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Construction of new subdivision to begin this spring

Work on the proposed Banner Oaks subdivision along the south side of Banner Road in Holton, which will benefit from part of a \$390,000 Kansas Housing Resources Corporation grant, could begin as soon as March, with the first house in the subdivision ready for occupancy within a year.

That's what Ross Vogel told the Holton City Commission on Monday at the commission's first meeting of 2021, prior to the commission approving a grant agreement between the city and KHRC to enable development of a proposed 10-lot subdivision along the south side of Banner Road as well as continued development of the Oak Brook subdivision along the south side of First Street.

Vogel, representing Kansas City-based Heartland Housing Partners, along with Holton realtor Roger Hower and Holton contractor Mark Aeschliman, met with commissioners on Monday to discuss their plans for the proposed Banner Oaks subdivision, as well as the KHRC grant, which city officials noted had been awarded in early December.

Holton City Manager Kerwin McKee said the grant funds would be split with \$350,000 going toward development the Banner Oaks subdivision and the remaining \$40,000 to go toward completion of four duplexes in the Oak Brook subdivision, a project of Homestead Affordable Housing of Holton.

Vogel said that weather and other factors permitting, contractors will be "turning some dirt" on the first lot of the Banner Oaks subdivision by "early-tomid-March," and the first house or two in the subdivision will be ready "by this time next year."

The Banner Oaks subdivision first proposed commissioners last August, at which time Vogel said the proposed 10-lot subdivision for "moderate-income housing" on 5.86 acres of land between Banner Road and Banner Creek could be "a \$2.5-million investment in the community in a needed housing segment.'

If the KHRC grant application was approved, commissioners noted, the subdivision would be used for construction of new, single-family residences with a target price between \$200,000 and \$250,000. Hower noted at that time that there were few homes on the housing market in Jackson County in that price

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Branams to be inducted into Chamber Hall of Fame

By Brian Sanders

For Rogette and Jay Branam of Holton, the key to their success lies in one word: motivation.

"It's been an incredible ride," Rogette said of their experiences in Holton's business community. "Every day's been different. But you've got to have motivation."

But while Rogette has had a more public presence in the business community, running expressions flowers and gifts on the east side of Holton's Town Square for 30 years and being involved in community promotion organizations, she said she wouldn't have been able to do what she's done without Jay by her side.

Today, they continue to work together at making the community a better place and supporting a number of community projects.

"It's a team effort," she said. That team effort has been rewarded by the Holton/ Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, which has named the Branams among the Chamber Hall of Fame's Class of 2021, alongside Brooks Barta, Tim Morris and Carrie

"To me, it just feels like we're being honored for something that everyone is doing," Jay said. "We all have the same goal, and that's to win people to Holton and provide services for people.'

Rogette's reaction to the

with an expression (pardon the pun) that their work in keeping Holton's business community alive and vibrant was necessary, particularly for two people who love the small-town experience.

Originally from Council Grove, Rogette moved to the Holton area in 1956 when her father took a job as a highway patrolman, and she graduated from Holton High School in 1965. Jay grew up in the Denison area, graduating from Denison Rural High School before going on to the U.S.

The two of them married in 1976 and were active in real estate in Topeka until 1985, when they purchased a farmhouse that Jay said "was close to where I grew up," and Rogette got involved in real estate in Holton while Jay worked at Jostens in Topeka.

"I wanted to continue to be in real estate, so I looked around for a broker and went to Dale Kellerman," Rogette said. "He pretty much let me do what I wanted to do.'

In 1985, the Branams bought the former Campbell building on the east side of the Square and opened their own private real estate business there. Two years later, expressions opened up in the building on the main floor while the real estate business moved downstairs.

"It was huge," Rogette said of the building. "We moved in some desks and operated that way for a while, until I told Chamber's honor was similar, Jay, 'You know, it's really a



Rogette and Jay Branam of Holton (shown above) have been chosen as part of the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame Class of 2021.

Photo by Brian Sanders

shame to have this main floor items, home decor," Jay said not have retail on it."

In November of 1987. expressions opened as a sort of gift store, utilizing about 800 square feet of the building's 3,000 square-foot total. That business grew - "kitchen

and in 1991, Rogette drew upon her experiences as a florist's assistant after high school to start offering flowers

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DSB pledges five-year donation to JCCF

By Brian Sanders

Jackson County Community Foundation has received a fund-raising boost from Denison State Bank in a move that, it is hoped, will not only help the foundation with overhead costs but also spur local individuals and organizations to also contribute to the foundation.

DSB has announced its intention to donate \$3,500 to the foundation each year for the next five years as a "founding investor" of the foundation, with the donation to help cover the foundation's overhead expenses, including Web site maintenance and other promotional materials, according to Carly Fletcher,

JCCF secretary.
"They are committed to helping us make sure that the Foundation will run effectively and efficiently," Fletcher said. "We're so thankful and so blessed to have Denison State Bank's help."

DSB's Paula Taylor said the bank's donation to JCCF was intended as a "kickstarter" for the fund, adding her hopes that other organizations and individuals will follow the bank's lead.

"We felt like the Community

Foundation was important," Taylor said. "The job they're trying to do is needed in our community. The bank is always looking at ways to improve our community for now and the future, and that's definitely what the Foundation is doing, so we saw it as a great way for us to

Fletcher said the Foundation's overhead expenses include the JCCF Web site — www. jacksoncountycf.org — which now allows individuals and organizations to go online and make donations over the internet directly to the organizations that the Foundation supports.

Mike Roberts, a DSB employee who also serves as the Foundation's treasurer, said the Foundation's Web site costs JCCF \$1,200 a year to run.

JCCF board members "chip in what they can" each year, Fletcher added, noting that she is hopeful that DSB's donation will encourage others to make contributions to the fund particularly after a year that was marked by the COVID-19

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Holton boy battling brain injury

Holton Middle School eighth grader Kyran Folsom, 13, is slowly recovering from a traumatic brain injury he suffered after being accidentally shot by a pellet gun on Dec. 18, according to his family.

"He's a very determined and strong kid," said Destinie Folsom, Kyran's mother. "His strength amazes me.'

Folsom said while she was out shopping for Christmas presents, one of Kyran's friend brought over a pellet gun.

"They didn't realize it was loaded," Folsom said. "The pellet went in about an inch into his brain.'

Folsom's daughter called 911 and then Folsom to tell her Kyran had been hit in the head. Folsom said she didn't realize the severity of the injury until talking with EMS personnel.

him to the hospital now," she said. Kyran was transported to

Holton Community Hospital where he was then quickly taken by air ambulance to Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. Once at Kansas City, his

brain pressure was monitored. "They were hoping that the pressure would go down on its own with some medication,"

she said. But it didn't, and Kyran had to undergo surgery to remove a blood clot, which helped for a few hours before the pressure continued to rise, Folsom said.

"Two days later, he had a decompression craniotomy. At that time, they were able to dead," she said. "They also removed the front and top parts of his skull." Kyran was in a medically

induced coma for 10 days and opened his eyes the day after Christmas, his mother said. "I thought I was going to be planning a funeral," she said. "A huge weight lifted off my

chest when he opened his eyes."

During his stay in the hospital, Kyran has been

running a fever and doctors are conducting tests to see if he's leaking cerebral fluid, which would require a procedure to fix, Folsom said.

"He's now able to walk back and forth to the bathroom. They are working on strengthening his right side because it's

remove the pellet, along with very weak," Folsom said. "On "They told me that they part of his brain because the Monday, they wrote several needed my permission to take tissue around the pellet was questions on a piece of paper, and he was able to answer the questions with a crayon mostly

The next steps are to transition Kyran to liquids and eating solid foods on his own.

"He's not able to talk, but we've been able to ask him simple questions and he's able

to nod yes or no," she said. Folsom said Kyran will spend another four to six weeks, if not longer, in the hospital to

continue his recovery. Folsom works Medicalodges Jackson County and has three other children, Falicity, Alejhya and Creshsey. In April 2018, Kyran's father,

box is also serving as her leadership project for 4-H.

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Similar "blessing boxes" have also been set up in

Holton's Linscott Park,

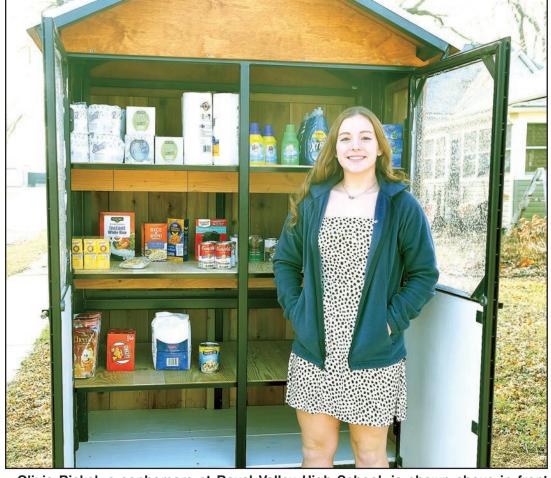
Circleville and Soldier.

leader," she said.

'The leadership project is something that serves your community or home

Marcus Moler, died.

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Olivia Rickel, a sophomore at Royal Valley High School, is shown above in front of a new blessing box she helped organize outside of Hoyt Baptist Church. The box includes food and essential items that are free for members of the community to take as needed. Donations can also be dropped off at the box at any time. Photo by Ali Holcomb

Rickel organizes blessing box in Hoyt

By Ali Holcomb

Royal Valley High School sophomore Olivia Rickel, 16, has organized a "blessing box" in front of Hoyt Baptist Church for community members who need groceries or essential items.

"I've seen blessing boxes in other communities, and I thought it would be a good idea if we put one up here," Rickel said. "I thought it would be pretty beneficial." The large blessing box was

set up just before Christmas in front of the church at 109 Highland Ave. where Rickel is a member.

"The church was very supportive when I came to them with the idea of a blessing box," she said.
The box, which stands

more than six feet high and includes four large shelves, was constructed by church members Kenny Bryan and Don Smith, Rickel said.

'I gave them a basic idea of

how big I wanted the box and then they came up with the design," she said.

The "blessing box" allows

community members in need to take the free items made available anonymously.

"The blessing box gives to those in the community who need essential items," she said. "These items are things like canned or boxed foods, toilet paper, paper towels, hygiene products and diapers. Anyone can take things out of the box or put items in. We want to keep it to just the main essentials.

Rickel is the daughter of Jerry and Chasity Rickel, and she said that, so far, the blessing box has gone over pretty well."

"I think some people are still a little shy about the idea, but we just want to get the word out about it," she said. "I hope it gets a lot of good

Rickel said the blessing

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Kansas expands newborn screening

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has announced that as of Jan. 2, two lysosomal storage disorders (LSD) have been added to the Kansas Newborn Screening blood spot panel: Pompe Disease and Mucopoly-saccharidoses I (MPS I).

With this change, Kansas is now screening for 34 of the 35 conditions on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel. This screening will be part of the standard blood spot screening conducted shortly after birth. While Kansas is not the first state to add Pompe and MPS I to the blood spot screening panel, it is now one of only 23 states to routinely screen for these two LSDs.

Lysosomal storage disorders are a group of diseases that prevent cells from breaking down fats and sugar, causing them to swell. Cells that swell due to LSD causes tissue damage that can lead to a variety of symptoms, such as muscle weakness, enlarged heart, feeding difficulties, intellectual disability and retinal degeneration.

Pompe and MPS I are disorders that are inherited from unaffected parents. When both parents carry a gene for one of these disorders, there is a 25 percent chance their child will be affected by the disorder. Pompe has an incidence rate of one in 40,000 and MPS I has an incidence rate of one in

Given these rates, KDHE's Kansas Newborn Screening Program expects to identify about one Kansas infant per year affected by Pompe and one every year and half affected by MPS I.

As with all conditions on the Kansas Newborn Screening panel, treatments are available for these conditions and are most effective when started early. Early detection and treatment for LSDs can help prevent severe disability and early death and can help babies have the best possible quality of life.

The Kansas Newborn Screening Program has screened babies for rare and serious conditions at no charge to families since 1965, starting with screening newborns for phenylketonuria (PKU). Most babies are born healthy. However, some are born with serious medical conditions that may not be visible at birth. Left untreated, these conditions can cause permanent disability or death.

Over the years, the program has added 31 additional disorders to its panel including hearing loss, critical congenital heart defects and 29 additional

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In the photo above, Jackson County Commissioners Janet Zwonitzer (at left) and Bill Elmer (at right) were honored for their years of service as public officials during a special reception on Monday at the Jackson County Courthouse. Both began serving as commissioners in 2013. Á special ceremony will be held at noon on Monday in the district courtroom to swear in several county officials, including new commissioners Dan Brenner and Keith Kelly.

Mayetta annexation approved

By Ali Holcomb

The annexation of a new Dollar General store property into Mayetta city limits was approved by the Jackson County Commissioners recently.

The store, which is now under construction just east off of U.S. Highway 75 near the north entrance of the city at 162nd Road, has been annexed into the city following resolutions by both the Mayetta City Council and the Jackson County Commission.

A total of 1.025 acres of land were annexed into the city for the

Mayetta Mayor Jonathan Wimer and Mayetta city attornev Tom Barnes met with the county commissioners recently to discuss the annexation. Kate Immenschuh, county appraiser, and Dan Barnett, road and bridge director, were also present.

Mayor Wimer said the city council approved the annexation of the property so that the city could provide city sewer utilities to the new store.

The new sewer lines will need to cross a strip of right-of-way owned by the county. The encroachment for the sewer line was discussed, and Barnett explained the right-of-way petition process the city will need to complete before work on the sewer line begins.

Tyler Oliver of Elk Creek Capital LLC of Overland Park is listed as the developer of the project, and concrete work for the new store has already begun

In 1999, a Dollar General store was built in Holton. Another Dollar General, located off of U.S. 75 in Hoyt, was opened in February 2017.

In other business, according to the approved minutes from Dec. 21, the commission:

Met with Barnett, who reported that he received two emails with questions concerning which driver has the rightof-way at S and 94th Roads where Jackson County connects to Shawnee County. Barnett said it's a confusing roadway, but he did not feel there was any changes that could be made to improve

* Heard a weekly report from Scott Kieffaber, noxious weed and environmental services director, who said his department had a surprise inspection recently from Kansas Department of Health and Environment officials and the facility passed with no concerns.

* Left their meeting room to view the progress of the remodel of the attorney's office on the fourth floor.

Approved a motion to allocate \$1,000 in county funds to the Holton High School post prom event.

* Learned from Chairperson Janet Zwonitzer that about 300 people attended the viewing of the "Christmas star" outside at the Banner Creek Science Center recently.

* Met with Holton/Jackson Chamber Director Ashlee York and tourism council member Suzette McCord-Rogers to discuss the tourism council's 2021 budget.

* Met in executive session for 20 minutes with County Counselor Alex Belveal via phone, Jackson County Deputy Clerk Tara Peek, McCord-Rogers and York to discuss a matter of attorney/client privilege. No action was taken back in open session.

Met with Brett Waggoner of Governmental Assistance Services to discuss Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act funds.

* Learned from Pat Korte, county director of emergency management, that the amateur radio club members have hired someone to install the group's repeater antenna on the roof of the Jackson County Courthouse. The commissioners asked for a copy of the installer's bond and liability insurance before they complete the work.

Approved a motion to renew the county's annual membership to the Kansas Association of Counties, as well as its webinar series, at a total cost of \$3,438.21.

Signed a payroll change notice for Clinton Burger, whose introductory period is complete as a road and bridge department employee.

Signed a request and petition to allow Copeland Development and Construction to occupy a county right-of-way to install a new entrance to a property.

* Adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m. All three commissioners were present.



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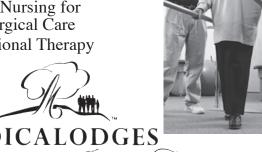
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5 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 3-9, 2016 Sean Willcott is in the process of renovating an old build-

ing in the 200 block of West Forth Street in Holton for the eventual opening of a microbrewery, it has been reported. Through funding from a fed-

eral grant, Lisa Hyten has been hired as a victim services coordinator for Jackson County in order to offer free support services for victims of crimes, it has been announced.

Wabaunsee County Attorney Norbert C. Marek was sworn in on Monday, Jan. 4, as the new Second District Court Judge for Jackson County, it was reported. Marek is replacing the late Judge Micheal A.

Jackson County took possession of the former Forrester Truck Parts & Repair building north of Holton on Monday, Jan. 4, to serve as the new shop for the road and bridge department. The building is located at 24569 U.S. Highway 75.

10 Years Ago Week of Jan. 3-9, 2011

Arcada Liquor in Holton. formerly known as Salts Retail Liquor Store, will be open for business on Jan. 3, it has been announced.

Chubbies Bar and Grill in Holton has opened its kitchen for business with the same recipes originally served for more than 30 years at Tastee Freez in Holton. Janice Tidwell and her daughter, Lindsey, opened Chubbies as a bar in mid-November, and right before Christmas, a full menu became available to patrons. Janice, who runs the kitchen, uses the same and true recipes of her parents, Gary and Mary Pruitt of Hoyt, used at the Tastee Freez until 1999.

During the Jackson Heights High School basketball games against Holton on Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, members of the Soldier Christian Church youth group held a sloppy joe fund-raiser to purchase a water well in Africa through the nonprofit agency called Active Water. Youth group members included Cory Keehn, Micaela Keehn and Jacey Holliday.

15 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 3-9, 2006

There's been a recent change of appearance at the former Cottage Market on the corner of Fourth Street and Colorado Avenue in Holton -its red metal exterior will have a totally new appearance when it reopens later this spring as Boomers' Grill and Sports Bar, under the ownership of Pete and Gloria Stavropoulos.





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Last week's "Blast From The Past" featured Chef Alli Winter, who was correctly identified first by Kelsev Pagel.

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Brenda Adkins of Holton has been announced as the new manager of Jackson County Rural Water District 3.

Pizza is a family affair for the owners of the new Buzzard's restaurant that opened on Monday, Jan. 9, on the corner of Fourth and New York streets in Holton.

Judy Ann Wilt has opened Leigh Ann Michelle's A Simpler Times Boutique on the west side of the Holton Square, it has been announced. The boutique sells a variety of "stuff that makes girls feel good," with goods such as nightgowns, pajamas, bedding and many other items.

25 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 3-9, 1996 The Circleville Fire Department started the year with a new 500-gallon pumper truck,

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it was reported. The truck was purchased from the Hoyt Fire Department.

Workers recently replaced screens on windows in Jackson County jail cells on the fourth floor of the Courthouse. The screens were replaced with heavy-duty mesh to prevent inmates from tearing them or pushing them away from the window frame, it was reported.

Two Holton High School students were honored for their participation in the Kansas Youth Government model legislature held in Topeka recently. Matt Pruett was named best Senate officer" and Emily Hutchins was named "best House officer."

Tom Brown has been named the Jackson County Appraiser – but not for the first time. Brown has served about 10 years in the Jackson County Appraiser's office, five years as deputy appraiser and five years as appraiser prior to leaving in 1990 to take an appraiser position with the Kansas Department of Transportation. He will be filling the vacant county position later in January.

Guiding operations of the Holton Area Chamber of Commerce in the year ahead will be Ginger Lloyd, president; Denise Kathrens, vice president; Dianna Wilson, chamber administrator; and Don Fate, treasurer.

50 Years Ago

Week of Jan. 3-9, 1971

A fire in the wiring at the Holton light plant on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 2, destroyed the control panel connected to the No. 5 engine and left the city without power for about an hour, it was reported.

Bob Bontrager, operator of the light plant, who was on duty at the time of the fire, said the flames from the control panel shot to the ceiling of the plant. The Holton Fire Department was called, and the fire, which was confined to the control panel, was quickly brought under control. No injuries were reported.

Two construction firms located in Holton have been honored for outstanding safety records during 1970, it has been reported. Both Midwest Construction and Welliever Construction went through the entire year without an injury accident.

On Dec. 31, employees at the Jackson County Courthouse held a party in the district courtroom honoring Florence Clements, clerk of the district court, and Bert Hallauer, county commissioner. Both were retiring. Sheriff Don Collins presented both employees with a gift from the county.

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CHCS awaits COVID-19 vaccination plans

Christmas arrived early at Community HealthCare System in the form of 150 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine on Dec. 17, and vaccination of long-term care residents and staff has begun, it has been reported.

But timing of arrival of doses for patients and guidelines on how to prioritize administration of vaccine have not been made clear so CHCS is unable to answer questions from patients.

"We are working closely with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Kansas Hospital Association to get timely information, but the vaccine rollout is still in development," said CEO Todd

According to Willert, KDHE is working on a prioritization plan. CHCS and other hospitals and healthcare providers around the state are eager to learn more, but they have no choice but to wait as state authorities work

finalize logistics.

"We are grateful to have received doses for our frontline workers and other staff, and we're pleased that vaccinations in long-term care and assisted living facilities are proceeding. We know many of our patients want to know when they can receive the vaccine, but we just can't answer those questions

right now," Willert said.

Despite the uncertainty,
CHCS is doing what it can to prepare to distribute the vaccine. Chief of Provider and Clinic Operations Merica Surdez said that CHCS has established a task

vaccination of patients. "Our task force will continue to gather information and ensure that we are adequately prepared to offer the vaccination as soon as we are able," Surdez said.
Surdez said that CHCS will

force dedicated to COVID-19

share information widely as updates are available. In the meantime, patients should

with the federal government to continue to take precautions to protect themselves against COVID-19. She also encourages patients to learn more about the

"If you are interested in receiving the vaccine or have questions regarding the best decision for you, we encourage

provider," Surdez said. Willert said CHCS is ready to enter a new phase of fighting COVID-19.

you to consult your health care

"In northeast Kansas, we love our football, and it offers a ready analogy. For the past eight months, we've been playing defense. We've been reading and reacting. On Dec. 17, arrival of the vaccine meant we finally got to hold the ball, and we aren't letting go. It's exciting to finally be on offense," Willert said.

"Now we have the tool we need to beat the virus. As one of our providers told me later, 'This is the best Christmas present ever.' We can't wait to give that gift to our communities.

School Menus

Jackson Heights

Monday, Jan. 11: Breakfast - Whole-grain cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch -Corn dog, tater tots, baby carrots, chocolate chip cookie, fruit and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Breakfast – Egg and sausage biscuit, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, wholewheat roll (9-12), tossed salad, fruit and milk. Wednesday, Jan. 13: Break-

fast - Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch - Super nachos, southwestern beans, lettuce salad, tortilla chips, fruit and milk. Thursday, Jan. 14: Break-

fast – Chocolate chip muffin, yogurt, fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun, french fries, lettuce salad, sliced tomato, fruit and milk.

Friday, Jan. 15: Breakfast Biscuit with sausage gravy,
 fruit, juice and milk; Lunch – Pepperoni pizza, lettuce salad, carrots and cucumber slices, fruit and milk.

Holton

Monday, Jan. 11: Breakfast – Muffin or cereal, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Hamburger on a bun or hot dog on a bun, fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Breakfast - Pancake on a stick or cereal, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch - Chicken nuggets or corn dog, fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch – Pizza or turkey and cheese sub, fresh fruits and vegetables and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 14: Breakfast - Sausage and cheese biscuit or cereal, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch - Crispito or chicken on a bun, fresh fruits and vegetables and

Friday, Jan. 15: Breakfast - Maple pancakes or cereal, choice of fruit and/or juice and milk; Lunch - Mozzarella breadsticks or fish and fries, fresh fruits and vegetables and

Royal Valley

Monday, Jan. 11: Breakfast - French toast sticks, fruit and milk; Lunch - Fiestada, vegetables, fruit and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Breakfast - Breakfast sandwich, fruit and milk; Lunch – Pig in a blanket, vegetables, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Breakfast – Muffin, fruit and milk; Lunch – Chicken and noodles, vegetables, roll, fruit and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 14: Breakfast - Uncrustable, fruit and milk; Lunch - Taco, vegetables, cookie, fruit and milk.

Friday, Jan. 15: Breakfast - Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk; Lunch - Chicken strips, vegetables, biscuit, fruit and

Prairie Hills

Monday, Jan. 11: Breakfast – Cereal or cinnamon pastries; Lunch - Breaded beef sandwich on whole-grain bun, sliced cucumber, baked beans, banana and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Breakfast - Biscuits and gravy; Lunch - Glazed meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, mandarin oranges, cinnamon puff and

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Breakfast – Syrup Day; Lunch – Crispy chicken wrap, french fries, lettuce salad, grapes, Go-Gurt and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 14: Breakfast – Sausage or egg biscuit sandwich; Lunch – Biscuits with sausage gravy, sausage patty, tri-tater, dragon juice, peaches and milk.

Friday, Jan. 15: Breakfast -Breakfast pizza; Lunch – Little smokies, macaroni and cheese. steamed broccoli, applesauce, whole-grain cornbread and milk.

Mayetta Christian Church

By Bob Morse

Greetings from the Mayetta Christian Church family. It is hard to believe how fast December has come and gone! With many concerns and prayer requests for healing of all the usual sickness and surgeries as well as the COVID-19 cases a few of our members have had to deal with, we are blessed to have once again been able to continue our services to include a can-

dlelight Christmas Eve service! Our usual writer has been unable to attend church this month, as she has been caring for her husband who, we are pleased to announce, is almost completely recovered from COVID-19. So, this article will give a brief re-cap of our December services. Song leaders were joined by several children

each Sunday this month! On the first Sunday in December,

Pastor Ernie Coleman preached on the gospel of John where John the Baptist was, as Isaiah the prophet had said, the voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Make straight the way for the Lord!" (John 1:23 - NIV).

We should point to Jesus, not to ourselves. Am I willing to follow the Lord more closely? Tom Stiers read the communion scripture.

On the second Sunday in December, Pastor Coleman preached on Luke 2, "Shepherds And Angels." Shepherds, the most unlikely people to be told first of Christ's birth, heard the good news of Christ's birth and immediately took action. They were filled with

When we consider God's gift of His Son, what will our response be? What action will we take? Stonie Taylor read the communion

scripture.

On the third Sunday in December, Pastor Coleman preached on What Christmas Is." This was also taken from the gospel of John, with the main theme being "The Greatest Story Ever Told!" The gift of God's own Son was priceless, eternal and for our daily lives, the practical example of godly living for us to follow. Bob Morse read the communion scripture.

And finally, on the last Sunday in December, he reminded us of the protection from the storm that God provides each of us – the storms of nature, the storms of people and the storms of the serpent (Acts 27-28).

Hebrews 13:5 says, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." We can find true peace and calm in the midst of the storm through Christ! Bob Morse read the communion scripture.

The annual church meeting will be held on the second Sunday in January (Jan. 10) following ser-

Please come and join us for Sunday services from 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. We are still waiting on more "certain times" to re-start Sunday

school. Mayetta Christian Church is located on Jones Street in Mayetta, right next to the fire station. Pastor

Ernie Coleman can be reached at the church at 785-966-2611.

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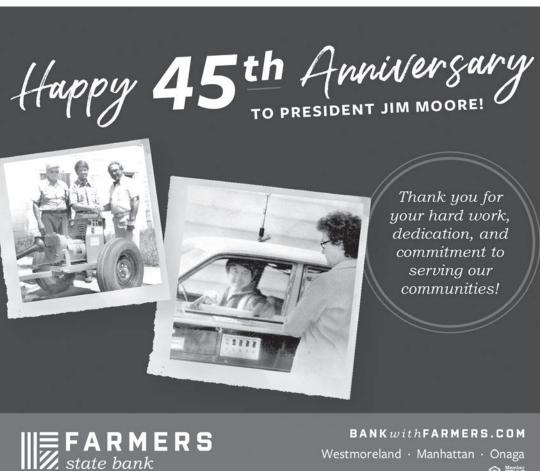
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The Delaware Watershed Joint District No. 10 annual meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 21, 2021, 7:00pm at Delaware Watershed Office, 125 West 4th Street on the South Side of the Square in Holton.

The five-year construction schedule will be reviewed and approved, the watershed depositories will be determined and a GAAP Waiver Resolution will be considered by the board. Four board positions are up for election. Those positions are in the North and South Cedar Creeks Sub Watershed, Elk Creek Sub Watershed and Grasshopper-Coal Creeks Sub Watershed and an at large position. The public is invited.



There ought to be a hall of fame for local teachers

Maybe it's because the CO-VID-19 pandemic has put such a focus on the importance of teachers, schools and learning this past year.

Or maybe it's because I have been covering school board meetings, and staying in contact with local schools for about 41 years.

Or maybe it's because George Gantz of Holton, deceased, came up with the idea for a teachers hall of fame here several years ago and I liked the idea then and I still like the idea now.

There ought to be a hall of fame for teachers in this community - and in every community. And it ought to happen now.

Most recently, I was reminded of that when the neighboring Atchison County Community school district at Effingham announced the latest inductees into that district's teacher hall of fame.

Why not teacher hall of fame recognition for the Jackson County school teachers and administrators?

At the top of Mr. Gantz's list of top local teachers of all time, as I recall, was Nina Birkett Keller, who started teaching at Holton's original Colorado school at the corner of Fifth Street and Colorado Avenue in 1898 at the age of 18 and went on to teach there for a total of 50 years, retiring in 1947. Keller was also principal of the school for a number of those years.

The importance of good

teachers in every community cannot be overstated and is a key determining factor in the future success and progress of every community.

Holton's George Gantz, in his adult years, looked back with fondness at his school days in Holton and correctly credited his teachers for helping him on his way to a successful life. Time and space is not available here to tell all about Mr. Gantz, but you can look him up.

There's a lot of talk nationwide these days about how all of our kids need to be back in the school buildings for in-per-

son learning.
COVID-19 wouldn't be such a problem for schools if kids taught kids, because the virus is not adversely affecting young people like it does adults and the elderly, it seems.

But kids don't teach kids. Teachers teach kids and we need to look out for their health during this pandemic.

The importance of having good teachers in our communities has never been made more clear than this past year during the pandemic.

And when it's over, and things are back to normal, it would be nice if our communities could find more ways to show appreciation for our teachers.

I think George Gantz's idea for a local teachers hall of fame was a good idea that needs to be David Powls

"America First" is just common sense for U.S.A.

Joe Smith started his day early, having set his alarm clock (made in Japan) for 6 a.m.

While his coffee pot (made in China) was perking, he shaved with his electric razor (made in Hong Kong).

He put on a dress shirt (made in Sri Lanka), designer jeans (made in Singapore) and tennis shoes (made in Korea).

After cooking his breakfast in his new electric skillet (made in India), he sat down with his calculator (made in Mexico) to see how much was left in his bank

After setting his watch (made in Taiwan) to the radio (made in India), he got in his car (made in Germany), filled it with gasoline (from Saudi Aradia oil) and continued his search for a goodpaying job in the United States.

At the end of yet another discouraging and fruitless day checking his computer (made in Malaysia), Joe decided to relax for awhile.

He put on his sandals (made in Brazil), poured himself a glass of wine (made in France) and turned on his television (made in Indonesia) and then wondered out loud why he still can't find a good-paying job in the United States.

Joe used to work as a manager for the sewing factory in his town, until those jobs went to Mexico.

With President Donald Trump, scenarios like the one described above have been on the decline over the past four years and what's wrong with that?

New President-Elect Joe Biden, however, publicly says the "America-First" slogan is now dead in the water and that he will never use it after he is inaugurated.

Every country should have the same slogan - their country first. It just makes sense.

Biden was also the first presidential candidate ever declared a winner after promising to raise

Ever since the COVID-19 pandemic, the citizens of the U.S.A. have witnessed how dangerous it is for our country to depend on foreign countries for basic medicines, for just one example.

Distractors with undisclosed or secret personal ties to foreign countries or foreign business concerns are the only ones who can afford to be so critical of economic policies that put America First, foreign countries

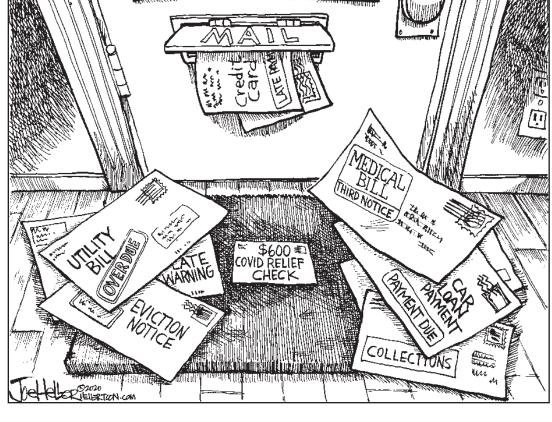
These same distractors try to make America First sound nationalist and isolationist, when it is really just common sense.

More than one generation of U.S. senators and congressmen have made themselves and their families rich utilizing loopholes in government policies that they wrote themselves to enrich themselves. And it is time for

U.S. citizens must demand that neither elected officials nor their family members (including the current crop of Democrats and Republicans) be allowed to do business with - or receive any campaign contributions from foreign governments or foreign businesses or industries.

It's absurd that U.S. citizens must demand this now, but we

Finally, you have to wonder about any national leader, including the presidentelect, in my opinion, who says "America First" is not a good slogan for our country. David Powls



Prairies fertile frontier for songcatchers

By Tom Isern

"Songcatcher" is the title of a year 2000 film recently viewed at our house on Willow Creek. It stars Janet McTeer as Professor Lily Penleric, a musicologist enamored of the ballad tradition.

McTeer stumbles into a mountain community of singers in North Carolina, becomes entangled with their lives as well as their music, and is transformed.

The film received mixed reviews, but it intrigues me because of its historic content. The title character is based on one Olive Dame Campbell, a real-life songcatcher.

A century ago, songcatchers ballad hunters, seekers and recorders of folk music traditions - roamed the country, trying to save what they believed to be dying cultures, generally in remote places. The American prairies were a fertile frontier for their work.

Understand that there was an academic establishment in the fraternity of songcatchers, a sort of club headquartered in eastern places with ivy on their walls - more specifically Harvard University.

Tweedy names like Francis James Child, George Lyman Kittredge and Francis Barton Gummere dominated the field. So as songcatchers worked the Great Plains, they not only accumulated collections but also were part of a struggle for iden-

Cowboy songs were a visible battleground. There were a lot of them, and they appealed to the popular imagination. First in the field was N. Howard Thorp, who self-published his collection, "Songs Of The Cowboys," in 1908. This is a valuable work, but Thorp had no academic chops, and so he is not part of the struggle over ballads I'm talking about.

But John Lomax was. A Texas boy who did graduate work with Kittredge at Harvard, he published "Cowboy Songs And Other Frontier Ballads" in 1910. This is the most significant work of a songcatcher on the Great Plains - but if you know the backstory, there is tension

Lomax brought western balladry to Harvard, but he also took Harvard home with him.

You see, Kittredge and company had some quaint ideas about ballads. They loved to think of them as relics of primitive, tribal peoples expressing a charming rustic character but lacking artistic merit.

Lomax often spoke about how his cowboy ballads were in this tradition. But think about it - this is insulting to the people of the plains. It makes them into anthropological museum curiosities.

songcatching Meanwhile, took hold up and down the plains. North Dakota had two ballad hunters – the sadly shortlived Franz Rickaby, at the University of North Dakota, and the

eclectic scholar George Will of Bismarck. They were not fixed on cowboy ballads, so they broadened the field both in geography and in content.

Women, too - contrary to the male exclusivity of Harvard collected prairie ballads. Myra Hull, at The University of Kansas, is a neglected figure in this respect, one I must write about

The star of my current story, however, is Louise Pound, a Lincoln, Neb. girl who got herself a PhD from Heidelberg and came home to unsettle the academic establishment at the University of Nebraska.

an of her generation - a worldclass athlete in several sports and the first female president of the Modern Language Association. She not only made a great collection of ballads from the central plains but also assailed, in print, the arrogant ideas of

not as tribes.

day often insisted on referring to Lousie Pound as "Miss Pound," she is always "Dr. Pound" to me. Dr. Louise Pound, Song-

Note: Tom Isern is a profes-

in a future contribution.

Pound was the wonder wom-

the Harvard crowd.

The singers of the plains, she insisted, were imaginative artists deserving of recognition for their creative work as persons,

So although the press of her

sor of history at North Dakota State University and co-author of the Plains Folk column.

HAMILTON: President-elect pressures

By Lee H. Hamilton

Joe Biden is expected to become President of the United States soon now, and it's fair to say he's already feeling the pressures the office.

I think being president-elect may be the second-hardest in the job world.

For one thing, as

presidentelect. he's

encircled by people who want something from him: appointments, jobs, internal disputes settled.

Right now, political players of all sorts — people who supported him, people who opposed him, interest groups of all kinds and descriptions — are angling to get his ear.

I remember standing behind a rope line once when President-Elect Bill Clinton passed by. A gentleman standing next to me yelled, "Mr. President! Be sure to sign HR 101!" or whatever the bill number was. Then he ducked out of line and left. I've often wondered what he charged his clients for that little shout-out.

We've already seen what else lies in store, as President-Elect Biden announces cabinet picks: he will be analyzed backward and forward and criticized as being too liberal, too conservative, too timid, too bold, too committed to elites or not committed enough to expertise. This welcome-byfire happens to every incoming president.

There's also the realization that they do not get to make easy decisions. Every decision a president or president-elect makes is tough, because the easy ones have been dealt with before he even sees them. How to fulfill promises, how to deal with Congress, what to do about a slew of issues that will soon land on his desk - all will require hard decision-making.

In some ways, this will come to a head quickly, at his first every administration, one of the biggest fights both internally and among interest groups is to get a sentence or two in the speech, since that's where a president sets out policy for the world to see. People do all sorts of things to get their phrase or topic mentioned, and the sorting process is fraught.

It's hard to know in advance exactly what the key policy issues will be, but it's not hard to guess. The pandemic will be a top priority from the getgo, as will the Russian hacking of our government's computer systems.

Climate change, economic growth and racial issues will feature prominently. Infrastructure development is always of importance. And in foreign affairs alone, there are enough challenges to try the most resolute politician: Iran, Afghanistan, China, Russia, Great Britain and Europe, global trade...

Setting priorities will come down to the president and his closest advisors: that is, after all, what presidents do. The federal bureaucracy is huge and filled with talented people and resources. Focusing it on the big things is a major part of the president's job.

But beyond specific policies, President-Elect Biden has another set of challenges on his plate. He has said that he wants to "restore the soul of America" and to help our "better angels prevail."

The period since his election has only confirmed that we face serious concerns about the health of our democracy and its institutions, and about government agencies' ability to perform effectively and without partisan or political interference.

talked about has He bipartisanship throughout this year and will have to find a way to make it a reality in the face of determined opposition from Republicans and serious doubts among Democrats. Moreover, he has to restore the dignity of a presidency that has suffered

State of the Union address. In withering attacks on its norms and prestige under his predecessor, in my opinion.

And while he won't be able to avoid hot-button culture wars, he won't be able to solve them, either. So he'll have to do his best to address them without letting them dominate. An incoming president cannot afford to let matters that are extraneous to his core policies capture him — though he can try to lower the temperature on

In the end, perhaps his most important task will be to refocus the nation's political will on the many challenges we face, and to project a sense of optimism that as a country we can address and solve them. Americans understand their complexity. What they want is a leader who can bring us together to work on them.

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LETTER

Dear editor,

Parachutes are no longer required when flying a plane with a bad engine.

Life preservers are no longer needed when tackling class five rapids. I've got a raging bull that I can't control. I guess I'll just take the fence down.

This is how I feel about the county commissioners removing the mask mandate. Why not play Russian roulette and fill all the chambers except one? If it takes a slight inconvenience to save your own or someone else's life, it shouldn't be a problem.

Scott T. Bailey

The little contribution that grew, and is still growing

By Glenn Mollette
When I was 16 years old, I was invited to speak at a little country church in rural Denver, Ky., not far from Paintsville.

The church had all but closed its doors, but one man, Harold Rice, and his family wanted to see the church stay open and do



well. church with few to almost no people typically does not attract too many interested ministers. I had spoken in my home church a few times and was a guest speaker in a few others. Rice asked if I would consider speaking at the church on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m.

I agreed, and I brought a message to maybe seven or eight people my first Sunday. The crowd consisted of Harold and his wife June Rice and their family. The church was an old building with a pump organ and a sign behind the pulpit that said, "Preach The Word."

I stayed with the little congregation called Liberty Baptist Church throughout high school. By the time I was 17, Rice was talking to me about being the official pastor and about ordination.

In time, I would become the pastor and would be ordained. was too young, too inexperienced and unskilled for such a responsibility, but youth is adventurous and will try what those of us who know better would never consider.

The church grew, and we started having 20 to 30 people, and often more. People literally received Christ, joined the church and were baptized. This was all amazing.

Even more amazing was Rice offered me a grand salary of \$60 a month to help buy my gasoline. The trip one way from home was more than 30 miles, so this was appreciated. He also presented me with paperwork for a perk.

The church was going to put 10 percent, or \$6 of my salary, into the church denominational retirement plan, then known as The Annuity Board. It's called Guidestone today. He had me my agreement to this monthly contribution. I was about 17 at this stage and had zero interest or thoughts about retirement. Six dollars a month kind of seemed

like a joke. I was with Liberty church a couple of years or more, and for about 10 to 12 of those months, Rice made that \$6 contribution to my retirement faithfully, although I never thought another day about it from the moment I signed those papers.

Seven or eight years ago, I did wonder if that account even existed. I called up The Guidestone retirement people, and with my Social Security number they told me in a few seconds that the account did indeed exist and my balance was Shocked would not describe

how I felt. I almost had to pick myself off the floor. If Rice had made as many as 12 contributions, the total invested would have been \$72. Now, years later, I was looking at more than \$31,000. Since that day of first inquiring, that little \$6 account now has more than \$46,000 and is still growing.

The point of all this is save

some money when you can. Start as young as possible, but even if you are old, put something away every month. If you can save hundreds every month, that is wonderful, please do.

However, don't ever underestimate the growth potential of saving a little bit of money every month, even if it's just \$6.

And yes, every time I look at that account, I remember Rice and the good people of Liberty Baptist Church, who not only encouraged me then but are still encouraging me today with just

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Cannon

Carl David Cannon, 64, of Goff, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020, at Overland Park Regional Medical Center, surrounded by his children.

Carl was born Dec. 20. 1956, in Goff, to Donald F. And Viola M. (Shuler) Cannon. He attended Wetmore High School until 1974.

Carl married Renee D Williams on June 28, 1975. in Madison. Together they had four children. Carl spent the majority of his life in the Madison area raising his family and working for IBP in Emporia. Carl and Renee divorced in April of 2003.

Carl married Cathy J Palmer on May 28, 2007. Cathy had five children from a previous marriage whom he loved and respected as his own. Carl worked for Alert Construction Services and traveled until his retirement. Carl and Cathy resided in Goff. His beloved wife Cathy passed away on Feb. 25, 2020.

Carl was an avid outdoorsman; he greatly enjoyed hunting and fishing. You could almost always find him in a garage working on a car or telling someone what they were doing wrong and how to do it the "right" way. During his "younger" years Carl enjoyed camping and boating with his family. He taught each of his children to water ski with the loving phrase "you either get up or it is a long swim back to shore." He was a motorcycle enthusiast, often taking his children on long motorcycle rides and enjoying motorcycle rallies.

Carl was preceded in death by his wife, Cathy Cannon, in 2020; his parents, Viola Cannon in 2016 and Donald Cannon in 2013; two brothers, Richard Cannon in 1972 and Calvin Cannon in 2008; a sister, Donna Johnsen in 2011; and a stepson, Bernard Palmer, in 1982

He is survived by his children, Brandy Stubbs and Melissa Huntsman, both of Hilliard, Ohio, Staci Bednar (Travis) of Beatrice, Neb., Brian Cannon (Savanah) of Council Grove, Baron Large of Goff, Jeremy Large (Rachel) of Sabetha, Andy Palmer (Kristen) of Topeka and Joey Large (Kaci) of Sabetha; and 22 grandchildren. He is also survived by a brother, Raymond Cannon (Nancy) of Holton, and a sister, Darlene Cannon of Goff; and many aunts, uncles cousins, nieces, nephews and his dog, Wallace.

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, a celebration of life will be held at a later date. There will be no visitation as cremation has already taken place.

As an expression of sympathy, monetary donations may be made to a memorial fund of the family's choos-

Lauer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. To express your sympathy and for more information visit www.lauerfuneralhome.com Holton Recorder 1/6/21 ▲

■ Screening...

Continued from Page 2 genetic and metabolic disorders. More than 36,700 babies received this essential service in 2019, KDHE reported, saving 20 lives and preventing serious illness or disability for more than 200 Kansas children.



Sauvage Carl Eugene "Gene" Sauvage, 92, Havensville, died Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020, at Onaga Health and Rehab.

He was born April 28, 1928, in Emmett, the son of Carl Charles and Nellie "Mae" Day

Mr. Sauvage worked for highway maintenance at the State of Kansas, retiring after 36 years. He was also a farmer and stockman for most of his life.

He was a member of Havensville Christian Church, Havensville Lions Club and Havensville Historical Society.

He married Betty Jeanne Gibson on April 23, 1947, in Holton. They celebrated 60 years of marriage before her death on Jan. 11, 2007. He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Connie Greenmun, in 2012; a granddaughter, Melissa J. Wright, in 2012; a great-greatgranddaughter, Lydia Ahlenstorf, in 2018; and two brothers, Harvey P. Sauvage, in 2017, and Bill Sauvage, in 2018.

Survivors include two daughters, Saundra Simkins and Gloria VandeVelde and husband Ronald, all of Havensville; a sister, Betty L. Myers, Havensville; eight grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Wednesday morning at Mount Olive Cemetery in Emmett.

Memorial contributions may be made to Havensville Christian Church, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436.

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Donahue

Robert "Bob" Donahue, 79, Silver Lake, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020. He was born to Mike and

Alice Donahue on Aug. 22, He graduated from Hoyt High School in 1959. After high school, he served in the Army. Afterwards, he worked at Dupont/Flexel/UCB for

more than 30 years. Bob was

united in marriage to Mary Winter on Dec. 22, 1962. He loved playing sports and later on watching them, especially the KC Chiefs and Royals. His pastimes were hunting, fishing, gardening and playing cards. He didn't know a stranger and everyone who knew him would

know how he loved to talk. Survivors include his wife, Mary, and daughters, Lori De-Vorss (Wally), Linda Wichman (Mike) and Lisa Conus (Casey). He is also survived by five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a sister, Sandra Rickel (Jim). He was preceded in death by his son, Steven Donahue.

A celebration of life will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23 at the American Legion North Topeka Post 400, 3029 U.S. Highway 24, Topeka.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Silver Lake Fire Department, P.O. Box 87, Silver Lake, KS 66539. *Holton Recorder 1/6/21* ▲

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Rieschick

Claude Marvin Rieschick, 98, lifelong resident of Soldier, passed away Monday, Jan. 4, 2021, at his home with family by his side.

He was born July 1, 1922, in Soldier, the son of Henry Fred and Audrey Merle (McKinsey) Řieschick. Claude attended Harrison Elementary and graduated from Soldier Rural High School.

Shortly after graduation, he enlisted with the U.S. Army, serving in Italy during World War II. He was a lifelong farmer and stockman and was a longtime employee of Holton Livestock Exchange.

He was a member of Soldier and Buck's Grove Methodist Churches, Holton VFW Post 1367, Corning American Legion, Soldier Lions Club, Soldier Senior Citizens and Nemaha Marshall REA. He enjoyed attending the family's many sporting events and gatherings. Claude with his twin brother, Clyde, were honored to sing at hundreds of funerals over the years. They also sang the national anthem on "Farmers' Night" at Kauffman Stadium. Claude was also instrumental in starting the Jackson Heights Honor Flight.

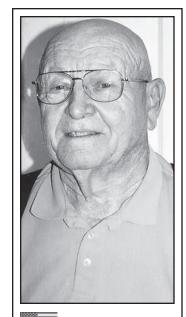
Claude married Betty Irene Capsey on April 16, 1944, at Betty's sister's home in Soldier. They celebrated more than 72 years of marriage before her passing on May 13, 2016. He was also preceded in death by his twin brother, Clyde Rieschick; brother, Keith Rieschick; and three sisters, Fern Chrisman, Faye Myer and Lois Wheeler.

Survivors include three sons, Wayne Rieschick (Theresa) of Soldier, LeRoy Rieschick (Linda) of Soldier and Tony Rieschick of Holton; one daughter, Claudia Long (Dale) of Meriden; sister, Twila Tribble of Houston, Texas; 13 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and neph-

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 8 at Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial with military honors will follow in Soldier Cemetery. The family will greet friends from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7 at

the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Claude Rieschick Memorial Fund to be distributed by the family to: City of Soldier, Jackson Heights Alumni Association, Bucks Grove United Methodist Church and Onaga Community Home Health, sent in care of Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton 66436. To leave a special message for the family, visit www.mercerfuneralhomes.com

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Wells

Melvin Duane Wells, 89, of Holton, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020, at Village Villa in Norton-

He was born Sept. 10, 1931, in St. Marys, the son of Harold Orville and Hazel Florence (Hawk) Wells.

Melvin graduated from St. Marys High School in 1950. He attended one year at Baker University and played on the Baker University Wildcat football team. He proudly served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War from 1952 to 1954.

He lived in the Holton community since 2006 and previously in Buck's Grove,

Mayetta and St. Marys. Melvin was a farmer and stockman for most of his life. He also worked for Lutz Construction in Topeka and Bud's Tire Shop and ran the Jackson County Recycling Center until his retirement. He also served one term (four years) with the Jackson County Commission. He also worked for Royal Valley School District for several years and drove the school

He was a member of Buck's Grove United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge #393 in Mayetta, VFW Post 400 in Topeka and the DAV. He was honored to be the Grand Marshal in the Holton Parade. He was a member of 4-H for more than 10 years and the Mayetta Mustangs.

Melvin married Norma Mae Huff on Aug. 11, 1956, in Norcatur; she preceded him in death on March 10, 1985. He married Carol James on May 10, 1986, in Mayetta; she preceded him in death on Oct. 26, 2014. He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Connie Jo Wells; and two sisters, Beulah Jean Pierson and Florence Ann Werner.

Survivors include two daughters, Susan Wells of Tulsa, Okla., and Janetta Johnson (Larry) of Independence, Mo.; a son, Dennis B. Wells (Linda) of Wiggins, Colo.; a stepson, Roy Danks (Corrie) of Kirksville, Mo.; a stepdaughter, Robin Danks of Palo Alto, Calif.; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services with military honors were held Monday, Jan. 4 in Holton

Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the DAV (Disabled American Veterans). Due to the critical situation we all are in, please remember the families during this difficult time and consider sending a card of condolence or posting on our website. Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. www. mercerfuneralhomes.com

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Hudson

Wesley Robert Hudson, 47, of Holton, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020, at the Research Medical Center in Kansas City, Mo.

He was born April 8, 1973, in Holton, the son of Bob and Tanya (Tork) Hudson. He graduated from ACCHS in Effingham in 1991, and later earned a bachelor's degree in Park Resource Management from Kansas State.

Later, Wes attended a welding school in Tulsa, Okla. He was a pipeline welder and a member of Pipeliner's Union

Wes was a member of the Larkinburg Christian Church and was baptized in 1980.

He married Jacque Hegeman in 2002. They later divorced. To this union was born two daughters, Josie Claire and Mylie Jolie.

Wes was an outgoing person and had many friends. But his pride and joy were his daughters. He lived for his girls. He loved doing the dad things with them... Worlds of Fun, water parks, riding go-carts, boating and vacations.

Wes is survived by his daughters, Josie and Mylie; a special friend whom he loved dearly; his parents, Bob and Tanya Hudson; his sister, Rachel Hudson; his niece, Kiana Jessepe; aunts, Margaret McDonald, Betty Bailey and Sheila Tork; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Doris and George Tork; paternal grandparents, Jeanette and Lowell Smith; greatgrandmas, Ella Gibson and Toni Tork; and uncles Dan Smith and George Tork.

A celebration of life for Wesley will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Larkinburg Christian Church, sent in care of Mark Armstrong, 4261 Bourbon Rd., Muscotah, KS 66058.

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Charles Henry "Chuck" Martin, 84, passed away Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021, at his home, surrounded by family. He was born Aug. 25, 1936,

Martin

in Seneca, to John and Merwina Martin, who preceded him in death. He had nine siblings.

His wife of 62 years, Beverly Martin, preceded him in death.

He was survived by eight kids, Charlie (Julia), Jenny (Josh), Theresa (Steve), John (Vonnie), Patty (Scott), Chrissy (Chris), Tim (Jeni) and Fran; 22 grandkids; 47 great-grandkids; and two great-great-grandkids.

He was a handyman. He loved tinkering with stuff in the garage, taking care of his chickens, hunting and fishing, and being around his family every Sunday. He was a devout Catholic and attended Assumption Catholic Church in Topeka for many years with his brother Leroy. He never missed a KU game, even if it was on the radio.

Private celebration of life and graveside services will be held at a later date.

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Muscotah corn farmer honored

Kansas corn farmers competed in the 56th annual National Corn Yield Contest, conducted by the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA).

The 27 national winners in nine production categories had verified yields averaging more than 345.9 bushels per acre, compared to the projected national average of 175 bushels per acre nationwide.

The top 18 Kansas winners posted yields averaging 285 bushels per acre, compared to the projected state average of 132 bushels per acre. Kansas winners topped 300 bushels per

Muscotah farmer Chris Bodenhausen took second place in the Conventional Irrigated category with 302 bushels per acre, it was

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Thank You!

The family of Dee Bell would like to thank everyone for the cards, memorials and kind words. Her passing was sudden and unexpected. She will be and is missed. The Family of Dee Bell

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the **Estate of ROBERT FREDERICK** LAYTON, deceased. (Petition pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. 19 PR 12

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

You are hereby notified that a petition was filed in this court by Fred Binkley and Karen Binkley, duly appointed, qualified and acting executors of the estate of Robert Frederick Layton, deceased, requesting the petitioners acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allowance requested for attorney fees

and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid (advanced); the administration of the estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts, the petitioners be finally discharged as the executors of the estate of Robert Frederick Layton, deceased, and petitioners be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before the 26th day of January, 2021 at 8:30 a.m., in the District Court, in Holton, Jackson County, Kansas at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should vou fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

/s/ Fred Binkley Fred Binkley

> /s/ Karen Binkley Karen Binkley

Submitted and Approved:

/s/ J. Richard Lake

J. Richard Lake, #06661

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Holton's Canon Karn selected for 2021 Shrine Bowl all-star game

■ Big Seven League sending 4 players; Barta to help coach

The Kansas Shrine Bowl Board of Directors have announced the East and West teams for the 2021 Kansas Shrine Bowl all-star game.

The 72 players selected, including Holton senior Canon Karn, shown in the photo at right (No. 32 in white jersey) have been invited to participate in the 48th Annual Kansas Shrine Bowl to be played at Gowans Stadium in Hutchinson on Saturday, June 26 at 7 p.m.

The 2021 head coaches, as selected by votes from the 2020 coaching staff, trainers, managers, and camp directors, will be De Soto's Brian King for the East and Norton's Lucas Melvin, leading the West.

Players are selected each year by a combination of media votes and selections from the Kansas Shrine Bowl Coaching Staff. Players must be nominated by their high school coach or athletic director. The players selected to the 2021 Kansas Shrine Bowl join the more than 3,000 players who have participated in the annual event since

"We are very excited about the great group of young men selected for this year's game," said B.J. Harris, executive director of the Kansas Shrine Bowl. "These players and coaches now have an incredible opportunity ahead of them, one that is sure to have a lasting impact in their life."

"This is a very talented group of kids," said East Head Coach Brian King. "Getting the roster down to 36 was tough. There are

a lot of special players out there. I'm impressed by this group and I'm excited to get to work with them."

There are so many great players out here in the West," said West Head Coach Lucas Melvin. "I feel like we have tremendous talent at every position. I don't think they're just talented players, but great young men and I'm excited to get to work with them."

The assistant coaches for the East team are 6A Assistant, Steve Rampy (Lawrence); 5A Assistant, Anthony Orrick (Blue Valley Southwest); 4A Assistant, Rod Stallbaumer (Basehor-Linwood); 3A Assistant, Brooks Barta (Holton); 2A Assistant, Andrew Gantenbein (Osage City), 1AAssistant, Chris Schmidt (Olpe). The East coaching staff had a combined record of 57-16 in 2020, including a state champion with Olpe.

Assistant coaches for the West team are 6A Assistant, Randall Zimmerman (Junction City); 5A Assistant, Mike Vernon (Hutchinson); 4A Assistant, Jon Wiemers (Arkansas City); 3A Assistant, Trov Black (Wichita Collegiate); 2A Assistant, Zach Baird (Hoisington); 1A Assistant, Jeff Hennick (Oakley). The West Coaching staff had a combined 59-20 record in 2020, with three state runner-op

Holton's Karn was a first team All-League pick at both running back and inside linebacker this season in the Big Seven League. He was also an honorable mention All-State pick in Class 3A. He rushed for 1,400 yards this season, which led his team. He also had 69 tackles, which led his team. He was also an All-Area selection this year.

The 2021 Kansas Shrine Bowl East Squad will consist of the following: *5'10" 180-pound Tanner Barcus, Par-

sons, Class 3A *6'1" 200-pound Jordan Barnard, Olpe, Class 1A

6'1" 170-pound Malik Benson, Lan-

sing, Class 4Å *6'2" 260-pound Danny Carroll, St.

Thomas Aquinas, Class 5A

*6'4" 215-pound Leo Clennan, Blue Valley Northwest, Class 6A *6'4" 225-pound Max Close, Shawnee

Mission South, Class 6A

*6'1" 165-pound Tristen Everard, Blue Valley Southwest, Class 5A

*5'9" 190-pound Ma'rrell Fountain, Olathe East, Class 6A

*6'2" 275-pound Denver Gardner, Spring Hill, Class 5A *6'175-pound Tyler Gerety, Nemaha

Central, Class 2A *6'1" 175-pound Jacob Hartman, Mill

Valley, Class 5A

*6, 245-pound Austin Holthaus, Cen-

tralia, Class 1A *6 175-pound Darell Jones, Field

Kindley, Class 4A

*6' 205-pound Canon Karn, Holton, Class 3A

*6'5" 260-pound Miles Kitselman, Lyndon, Class 1A

*6'1" 275-pound Ethan Kremer, Mill Valley, Class 5A

*6'1" 200-pound Branden Martin,

Tonganoxie, Class 4A *6' 185-pound Jackson Miller, De

Soto, Class 5A *6'3" 200-pound Mack Moeller, Bish-

op Miege, Class 4A

*5'11" 200-pound Cole Mondi, Lawrence High, Class 6A



*6'2" 295-pound Caleb Murillo, Co-

lumbus, Class 3A *6'2" 303-pound Clayton Power, Blue

Valley, Class 6A *6'1" 210-pound Desmond Purnell,

Hayden, Class 3A *6'4" 205-pound Bo Reeves, Rossville, Class 2A

*5'9" 155-pound Ethan Reynolds, Gardner-Edgerton, Class 6A

*5'10" 230-pound Hayden Robb,

Perry-Lecompton, Class 3A *6'5" 210-pound Drew Schmelzle, Sabetha, Class 3A

*5'11" 200-pound Andrew Schwinn, Maur Hill, Class 2A

*6'3" 255-pound Carter Stanchfield, Paola, Class 4A

*6'1" 185-pound Isaac Stanton, Basehor-Linwood, Class 4A

*6' 225-pound Kolby Talbot, Axtell,

Class 8-Man Division II 2.10 250-pound

Osage City, Class 2A

*5'8" 186-pound LaJames White, St. James Academy, Class 4A

*6'2" 245-pound Dee Wideman, Girard, Class 3A

*6'5" 230-pound Cameron Wise, West

Franklin, Class 2A *6' 255-pound Luke Zegunis Olathe West, Class 6A

The 2021 Kansas Shrine Bowl West

Squad will consist of the following: *5'10" 180-pound Ethan Abell, Oakley,

*6' 180-pound Nic Allen, Riley County, Class 3A

*6'2" 205-pound Shadryon Blanka, St.

Francis, Class 8-Man Division II *5'11" 195-pound Julius Bolden, Wichi-

ta Northwest, Class 5A *6'5" 285-pound Noah Bolticoff, Rose Hill, Class 4A

*6' 180-pound Carter Brown, Inman,

*6'2" 215-pound Tanner Cash, Clearwater, Class 3A

*6'2" 220-pound Spencer Davidson, Minneapolis, Class 2A

*6'2" 185-pound Trevor Erickson, Chapman, Class 3A

*6'3" 270-pound Kenny Fehrman, Wellington, Class 4A

*6'2" 170-pound Jayden Garrison, Little River, Class 8-Man Division I

*6'2" 236-pound Doug Grider, Halstead, Class 3A

*6' 205-pound Holt Hanzlicek, Hoising-

ton, Class 2A *6'1" 230-pound Gaven Haselhorst,

Hays High, Class 5A *6'5" 260-pound Christien Hawks, Nor-

ton, Class 2A

*6' 202-pound Jack Hawver, Hutchinson, Class 5A

*6' 245-pound Nick Herrman, Wichita Collegiate, Class 3A

*6'2" 270-pound Damian Ilalio, Man-

hattan, Class 6A *6'1" 190-pound Jake Johnson, Maize

South, Class 5A

*6' 180- pound Wetu Kalomo, Wichita Northwest, Class 5A

*6'1" 217-pound Koy Kenny, Ulysses,

Class 4A *6'1" 200-pound Andrew Khoury, Junc-

tion City, Class 6A *6'1" 180-pound Isaiah Maikori, Ando-

ver, Class 5A

*6'3" 290-pound Trey Nuzum, Garden City, Class 6A

*6'10" 315-pound Harlan Obioha, Hox-

ie, Class 8-Man Division I *6'2" 290-pound Oz Perez, Holcomb,

Class 3A

*6'3" 285-pound Ben Purvis, Bishop Carroll, Class 5A

*5'10" 182-pound Jacob Rees, Andover Central, Class 4A

*5'11" 170-pound Darby Roper, Haven,

Class 2A *5'7" 180-pound Josh Sanders, Maize, Class 5A *5'11" 285-pound Maximus Shannon,

Arkansas City, Class 4A

*6'1" 185-pound Jake Shope, Goddard, Class 5A

*5'9" 160-pound Ty Sides, Phillipsburg, Class 2A *6'4" 205-pound Ethan Stuhlsatz, Ka-

paun Mt. Carmel, Class 5A *5'11" 210-pound Lem Wash, Derby,

Class 6A *6'1" 235-pound Cayden Winter, An-

dale, Class 3A The Kansas Shrine Bowl is an all-star high school senior, East vs. West, football game put on each year in Kansas, by the Kansas Shrine. It is a 501(c) 3 non-profit

charity that produces annual events and related activities, with net proceeds benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children. The Kansas Shrine Bowl has sent more than \$3 million to Shriners Hospitals

for Children. The game has been played throughout Kansas each summer since 1974.

Host cities have included Lawrence, Manhattan, Wichita, Topeka, Hays, Emporia, Pittsburg and Dodge City. The event will be held in Hutchinson for the first time in 2021. The West football team camp will be held at Kansas Wesleyan in Salina and the East will be held at Ottawa University. The East Camp Directors are Jack Call and Tim Williams. The West Camp Directors are Richard Steele and Greg King.

Beginning in 1974, the flagship event has been the East/West All-Star Football Game. As of 2019, the West leads the series with 29 wins, the East has 17 wins, and there has been one tie.

Notable alumni include former All-Pro Wide Receiver Jordy Nelson, NFL Hall of Famer Barry Sanders, former Kansas State and Kansas City Chiefs Linebacker Gary Spani, former Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and Super Bowl Champion Linebacker Mark Simoneau and many others.

The Kansas Shrine Bowl also includes the Kansas Masonic All-State Marching band camp, held annually at each host site. The week also includes the Kansas Shrine Bowl Cheer Camp, which culminates with performances at each game.

Other bowl weekend activities include, the Kansas Shrine Bowl Banquet, the state's largest Shrine Parade, Shriner's Hospitals for Children Free Screening Clinic, Strong Legs Run 5K & Walk, Junior All-Star Challenge (ages 5–14), High School Football Combine/Clinic and 4-Man Golf Scramble.

All Shrine Bowl events are produced and presented to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children [SHC]. SHC is a health care system of 22 hospitals dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing pediatric specialty care, innovative research, and outstanding teaching programs for medical professionals. Children up to the age of 18 are eligible for care and receive all services in a family-centered environment, regardless of the patients' ability to pay.

Spectator admittance regulations continue at Holton games, matches

The following spectator admittance regulations were announced recently by the Holton school district and will remain in effect through, Jan. 28, it was reported.

Effective Thursday, Dec. 10 through Jan. 28, 2021, interscholastic activities will allow for attendance of up to two parents/guardians per participant(s) family as allowed by local board of education or health department restrictions.

Please understand that it must be a parent or guardian, no substitutes will be allowed (i.e. aunts, uncles, cousins, siblings, etc). If you have multiple children participating on a team, the number of parent/guardians allowed is still only up to two per family, not participants.

The number of parents/ guardians allowed will be determined nightly by the number of games and participants. This could be 0, 1, or 2.

*Only 1 parent/guardian will be allowed during contests Holton Middle School.

*JV/C-Teams will be limited to a maximum of 13 players suited up.

*Two parent/guardians will be allowed for home team at Holton High School.

*Two parent/guardians will be allowed for visiting team at Holton High School. Jackson County Health Department guidelines for

"Mass gatherings of more

than twenty-five (25) people are prohibited. Mass gatherings are defined as instances in which individuals are in one location and are unable to maintain a 6-foot distance between individuals (not including individuals who reside together) with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.

*Masks are required to be worn at all times by specta-

*Temperature check and hand sanitization is required for entrance.

*No Spectators on the Walking Track. Please sit on the "X's" on the bleachers. *Please do not enter the fa-

cility until your child's game is about to start. *Please exit the gym when your child's game is over.

(Bottled and Candy) *No Concessions at HMS. *No Outside Food and

*Concessions at HHS only

Drink. *Team Food Areas – In the cafeteria, do not move chairs. *Six cheerleaders will be

allowed for each team. *LadyPaws will perform at halftime of the boys varsity

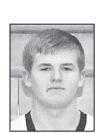
*HHS Entrance East Side Only.

*HMS Entrance South Side Only.

Note: Each school district has diffrent spectator admittance guidelines.

Holton 5-10 senior Blake Mulroy led the varsity Wildcats in scoring with 18 points in their game against Royal Valley on Dec. 22.





Royal Valley 6-5 junior Brady Klotz led the varsity Panthers in scoring with 17 points in their game against Holton on Dec. 22.

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UPCOMING PREP SPORTS

FRIDAY, JAN. 8: HHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. Nemaha Central – 4:30 p.m. @ Holton; JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. McLouth - 4:30 p.m. @ McLouth; RVHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. Sabetha – 4:30 p.m. @ Royal Valley

SATURDAY, JAN. 9: RVHS Boys Basketball – C Team Tourney – 9:30 a.m. @ Nemaha Central; RVHS Girls Basketball – C Team Tourney – 9:30 a.m. @ Sabetha; RVHS V Wrestling – 9 a.m. @ Louisburg TUESDAY, JAN. 12: HHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. Perry-Lecompton – 4:30 p.m. @ Holton; HHS Wrestling – 5 p.m. @ Spring Hill; JHHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. ACCHS - 4 p.m. @ ACCHS; RVHS Boys/Girls Basketball vs. Jeff West – 4:30 p.m. @ Royal Valley THURSDAY, JAN. 14: HHS JV/Girls Wrestling – 4

NOTE: Up to two parents/spectators allowed at games/matches per student, according to KSHSAA.



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Spectator admittance policies continue at JH

The Jackson Heights school district recently announced the following spectator admittance policy for sports.

USD 335 Attendance Policy

In following the revised KSH-SAA policy regarding spectator attendance at events, Jackson Heights Schools implemented the following policy beginning with the Dec 15 home events and covering events through Jan. 28.

Each participant/participant's family will be allowed up to two PARENT/GUARDIANS ONLY to attend home contests.

Participants are defined by KSHSAA as players, coaches and spirit squad members.

PARENT/GUARDIANS of participants will be listed at the entry gate and only those listed will be allowed admission.

Those listed will still be required to pay admission. Temperature checks and required wearing of masks are mandatory to gain entrance and to be allowed to remain at the event. Areas of the gym will be des-

ignated for HOME spectators and for VISITORS.

Spectators are required to maintain appropriate social distancing as well.

Please be aware that the KSHSAA policy change does not mandate all facilities admit two PARENT/GUARDIANS ONLY and restrictions will vary at other venues dependent upon local district and county guide-

These restrictions will be made available to patrons as appropriate for events at other locations. Furthermore, KSH-SAA interpretation restricts attendance as follows:

1. Children of coaches, event staff, and administration do not meet the definition approved by KSHSAA.

2. School board members do not meet the definition, unless they have a child as an active participant.

3. Parents/guardians are there to support their child while in competition; there is no reason for them to attend "all" games in the facility on a given day.

4. Teams playing in that facility as part of a multi-game event may remain in the gym as long as they are socially distant.

5. No "substitutes" for parent/guardian if they are unable to attend contests.

6. Event workers are not afforded parent/guardian attend-

Please remember, the reason restricted attendance is necessary is to minimize exposure opportunities and support school and community health (both CDC and KDHE recommend no mass gatherings).

Prep wrestling post-season format changed

KSHSAA (Kansas High School Activities Association) has announced some changes to the 2020-2021 high school wrestling post-season format.

In support of providing a safe post-season, the KSH-SAA Executive Board passed the following changes to the 2021 post-season wrestling

The changes were made to conduct smaller tournament events and to create fewer potential COVID-19 exposures and more regionally based tournaments, just as the guidance has been established for the regular season.

In addition, the KSHSAA continues to encourage and expect social distancing and the wearing of masks, as stated in board policy.

Furthermore, these changes have led to the post-season qualifying tournaments starting earlier then what has been posted in the wrestling manu-

In addition, girls wrestling has now been split into two divisions for the 2021 season. These two divisions are called Division I (6A and 5A combined) and Division II (4A, 3A, 2A and 1A combined). 2021 POST-SEASON **FORMAT**

DISTRICTS: First qualifying event for Girls Division I, Girls Division II, Boys Class

4A and Boys Class 3-2-1A

1. There will be eight sites developed for each division and classification. Each tournament will be numbered 1-8. (Example: District 1, District 2, District 3, District 4, District 5, District 6, District 7, District 8)

2. This tournament will be held in one day.

3. Girls Division I and II will be held on Friday, Feb. 5,

4. Boys Class 4A and 3-2-1A will be held on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021.

5. The top four finishers in each weight class will qualify for the next qualifying tournament, which will be called regionals and each qualifying wrestler will receive a medal.

6. Each bracket will be seeded according to the criteria listed in the wrestling manual.

REGIONALS:

This is the first qualifying tournament for Boy's Class 6A and 5A. This is the second qualifying tournament for the other divisions and classifica-

1. There will be four sites developed for each division and classification. Each tournament will be numbered 1-4. (Example: Regional 1, Regional 2, Regional 3, Regional 4)

2. The tournament will be

held in one day.

3. Boys classifications will be held on Friday, Feb. 12,

4. Girls divisions will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021

5. The top four finishers in each weight class will qualify for the next qualifying tournament, which will be called sub-state and each qualifying

wrestler will receive a medal. 6. The tournament is an 8person bracket.

7. The Boys class 6A and 5A tournaments will be seeded. The other brackets are set from the district qualifying.

8. Girls Division I and II, Boys Class 4A and 3-2-1A will have the following matchups from districts:

a. Regional 1 = District 1 and 2 qualifiers.

b. Regional 2 = District 3 and 4 qualifiers.

c. Regional 3 = District 5

and 6 qualifiers.

d. Regional 4 = District 7 and 8 qualifiers.

SUB-STATE: This is the second qualifying tournament for Boys Class 6A and 5A and the third qualifying tournament for Girl's Division I, Girls Division II, Boys Class 4A and Boy's Class 3-2-1A.

1. There will be two sites developed for each division and classification. Each tournament will be numbered 1-2. (Example: Sub-State 1 and Sub-State 2).

2. The tournament will be

held in one day. 3. Girls Division I and II tournaments will be held on

Friday, Feb. 19, 2021. 4. All Boys Classification tournaments will be held on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021.

5. The top four finishers in each weight class will qualify for the STATE WRESTLING

TOURNAMENT. 6. The tournament is an

eight-person bracket. 7. The brackets are set from the regional qualifying.

8. Each sub-state tournament will have the following matchups from regionals.

a. Sub-State I = Regional 1and 2 qualifiers.

b. Sub-State 2 = Regional 3

and 4 qualifiers.

State Wrestling Sites:

Girls

Class 6A – TBD Class 5A – TBD

Class 4A - Class 1A - Salina-Tony's Pizza Events Cen-

Class 6A – Park City-Hartman Arena

Class 5A - Park City-Hart-

man Arena Class 4A - Salina-Tony's

Pizza Events Center

Class 321A – Fort Hays State University-Gross Memorial Coliseum



Royal Valley lists its spectator admittance rules

Royal Valley High School has announced its policies regarding spectators at home basketball games, which went into effect on Dec. 10 and will continue through Jan. 28. They are as follows.

• Two parents/guardians per home team participant will be allowed in the high school gym.

• One parent/guardian per home team participant will be allowed in the Royal Valley Elementary School gym.

• One parent/guardian per visiting team participant will be allowed.

• If a family has multiple participants, they will not receive additional seating.

• Only parents/guardians are allowed at games.

• Participants will be defined as basketball players, high school basketball managers, cheerleaders (six max), dance team (only during their performance time) and pep band members (only during varsity games).

• The gym will be cleared of



spectators at the conclusion of each game. Fans may then reenter if their student is participating in the next game.

• If your student is not playing or performing, you will be required to leave the school.





U.S. Representative Jake LaTurner (R-KS), shown above with his wife and family on the steps of the U.S. Capitol Building, was sworn in Sunday as a member of the 117th Congress where he will serve Kansas' 2nd Congressional District, replacing Rep. Steve Watkins. Prior to being sworn in as a member of the United States House of Representatives, LaTurner served as the 40th Kansas State Treasurer and reportedly was the youngest statewide elected official in America. He is from Galena, in southeast Kansas. Shown with him in the photo is his wife Suzanne and children Ava, Joe, Maggie and Gus.

Public Notice

(First published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021.)

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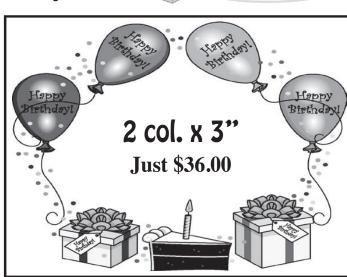
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■ Subdivision...

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On Monday, Hower reminded commissioners of the need for new housing in the Holton area, noting that there were only 21 homes for sale in the entire county — "an all-time low" in the county's housing market, he said.

The Banner Oaks portion of the KHRC grant will be used to fund land acquisition, engineering, construction of infrastructure — including sewer service, which commissioners noted was not presently available on the south side of Banner Road — and placement of sidewalks and street lights along Banner, Vogel said.

Vogel also noted that grant funds will also be used to fund down payment assistance and closing costs for the Oak Brook subdivision project. Homebuyers seeking housing in both subdivisions will also be eligible to participate in the county's Neighborhood Revitalization Program, allowing them a five-year "regressive property tax deduction," he added.

However, prospective homebuyers in the Banner Oaks subdivision are required to be under 150 percent of the area median income as defined by the KHRC, which Vogel said amounts to \$114,750 for a family of four. Vogel added that waivers could be sought for families above that amount of total income who desired a home in the new subdivision.

Prospective homebuilders in the subdivision will be given the lots at no cost through the grant, but they will be required to pay a \$10,000 deposit at closing, Vogel said. That deposit will be returned once the city issues a certificate of occupancy on the constructed house, he added.

Homebuilders subdivision must be approved by developers and have proof of funding and a home plan, with construction on that home beginning within 45 days of acquiring a lot, Vogel said, noting that there will be "covenants and building material requirements, as well as construction accessibility and energy requirements" as required by the KHRC grant.

Aeschliman told commissioners he would be willing to "jump start" interest in the subdivision by building a "spec home" on one of the lots, noting that while building such a structure is "a risk" in a small community like Holton, he was willing to promote the subdivision at his own expense. In other business on Monday,

■ Witnessed the oath of office for new commissioner Dalton Beightel, who was appointed in December to fill the unexpired term of departing commissioner Dan Brenner.

commissioners:

■ Noted that their next meeting would be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, since the next regularly scheduled meeting date falls on Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Monday, Jan. 18).

■ Heard a request from Holton resident Norm Johnson about modifying the city's ordinance on keeping chickens within the city limits. Commissioners agreed to put Johnson's request on the agenda of their Jan. 19 meeting.

■ Approved minutes from their Dec. 31 meeting and appropriations made since that

■ Noted the winners of the city's Christmas lighting contest. First place and a \$100 city utility rebate went to Mark and Peggy Murnahan, 703 New York Ave.; second place and a \$50 rebate went to Dean and Peggy Tuley, 23060 O Road; and third place and a \$25 rebate went to Diane Baker, 608 W. Third St.

■ Learned from McKee that city personnel had begun removing Christmas lights from trees around Holton's Town

■ Heard positive comments from Mayor Robert Dieckmann and commissioner Tim Morris about Holton Post 1367's New Year's Eve fireworks display.

Heard comments from McKee regarding a recent conference call inhimself, and Sewer Superintendent Dennis Ashcraft and Kansas Department of Health and Environment officials about the water quality issue at Holton Elementary School. McKee said the city is in "perfect" compliance with KDHE water standards.

■ Adjourned the meeting at about 7:55 p.m. All commissioners were present.

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■ Folsom...

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"I am in awe of how much the community has come together to help us. Medicalodges has also been an amazing support," she said. "It's not just the Holton community. People who don't even know us have reached out. I'm not the type of person to ask for money, but it's a huge need now. It's expensive being at the hospital.'

Folsom also wants to thank the quick actions of the first responders.

"I want to recognize the paramedics and officers for acting so quickly in getting him to the hospital," she said. 'If they didn't, he more than likely would have died. I want them to know how grateful I am for them.'

Folsom said Kyran likes music and football but will no longer be able to participate in contact sports due to his

"He's going to have a new lifestyle that he will have to adjust to," she said.

Folsom's sister, Rebecca is collecting Kesterson, donations for the family and she can be reached on

North Jackson Jets meet via Zoom

By Brooke Slipke Reporter

The monthly meeting of the North Jackson Jets 4-H Club was called to order on Dec. 13, 2020. Due to the county's coronavirus situation, the meeting was held via Zoom.

The Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge were led by President Teagen Bowhay. The roll call was answered by, What do you want for Christmas?" There were a total of 22 members present, one club leader and an unknown number of adults present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by secretary Kolby Bowhay. They were approved with no changes. "Happy Birthday" was sung to all who had December birthdays.

President Paden Vice Askren updated the club about possible community service in the nearby town of Whiting. Brynn and Sawyer Shupe challenged the club to make Christmas cards for the residents at local nursing homes.

Treasurer Gracie White updated the club on the current balance. Secretary Bowhay noted that there was no mail to be read. The council report was given by council representative Brooke Slipke.

Club leader Phyllis Slipke updated the club on the club committees and project leaders. Slipke welcomed a new member to the club. She then summarized the news that was published in the 4-H district's monthly newsletter.

For the monthly leadership lesson, Teagen Bowhay gave a presentation on the different types of project talks. There was no discussion on the 2020-21 club goals that were provided prior to the meeting. The goals were approved.

President Bowhay dressed the important upcoming dates. The meeting was then adjourned.

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■ Branams...

COMMUNITY NEWS

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"What really got us going was the flowers." Rogette said. That encouraged expressions to expand even further, offering bridal registry services that Rogette drew upon to start a bridal fair in Holton for a few "I got to thinking, this could be a town event, and I brought some other stores in," she said.

"I continued to do it because it was beneficial to my business." During this time, Rogette

also got involved in such organizations as Holton's Friends of Downtown -"probably the best thing that really happened to the Square," she said - and Holton Main Street, as well as the Jackson County Development Corporation.

Prior to that, however, both were involved with the Heritage Walk sidewalk brick program on the Square, involving the personalization of bricks for placement in front of businesses around the Square — an experience that Jay described as an eye-opener.

"That was quite an accomplishment," he said of the Heritage Walk. "My job was to take the orders and try to get them processed, which ended up being more than we'd realized, because people wanted five or six bricks and they'd want them in front of a certain store. But it all worked. It was a worthy project."

By the mid-1990s, the Branams had grown into a family of six with daughters Lesley, Jennifer (JJ) and Kadi and son Brett. However, tragedy struck in 1997, when Kadi died in a traffic accident — an event that the Branams credit longtime employee Sharon Malmberg with helping them get through.

"I don't know what would have happened if she hadn't been there," Rogette said of Malmberg. "She had incredible talent, and she was nice to the customers. We give her a lot of credit for our business."

expressions expanded again in 2010 with the addition of a doll museum, which Rogette said started with a donation of about 500 antique dolls from a Holton resident and grew from there until late 2016. That's when Rogette made the decision to step away from the floral side of things, then ran the store as a gift shop until deciding that year to close the

"The flower business is labor intensive and time consuming, and I've just run out of steam," Rogette told The Recorder in 2017 about the decision to retire after 32 years on the

Rogette didn't stay out of work for long, however. In May of 2018, she and Colette Carson opened the Birds of a Feather antique and vintage shop at 705 Arizona Ave., and she continues to have an antique stand at that location today.

"I've found a new place at the antique shop, and that fits in with what I was raised with," she said. "That's working out OK.

She also lends a hand with "paperwork and advertising" at Harris Real Estate and Auction, which is run by her son-in-law, 2019 Hall of Famer Dan Harris, who married the Branams' daughter, Lesley.

You take a look at what Dan's done — at 18, he went into that sale barn, made it what it is today, and then he went all the way to the national level," she said. "I've never done anything like that. The most I'd ever done was being president of Pilot Club and Friends of Downtown."

Jay, meanwhile, works as an independent property appraiser and — as Rogette put it — also has a second job as a "fixer" and behind-the-scenes hero for

"I couldn't have done it without him. There were countless times he's pulled me out of a lot of conflict," she said. "He would always look at what I did and just fix it. And that's what he's still doing for me today. If I have a phone problem, he fixes it. I don't know that everybody needs a fixer, but it would probably help if you had somebody close to you who cares about what you are trying to accomplish."

Then again, it could be stated that the people of Holton make up that collective "somebody... who cares about what you are trying to accomplish" to the Branams, and that's what continues to motivate them to work toward the betterment of their community.

That motivation, Rogette said, continues to remind her that while groups like the Chamber and Friends of Downtown have been willing to do what they can to help individuals succeed, that success is ultimately up to the individuals themselves.

"The big job is up to you," she said. "We don't regret what we did. If anybody thinks you get rich being a retailer in a little town, they're mistaken. But you get rich in other ways - knowing lots of people, for one, and evidently, somebody respects us for what we did."

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Christ's Church Southern Heights Clubhouse • 785-364-3468 Pastor Jon Hanna Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Fellowship 9 a.m. Worship

New Life Church of the Nazarene
100 Topeka, Ave., Holton • 785-364-3642 Rev. Kevin Kneisley Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school 10:45 a.m. Worship service Circleville Christian Church 7701 254th Rd., Circleville Sunday school: 9 a.m.

Sunday worship: 10 a.m. Website - circlevillechristian.com Email - circlevillechristian@yahoo.com **Circleville United Methodist** Pastor Charlotte Milroy • 785-234-4243

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship service **Community of Christ Church** 222 New Jersey Ave., Holton Pastor Dean Sharp Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship service

Delia Presbyterian Church 514 Jackson St. • Rev. James Aubey Sunday: 10 a.m. Every Other Month Check sign board for other events

Denison Bible Church 300 W. 5th St. • Pastor Tom Fraunfelter 785-935-2464 • 785/422-2953 Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Denison Reformed Presbyterian Church

106 Seventh St., Denison • 785-935-2348 Sunday: 10 a.m. Bible class 11 a.m. Worship service (lunch follows) 1:15 p.m. Afternoon Service **Evangel United Methodist Church**

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First Baptist Church of Hoyt Pastor David Burnworth • 785-986-6446 Wednesday night prayer: 7 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school 10 a.m. Worship service 7 p.m. Sunday evening worship

First Christian Church 5th & Wisconsin, Holton • 785-364-2545 Dr. Jim McCollough, Pastor Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Sunday school 10:45 a.m. Worship service

First United Methodist Church 1401 W. 4th St., Holton • 785-364-3275 Pastor A.G. Turner Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday school 10:15 a.m. Worship service

firstumc@giantcomm.net Holton Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses 12350 214th Rd., Holton • 785-364-4279

Sunday Public Talk: 10 a.m. • jw.org Hoyt United Methodist Church 405 Highland Ave. • 785-207-2773 Rev. Norma Jeane Miller

Sunday School: 9 a.m. • 10 a.m. Worship Immanuel Lutheran Church 302 Kansas, Netawaka Pastor Michael Van Velzer 9 a.m. Sunday worship 10 a.m. Sunday school / Adult Bible class

Lakeview Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church
3.5 miles south of Holton on U.S. Hwy. 75 Pastor Steve Cappleman • 785-364-2416 Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school 10:15 a.m. Worship service

Larkinburg Christian Church Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school 10:30 a.m. Church service

Mayetta Christian Church Pastor Ernest Coleman Sunday: Fellowship & Waffles: 8:15 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Sunday school: 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Prayer Circle: 9:30 a.m.-9:50 a.m. Worship service: 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

Wednesday: Bible study - 6 p.m.-7 p.m. Mayetta United Methodist Church Rev. Howard Sudduth Sunday: 9 a.m. Morning worship service

and Sunday school Netawaka United Methodist Church Sunday: 8:15 a.m. Worship

New Hope Family Church 515 Iowa Ave., Holton Pastor Sterling Hudgins Wednesday meal: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday service: 7:15 p.m. Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m.

Onaga New Hope Lutheran Church, ELCA Rev. Charlene Banes, Pastor Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship service 10:15 a.m. Sunday school / Adult Bible class Tuesday: Bible study - 7 p.m. Holy Communion: 1st & 3rd Sunday

Our Lady of the Snows Church 166 and I Rd., Mayetta • 785-364-3262 Father Jonathan Dizon 1st, 3rd, & 4th Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m. 2nd Sunday Mass: 1 p.m.

Potawatomi Pentecostal Church 4.5 miles west on 134th Rd., Mayetta Rev. Marcia Potts Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday school 10:45 a.m. Worship service

Potawatomi United Methodist Church Rev. Howard Sudduth Sunday: 9:50 a.m. Sunday school 10:30 a.m. Worship service

St. Dominic Catholic Church 416 Ohio Ave., Holton • 785-364-3262 Father Jonathan Dizon Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Mass Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Mass Confessions 30 minutes before mass www.jacocatholics.org

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Soldier Christian Church Minister: Ron Ahlgren Youth Minister: Luke Schreiber Sunday: Sunday school: 9:30 a.m. Church services: 10:30 a.m. Junior/senior high youth group: 5 p.m.

St. James Catholic Church Pastor Father Hammes Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m. Confessions: 30 min. prior to mass

Trinity Lutheran Church 401 Cheyenne, Holton • Pastor Brian Stark 785-364-2206 • 785-364-2029 Sunday school: 9 a.m. • Worship: 10 a.m.

Wetmore Bible Church

Lay Pastor Kyle Claycamp Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school (all ages) 10 a.m. Worship services 10:30 a.m. Children's Church Tuesday: 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible study Wednesday: 7 p.m. Youth group (junior high & high school ages)

Wetmore United Methodist Church Pastor Brenda Harter Parsonage: (785) 866-2512 Church: (785) 866-5556 Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship service

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At 1:17 p.m. on Oct. 11, Brock Curtis, 19, Holton, was traveling north on Q Road near 246th Road when his vehicle left the road. Curtis' overcorrected his vehicle and it entered the west ditch where it rolled.

Curtis' 1998 Ford sustained damage to its front bumper, windshield, top and left side that was listed at more than

At 6:35 p.m. on Dec. 18, Kelley ManyLightnings, 57, Horton, was traveling north on U.S. Highway 75 near Kansas Highway 9 when her vehicle struck a deer in the road.

ManyLightnings' Chevrolet sustained damage to its front bumper, hood and front right quarter panel that was listed at more than \$1,000.

■ At 8 p.m. on Dec. 18, Alokik Singh, 22, Winnipeg, Manitoba, was driving a 2016 semi south on U.S. 75 near 254th Road when it struck a deer in the road.

The semi Singh was driving sustained damage to its front bumper that was listed at more than \$1,000.

■ At 5:35 p.m. on Dec. 21, Lacey Mills, 34, Wetmore, was traveling west on K-9 near U.S. 75 when her vehicle left the road to the north and rolled. Mills was reportedly ejected from the vehicle.

Mills' 2005 Jeep sustained damage to its front bumper, windshield, undercarriage and left side that was listed at more than \$1,000. It was towed from the scene.

Mills was transported by Jackson County EMS to Holton Community Hospital for treatment of injuries, then flown to Stormont-Vail in Topeka.

Three arrested Monday by sheriff's officers

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has reported the arrest of three area residents in two separate occurrences this past Monday, Jan. 4.

First, sheriff's detectives arrested John Michael Tyler, 40, of Topeka, in connection with the burglary of a residence located near 110th and T roads east of Hoyt on Monday, Dec.

Tyler — who is suspected of having stolen a number of firearms and a gun safe from the residence in that incident, all of which have since been recovered by detectives - was booked into the Jackson County Detention Center on charges of burglary and theft. He remained in jail this morning on \$15,000 bond, according to the sheriff's office Web site.

Then, at about 6:30 p.m. that same day, a sheriff's deputy stopped at 2003 Nissan Maxima near the intersection of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 9 west of Netawaka for reportedly driving without headlights after sunset. The driver and the passenger were both arrested by deputies at that time.

The driver, Gary Dean Wilson, 64, of Holton, and the passenger, John Edward Hughbanks, 58, of Ozawkie, were both arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. Wilson was also charged with driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked, transporting an open container and no proof of insur-

Wilson remained in jail this morning on \$2,500 bond, while Hughbanks has since been released, according to the sheriff's office Web site.

Community Calendar

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

Thursday, Jan. 7

*4 p.m. RVHS varsity Scholars Bowl at Cair Paravel Latin School (Topeka).

<u>Friday, Jan. 8</u> *WHS basketball at Blue Val-

Saturday, Jan. 9 *9 a.m. HHS and WHS Schol-

ars Bowl at Wetmore. *9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Effingham gun show, held at the Blue Building on Main Street in Effingham. Admission is \$5 (14 years of age and under free). For more information, contact Adam Diebolt at (913) 370-2003.

Sunday, Jan. 10

*Attend the church of your choice (check with churches regarding virtual and in-person ser-

*9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Effingham gun show, held at the Blue Building on Main Street in Effingham. Admission is \$5 (14 years of age and under free). For more information, contact Adam Diebolt at (913) 370-2003.

Monday, Jan. 11

*The Jackson County Commission meets at 9 a.m. each Monday at the Jackson County Courthouse in Holton. All meetings are open to the public (enter on the south side of the Courthouse; temperatures will be checked).

*1:45 p.m. Early release for Wetmore students (PLC).

*4 p.m. HHS and RVHS Scholars Bowl League at Nemaha Central.

*4 p.m. WMS basketball at

*4:30 p.m. JHMS boys basketball vs. St. Benedict.

*4:30 p.m. HMS boys basketball at Perry.

*4:30 p.m. RVMS boys basketball vs. Hiawatha.

\$5:30p.m.RVESPTOmeeting. *6 p.m. Holton USD 336

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

Wetmore. *7 p.m. Denison City Council

meets at Denison City Hall. *7 p.m. Jackson Heights USD 335 Board of Education meet-

ing. *7:30 p.m. Royal Valley USD 337 Board of Education meet-

Tuesday, Jan. 12

*7 p.m. Soldier City Council meets at Soldier City Hall. *7:30 p.m. Whiting City Coun-

during seminar.

cil meets at Whiting City Hall. *WHS basketball vs. Frank-

Wednesday, Jan. 13

The Crisis Pregnancy Center in Holton is open every Wednes-

day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. *9 a.m. Jackson Heights FFA speech at Wamego.

*Holton FFA speech at Marys-

*6:15 p.m. RVHS Booster Club meeting.
*7 p.m. RVHS After Prom

Thursday, Jan. 14

*4 p.m. JHHS V Scholars Bowl at Pleasant Ridge.

*4:30 p.m. JHMS boys basketball vs. Xavier.

*4:30 p.m. HMS boys basketball vs. Nemaha Central.

*4:30 p.m. RVMS boys bas-

ketball at Riverside.
*4:30 p.m. RVHS Scholars

Bowl at Royal Valley.

*The Beck Bookman Library book discussion group will meet via Zoom at 5:30 p.m. to discuss "Mrs. Sherlock Holmes: The True Story of New York City's Greatest Female Detective and the 1917 Missing Girl Case that Captivated a Nation" by Brad Ricca. Jolene Brauer will serve as reviewer.

*6 p.m. WMS basketball at Frankfort.

*Wetmore academic lettering

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Land Transfers

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

Warranty deed: Safe Harbour Eat-II L.L.C. to John M. Ensley Jr. and Marcie A. Ensley, Lots 43, 45 and 47, McKeage Avenue, city of Hoyt, Jackson County.

Kansas transfer on death deed: Pamela S. Douglas and Russell L. Douglas to the Pamela S. Douglas Trust, land in the southwest quarter of S30, T8S, R16E of the 6th

P.M., Jackson County. Kansas transfer on death deed: Pamela S. Douglas and Russell L. Douglas to the Pamela S. Douglas Trust, land in the southwest quarter of S30, T8S, R16E of the 6th

P.M., Jackson County. Quit claim deed: Douglas Amon, chairman/president of the Evangelical Lutheran Emmanuel Congregation, to Matthew W. Bosley and Crystal D. Bosley, husband and wife, the east half of Lots 16 and 17, Block 2, Town Park, city of Netawaka, Jackson

Warranty deed: Sarah Marie Lueger, fka Sarah Hutchings, and Aaron Joseph Lueger, wife and husband, to Thomas J. Brown and Leann D. Brown, husband and wife, the south 30 feet of Lot 9 and all of Lot 7, Comanche Drive, Schultz First Addition, city of Holton, Jackson County.

Warranty deed: Donald E. Hrenchir Jr., power of attorney

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for Donald E. Hrenchir, a single person, to Lucas Osborn and Vanessa Osborn, land in the southeast quarter of S19, T9S, R16E of the

6th P.M., Jackson County. Warranty deed: Terence A. Brock, member of Brock Family Farm L.L.C., to Roger J. Macke and Karen R. Macke, all of the southwest quarter of S21, T9S, R13E of the 6th P.M., Jackson

Executrix deed: Mary J. Gerhardt, executrix of the estate of Robert A. Anderson, deceased, to Darrel G. Stithem and Julie J. Stithem, husband and wife, land in the southeast quarter of \$36, T8S, R15E of the 6th P.M., Jack-

son County. Trustees deed: Bernerd J. Shaw and Patricia A. Shaw, as trustees of the trust in their names, to John Lynch, Lot 78, Pennsylvania Avenue, city of Holton, Jackson

County. Warranty deed: Carolyn S. Ritchey and Lonnie D. Ritchey, wife and husband, to the Lonnie D. Ritchey Trust, the Carolyn S. Ritchey Trust and the Lonnie D. and Carolyn S. Ritchey Trust, land in the southwest quarter of S28, T6S, R16E; and land in the northeast quarter of S21, T6S, R16E, all of the 6th P.M., Jackson

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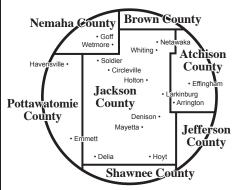


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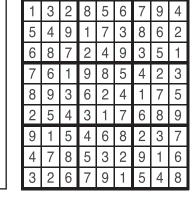
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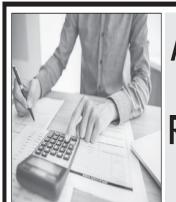
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Negotiations continue regarding water issues at Holton Elementary

By Brian Sanders

Negotiations between parties in a civil lawsuit between Holton USD 336 and the architects and builders of Holton Elementary School continue, according to Holton Superintendent Bob Davies.

"I'm hoping at this coming board meeting, we'll be able to issue a statement," Davies said, referring to the Holton board's meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11 at the district office in Holton.

The board held a special meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 29 with attorneys Greg Goheen and Ryan Walkiewicz of the Kansas City-based McAnany, Van Cleave and Phillips law firm, which is representing the district in its civil suit against Nabholz Construction Corporation and Hollis+Miller Architects.

The board spent the bulk of that 75-minute meeting in executive session with Goheen and Walkiewicz, it was reported. Davies said details of the executive session could not be publicly disclosed at the present time.

"We are in negotiations with (Nabholz and Hollis+Miller) to try to resolve things through mediation, but at this time, I don't have any other statement I can make about that," Davies said.

The district filed a sevencount civil suit in Jackson County District Court against Nabholz and Hollis+Miller in late March, seeking damages for issues involving the water system and piping and gymnasium at HES, which opened in August of 2016.

The suit stems from the water system and piping discovered within months after the school's opening, as well as from floor and drainage issues in the HES gymnasium that has reportedly left the school "without a gymnasium floor that is free of defects."

The school district sought a jury trial to be held in Jackson District County Court, according to court documents which charge Nabholz and Hollis+Miller with breaches of contract and implied warranty and negligence

regarding the water system the district is "getting closer and the gymnasium, as well as a "breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing," seeking a judgment in excess of \$75,000 on each count.

Attorneys for Nabholz and Hollis+Miller filed on June 1 to have "all claims and causes of action" in the suit removed to the United States District Court for the district of Kansas, demanding a jury trial in the court's Kansas City facility since both firms are "foreign corporations." No action has been noted in district court since the June 1 filing.

In USD 336's petition, filed by Goheen on behalf of the district, the district asserts that in January of 2017, 'discolored water fixtures and blue water" were discovered at the school, and after "months of limited response and failure to determine the cause of the discolored water," samples tested showed unsafe levels of copper and lead in the school's drinking water.

The school district seeks "an amount in excess of \$75,000" on each of the seven counts in the suit — breach of contract, breach of implied warranty, breach of "the covenant of good faith and fair dealing" and negligence against both firms regarding the water issue, and breach of contract, breach of implied warranty and negligence against Nabholz regarding the gym floor.

Davies said yesterday that them."

on possible ways to mitigate" the water issue at HES.

"The hard part is that there's not an easy way to say what the cause of the problem it," Davies said. "That's always been our problem. We don't know what it is. We just know we can't let our kids drink that

After the water issue was discovered at HES, the district initially received assistance from the two firms in getting bottled drinking water shipped in for consumption by students. Davies said that bottled water is still being shipped in for student consumption, although it has been reported that the district is no longer receiving any financial help from the two firms.

Davies also corroborated a statement made by Holton City Manager Kerwin McKee at Monday's Holton City Commission meeting that the city's water system is in "perfect" compliance with Kansas Department of Health and Environment regulations for drinking water.

"That would be a true statement," Davies said of McKee. "Every time I've talked to KDHE, what I've seen in the reports is that the city water is in full compliance with what they need to do, and the city doesn't need to do anything else. They have standards they're supposed to meet, and they're meeting



Denison State Bank has announced its intention to donate \$3,500 to the Jackson County Community Foundation each year for the next five years as a "founding investor" of the foundation, with the donation to help cover the foundation's overhead expenses, including Web site maintenance and other promotional materials. Shown from left in the photo above are Mike Roberts, DSB employee and JCCF treasurer; Carly Fletcher, JCCF secretary; and Paula Taylor of DSB.

Photo by Brian Sanders

■ JCCF Donation...

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"2020 was kind of our birth year," she said. "The Foundation has actually been in existence for a long time, but it had been set up a little bit differently in the past. So collectively, as a board, we regrouped last year in hope that it would definitely propel us for years to come."

Last year, Fletcher said, the Foundation started the year by promoting the Friends of Banner Creek organization in an attempt to raise funds toward the organization's goal of getting a new shelter house built at the reservoir.

Then, when the COVID-19 pandemic shook up the community and the world, the Foundation's efforts turned toward the Love Jackson County Disaster Relief Fund, Fletcher said. Now, Roberts added, the Foundation is currently in a "holding pattern" until the pandemic is over.

Having a donation portal available on the Web site, Fletcher said, makes it easier for people to make donations to help Foundation-supported organizations in this time of

need.
"They are needing funds, can't host events to stimulate some donations and growth,'

The Foundation is hoping to have a "giving day" at some

JCCF, Fletcher said. Plans to hold a similar event last year were canceled by COVID-19,

"We're hoping to have an event where we can set up all of the funds in one space, and people can come and learn more about them," she said. "There might also be a matching opportunity for somebody in the community, where if someone makes a donation, someone else

could match that donation." In the meantime, she said, DSB's five-year commitment remains a big help.
"As the Community

Foundation board has gotten

point in 2021 to promote all of more active, we're seeing the organizations supported by more needs," Taylor added. "We're trying to get this kicked off and going and help make it stronger than it's ever

Organizations that benefit from donations to the JCCF, so far, include Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir, Heart of Jackson Humane Society, Holton Community Theatre, Holton High School Honor Flight, Holton High School Washburn Tech Assistance Fund, Holton High School Alumni, Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, Jackson County Coats for Kids, Love Jackson County Disaster Relief and the Mayetta Community Fund.

Health department reports 71 active COVID-19 cases

The Jackson County Health Department reported 24 new positive cases of COVID-19 (coronavirus) between Dec. 29 and Jan. 3, as well as 25 new cases on Monday.

As of Monday, the county had 71 active cases. Two local people are currently hospitalized due to

COVID-19 related issues, it was reported.

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Holton resident Dalton Beightel (shown above at left) received his oath of office as a member of the Holton City Commission from Holton City Clerk Teresa Riley (right) during the commission's regular meeting on Monday. Beightel, who graduated from Holton High School in 2014 and currently serves as a fourth-grade teacher at Holton Elementary School, was appointed by the commission to replace Dan Brenner, who was elected to the Jackson County Commission this past November. City commissioner Tim Morris can also be seen in the background of the photo.

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Immanuel Lutheran Church

By Esther L. Ideker
The second Sunday of
Christmas worship service at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Jan. 3 opened with the hymn "Of The Father's Love Begotten." Following the confession, absolution, introit, salutation and collect, Pastor Van Velzer read the Old Testament reading from 1 Kings 3:4-15. Psalm 119:97-104 was spoken respon-

The Epistle lesson was from Ephesians 1:3- 14 and the holy gospel was from Luke 2:40-52. The congregation professed the Nicene Creed. The sermon hymn was "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing.'

"O Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace, Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loud praise, while the hope of endless glory, Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me ever to adore Thee, May I still Thy goodness prove.'

Pastor Van Velzer's sermon stated, "It's not every year that we get two Sundays to revel in the celebration of Christmas."

More often than not, we get Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and the Sunday after Christmas and then we are off and running into the season of Epiphany. Today we're thankful for some time to savor and enjoy the season of Christmas.

We are not given very many

details about Jesus' childhood in the gospels. We meet Him again at eight days old and again at 40 days old, when they take Him to the temple for His presentation. And now He is 12 years old.

So when Luke tells us that Joseph went to Jerusalem when Jesus was 12 years old, he's telling us that He has come to the end of His childhood. We dare not be too hard on Mary and Joseph for losing Jesus. After three days, they found Him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.

The Rabbis were astonished and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works?" This bright little boy who astonished everyone with His questions and answers will later astonish the whole world by His wisdom. And He knows the work that His Father has sent Him into the world to accomplish. He has come to reconcile His fallen and sinful world. By His cross, He will join together what our sin has rent asunder. The offertory

In the prayers of the church, petitions were for families to abide in the word, eager to be found among the word and always treasuring divine wisdom and favor, as Christ diligently heard the word of God and grew in wisdom and stature and always about His Father's busi-

Raise up faithful preachers to the praise of Christ's glory; give to leaders and elected officials of our nation for their task to discern between good and evil and to govern this people in peace and quietness; and give patience and endurance to all who are sick or in any need. The congregation joined in The Lord's Prayer.

The service of the sacrament included the preface, sanctus, Pax Domini and Agnus Dei. The distribution hymn was "I Come, O Savior to Thy table. Following the Nunc Dimittis, thanksgiving and benediction, the service closed with the hymn "Joy To The World." Serving Sunday were Ted Manuel II, elder; Joyce Peterson, organist; and Kristi Dohl and Sharon Beaman, altar committee.

Pastor Van Velzer led Bible study following the service.

Immanuel Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 8, by conference call. Joyce Strube will share her favorite hymn and lead the Bible study from the Winter Lutheran Women's Quarterly, "Living A Sparkling

A report on the audit of the treasurer's books will be given. The standing rules will be reviewed and officers will be installed. Projects will be zone contribution and donation to Lead A Child.

Buck's Grove United Methodist Church

By Donna Ashcraft Pastor Charlotte Milroy's message for the congregation of Buck's Grove United Methodist Church on Sunday, Jan. 3, was titled "Don't Hide The Light."

COMMUNITY NEWS

Let there be light! What does that mean for you? Do we understand what it means that Jesus is the light of life that has come into the world?

John 8:12, "Jesus spoke, saying 'I am the light of the world." Jesus says, "Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,' which means there is darkness in the world if you don't follow

God made the world for this light - creation was made for light to fill it. Without the light of Jesus, we don't see anything the way we should see it.

Mentoring the boys at Kansas Juvenile Correction Center (KJCC), we told them without the light of Jesus, you don't see anything the way you should see it. You are in the dark. Sinful things are done in the dark.

God has shown a plan and He has been rejected, but He stayed. The Old Testament pointed to His coming. He was fulfilling prophecies right and left, yet they refused to see what was so

How often has God sent us the best plan, but we just walk away saying, "That is not what I expected?" We reject Christ because of the darkness in our hearts. We are selfish people. Jeremiah says our hearts are dark and desperately wicked. When the light of Christ comes, the dark mind and heart reject it.

John 1:4-5 says, "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the

Gas prices up

Kansas fuel prices rose 1.3 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.01 per gallon on Monday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 1,329 sta-

On average, gas prices in Kansas are 8.6 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 27.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to Gas-Buddy price reports, the cheapest station in Kansas on Monday was priced at \$1.75 per gallon today while the most expensive was \$2.29 per gallon, a difference of 54 cents per gallon.

Holton's average price of gas, based on observations at six gas stations on Monday, was \$2.01.

The national average price of gasoline fell 1.3 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.24 per gallon on Monday. The national average was up eight cents per gallon from a month ago and stood 34.4 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

Without light, there is no life. That's why we all are like a plant, bending toward light. We ike the light to illuminate our

In John's gospel, we are introduced to a new kind of life. The Greek word is "Zoe." This is the unique word for the eternal, spiritual life of God. This is the light we can have. This Zoe life that Jesus offers is also our light.

John 8:12 says, "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life (Zoe).'

Jesus calls Himself the light of the whole world. This is a massive claim. There are no other lights. "I am the only light for everyone on this planet. I am the light of the life." His human life points to His eternal life.

The eternal life, in verse five, which darkness has not overcome, is likely a reference to Christ's victory over death and darkness by the power of the resurrection. Christ's resurrection serves as a light for the world – a beacon pointing to the goodness, grace and power of God.

Now there is a light that the darkness can never overcome.

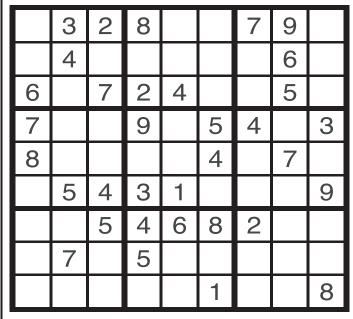
There are many things that promise us and point us toward 'real life" – cars, insurance, vacations, clothes, etc. These are all sold with the promise of a better life if we buy them. But the real thing is the real life that Jesus Christ offers: change from our human life to a life of true meaning. It is His forgiveness, His righteousness, His acceptance, His love, His power, all granted to you by grace through

I believe the light of Christians has shown bright during the year of 2020, even though this has been a year of gloom. Many, not only adults, but youth have reached out to help others. Look what people have done for

There are all kinds of lights! I don't ever remember their goals having been exceeded so far above. So many have let their light shine right here in Jackson County, also reaching out doing for others.

Don't hide the light under a bushel basket. Let it shine!

Prayer: God, you have been so good to us. As we close the door on 2020 and open the door to the New Year 2021, may we open our eyes to be followers of the light of Jesus Christ all the way. Amen.



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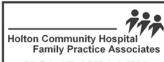
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2020 In Review: July through December recalled

The second half of 2020 saw Jackson County struggling with COVID-19 (coronavirus) while attempting to reopen businesses and schools, according to news items that appeared in The Holton Recorder earlier this year.

The Recorder takes a look back at the events of July through December in a year that began with the threat of a deadly virus but ended with the promise of an impending return to "normal" with the advent of vaccines to battle the virus.

July
Jackson County modified an executive order from Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly requiring face masks to be worn in most public spaces and outdoor areas to combat the possible spread of COVID-19. In the county's resolution, face masks were "strongly recommended," primarily over concerns that a countywide face mask mandate would not be enforceable.

The county is expected to receive \$2.9 million in CARES Act funding, the Jackson County Commission reported. The State Finance Council recently approved the distribution of \$400 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds to 103 Kansas counties.

The old livestock "sale crew" at the Jackson County Fair, including Henry Hill, Dan Doyle, Dennis Klahr, Roger McAsey and George Uhl Jr., were announced as the grand marshals of this year's fair parade. But while this year's fair went on as scheduled, the parade was canceled over COVID-19 con-

Thirteen-year-old Iziah Martinez of Fargo, N.D., died in a July 5 UTV accident northeast of Netawaka, while five others, including UTV driver Wyatt Olberding of Circleville, were injured in the accident. Olberding was later charged with involuntary manslaughter while driving under the influence in connection with the accident and Martinez's death.

Holton and Royal Valley seniors held graduation ceremonies this month for their seniors, while all three school districts in the county worked on a framework for reopening school buildings for the 2020-21 school year after buildings were closed to prevent the possible spread of CÓVID-19.

Recent Jackson Heights High School graduate Cable Wareham won the National High School Rodeo Association world title in saddle bronc riding at the NHSRA's national even this month in Guthrie Okla Wareham was the third champion saddle bronc rider from Kansas in the association's history, it was reported.

An increase of \$918,552 in the City of Holton's assessed property valuation, along with the Holton City Commission's refusal to "get crazy" in its spending, resulted in a proposed budget for 2021 in which the city's total mill levy could stay the same as last year, commissioners learned this month.

August
The November general election ballot began to take shape in the area, as Keith Kelly unseated incumbent Bill Élmer in the Jackson County Commission primary, while Jake LaTurner defeated incumbent Steve Watkins in the Republican Congressional primary and Democrat Barbara Bollier and Republican Roger Marshall advanced to the general election to replace HHS alum Pat Roberts,

who announced his retirement from the Senate.

With the primary election over, county election officials noted that requests for mail-in ballots for the November election have been streaming in. Jackson County Clerk Kathy Mick said her office was receiving 25 to 30 requests a day from registered voters who wanted to cast their votes by

mail. All three Jackson County school districts approved re-opening plans this month in advance of the start of a new school year that would see students wearing face masks in class and school personnel taking extra precautions to clean and sanitize school properties, including school buses, to prevent the possible spread of COVID-19.

This month also saw the Holton school district voting to "gift" the former Central Elementary School building to the Holton Community Theatre group, which immediately announced plans to hold its first production in the former school ouilding this fall.

The winter wheat harvest in Kansas is done, and Jackson County's wheat crop this year

— albeit small in comparison to corn and soybean crops expected this fall — was "kind of average," according to Dennis Holliday, agronomy manager at Jackson Farmers in Holton.

Swimming pools in the area were closed due to COVID-19 concerns, but Mayetta's spray park was open to allow kids of all ages to cool off this summer. The spray park's opening capped efforts that began in 2016 to construct a spray park in this community.

City councils in the county published their 2021 budgets this month, with most of the proposed budgets including little or no change from the previous budget year. The Jackson County Commission continued to hear budget proposals for the coming year this month.

■ September

Following the U.S. Department of Agriculture's announcement that free school meals for kids offered during the summer months would be extended through the end of the calendar year, as long as funding allows, representatives of all three Jackson County school districts said their students could receive free meals this semester.

About a year has passed since the ceremonial groundbreaking for the \$14.6-million expansion and renovation project at Holton Community Hospital, and HCH the progress that's been made so far, including a new inpatient

With a \$5.79 million increase in county valuation, a slight decrease in the county mill levy would still generate an additional \$267,000 in county taxes next year, according to the Jackson County Commission, which proposed a 1.295-mill decrease for the 2021 budget that set the county mill rate at 74.057 mills.

The Holton City Commission approved a Moderate Income Housing grant application that, if approved, would cover costs of purchasing and providing infrastructure for a proposed residential development on the south side of Banner Road north

of Banner Creek. The south side of the fourth and top floor of the Jackson County Courthouse, which used to house the county jail, is being remodeled to serve as the Jackson County Attorney's office. The former jail had been





Jackson County images from the second half of 2020 included (clockwise from top): the Holton High School choir preparing to sing the national anthem at their high school graduation in July; Erich Campbell (left) helping his son Johan with his Eagle Scout project, which included the installation of a new flagpole at Linscott Park; and Jackson Heights Elementary School secretary Nancy Sipes (right) signing up Jonathan Hart (second from left) for third grade at JHES while Jonathan's mom, Alex Hart (left), looks on. Recorder file photos

used for storage by many county departments since the jail was moved out of the courthouse in the early 1990s.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation launched its own 911 dispatch center on the tribe's reservation in central Jackson County in order to improve call response times for the tribal police and tribal fire/EMS departments, it was reported.

October

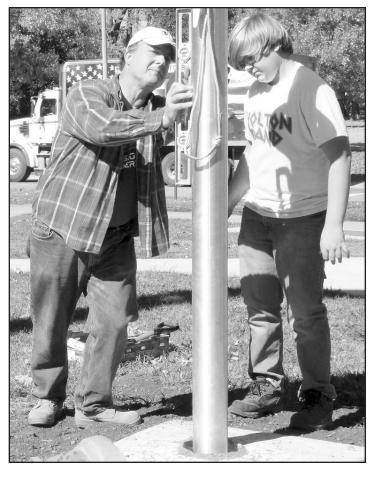
The deadline for county business owners to apply for CARES Act funds through the county has been extended to Friday, Oct. 9. The county received about \$3 million in CARES funds, and the county commission allocated \$500,000 "for the purposes of business n response to the ec nomic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the regulatory responses necessary to limit the spread of the virus.'

A total of \$2.9 million in CARES Act funds has been allocated to a variety of businesses, school districts, organizations and projects in Jackson County, but not all were happy with the disbursement, as members of the Hoyt City Council expressed anger that the city only received \$5,000 in funds after submitting a request for more than \$145,000, mostly for community building issues.

Holton Meat Processing and Cecil K's Hometown Market will receive \$100,000 and $$50,\!000$, respectively, in funds as part of the Securing Local Food Systems grant program, one of several grant programs made possible in the second round of federal CARES Act funding and approved by the Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansas (SPARK) Task Force.

The Holton City Commission noted this month that it would step up efforts to obtain a Community Development Block Grant to help pay for a new fire engine for the city's fire department. The fire department's "first out" fire engine is more

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Second half of 2020...

Continued from Page 2A than 20 years old, it was report-

The annual Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Fall Fest was not sidelined by COVID-19 this year, and organizers noted a good turnout for the annual event despite the cancellation of the event's Chili Cook-Off over COVID-19 concerns. The annual "Trick Or Treat On The Square" event was also held this month at Halloween.

■ November

Nearly three-quarters of Jackson County's registered voters cast ballots in this year's general election, which saw independent Dan Brenner unseating incumbent Janet Zwonitzer in the Jackson County Commission race and county voters approving a liquorby-the-drink measure while results of the U.S. presidential race were yet to be determined.

The number of COVID-19 cases in Jackson County continued to spike upward, prompting the Jackson County Commission to eventually modify the county's face mask resolution into a mandate to help stop the spread of the virus in the county after the number of active COVID-19 cases rose above 100 and schools went to remote learning.

The COVID-19 pandemic forced another annual Holton tradition, the Community Thanks-giving Dinner, to go "curbside only" this year. The modified dinner was deemed a success, but it was announced this month that this year's Community Christmas Dinner and Parade of Lights events were being canceled over COVID-19 concerns.

It was also announced this month that Holton's historic Hotel Josephine has been purchased by Sara Fox and her family. The Foxes have announced several plans for the hotel, which had been owned and operated by the

John Chiles family since 2011.

A Nov. 18 grass fire in southwestern Jackson County driven by strong winds caused the evacuation of the city of Delia and damage to several structures between Delia and Rossville, while a Wetmore structure fire on Thanksgiving Day claimed the life of Wetmore resident Larry LaMee, it was reported.

The Kansas State High School Activities Association's board of directors voted to allow winter sports teams to practice and participate despite concerns over COVID-19, but family members and other spectators were not to be allowed into gyms to watch sports contests, a measure that did not sit well with many across the state.

December

The rise in COVID-19 cases in Jackson County has put a strain on Holton Community Hospital and its staff, which has prompted the county commissioners to extend the health order requiring masks in public through Dec. 14. The mask requirement was lifted later in the month, however.

COVID-19 did not stop Jackson County residents from getting into the Christmas spirit. One particular holiday event — Santa's Workshop — went on as scheduled this year, with kids who came to visit with Santa re-

Circleville Christian

By Jeannie Arnold

The Jan. 3 church service at Circleville Christian Church opened with the praise team of Lori Thomas, Max Lierz, Dr. David Allen, Shelley Will, Lori Mellenbruch and Travis Self leading the congregation in singing "Happy Day," "Raise A Hallelujah," "God So Loved" and "Holy Water." Ron Parrett used text from Isa-

iah 53:12 as he gave the communion meditation. Dr. David Allen gave a prayer as the congregation prepared for the morning mes-

sage. Luke Schreiber used text from Philippians 1:1-8 as he brought the morning sermon titled "In Search Of Joy." He began by talking about things you look back on that bring you joy and how he found that joy in anticipation of junior high camp in his younger years as an example. Then he went on with the joy in knowing Jesus as we find in the example of

Paul's letters to the Philippians.
The Philippian church started with a wealthy woman down by the river, a possessed woman who Paul was able to help and a Roman jailer who came to Christ. Paul found joy in their relation-

Luke then went on to ask, "Are we joyful about Christian relationships?" Jesus can change us. We are alive for Him. Experience joy in our common mission. When searching for a Christian relation-

ship, we can find joy. The service closed by singing "Happy Day."

quired to wear face masks and cleaning and sanitizing taking place between visits.

Some good news on the COVID-19 front came this month with a report that the first shipments of coronavirus vaccines from Pfizer would be arriving soon. The county's number of active COVID-19 cases had risen above 150, while a total of 10 county residents had died from COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic earlier this year.

The Kansas Housing Resources Corporation awarded a \$390,000 grant for two residential subdivisions in Holton, including the proposed Banner Road subdivision and the Oak Brook subdivision along First Street near Countryside Park. The City of Holton will act as a conduit for the funds, it was reported.

KSHSAA's November decision not to allow spectators at winter sports events was dialed back this month, with no more than two parents or guardians per family of participants in interscholastic events allowed to attend such events.

Dan Brenner's election to the Jackson County Commission prompted three Holton residents Dalton Beightel, Rex Larrison and Jason Murphy — to seek appointment to Brenner's soon-tobe-vacated Holton City Commission seat. Beightel was eventually chosen to succeed Brenner.

The Holton/Jackson County Chamber Hall of Fame's Class of 2021 was announced this month, with Brooks Barta, Jay and Rogette Branam, Tim Morris and Carrie Saia picked to join the Hall of Fame.

Chris Appuhn was hired by the Jackson Heights school board this month to replace Annie Diederich as Jackson Heights Elementary School principal, starting Jan. 1. Diederich announced her resignation from the district to take a position with the Kansas State Department of Education.

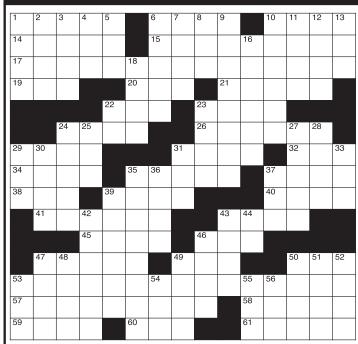
More than two years after the shooting death of his father, Derrick Bohnenkemper pleaded no contest to a second-degree murder charge in the September 2018 incident. Bohnenkemper's sentencing has been set for this





years since the first mass was celebrated at Holton's St. Dominic Catholic Church, which held an anniversary celebration on Dec. 6. Another anniversary of note was celebrated this month by Holton's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1367, which celebrated coming February. 75 years since the post Christmas Day marked 150 ing on Dec. 10, 1945. 75 years since the post's muster-

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41. Establish as a foundation

43. KGB double agent Aldrich _

47. Pancakes made from buckwheat

40. Broad sashes

45. Part of a book

49. Train group (abbr.)

50. Frames per second

57. Formal withdrawal from

30. Member of a Semitic people

31. One thousandth of an inch

53. Have surgery

a federation

59. Greek war god

61. Helps escape

29. Partner to cheese

33. Former CIA

35. Most lemony

37. Small Eurasian deer

42. All humans have them

44. Storage term (abbr.)

48. Full-grown pike fish

53. Young women's association

54. Populous Brazilian city

56. Pointed end of a pen

49. Egyptian sun god

46. Famed Broadway lyricist Sammy

36. Engage in

39. Provisions

43. Swiss river

51. Flew off!

52. Scottish tax

47. Dutch colonist

60. 2,000 lbs.

58. Guitarist sounds

46. Taxi

flour

CLUES ACROSS 1. Partner to "oohed"

- 6. Relaxing places
- 10. Humorous monologue
- 14. Simple elegance
- 15. Bearable 17. Disobedience
- 19. Express delight
- 20. Gov't attorneys 21. Wake up
- 22. A type of band 23. Remain as is
- 24. Turfs
- 26. Battle-ax
- 29. Volcanic crater
- 31. The mother of Jesus
- 32. One's life history 34. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 35. Doubles
- 37. Jacob ___, American journalist

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Currency exchange charge 2. River in Tuscany
- 3. Breakfast dish
- 4. Defunct European currency 5. Upper class young woman
- 6. Part of a purse 7. Self-contained units
- 8. Boxing's GOAT
- 9. Legislators 10. Flightless birds
- 11. U. of Miami's mascot is one 12. Floating ice
- 13. Low, marshy land
- 16. Seldom
- 18. Lyric poems
- 22. Law enforcement agency (abbr.) 50. Flute
- 23. Full extent of something
- 24. Claus
- 25. Naturally occurring solid material
- science (abbr.)
- 27. Acquired brain injury behavior 55. Malaysian Isthmus 28. Thirteen

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In the photo at left, Murphy Shupe (right) of Holton practiced "social distancing" with Santa Claus during her visit to "Santa's Workshop" on Holton's Town Square during the Christmas season.

JAN. 6, 2021

In the photo below, Hoyt voters lined up to cast ballots at Royal Valley Elementary School during the primary election. File photos

Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021.)

JACKSON COUNTY

The Sheriff's Office has taken up two stray aged cows that were found near 158th and G. Road on December 30, 2020.

The Sheriff's Office has taken up a full-grown stray heifer, found in the area of 166th and L Rd on December 31, 2020.

The Sheriff's Office has taken up two heifer calves, found in the area of 182 and L Rd. on December 31, 2020.

above animals have been taken up in Jackson County, Kansas. If the owners of said animals do not provide proof of ownership to the Sheriff of Jackson County, the animals will be sold on January 26th, 2020 at the Holton Livestock Exchange in Holton, Kansas.

Tim Morse, Sheriff Jackson County, Kansas L1t1



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Gardener's Corner ———

Connecting with ancestors

The baby

greens, once steamed, were sweet and nearly melted in my mouth. I closed my eyes as I savored that first bite.



were a bo-

nus meal, as I thought I had harvested the last of the kale and Brussels sprouts (which I grow only for their leaves that sweeten after several freezes) a month earlier. But the weather had been mild, punctuated with freezing temperatures, and little leaves grew from the centers of the plants that I had left in the ground. I left them on the off chance they would survive the winter and come back early in the spring. Little did I know what a sweet treat they would provide just after the solstice and a few days before Christmas.

Harvesting the greens came at the end of the last harvest of 2020. The forecast predicted temperatures falling to the low teens, perhaps even the single digits Fahrenheit right before Christmas. So I took advantage of a glorious spring-like day to pull the last of the purple daikons, the rutabagas and leeks.

The following day was much cooler, but still pleasant enough to be outside with warm clothing and I decided to forage in the greens patch to see what I could find. I was surprised that so many of the baby leaves were fresh and unscathed by the previous bitter temperatures. Brussels sprouts and kale are really hardy.

As I gleaned the greens, I thought of my ancestors who might have gone to their gardens in mid-winter in hopes of finding something fresh to eat before they plunged fully into the season of cold and snow when the only things to eat would be cured meats, fermented vegetables, dried meats and vegetables and long-keeping vegetables like winter squashes and roots. Maybe they would have been able to gather a good store of nuts that the wildlife missed. They would have had root cellars and curing sheds, if you don't go back too far in the

I have freezers to keep summer vegetables and greens in for winter dining, and a number of jars filled with dehydrated vegetables. Plus I can go to the grocery store any time I get bored with what preserved garden produce I have available.

Some of my more recent ancestors could go to the store for staples, such as flour and sugar, but it would have been a long ride in the cold in buggy or wagon. They had to plan ahead far more than I do, as they might not be able to head to town for weeks at a time.

As I searched for greens to fill my belly, I thought of those ancestors who relied solely upon what they grew or could forage from the wild. I wondered what their gardens might have been like, what they might have gone foraging for in December.

Since the majority of my ancestry is German, I suspect that their gardens might have had some of the same vegetables that mine does - cabbages, for one. They would have preserved a lot of it as sauerkraut.

Roots, such as turnips, beets, black salsify, parsnips, parsley root (Hamburg parsley), certain types of radish and carrots would have been a large part of the garden, I believe, since they keep for a long time in cold cellars and can be kept in the ground for a long time with protection. Apples and pears would keep a while in a root cellar, or were dried by

Grains, of course, like rye and wheat and possibly oats, would have been and still are important. People don't usually grow their own grains anymore, but our ancestors would have depended on their own crops. Then, of course, they had cured meats and cheeses. Their chickens probably wouldn't lay eggs in the

Moving through my garden and gleaning a few lovely greens felt like a blessing. I can only imagine what it would feel like searching for something fresh and green in the middle of winter, with my body and taste buds tired of salted meats and starchy roots, as my ancestors did. At some point, even those stores in the larder would dwindle and hun-

ger would loom.

When weather, disease or herbivorous critters decimates my garden, when one vegetable or many fail to thrive, I can temper my frustration with a shrug and say, "Next year." But what if that's all I had? What if I had to make do with what the garden provides?

Some people in this world still depend on their gardens and fields, their own livestock; they can't just run to the grocery store when they run out of milk. They may be able to forage for wild foods, or hunt for meat, but there is no guarantee.

It will take us months to eat through the garden's production this year, but we still can't go without the occasional trip to the store. I can't grow avocados, after all.

I am spoiled, certainly. And I am grateful that we don't depend entirely on the garden's production for our nourishment. An interesting challenge would be to eat only what I grew in the garden for just a week. Much longer than that and I would get bored with the meals, especially once favorite foods dwindled away and the stash of homegrown herbs disappeared. I'd have no coffee, no avocados, no olive oils or vinegars, no green tea, no cin-namon, no ginger, no (gasp!)

Fortunately, I don't have to entirely depend on the garden for food. But many of my ancestors did, and some people still do.

So as I search for fresh new greens, I can't help but think, What if?"

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



Construction of the new offices for the Jackson County Attorney and staff is almost finished on the fourth floor of the Jackson County Courthouse. In the photo above, Jackson County Commissioners Janet Zwonitzer (left) and Ed Kathrens (center) and newly elected Commissioner Dan Brenner (at right) viewed the new office space during Monday's commission meeting. Years ago, the space served as the Jackson County Jail, and most recently, it had been used for storage by several county departments.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

Circleville News

By Jeannie Arnold On Sunday, Dec. 20, Brenda Tims enjoyed a Christmas celebration with her three sons, Daniel Tims and his wife, Megan, David Tims and his wife, Mona, and Nathan Tims and her grandchildren at her home.

Kay Bottom hosted Christmas at her home on Dec. 24 with Craig and Theresa Botand Megan Tims and their

daughter, Stevie Jo. Kenny Wykert was a Christmas Day guest of Dennis and Barbara Hutchinson as he joined them for lunch at their

Allen and Mary Jo Fernkopf hosted Christmas Day at their home with Vicki and Kevin Goertzen and Kaleb and Tanner from Andover, Kent Fernkopf and Kyle and Janet Fernkopf, all of Circleville, and Lena Fernkopf and her friend, Cory, from Manhat-

Bob and I had a quiet Christmas Day. We delivered a Christmas gift to his mother, Maxine Lewis, at Vintage Park and spent some time vis-

tom, Brenda Tims and Daniel her window as we still can't visit in person. Christmas night we took a short drive around Circleville looking at the Christmas lights and there were some really beautiful ones.

> On Sunday, Dec. 27, Kenny Wykert celebrated Christmas with his brother, Bob Wykert, and his daughters, Meggin DeMoss and Kay Hamilton. They brought lunch with them and spent the day visit-

We were finally able to have our Christmas gathering on Saturday evening, Jan. 2 Our guests were Lori Burdick and Bailey Burdick and her friend, Josh. We enjoyed a nice evening meal and had fun opening Christmas gifts. iting on our phones outside Now I can take the tree down.

PBP Elder Center Menu

Until further notice, mixed vegetables, man-Prairie Band Elder darin oranges and crack-Center meals are curbside pick-up only.

Meals will be brought out. Please do not get out of vehicles.

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

Menus listed for the week of Monday, Jan. 11 through Friday, Jan. 15 are as follows:

Monday, 11: Jan. Chicken and dumplings,

Holton Center Menu

Until further notice, Jackson County Senior Center meals are carryout or delivery only (no dine-in).

Menus are subject to change. For more infor-

mation, call 364-3571. Menus listed for the week of Monday, Jan. 11 through Friday, Jan. 15

are as follows: Monday, Jan. 11: Berry good chicken, baked potato, California vegetables, fruit crisp and bread and margarine.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Tater tot casserole, Malibu vegetables, apricots and hot roll and margarine.

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Taco soup, cottage cheese with peppers and tomatoes, peaches, muffin and tortilla chips.

Thursday, Jan. 14: fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit cup and bread and margarine.

Friday, Jan. 15: Barbecue pork on a bun, scalloped corn, tropical fruit and cake.

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Spaghetti, corn, cottage cheese, breadsticks and grapes.

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Pork chop, rice pilaf, roll and broccoli and cauliflower with cheese.

Thursday, Jan. 14: Tater tot casserole, peas and carrots, applesauce and dessert.

Friday, Jan. 15: Tuna salad sandwich, corn chips, jello with fruit and cookie.

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Jackson County Conservation District Annual Meeting Notice



Due to Covid-19 concerns our 73rd Annual Meeting will not be held in person this year.

The District will hold a mail-in ballot vote to elect 2 Supervisors. If you would like to nominate someone or have your name placed on the ballot, Call Brian at the District Office by 4:30 pm, Friday, January 22, 2021.

Jackson County Conservation District: 785-364-3329 ext. 136

To request your mail-in ballot to vote please contact the District Office by no later than Friday, January 29th, 2021.

After that date, you may stop by 307 Montana Ave in Holton to pick-up an official ballot. All official ballots must be received by Wednesday, February 17th, 2021 to be counted.

The Conservation Award recipients have been selected. Please follow the Jackson County Conservation District (Kansas) Facebook page. All of the Conservation Award recipients and winners of the Poster & Speech Contests will be announced on our Facebook page.

The District financial reports, 72nd annual meeting minutes, the annual booklet and our 2021 election results will be available at our office.

Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021.)

CITY OF MAYETTA

NOTICE OF THE FIL-ING OF "A PETITION TO EXCLUDE AND VACATE LAND FROM THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MAYET-TA, KANSAS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 12-504 AND K.S.A. 12-505, FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF MAYETTA, KANSAS"

Please take notice that on the 4th day of January 2021, a document entitled "Petition to Exclude and Vacate Land From the Limits of the City of Mayetta Kansas Pursuant to the Provisions of K.S.A. 12-504 and K.S.A. 12-505, Filed with the City Clerk of the City of Mayetta, Kansas" (hereinafter "Petition") was filed with the City Clerk of the City of Mayetta, Kansas.

The Petition seeks and prays for the vacation and exclusion of the following land from the limits of the City of Mayetta, Kansas:

Beginning at the Southwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 8, Range 15, thence East 628 feet, thence North 175 feet, thence West 628 feet, thence South 175 feet, to the point of beginning, containing 2.52 acres more or less, all in Jackson County, Kansas."

After publication of this Notice, a hearing on the issue of whether the Petition will be granted will be heard before the Mayetta City Council on February 3, 2021 at 6:45 PM in the Mayetta City Hall, 119 E. Main St., Mayetta, Kansas. At that time and place, all persons interested may appear and be heard as to any issues pertaining to the Petition.

> Grace Bowser, City Clerk City of Mayetta, Kansas

> > L1t1

AG WEEK: Livestock futures up

By Matt Hines Livestock futures rose higher to finish the Cash year. feedlot trade wrapped up last Thursday in the Southern Plains with

live purchases higher than the week previous at \$112. In Nebraska, negotiated cash trading was reported steady to \$2 higher from \$110 to \$112 and dressed purchases

\$176. Export sales for beef were friendly as pork sales slipped lower but bullish for 2021. Shipments for the week leading up to Christmas were very strong for both.

\$3 to \$4 higher from \$175 to

For the week, Thursday, Dec. 24 through Thursday, Dec. 31, December live cattle were up \$.80, February was up \$.05, January feeder cattle were down \$1.97, March was down \$2.10, February lean hogs were up \$3.32, April was up \$1.15 and February pork cutout was up \$2.15.

the front month, are still holding a higher trend since late October but have been unable to break the \$116.60 resistance since this past February after testing it in August, September and again last week.

January feeders are breaking the higher trend as corn pushes feed costs higher. Nearby support was taken out on Monday with the next around \$133 and resistance at \$142.

February lean hogs were finally able to break their sideways pattern with a breakout to the upside. Nearby support is just above \$66 with resistance now at the October rate and Monday's high at \$72.

The grain rally continues with corn and soybeans again hitting new contract highs to end last week and again early Monday morning. Weekly export sales were relatively neutral for the week ending Dec.

Argentina announced that they were suspending the issuance of new corn export licenses through March 1. They have already shipped out 90 percent of expected corn exports, but will apparently hang onto the approximately 4 mil-

ensure supplies for domestic users amid continued "hot and dry" concerns. Also in Argentina, grain inspectors continue their strike as oilseed workers signed a deal last week ending their 20-day strike.

For the week, Thursday, Dec. 24 through Thursday, Dec. 31, March corn was up \$.33, May was up \$.31½, January soybeans were up \$.51¾, March was up \$.46½, March Kansas City wheat was up \$.14½, March Chicago wheat was up \$.13½ and March soybean meal was up \$15.30 per ton. Grains started this week

higher led by soybeans, but flipped shortly after the open as almost all commodities and equites began the New Year under selling pressure. Grains finished mixed on Monday.

South American rains last weekend were scattered and less than forecasted. Export inspections for the week ending Dec. 31 were at expectations with soybeans totaling 48 million bushels, corn at 35.9, wheat at 11.9 and grain sorghum at 3.3 million bush-

Weather this week is looking fairly mild to start the

Pastor Young gave the open-

ing prayer, a covenant prayer in

the Wesleyan tradition. Silent

prayer, pastoral and offering

prayers were followed by re-

corded music, "Cares Chorus."

from Genesis 1:1-2. The ser-

mon was "God Can Create

Something Good; So Can We." During Advent, the congre-

gation meditated on hope, joy,

love and peace, which God can

create for us in all situations, in

all things in nature. He enables

man to create many things.

God's creation is great and

wonderful, and many of man's

inventions are remarkable and

great. God's creation didn't end

God created the world and

good and bad times.

The scripture reading was

February live cattle, now in lion metric tons (MMT) to New Year. The six-to-10-day outlook shows above normal temperatures for the West Coast and Northern Border States and below normal in the Southeast with above normal moisture only in the Pacific Northwest.

March corn hit a new contract high at \$4.973/4. The next resistance from the continuous weekly chart was up at \$5.19½ from 2014. January soybeans are now in delivery with a new contract high at \$13.493/4. March hit a new contract high at \$13.49½ with \$14 to \$14.10 the next resistance area, also from 2014.

March Kansas City wheat hit a new high at \$6.13\(^4\) with support at \$5.75. March Chicago hit a new high at \$6.501/4 with support at \$6.07. January soybean meal hit a new contract high at \$444.90, with March up to \$440.80.

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

with "the earth and everything

in it." He created eternal life

for His children, and contin-

ues to give us hope, joy, love,

Because humans are created

in God's image, we also have

a nature to be creative. We are

free to something positive for

ourselves and others, or some-

thing negative, which could be

As 2021 begins, why don't we imitate God and create

something good? Let's cre-

ate something faithful for our church, something joyful for

family, something hopeful for

neighbors and satisfying for

ourselves. The love of God will prevail and surround us in 2021. Happy New Year!

peace and freedom.

bad for everyone.

New dismissal time at RVMS

Royal Valley Middle School students who are picked up or who walk home after school are now being dismissed at 3:28 p.m., after the buses leave the facility, the district reports.

Beginning yesterday (Tuesday), RVMS students were dismissed after the first wave of bus riders at 3:28 p.m. to help alleviate some traffic issues with the students leaving school as the buses are leaving the parking lot, it was reported.



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*Cattrell-Bain Wedding

Nancy Cattrell and Brian (Foot) the ceremony at Matthew Schneider.

A reception will be held at a later date.

Bain were married in a private **Trinity** Lutheran Church in Hunter, Kansas, on Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021, officiated by Pastor

Netawaka UMC

By Mary E. Edwards

Jan. 3 was very cold and frosty early as we drove to Netawaka United Methodist Church, but the road was dry and there was plenty of traffic.

Steve Banaka lighted the altar candles, Marilyn Banaka gave the welcome and joys and concerns were shared. The sunshine and promise of nice weather are joys. Marilyn said she is happy to be alive and well after being in a car-truck accident on U.S. Highway 75

Condolences and prayers are for the family of Bonnie Williams, who died last week. Pastor Young conducted graveside services Monday at Netawaka

Prayers are offered for Eden Won, who had a reaction to his 12-month vaccinations. Susie Blacketer-Grannell's brother and his wife are sick with CO-VID-19, so we pray for healing for them and others who have it, and their caretakers as well.

Access to breezeway between HCH, medical building restricted

Due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, the breezeway between the medical building and Holton Community Hospital is temporarily being restricted to patients and visitors leaving the hospital who have already been screened and need access to fill a prescription or access to the dental clinic, according to Carrie Saia, HCH

Visitors who need access to the hospital need to enter through the main new entrance or the emergency department depending upon the time of day,

Valley Falls man injured in ATV accident identified

Zack Gooch of Valley Falls sustained "disabling injuries" after he was ejected from an

Shortly before 5 p.m. that day, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office received a report of an it was reported.

all-terrain vehicle in eastern Jackson County on Dec. 28, Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse reported.

accident with injuries south of 158th Road near X4 Road.

The Mayetta and Hovt Fire Departments responded to the scene. Gooch was ejected while driving off road about half a mile south of 158th Road near X4 Road, Morse said. Gooch was transported to a Topeka hospital by EMS.

Rethink your soup

By Cindy Williams Meadowlark Extension District Agent

Family & Consumer Sciences One of this season's favorite foods - soups - can also be one of the unhealthi-Most cans of soups have way too much



um. clear that Americans have a taste for salt – 90 percent of us consume too much of it. A teaspoon of salt is 2,325 milligrams of sodium and the average American consumes 3,400 milligrams of sodium each day.

Everyone should reduce their sodium intake to less than 2,300 milligrams a day. Adults age 51 and older, African Americans of any age and individuals with high blood pressure, diabetes or chronic kidney disease should further reduce their sodium intake to 1,500 milligrams a day.

Sodium has shown to increase high blood pressure. High blood pressure is known as the "silent killer" because one in three adults has it, but 21 percent do not know it. High blood pressure is a concern to health professionals because of it connection to two of the nation's biggest killers – heart disease and stroke - but is also linked to osteoporosis, dementia, kidney failure, blindness, sexual dysfunction and sleep apnea.

It can be challenging to reduce sodium in the diet because it can be included in foods that otherwise seem healthy. Some foods that you eat several times a day, such as bread, add up to a lot of sodium even though each serving is not high in sodium. There are steps that you can take, however, to reduce sodium in your

1. Most of the sodium Americans eat is found in processed foods. Eat highly processed foods less often and in smaller portions – especially cheesy foods such as pizza; cured meats such as bacon, sausage, hot dogs and deli/luncheon meats; and ready-to-eat foods like canned chili, ravioli and soups.

2. Cook more often at home where you are in control of what's in your food.

3. Fill up on veggies and fruits at every meal and snack. Fresh and frozen are both nutritious.

4. Choose more fat-free or low-fat milk and yogurt in place of cheese, which is higher in sodium. Choose fresh beef, pork, poultry and seafood, rather than those with salt added.

5. Cut back on salt little by little – and pay attention to the natural tastes of various foods. Your taste for salt will lessen over time.

6. Keep salt off the kitchen counter and the dinner table. Use spices, herbs, garlic, vinegar or lemon juice to season foods or use no-salt seasoning mixes. Try black or red pepper, basil, curry, ginger or rosemary.

7. Read the Nutrition Facts label and the ingredients statement to find packaged and canned foods lower in sodium.

8. Ask for low-sodium foods when you eat out. 9. Pay attention to condiments.

Foods like soy sauce, ketchup, pickles, olives, salad dressings and seasoning packets are high

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> PUBLIC NOTICE TO ACQUIRE LAND IN TRUST

ACTION: Notice of decision to acquire land into trust under 25 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 151. SUMMA-RY: The Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior, on the below date, has made a determination to acquire real property in trust for PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NA-TION. The two (2) tracts are referred to and described as: "Kidd PT-192": The

N/2 SE/4 of Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, Jackson County, Kansas, containing 80.0 acres, more or less. (Case Number 4200220762 22141). DATE: This determination

was made on November 25,

213": The South Half of the

"Nicol PT-

2020. 2.

Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 8 South, Range 14 East of the 6th PM, Jackson County, Kansas, containing 80.0 acres, more or less. (Case Number 4200220770 22151). DATE: This determination was made on November 27, 2020. FOR FURTHER INFOR-

MATION CONTACT: BIA SOUTHERN PLAINS RE-GIONAL OFFICE, Bureau of Indian Affairs, P O BOX 368, ANADARKO, OK 73005, telephone (405) 247-6673. SUPPLEMENTÁRY FORMATION: This notice is published to comply with the requirement of 25 CFR § 151.12(d)(2)(iii) that notice be given of the decision by the authorized representative of the Secretary of the Interior to acquire land in trust.

A copy of the determination is available from the office identified in the FOR FUR-THER INFORMATION section of this notice. Any party who wishes to seek judicial

review of the Regional Di-

rector's decision must first exhaust administrative remedies. The Regional Director's decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals (IBIA) in accordance with the regulations in 43 C.F.R. 4.310-4.340.

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Jackson County District Court

Traffic

Brock A. Baker-Odell, Beattie, driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked, \$228.

Frank Bustillos, address sealed by court, speeding, \$258.

Warren S. Dils III, Lincoln, Neb., speeding, \$213.

Jasper R. Krmpotic, Omaha, Neb., speeding, \$249.

William F. Limbacher, address sealed by court, registration violation, no proof of insurance, defective headlamps on motor vehicle, \$392

Landry O. Loar, Wesson, Miss., driving under the influence, speeding, diversion.

Michael J. Ludwikowski, address sealed by court, improper driving on laned roadway, no proof of insurance, \$374.

Hubert E. Mariscal-Delval, Borger, Texas, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license,

Elizabeth M. Maycroft, Topeka, no proof of insurance, \$530.

Richard L. Niedfeldt, Eskridge, driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked, \$697.50.

Rustom Shroff, address sealed by court, speeding, \$348.

Harkamal Singh, address sealed by court, parking, standing or stopping in prohibited area, \$153.

Tyler N. Tannahill, Mission Hills, speeding, diversion. Juan M. Villavicencio, Mer-

Juan M. Villavicencio, Mercedes, Texas, driving under the influence, diversion.

Michael D. Werner, Horton, transporting an open container, license to be carried and exhibited upon demand, \$158.

Criminal

Dispositions

State of Kansas vs. Paul L. Anderson, Denison, disorderly conduct, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on six months probation and assessed court costs.

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

State of Kansas vs. Melissa A. Livengood, Topeka, driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$100 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Hannah F. Herrero, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probability and accepted source and constant.

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State of Kansas vs. Marc M.
Hight, Topeka, possession of drug
paraphernalia; sentenced to six
months in jail, suspended; placed
on six months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Tina Berry, Eudora, interference with law enforcement, driving under the influence; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and fined \$750 plus court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Marc M. Hight, Topeka, distribution of methamphetamine; sentenced to 24 months imprisonment and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Janelle V.M. Martin, Topeka, possession of methamphetamine; sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, suspended; placed on 18 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Jordan S. Blystone, Wellington, Mo., underage gambling, minor in possession/consumption of alcohol liquor/cereal malt beverage; diversion.

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

State of Kansas vs. Nicholas A. Manning, Mayetta, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Nicholas A. Manning, Mayetta, possession of drug paraphernalia; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Charles J.L. Moore, Wetmore, possession of marijuana; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court costs.

State of Kansas vs. Cassandra N. Wise, Topeka, possession of marijuana, endangering a child; sentenced to 12 months in jail, suspended; placed on 12 months probation and assessed court

Filed

State of Kansas vs. Adam B. File, Lawrence, theft.

State of Kansas vs. Eddie J. Garcia, Harrah, Okla., criminal hunting, hunting without a license, Wildlife, Parks and Recreation license violation, unlawful taking or dealing in wildlife.

State of Kansas vs. Rebecca L.

Reichel, Alexander, theft.
State of Kansas vs. Ignacio
Jimenez Jr., Choctaw, Okla., criminal hunting, hunting without a license, Wildlife, Parks and Recreation license violation, unlawful taking or dealing in wildlife.

State of Kansas vs. Stephen Suke, Harrah, Okla., criminal trespass.

Civil

Dispositions

Jackson County Sheriff's Office vs. 2016 Chevrolet Malibu, VIN 1G11C5SA3GF152224, forfeiture granted.

Limited Civil

Filed

Newton Healthcare Corporation, doing business as Newton Medical Center, doing business as NMC-Health vs. Travis Davis, seeking judgment of \$152.71 plus interest and court costs.

Domestic

Dispositions

In the matter of the marriage of Nathan Gray and Michelle Gray, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Jayme N. Zimmerman and Daniel J. Zimmerman, sought divorce; granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Alexis N. Jones and Aaron R. Resseguie, seeking divorce.

Numerous New Year's arrests noted in county

Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse recently reported several arrests around the New Year's holiday.

■ At about 11 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 3, Jackson County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested two individuals on drug charges following a traffic stop near the Prairie Band Casino, Sheriff Morse said.

The vehicle was stopped for an alleged vehicle registration violation. The driver, Melissa Reser-Young, 49, Topeka, was arrested on charges of distribution of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and no drug tax

The passenger, Shakeita Tocara Young, 31, Topeka, was arrested on charges of distribution of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and no drug tax

Shortly after midnight on

Sunday, Jan. 3, sheriff's deputies arrested three Topekans following a traffic stop, Morse said.

A deputy stopped a 2007 Chrysler minivan for a traffic infraction near 142nd Road and U.S. Highway 75.

The driver, Danielle Lynn Haverkamp, 30, was arrested on two outstanding Jackson County District Court no bond warrants.

A passenger, Alan Edward Panuco, 27, was arrested on an outstanding Jackson County District Court no bond warrant. A second passenger, Raul Alejandro Jorge Munoz, 44, was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.

On Saturday, Jan. 2, sheriff's office deputies arrested two people near the Prairie Band Casino on drug charges following a traffic stop, Sheriff Morse said.

Deputies stopped the driver of a Chevy Tahoe that allegedly was displaying an illegal license plate,

■ 7:37 p.m. Dec. 19, Third Street

■ 10:15 a.m. Dec. 21, 100 block

■ 12:54 p.m. Dec. 21, 600 block

■ 1:19 p.m. Dec. 21, 600 block

■ 4:17 p.m. Dec. 21, 600 block

■ 6:09 p.m. Dec. 21, 500 block

■ 4:23 a.m. Dec. 22, 100 block

■ 12:20 p.m. Dec. 22, funeral

■ 1:57 p.m. Dec. 22, 400 block

■ 3:50 p.m. Dec. 22, 100 block

■ 5:08 p.m. Dec. 22, U.S. High-

■ 6:47 p.m. Dec. 22, 700 block

■ 7:54 p.m. Dec. 22, 700 block

way 75 at 214th Road, traffic prob-

of Arizona Avenue, suspect arrested

of Dakota Avenue, welfare check.

11:34 p.m. Dec. 22, 100 block

of East Ninth Street, suspect arrest-

ed on a charge of domestic battery.

of Illinois Avenue, parking issue.

of West Sixth Street, animal con-

of Dakota Avenue, animal control.

Road at Arizona Avenue, motorist

Avenue, citizen assist.

assist

jury accident.

■ 8:12 a.m. Dec. 23, 500 block

■ 6:24 p.m. Dec. 23, 800 block

■ 6:37 p.m. Dec. 23, 600 block

■ 7:06 a.m. Dec. 24, Banner

■ 8:25 a.m. Dec. 24, Colorado

■ 2:28 p.m. Dec. 24, 300 block

■ 4:39 p.m. Dec. 24, Fourth

of South Arizona Avenue, citizen

Street at Cheyenne Drive, non-in-

on a Shawnee County warrant.

of Arizona Avenue, injury acci-

of Wisconsin Avenue, disturbance.

of Arizona Avenue, found property.

of South Arizona Avenue, non-inju-

of East Ninth Street, disturbance.

ry accident.

at Arizona Avenue, motorist assist.

of South Arizona Avenue, suspi-

of Ohio Avenue, suspicious activ-

of Kansas Avenue, identity theft.

Morse said

Deputies arrested the driver, Kaley R. Lindberg, 28, and the passenger, Brian Douglas Pokrandt, 53, both of Topeka.

Lindberg was arrested on charges of aggravated endangerment of a child, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving while revoked.

Pokrandt was arrested on charges of aggravated endangerment of a child, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.

At 12:30 p.m. on Jan. 1, a sheriff's deputy stopped a 2007 gold-colored Cadillac on Arizona Avenue near Banner Road in Holton for an alleged traffic infraction.

The driver, Charles Ernest Wilson, 38, Hiawatha, was arrested on charges of possession

of methamphetamine and illegal drug paraphernalia.

Wilson was also arrested on an outstanding Brown County warrant and an outstanding city of Topeka warrant.

Shortly after 9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 31, a sheriff's deputy stopped the driver of a Ford Explorer north of 134th Road on U.S. 75 for allegedly displaying a license plate that wasn't assigned to the vehicle, Morse said.

The driver, Robert Motoyoski

The driver, Robert Motoyoski Thornbrough, 37, Bakersfield, Calif., was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of illegal drug paraphernalia, driving while suspended and no insurance.

The passenger, Kimber Leigh Hunt, 32, Topeka, was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of illegal drug paraphernalia.

Police Calls

The following calls were handled in recent days by the Holton Police Department, including 10 area checks at the Holton Industrial Park and eight area checks at Prai-

■ 7:47 a.m. Dec. 17, 900 block of West Sixth Street, alarm.

■ 7:58 a.m. Dec. 17, 100 block of West Fifth Street, non-injury accident.

■ 11 a.m. Dec. 17, 1100 block of Columbine Drive, EMS assist.
■ 12:53 p.m. Dec. 17, 400 block

of South Arizona Avenue, EMS assist.

6:34 p.m. Dec. 17, 200 block

of Arizona Avenue, citizen assist.
■ 8:07 a.m. Dec. 18, 300 block
of Wisconsin Avenue, EMS assist.
■ 1:52 p.m. Dec. 18, funeral es-

cort.

3:28 p.m. Dec. 18, 300 block

of West Fourth Street, theft.
■ 6:46 p.m. Dec. 18, 600 block
of Pennsylvania Avenue, welfare

■ 7:32 p.m. Dec. 18, 700 block of New Jersey Avenue, suspicious activity

■ 11:01 p.m. Dec. 18, Southern Heights, EMS assist.
■ 10:27 a.m. Dec. 19, funeral

escort.
■ 11:40 a.m. Dec. 19, funeral escort

Drug arrests made in Brown County

The following arrests were reported in recent days by the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

■ Two St. Joseph, Mo. residents were arrested on drug charges following a traffic stop on Dec. 31. Jessica Canchola, 37, and Felix Urbina, 43, were arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia; Urbina was also charged with transporting an open container.

■ Jose Alberto Escalante, 29, of Houston, Texas, was arrested following a Jan. 2 traffic stop on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and no driver's license on person. Escalante had been deported in 2016. ICE agents were notified and took custody of Escalante on Jan. 4, according to Brown County Sheriff John Merchant.

■ 10:31 p.m. Dec. 24, 300 block of South Arizona Avenue, disturbance.

■ 8:40 a.m. Dec. 25, Southern Heights, theft.

■ 11:59 a.m. Dec. 25, 400 block of Nebraska Avenue, assisted Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

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12:40 p.m. Dec. 25, Southern
Heights, welfare check

Heights, welfare check.

■ 2:05 p.m. Dec. 25, 500 block of Vermont Avenue, animal con-

■ 11:27 a.m. Dec. 26, 700 block of Ohio Avenue, disturbance.

■ 4:51 p.m. Dec. 26, 400 block of South Arizona Avenue, accidental damage.

■ 5:42 p.m. Dec. 26, 600 block of Ohio Avenue, assisted Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

■ 9:14 p.m. Dec. 26, 900 block of West Fourth Street, citizen assist

■ 10:13 a.m. Dec. 27, undisclosed location, suspicious activity.

■ 11:47 a.m. Dec. 27, 700 block of Nebraska Avenue, suspicious activity.

■ 2:35 p.m. Dec. 27, 400 block of South Arizona Avenue, assisted Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

■ 3:57 p.m. Dec. 27, 100 block

of Sin-Del Drive, animal control.

6:11 p.m. Dec. 27, 800 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, EMS as-

■ 7:30 p.m. Dec. 27, 300 block of South Arizona Avenue, 911 hang-up.

12:52 p.m. Dec. 28, 600 block of Ohio Avenue, citizen assist.

■ 3:07 p.m. Dec. 28, Fifth Street at Pennsylvania Avenue, suspicious activity.

■ 4:24 p.m. Dec. 28, 300 block of Topeka Avenue, disturbance.
■ 5:11 p.m. Dec. 28, 100 block

of New York Avenue, citizen assist.

■ 7:19 p.m. Dec. 28, 800 block of Vermont Avenue, disturbance.

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