

Courthouse closes to the public, county offices modify operations

By Ali Holcomb
The doors to the Jackson County Courthouse closed to the public Friday morning as a precaution against the possible spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus).

The county commissioners held special meetings last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday as new information about the COVID-19 pandemic developed at the state and county levels.

On Thursday, a plan was developed to allow limited public access to the Courthouse. Then on Friday, the commissioners approved a resolution to close the doors of the Courthouse to the general public.

"The board of commissioners' highest priority is to ensure

the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County," the commissioners said. "Our citizens are encouraged to conduct necessary business by phone, mail or by electronic means."

The exterior doors of the Courthouse and all county buildings will be locked, except for the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, but will be continue to be staffed during regular working hours.

Information about conducting business with county offices during this time is listed in detail on page 7 of today's edition of The Holton Recorder.

During Wednesday's meeting, Commissioners Ed Kathrens and Bill Elmer agreed that

until there was a confirmed case in the county, they didn't need to worry about closing the Courthouse.

"Let's not go overboard until there's a reason to go overboard," Kathrens said Wednesday.

The county's response changed on Thursday when one positive case of COVID-19 was confirmed in the county, and the commissioners proclaimed a state of local disaster emergency for the county.

After Thursday's meeting, the commissioners had a plan in place to begin pre-screening for symptoms of COVID-19 prior to anyone entering the Courthouse.

That plan included only keeping the south entrance of

the Courthouse open with a Jackson County Sheriff's deputy stationed at the door screening visitors for symptoms of the virus before they could be allowed to enter the building.

People with a fever or other symptoms of the virus would not have been permitted in the Courthouse, it was reported.

With that plan, Courthouse visitors would have had to remain on the first floor to conduct business. Several long tables were already set up inside the entrance of the building, and employees from the county's departments would have been called down from the other floors to assist residents as needed.

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Jackson County Health Officer Angie Reith (shown above) spoke to the Jackson County Commissioners and several department heads last Thursday during a special commission meeting about COVID-19 and reducing the potential spread of the virus in the county. Reith has reported that one county resident has tested positive for the virus and the health department is asking residents, at this time, to limit gatherings to no more than 10 people.

Photo by Ali Holcomb

One COVID-19 case reported in county

By Ali Holcomb
One Jackson County resident has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the Jackson County Health Department, by proclamation, is prohibiting gatherings in the county that include more than 10 people.

Dine-in eating at restaurants and bars is also being prohibited, according to the proclamation.

A copy of the proclamation appears on Page 2 of today's Holton Recorder.

Angie Reith, Jackson County Health Officer, said her office was notified Wednesday night by the Kansas Department of

Health and Environment that a county resident had tested positive for the virus.

The individual is in isolation and following the recommendations of health officials. Staff at the county health office immediately began working on identifying people who had contact with this individual once they tested positive, it was reported.

"We continue to recommend that persons who have symptoms associated with a respiratory illness stay home and call your medical provider if your symptoms require medical attention," Reith said. "Our office continues to collaborate with the health care providers

in our community. We highly encourage all people to follow the recommendations of KDHE and CDC regarding social distancing. These measures will help us slow the spread of this virus in our community."

This is the only confirmed case of the coronavirus in the county, and Reith said she is unable to release any more details about the resident with the virus.

"I know this is scary because we don't know a lot about this virus, but this is why we are encouraging social isolation," Reith said at a special county commission meeting on Thursday. "This is why we are en-

couraging businesses that have the capability to allow their employees to work from home to do it. And wash your hands."

Reith said the health department has coordinated with each health provider in the county.

"We've reached out to them so they can prepare their staff for the onslaught of calls they will probably receive," she said. "Please don't send people to their doctor if they have symptoms. They must call. We've set up testing outside at all the clinics. That's the only way we can make sure to keep this stuff out of our buildings."

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"Continuous learning" plans in development

By Ali Holcomb and Brian Sanders

Administrators and staff at Jackson County's schools are working this week to roll out a "continuous learning" initiative for students who are currently out of school buildings for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year by order of Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

■ Holton

According to Holton USD 336 Superintendent Bob Davies, the Holton district's plan includes supplying electronic devices for students in second through 12th grades, Davies said.

District patrons were asked to fill out an internet access survey online at the district's website or

by phone by this morning.

"The Kansas State Department of Education released guidance on the continued learning plans that schools in Kansas must use to bridge the gap in learning as part of the waiver from the state on the 1,116-hour school year requirement," Davies said. "After a day of meetings and going over this process, the Holton administrative team is confident we can help the staff next week, structure multiple approaches to continued learning opportunities with enough flexibility for all students to succeed and grow. This will not look like school as we presently know it. This will take all this week for our staff to develop the continuous learning plan, and we will be working to roll it out after that."

During these last remaining weeks of the school term, Davies said the focus will be on "critical standards or competencies."

The Kansas State Department of Education does not expect schools to administer state assessments when schools are closed. Even though the Kansas state assessments are administered online, the tests can't be given to students in a remote location, it was reported.

Davies said that the building administrators are working with the classroom teachers to create a plan for students to be able to visit the school and pick up their school and personal materials.

Sack lunches continue to be served in the district as school buildings remain closed. Davies said that on Thursday, 79 students

were served at the district's Denison Community Center meal site and 344 kids were served at the elementary school in Holton.

The district's website, www.holtonks.net, also includes answers to several frequently asked questions about the closure of the school buildings, it was reported.

■ Jackson Heights

"Plan like you're going to be in school next week, and plan like you're not going to be in school next week."

That was the message that Jackson Heights District Superintendent Adrienne Walsh received early last week from the Kansas

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Holton City Hall closed

Holton City Hall and other city facilities will be closed to the public until Monday, April 6 as a precaution against the possible spread of COVID-19, it has been reported.

However, city staff will continue working to handle utility payment questions and take debit and credit card payments via telephone, it was reported. Anyone with questions about their utility bills may call City Hall

at 364-2721 during regular business hours.

Utility payments may be made by including the top portion of the utility bill along with payment in an envelope that can be placed in the drop box on the north side of City Hall, which is located at 430 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton. Payments will also be accepted at the city's Web site.

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Senior meals continue with takeout, delivery

By Brian Sanders

The dining room at the Jackson County Senior Citizens Center is temporarily closed to the public as a precaution against the possible spread of COVID-19, but local senior citizens who get weekday lunches at the center still have access to those lunches, according to Amanda Spalding, senior center director.

On Friday morning, Spalding was busy fielding phone calls from the senior center's clients, confirming requests for carry-out or delivery meals for Holton residents age 60 and older and their spouses, as the center's

dining room has been closed to the public since last Monday, March 16.

"We still deliver to our home-bound seniors," Spalding said. "We get calls every day for somebody new, and we're serving as many people as we can right now."

Senior transportation to and from the center has also been suspended until further notice, she said, but many of the center's clients who would normally drive in for lunch can still pick up a meal to go at the center's back door.

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'Professionals Review' included

The Holton Recorder's "Spring Area Professionals Review" is included with this edition and includes a lot of valuable information about many of the community's leading businesses and professional people.

This special section was formerly called "Everything Spring!"

These leading businesses and professional people are ready to serve you when you need them! This is an edition you'll want to save for the rest of the year.



Holton USD 336 employee Sherri Immenschuh (at right in the photo above) delivered a handful of school meals to a family that drove up to the Holton Elementary School entrance on Friday morning to pick up meals being offered to district students while their school buildings are closed as a measure to prevent the possible spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus).

Photo by Brian Sanders



TUESDAY'S FORECAST
Cloudy w/AM Showers, High 57
Look for the complete forecast on Page 2.

PUBLIC HEALTH PROCLAMATION

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, March 23, 2020.)

JACKSON COUNTY

PUBLIC HEALTH PROCLAMATION

Temporarily prohibiting mass gatherings to limit the spread of COVID-19

WHEREAS, securing the health, safety and economic well-being of residents and visitors in Jackson County, Kansas is the county health official's top priority;

WHEREAS, the United States Departments of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for COVID-19 beginning January 27, 2020, with over 10,000 cases of the illness and over 80 deaths as a result of the illness across the United States;

WHEREAS, a State of Disaster Emergency was proclaimed for the State of Kansas on March 12, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States declared the ongoing COVID-19 a pandemic of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration for all state, tribes, territories, and the District of Columbia pursuant to Section 501 (b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act");

WHEREAS this County will do whatever it can to assist Jackson County residents in these challenging times; and

WHEREAS, further action is necessary to promote the health and safety of the residents of Jackson County, slow the spread of the COVID-19 outbreak, reduce the number of people

in infected, and avoid strain on our healthcare system.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the **Public Health Officer** of Jackson County, Kansas, in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, I hereby direct and order the following:

1. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, March 20th, 2020, all public or private mass gatherings as defined below, are prohibited by the Public Health Officer.

a. The phrase "mass gathering" as used in this order means any planned or spontaneous public or private event convening that will bring together or is likely to bring together 10 or more people in a confined or enclosed space at the same time.

b. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, mass gatherings at: restaurants (excluding carry out, curbside or delivery services), auditoriums, theaters, movie theaters, museums, stadiums, arenas, conference rooms, meeting halls, exhibition centers, taverns, health and fitness centers, recreational centers, and licensed pools.

2. The following activities or facilities are exempt from the prohibitions of this order:

a. Meetings or proceedings of the Jackson County Board of County Commissioners;

b. Operations of Jackson County, Kansas;

c. Religious gatherings, as long as attendees can engage in appropriate social distancing;

d. Funeral or memorial services or ceremonies;

e. Airports;

f. Public, private, or charter schools for instructional purposes, for non-instructional purposes – such as medication pickup, childcare services, providing meals – and when operating as poll-

ing places;

g. Childcare locations (including those that operate within a facility that is otherwise subject to the prohibitions of this order), residential care centers, and group homes;

h. Hotels and motels, as long as the restaurant and bar guidelines, listed below in subparagraph t are followed;

i. Military and National Guard facilities;

j. Law enforcement, jail, or correctional facilities, including any facility operated by the Department of Corrections;

k. Any facility being used as part of a government or community response to a natural disaster;

l. Food pantries and shelter facilities, including day centers, for individuals and families;

m. Detoxification centers;

n. Apartment or other multi-family residential buildings, except that the prohibitions of paragraph 1 apply to any non-residential facilities, rooms, or operations in such buildings subject to any other expectations listed in paragraph 2;

o. Shopping malls and other retail establishments where large numbers of people are present but are generally not within arm's length of one another for more than 10 minutes;

p. Hospitals, medical facilities and pharmacies;

q. Long-term care and assisted living facilities, as long as the facility follows all current Department of Health Services Recommendations for Prevention of COVID-19 in Long-Term Care Facilities and Assisted Living Facilities per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

r. Libraries;

s. Senior Centers, but only for the service of meals and only if the requirements listed below are followed:

i. Preserve social distancing of 6 feet between tables

t. Retail food establishments (grocery stores, con-

venience stores, farmer's markets) as long as the requirements listed below are followed:

i. Retail food establishments may sell groceries with the general public inside, however if they serve prepared food they may only serve carry out, curbside pickup or delivery and beverage services; and

ii. Cease self-service of unpackaged food, such as in salad bars or buffets;

u. Office spaces and government service centers;

v. Manufacturing, processing, distribution, and production facilities;

w. Public transportation;

x. Utility facilities;

y. Job centers;

z. Restaurants, bars and clubs may continue to serve carry out, drive through and delivery services; and

aa. Facilities operated by the Kansas Legislature and Kansas Court System.

3. All public gatherings that bring together or are likely to bring together 10 or fewer people in a single room or confined or enclosed space at the same time should:

a. Preserve social distancing of 6 feet between people, and

b. Follow all other public health recommendations issued by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and all local county and municipal health codes.

This document shall be filed with the Jackson County Clerk. It shall become effective immediately and remain in force until rescinded May 1, 2020, or until the State of Disaster Emergency proclaimed on March 12, 2020, relating to COVID-19 expires, whichever is earlier.

Jackson County Public Health Department

/s/ Angela Reith
Angela Reith,
Health Officer

Hoyt council approves COVID-19 action plan

Members of the Hoyt City Council approved multiple measures surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic at a special city council meeting last week.

"The city of Hoyt is focused on keeping our residents safe and healthy during this pandemic through common sense measures to limit potential exposure to the virus in accordance with recommendations from KDHE and the CDC," said Mayor Debbie Dreasher.

Action during the meeting included resolutions to suspend utility shutoffs and eliminate late fees until May 6, close public access to city hall and the Hoyt Community Building until April 15 and close Hoyt City Park to

vehicle traffic until April 15.

These actions will be reviewed at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on April 7. The meeting will be held in the Hoyt Community Building at 7 p.m. and will also be streamed live on social media.

In the coming days, city officials will also launch a new digital platform to allow residents to continue to interact with the city, it was reported.

This platform, provided by Granicus, will allow residents to conduct normal business transactions including licensure items, reporting concerns, pay utilities and submit comments and concerns for city council meetings. This platform along with phone,

email, the drop box at city hall and the city website (hoytks.net) will be the avenues to conduct business with the city.

"We ask that residents utilize the online options for payments and transactions as much as possible to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These tools will allow our residents to conduct business more efficiently and 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with the city not only in times like this but for years to come," said Councilman Dustin Brinkman.

The city will also be investing in WiFi hotspots to place in several public areas around the city to allow students to have access to the internet for distance learning options.

"We know a sizable number of Royal Valley students do not have access to strong internet at home. The city will be adding these hotspots to allow students to have access in areas where they can work in a safe environment while being able to socially distance themselves," city officials said.

The Hoyt mayor and city council members encourage city residents to continue to be safe, frequently wash your hands and stay away from anyone who is sick.

Anyone who thinks they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should self-quarantine and contact their doctor's office or KDHE at 866-534-3463.

Health care leaders issue joint statement on COVID-19

With the first positive case of COVID-19 announced in Jackson County, area health-care facilities, including Holton Community Hospital and Community HealthCare System, are prepared to test and treat patients for COVID-19 but emphasize that members of the public should take prevention measures seriously.

In a joint press release, health care administrators said that patients should call their health-

care providers if they have fever, cough and shortness of breath.

Dr. David Allen of Community HealthCare System Holton Family Health Center said a positive case re-emphasizes the need for social distancing.

"People need to be responsible for themselves and their kids. We need to slow the spread and the intensity with which it hits the community," Dr. Allen said.

All area healthcare facilities have protocols and guidelines in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, it was reported. Officials at Holton Community Hospital emphasized that the Jackson County patient who tested positive for the virus did not enter the facility.

"Everyone did their part and followed identified procedures," said Carrie Saia, Holton Community Hospital CEO.

"By contacting our provid-

ers first, the patient was able to have a sample collected outside our facility. My staff utilized appropriate protective equipment and supplies," Saia said.

Dr. Allen noted that Holton Family Health Center has been proactive and is ready to treat patients.

"We anticipated this being the case at some point in time. We have plans in place on the extended horizon to do immunization and wellness things that are timely but not urgent," he said.

"We know this is a difficult time for our community. We are working daily to continue to provide our community the best possible healthcare. It is now more important than ever for our citizens to continue to practice social distancing and other guidelines set forth by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the CDC," said Dr. Malia Warner, chief of

medical staff at Holton Community Hospital. "We need to continue to support each other and reach out to others in a safe manner. We will get through this if all encourage and help one another."

Holton Community Hospital and Onaga Community Hospital, along with other area facilities, are closely screening patients and visitors and have made other changes. Patients should monitor websites and social media or call if they have questions.

Contact Holton Community Hospital at 364-2116 or www.holtonhospital.com or follow them on Facebook at Holton Community Hospital. Contact Community HealthCare System at 785-889-4272 or www.chcsks.org or follow them on Facebook at Community HealthCare System or on Twitter at @chcsks

Holton City Hall...

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The City of Holton is also suspending electric disconnects for non-payment until after April 15, but those having difficulty in paying their bills on time are asked to contact City Hall to set up a payment plan to get their accounts in good standing as soon as possible, it was reported.

The closing of City Hall to the public has also resulted in the postponement of Holton Municipal Court cases with court dates in March or April, it was reported. The next municipal court date has been scheduled for Thursday, May 21.

Those who have municipal tickets may call the municipal court clerk at 364-2721 to verify that their cases have been continued. They are also asked to check their tickets to make sure that they are municipal court tickets and not Jackson County District Court tickets, it was reported.

Sheriff notes operational changes at jail

Due to the coronavirus pandemic in the United States, several restrictions are now in place at the Jackson County Jail to "safeguard the inmate population, as well as staff," according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse.

"The medical screening that inmates receive prior to being introduced into the jail has been expanded to include screening

symptoms for the COVID-19 virus," Sheriff Morse said. "In addition, outside visitors and agencies have been restricted from accessing the facility. Many of these changes have occurred after consultation with our medical provider."

At this time, the public can only visit with inmates through video visitation, Morse said.

"During this difficult time, the Jackson County Sheriff's

Office remains on the job and is here to assist you if needed," Sheriff Morse said. "Everyone needs to be vigilant and follow the medical direction that has been provided."

While the Jackson County Jail does house inmates for other law enforcement agencies, Morse said there's "not a lot of movement right now" of inmates being moved from facilities to other facilities.

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5 Years Ago

Week of March 22-28, 2015

A bracelet previously owned by Second Lieutenant George W. Zellers, who served in World War II, was recently found in the Arizona desert. Zellers was a graduate of Holton High School. His then-sweetheart, Viola Row (formerly Violet Richter), of Topeka gave him the bracelet prior to his departure to Europe. Row remembers the bracelet she gave to Zellers, who was killed in a 1944 air crash about 20 miles northeast of Phoenix, where the bracelet was found.

Jim Birkbeck of Denison State Bank recently received the Kansas Ag Bankers' 2015 Pioneer Award. The award is presented to an agricultural banker that exemplifies the best in agricultural lending, it was reported.

A new website for the Jackson County Sheriff's Office has been completed to bridge the gap between the sheriff's office and members of the public, according to Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse. The website features, among a variety of things, a list of outstanding warrants in the county and a detailed roster of local inmates occupying the county jail.

Corey Katzer has stepped up to the plate as the new softball coach at Royal Valley High School, it has been announced.

10 Years Ago

Week of March 22-28, 2010

Holton postmaster Lynette Mullinax will be leaving her position in Holton this week, it has been reported. She has been the postmaster at Holton for the past two years, and has accepted a different job opportunity for the U.S. Postal Service in Topeka.

On Tuesday, March 23, President Barack Obama signed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act – the landmark health care bill enacting a sweeping overhaul of the nation's \$2.5-trillion health care system – into law.

Tara Ladusch of Circleville was one of 43 students who received scholarship awards from the Department of Education at Washburn University for the 2010-11 academic year, it was reported. Ladusch was awarded the Lala Tull Philippi Scholarship, which is given to female students pursuing an elementary education teaching degree.

Matt Miller, chief meteorologist for KTKA-TV in Topeka, met with fourth-grade students at Holton's Central Elementary School on Monday, March 22, for a presentation on severe weather awareness. Among the lessons were how tornadoes formed and action to be taken when a tornado is reported in the area.

For the second year in a row, Jackson Heights sixth-grade teacher Joyce Cochren has received the VFW Kansas Teacher of the Year award.

SONIC BLAST FROM THE PAST



This week's "Blast From The Past" is the engagement photo of a Jackson Heights graduate that was published in 1978.

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

Last week's "Blast From The Past" featured Joni White.

15 Years Ago

Week of March 22-28, 2005

Basketball goals have been installed at Holton's Linscott Park. The Holton Optimist Club has been active in raising funds to get the goals installed in the park, and according to Parks and Recreation Director Mike Reichle, the goals were put to use by local children shortly after they were installed.

After 31 years and five months of service to Jackson Farmers, Inc. in Holton, Jim Fund has announced his retirement.

The Red Rock Guest Ranch near Soldier is beginning its third season, and it will feature a western gospel show once again. The ranch added a gospel night last season, and it was such a huge hit that western gospel shows have been added to this season's events. Among the entertainers are Casey, Donna and Katie Jo Patterson.

The state's best girls high school wrestlers are being honored by USA Wrestling-Kansas with the announcement of the first annual All-Kansas Girls High School Wrestling Team, it has been announced. The team includes Holton junior Libby Bowser.

Fielding Brenner of Holton High School has signed a letter of intent to play football and run track at Ottawa Uni-

versity. Fielding is the son of Dan Brenner of Holton and Lisa Brookover, and grandson of Rosie Brenner of Holton.

25 Years Ago

Week of March 22-28, 1995

Three kindergarteners at Holton's Colorado Elementary School were shown in a photo in The Holton Recorder performing a cheer at halftime of the Holton faculty vs. senior game that took place on Friday night, March 17. The girls, Hailey Copeland, Deandra Schirmer and Danielle Degenhardt, were among dozens of participants in the Wildcat Spirit Squad Camp this winter.

Two Jackson Heights boys basketball players – senior forward Bill Stockstill and junior post Zach Watkins – headlined the list of all-Delaware Valley League selections after leading the Cobras to an undefeated league record, it was reported.

Denison and Circleville's fire departments are now changing their organization and becoming satellites for Holton's rural fire department. The two cities became part of Holton Rural Fire District #4 about 20 years ago, but it was only recently that the merger of Denison and Circleville as satellites began.

50 Years Ago

Week of March 22-28, 1970

Holton High School has placed three members on the All Big Seven League basketball team, it has been reported. They are Mike Blake and Robin Allen, guards, and Bob Sourk, forward.

Mike Harding and Mark Foster are Hoyt's first State Farmers, it has been announced. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harding of Mayetta and Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Foster of Hoyt. They were selected for State Farmer on the basis of their farming programs, leadership, scholastic standing and participation in school and community activities.

A new business opened in downtown Holton this week when the Blossom Shop opened its doors on the west side of the Square. Associated in the operation of the new flower shop are Oscar Nowlin, former operator of the Holton Greenhouse, and Linda Brey. The building formerly occupied by the Mode 'O Day Store has been remodeled and redecorated for the new floral business.

Don and Novena Newman, owners of Newman Building Supply in Holton, have purchased the Mayetta Lumber Company, it has been announced. Harold Newman will be the manager at the Mayetta location (a separate branch from the Holton business), which has been completely remodeled.

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Public Notice

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USD 337 NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDING THE 2019-20 BUDGET

The governing body of Unified School District 337 will meet on the 13th day of April, 2020 at 7:45 PM, at 101 W. Main Street, Mayetta, KS 66509 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at district office and will be available at this hearing.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Fund	Adopted Budget 2019-20			Proposed Amendment 2019-20 Budget
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax to be Levied	Expenditures and Transfers	Expenditures and Transfers
General Fund	20.0000	629,812	7,072,758	7,145,509
At Risk (K-12) Fund	0.0000	0	790,500	875,000

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Respectfully,

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OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY



MENTAL HEALTH MINUTE

Keeping structure in your daily schedule

By Dr. Ron Cobb
Admin, LCAC
Hope For Life

Coming back from Eagle Base and a hostile fire zone, the Army did their best to help me transition back into civilian life.

After 30 years of military duty all over the world, it was not easy.

Every patient in my clinic has trauma issues although many do not realize it. The coronavirus pandemic can raise up past trauma and anxiety in your life.

Be aware that our world today is like a war zone.

We never could tell when the next mortar round would hit and we never can tell who the

next coronavirus will affect.

One mental health secret is to get structure in your daily schedule.

Read healing literature.

Watch peaceful things on TV.

Laugh to yourself and with friends on the phone or on social media.

Have an attitude of gratitude for a place to stay and food to eat.

Be thankful. Pray. Help others. Do the next right thing.

These are not mere platitudes. Walk a trail in the woods.

These things will help you be much less anxious.

God bless you.



Sheriff supports Banner Lodge proposal

Dear editor,

I am writing in support of the fund-raising effort and the application for matching funds from the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism for the construction of an enclosed community building at Banner Reservoir.

Banner Reservoir has been a fantastic asset for the people of Jackson County and northeast Kansas. The facilities at Banner Reservoir are like no other in this part of the state. The lake provides all types of opportunity for outdoor recreation for the residents of this community as well as visitors to our county.

Over the years, Banner Reservoir has been the host of many different community events. One particular event has had a tremendous impact on this community, especially our youth.

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office Day Camp has become an annual summer event for

nearly two decades. The camp has provided a positive environment for kids to not only have a lot of fun, but also at the same time it provided the opportunity to build long lasting relationships with law enforcement.

Banner Reservoir has been a fantastic venue for this event, and an enclosed community building would simply be the icing on the cake.

This type of facility would provide an unlimited amount of possibilities for the lake, and would open up a number of possible educational opportunities as well. The facility would provide accommodations for large gatherings, and at the same time provide shelter during inclement weather. I hope others will see the benefit that this facility could be for all of us.

Please let me know what I can do to assist in helping with this project.

Tim Morse
Jackson County Sheriff

Frazier supports Banner Lodge proposal

Dear editor,

This letter is to let you know that I am quite excited about the possibility of constructing a 42x60 multipurpose building at Banner Creek Reservoir.

Banner Creek Reservoir already has a positive economic impact on the greater Jackson County area as a tourism destination and public space for many local activities. Banner Creek has done a great job of providing fishing, boating and canoeing opportunities, trails, camping and many other activities to draw tourists to northeast Kansas, diversifying and expanding the economy while also getting locals into nature for fun and exercise.

Kansas weather is unpredictable, and a climate controlled facility to host Hunter's Ed classes, Quail Forever events,

weddings, etc. would be extremely beneficial. It would allow organizations and people to plan events with comfort and certainty, regardless of concerns about the weather. I believe it would expand the use of Banner Creek by a multiple while servicing a need in the community.

I believe the ongoing fund-raising efforts of the Fritz Dillner family and multiple fun run events demonstrate a commitment and excitement in the community to move forward with a project like this.

Thanks to all for your efforts in making this facility a reality that will provide economic and health benefits to current residents of Jackson County and their posterity.

Rex Frazier
Holton

Glennon supports Banner Lodge proposal

Dear editor,

As a member of the business community, we would like to express our support for the Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir-proposed construction of an enclosed building at the reservoir.

This project is vital to the future of Banner Creek Reservoir. By having an enclosed building available, community members have an opportunity to rent this space, organizations have the opportunity to hold events, not to mention the safety aspect with the storm shelter below the structure. With this being the only enclosed building on the reservoir, safety is a major concern.

Banner Creek Reservoir is an integral part of Holton and Jackson County. Banner Creek Reservoir offers a wide variety

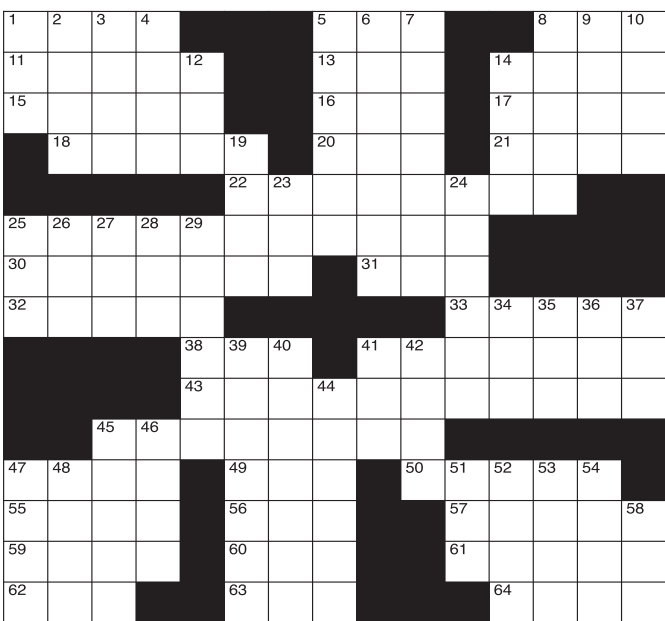
of recreational options not only to Holton, but the surrounding communities. When people attend the reservoir, that allows the opportunity for those people to utilize other amenities of the Holton and Jackson County area, such as grocery, fuel and restaurants to name a few. When we improve that facility, we improve the entire community.

All of us at GNBANK are excited for the opportunity that the Kansas Land and Water Conservation Fund may provide through grants. We strongly recommend the awarding of funds to Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir. Thank you for your consideration to this very worthwhile project.

Kenneth L. Glennon
GNBANK president

Go to the Holton Community Foundation website to make your tax deductible donation the the project talked about above!

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- As soon as possible
- Gateway (Arabic)
- Doctors' group
- Madder genus of plants
- A team's best pitcher
- Ancient Greek sophist
- Go up
- Neither
- Bolivian river
- Manila hemp
- Comedienne Gasteyer
- British School
- Human reproductive organs
- Surrenders
- Dog with long, silky coat and drooping ears
- Sun up in New York
- Lead alloy
- Eastern Asian plant
- Rapid deployment force (abbr.)
- Japanese warrior
- Festivity
- Interruptions
- Nonsense (slang)
- Data mining methodology (abbr.)
- Fencing sword
- French river
- Global business conference (abbr.)
- Afflicted
- Con man's game
- No (Scottish)
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Fish
- Camera term (abbr.)
- Impudence

CLUES DOWN

- A continuous portion of a circle
- Genus of seabirds
- Infant's dining accessory
- Native Americans from Arizona
- Popular fruit
- Poisonous plant
- Scolded
- Assists
- Hand (Spanish)
- Amazon product identifying system (abbr.)
- Basics
- Cain and __
- Malaria
- Indicates particular shape
- Respiratory disease
- Central Standard Time
- Imitate
- Golf score
- A place to lay your head
- Three cards of the same suit
- Not in
- Human gene
- Ancient Chinese philosophic concept
- French river
- Thinks up
- Type of geological deposit
- Helps little firms
- Area units
- A device to remove
- Secret political clique
- Polite interruption sound
- Foundation
- Clare Boothe __, American writer
- Swiss river
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Jessy Leigh Gudenkauf

To Change Her Name.

Case No. 2020-CV-10
Div. No.
Pursuant to Chapter 60

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THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Jessy Leigh

Gudenkauf, filed her Petition in the above court on March 5, 2020, praying for judgment and decree changing her name from Jessy Leigh Gudenkauf to Tyler Myles Gudenkauf, and that said Petition will be heard (or assigned) by the Court in Division __, Jackson County Courthouse, 400 New York, Holton, Kansas, on the 7th day of April, 2020, at 8:30 a.m.

You are required to plead in response to the petition on or before April 6, 2020, in this Court.

If you fail to plead judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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COVID-19 case...

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Reith said that health providers will continue to do testing for the virus in the county when a resident displays certain symptoms set by KDHE.

“KDHE has allowed us to extradite testing. I don’t need prior approval if they meet certain criteria,” she said.

With a positive case in the county, Reith said the health department is mandated to follow up with people the infected person has had close contact with daily.

“Once a person has tested positive for the virus, those in close contact with the person, more than 10 minutes at less than six feet, are quarantined, per KDHE recommendations,” she said. “A quick lesson. Quarantine is for well people and isolation is for those who are sick.”

Reith said that those in quarantine need to stay home and only leave if they are seeking medical treatment, she said.

“While in the home, a sick person is asked to be in a separate room, if possible, use a separate restroom and limit contact with the rest of the people in the house to help and try to prevent

the spread,” she said.

She said that symptoms of COVID-19 are a fever, a cough and can progress to trouble breathing, which is why some people require hospitalization, but not all.

“We do know that, for some reason, children don’t seem to be affected by this as much. If you look at the data, children probably have it, but they just don’t show symptoms of it and they don’t seem to get as much sick with it,” she said. “We also speculate that there are adults out there who aren’t getting as sick with it and going about their life normally.”

Gov. Laura Kelly has sent all non-essential state workers home for two weeks starting today (Monday).

“At this time, I’m not mandating that anybody go home or that businesses close. They might want to look at their sick leave policy and think about how they can operate their business differently,” she said. “I really applaud how the restaurants are going above and beyond to try to keep business happening but in a different way.”

At the Jackson County Health

Department, Reith said all their employees are having their temperature checked before they enter the business and that they are disinfecting after every visitor.

“We’re a small health department, and we can’t afford to get sick at this point,” she said. “Social distancing greatly reduces the spread of the virus.”

Reith released a public health proclamation on Thursday that temporarily prohibits mass gatherings (more than 10 people) to limit the spread of the virus, which includes dine-in eating at restaurants.

Restaurants can still provide carry out, curbside or delivery services, it was reported.

Activities exempt from the rule include Jackson County Commission meetings, religious gatherings (as long as attendees engage in social distancing), funerals, schools, childcare locations, hotels and motels, health care facilities and other locations.

According to the proclamation, it will remain in effect until May 1 or until the state of disaster emergency expires, whichever is earlier.

Courthouse closed...

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“This will make it easier for us to wipe down areas and limit the spread of any contamination in the building,” Commissioner Janet Zwonitzer said Thursday. “It’s the least disruptive way so that everyone can continue to receive services.”

Keeping Courthouse visitors on the first floor as part of that plan was also in response to a concern from department heads about the lack of hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and facial tissues available for their offices.

“We want to comply by the law, reduce the spread of the virus and keep our employees safe,” Zwonitzer said.

As of Friday, the Jackson County treasurer’s office had al-

ready suspended processing all driver’s licenses.

Starting today, the Kansas Department of Revenue, which handles driver’s licenses in the state, has closed for two weeks. It is likely that the state will extend renewals for another month, it was reported.

Kansans can also renew their vehicle registrations, renew their driver’s licenses and obtain other records by visiting ikan.ks.gov

“Traffic in the Courthouse has already dropped drastically,” Zwonitzer said. “We’re encouraging people who can do county business online to do so.”

The commissioners met with Angie Reith, Jackson County Health Officer, members of district court and several depart-

ment heads on Thursday to continue to discuss different options for protecting Courthouse staff while still providing services to the public.

“As long as there is court, people will need to come to the Courthouse,” Zwonitzer said. “I don’t know how we can shut down the Courthouse with court is still running. It’s a nightmare.”

The Second Judicial court occupies the third floor of the Courthouse and as of Friday, the office is now open only from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents who need protection from abuse or protection from stalking orders prior to 9 a.m. or after noon, are asked to go to the Jackson County Sheriff’s Office.

Senior meals...

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On average, the center sent out more than 100 meals per day last week, Spalding said.

Friday at the center saw 64 meals delivered and 52 carry-out dinners picked up by clients.

“Today was a big day, because it was our chili and cinnamon roll day, and everybody loves that,” she said. “It’s no surprise that we would have big numbers today!”

Meals at the senior center are served or delivered in Holton by reservation, and anyone wanting a meal is urged to call the center by 9 a.m. to make a reservation for that day’s lunch. Spalding noted that seniors can also call a day or a week ahead if they so desire.

“You can do in advance for any time, but calling by 9 a.m. that day is best for us,” she said. “We like to have a pretty decent count by that time, because we start preparing at 6:30 a.m.”

Seniors who wish to have their meals delivered in Holton must meet certain criteria set by the Northeast Kansas Area Agency

on Aging — “things like being home-bound and unable to cook for themselves,” Spalding said. Deliveries are limited to those seniors who live within Holton’s city limits.

The Jackson County Senior Citizens Center is located at 312 Pennsylvania Ave. in Holton. For more information, or to make take-out or delivery meal reservations in Holton, contact the senior center between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at 364-3571.

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Changes have been made to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Food Distribution Program for senior citizens to ensure the safety of community members and staff during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) crisis, it has been reported.

The lobby at the PBP Elder Center — located on K Road about half a mile south of 158th Road on the Potawatomi Reservation — is closed to the public until further notice, but take-out meals will still be made available.

Meals may be picked up under the elder center’s awning in a drive-through fashion, and cones are in place to guide drivers. Orders will be distributed from a cart, and elder center clients who are physically able are asked to load their own orders to minimize contact with staff, it was reported.

Enrolled tribal members age 50 and older may eat for free, while non-member seniors or non-seniors will be charged a fee for meals.

All current clients up for recertification at the end of this month will be extended for one month without filing paperwork. Clients may place orders and schedule an appointment for pick-up or qualifying delivery by phone or email; call (785) 966-2718 or (785) 966-2150, or email blakegarrison@pbnation.org or laceyshipshee@pbnation.org

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Continuous Education...

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State Department of Education, before all state school buildings were closed by Gov. Kelly’s order.

As a result, school officials are gearing up for the “continuous learning” plan that a KSDE task force has made available for schools across the state, and Walsh said teachers and paraprofessionals in the Jackson Heights district have started the process of learning about the plan in order to meet students’ needs while district buildings are closed.

“If they’re going to the trouble to do that, I think we’re still going to have some accountability as a school system,” Walsh said.

Once that process is complete, it was reported, the district will begin offering its “continuous learning” system to district students starting Monday, March 30.

Walsh said the process began with a survey of district families about whether they have the capability to connect with the system from home.

“We asked our homeroom teachers to contact their homeroom families and ask about internet access,” she said. “We have a high percentage that has that access.”

Families with internet access to school resources, specifically those pertaining to “e-learning,” are also in a position to help schools such as Jackson Heights meet the 1,116-hour school year requirement that all schools in the state are required to meet, Walsh added.

The “continuous learning” program was mentioned during the Jackson Heights USD 335 Board of Education meeting last Monday, March 16, and more discussion was planned for a special board meeting scheduled for last Thursday, although that meeting was cancelled. Initial board consensus, however, favored making that resource available to families in the district.

Another point of discussion for the board last week involved making sure that high school seniors have enough credits for graduation, with the possibility of offering those seniors who might not have enough credits the chance to make them up at home through the district’s auspices.

It was reported that school districts across the state have been given three options for delivery of educational services for the

rest of the 2019-20 school year:

- Face-to-face in small groups that meet size restrictions set by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Online learning.
- Paper packets.

Walsh said that some parents in the survey have requested the paper option, and such materials may be delivered to families along with school lunches that are being delivered daily to drop-off locations in the district’s four towns.

Jackson Heights district families with questions about the “continuous learning” program are invited to contact Walsh at 364-2194 or by e-mail at adrienne.walsh@jhcobras.net

Royal Valley

Royal Valley staff members are back in school buildings this week preparing the district’s “continuous learning” plan for implementation next week, according to USD 337 Superintendent Aaric Davis.

Just like every other school

district in the state, RV is transitioning from a traditional learning environment to a continuous learning environment under a directive from Gov. Laura Kelly who closed school buildings for the remainder of the year in order to help reduce the possible spread of COVID-19.

District patrons were sent a survey asking for information about whether they have access to technology and the internet at home.

“As we move through this difficult situation, I am proud to be a part of this community, and I am confident that our resilience will help us come up with a plan to support each other,” Davis said. “We have been given guidance that small groups less than 10 may have an opportunity to meet in the buildings at some point in the future. We appreciate your patience as we develop plans to provide the best opportunities possible for your students. We will continue working this week to plan for distance learning for students and other options that work for families moving forward.”

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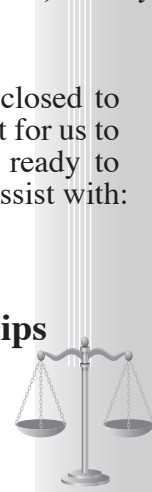
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Royal Valley sophomore Mason Thomas had 98 rebounds, 41 steals and 15 blocked shots for the Panther team that won the Big Seven League.



Royal Valley freshman Kennedy Bryan was the leading scorer for the Lady Panthers this season with 171 points scored, including 30 three-pointers. She was also the team’s second leading rebounder with 82.

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NEK-CAP, Inc. Central Office at 1260 220th St., Hiawatha, is closed to the public. Also, all Early Head Start/Head Start Centers and Outreach locations in northeast Kansas are closed to the public.

In these unprecedented times, the agency is trying to support individuals and families in need through the online Kiosk for applications and follow up by phone or email. We understand this is not the best way to serve you, but keeping our customers and staff safe is our utmost importance at this time. Please go to www.nekcap.org for more information and updates.



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The *Holtonks.net* website has a new button (COVID-19 RESPONSE FAQ) that outlines Frequently Asked Questions that we will update each night as we work to answer questions for our patrons and students. We are committed to helping bring clarity as we change the face of education moving forward. If you have more questions or concerns, please email an administrator and we will work to find the answer as quickly as possible.

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Abby Brey



Kylie Dohl

4 Cobras land All-League basketball honors

The Northeast Kansas League announced its All-League Basketball selections recently.

Jackson Heights senior Kylie Dohl was named to the All-League First Team for the third consecutive season. Dohl was also an All-League honorable mention pick as a freshman.

Jackson Heights junior Amaya Marlatt was named to the All-League Second Team for the second consecutive season.

Jackson Heights senior Abby Brey was named All-League honorable mention.

From Atchison County Community High School, freshman Addison Schletzbaum was named to the All-League Second Team and ACCHS freshman Aleah Wallisch was named All-League honorable mention.

On the boys side, 6-4 Jackson Heights senior Joel Kennedy was named All-League honorable mention.

From ACCHS, senior Tucker Smith was named All-League First Team on the boys squad. Smith was an All-League honorable mention pick last season.

Maur Hill won the NEK boys division this year with a 15-1 league record, followed by McLouth (12-4), Jefferson County North (11-5), Valley Falls (11-5), Pleasant Ridge (9-7), ACCHS (6-10), Jackson Heights (5-11), Horton (2-14) and Oskaloosa (1-15).

Jackson Heights won the NEK girls division with a 15-1 league record, followed by Jeff County North (14-2), Horton (12-4), Oskaloosa (9-7), ACCHS (8-8), Pleasant Ridge (7-9), Maur Hill (5-11), Valley Falls (1-15) and McLouth (1-15).

Jackson Heights Elementary School honor roll

The following students have been named to the honor roll for the third nine weeks of the 2019-2020 school year at Jackson Heights Elementary School.

All A's

Fifth Grade: Alexis De-neault and Ethan Gulotta.

Fourth Grade: Nicole Amon, Owen Bales, Ashlyn Brucken, Duke Condo, Marley Nickelson, Alexa Rash, Rylan Rodvelt, Sawyer Shupe and Gracie White.

A's and B's

Sixth Grade: Teagen Bowhay, Talen Browning, Karma Carlson, Chesnea Cochren, Jace Doyle, Titan Eisenbarth, Ashlin Hackathorn, Drake Mellies, Kyson Proffitt, Emma Sides, Brooke Slipke, Zoey Sullivan and Carter Will.

Fifth Grade: Paden Askren, Gunnar Bliss, Brody Browning, Curtis Fitzgerald, Eli Kirk, Jennifer Mellies, Sir Peek, Michael Robertson and Sydnee Visocksy.

Fourth Grade: Kolby Bowhay, Gage Edwards, Madeline Jones, Mickenzie Schlodder, Sabrina Streeter and Kaia Uhl.

Temporary ban placed on evictions and foreclosures in state

Gov. Laura Kelly announced an executive order last week to temporarily prohibit evictions and foreclosures across the state in an effort to mitigate the impact of COVID-19.

Due to negative economic impacts of COVID-19, Gov. Kelly and her administration decided to take steps to support Kansans who may miss mortgage or rent payments as a result of lost wages and other income.

"We understand that this pandemic is creating unprecedented challenges for people across the state," Gov. Kelly said. "Kansas families need our support, and my administration is committed to doing everything it can to make sure Kansans can stay in their homes and businesses. It's a necessary step to further protect Kansans' health and safety."

The executive order temporarily prohibits all financial institutions operating in Kansas from initiating any mortgage foreclosure efforts or judicial proceedings and any commercial or residential eviction efforts or judicial proceedings until May 1.

The order comes after a state of disaster emergency was proclaimed by Gov. Kelly on March 12.

Potawatomi UMC

By Ilene Dick

The March wind did blow on Sunday, March 8, as people traveled to and from church service on the second Sunday of Lent and Scouting Sunday.

Pastor Howard opened the service at Potawatomi United Methodist Church with scripture and prayer.

Announcements included a message to Betty from Marjean Shenk thanking everyone for prayers for Jim. His leg is beginning to heal.

Best wishes to Ginger Pugh, who was married at her parents' home on Sunday, March 1.

It was a joy to have Sharon Anderson, Sophie and Sadie for worship service again.

Tina Pugh provided the music while Betty Bowser carried in the light of Christ. The call to worship was taken from Galatians 5:1, 24.

Hymns were "Amazing Grace," "God Will Take Care Of You" and "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

Martha Roush was liturgist, reading from 2 Timothy 2:24. The Lent prayer was prayed in unison.

Tina Pugh gave the special, sharing "A Modern Affirmation Of Faith." The children's message was titled "Mirror, Mirror, On The Wall." Offertory ushers were Thomas Ziegler and LBJ Powers.

Pastor Howard's sermon was titled "Life Is A Gift. What's Ruling Your Life?" The text was taken from Colossians 3:15-16.

Life is a gift. Our role is to accept the gift and to celebrate the gift and live the gift. Our universal representatives, Adam and Eve, were in the garden. They have productive and uncomplicated work to do. They belonged together and shared together. They live in the love

and grace of God and of each other. They even have the guidance of God's word.

Yet, when God told them they could eat all of the trees in the garden except one, they heard with resentment.

All of humanity has fallen prey to temptation because we are human, and that's what humans do when we get the opportunity.

Jesus acted differently in the face of temptation. Jesus approached His temptation famished after a 40-day feast. He refused temptation. Adam and Eve questioned the word of God.

God wants us to have life and have it more abundantly. God wants our lives to be ruled by God's word rather than by the limits of our own wisdom.

Real life is not found when we try to be our own god and try to go our own way apart from God. We are left with the question, "What is ruling your life? Is it guilt and shame and death, or is it grace and love and life?"

The sermon scheduled for Sunday, March 15, was "A Whole Faith."

Happy birthday to Earline Pugh, who celebrated her 92nd birthday on March 1. Her granddaughter, Ginger Pugh, celebrated her birthday on March 6. Many more happy birthday wishes are sent to both.

Lily Hall enjoyed a drive to Lawrence on Saturday afternoon, March 7, with her son, Joe. They enjoyed supper at the Texas Road House. Lily was also looking forward to celebrating her older sister's birthday on March 21.

Sophie Anderson enjoys walking dogs at Heart of Jackson Humane Society, as well as practicing golf. Her sister, Sadie, went to the Topeka Zoo. She and her friends rode the train and the carousel. It was a beautiful Saturday to enjoy being outside.

Prayers go with Sharon Anderson as she had chemotherapy on Tuesday, March 10, at KU Cancer Center. Her bone and lung cancer are in remission.

Senior Meals - Take Out, Local Delivery

Senior meals continue but dining in is not allowed until further notice, it has been reported.

Instead, meals are being delivered locally or can be picked up. See story on page one of this issue.

Reservations for Jackson Countians 60 years and older and their spouses wishing to eat lunches under the Title III-C Nutrition program may be made daily Monday through Friday.

Reservations are to be made through the Jackson County Senior Citizens Office on a first come, first serve basis. Same day reservations will be accepted from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. only if reservations are not filled the previous day. Cancellations must be made by 9:30 a.m. same day.

Sawyer Custom Building & Remodeling

Gary W. Sawyer, Sawyer Custom Building and Remodeling, has been in the contractor business for more than 45 years. His business is located at 23590 T Road, Holton, and he may be contacted by phone at 364-2425.

Al's Overhead Door Service Inc.

Al's Overhead Door Service Inc. of Topeka has been in business for 43 years and specializes in garage doors. The business is located at 5000 N.W. 35th St., Topeka, and may be contacted by phone at (785) 286-2555.

NOTICE

The Farmers State Bank lobby is currently closed to walk-ins for the safety and well-being of our customers and staff. Please use the drive-up, night deposit, ATM or online banking, or make an appointment for in-person services. Effective March 23, new drive-up hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Our bank processing cutoff will be 4:30 p.m.



The Farmers State Bank

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Following governor's announcement on school buildings, KSHSAA cancels spring sports

Following Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly's executive order closing school buildings across the state for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year as a pre-emptive measure against the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus, the Kansas State High School Activities Association (KSHSAA) issued a similar directive canceling spring sports for this year, it was reported.

KSHSAA's directive, issued recently, cancels "all spring championships, competitions and festivals for the remainder of this school year."

The announcement was made in response to Gov. Kelly's executive order "regarding the closure

and cessation of in-person instruction in all Kansas schools through May 29."

"KSHSAA recognizes the value of school activities for all students and school communities, but the current situation does not permit the opportunity for school activities to take place in a manner that is consistent with the very reason school activities exist," the organization said in a press release.

The organization also discouraged "non-school activity participation... in an effort to mitigate the community transmission of the coronavirus."

The announcement was not the first action KSHSAA had taken

preemptively against the spread of the coronavirus. Kansas state high school basketball tournaments were cancelled just hours after the first round of games were completed on Thursday, March 12, it was reported.

"We all have an important responsibility to minimize community transmission as we embrace suggested precautions regarding COVID-19," Wednesday's announcement stated. "As educators, the primary focus for our students and families is the health and well-being of each student. This action by the KSHSAA supports that effort across Kansas."

Several Jackson County Government Offices Modifying Business To Continue Serving Public

CONTACT: JANET ZWONITZER, CHAIR; WILLIAM ELMER; ED KATHRENS JACKSON COUNTY COMMISSION - (785) 364-2826

JACKSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND BUSINESS PLAN

CHANGES DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS.

JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS - March 20, 2020 Due to public health officials on National, State and Local levels recommendation limiting unnecessary person to person contact as a means to slow the spread of the current COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, Jackson County Commissioners have now closed the courthouse to the public effective today. The Board of Commissioner's highest priority is to ensure the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County.

Our citizens are encouraged to conduct necessary business by phone, mail or by electronic means. All exterior doors of the Jackson County Courthouse and all other county offices, with the exception of the Jackson County Sheriff Office, will be locked and citizens should call the appropriate County office for information as to complete their official business.

The Jackson County Courthouse and other County buildings will be staffed during regular working hours. The Clerk of the Court will now be open 9:00 a.m. to noon. Probation Officers will only be available by phone. (This is subject to change without advance notification.)

Citizens will now be able to access County Departments and services as follows:

Gov. Kelly signs three bills

Gov. Laura Kelly recently signed three bipartisan bills into law in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been reported.

"I want to thank the Legislature for working together to fast track this critical legislation," Gov. Kelly said. "As COVID-19 continues to spread, our response is constantly evolving. We must have a plan for Kansans who are facing so much uncertainty. The bills will help our state navigate these difficult circumstances. We will get through this together."

- Senate Bill 27: House Substitute for Senate Bill 27 extends unemployment eligibility for workers who started to file unemployment insurance claims on or after Jan. 1, 2020. These workers would be eligible for a maximum of 26 weeks of benefits, instead of the current effective maximum of 16 weeks.

- Senate Bill 142: House Substitute for Senate Bill 142 expands education waiver authority during disaster emergencies. Under current law, students are required by statute to attend at least 1,116 school hours per school year. This bill allows

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE:

785-364-2891 Kathy Mick (Cell) 785-851-0804

- Voter registration can be completed at <https://www.kdor.gov/apps/voterreg/default.aspx>

The registration deadline is June 14, 2020

- Fish and game licenses are available online at <http://kdwpt.state.ks.us/> If you would rather have a printed copy, please call the clerk's office to request assistance.

- If you want to request an advance ballot for the 2020 election, you can print a form from this website, sign and email it to the County Clerk at jacoclerk@jacoks.com

<https://www.kssos.org/forms/elections/AVL.pdf>

- If you wish to file for office, please call for an appointment. The filing deadline is June 1, 2020 at noon.

- Mailing address is 400 New York Ave., Holton KS 66436

REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE:

785-364-3591 Tammy Moulden (Cell) 785-305-1922

- Record searches may be completed by utilizing the online services of RMIS/CIC through our provider. Contact offices for details for subscription services.

- Please call the office or email the office for all inquiries not listed: jaksrod@gmail.com

- Current office operations may be updated or amended without notice.

- Mail: Register of Deeds, 400 New York Ave., Holton KS 66436

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:

785-364-3103

- Email: JacksonCountyAttorneysOffice@yahoo.com

- Fax (785) 364-3273

APPRAISER/PLANNING & ZONING : 785-364-2358

- All Building Permits and other applications can be found online at <https://www.jackson-countyks.com/appraiserandzoning.html>

- Please print and physically mail the original application to: Jackson County Appraiser, 400 New York Ave., Room 202, Holton KS 66436

- If possible, please scan and email all applications for review to appraiser@jacoks.com prior to mailing them.

- If you are unable to print the application, please contact our office and we will mail you the application you need.

- If you require any other information regarding building permits, land division, neighborhood revitalization, or scheduled public hearings, please contact our office at the above phone number or email address.

- If you need to return your Personal Property Assessment Form, please place it in the envelope you were provided and place it in the mail.

- If you need to schedule an appeal hearing, please contact our office at appraiser@jacoks.com

- All appeals currently scheduled will be held by telephone. The Appraiser's Office will be in contact with those who currently have an appeal scheduled.

- Individual property information can be found on the county's website at jacksoncountyks.com using the Jackson County parcel search.

- If you have any other real estate or personal property questions, please contact the Appraiser's Office at appraiser@jacoks.com

DISTRICT COURT:

785-364-2191

- If you need assistance between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. please call 785-364-2191.

- Outside of these hours please call 785-364-5207 and leave a

message and we will return your call as soon as possible or email the court at jacocourt@gmail.com

- If you are needing a Protection from Abuse or Protection from Stalking outside of the 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. office hours, please go to the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, 210 US Highway 75, Holton, KS 66436.

COUNTY TREASURER:

785-364-3791

- Driver's License renewals will not be processed at this time.

- No renewals (stickers) will be completed in person. Please renew online <http://ikan.ks.gov> or by mail (400 New York Ave., Room 206, Holton KS 66436). You can reprint your vehicle registration notice online on the KDOR website, <http://mvs.dmv.kdor.ks.gov/PrintRenewals/default.aspx> This includes the pin number needed for online renewals or the amounts for mailing registrations in. Please include a current contact number as well as insurance information (which will be returned with your renewal). Or you may have your insurance faxed to our office at 785-364-5029.

- For completion of title work on a new vehicle purchase, please call the office at 785-364-3791. We will coordinate with you to make accommodations to complete the title work. Please call regarding refunds on sold or disposed vehicles.

- Please follow the link on our website, www.jacksoncountyks.com to pay current real estate and personal property taxes.

- Please call the office at 785-364-3791 with questions or email lgerhardt@jacoks.com We appreciate your patience in keeping all our community members safe.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

AGENCY:

785-364-2811

- EMAIL emo@jasoks.org

- If you have an emergency, call 911

JUVENILE INTAKE:

785-364-5369

- The office is closed to visitors, please call to make an appointment if necessary.

CUSTODIAL:

785-364-5217 Chad Phillips (Cell) 364-6052

ELDERLY SERVICES:

785-364-3571

- Upon recommendation from the Jackson County Health Department our bus service and congregate dining room is closed until further notice. We are continuing our carry-out and delivery services, continuing under the guidelines and criteria of OAA and NEKAAA. People may call 785-364-3571 to make meal reservations or for more information.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:

785-364-3459

- Materials may be dropped off as normal.

RECYCLING:

785-364-3459

- Materials are to be dropped at the door and we will process them. We ask that you do not enter the building which houses recycling materials.

NOXIOUS WEED SALES:

785-364-3459

- If you need to purchase noxious weed chemicals, please call 364-3459 with your order and arrangements will be made for you to pick up curbside.

LANDFILL:

785-966-2652

- Business as usual.

COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE OFFICE:

785-364-3519

- Office is closed to visitors. Please call the office with any road concerns.

County road work continues as an essential county service.

Thank you, JACKSON COUNTIANS, for your cooperation during this ongoing and unprecedented situation.

The Board of Commissioners will monitor this newly imposed emergency action plan weekly and will reevaluate on April 13, 2020.

Beginning March 23, 2020 Commission meetings will be closed to the public. The recorded meetings will be posted on the county website, jackson-countyks.com. You may call during the meeting to discuss business with the Commission. 785-364-2826.

Jackson County Government urges and encourages businesses and citizens to take active steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The health and safety of our community is our priority. Take simple steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 by: Washing your hands; avoiding close contact with people who are sick; covering your coughs and sneezes; avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands; clean and disinfect frequently touched object and surfaces; stay home when sick. Stay up to date with COVID-19 information by visiting: www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus.

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Public Notice

(Published in The Holton Recorder, Holton, Kan., on Monday, March 23, 2020.)

JACKSON COUNTY

RESOLUTION 2020-10

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ACCESS TO THE COURTHOUSE DURING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, public health officials on National, State and Local levels have recommended limiting unnecessary person to person contact as a means to slow the spread of the current COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, such conditions endanger the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County, Kansas adopt the following:

County Operations:

- Department heads shall determine which of their staff is necessary and which staff may work remotely or may take COVID-19 leave with the preference to maintain a continuous service to the public and operation of functions;

- Department heads are encouraged to conduct business via telephonic and/or electronic means of communication whenever possible; and

- Department heads are to develop department specific protocols setting forth which items of business will require an in-person transaction and which items of business may

be performed by another means of communication.

Access to Jackson County Courthouse:

- Effective immediately, all doors will be locked to the general public and access will be limited to Jackson County employees only.

- Notice of the restricted access shall be posted on all Courthouse doors and shall include all Department telephone numbers and electronic contact methods;

- Any individual of public requesting to transact business with a Department must contact the appropriate Department via telephone or electronic means;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon adoption, and shall remain in effect until further Order.

Adopted this 20th day of March 2020.

By: /s/ Janet Zwonitzer
Janet Zwonitzer,
Chairman

By: /s/ William Elmer
William Elmer,
Commissioner

By: /s/ Ed Kathrens
Ed Kathrens,
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Kathy Mick
Kathy Mick,
Jackson County Clerk

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PBP Elder Meals

Meals at the Prairie Band Potawatomi Elder Center are served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The menu is subject to change.

Until further notice, the meals are take-out only - no dining in, it was reported Friday afternoon.

The center is open 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Enrolled tribal members age 50 and older may eat for free. Non-member seniors or non-seniors will be charged a fee for meals.

The center is located on K Road, about one-half mile south of 158th Road. For more information about the program, call (785) 966-8091.

Menus listed for the week of Monday, March 23 through Friday, March 27 are as follows:

Monday, March 23: Shepherd's pie, beets, roll and fruit.

Tuesday, March 24: Biscuits and gravy, egg bake, sausage, berries and juice.

Wednesday, March 25: Smorgasbord.

Thursday, March 26: Pulled pork sandwich, coleslaw, Lays chips and fruit.

Friday, March 27: Citrus glazed salmon, rice pilaf, asparagus and fruit.

local school boards to receive waivers for this requirement under a state of disaster declaration, with the understanding that they will utilize continuous learning for their students during this time. Additionally, the bill codifies legislative intent that school districts continue to pay all hourly employees during a disaster shutdown.

- Senate Bill 102: House Substitute for Senate Bill 102 expands authority of the judicial branch in time of disaster, permitting the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to issue an order extending statutory deadlines or time limitations on court proceedings and authorizes video conferencing.

Card Shower

Ruth Erlenmaier

Ruth Erlenmaier of Wetmore will celebrate her 85th birthday on Sunday, March 29.

Cards may be sent to her at 11419 326th Rd., Wetmore, KS 66550.

National Ag Day
Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Thank you to all our ag and agri-business customers!

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www.fsbks.bank

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Holton VFW 1367

52 Gun Draw

Purchase Your Tickets Now For The "52 Gun Draw!"

Get Your Tickets Now!
Drawings Start July 4!
\$50 per ticket for 52 chances to win!

Purchase tickets from any VFW member or at Begin Agains on the north side of the Holton Square.

** A maximum of 1,500 tickets will be sold.
* A drawing for a weapon will be held every week for 52 weeks!
* For more information, contact Leroy Bailey at (785) 640-6003.*

Jackson County

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 - Livestock
 - Miscellaneous
 - Musical Instruments
 - Poultry
- Mobile Homes
 - Farm Equipment
 - Farm Land
 - Pasture
 - Residential Property
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 - Pets
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 - Want To Buy
 - Public Notice
 - Card Of Thanks
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How to place an ad:

Call 364-3141 or come by the *Recorder* office, 109 W. 4th, Holton, Kan., from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. **Our deadlines are 5 p.m. on Friday for the Monday edition and 5 p.m. Tuesday for the Wednesday edition.**
E-mail: holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net

Rates:

Holton Recorder “COMBO” Word Classified Advertising Rates are as follows:

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All word classifieds are printed in The Recorder, Shopper and online.

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Please check your ad the first day it appears and report any errors immediately. We are responsible for only one incorrect publication. The *Recorder* will not be held responsible for damages resulting from any errors.

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A \$1.50 billing charge will be added to *Recorder* Classified Word Ads not paid in advance of publication. The billing charge is to cover the expense of preparing and mailing the bills.

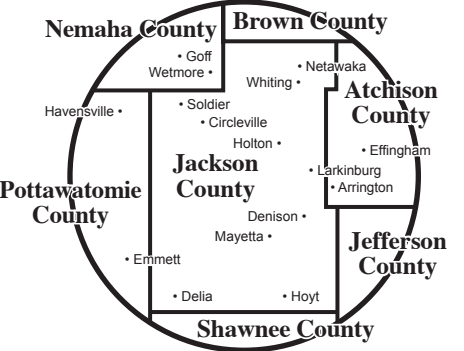
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When you advertise in *The Holton Recorder* and the *Jackson County Shopper* you reach every household in the county and beyond.



Next time you advertise with a display ad, tell us to “combo” your ad!

At Your Service

AAA MICK TREE SERVICE. Kansas Certified Arborist. Aerial equipped. Stump Removal. Insured. Free estimates. Holton, Kan., 785-383-6670.

EASTSIDE STORAGE, Fourth and Vermont, Holton, (785)364-3404. Storage compartments for rent.

TREE CLEARING/PASTURE Clearing, \$55/60-hour. (785)364-6782.

Special Notice

*ALCOHOL PROBLEM with family member or friend? Holton Al-ANON family group, Wednesdays, 7pm, Evangel United Methodist Church, across from church library.

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

*NEED A BANKRUPTCY? Payment options available. Paperwork can be done by mail. Free information. Euler Law Offices, LLP, Troy, KS 66087. Call (785)985-3561. We are a debt relief agency. We help people file for bankruptcy relief under the Bankruptcy Code.

NEED A RUBBER STAMP? The Holton Recorder is a local dealer for Superior Rubber Stamp and Seal Company of Wichita. Contact The Recorder for the following supplies: Pre-inked stamps, self-inking stamps, daters, markers, name tags, awards, wall signs, plaques. 364-3141, 109 W.4th St., holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net

OPEN AA GROUP Meeting. 7p.m. Thursday evenings at EUM Church room 105, Holton.

RECORDER CLASSIFIEDS: Locals selling to local consumers. You will be amazed at the response you get when you place an ad on this page! Price starts at just \$3.55 for the first run, \$2 each following run! Call 364-3141 or email Connie at holtonrecorder@giantcomm.net

*The Heart of Jackson Humane Society shelter is located at 414 E. Eighth St. in Holton and is open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and at other times by appointment. For more information, call 364-5156.

WE ARE HERE to help your business reach your goals. A consistent advertising plan with your local newspaper, informing your customers about how you can serve them, builds consumer confidence and trust in your business. Visit with The Holton Recorder advertising experts about how to grow your successful business. Simply call us at 785-364-3141.

Hay

132 BALES ALFALFA, 3rd-cutting/shedded, 1,600lb., (785)336-1530.

HAY- 48 BALES OF Brome, most net-wrapped, 1,250lb./bale, \$42/bale, 364-2669.

Musical Instruments

FOR SALE: 3/4 BFLATTUBA. Please call 364-6464.

WANT TO BUY: Old, flat-top guitars, any condition. Please call 364-3800 evenings.

KPA Classified Ads

For Sale
Steel Cargo/Storage Containers available in Kansas City & Solomon Ks. 20s' 40s' 45s' 48s' & 53s' Call 785 655 9430 or go online to chuckhenry.com for pricing, availability & Freight. Bridge Decks. 40'x8' 48'x8'6" 90' x 8'6" 785 655 9430 chuckhenry.com

Help Wanted/Truck Driver
Convoy Systems is hiring Class A drivers to run from Kansas City to the west coast. Home Weekly! Great Benefits! www.convoysystems.com Call Tina ext. 301 or Lori ext. 303 1-800-926-6869.

Misc.
ARE YOU BEHIND \$10k OR MORE ON YOUR TAXES? Stop wage & bank levies, liens & audits, unfiled tax returns, payroll issues, & resolve tax debt FAST. Call 855-462-2769

Misc.
DONATE YOUR CAR TO CHARITY. Receive maximum value of write off for your taxes. Running or not! All conditions accepted. Free pickup. Call for details. 844-268-9386

Misc.
Lowest Prices on Health Insurance. We have the best rates from top companies! Call Now! 855-656-6792.

Misc.
ATTENTION MEDICARE RECIPIENTS! Save you money on your Medicare supplement plan. FREE QUOTES from top providers. Excellent coverage. Call for a no obligation quote to see how much you can save! 855-587-1299

Misc.
VIAGRA and CIALIS USERS! There's a cheaper alternative than high drugstore prices! 50 Pills SPECIAL \$99.00 FREE Shipping! 100% guaranteed. CALL NOW! 855-850-3904

Lost & Found

FOUND: Beagle, tri-color w/ ticking, male, found at K-116/Y Road. Call Banner Creek Animal Hospital, 364-4560.

FOUND: LAB-MIX, male, black w/white feet & chest; on Banner Road, Holton. Please call Banner Creek Animal Hospital, 364-4560.

Pets

AKC Labrador Retriever Puppies: 3-yellow females, 1-brown female, 1-brown male, 1-black male. \$600/female, \$700/male. Ready April-25! Call/text 907-830-9940.

Livestock

ANGUS BULLS for sale. Ron Kuglin, 364-7458.

Employment

NORTHEAST KANSAS Area Agency on Aging is accepting applications for full time and part time backup drivers that are stationed in Holton. Must be able to pass NCIC criminal background check, KDOT physical and drug screening, lift and carry up to 50lbs. Valid driver's license required, CDL not required. Applications available at NEKAAA, 1803 Oregon St., Hiawatha, KS or call 785-742-7152. We can email applications or mail them to you.

Appliances

We have appliance parts in stock. Call Jayhawk TV & Appliance at 364-2241.

Lawn & Garden

BULK 100% Decorative river rock. 785-851-0053.

Rental Property

HOUSE FOR RENT: 2-miles from windmill project in Corning. (785)294-1691.

SOUTHVIEW APARTMENTS of Holton
2 & 3 BR Available.
Please call Donna (785) 364-5074.

KPA Classified Ads

Misc.
BEST SATELLITE TV with 2 Year Price Guarantee! \$59.99/mo with 190 channels and 3 months free premium movie channels! Free next day installation! Call 316-223-4415

Misc.
Get A-Rated Dental Insurance starting at around \$1 PER DAY! Save 25% on Enrollment Now! No Waiting Periods. 200k+ Providers Nationwide. Everyone is Accepted! Call 785-329-9747 (M-F 9-5 ET)

Misc.
BATHROOM RENOVATIONS. EASY, ONE DAY updates! We specialize in safe bathing. Grab bars, no slip flooring & seated showers. Call for a free in-home consultation: 855-382-1221

Misc.
Medical Billing & Coding Training. New Students Only. Call & Press 1. 100% online courses. Financial Aid Available for those who qualify. Call 888-918-9985

Misc.
Recently diagnosed with LUNG CANCER and 60+ years old? Call now! You and your family may be entitled to a SIGNIFICANT CASH AWARD. Call 866-327-2721 today. Free Consultation. No Risk.

Misc.
NEW AUTHORS WANTED! Page Publishing will help you self-publish your own book. FREE author submission kit! Limited offer! Why wait? Call now: 855-939-2090

Farm Land

40 ACRES pasture, fenced, Soldier, KS for sale. Water line available, electricity across road, great location for building house, 13 miles West of Holton, 1/2-mile North on D Road. Claude Savage, 714-349-2525.

No Trespassing

TRESPASSING WITHOUT permission. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned residents of Jackson County that hunting, fishing, trapping, or shooting, or trespassing day or night is positively forbidden on all land owned, or rented or occupied by us, or on roads adjacent to lands at any time of the year, licenses or no licenses. April 1, 2019-2020. Phil and Colene Gutierrez, Roger Ackeret, Joseph B. Nick, Harold Knouft and Larry & Marguerite Mzhickteno.

Call us at 364-3141 to place your classified ads!

Employment

PRODUCTION POSITIONS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

We are looking for skilled, motivated and responsible individuals to join our growing team.

Our “2020 Vision” includes significant production growth bringing great new career opportunities. We have many positions available on both day and night shifts. \$500 hiring bonus! Night shift receives \$3 shift differential.

- Maintenance Technician
 - Package Operators and Techs
 - Extruder Operators
 - Mill Assistant
- Truck Driver
 - Ingredient Meat Tech
 - Warehouse Techs
 - QA and Sanitation Techs

C.J. Foods and Lortscher Animal Nutrition provides on the job training with opportunity for advancement.

Enjoy working 15 days a month with every other weekend off! C.J. Foods offers competitive pay with a full range of benefits, including health, dental, company match 401(k), company paid short term disability, company paid life, paid time off, paid holidays, medical reimbursement, and more!

Visit our website at www.cjfoodsinc.com or www.lanipet.com for specific position information by location and to apply.



Pawnee City, NE & Bern, KS

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Employment

HELP WANTED

Hammersmith Mfg. & Sales is accepting applications for the following openings in our Holton and Horton facilities:

- CDL Truck Driver
- CNC Machinist
- Welder

Qualified individuals should apply at 401 Central Ave., Horton or 1000 Vermont Ave., Holton



Lawn & Garden

Holton Greenhouse

109 New Jersey • 785-362-7070

MARCH HOURS

Wednesday-Friday • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Saturday • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Sunday-Tuesday • Closed



Employment

Eastridge Nursing Facility at Centralia

Has the following positions available:

Full-Time or Part-Time CNA/CMA

This is a great position for a current CNA or someone looking for a career change! All shifts available!

Full-Time Night Shift RN/LPN

Three 12-hour shifts per week!

Part-Time Dietary Aide/Cook

Training provided!

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SPRING AREA PROFESSIONALS REVIEW

Haug Construction, Inc.

For 56 years, Haug Construction, Inc. of Holton has been doing its part to fill the construction needs for county residents. That work continues today with the variety of construction services offered by the company, founded in 1964 by Ambrose and Rosalita Haug.

Their son, Steve Haug, along with his son, John, continue the business today. The company offers trucking, gravel, track loaders and dozers, backhoes and trenchers and hydraulic excavating services. Other services offered include basement excavation, sewer and water line installation, terraces, outlets, fill sand, rock, topsoil, sewer cam service and plastic and metal pipe sales.

Chiles Upholstery Service of Holton

Chiles Upholstery Service of Holton has served northeast Kansas for 50 years – since 1970 – offering upholstering services on home furniture, car and truck seats, tractors, boats, golf carts and motorcycle seats. The business will also reupholster items and install new foam.

John and Glenna Chiles operate the business with their son, John.

John Chiles Sr. said he got started in the upholstery business in 1964-65 when he went to work for Rex Fisher at Holton Auto Trim. Fisher had bought out Gary Scarlett.

About the same time, Chiles said he joined the National Guard and in 1968 his unit “got called up” for active duty in Colorado.

Chiles was trained as a gunner on a 106mm-recoilless jeep-mounted rifle, four-man unit that was designed to protect airfields and could fire on enemy tanks. Chiles said all of his service took place in Colorado.

When his military service was over in December of 1969, Chiles said he returned to Holton where he planned to purchase the old Skelly Service Station (where Complete Car Care is now located at 319 E. Fifth St.)

While that did not happen, Chiles said, he did rent space at the location from Lyle Fletcher to do mechanic and upholstery work there.

Chiles said they also had a 725 Ohio Avenue location before settling at the current location – 218 E. Fifth St.

Chiles said the business’s “You Tear It, We Repair It” slogan used in advertising extended back to the beginning of the business when his mess sergeant – Joe Elias – of the Atchison area, made him a wooden business sign that read (with routed out letters) “John Chiles, Haney’s The Name, Sewing’s My Game, You Tear It, I’ll Repair It.”

The name Haney, Chiles said, was taken from the TV character – Mr. Haney – in the Green Acres show.

For more information on services provided at Chiles Upholstery, visit the office at 218 E. 5th St. in Holton or call 364-2824.

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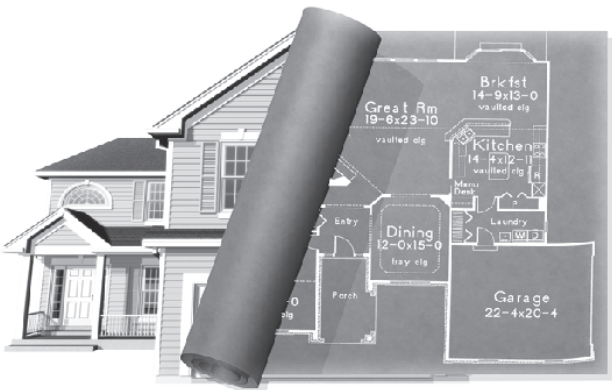
Morton Buildings has a rich history that many of you have taken part in for several decades. Morton is the largest post-frame, steel-covered building construction company in America.

Morton employees are split between sales, crews, administrators and plant personnel across the country. About 200 people are also housed at the home office in Morton, Ill.

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GNBank has been a proud supporter of the annual Jackson County 4-H Livestock sale. We are proud to watch our community grow and grateful to be a part of the fundraising events for both the Holton Community Hospital and Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir.

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TayJay Transport began in September of 2018. Ryan Alley, brother-in-law of Brett and Carly, was hired as the primary driver and is now the Fleet Delivery Manager. TayJay transport was designed to transport propane and refined fuels from pipeline terminals to local bulk plants in northeast Kansas and surrounding areas.

The idea of becoming the “middle man” came when the demand for propane and refined fuel transport was in a shortage and hard to retrieve. Since September 2018, they have serviced other bulk plants in northeast Kansas and neighboring states. They have also expanded their fleet with rock hauling and flatbed services. Call (785)362-7990 to get quotes for your hauling needs.

B&P Propane, Knotty Pine Oil and TayJay Transport is invested in the community. They support their community. They are raising their families here. Their employees are raising their families here. All three businesses are locally owned and operated and supply commercial, residential and farm operations with propane and fuel products. They also service a 45-mile radius encompassing the counties of Pottawatomie, Brown, Atchison, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Osage, Douglas, Shawnee, Wabaunsee, Nemaha and Jackson.

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Carly participates with the Economic Development Initiative in Jackson County and serves on the Jackson County Community Foundation board. Kansas SBDC existing business of the year in 2016. B&P staff offers online-pay services for propane customers at www.bp4propane.com. Brett has worked at B&P Propane for 27 years. He and Carly manage the daily operations of the business. Despite taking ownership of the business in 2014, Brett still drives his fuel route for Knotty Pine Oil Co. He says he enjoys visiting with his customers and spending time learning about their daily operations too much to give up driving his route. Propane truck drivers are Ryan Alley, Tony Raaf and Travis Cattrell. Front office assistant is Deanna Wilcox and marketing assistant is Lindsay Alley.



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Netawaka Family Fitness Center

"HOW DID such a state-of-the-art, 30,000 sq. ft. facility with an 8,000 sq. ft. heated pool get built in such a small town? One with just 143 residents?" That question is often asked about the Netawaka Family Fitness Center.

Good question. The answer proves people in small towns can have big dreams... and watch them come true. The idea for this Netawaka facility was spurred by a group of residents who felt it would fill a void in the area. There is no such facility near this tiny burg located at the junction of U.S. Highway 75 and Kansas Highway 9. And if done right, they believed, this new venue just might lead to a "rebirth" of the town.

Many small towns across the country are struggling today. What's needed for their survival and growth is something that sets them off and makes them "different"...by offering something that will lure people there on a regular basis. Proof of that approach is now apparent in Netawaka, where the low rates at this non-profit fitness center in the center of town has attracted over 1,000 members.

Many of them from the surrounding 40-mile area drive there daily to use the facility's 8,000 sq. ft. heated pool... fully-equipped weight room... full-size basketball and volleyball court... walking lanes... batting cages... treadmills... upright and recumbent bikes... seated steppers, rowing machines, stair climber... locker rooms and showers... a Kids' Zone with a bounce house, etc.

This state-of-the-art wellness center has become the "Gathering Place" for people from the surrounding towns. It's a place where they connect with old friends and make new ones.

But Back to Its Roots. The funding for the facility started with the support of residents, who then reached out to a member of the Zwonitzer family.

The Zwonitzers grew up in this small town, where their parents operated the Snappy Inn Café (the small café area in the Center is now named after it). The family shares fond memories of regular customers at the café and being members of the high school Hornets teams.

After visiting, listening and studying the plans, Bobbi Reiman, the youngest member of the Zwonitzer family, agreed to help complete the \$5 million structure. "Yes, this is still my family's 'hometown,'" she says. "We enjoyed growing up here, and are so proud to be able to give back in such a tangible way. We are fortunate to have had some success in business, and this is our way of sharing that good fortune with others. There's a saying, 'Give while you live, so you know where it goes. And that surely fits this project. We're so proud to see how people in the area have embraced this facility. It's our hope that it contributes directly to their health, and add a spark to the re-growth of this small community. Now that the structure is complete, our hope is that it will attract enough members to be self-sustaining, as we now move on to support other projects."

Making It on Its Own - That hope is gradually becoming a reality as membership continues to climb due to the wide variety of activities and options offered. Members can work out on their own, or sign up for classes such as water aerobics... yoga... low-impact training... kick boxing classes... HIT classes... and more. The "Walking Lanes" around the exterior of the auditorium get a great deal of use throughout the year, especially during the winter months.

"Not many local gyms and other venues have enough space for a beautiful walking lane like this Center does," said Juli Ellis of Kansas City during a visit and tour. "Here walkers can exercise during cold winter months or rainy spring days."

Annual auto-pay single memberships are only \$35 a month... Double memberships are only 82 cents per person per day, and Family memberships down to only 50 cents per person per day. Retirees gather regularly at the Center to play card games, dominoes and checkers... while others enjoy crafts, puzzles, quilting, knitting. And some come just to have interesting conversations.

Known for Its Friendly Staff - "We listen to our members," says Scott Steffes, the Center's General Manager. "We try to accommodate entire families by encouraging the inclusion of children. Young ones can play in our Kids Zone, while Moms and Dads are participating in exercise classes or doing their own fitness routine. This saves sitting fees while they enjoy the Center together. We also arrange basketball and volleyball clinics and other activities. We have the equipment and functions to keep these young people busy, active and healthy. Members continually comment on how clean the place is, and about its friendly staff members. One recently said, "Instead of the Netawaka Fitness Center, they should call this place the 'Netawaka Friendly Center!'"

In the months ahead, the outside of the Center will become as attractive as the inside, as the expansive landscaping plan again comes to life, with flowers, shrubs, trees and a recycling pond adorning the front entrance. There's also a colorful arrangement at the entrance to the town at the U.S. 75 and K-9 junction, topped off by an 80-ft. windmill with a gold and red "sunflower" painted proudly on its fan.

Steffes grins broadly when he says, "This is such a grand venue. It's a great feeling to see how this facility is enjoyed and appreciated by its members. Every day I see smiling faces here. It's good to know these people are staying healthy mentally as well as physically."

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Arnold's Refrigeration, Inc. was established in 2004 in Centralia by owner Rick Arnold. The business relocated to Holton in 2012 at 24690 U.S. Highway 75.

While the primary focus of Arnold's Refrigeration, Inc. is heating and cooling, the business also specializes in commercial refrigeration, heating and cooling, hearth products such as fireplaces, wood stoves and gas and wood inserts, plus geothermal heating and cooling.

"We service all makes of HVAC and hearth equipment," Rick Arnold said. Office hours for the business are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact the business by phone at 364-4700.

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Roger Collins knows what it takes to improve a lawn by ridding it of unwanted weeds and pests, and for more than 35 years, Collins' business, Grass Roots Pest Control and Lawn Care, has been putting that knowledge to work.

Grass Roots' basic function is "to provide quality pest control and lawn care at an affordable price to the community," said Collins, who owns and operates the business with his wife, Barb. The business' motto is "Where Satisfied Customers Send Their Friends."

Indoor and outdoor pest control, including eliminations of unwanted termites, ticks, fleas, spiders and beetles, is offered by Grass Roots. The business also handles lawn care, such as weed control, fertilization, insect and disease control, seeding and aeration. Call Roger or Barb at 364-5155 for more information on improving the look of your lawn and ridding your homes of unwanted pests.

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John's Repair

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McManigal also operates South Holton Storage, "for valuables that are unable to resist heat and cold." Both businesses are located at 14492 222nd Rd., Holton.

For more information, contact John at (785) 969-6400, Paul at (970) 768-7741 or Jackie at (785) 851-1678.

Jackson County Recycling

The Jackson County Recycling Center accepts bottles, jugs, glass bottles, cans, various paper products and corrugated cardboard. Food containers are also accepted, as long as they are thoroughly rinsed. Items heavily soiled with food or pests will not be accepted.

The county department is located at 700 East 4th St. in Holton. Regular Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call (785) 364-3549.

Don Ash & Son, Inc.

Don Ash & Son, Inc. has been in business in Holton for more than 60 years! The three-generation business offers heating, air conditioning and ventilation services for commercial and residential buildings.

The business also offers replacement work. For more information, contact Abe Ash and Randy Korte at 364-2417 or 364-6079.

Head 2 Toe Salon & Spa

For more than a decade, sisters Lindsay Alley and Carly Fletcher of Head 2 Toe Salon & Spa have offered top-notch beauty services to the Holton area. In August of 2019, Mikayla Booth of Holton joined their team. The salon, located at 21786 Q Road south of Holton, offers hair cutting, styling, coloring and perming; spa pedicures, manicures, facials; acrylic, dip and shellac nails; face waxing; lash lifts and tints; and ear piercing.

The location provides two stylist stations, two state-of-the-art whirlpool pedicure thrones, a facial suite and a manicure suite. Alley opened the salon on Feb. 7, 2006, at 214 E. Fifth St. in Holton, and Fletcher joined her as a stylist in November of that same year. The business moved south of Holton in March of 2017, occupying a separate space with B&P Propane/Knotty Pine Oil.

Head 2 Toe is accepting new clients, young and old, men and women. And even though the salon is very busy most days, stylists Alley and Booth do their best to give each client their undivided attention and listening ear.

A few years ago, they added the "friendship pedicure" service that provides an opportunity for two friends to come together to relax, enjoy conversation, disconnect from life for an hour and "be pampered." Clients have enjoyed this service and appreciate not having to drive to Topeka or Kansas City to take advantage of it, they said. They have recently added facials along with lash lift and tints to their service menu. Another reason to not have to travel to the city.

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Ray's Glass and Screen

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Ray can install and repair plexi-glass, safety glass, insulated glass, mirrors, storm windows and doors. For more information, call Ray at 364-4502.

Kyle's Construction

Kyle's Construction offers a variety of construction services, including new construction, remodeling, kitchens, baths, painting, tile work, electric, plumbing, basements, garages, decks, doors, windows and more.

Owner Todd Kyle, who has more than 25 years of experience, has three full-time employees.

Free estimates are available. For more information, call 364-3606.

Luke Dillon Electric, LLC

Luke Dillon Electric, LLC, was started in May 2018 by Luke Dillon of Holton. The company is located in rural Holton and serves northeast Kansas and the surrounding areas.

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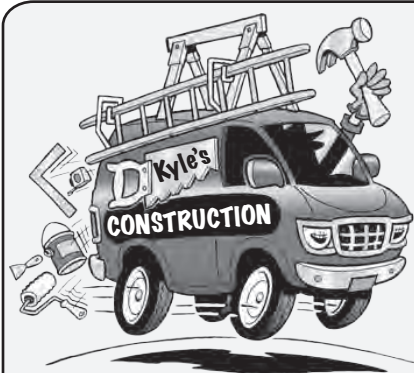


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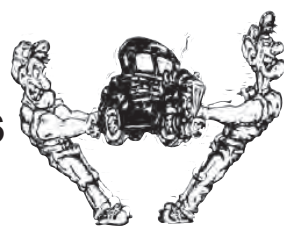
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Roush purchased the business, formerly known as Kirk's Towing, from Scott Bartlett and renamed it after himself and his three sons, twins Christopher and Kolby and Dalton.

Roush & Son's is an AAA contract provider and works with other roadside assistance groups, including Road America and Quest TowNet-work.

"We work with insurance companies, and if you don't have roadside assistance, I will try to work with you," Roush said.

The business office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but Roush recommends calling the office at 785-364-1964 before stopping by to make sure he's in and not out on a towing call.

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Country Greenhouse

Janice Hollander, owner of Country Greenhouse east of Holton, loves growing things, from her vegetable garden to the different varieties of flowers and foliages available for house plants, to outside annuals and perennials. As a youth, her grandmother got her started on growing houseplants and how to make new plants from cuttings.

“Soon, I had all the windows in the house filled with a huge variety of greenery,” Hollander said. “I read everything I could get my hands on about different plants and how to grow them. If someone gave my mom magazines with plant articles in them, I would cut the articles out and make my own scrapbooks on plants.”

By the time Hollander got to high school, she told her parents she wanted a greenhouse. At that time, her school didn’t offer any vo-tech programs, and the only job training for girls was office-related, so her desire to have a greenhouse was “pushed to the background.”

After getting married and moving to Holton, Hollander said she got the chance to work part-time for Oscar Nowland at Holton Greenhouse. Her love for plants was increased, and soon, when she had the opportunity to purchase a small used greenhouse from a fellow greenhouse worker, her chance to have her own greenhouse business was realized.

“We put up our first small greenhouse, and the first year, I had it crammed full of as much as I could get in it,” she said. “From vegetables to flowers, I wanted to grow them all, so we soon put up a second greenhouse, then a third, until now we have six greenhouses full of plants plus an outside growing area.”

Country Greenhouse grows a large variety of flowers, from “the old standbys” to new trial varieties, Hollander said. “We deal with a starter plug company in Canada and have been asked to trial new varieties of annuals and perennials. We grow them, then let them know which did well in our climate and were popular enough to grow again. If we find something new we like, it becomes one of our regulars.”

Something new done at Country Greenhouse the last few years is grow winter vegetables. There are tunnels in the garden, where a wide variety of organically grown vegetables without heat all winter are grown. Persons can call or come to the greenhouse and get fresh veggies. Hollander said she also takes orders from caterers and restaurants that want fresh veggies for their salad bars or special meals.

The greenhouses hold hundreds of hanging baskets with hundreds of varieties and combinations. Customers who want perennials enjoy shopping from the perennial beds outside, and in the fall, more than 3,000 mums and asters are available in the greenhouse’s growing field.

Country Greenhouse also tries new vegetable varieties each year, with more than 30 varieties of tomatoes and 20 varieties of peppers, along with several different varieties of cucumber, cantaloupe, watermelon, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts and other vegetables. Special orders are available for those who want to try new varieties and bring the seeds to grow.

“We also grow large prearranged orders of vegetable plants for persons growing farmers’ market gardens,” Hollander said. “Our intent is to try to provide a place where customers can find whatever they want for their gardens, from asparagus to zucchini.”

“All plants at Country Greenhouse are grown on site by staff members who give them a good start in the greenhouse climate and growing conditions,” Hollander said. Growing advice and instructions also are offered so that customers may have the best chance of success when they take their plants home.

“We enjoy seeing the work of our hands make other people happy and hope we can make the world just a little prettier too,” she said.

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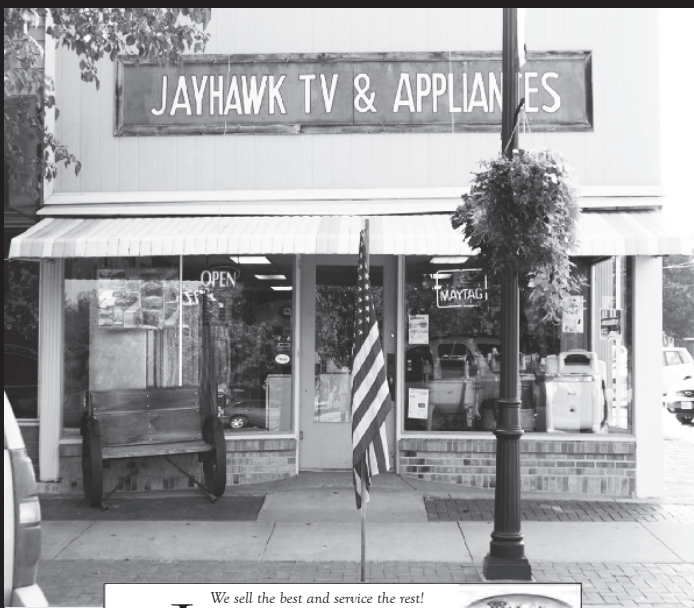
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Additional employees were hired as the business grew. In 1984, Modern Air moved its operation to Topeka to a rented building, which served them well until they constructed a new building in 1995 at their present location.

Modern Air provides quality service and installations utilizing York equipment. York products are made at Wichita. The business also provides indoor air quality products, such as humidifiers, air cleaners and UV lights.

Modern Air is a small business by most standards with an average of 10 employees and is still family-owned. Justin Brandt joined the business in 1990 and is continuing the family tradition of honesty and integrity with personalized service. When you call Modern Air, you will speak to a real live person. Modern Air is proud of its success by gaining business through customer referrals. Our company motto, "Quality You Expect and Service You Deserve," will continue as we service Topeka and the surrounding area.

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Tarwater Farm & Home

Tarwater Farm & Home has been operating in north Topeka since 1978, originally opened by R.A. Tarwater inside a small gas station with a 1,600 square-foot warehouse. In 1997, Tarwater's son, Richard A. Tarwater Jr., purchased the family business and has been operating it ever since.

In January 2020, the younger Tarwater announced that his family had purchased the former Holton Farm & Home building located at U.S. Highway 75 and Sixth Street, with a soft opening held on Monday, Jan. 20.

Tarwater is a longtime resident of southern Jackson County, originally from Hoyt. His youngest son, Isaac, is continuing the family tradition, serving as manager of the Holton store.

The Holton store is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, call 364-2162.

To reach the Topeka store, call (785) 286-2390 or toll-free (800) 894-2390.

Aeschliman Construction, Inc.

Since 1994, Mark Aeschliman and his team at Aeschliman Construction Inc. have been constructing new homes, additions and decks, as well as finishing basements, remodeling homes and doing interior trim work.

The company is located in rural Holton. It is fully insured with workers compensation and liability insurance.

"We would love to have our family work for yours," Aeschliman said.

Aeschliman Construction Inc. serves Jackson County and the surrounding areas, and local references are available upon request. For more information about the company, call Mark at 364-2517 or (785) 207-0416, or e-mail Aeschliman-Holton@embarqmail.com

Bohannon's Home Repair

With 24 years of experience with local references available, Bohannon's Home Repair specializes in remodeling homes.

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This means your upcoming appointment with our office will likely be rescheduled. We are actively reviewing our schedule and reaching out to patients. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

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"We began seeing patients in Holton in 2010 after Dr. Young retired," said Dr. Rutherford and Peterson. "Tere Bunke, the front office manager, has been part of the business since 1975. We all love what we do because we love people. We love getting to meet and treat families and watching kids grow up. We believe in continuing education, with all of us exceeding the continuing education requirements each year. We also believe in giving back to the community and as an office always donate our services to the Kansas Mission of Mercy Project each year."

Holton Family Dentistry is conveniently located at 208 W. Fourth St. in Holton. The business phone is 785-364-4636. Patient care hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday, with emergency times available.

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Holton Walmart

Walmart has been in Holton now for 39 years, and is located at 427 Arizona Avenue. The store has been through many changes throughout the years. One change was a relocation from the old 37,000 square foot building to a nearly 70,000 square foot building adding a produce, deli, bakery, a more expansive assortment of groceries, firearms and cut fabric department just a few years ago.

Walmart and its team have built a strong bond with the community through avenues like Community Grants, local donations and the Children's Miracle Network campaign. The Holton Walmart donated more than \$12,000 last year to the local community. In 2018, the Holton Walmart raised more than \$10,000 for the Children's Miracle Network.

"We have a great family-like atmosphere here that has been in place for nearly 39 years," said Trevor Harrington, store manager. "We take pride in our dedication to providing a Clean, Fast, Friendly store to the community of Holton. Our goal here at Store #378 is to be the Best Store in Town and save our customers money, so they can live better."

The Holton Walmart has many 20+ and 30+ year associates, some of whom have been with the store since it was originally built in 1981. This has helped keep a constant pulse on the community. In total, Walmart has more than 180 associates currently employed in Holton, most of which are from the immediate area. "The entire team would like to thank you for your continued support for allowing us to be a member of such a great community!" Trevor said. Walmart opens at 7 a.m. daily. For more information, call the store at (785) 364-4148 or fax (785) 364-3067.

Jayhawk TV and Appliance

For more than 60 years, Jayhawk TV and Appliance has served the northeast Kansans' appliance needs. Located on the northwest corner of Holton's Town Square, the showroom floor displays a selection of Whirlpool, Amana, Maytag and KitchenAid appliances along with Traeger Grills.

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Wilson's Direct Motors and Tires

Wilson's Direct Motors and Tires is located seven miles west of Holton at 7206 K-16 Highway. Rob and Kristy Wilson have sold used cars and trucks at this business since 2006. In 2013, they decided to start providing more of a service to the area by selling tires instead of just vehicles.

The business has expanded into many other areas since then. Besides having more than 200 different brands of car/light truck tires, the business also offers farm, semi, implement, ATV, UTV, golf cart and lawn mower tires. In addition to tires, they also offer wheels, truck accessories including Thunderstruck bumpers and batteries. They can do oil changes, brake jobs and other light mechanic work. At the first of the year, they started selling gasoline during business hours.

The most recent addition to what Wilson's Direct can offer is a mobile service truck, offering onsite emergency tire services for car, truck and farm customers, which should be a benefit to the area community.

They offer a Loyalty Program that gives you cash back on future purchases, as well as provides vehicle service, recalls and maintenance reminders. In addition, they have free pick-up and delivery, free rotations with purchase of four tires, nationwide warranty programs and much more. Many financing options are available with approved credit.

Wilson's Direct Motors and Tires has two full-time employees – Thomas Sowers, who has several years of mechanic experience, and Andy Shinn, who has more than seven years of certified commercial tire experience. Rob opens the shop at 7 a.m. and then heads to his other job. He is back to the shop when he gets done there and finishes up the day. Kristy does the behind-the-scenes work. All of them are always willing to do what they can to provide the customer service that you expect.

They appreciate all the community support that they have received and look forward to many more years of providing great customer service and competitive prices!

On their website, www.wilsondirecttires.net, you can request quotes for tires, repairs and appointments. The business is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday and after hours for emergency calls. For more information, call (785) 364-1915 or email sales@wilsonsdirect.net.

Ron Kirk's Body Shop

Now in its 37th year, Ron Kirk's Body Shop in Holton has been successfully "making friends by accident" since 1983. The business is owned by Ron and Theresa Kirk, and they take pride in completing all auto work to the satisfaction of every customer. The business has been at its current location since 1991.

Ron Kirk's Body Shop specializes in everything auto-body related – auto collision repair, painting, frame adjustments and repair, glass replacement, chip repair, glass tinting and paintless/dentless repair. Ron Kirk's professional service also includes local pick-up and delivery, if needed, plus the handling of related insurance paperwork.

"We take pride – as a locally-owned business – in getting our customers back on the road as soon as possible," the Kirks say.

Ron Kirk's utilizes water-based auto paint, which is environmentally friendly. The business also is equipped with the most recent equipment needed for aluminum repair of the newer model vehicles.

The business also offers computerized estimating services, which allows repair estimates and photos of damages to be e-mailed quickly to customers' insurance companies to speed up the repair authorization process.

The business also offers direct repair programs with insurance companies. Ron Kirk's staff is available most evenings for customer convenience by appointment.

Ron, Derek and Matt Kirk, along with Al Spiker, John Kerr and Ryan Diehl, are all part of the Ron Kirk's Body Shop professional team. Derek and Matt have been employed with the business since they were in high school. Both Al and John have been part of the team for 25-plus years. Our team works hard to "take the dents out of accidents."

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The maximum credit available is \$2,000 per child that are under age 17 on December 31st of the tax year. The credit begins to phase out if your adjusted gross income is larger than \$200,000 for single returns or \$400,000 for married filing jointly returns.

The child must meet the following tests:

- Age Test - Age 16 or younger
- Relationship Test - children (biological, step, or foster) or siblings
- Support Test - Child did not provide more than half of their own support
- Dependent Test - Must be dependent on your tax return

- Citizenship Test - Must be a US citizens, US national, or US resident alien
- Residence Test - Lived with you for more than half of the year

The relationship test can also include descendants (children) of the relationships listed above. Special rules may apply if you are divorced or for certain other circumstances.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, \$21,786,000,000 of refunds were attributed to the ACTC for 2015, with \$187,229,000 of that occurring from Kansas residents.

Every scenario is different, therefore this general advice cannot be applied directly to your situation and is not intended to be tax advice. If you have concerns about the child tax credit, it is best practice to consult with a tax professional.

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