

"When speed control or steering are automated, the driver is still required to monitor traffic and be ready to resume full control of the vehicle," said Shawn Steward, AAA Kansas spokesman. "Unfortunately, drivers can become over-reli-

ant on these technologies over time, which can lead to inattentiveness because of engagement in non-driving-related tasks or even becoming drowsy when driving with these systems engaged."

Overall, the research results found that drivers who owned their vehicles -- and therefore had more familiarity with ADAS technology -- were more likely to drive distracted when these systems were active than when they were not.

Meanwhile, drivers with less experience using the technologies were more likely to remain attentive and engaged while the systems were engaged.

Researchers theorize that drivers move through different phases tied to experience using ADAS.

First timers start in a novelty phase where they learn and test the technology. These drivers are less inclined to trust the system's function and reliability, so they remain active and engaged while driving.

Eventually, drivers reach an experienced user phase, where over-reliance and too much trust in the systems become more common. These drivers are more apt to take their eyes and attention away from the road. Research in other industries have demonstrated similar patterns of over-reliance on automated systems. These behaviors can eventually lead to distraction.

"Advanced driver assistance technologies have a lot to offer in terms of comfort and safety, but they should never replace an attentive and engaged driver," said Dr. William Van Tassel, AAA manager of driver training programs. "Remember, technology fails us daily while at work and at home. So, don't get caught driving distracted when being focused on the road can save your life."

The findings are a wake-up call to motorists, underscoring the need to better understand the potential pitfalls they may experience as they progress from initial use of ADAS to greater familiarity with the technology over time.

We all know someone or know a friend of someone who has been seriously injured or killed in a auto accident.

The rules of the road haven't changed and when you drive you are still not supposed to take your eyes off the road.

David Powlis



## MOLLETTE: Trump opponents' pure hate on display

By Glenn Mollette

Everything Jesus said and did was twisted by the religious elite of His day to bring charges against Him.

Charges that amounted to nothing, but they pushed the charges until He was brought to trial where He was found guilty of nothing.

The mean, wicked, sadly religious people who hated Jesus were willing to say and twist anything to eliminate Him and so they did — they thought.

When they were given the option to say what they wanted to happen to Jesus, they yelled, "Crucify Him!"

And they did, by beating and

whipping Jesus like no human being had ever been beaten. He was then nailed to a cross where they watched Him die horrifically.

Never has any man been hated so much and treated so inhumanly as Jesus.

It all began with the hatred that the religious leaders had for Jesus. Next came the accusations by the mob, twisting His words, totally misinterpreting what He said and making mountains out of molehills.

They killed Jesus, but He came back to life like never before. He defeated the grave, giving the world the good news that we celebrate and live by every day.

For hundreds of years, religious groups in the Middle East have fought with each other and given religion a bad name.

I don't think it's flattering to be accused of being religious

since the meanest people in the world are religious.

Just read and watch the television to see who is doing all the fighting in the Middle East and usually done in the name of religion.

Some of these people are barbaric in how they have treated prisoners and villages they have annihilated. The epitome of evil was on full display during the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus, with the religious people leading the way.

President Donald Trump is not Jesus, nor am I comparing him personally to the divinity of Jesus.

No human can be compared to Jesus. However, the media and Democrats are using the same playbook used by first century thugs against Jesus.

The "trumped" up charges by the Democrats, the pure hate that Democrats spew at him

and the way that everything that President Trump says or anything he does is spun by NBC, CNN and House Democrats like he in some way has committed blasphemy, is kind of like how Jesus was accused, tried and crucified.

I don't see that Trump is going to be crucified, but Democrats want him found guilty and removed from office for certain.

We will stay tuned to future jargon and jockeying by the House, Senate and, of course, President Trump.

Anyway, may we all have a peaceful and happy New Year. Hopefully we can all survive and overcome what they do to us in Washington.

Note: Glenn Mollette is an American author and columnist. You can learn more about him online.



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR: Be a real Christian

Dear editor,

How long will it take before you hear, "I'll be glad when this year is over?" Here are some words, terminologies, expressions and phrases that have become American lingo.

In 1961, Joseph Heller wrote a novel titled "Catch 22." That title became a term used to describe any number of paradoxical, hard or complex situations that arise in everyday life.

Remember "not?" People would use this word to disagree with or cancel something or some notion. For example, a Green Bay Packer fan would say, "The Dallas Cowboys are America's football team — not!"

Seeing an opportunity dur-

ing the "not" era, I had a t-shirt made that said, "And Enoch walked with God; and he was not; for God took him — Genesis 5:24."

I'm glad "Oh my God!" used constantly has simmered down. For me, if OMG is not used in sincere distress or prayerfully, it's kind of like using God's name in vain. With that in mind, it would be great if bleep language would become extinct or at least watered down to "aw shucks."

Positive and affirmative words like "good job," "exactly" and "perfect" sound nice. A bad car is a "lemon," which birthed "if life gives you a lemon, make lemonade."

"Life is like a box of choco-

lates — you never know what you're going to get." Thank you, Forrest Gump! Don't forget "lol" means laugh out loud, not lots of love. All you have to do to insult somebody is say "your mama." Ask a person a question today and the answer will likely be "So..."

"Right" has taken America by storm. I mean, people are constantly making statements followed by the one-word question "right?" Example: "Don't argue with me when I'm right! Right?"

You can instantly agree with someone, or sum up a situation, by simply saying "Right?" At least hearing "right" all the time is better than hearing "left," right?

My favorite birthday card: "It's not nice to ask how old you are, so, how much do you weigh?" Happy birthday!

The Trump era has given birth to "fake news" and "real news" with opposing sides vying for the public's favor. Being real is a big deal! I sure don't want to be a fake Christian since only real Christians will go to heaven. God will decide. To see how He thinks, read the Bible.

John 3:3 says, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

20-20 vision in 2020 would be great!

Steve Cappelman  
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## Public Notice

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Christmas in Holton 108 years ago....

The photo above was taken at Christmas time in Holton in 1911, according to local resident Verlin Wichman, who submitted it for publication. Wichman said the background of the photo shows Hotel Josephine. Identified in the photo were, left to right, M.F. Gable, Wm. Raisch, Wm. Blosser, A.E. Hosmer, John Davis and Frank Perkins (seated). The men in the photo belonged to a "men's class" that was delivering baskets of food at Christmas.

Submitted photo

### Potawatomi Methodist

By Ilene Dick

The cold weather returned on Sunday, Dec. 29 following the rains all day on Saturday. It was fortunate to have the rains rather than snow that many areas experienced.

Pastor Howard opened the service at Potawatomi United Methodist Church on the last Sunday in 2019 and the first Sunday after Christmas. A thank-you note was read from the veterans for the 62 Christmas cards sent from the church. Pastor Howard presented a mounted picture of the float from the Parade of Lights to Laura Schreiber.

Acolyte was Laura Schreiber while Tina Pugh provided the music. The call to worship was from Psalm 96. Judy Thoman was liturgist, reading from Revelations 19:16. The Epiphany prayer was prayed in unison. Hymns were "Go, Tell It On The Mountain," "The First Noel" and "We Three Kings."

Laura Schreiber gave the special by sharing from the book of poetry by Helen Steiner Rice, which was a reminder to thank God for everything.

The birthday song was sung

#### Wrestling

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13: Marquez Conley (HOLT) over Brendan Grossman (SPHI) (Fall 3:21).

126: Tommy Thomas (SPHI) over Kayden Elliott (HOLT) (Dec 6-5).

126: Kayden Elliott (HOLT) over Andrew Pacheco (SPHI) (Fall 1:51).

152: Jacob Davis (HOLT) over Thomas Davis (SPHI) (Fall 5:38).

152: Trevor Bowser (HOLT) over Justin Snyder (SPHI) (Fall 1:08).

152: Guillermo Ruiz (HOLT) over Thomas Davis (SPHI) (Dec 8-3).

220: Cooper Baxter (HOLT) over Brody Hill (SPHI) (Fall 1:22).

220: Tanner Thompson (SPHI) over Henry Katz (HOLT) (Fall 4:34).

Holton's next varsity wrestling action is scheduled for Jan. 17-18 at Newton, starting at 9 a.m. Holton's next junior varsity wrestling is set for Jan. 18 at Topeka, starting at 9 a.m.

### New, Trimble candidates for fall graduation

Two Jackson County students at The University of Kansas were among 1,355 candidates for fall degrees from the university, KU's registrar's office reported recently.

Tannery Wesley New of Holton was a candidate for a bachelor of science in business degree in accounting, while Chelsea Marie Trimble of Delia was a candidate for a doctorate in nursing practice.

This fall's degree candidates at KU represented 58 Kansas counties, 40 other states and Washington, D.C., and 58 other countries around the world. Degrees are officially conferred in January.

Some candidates participated in recognition ceremonies in mid-December, while others will choose to participate in KU's annual commencement ceremony on May 17. That information is available at commencement.ku.edu

to Laura Schreiber, whose special day was Dec. 14. Jim Shenk was offertory usher.

The sermon text was taken from Luke 2:22-40 with the title "The Joy Of God's Salvation." The scripture told that the caravan of adoration was over and the life for the holy family seemed to have settled to a normal routine. Now it is time to go to the temple and observe the ancient rituals of the Jewish people. As the ceremonies continued, the parents acknowledged that the child belonged to God.

Christmas is an event, a happening within history. It is the actual advent of the life, love, light and hope of God into our world of darkness, sin, lostness, pain, hopelessness and death.

The Christmas fact is that this child is a measuring rod, a moral barometer, a spiritual yardstick for all of civilization.

Because of this God-given child of Christmas, our task is shaping our world so that all God's children of every age,

race, culture and condition, from the oldest to the youngest, may experience safety and grow joyfully into usefulness in God's kingdom.

As the New Year is welcomed in on Sunday, Jan. 5, Pastor Howard's sermon will be titled "Time To Renew," with the text coming from Genesis 1:1-5.

Lily Hall enjoyed the holiday with her children and grandchildren. They also enjoyed meals and visits with her uncle and family in Lawrence.

Marjean and Jim Shenk had a Christmas dinner with Kansas children and many grandchildren on Dec. 22. As the celebrating continued, they went to the home of Jeff Shenk and family on Christmas morning for breakfast and lunch. Lyle and Lisa Shenk came to their home for dinner that evening, and Mike and Jan Shenk visited there later in the evening.

Christmas guests of Judy and Donnie Thoman were Wendy and Brian Dorris, Shayne and Brian. Their daughter, Kassy,

and her family were celebrating Christmas in Wyoming with Shad's parents. The Thomans were able to visit with their daughter, Jessie, via computer video.

Warren and Tina Pugh celebrated Christmas with their family. There were 14 total present for the occasion.

Martha Roush spent three days over the Christmas holiday with her daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Elza Clark, of Lawrence. Her granddaughter, Alison Olson, and niece, Sharon Mayer, joined them on Christmas Day.

Martha Roush celebrated Christmas with her family on Sunday, Dec. 29, at the home of Michael and Kristi Roush.

Ronald and I enjoyed a visit from Tim and Sandee Morris on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day, we enjoyed having our daughter, Lori Gillis, each dinner with us at Vintage Park.

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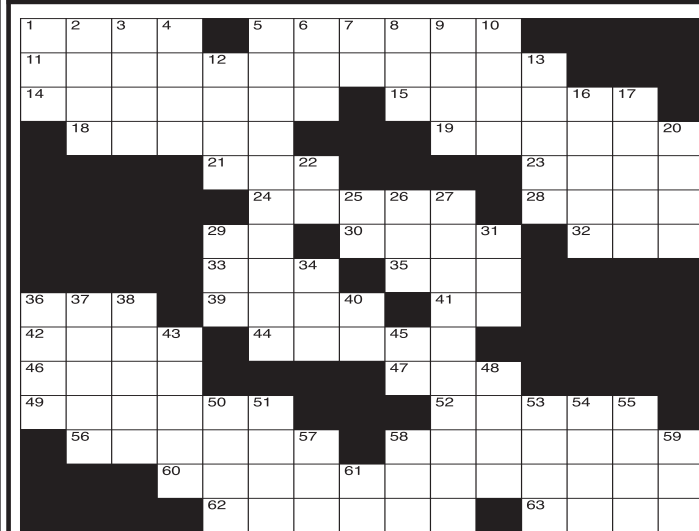
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- 1. Beer ingredient
- 5. Popular FOX TV show
- 11. Recurring from time to time
- 14. Criticized severely
- 15. Musician
- 18. German urban center
- 19. Quenched
- 21. Human gene
- 23. Indian music
- 24. Accumulate
- 28. One who graduated
- 29. Atomic #109
- 30. Semitic fertility god
- 32. Sportscaster Patrick
- 33. Child's dining accessory
- 35. Payment (abbr.)
- 36. Guitarist's tool
- 39. Dabbling ducks
- 41. Commercial
- 42. Style someone's hair
- 44. Biu-Mandara language
- 46. Actress Spelling
- 47. Large hole in the ground
- 49. One-masted sailboats
- 52. Tropical Asian plant
- 56. Concours
- 58. Latin term for charity
- 60. The number below the line in a fraction
- 62. Reddish browns
- 63. This (Spanish)

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Belong to he
- 2. One time only
- 3. Parent-teacher groups
- 4. Puts in place
- 5. Editing
- 6. In the course of
- 7. Helps injured people (abbr.)
- 8. OJ trial judge
- 9. Resist authority (slang)
- 10. Formerly alkenols
- 12. "Cheers" actress Perlman
- 13. Jewelled headdress
- 16. Viking Age poet
- 17. Vanuatu island
- 20. Wish harm upon
- 22. Unit of length
- 25. Blood type
- 26. Drain
- 27. Do-gooders
- 29. Advanced degree
- 31. Business designation
- 34. Chinese-American actress Ling
- 36. Performs on stage
- 37. Slang for money
- 38. Large Russian pie
- 40. The Mount Rushmore State
- 43. Narrow inlet
- 45. News organization (abbr.)
- 48. Scarlett's home
- 50. Micturates
- 51. Monetary unit
- 53. Any customary observance or practice
- 54. Sons of Poseidon
- 55. Facilitates grocery shopping
- 57. Standard operating procedure
- 58. Former OSS
- 59. Midway between south and southeast
- 61. The Wolverine State



In the top photo, Tim Brey (at left), master of Holton Lodge #42 Kansas AF & AM (The Masons) presented a check to Lexi Jenner (at right) as the winner of this year's Holton High School essay contest. Jenner's essay will now be entered at the state level. In the photo above, Brey (at left) presented a financial donation to Jennifer Ingels from the organization, which was used to help fund this year's Christmas Store.

Submitted photo

### Kientz Corner

*By Beverly Ramey Newell*  
At 5 p.m. on Dec. 24, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation held its Christmas Eve worship service. The congregation sang the opening hymn "O Come All Ye Faithful."

Kenny, Yvonne, Audrey and Cara Etzel lit the Advent candles. The congregation sang the fifth verse of the song "Light The Advent Candle."

The children's bell choir played three songs: "Away In A Manger," "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" and "Deck The Halls." The children were full of energy. Their director was Sun Kim.

The children's vocal choir sang "Christmas Medley." They were directed by Yvonne Etzel.

Linda Smith read the scriptures, Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; Luke 1:26-38; and Matthew 2:1-12.

The congregation sang "The First Noel" and "Angels We Have Heard On High."

Everyone prayed "A Prayer For Christmas Eve" by Robert Louis Stevenson. The prayer is as follows:

"Loving Father, help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds and worship of the wise men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world.

"Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with

clear hearts.

"May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen."

The communion elements were served by Pastor Jin, Grace Cho, Yvonne Etzel, Alfred Mannell and Gary and Barbara Slimmer.

The congregation sang "Silent Night." During the singing of "Silent Night," the passing of the light was given. The congregation formed a large circle around the sanctuary and the overhead lights were turned off so only the candlelight was shown all around the large room. What a beautiful sight to see!

The closing hymn was "Joy To The World." Those assisting with the service were Linda Smith, liturgist; Marjorie O'Konski, organist; Matt and Deb Mannell, sound system; Grace Cho, acolyte; and Larry Miles, Matt Walder, Audrey and Kilee, usher team.

On Dec. 22, the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church congregation opened its worship service by singing "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

The advent candles were lit by Rick, Heather, Molly and Megan Strobel. The congregation sang the fourth verse of "Light The Advent Candle."

The birthdays for Dec. 22 through Dec. 28 were Zachary Patton, Dec. 23; Cory Flowers, Gladys Law and

Gayle Smith, Dec. 24; Mary Hudson, Dec. 25; and Dick Newell, Dec. 27.

The concerns were prayers for the Wayne Zwickle family and thanks for all the prayers for Greg Andler, who is Bill and Shirley Slimmer's son. He is doing well and was home for Christmas.

For special music, Betty Domer sang "O Holy Night." She was accompanied by Marjorie O'Konski at the organ.

The children's story was given by Kevin McDowell. He read the book "The First Christmas Night" to them. This tells the story about the birth of Jesus, our Savior, which is what Christmas is all about.

Brian Smith read the scriptures, Isaiah 35 and Matthew 11:2-11.

The sermon, "Are We There Yet: Joy," was given by the Rev. Hyun-Jin Cho. We should have joy in our hearts and be thankful for all the Lord has provided for us and all the blessings we have received. Let us share our joy with our family and friends at this Christmas time.

Marjorie O'Konski, the chair of music, spoke about the Christmas musical, which was performed on Dec. 18, and about how many participated in it. We are so blessed with so many musical talented people in our church.

Linda Smith, the chair of worship, spoke about Ash Wednesday and Lent services. She also spoke about how we pay tribute to our veterans

on Memorial and Veterans Day Sunday. This committee needs volunteers to be liturgists for the 8:30 a.m. service.

The closing hymn was "Joy To The World." Those assisting with the service were Brian Smith, liturgist; Marjorie O'Konski, organist; Joy Jepson and Deb Mannell, sound system; Megan Strobel, acolyte; John Wilson, song leader; and John and Linda Reed, Daryl Jepson and Gary Slimmer, usher team.

On Dec. 20, John and Dorothy Holt, Jim and Sharon Miller, Nick and Karen Nicolay, Glen and Linda Smith and Carmen Sellens ate lunch at Cracker Barrel in Topeka.

On Dec. 21, Bill and Shirley Slimmer and Gary and Barbara Slimmer attended the performance at the Topeka Civic Theater in Topeka.

## County commission meets

The Jackson County Commissioners held a short weekly meeting on Dec. 23.

During the meeting, Scott Kieffaber, noxious weed and environmental services director, reported that he is seeking bids for a lean-to building to use for storage for the spray truck and trailers.

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

\* Approved the one fuel bid received, which was \$18,808 from Haag Oil Company.

\* Left the Courthouse at 10 a.m. to attend the holiday brunch at the Jackson County Senior Center.

\* Met in executive session for 30 minutes with County Counselor Alex Belveal, Deputy County Clerk Tara Peek and Bruce Rinkes to discuss a matter of attorney/client privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

\* Renewed the county's membership with the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC), which lobbies at the state Legislature, for \$3,217.99 and an additional \$100 for webinars.

\* Signed a request and petition to allow Jackson County RWD #1 to occupy a county right-of-way at 118<sup>th</sup> and O Roads to install new service at the location.

\* Signed payroll change notices for Kendal Grimm, a new hire at the sheriff's office, and Callee Hainline, resignation from the sheriff's office.

\* Adjourned the meeting at 12:29 p.m. All three commissioners were present.

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