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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

Last week, I reported on the progress of our new recycling center, and the new windows on the second floor of the Courthouse. This week, I want to report that the concrete work for the Recycling Center is 100% complete. Next week, we will start erecting the building and, hopefully, we will be in operation in a few weeks.

I've included another photo of the area showing how much progress we have made in cleaning up the ground in and around the county shop buildings.

The Courthouse windows are also installed, with some finish-up still going on. The final look of our new windows is beautiful!

The good Road & Bridge employees are making great progress in returning the look of our County Road Department to a professional looking operation that we can all be proud of!

Another area we have made huge progress in restoring to a professional looking operation is the Landfill. We have sent out many, many truckloads of scrap iron, concrete, and other debris that has been piling up for a very long time. We still have a ways to go, but we are making great progress and we will continue to work in the best interest of Sheridan County.

Thanks for reading and GOD Bless! WES BAINTER, Sheridan County Commissioner





MAKEACHANGE WRLD



Martin Parent, videographer, myself, and runner, Sam Bencheghib visit during their stop at *The Sentinel* office on Monday, November 11. (*Sentinel* staff photo)



stop at *The Sentinel* office on Monday, November 11. (Sentinel staff photo)

\$11,350 Raised To-Date for November "Match Month"

By Karl Pratt, SCCF Board Liaison

Help the Sheridan County Community Foundation reach its Match Month fundraising goal of \$50,000 locally to be matched dollar-for-dollar by the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. No amount is too small. Your contribution today is a contribution to the future betterment of those living in and around Sheridan County!

To date, \$11,350 have been raised. Stay tuned to the SCCF Facebook page (www.facebook.com/sheridanccf) and the upcoming issues of the newspaper for fundraising status updates throughout the month.

Donations can be mailed to SCCF, PO Box 445, Hoxie, KS 67740; dropped off at the City of Hoxie Building, 829 Main St; or online at www.gnwkcf. org/donate-sheridanmatch.

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Donations may be also delivered to any of the SCCF board members: Michelle Foote, 675-1298; Jodi Rogers, 675-8447; Harry Joe Pratt, 657-7008; Krista Mauck, 741-2380; Mike Mense, 675-8563;

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675-9202; William Slipke, 567-7587; or Teri Moss, 221-5159.

SCCF is an affiliate of Greater Northwest Community Kansas Foundation based in Bird City. The Foundation seeks to encourage, prudently manage, and distribute charitable contributions to improve the quality of life in Sheridan County residents, now and in the future. To learn more, visit www.gnwkcf. org/sheridan-countycommunity-foundation.

Ocean-to-Ocean MAKE A CHANGE WORLD Running for Awareness

By Viktorija Briggs

On Monday, November 11, the door opened, and two young men walked in. They introduced themselves and the purpose of their visit, so we invited them to have a seat and tell us all about it. Later, I visited their website, blog, and social media sites to see what else we could learn about them. They are two very adventurous men!

From their website:

Ocean 2 Ocean: Our Co-Founder Sam Bencheghib started off his epic run 3,000 miles across America on July 26, 2019. Sam is on a mission to raise awareness about the growing problem of plastic pollution in our oceans.

Sam Bencheghib is a 22-year old runner who is running across the United States to help build awareness of the plastic pollution in the oceans. He is accompanied by his friend and videographer, Martin Parent.

Sam grew up in Paris, France and Bali, Indonesia, and attended university in Pennsylvania, which may explain his near-perfect English – with very little

accent! He stated that he was always passionate about the environment and the ocean, so decided to run ocean to ocean to raise awareness about plastic pollution by running through 14 U.S. states from New York to Los Angeles. He felt it was a great way to meet so many people in so many communities across the country. He would work to raise awareness through a video series online, talking to schools and universities, and even politicians along his

Sam's passion for the environment began while living in Bali. He said, "It's such a beautiful place, but it's so polluted. There's trash everywhere, the beaches are covered with plastic. We need to do something about it, so this run is my method to talk about it. Running on shoes made from ten plastic bottles." (Possibly provided by a sponsor, but we didn't think to *ask*.) He said that he expected it to take ten pair of shoes to get the 3100 miles across the U.S. and that he will switch shoes approximately every 400 miles.

The journey started 108 days ago (as of 11/11). Sam said, "I'm running 20-30 miles a day, 5-6 days a week, and will end in L.A. on February 2, my goal date."

The pair left Kansas City roughly 17 days ago. He stated, "I'm not running too fast. Pacing myself. Doing it for raising awareness, so if it takes six months or it takes seven, it doesn't really matter for me; as long as I have as much impact as possible. That's really my priority."

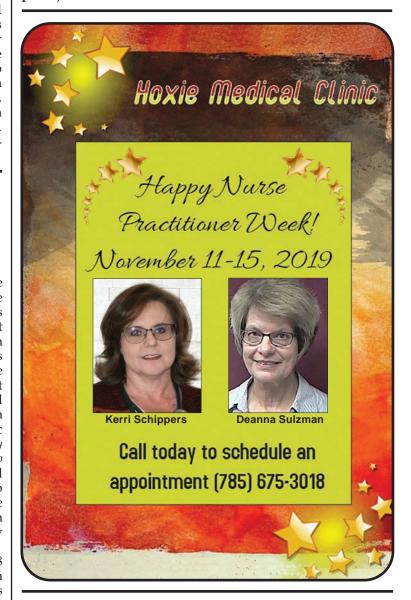
"It's a bit cold today, so I didn't run this morning. It's really the first cold day we've experienced, so I won't be running the twenty miles, probably another ten. We've just been in town hanging around. We're actually running on the back roads, the dirt roads, because it's more scenic to run. We meet some folks and tell them what I'm doing. I *love* the generosity out here! It's so much nicer than out east where I started!" We warned Sam

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Thank You Our Hoxie Veterans



Sheridan County sends thanks to their local Veterans for their service: back (l-r): Dave Popp, Ralph Brooks, Jim Rogers, Marvin Beougher, Phil Heier; front (l-r): Forrest Frazey, Mike Haas, Dr. John Neuenschwander, Harm Briery, and Robert Rhoades. Not pictured Alfred Rietcheck. (SCHC Activities photo)



Senior Spotlight: Christopher Bixenman



By Eidree Chapin, Co-Editor

Christopher Bixenman is the son of Ron and Nancy Bixenman. While in high school, he has participated in football, basketball, and forensics. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, rodeoing, and going to the lake. His advice for incoming freshman is "actually try in your classes"

freshman year because if you don't, it will come back to haunt you."

Bixenman's favorite memory throughout high school was going to state basketball his freshman year. He loved the atmosphere of everything and stated the feeling was "electric."

Bixenman plans to attend Fort Hays State University next year to major in wildlife biology. He hopes to accomplish becoming a game warden with this degree. The profession inspires him because he is passionate about hunting and he loves to do it. Bixenman stated, "High school has been fun, and I'll miss it. I've made a lot of friends and it has helped me learn a lot of life lessons I can use in the future." In ten years, Bixenman sees himself returning to northwest Kansas and starting a family.

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Words of Faith When you feel like you CAN'T go any further, just know that the strength which carried you this far will take you the rest of the way. ~Unknown

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Attitude is the difference between an ordeal and an adventure! ~ Bob Bitchin

Community News

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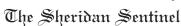
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November 14 ~ 20

Thurs. Hot Bar: Baked Potato Bar

Crispy or Spicey Chicken Bacon Swiss Hot Bar: Mexican

Prime Rib Sandwich

Sat. Night: Steaks

Noon: 6-Meat Hot Bar & Dessert

Night: Full Menu Breakfast & Regular Menu

Hot Bar: Pork Tenderloin Rueben Sandwich

Hot Bar: Chicken Strips & Steak Fingers Double Cheeseburger

Wed. Hot Bar: Pasta Bar Philly Steak Sandwich

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Dine-In or Carry-Out

JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

A grateful thank you goes to all who helped in any way to make the Hunters Supper such a big success. Over 160 people (hunters and local people) were served. It was a beautiful day and evening Saturday.

Prayers are needed for 3-yr old Kit Musgrave, greatgrandson of Lila Jennings. Kit was taken to Denver hospital. He has seizures.

Prayers are out for Betty Cressler. She was in the Oberlin hospital because of shingles. Later transferred to Kearney hospital because of heart problems. She is to have multiple bypass surgery on Tuesday.

Brandon Wagoner and Steve Parker, Joplin, Missouri, spent from Wednesday evening till Sunday at Ramona Shaw's. They came especially to archery deer hunt. Colleen Friday and Saturday night with the group. All returning to their homes on Sunday.

Wagoner, Sharon Springs spent

We woke up to snow on the ground this Monday morning. Maybe two inches or so and still a light snow falling. It is bitter cold with temperature of 15 degrees. A good day to stay inside if possible.

SELDEN NEWS

By Jacque Boultinghouse

The Selden Senior Citizens group meets every Thursday afternoon at the Community Center in Selden. They meet at 11:00 am-ish to share a good meal at noon prepared by Gloria of Midway Cafe. Following the meal, they play pinochle for a couple of hours. Any area seniors are welcome to come - if you would like to come for the meal please call Pat Wessel at least the day before so they plan to have enough for everyone.

On October 10, Alfred J. Albers won high with a score of 476, Gail Mumm took second with a score of 447 and Pat Wessel had the most Kings. Others enjoying the day included Bob Wessel, Lillian Sulzman, Don Juenemann, Boyd Wilson, Margee Wilson, Carl Mumm, and Don Quackenbush.

On October 17, Boyd Wilson won high with a score of 650, Don Quackenbushh took second with a score of 498 and Don Juenemann had the most jacks. Others enjoying the day included Lillian Sulzman, Pat Wessel, Bob Wessel, Alfred J. Albers, Margee Wilson, Carl Mumm and Gail Mumm.

October 24, Juenemann won high with a score of 459, Lillian Sulzman took second with a score of 443 and Gail Mumm had the most aces. Others enjoying the day included Don Quackenbush, Bob Wessel, Carl Mumm, Alfred J. Albers, Boyd Wilson, Margee Wilson. County Public Health Nurse, Mitzi Wachendorfer, was available to do Blood Pressure

On October 31, Gail Mumm won high with a score of 415, Wilma Ritter took second with a score of 381 and Alfred J. Albers had the most tens. Others enjoying the day included Pat Wessel, Bob Wessel, Lillian Sulzman, Don Quackenbush, Don Juenemann and Carl Mumm. During the afternoon all the grade school children held their annual Spook Parade and the seniors enjoyed all the costumes.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: November 1: Jason Geisinger; November 2: Pat Koerperich, Gloria Goscha, Allison Benoit; November 3: Helen Carman, Kyle Carman, Mike Neff; November 5: Kobi Koerperich; November 6: Dennis & Shawn Spresser; November 7: Luann Walker; November 8: Kade Spresser, Steve & Joni Shaw; November 9: Katie Koerperich; November 11: Christal Wessel, Ron Neff; November 12: Emily Wachendorfer; November 13: Isaac Brockelman, Jonathan Brockelman; November 14: Dan Rogers; November 15: Cindy Stevenson Stechman; November 18: Ellis Walker; November 19: Ianice Kruse.

The next Pinochle night will be November 16, at the Community Center in Selden. The cost is \$10 per person and a plate of goodies to share with everyone. Play begins at 7:00. Everyone welcome, so come join the fun!

Grainfield American Legion Receives Donation

The American Legion Geo. M. Post #301 in Grainfield received a \$1000.00 donation from the Midwest Energy Community Fund Fall disbursement. These funds were used to install LED lights in the building. The lighting was still the original when the building was built in 1976. The Legion building has been rented out in this weddings, community for graduation receptions, seed meetings, Annual Soil Conservation meeting and their own fund raisers each month having a Stag & Stagette the last Wednesday of each month and many other community activities like Boy Scouts, etc. Over 160 organizations submitted applications for the

Midwest Energy Community Fund was created in 2005 and provides funds to activities that focus on youth, educations, libraries, arts, community events and similar projects. Five committees of Midwest Energy customers determine who receives the awards ranging from \$50 to \$1000. The Midwest Community Fund awards grants twice a year, application deadlines are March 1 and October 1. Applications are being accepted now for disbursements in the Spring of 2020. Interested organizations should visit www. mwenergy.com and then click on "Community" tab for guidelines and an application to submit



Every Monday:

5:30pm Health & Wellness Classes for Body & Mind Free! Midwest Energy Bldg Meeting Room. Topics rotate each month. For more information call 785-675-

Every Tuesday: 12pm Hoxie Rotary Clubupstairs at Oscar's

Every Wednesday:

Moms in Prayer Meetings: Contact Kristin Johnson for more information 785-657-

9am Commissioners' Meeting at the Courthouse. To be placed on the Agenda, call the Clerk's Office 785-675-3361.

6pm Connect-UMC 7:30pm FOUNDry-Hoxie

UMC (6:30pm-3rd Wednesday) **Every Thursday:** 1:30pm Bible Study at

Ridgewood Manner. 2nd Monday - each month: 5pm Sheridan County Hospital Auxiliary Meeting-

SCHC Conference Room 1st Wednesday - each month:

Grinnell VFW monthly supper at VFW Hall Last Thursday:

7pm Jennings Book Club Meeting-Jennings Library

Hoxie

Thursday, November 14: 5pm Hospital Auxiliary Potato Bar Fundraiser at the Hoxie United Methodist Church. Friday, November 15:

7pm "The Internet is Distract-Oh, Look, a Kitten!" at the HHS Auditorium. Adults \$4, K-12 students \$2. Sunday, November 17:

2pm "The Internet is Distract-Oh, Look, a Kitten!" at the HHS Auditorium. Adults \$4, K-12 students \$2.

Wednesday, November 20: 7am-7pm "Give & Grow Sheridan County" Match Day. Bring all Match Day donations for the non-profit

of your choice to Oscar's. **Thursday, November 27:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING!! Friday, November 28:

6pm-8pm Hoxie Area Chamber of Commerce Winterfest & Street Lighting Tuesday, December 3:

7pm Strategic Doing Meeting. Location TBD. Check Facebook for updates: www. facebook.com/sheridanccf

Friday, December 6:

3pm-5pm BTI Hoxie Christmas Open House, 1361 US Hwy 24. Bring the kids to BTI to bring their wish lists to Santa, make their own Christmas craft, and enjoy 15% John Deere toys!

Sunday, November 17: 3pm WPAA presents Derik Nelson & Family at the Cultural Arts Center.

Sunday, December 1: 3pm WPAA presents Take Three, holiday show at Colby Cultural Arts Center.

Victoria

Sunday, December 8:

3:30pm 34th Annual Cathedral Concert at St. Fidelis Church, presented by the FHSU Choirs and featuring many vocal groups from the area, this year's event also includes Hays Symphony members as guest performers.

St. Paul Daughters of Isabella **November Meeting**

By Jeanne Struckhoff, Scribe

Rosary was recited before the November 5 meeting, held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Center in Grinnell. Regent Millie Baalman opened the meeting with prayer, opening Ode, and Pledge of Allegiance. Regent installed the officers that didn't make it to the Ellis installation. Chaplains message was the "Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Disciples," the third Glorious Mystery. It caused the disciples to heed the word of Jesus. "Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to all nations." The gifts of the Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to fulfill that mission. Bonnie Huelsman, recording secretary, had roll call and read the minutes of the last meeting. Treasurer Lee Ann Rehmer then gave the monthly report. Thankyou messages from the Mary Elizabeth Home and Father John Lager were read.

Remember those ill: Judy Kennedy and Bernard Huelsman. Since the meal for the Pride meeting was postponed in October due to weather, we voted to serve it December 11, at the Senior Center.

The birthday for Alma Richardson was November 7. meeting

adjourned. Next meeting will be December 2.

Sheridan County Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

Weekly Agenda is posted Monday afternoon to the Sheridan County Clerk's Office Facebook page and the Sheridan County website. (http://www.kansas.gov/sheridan/).

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2019

Sheridan County Courthouse Agenda Subject to Change

9am Old Business 9:15am Ross Carder, Road & Bridge Dept. **9:45am** Don Koerperich 10am Canvas Ballots

Public Invited



Meetings

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Please arrive early for a prompt start at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 3 ~ 7 p.m., location TBD Tuesday, February 4 ~ 7 p.m., location TBD Tuesday, April 7 ~ 7 p.m., location TBD

More info available online at www.facebook.com/sheridanccf

Community News

the multitude, the crowd asks

Jesus, "What sign shewest thou

then, that we may see, and be-

lieve thee" (John 6:22,30)? I reckon feeding ten to twenty

thousand people with one little

boy's lunch is not enough of a

miracle to make someone be-

lieve. But as Abraham said,

they will not believe even if

someone rose from the dead.

from the Scripture, not any

supernatural event like a mir-

acle. Romans 10:17. "So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and

hearing by the word of God."

Comparing the two separate

passages - we have the faith trail

starting with the word of God in Romans. In the gospels, we have

Jesus telling us if people will not

believe Moses and the prophets,

they will not trust in God even

if someone rises from the grave

- it sounds like faith in God does

not come without the Scriptures.

People can see God and acknowledge His existence from nature. Psalm 19:1, "The

heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament

sheweth his handywork."

nificence and our insignificance

by gazing at the stars. Psalm 8:3-

the work of thy fingers, the moon

and the stars, which thou hast

ordained; What is man, that thou

art mindful of him? and the son

Acknowledging God exists, knowing who He is - is not

faith, not saving faith, at any rate. James 2:19, "Thou believest

that there is one God; thou doest

well: the devils also believe,

and tremble." Lucifer and his demons (Matthew 24:41), know

that God exists, they know who

He is. God prepared hell for

Satan and his demons, there-

fore, it is sure Satan's faith is not

enough to save him. If our faith

is nothing more than acknowl-

of man, that thou visitest him?"

When I consider thy heavens,

We can recognize His mag-

True, saving faith comes



Mealsite Menu

November 18 ~ November 22

Monday: Pork Cutlet, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Antigua Blend Vegetables, Bread, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday: Roast Turkey in Gravy, Stuffing, Sweet Potato Casserole, Roll, Cranberry Apple Salad

Crackers, Pudding

Asparagus, Bread, Pineapple Upsidedown Cake Friday: Tuna & Noodles, Mixed Vegetables, Mandarin

daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday – Friday. Calling 675-2154 by 11 a.m., the day before, may make reservations. Home Delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. For individuals 60 and over, a contribution of \$3.50 per meal is requested. We also invite those less than 60 years

Area Churches Christ Community Church 454 W Hwy 24

Hoxie ' First Presbyterian Church 1101 Sheridan Ave

Hoxie Baptist Church 1000 Valley

Hoxie Christian Church 1025 Queen

Hoxie Church of Christ 1541 Oak

Hoxie United Methodist Church 1325 15th St

Immanuel Lutheran Church 1400 Locust St

Living Word Fellowship 454 Hwy 24 Hoxie

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church 14988 E Rd 70 S Hoxie

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 202 S Missouri Selden

St. Frances Catholic Church 924 17th Hoxie

Selden United Methodist Church

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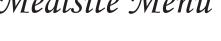
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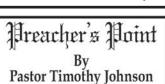


Wednesday: Ground Beef Vegetable Soup, Tropical Fruit,

Thursday: Smothered Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy,

Oranges, Bread, Brownie

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend of age to attend or pickup a meal at a cost of \$6.50 per meal. A monthly menu can be picked up at a Meal Site. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Make checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.





Would You Believe If You Saw A Miracle?

Would you "believe if you saw a miracle? The answer is "no," unless you would have believed God's Word in the first place.

News from the Outside

with John Liester

How is everyone this

week? This weather sure

can't make up its mind.

But that's what keeps

Kansas interesting, I think!

pheasant season! I hope all of

you that went out had good

hunting. While I like to hunt

pheasants, the opening day

crowds I can do without. I

just don't care for getting

shot at. That, and let's face

it folks, there can be some

downright scary things

happening. When we owned

land, trespassing was a big

issue; not just out of state

hunters. Locals were known

to ignore signs because,

"we've always hunted there".

I just don't get it, I guess. I've

quit hunting with guys that

Saturday was the start of

Jesus tells the story of a rich man and a beggar named Lazarus. Lazarus hangs around the rich man's house, usually laying by the front gate. The beggar de-velops sores on his body. The dogs licking his wounds is the closest thing to medicine the man has.

The rich man does not care all that much. Around the time Lazarus dies, the rich man also dies. Jesus tells of Lazarus being comforted by Abraham while the rich man burns in torment within the flames of hell.

The rich man pleads with Abraham to send Lazarus to him, allowing Lazarus to give him just a

drop of water. Abraham refuses. The rich man begins to think of those he left behind on earth. The rich man continues to plead with Abraham, but not for water. He begs Abraham to send Lazarus back to earth and warn his five brothers of the flames that await them.

Abraham's response is found in Luke 16:31, "And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead."

Imagine seeing someone risen from the dead, and they explain to you, "Your brother is in hell. You will join him soon if you do not put your faith in Jesus Christ."

One would think that would be enough to drop anyone to their knees in repentance to-ward God, but Abraham explains that if they do not believe the Bible, they will not believe the greatest of all miracles. Jesus' miracle of feeding the

five thousand is well known, but what most people do not realize the dinner party was much larger than five thousand. John 6:10 records that the number of men in the crowd was five thousand. If there were just one woman and child for each man there, the number triples to fifteen thousand. The next day after feeding

ignored signs. Had one that got mad because no, I'm not stopping so you can shoot that pheasant in someone's yard! I just quietly stepped

away from those folks. The sixth saw my friend Robert and me at Cheyenne Bottoms. We go every goose season opener and we had a blast. Between the two of us we brought home 21 geese three Canadas, four white fronts, and the rest snows. What was fun was watching a mass influx arrive right ahead of the front that came through. When that front hit the Bottoms, it was game on for goose hunting! For two and a half hours it was nonstop geese coming at us from all directions. I finally quit because my shoulder told me too. It turned a nice shade of green a couple of days later. Definitely planning a trip back down there. Last I checked there were over hundred thousand geese there. It makes for some really good hunting! I'm going to predict that this

season will be one of the best ever for goose hunters. I'm seeing big numbers in places that never have big numbers! Ever see a thousand geese on a sewer pond? I have now! I have a friend watching them now so we can figure out how to hunt them. It should be fun! I haven't heard of much

edging God's existence, our befishing going on. I'm sure folks are still fishing, but keeping quiet, I guess.

The rut should be starting up. This means two things: A) The bucks can get really stupid at times, and B) Watch out for the crazy things while you're driving, especially at night. They can cause an amazing amount of damage as a lot of you folks have found out. It wasn't too long ago I had one hit the side of my truck here in town! It didn't do my truck, or the deer much good. Crazy thing is, I don't blame the deer, because they were here long before we were. I blame it on not being as observant as I could have been. I worked with a gent who said, "kill them all". I asked why, so he wouldn't have to pay attention? Never heard another peep. I told myself I wouldn't

get into another political rant. So, with that, the liberals are still nuts, the impeachment crap is a farce and colossal waste of time and money. Schiff and Biden are guilty on several counts, and Trump is the greatest president since Reagan! Well, not much else is

happening. I will be getting serious about the goose hunting and will keep posting what I see and hear. So, as always, stay safe and enjoy the outside.

"Kansans for Marshall" Names Locals to Marshall **Kansas Finance Team**

Roger Congressman Marshall, M.D., and his campaign, Kansans Marshall, is proud to unveil the Kansans for Marshall Kansas Finance Team. The team is made of some of Marshall's most ardent supporters, and some of Kansas' most notable leaders in a variety of sectors.

"I'm honored to have the support of these distinguished Kansans," Marshall said of the finance team. "This list represents some of the brightest minds in business, agriculture, community and philanthropy, and their loyal friendship and counsel means the world to my team and me."

Hoxie residents, Scott & Michelle Foote and Jeff & Karen Torluemke named to Marshall Kansas Finance Team. Others on the team from around the state are:

City: Dodge Harshberger

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Great Bend: Rick & Lois Ball, John & Nancy Francis, Chris & Julie Spray, Kip & Kelly Spray Hays: Don & Chris Bickle

Holcomb: Victor & Christie

Kansas City: Ray Kowalik Leawood: Terry Dunn, Dan

Liberal: Tom & Patty Willis Long Island: Terry & Marcia

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Jeremy & Kim Tasset Parsons: Zary & Kim Beachner Salina: Tom & Maggie

Hemmer Wichita: Paul & Kim Attwater, Bob & Arlene Casper, Dr. Dennis & Alexis Moore, Ben &

Erin Hutton

lief is not saving faith either. Saving faith will bring a heart of repentance (Luke

13:1-5). The words of David, Psalm 51:16-17, "For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." If we attempt to obtain salvation by turning from our wicked ways, we will fail. Luke 17:33,

his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it." This is so important it is repeated four times in

"Whosoever shall seek to save

the gospels alone - Matthew 16:25; Mark 8:35; Luke 9:24; 17:33. We do not repent to save

ourselves; we repent because we have already obtained salvation through the blood of Christ. That is the difference between saving faith and simply knowing God is there.
Salvation does not come by

our works, it comes by our faith (Ephesians 2:9-10), but faith without works is dead (James 2:26).

Stop trying to save yourself. Stop waiting for a sign, miracle, or epiphany - believe God's Word. Preacher Johnson is Pastor of Countryside Baptist Church in northern Parke County Website: Indiana. www. preacherspoint.wordpress.com; email: <u>preacherspoint@gmail.</u> <u>com;</u> mail: 410 S. Jefferson

Rockville IN

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am a student at USD 316 Golden Plains HS. Our speech class has been researching watersheds for an upcoming conservation speech. I would like to inform you and your readers about the importance of our watersheds and what you can do to help the conservation effort. Watersheds are basically

anything that water touches before draining into a common waterway; so in essence, everything is part of the watershed system! Indirect contamination, or nonpoint pollution, is one of the most significant threats to waterways and aquatic ecosystems. An example of this is stormwater runoff. When it storms or rains, the water goes through the watershed and picks up contaminants, pollutants, and soil. According to Stacie Minson, a KSU watershed specialist, trash like diapers on the streets and parking lots are a big problem in towns because they get into the waterways when the rain picks them up. If the water runoff isn't filtered or treated, these pollutants would go directly into our waterways. Pretty gross, huh? As we all know, agriculture

is one of our primary sources of income, so we have pollution like pesticides, fertilizers, and animal waste that can get into our waterways. Problems that

can result from not keeping our watersheds healthy include the loss of habitats, invasive species appearing, worsening water problems, and climate change. But what can we do to avoid

these things from happening? Water our lawns wisely, especially when we use pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers. When you are farming or gardening, make sure that you use herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers sparingly and intelligently. Do not over-fertilize and do not water directly after applying chemicals. An undeniable way to help our watershed is not to dump anything into storm drains, and remember, your trash on the street ends up in our water! There are other simple things that we can do out in our yard like pick up and dispose of animal waste properly. If we don't pay attention and let pet waste accumulate, then it could become a big problem. Lastly, those of us who have wells on our land should contact your local conservation office to have them check your water because not checking it can directly affect the health of you and your family. Creating these small changes in your life will create a big change in our waterways and future! Thank you.

Sincerely, Joseph Yanez-Perez



Tamika Brooks, senior at Quinter High School, competed against Joseph Yanez-Perez, senior at Golden Plains High School, at the regional Conservation Speech Competition held at the Oakley USDA office on Wednesday, November 6. Joseph placed 1st and Tamika was the runner up. This is the first regional competition that conservation District 1 has had. "I came in kind of nervous, but when I was called in, I became confident and everything went very smoothly. I believe this is what lead me to win." - Joseph. He is excited to present at the state competition on November 25, in Wichita at the annual State Conservation Conference. (Photo by

Robynn Wessel) The staff at The Sheridan Sentinel congratulate, Joseph, and wish him

Good Luck in Wichita!

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Kenoxie Archives & Museum's Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

125 Years Ago November 15, 1894 Porter Walker made a flying trip to Selden Tuesday.

Jimmy Daniels of Solomon township had business in the city Monday.

Windy as it was Monday, Clem Wilson delivered a load of alfalfa hay to Ed Lupton.

Real estate had quite a boom Monday and considerable was transferred - from north to

Russell McMath, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McMath, of Topeka, died last week of diphtĥeria.

The commissioners cast lots in the Vaughn Cummings tie vote for trustee, of Parnell township, and Cummings won.

Tom Pratt was in Saturday setting up the cigars in consequence of the arrival of a great big boy at his house the day before.

Å few of the western counties furnish republican representatives to accompany the defunct administration up salt river.

A number of Hoxie young people met at the residence of S. E. Miner Friday evening and spent several hours in tripping the light fantastic.

Lew Korb says if he can't go to Topeka he will put out a large crop of wheat and he thinks he will come out better

in the long run anyway.

John Kraay and sister, if Wilsonville, Nebraska, passed through our city Monday on their way home from a visit among relatives in Gove

county.

Ed Crum says that in consequence of the political landslide business has already begun to show up. He sold a wagon last week and got the cash for it.

In a private letter from Luke Dodds he announces that he is the father of a great big girl and that he is getting along as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

George Lynch, of Solomon township, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. Thompson, a merchant of Rexford, was visiting in Hoxie the fore part of the week. Ross Patterson is improving

in health very rapidly and will ere long be on his pins again. Tom Pratt brought a seven

months old colt to town Monday and had him weighed and he tipped the beam at 750 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cummings gave a social to their many friends at their home in Parnell township, Friday evening. A good time was had by all.

Hon. Clark A. Smith, an attorney from Cawker City, was in Hoxie last week. We are informed that he has been retained by the county commissioners to prosecute the Wilson murder case.

W.O. Percival, who went from here early last spring to explore that land of much promise, the British Possessions, returned Tuesday. But he has not been in that country all the time, it only took him about three months to find out that it did not come up to his expectations and he went to Iowa where he has been the past six months.

Chas. Wildey, who for over a year has been at work in Colorado, returned to his home in Solomon township last week and will put in a large acreage of wheat. Charley is a whole-souled, jolly fellow and it always affords us pleasure to meet him.

100 Years Ago November 13, 1919 **Local News**

U. Andregg sold his Briscoe car to H. R. Mowry and has purchased himself a new Oakland.

North Brothers, who were here a year or so ago, will again make Hoxie. Read their ad, in this week's paper.

Frank Iones, thresherman, is up and about town and is recovering nicely from the effects of his injuries sustained in his recent mix-up with a threshing belt.

W. E. Largent and family, of Pawnee Rock, Kansas, spent the last of the week with the Walter Davidson family. Mrs. Largent is Mr. Davidson's sister.

Arch Taylor, who for many years resided at Colby, and then moved back to Colby and will again open up a law office. Richard White, the insurance man, was in these parts several days recently in the interest of his company, The Bank Savings Live, of Topeka.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Chandler came home this week from Rochester, Minnesota. Al underwent an operation at the Mayo Brothers' hospital there and is much improved in health.

Frank Corrick, who has been with the *Sentinel* force for several weeks, left Friday for his home at Grainfield, and after paying the homefolks a visit, will go to Salina where he will finish up his course in the commercial school there which he began and had to quit to go to France to lick the Germans.

The Sentinel made an unintentional error last week in stating the salary now received by Miss Palmer, a former Hoxie teacher. It should have read \$150 instead of \$115.

Mr. and Mrs. Roadhouse, of Osborne county, paid their son, Dr. Roadhouse a visit last week, also, the Cooper boys living west of town. Mrs. Roadhouse is a sister of Joe and George Cooper.

Grandpa Wood, an aged resident of west Parnell township, passed Saturday evening at the home of his son, Harry Woods. He was 83 years old and had been in poor health for some time. Funeral services were held at the home, Monday, and interment was made at Rexford.

Fred Naylor and family visited Mr. Naylor's parents at Lucas, Kansas, a few days last week and were marooned there owing to the storm. Fred came up Monday and went back that evening after his car and family and says he will be back the last of the week to attend to his duties as manager of the Naylor Investment Company.

Prairie Flower By Uncle Josh

W. E. Kirbey has been cutting feed at C. W. Turner's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGinnis have been hauling a lot of good wheat to Park.

Mrs. O. P. McGinnis is thinking some of going to Oregon to spend the winter.

Saline Pick-ups By X. Y. Z.

Ray Corke who has been attending school at Ottawa returned home last week.

Leo Breeden and wife, of Great Bend, visited relatives here last week. Leo lost an arm in the service of his country in France, but in spite of this handicap he has taken up farming and we are sure he will succeed. It was nerve of this American boys that turned the tide of the great World War and Leo was in the hardest of it.

Henry Items By Portia

John Haffner is driving a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner and family spent Sunday at the Bert Smith home.

Mrs. O. P. McGinnis and sons, Jim and Elmer, were calling at the L. E. Taylor home last Thursday evening.

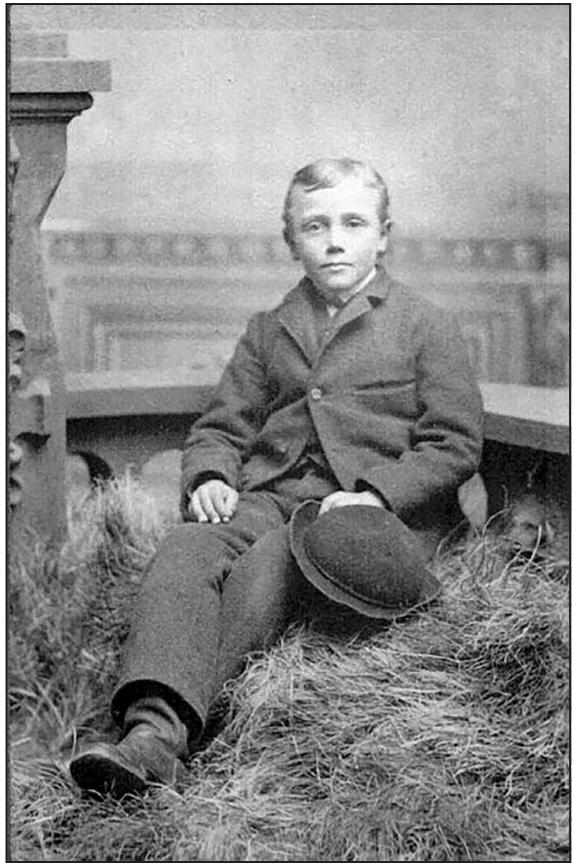
Miss Edna Barrett gave a Hallowe'en party at her home. About thirty young people enjoyed games and music until a late hour after which delicious refreshments were served. They departed at a late hour declaring their hostess a royal entertainer.

75 Years Ago *November* 9, 1944 Last Football Game Friday

Night
Norton comes to Hoxie Friday night for the closing game of the season for the local team. Norton rates better than Sheridan County boys but the odds are not hopeless. Norton defeated Hill City by two touchdowns and Hill City was too much for the home boys. Hoxie fans hope their team has improved more than the visitors during the season. Norton lists 14 seniors on their squad, all of them with two or three year's experience.

The Oakley game last Wednesday proved to be almost a draw. Both teams played a good game on even terms. In the second quarter Oakley scored 13 points. The half ended with Hoxie on Oakley's goal line with four downs to go. Hoxie came back to score 6 points in second quarter. Final score 13-6.

Leoville News Mrs. Mr. and John



This photo was from the collection of items found in a trunk that had been left behind at the jewelry store in Tasco. If you know these people, let us know! (Kenoxie Archives and Museum photo)

Bruggeman are the parents of a son born Sunday, October 29th. Mother and baby are in the Norton hospital. Both are doing well.

Elaine Kruse Wednesday night in Dresden with Mary Cathleen Karls.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berls, Mrs. Louise Schroer and children were visitors at the Leo Goscha home near Norton on Sunday.

Midway Items Club met with Mrs. Claud Adams Thursday, November 2nd for an afternoon meeting.

There were thirteen members and four visitors. Reading of minutes by the secretary was followed by a review lesson on "The Selection and Care of Linens."

We also had an interesting demonstration on first aid. We then adjourned to meet with Mrs. George Adams, November 16th for an all-day

meeting. **Morland News**

afternoon.

Fire destroyed the hen house, together with 100 laying hens at the O. N. Smith home north of Penokee one night last week. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Critchfield and Betty called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Loof Sunday

Mrs. Jack Organ has gone to Lenora to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. Winters.

Prairie Dog The past week has been perfect, several have been out of water for their stock and even wished for wind to run their mills.

Dean Anderson returned from the McCook home hospital Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brantley received two letters from their son Dale last week and he is! now somewhere in Germany. Mrs. Sarilla Jenkins spent Sunday at Russell Jenkins.

Local Happenings Mr. and Mrs. Jake James and Virginia enjoyed a pleasant trip visiting their sons in service. They stayed all night with Mrs. James' sister, Mrs. McFall in Lawton, Oklahoma; spent three days and nights

with Pvt. Marvin in Camp Hood, Texas; then went to Fort Leonardwood, Missouri, to visit Staff Sergeant Jake James. Enroute home, they stopped and visited Mrs. Ruth Oaks and daughters at Salina.

Frank Schropp writes: "Yesterday on the bus I met Casey Jones and wife. Last evening Claude Lunch was grounded in Wichita and learned from Casey we were in Wichita and came to see us and we stayed up till after 1 a.m. talking of old times and he told us of some of the things he has had part in. He was at Pearl Harbor and can tell a lot of interesting things about that

event. Mrs. Grover Walker and Miss Sara Graddy returned home to Hoxie Sunday evening. Miss Sara Graddy has been gone for seven months. She has spent most of this time in Marlin, Texas; a shorter time in San Antonio, Texas and then she joined Mrs. Walker in Lexington, Kentucky in September. There they made headquarters in Lexington but visited several nearby towns also. Miss Graddy is much improved in health and while both have had a lovely time in Kentucky, they say they are glad to be home in Hoxie.

50 Years Ago November 13, 1969

Cars Collide at Intersection A two-car accident occurred at the intersection of 14th St. and Queen Avenue about 8:30 Wednesday morning. A 1960 Chevrolet driven by Susan Mahanna, Hoxie, was traveling east on Queen and a 1960 Plymouth driven by Paul L. Zerr of Oakley was traveling North on 14th when the two vehicles collided at the intersection. Damage to the cars was estimated at \$200 each. There were no injuries, according to Chief of Police Millard Johnson who investigated the accident.

Milo Harvest in Full Swing With ideal harvest weather the past week, most farmers in the area have progressed rapidly with their milo and corn harvest. According to reports, dryland milo is yielding all the way from 40 to 70 bushels per acre. Another week of nice weather and most of the harvest should be completed. **Seguin Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kauffman of Wichita and Frank Dempewolf of Oberlin were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dempewolf.

Mrs. Margaret Stephens spent Sunday afternoon at the Don Koster home. Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Richmeier

of Great Bend were Sunday supper and overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rietcheck. **Studley Items** Elsie

Mrs. accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Taylor to Great Bend Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Covalt visited Mr. and Mrs. Al VonFeldt at Colby Monday evening, Nov. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Moore and Bob Moore went to Hoxie Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Moore had a dental appointment. The men paid taxes.

Tom Tom Tribune Kayettes Six

Attend Regional Conference - Six Hoxie Kayettes attended the annual Kay-Kayette Regional Conference held at Russell on Tuesday, Oct. 28. Those girls were Susan Stewart, Bernie Rall, Daren Neuenschwander, Becky McIlvain, Mahanna, and Sally Dreiling. Mrs. LeRoy Shaw Kayette sponsor and Mr. John O'Brien, high school principal, also attended the conference. There were several general sessions and special group discussions concerning the Kayettes' duties and services.

Mickey's Want Ads You still have a lot of need for

a good old hand saw and we have all cuts and sizes.

A five-year old girl visiting a neighbor, when asked how many children were in the family, answered, "Eight." The neighbor observed that so many children must cost a lot.

"Oh, no," the child replied, "we don't buy 'em. - we raise

Old fashion tackle wire stretchers, Golden Rod, Power Pulls and all the fencing supplies.

McGraw News

Callers last week at the Helen Tice home were William and Willard Carter of Jennings.

Mrs. Jim Bainter was hostess to a Tupperware party at her home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleland Tice of Tribune, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Tice and Mrs. Helen Tice were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Tribble.

Leoville News

Mrs. John Meitl entertained the Mother Cabrina group of the Altar Society in her home Tuesday afternoon. There were nine members present. Bingo was played after the business meeting. Refreshments were served after the entertainment.

Mrs. Minnie Zimmerman and Mrs. Jack Spresser called on Mrs. Mary Meitl Thursday afternoon.

Sister Helena Marie Robben and Sister Cortona Robben of Concordia visited relatives here last week.

Broadway News

Mr. and Mrs. George Simon, Mrs. Edwin Simon and Timmie, Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Wagoner and Dwight, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Simon and children and Galen Simon attended a shower and get-acquainted at the Allison church Sunday afternoon, Nov. 2 honoring Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Mader. The women of the community were hostesses.

Mrs. June Simon is in the K. U. Medical Center with Jerry. They went on Monday, Nov. 3. Mrs. Opal Moss accompanied them there.

25 Years Ago November 10, 1994 Construction to Front of Hospital

Construction progress has shifted to the front of the Sheridan County Hospital where westward expansion will enlarge the laboratory, waiting room, and business and administrative offices. Crews are also working on the east wings framing the interior walls and doing electrical and plumbing rough-ins.

Rexford News

Freda Ketchum and Peg Greenwood attended the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary Fall Conference in Russell, Kans., on Oct. 29. The main theme of the morning session was the Citizens Flag Alliance of Kansas which was formed to help get an amendment to the constitution to protect our flag. A great lunch was served by the Russell Auxiliary. In the afternoon the Auxiliary and Legion held separate sessions. The next meeting will be a Spring Convention in April at Concordia.

Rex and Betty Carswell returned home Monday from a two-weeks sight-seeing trip to several eastern states. They spent time in Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, Gettysburg, Lancaster, Hershey and other historical places and visited some distant relatives in West Virginia. They stopped in Indianapolis and visited the museum there and road around the race track.

Selden News The Knights of Columbus had their first bingo for the fall Sunday night. There was a nice group there to enjoy the evening. The next night will be Nov. 20. They will be giving away turkeys and bacon. Everyone is welcome.

Gus and Fansion returned home from their vacation last week after visiting relatives in Minnesota and Wyoming.

Jennings-Allison News USD 295 and the Jennings Boy Scout Troop-Pack #172 will honor all war veterans with the posting of colors and a short program on Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. in

the high school gym. Everyone

is invited to attend. Marvin Carter, Burnsville, Minn. was a guest of the William and Willard Carter families Wednesday through Friday. Marvin is a cousin and is making a trip to become acquainted with family members. It was an interesting



NWKS News & SCHC

FHSU Virtual College Earns Rigorous **Distance Learning Quality Certification**

Fort Hays State University announced today that its online learning program, the FHSU Virtual College, has earned certification from the United Learning States Distance Association, a nonprofit distance learning association whose work focuses on supporting distance learning research, development, and praxis across the complete arena of education, training, and communications.

In announcing the coveted certification, the chair of Quality Standards Committee, Certification Dr. Arletha McSwain, said, "USDLA is proud to welcome the FHSU Virtual College to an elite group of institutions that have earned national recognition for providing online ¹ exemplary degree programs and certificates."

The USDLA's certification report pointed to the Virtual College's visionary quality standards program as a driver in ensuring the university's ability to remain on a path to continuous innovation and improvement online education.

"Since the Virtual College was established in 1997, the online learning enterprise at Fort Hays State has grown thoughtfully and steadily to the point where today it is the single largest source of enrolled students at the university," said FHSU President Tisa Mason.

"This phenomenal growth is the direct result of our consistent focus on delivering a high-quality, affordable and distinctly FHSU online experience," she said.

USDLA rigorous certification recognizes the commitment that Fort Hays State has made in following best industry practices for its

12+ years in practice

Virtual College. The university is one of only five certified distance education providers in the country to successfully complete the comprehensive, 120-point quality review of all levels of distance education and training.

"This certification is a testament to the dedication everyone, past and present, put forth in creating an exceptional worldwide online operation," said Dr. Dennis King, associate vice president for enrollment management. "All of the faculty, students, staff and alumni should be very proud of what they have created."

The USDLA team that conducted the certification review was impressed with the Virtual College.

"Fort Hays State is making online learning a priority, and it shows," said Dr. Chuck Sengstock, a USDLA Quality Standards Certification Committee Member.

"We were impressed with the initiative and dedication of the online faculty, staff, and administrators. We were impressed with equally the collective results of the online student interviews." About the FHSU Virtual College

Fort Hays State, founded in 1902, entered into distance education in 1911 when faculty voted to offer courses free by mail so that one-room schoolteachers across western Kansas could afford to pursue the continuing education required to teach. The distance education department created then evolved continuously with changing technology and culture until, in 1997, the Department of Continuing Education and Instructional Technology became the FHSU Virtual College.

Prairie Doc® Perspectives: Use It or Lose It!

By Richard P. Holm, MD If you don't use it, you'll lose it. I bet I've heard and repeated this age-old aphorism a million times. But can it be over-used?

The adage about using it certainly fits when trying to enhance wellness for all sorts of medical systems: working the brain with puzzles and conversation helps ward off memory loss; walking fast enough to cause one to huff and puff, keeps the heart and lungs strong; regular sexual activity helps prevent impotence; filling the gut with a high fiber diet keeps the bowels in shape and makes you a regular sort-a-guy.

But what can you do when it hurts to move those old joints? Should you rest or should you exercise a joint with degenerative osteoarthritis? Experts say this depends on the state of that arthritis. If it is a hot and inflamed joint, it's better to address it first with expert advice, medication and time and not to force a lot of movement until later when it is cooled down. If, however, it is the cool-yet-stiff type of arthritis, then that's a different story.

I always go back to a famous study that involved older people with very bad osteoarthritic knees, the kind that the orthopedic surgeon would call boneon-bone. Scientists divided these arthritic patients into two groups. The first group continued their sedentary habits and the second group was pushed to regularly walk, stretch, and move on those worn out knees. Which group do you think did better? You guessed it, the members of the exercise group rated themselves to be in less overall pain, were better able to stay mobile and considered themselves happier in general than the sedentary group. One physician friend advised me once that, "Motion is the lotion for keep-

ing those stiff joints moving."

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Richard P. Holm, MD is

need joint replacement surgery;

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founder of The Prairie Doc® and author of "Life's Final Season, A Guide for Aging and Dying with Grace" available on Amazon. For free and easy access to the entire Prairie Doc® library, visit www. prairiedoc.org and follow Prairie Doc® on Facebook, featuring On Call with the Prairie Doc® a medical Q&A show streamed most Thursdays at 7 p.m. central.

Ag Law Briefs Presents Solar Leasing and Rails to Trails Webinars

Wendee Grady, director of the KFB Legal Foundation, will present "A Guide to Solar Leasing for the Agricultural Landowner" for the first in a new series of agricultural law webinars, called Ag Law Briefs, Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. Register here. second "Rails-to-Trails in Kansas -Understanding the interplay of state and federal law when converting abandoned railroad rights-of-way to public recreational trails," will be offered Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. Registration for this webinar

will be available November 21. These one-hour webinars will have useful content for KFB members and attorneys

(1.0 hour CLE credit approved each). Webinar participants must be a current KFB member to register, but the webinar will be provided free of charge to participants not seeking CLE credit, and for \$25 for attorneys seeking CLE credit (when credit is approved by the Kansas CLE Commission). Proceeds from the webinar series will benefit the KFB Legal Foundation and enable us to pursue our mission of providing education, information and research that will provide the continued well-being all persons directly of engaged in agriculture enterprises. or related



Medical Debt - More Can Be Done to Support Vulnerable Patients

A recent article from ProPublica, "When Medical Debt Collectors Decide Who Gets Arrested," describes numerous unfortunate circumstances and raises a host of questions. While these questions are not all easily answered, it is clear that even though our current system of medical debt collection appears to have failed many vulnerable people, there are some protections in place.

First, it bears repeating that hospitals and health systems treat all patients who come through their doors, regardless of the time of day and regardless of their ability to pay. Hospitals work closely with uninsured and low-income patients on their individual bills, including discussing financial assistance options with them. In the event of an unpaid bill, Congress has prescribed an extensive series of steps and wait times non-profit hospitals must adhere to before taking collection actions, which is a last resort. These steps, which the IRS has detailed, include:

• Providing written and oral notice of its financial assistance policies, which can include care at no cost greatly reduced costs; Complying with a 120day notification period of the

availability of its financial assistance policies before taking collection actions and notifying the patient in writing 30 days before taking any collection actions; and

• Allowing a patient to stop and even reverse collection actions for up to 240 days in

order to apply for assistance.
Hospitals and health
systems work hard to support vulnerable patients in many ways, including striving to provide access to financial assistance and counseling to all patients who might qualify for it. At the same time, we must continue to look for new and better ways to work with patients who need help paying their bills.

This recent coverage on medical debt describes some specific distressing situations that led to patients facing warrants after a number of non-appearances pertaining to past due balances owed. Whenever the design of a system results in harm to the person the system is supposed to benefit most, namely the patient, some type of systemic failure exists. In this case, the list of potential fixes is lengthy. However, one thing we have the ability to do right now through Medicaid expansion is provide access to health care

coverage to Kansans unable to afford costly medical bills. An expanded Medicaid program will make health care more accessible and affordable for hardworking, low-income Kansans. In addition to increasing access to primary and preventive care, expansion would reduce medical debt and enhances continuity of coverage and care for chronic illness.

Taking advantage advantage of expansion will Medicaid greatly increase the number of Kansans with insurance coverage, spur economic development and new jobs, provide financial stability to low-income families, and enhance the viability of hospitals and other health care providers. Thirty-six states and the District of Columbia have chosen to expand their Medicaid programs. It is time for Kansas to join them.

About the Author: Tom Bell is the president and CEO of Kansas Hospital Association, a voluntary, non-profit organization existing to be the leading advocate and resource for members. KHA membership includes 219 member facilities, of which 123 are fullservice, community hospitals. Founded in 1910, KHA's vision is: "Optimal Health for Kansans."

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Lady Indians Close Out Volleyball Season

By Macy Schamberger

On October 8, the Hoxie Volleyball team had a home triangular with Logan and Norton. The Indians faced Logan first. The Indians came out on top in the first set 25-21. The Indians got a little too comfortable during the second set and Logan came out on top with a 18-25 win. Hoxie wasn't going to let Logan win in their house, so the Indians were able to take the third set, 25-12 to win the match.

After that match, the Lady Indians played the Norton Bluejays. This was a team that the Indians beat at the Norton tournament, but that didn't mean that they could take them lightly. The Indians came out with no fear in the first set and took the first set win 25-19. The Lady Bluejays weren't ready to back down yet and were able to take the second set, 22-25. Coming into the third set, both teams were anxious to win. Battling hard throughout the whole game, the Bluejays were able to come up with the close 22-25 win.

The Indians hosted Trego and Phillipsburg for Senior Night on Thursday, October 10. The Indians faced Phillipsburg first. They knew that the Panthers had always been a very talented team and the Indians had to stay focused and determined. The first set the Indians came out strong but the Panthers were able to take the first set, 19-25. Hoxie wasn't ready to give up just quite vet; the Indians battled their way through but fell short to a 21-25 Panther

Up next, the Indians had the Trego County Lady Eagles, another team that had always been good and in fact was the same team that beat the Indians out of the Sub-State tournament last year. The Lady Indians were not going to back down from this one, especially on Senior Night. The first set, Hoxie came very strong with a 25-19 first set win. The Indians wanted to take care of business in two, and they did just that. Hoxie took the next match win 25-

On October 15, the Indians traveled to Cheylin to match up with the Cheylin Lady Cougars and the Rawlins County Lady Buffaloes. Up first the Indians had to face $Cheylin; this \, was \, a \, team \, not \, to \,$ underestimate as they knew where to place the ball when playing. The Indians came out strong as they intended to and took the first match, 25-20. The Indians were ready to take the match as they approached the second set and claimed a win, 25-17.

Right after that, the Indians were set to play Atwood, a very talented team, but they were ready to take care of them once and for all after this season. Hoxie was able to show what they were made of and came out with a 25-

INDIANS CALENDAR MONDAY 11/18/2019 First Winter Sports Practice **TUESDAY 11/19/2019**

4:20pm BB-JH vs Quinter THURSDAY 11/21/2019

4:30pm BB-HH vs Oberlin 5pm HS Scholar's Bow @ Good-

FRIDAY 11/22/2019

7pm FB-V Sub-State

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16 win. In the next set, the Buffaloes weren't ready to back down quite yet and took the second set in a close 23-25 win. These two teams have battled it out all season and it all came down to this last set. But the Hoxie Indians came out strong and were able to take the third set victory with a 25-15 win.

This is the first year that Hoxie has been in the MCL (Mid Content League) so that means that they participate in all MCL tournaments. This year for the league tournament they traveled to Norton to compete for the league title. On October 17, the Indians played Phillipsburg, a team that they had seen recently, but the Indians were ready to fight. Phillipsburg came out strong and took the first and second set, 17-25 and 17-25. Up next, the Lady Indians were to face the Thomas More Prep-Marian Monarchs. TMP, another team that was extremely talented, was ready to play, but so were the Indians. The Lady Indians battled through the first set and were able to claim the victory, 25-23. Both teams put up a fight when it came to the second set, but TMP was able to claim a close 23-25 victory to force a third set. But TMP was able to claim the last set, 18-25.

On Saturday, October 19 to conclude the MCL the Indians met up with the Hill City Lady Ringnecks. After losing two games in the tournament on Thursday, the Indians wanted to take this one. They came out strong in both sets and were able to take the win ending each set, 25-18 and 25-18. Even though the Lady Indians won this match, they did not make it out of pool

play. The Lady Indians then traveled to WaKeeney on October 26 for their 2A Sub-State Tournament this year. The Indians first took on the Plainville Lady Cardinals. Not knowing much about this team besides watching them at the MCL league tournament, the Indians were able to start off strong with a 25-20 win. But the Lady Cardinals weren't ready to back down yet and came out in the second set strong with a 19-25 win. Both teams were longing for this win to advance to the semi-finals. But the Indians took over and were able to take the third set win 25-13.

Advancing to the semifinals, the Indians took on the Smith Center Lady Redmen. The Indians had been scouting this team all season knowing that they would eventually meet up with them, whether that was at league or in sub-state. The first set was a close battle for both teams, but the Lady Redmen were able to take the first set, 18-25. The Lady Indians were not ready to back down on this last set to head to the sub-state finals but fell short in a 21-25 Redmen Victory. This concluded the Lady Indians' 2019 volleyball season.

BULLDOGS'

CALENDAR MONDAY 11/18/2019

First Winter Sports Practice 7pm BOE Mtg THURSDAY 11/21/2019

4pm BB-MS @ Damar 5pm HS Scholar's Bowl @ Good-

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Diercks, Bretz Place at State Cross Country Meet



Racing in the State Cross Country Meet in Wamego on Nov. 2 is freshman Drew Bretz. He placed 15th with a time of 17:46, which is his personal best. (HHS photo)

By Tom Friess

We travelled to Wamego on Saturday, Nov. 2 for the State Cross Country Meet where senior Emily Diercks and freshman Drew Bretz looked to put an exclamation point on what was already a very successful season. Both had survived the elimination race at a very competitive regional and now had the opportunity to run the hilly course at the Wamego Country Club. With their teammates along for support they prepared themselves all week for that

Emily was first up on the line as she toed the mark with 95 other competitors. This was by far the biggest field that Emily has run in all year and we had worked on getting her away at the start so she wouldn't be swallowed up in the sea of humanity. Her strategy was to climb the hill at the start and look to pass groups on the first downhill and then position herself on the switchback hills right before the mile mark. She executed this pretty well as she came off the first turn in the middle of the pack, passed several opponents on the downhill and found herself in the top 20 going into the hills. She ran a nice set of up-hills to further advance herself into 10th place. Now it was a race of guts and mind over matter. She was able to complete the course in her new best time of 20:27 for the course at Wamego. This was 29 seconds faster than her previous best and her 9th place finish earned her a third consecutive trip to the podium. This feat matches both Madi Niblock and Luke Friess for most medalist honors for Hoxie High School with opportunity to be a

four-time medalist. Drew made his state CC debut as part of the last race of the day. He started in a field of 104 runners and his strategy was very similar to Emily's except he was in a starting gate right in the middle of the field, so he was going to have to pick his way through the pack. He raced his way into the top 10 as he

THUNDERHAWKS CALENDAR MONDAY 11/18/2019

BOE Meeting

THURSDAY 11/21/2019

4pm BB-MS @ Grinnell FRIDAY 11/22/2019

7pm FB-V Sub-State

SATURDAY 11/23/2019

10am BB-MS @ Oakley Invitational

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Junior Emily Diercks runs at Wamego in the State Cross Country Meet on Nov. 2. She placed ninth with a time of 20:27, which is her personal best. (HHS photo)

came out of the switchback hills and then looked to hold off the competition and secure a medal.

Drew not only answered every challenge that the course threw at him, but he also answered every challenge from his competitors. However, most importantly overcame every challenge from the little voice inside him which is constantly trying to persuade a runner to seek comfort. He lost a few places over the last ¾ mile or so but ran 17:46 which broke his previous personal best 5K record by a whopping 24 seconds and he placed 15th. This, on what is arguably the most challenging course and the biggest stage that a high school runner can compete on. This was quite a day for this young man who entered with high hopes of placing and was not disappointed. KC Giancola, son of Chris and Tenille Giancola, raced to a 19th place finish for the Syracuse Bulldogs in the 2A boys' race wrapping up a great CC career with for the three-time qualifier and twotime medalist at state.

It was a cool day but pretty calm and I really was convinced as race after race went off that this would be a great opportunity. It was just an awesome day and a great end to the season. Our t-shirts bore the Latin motto, "Venimus, Vidimus, Deus Vicit." (We came, we saw, God conquered.) With Emily bringing experience and even with Drew being inexperienced they both managed to do what our team always strived to do ... glorify God by using our talents better than we ever did before.

Thus, we put a wrap on our season and what a season it was. We had a team that set personal best after personal best and earned some hardware at races from the middle school division to the high school junior varsity all the way to varsity. Each practice and each race helped to form these kids into a better version of themselves as they learned to share in each other's pain as well as joy. They survived the "Trials of the Miles" presented on the long runs as well as the mental pounding of doing 12 repeat 400's or 6 repeat 800's. Everything I threw at them they tried their best to complete and autograph it with excellence. I can't put into words how proud Î am of this group and look forward to being with them all in the future as they were all underclassmen. So, until next year we will put away the hurdles, take down the practice schedules and rack the medicine balls, but we will get to keep in our hearts the memories of one exceptionally fine season.

Bulldogs Advance to Semi-Finals



Golden Plains Senior Harley Weese (2) kicks an extra point against the Pawnee Heights Tigers as they ball is held by junior Rojelio Loya in the first round of the six-man playoffs on November 1. (Photo by Brooke Stoll)

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs advance to the semi-finals of the Kansas six-man playoffs with a 60-8 half time win over the Pawnee Heights Tigers in Rozel on November 1.

With a good crowd of supporters in the stands, the Bulldogs opened the game by winning the toss and rushing in the first play for an opening score. The TD, run in by senior Harley Weese, was followed by a PAT kick from Weese for an 8-0 start. Following tackles by juniors Wade Rush and Rojelio Loya, Weese intercepted a Tiger pass which he ran into the end zone. The kick went right, and the Bulldogs led 14-0 with less than 1 1/2 minutes off the clock

The Tigers could not advance past midfield and turned the ball over. Rojelio Loya hit Rush with a pass for a third Bulldog touchdown on the first play of the series for a 20-0 lead. The Tigers tried to pass the ball but were plagued by Loya and Rush on defense and were unable to advance.

Back on offense the Bulldogs moved the ball with runs by sophomore Roberto Loya. Rojelio then connected with Weese who finished in the end zone. Rojelio passed to Rush for the extra point. The Dogs kicked the ball deep back to the Tigers who again tried to throw. Rojelio intercepted their pass attempt and ran it in for a Bulldog score. Roberto scrambled on the extra point attempt and ended up passing to Weese for the point to put the Dogs up 34-0 with four minutes remaining in the first.

Weese intercepted another Tiger pass. Following a gain of yards by Roberto, Rojelio passed to Rush who ran in yet another Bulldog score. The Dogs kicked back to the Tigers once again only to have the ball bounce out of the receiver's hands and be recovered by Weese for the Bulldogs. Despite runs by Roberto Loya, the Bulldogs punted back to the Tigers who were once again unable to advance the ball against the

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COUNSELOR CORNER

By Chris Lee

In the fleury of releases from ACT about super-scoring and only taking the sections of test you want to; another option may have been overlooked.

Starting in September 2020, students will be able to choose to take the ACT test online or with paper. This will allow ACT's testing experience to better align with how today's students often prefer to learn and the mode they prefer for testing (pencil/ paper or online). Furthermore, students who take the test online will get faster test results. They will receive their multiple-choice test scores and ACT Composite score as early as two business days after the test date.

Colby Community College will be hosting Trojan Senior Day on November 13. Students will have the chance to tour the entire campus, enjoy our entertainment activities, visit with academic advisors, and speak with varsity sports coaches/extracurricular activity directors. In addition, they will have the opportunity to ask questions about financial aid, residence life, and the college admissions process.

Registration can be completed at: www.colbycc.edu/seniorday. Students RSVP by Wednesday, November 7th so they can be included in the free lunch.

Garden City Community College is hosting its first ever Parent Night on Tuesday, November 19 from 6:30-8pm in the Endowment Room in the Beth Tedrow Student Center. It will be a Panel format, with opportunity for Q&A with a variety of Faculty, Staff, and

Administration. Childcare will be available for children 3 and up, who are potty-trained. This event was designed for parents of juniors and high school seniors, but all are welcome. We have several Spanish speakers on the panel, so translation will be available. Those planning to use childcare, please RSVP to susan.miller@ gcccks.edu by Monday, Nov. 18,

You can help empower leaders of tomorrow! Wildcats Lead (November 14) is an event created by the K-State Polytechnic social work program for high schoolaged students to feel more confident, empowered aware as future leaders. It is a one-day workshop on the K-State Polytechnic Campus. Wildcats Lead is open to any student in ninth through 12th grade.

Workshop activities will include defining unique personal values,

understanding how to embrace change, building individual leadership skills, discovering distinctive leadership styles and learning how to use technology to lead an effective team. There is no cost to attend, and lunch and t-shirt are included. Call 785-826-2640, since the deadline is rapidly approaching.

We will get some info out next week about CCC's CTE courses, which are college courses that high school students may take tuition-free.

Future Emporia Staters need to be aware that scholarships for 2020-2021 opened November 1. Start applying today at http:// bit.ly/ESUScholarships□. Stop by Plumb Hall 103 or email esuscholarships@emporia.edu with questions! The priority deadline is November 15 at FHSU. It's strange that two similar universities have such different

deadline. **IMPORTANT DATES:**

November 8: Deadline to apply for December 14 ACT November 13: Garden City CC Exploration Day and Senior Day

at Barton CC November 15: Priority deadline for scholarship

applications at FHSU December 1: Priority Deadline for the FAFSA and Admissions

Application at Kansas State Dec. 13: Deadline for Rudd Scholarship (ESU, FHSU, WSU)

Ian. 10: Deadline to apply for February 8 ACT February 12: Junior Day at

Barton CC





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Semi-Finals

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Dogs defense to end the first quarter with a 40-0 Bulldog lead.

The Dogs opened the second quarter with another touchdown pass from Rojelio to Weese and a 2-point kick from Weese. With tackles from sophomore Jovanny Infante and pass coverage from Rush and Weese, the Bulldogs regained possession and Roberto ran in his first touchdown of the night.

The Tigers connected on a long pass and just as it looked like they were going to make it to the end zone, sophomore Ethan Shea held on to the runner dragging him back as Rush came in for the stop. The Tigers passed once more to make their only touchdown of the game. With a good kick the score was 54-8, Bulldogs. Following another Weese interception, Roberto ran in the final touchdown of the night to give the Bulldogs the 60-8 win at the half.

"It was good to be back on the field," said Rush, who had missed two games with a knee injury. "We were motivated in this game to continue in the playoffs," added Rush. "Our pass coverage was well executed—all that practice paid off."

Harley Weese posted another stat heavy game with 53 rushing and 77 receiving yards, 3 interceptions, 4 touchdowns and 7 tackles. Rojelio Loya also had good stats with 139 passing yards, connecting on 5 of 6 attempts for four touchdowns. He rushed for an additional 12 yards, claimed 1 interception and 1 touchdown along with 7 tackles.

Roberto Loya rushed for 132 yards and two touchdowns along with 4 tackles. Wade Rush received for 62 yards, and two touchdowns. He had 6 tackles. Additional tackles were made by Jovanny Infante 6, Jaime Infante 3, and Ethan Shea 1.

The Bulldogs, who are now 6-3 on the season, will play in the semi-final game against Cheylin in Bird City on November 8, with a 7:00 pm kickoff. A win in this game will send them to the championship game of the Wild West Bowl in Dodge City on November 16.

Golden Plains to Perform Comedy Play |



Golden Plains seniors Taryn Fleckenstein, Jaiden Koerperich, and Malilah Green go over lines with Coach Robynn Wessel during Play rehearsal. The school will perform the play 16 in 10 Minutes on Thursday, November 14, at 7:00 pm on the Rexford stage. (Photo by Rojelio Loya)

By Rojelio Loya

The Golden Plains High School drama group has been rehearsing their new play 16 in 10 Minutes since the start of the fall season. 16 in 10 Minutes is a comedy play centered around how the lives of seven teenagers become intertwined in this humorous and oftentimes bittersweet collection of tenminute plays. It is written by Bradley Hayward. The main characters will be played by several students.

The play will be held at Golden Plains High School gym in Rexford at 7:00 pm this Thursday, November 14. The play is completely free of admission although a free

will offering will be accepted to help cover production expenses. The play is estimated to run for one hour.

The play is directed by Golden Plains Language Arts Instructor and Forensics Coach Mrs. Robynn Wessel. This is her tenth play to direct at Golden Plains. "I think the play is going to be successful," said actress Alisha Brantley. "The rehearsals have been great although the cast members are still working on our actions and lines."

The actors are looking forward to their production of 16 in 10 minutes and encourage everyone to come enjoy the performance with them.

Falling into Thanksgiving

By Aubri Iversen, Staff

Reporter On Tuesday, November 5, the WHS National Honor Society went to Wheatland Elementary School for a Thanksgiving activity with the grade school students. The NHS calls this time T-Hawk Talk.

The WES students were given a turkey feather. Each student had to write what they were thankful for on the feathers. Each student shared their items with the others. Then they were allowed to color and decorate their feathers.

Junior NHS member Jailey Gallentine said, "T-Hawk Talks are great for both the elementary and high school students because the elementary students gain people skills and high school students learn how to deal with the new generation of society."

The NHS students plan to go

to Grinnell for a T-Hawk Talk on Friday, November 22.

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Scholars Bowl Buzzes Toward Success



The scholars bowl team at the Golden Plains meet, (left to right) back row: Juniors Wendell Mong, Elliot Godek, Senior Harrison Stephens, front row: Junior Jailey Gallentine, Senior Ethan Beckman, Junior Leonor Mergenshroder. (Photo by Steve Reed)

By Morgan Zimmerman, Co-

On Monday, November 4, the WHS Scholars Bowl team traveled to Rexford to compete in the Golden Plains Meet. There were 9 teams: Atwood, Brewster, Cheylin, Golden Plains, Hill City, Sharon Springs, Triplains, Weskan, and Wheatland.

When asked his thoughts about the meet, Coach Steve Reed said, "I think we did very well for the first meet of the season."

This was the Thunderhawks' first varsity meet. competed in 8 rounds of competition, going 6-2 on the night. They lost to Golden Plains and Atwood, finishing in second place. Senior Ethan Beckman answered 18 questions, while senior Harrison Stephens and junior Elliot Godek answered 5. Also, juniors Jailey Gallentine answered 2 and junior Wendell Mong answered 1.

Hawks Defeat the Huskies

By Jessi Bernbeck, Staff Reporter

On Thursday, October 31, the Thunderhawks defeated the Huskies in the first playoff game. Since the boys had already beaten the Huskies earlier in the season with a final score of 28-18, they knew they would have to work even harder for this win considering their season was on the line. The final score was 44-30, ending with the Thunderhawks on top. The boys had a total of 73 tackles, five sacks, and 367 total yards.

Freshman Jett Vincent has stepped up and taken over quarterback duties for the last two and a half games since his brother, Sophomore Trey Vincent, has been recovering from an elbow injury. Jett Vincent stated, "I have helped out this team by filling my brother's shoes at quarterback, and I couldn't have done as well without the encouragement from the guys when I first stepped in the huddle. Our goal is to own the next game and come out victorious!" The next game is vet to be determined.



Sophomore Tyrell Chapin, Junior Trevor Zarybnicky, and Seniors Jordan Ostmeyer and Ethan Beckman get ready for the snap. (WHS photo)

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Students Go to Kidwind Project

By Laredo Allemang, Staff

On Thursday, November 7, ten high school students from the applied tech class traveled to Salina to participate in the Kidwind challenge. Seniors Colter Allemang, Ethan Beckman, Kyler Haffner, Jordan Katt, Harrison Stephens, Morgan Zimmerman, Junior Jailey Gallentine, Sophomores Tyrell Chapin, Ryan Heier, and Trey Vincent. The Kidwind project is an "introduction to energy" that includes activities that integrate science, technology, engineering, and math

(STEM) energy production as used in our society.

The workshop presenter, Dan Whisler, shared activities and lesson plans that are part of Trane's BTU Crew curriculum. Dan also talked about the data analysis for energy consumption through heat and cooling systems in buildings. The students received a variety of handson classroom activities to aid teaching energy from both an environmental and economic perspective. They were shown graphs and charts and had to analyze the data. The topics covered the scientific method, as well as data collection and analytics using standardbased activities.

The students had to build the blades of a wind powered turbine. They competed with the turbine to see how many washers the blades could lift.

Kidwind sponsor Diane Wetter said, "The students were exposed to STEM applications focusing on the topic of energy. The efficient use of energy was demonstrated through data analysis and through the activity utilizing wind energy to do work."



Seniors Colter Allemang, Jordan Katt, and Harrison Stephens at the KidWind Challenge on Thursday, November 7. (WHS photo)

GPHS Red Cross Blood Drive



Golden Plains Senior donates to the Red Cross Blood Drive held at the school in Rexford on November 6. This is her 5th time to donate. "It feels good to give to people who need it," said Taryn Fleckenstein. This bi-annual drive sponsored by the GPHS Student Council had 17 units donated. (Photo by Malilah Green)





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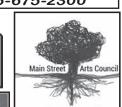
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Farm News

Kansas Crop Production Report

Based on November 1 conditions, Kansas's 2019 corn crop is forecast at a record high 798 million bushels, up 24 percent from last year's production, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Area to be harvested for grain, at 6.0 million acres, is up 20 percent from a year ago. Yield is forecast at 133 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from last year.

Sorghum for grain is forecast at 206 million bushels, down 11 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 2.40 million acres, is down 9 percent from 2018. Yield is forecast at 86 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 200 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 4.54 million acres, is 3 percent below 2018. Yield is forecast at 44 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year.

Cotton production is forecast at 280,000 bales, down 18 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at a record high 160,000 acres, is up 8,000 acres from 2018. Yield is forecast at 840 pounds per acre, down 237 pounds per acre from a year ago.

Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending November 10, 2019, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 32 short, 59 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 25 short, 67 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 34 fair, 42 good, and 9 excellent. Winter wheat planted was 96 percent, ahead of 89 last year, and equal to the five-year average. Emerged was 79 percent, near 76 last year, but behind 84

Corn harvested was 90 percent, near 88 last year and 94 average.

Soybeans harvested was 83 percent, ahead of 72 last year, but near 86 average.

Sorghum harvested was 84 percent, well ahead of 60 last vear, and ahead of 75 average.

Cotton condition rated 2 percent very poor, 14 poor, 40 fair, 39 good, and 5 excellent. Cotton harvested was 26 percent, ahead of 17 last year, and equal to average.

Sunflowers harvested was 81 percent, well ahead of 61 last year, and ahead of 68 average. Pasture and Range Report:

Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 30 fair, 52 good, and 5 excellent.

Commodity Highlight - Corn

At this point in the year, it is hoped corn has been harvested and the combines are put away for the winter. In Kansas, corn serves as a leading crop in terms of bushels produced and economic distribution. Here are a few more ways corn impacts Kansas.

The corn industry in Kansas has a total direct output of more than \$2.2 billion and creates 4,806 jobs. - Kansas Department of Agriculture

The ethanol industry in Kansas provides an additional 2,623 jobs and an economic contribution of more than \$1.2 billion. - Kansas Department of Agriculture

It is projected that in the 2018-2019 crop year, livestock will remain as the number one customer of Kansas corn farmers, consuming a combined 280 million bushels of corn and corn products. -

The value of Kansas corn exports is \$439,300,000. - Kansas Corn & U.S. Grains Council

RESOURCES: Kansas Department of Agriculture's Corn, Kansas Corn's Exports and Livestock

Hunting Down Food Safety

Hunting season is here, and with it comes the opportunity to eat game meat and wild birds. These are nutritious foods, and most are naturally lean because of the animal's diets and high levels of physical activity. (Two exceptions are duck and goose, which have higher levels of fat than other poultry.) before eating wild game or birds, however, keep in mind food safety points:

Handling in the Field and during Processing. Do you know if care was taken regarding safe handling of the meat? Was the animal or bird "field dressed' promptly? Was the meat protected from contamination? Was it cooled quickly, and kept cool during the drive home? If you are a hunter yourself, know how to ensure food safety in handling the meat of game animals and wild birds, both in the field and during processing. For instance, follow the advice provided in the links at www.ksre.edu/ foodsafety/p.aspx?tabid=33

Storage. If you will use it within three days, store game meat in the refrigerator. Keep raw meat and cooked meat separate to prevent cross contamination. Immediately freeze any extra meat. Prevent "freezer burn" by dividing meat into meal-size quantities and using moisture and vaporproof containers or wrap. Press the air out of the packages

before sealing, and label them with name of the contents and date. Freeze only the amount of meat that will solidly freeze within 24 hours. For best quality, use the frozen meat within one year.

Thawing. Thaw meat in a refrigerator, then cook the thawed meat within two days. Or, thaw it on the "defrost" setting in a microwave oven and then fully cook the meat immediately afterwards. Keep raw meat separate from cooked

Preparation. Cook wild birds to at least 165°F., and game meats to at least 160° F. (Use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature of the thickest part.) This will reduce your risk of getting a foodborne illness. Wild game tends to be drier and less tender than other meat, and often has a very distinctive flavor. To serve wild game that is juicy and tender, us a cooking method that adds liquids, such as stewing. You can reduce the "gamey" flavor by cutting the fat off game meats before cooking them. You can also mask that flavor by using extra spices or marinades. Marinating will also help tenderize the meat. Marinate all meats in the refrigerator. Recipes featuring 25 different kinds of wild game may be found at www.ces.ncsu. edu/martin/wildrecipes/list.

High Plains Journal Names Gnad New Soil Health U **Content Consultant**

High Plains Journaf"s Soil Health U & Trade Show is growing-in popularity, in educational scope, and now with new staff.

Jessica Gnad recently joined the HPJ team as the Soil Health U content consultant. In her role, Gnad will be gathering educational speakers and working with the HPJ staff to put on the 2020 Soil Health U & Trade Show, January 22 and 23, at the Tony's Pizza Event Center Salina, Kansas.

Gnad's path in soil health started with a curiosity about healthy food options in rural communities more than a decade ago. It was while she was living in Pratt, Kansas, and starting her family with her husband that Gnad worked to form a farmer's market, a local food co-op, and a Regenerative Ag School Garden with support from General Mills. She served as an executive board member for Kansas State Research and Extension, and as a healthy food/farm consultant with Pratt Regional Medical Center's Health Coalition. She counts her background as a row crop farmer and an avid gardener growing fruits and vegetables as her foundation for her passion for regenerative agriculture.

She and her husband owned and operated Crop Vision Consulting, an independent crop consulting agency servicing 20,000 acres in south central Kansas. Today, they live in Manhattan, Kansas, with their three children.

Soil Health U registration is open at www.soilhealthu.net. Early Bird registration fee is \$75 until November 18. After that, the regular registration fee of \$125 applies. Student Registration is just \$50. Planning to bring a group of neighbors to Soil Health U? Call 620-227-1834 and ask about discount registrations for parties of five or more on the same payment.

Soil Health U & Trade Show is sponsored by High Plains

Since 1949 High Plains Journal has been the weekly source for news, markets and commentary for farmers and ranchers in 12 states across the Plains. From the Dakotas to Texas, rural leaders and influencers #RideWithUs in print, online at www.hpj.com, and now via our podcast "HPJ Talk. Our slate of educational events now includes: Soil Health U, Cattle U, Sorghum U, Wheat U, Alfalfa U, Row Crop U and now Cotton U.

Adventure Trips

Baldwin, Kim McPherson County farmer and rancher

I have many childhood memories of taking road trips with my family. Some trips involved a nice Sunday drive taking the back roads and seeing new sites. Other trips involved crossing multiple state lines, overnight stops in small towns and eating picnic lunches at rest areas.

These trips allowed me to see much of the United States — oftentimes many parts of this country far beyond the interstates.

It's an approach I do with my children today to change the scenery and see new things and places from time to time. We like to call them adventure trips. Some of our adventure trips have taken just an hour while others have required an overnight stop.

These trips have allowed my children and myself to explore nearby counties, visit historical sites and see new places together. It has allowed us the opportunity to explore some great parks, walk through neat museums and experience small communities that we'd otherwise probably not

My husband recently purchased located implement few hours north of us in Nebraska. We could have had the seller deliver it to us for a fee, or we could go get it and bring it home. We decided to go get it. My daughter and I joined my husband and hit the road on a Saturday morning.

When we got to our destination, I began noticing the signs identifying all of what this town had to offer: ball fields, downtown, park and the "World's Largest Porch Swing." This was becoming my kind of trip!

After we got implement loaded and strapped down for the drive home, we decided to follow the signs to see the world's largest porch swing for ourselves. It was impressive. My daughter thought it was fun to swing on this enormous contraption. You had plenty of room to decide where you wanted to sit. And once you made your seating selection, you would begin the process of getting the seat to sway back and forth.

Harvest Progressing, WASDE Released

Seventy-eight percent of the 2019 sorghum acreage was harvested by November 3, sixteen percentage points ahead of last year and 6 points ahead of the 5-year average. Harvest of the Texas sorghum acreage was complete by week's end, 15 percentage points ahead of last year and 17 points ahead of average. USDA released its World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report today showing the national average yield for sorghum to be 75.9, which is the second highest yield on record, second only to 2016 at 77.9.

Upcoming Sorghum Events

Nov. 14 NAFB Trade Talk, Kansas City, MO

Nov. 22 Nebraska Grain Sorghum Board Meeting, Grand Island, NE

Nov. 28-29 Thanksgiving - NSP and USCP Office Closed Dec. 1 All Yield Contest Forms

Due to NSP Office Dec. 3 Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association Roundtable Meeting-Noon at Maria's Mexican Grill, Great

Bend, KS Dec. 3 Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association Roundtable Meeting-6-8pm at Whiskey Creek | Wood Fire

Grill, Hays, KS Dec. 4 Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association Roundtable Meeting-Noon at El Dos De Oros, Colby, KS

Dec 4 Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Roundtable Meeting-6-8pm at Tate's Front Tier Foods, Scott City, KS

Dec. 9-10 NSP Board of Directors Meeting, Lubbock, TX Dec. 10-12 USCP Board of Directors Meeting, Lubbock, TX Leadership Dec. 10-12 Sorghum Class IV Graduation, Lubbock, TX

Dec. 24-25 Christmas - NSP and USCP Office Closed

After a few minutes experiencing swing, my daughter and I went to explore the city playground. She played for at least 30 minutes. From climbing ladders, navigating rock walls and sliding down giant slides, it was a fun little pit stop before heading ĥome. It was a great area that was clearly a source of pride for this particular community.

The experience made an impression on my daughter. When returned home, told her older brother of the swing, and the playground and even the public restroom that was within the firehouse.

After telling about her experience she asked me when we could take her brother back to the swing. She wanted to take him on an adventure trip. We would have never even known of this fun little town had it not been for pulling off the highway

and exploring.

We would have never known the world's largest porch swing was just a few hours north of our farm, and we would not have created some great memories had we just loaded up that piece of equipment and turned right around and headed home.

So often, I feel, we think the destination is the goal of a journey. But maybe the goal should be something different. Maybe the journey should allow for some exploration and discovery along the

There are some hidden gems in rural America, all you have to do is allow yourself some time and some alternative routes to explore and enjoy.
"Insight" is a weekly

column published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

Second Round of Trade Aid Payments Authorized

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue said the second tranche of MFP 2.0 payments in the amount of \$3.625 billion have been authorized and are expected to be disbursed in late November or early December. A third installment of MFP 2.0, if approved, would go out in the same amount in January or February. The Secretary noted he is hopeful export sales to China under Phase I of a U.S.-Sino deal will "supplant" any need for trade aid payments in 2020. However, many political analysts believe the third installment will be necessary in the face of continuing economic downturn in farm country.

Phase I Optimism with Caveat Over **Tariff Reductions**

This week, the Trump Administration remained optimistic that a Phase I agreement between the U.S. and China will be reached soon. However, while the Chinese are bullish on the prospect for a reduction in tariffs and White House Economic Advisor Lawrence Kudlow suggests that there will be some concession on tariffs in Phase I, White House Trade Advisor declared, Peter Navarro "There is no agreement at this time to remove any of the existing tariffs as a condition of the phase one deal." If an agreement is ultimately reached on Phase I, don't book your ticket to Des Moines just yet. Although Iowa was floated as a possible location for the signing, London, the host of an upcoming NATO summit, is now thought to be the more likely site option. A recent WTÓ ruling authorizing China to impose retaliatory tariffs against nearly \$3.6 billion worth of U.S. products does not appear to be hampering negotiations and may well be addressed in the context of a larger U.S.-Sino agreement.

Joint NSP - BASF Scholarship **Taking Applications**

National Foundation and BASF are providing a joint scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year. The scholarships will include a \$2500 award for tuition. More information can be found at http://www.sorghumgrowers. com/foundation-scholarships/.

Day at the Statehouse **Registration Open**

Kansas Farm Bureau's Day at the Statehouse (DAS) is an annual opportunity to meet with legislators and learn about issues important to Farm Bureau members in Kansas. This year, DAS will be Feb. 6 and will run concurrently with the County President's Meeting and YF&R Leaders Conference. For more details and to register, visit www. kfb.org/DAS.

KFB Offers Grassroots Leader Dinners

Connect with other local leaders and get statewide updates from KFB staff. This event is ideal for county board members and other locally engaged Farm Bureau members, especially if you aren't going to make it to the KFB Annual Meeting or Day at the Statehouse this winter. All members are invited to attend the event (check the website for other locations). Dinner provided by KFB.

Agenda Items:

Networking Dinner KFB Strategic Vision & Leader Engagement

The Statehouse Scoop: 2020 Legislative News

KFB Health Plans: Next Steps for Success Election 2020: Inside

VOTE FBF and Races to Watch November 18 - Oberlin

6:30 p.m. Gateway Civic Center 1 Morgan Drive

RSVP to Leigh Ann Maurath naurathl@kfb.org or 78 0268) by November 13

Dec. 11 - Virtual 8 a.m.

Join Online: https://kfb.zoom. us/j/549530106 Join by Phone:

Call: 720-707-2699 Meeting ID: 549-530-106

Online Ag Law and Economics Course Available

Roger McEowen, a Kansas Farm Bureau Professor of Agricultural Law and Taxation at Washburn University School of Law and adjunct professor with Kansas State University's Agriculture Economics department, will teach an online course during spring 2020.

The course is designed to provide the legal framework for decision-making by farm firms, families and individuals. Topics covered in the course focus on agricultural applications to common legal issues, including:

- Contracts Financing
- Bankruptcy
- Tax issues
- Real estate ownership

Estate and business planning

Cooperatives Civil

liabilities, including trespass, self-defense and recreational use

Tourism

Negligence nuisance issues

Manufacturer's liability

Employer liability

Fence law Criminal liabilities

Water, environmental and regulatory laws The course is available both

as a credit or non-credit option. To learn more about the course, visit www.global.k-state.edu/ag/ <u>online</u>.

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Charlie **Schippers** Loan Officer

Legals, Minutes & Other News

Legal Rates: \$5.90 per column inch

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2019 TAX LEVY FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY Rate of tax levied for 2019 on \$1,000. per assessed values ARE AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2019

TANGIBLE VALUATION OF SHERIDAN COUNTY IS \$75,817,023, INCLUDING PENALTY OF \$20,061.

STATE	K.S.A.	Levv	CITY FUND LEVIES	K.S.A.	Levy
Educational Building Fund	76-6b01	1.000	Hoxie City-Valuation	9.385.076	Levy
State Institutional Fund	76-6b04	0.500	State	0,000,070	1.500
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	70 0004	1.500	County		68.957
COUNTY FUNDS		1.000	USD 412		41.751
Valuation 75,796,962			RED 1		3.754
General	79-1945	29.942	City		63.253
Road & Bridge	68-5.101	24.438	Twin Creek Extension		1:597
Noxious Weed	2-1318	0.887	TOTAL (Tax Unit 001)		180.812
Library Service Contract	12-1230	0.249	Hoxie City Breakdown		100.012
Intellectually Challenged	19-4004	0.602	General	79-1946	30.910
Hospital Maintenance*	19-4606	9.998	Library	12-1220	3:357
Public Health	65-204	0.500	Bond & Interest	10-113	4.626
Mental Health	19-4007	0.226	Employee Benefits	12-16,102	17.647
Elderly Service Program*	12-1680	0.750	Street Resurfacing	15-733	6.216
Pool Lease/Purchase Contr		1.365	Airport	3-121	0.497
COUNTY TOTAL		68.957	Total	0 121	63.253
*Indicates Election			Selden City Valuation	1,271,859	********
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			County		68.957
			USD 316		45.220
FIRE DISTRICT LEVIES	K.S.A. 19-3610		RFD 1		3.754
District	Valuation	Levy	Selden Cemetery		0.860
Oakley Fire	114.092	. 2.109	Selden City		54.813
Rural Fire 1	64,452,132	3.754	Twin Creek Extension		1.597
Rural Fire 4	4,564,881	2.500	TOTAL (Tax Unit 002)		1763701
	.,,		Selden City Breakdown		
REGIONAL LIBRARY	K.S.A.	LEVY	General	79-1946	52.772
Valuation	65,140,027		Library	12-1220	2.041
GENERAL	79-2551	0.923	Bond & Interest	10-113	0.000
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	0.137	Total		54.813
TOTAL	, ,	1.060			
TWIN CREEK EXTENSION	K.S.A. 2-623		CEMETERY FUND LEVI	ES K.S.A.	80-932
District	Valuation	Levy	DISTRICT	VALUATION	LEVY
District 9	75,796,962	1.597	Dresden Cemetery	2;230,837	1.442
			Fairview Cemetery	3,760,654	1.588
			Hawkeye Cemetery	370,720	1.585
			Lucerne Cemetery	1,957,774	0.854
			Rexford Cemetery	2,023,808	1.366
			Selden Cemetery	5,930,282	0.860

VALUATIONS LISTED ARE SHERIDAN COUNTY VALUATIONS ONLY, STATE OF KANSAS, SHERIDAN COUNTY, SS: I, Heather Bracht, Clerk of Sheridan County, Kansas hereby certify the foregoing are the legal levies of Sheridan County, Kansas for the year 2019 as shown by the records on file in my office

UNIFIED SCHOOL DIS	TRICTS											
		211	274	291	292	293	294	316	412			
VALUATION K.S.A.	SB41	40.782	73,596	4,427,787	3.596,271	4,732,474	21.431	8.078.528				
General 72-5142		20,000	20.000	20,000	20,000	20.000		20.000				
VALUATION		38.088		4,299,054				7.670.478				
Supp Gen 72-5147		17.069	20.527	8.003	14.469	17.409		23.220				
Cap Outlay 72-53.115		5.500	8.000	3.929	7.744	7.276		2.000				
Recreation 12-1927		3.000	2.000	0.020	7.744	7.270	0.000	2.000	7.000			
Bond & Interest 10-113		3.000	2.000									
TOTALS		45.569	50.527	31.932	42.213	44.685	42.495	45.220	41.751			
TOTALS		45.505	30.027	31.302	42.213	44.000	42,495	45.220	41.751			
2019 Levies by Taxing	Unit			K.S.A. 79-1	962, 19-310	5	2019 Levi	es by Taxin	g Units F	K.S.A. 79-196	2. 19-3105	
TAX UNIT	LEVY	USD	GEN	CEM	TWP LEVY		TAX UNIT	LEVY	USD	GEN	CEM TW	P LEVY
ADELL TWP-Valuation	\$2,326,182	. (RFD 1/Reg	Library)				EAST SAL	INE TWP-V	aluation \$5,134	4,170. (RFD		
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Ocean-to-Ocean

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Martin to keep an eye out for those driving the back roads, and his reply was, "Yes, the farmers, they drive pretty quickly!" He also said, with a bit of enthusiasm, "Yesterday, we saw a rattlesnake!" He also spoke of the deer that they've seen, which running the back roads has afforded many sights that would not be seen on a highway.

They expect to be in Denver in two weeks; planning on being there around the November 22. When I mentioned that would be around Thanksgiving, more for our time reference than theirs, he replied, "I'm French, so Thanksgiving is not my holiday, but I am taking a few days off to meet with people."

I asked him if the thin air in Denver would make a difference to him, and he replied, "I hope not!"

He continued, saying, "I'm going to avoid the Rockies. As soon as I get to Denver, I will head down to Colorado Springs, then Pueblo, and west. I want to avoid the Rockies because of the snow."

Martin, the story's videographer, follows in their motorhome. Sam said, "Martin videos as I run, as well as all encounters; people, schools, etc. When we ran through Topeka, we got to speak with Lt. Gov. Lynn Rogers. We meet with as many mayors, representatives, as we can, just to hear what's going on locally. What can be done. Kansas is actually a pretty sustainable state, with the wind."

"We try to visit the newspaper in each town. I try to reach out to every news station everywhere I am. It's difficult because it takes a lot of logistical planning just figuring out where we're going to eat that night, where we're going to sleep. We used to have a shower, but now that the camper's been winterized it's too cold to use any water. So, we haven't had a shower in

five days! But since we've gone twenty miles a day, I guess that's part of the journey."

He continued speaking about the purpose of his venture, stating, "Something I have realized is that many people are aware of the plastic problem, but recycling isn't very accessible. When I was 12-years old, I began cleaning up the beaches with my brother. We realized very quickly that when we would clean up the beaches and they would look nice, then the very next day it would all be back. So much of it comes from rivers, so we focused and switched our efforts to video storytelling for education. So, by running through states like Kansas, hopefully, society will realize that, even though you're so far from the oceans, your trash can end up in the oceans!"

Sam said that this has definitely been a very fun experience, and Martin nodded in agreement. They've enjoyed their trip across our country.

We mentioned to him the number of people who have come through Hoxie, and he said that there is a community of about 300 athletes who travel raising awareness, each for their own purpose, through their running, walking, cycling, etc. Sam said, "I like saying there are 2000 more people have climbed Mt. Everest than run across the United States."

To follow Sam and Martin on their journey, you can contact and follow them at sam@ makeachange.world, www. MakeAChange.World, and on Instagram @makeachange. world and @sambencheghib

"I think this is actually one of my favorite states so far because the people are so nice."

I think we agree! Have a safe, fun, adventure. We'll be watching!

MAKEACHANGE

FHSU New Master of Social Work Program Starting in 2020

licensure.

Applications opened this fall for the new Master of Social Work program at Fort Hays State University, the latest initiative by the university to serve rural

Fort Hays State's program will carry a specialty in clinical social

Dr. Tim Davis, a professor in and chair of the Department of Social Work, said the FHSU Master of Social Work program takes advantage of the flexibility and outreach aspects of online education while maintaining a strong, hands-on clinical training emphasis. He said the department will accept up to 45 students this first year.

"The MSW program at FHSU will provide high quality and affordable solution to the demand for clinical social workers in Kansas and improve access to health and mental health care for residents in the underserved rural areas of the state," said Davis.

Three aspects of FHSU's are innovations program designed to create opportunity in rural areas:

Hands-on clinical skills training will be provided near where students live, thanks to creative use of online technology, the completion of face to face clinical intensives, and partnerships with agency field instructors.

In addition to the standard requirement of 16 to 24 hours a week of clinical practicums, students will complete several short clinical rotations at health clinics, mental health clinics or other clinical sites at the start of the clinical practicum period.

After graduation, the department will provide the program's alumni with ongoing help in finding and providing the clinical supervision and training during the two-anda-half to three-year residencytype training required to gain licensure as independent clinical social workers.

"This is particularly important for Western Kansas as FHSU is the only university located in the western half of the state," he said. There is an acute, unmet need for social workers at the master's level and higher across Kansas, and particularly in the FHSU service area."

As the program continues to

grow, the department will expand its long-standing partnerships with communities and agencies in order to provide students with a broad foundation of knowledge through clinical experience in health and behavioral health as well as classroom training. Davis said clinical training partnerships will extend into post-MSW partnerships to provide the credentials that MSW alumni will need to gain independent

This is particularly important in the supervised clinical training required for independent licensure. Agencies in rural areas often do not have the personnel with the required credentials to supervise the post-graduate clinical training for licensure. Department faculty, who have the appropriate credentials, will use HIPAA compliant video conferencing systems to provide group supervision to the graduates at work in the clinical settings. In addition, the department will work with agencies to ensure robust ongoing training through the clinical training plan.

"We understand the challenges and rewards of living and working in rural Kansas," said Davis. 'We are committed, through education, scholarship and service, to training exceptional clinical social workers as well as supporting the agencies and communities in which they serve."

The program offers two pathways to an MSW degree. The Regular MSW Program consists of academic coursework for four standard semesters, one summer term, and field practicum experiences across four regular semesters.

Advanced Standing The MSW Program is only available to students with a bachelor's degree in social work from a Council of Social Work Education accredited social work program. This program can be completed in one calendar year of academic coursework and two semesters of field practicum experience.

Both degree paths will provide students the clinical training and educational requirements necessary to obtain licensure as a clinical social worker. Both began accepting applications in October. The advanced program will start in June 2020 and the regular program will start in August

Similar to the FHSU Bachelors of Social Work Program, FHSU will seek and secure CSWE accreditation for the MSW Program. As is the case with all new programs, said Davis, the MSW Program will launch in candidacy status and become eligible for full CSWE

accreditation after two years. Students who graduate from the program while it is in candidacy will retain a fully accredited degree upon the program's approval of accreditation following the two-year candidacy period. The MSW Program's candidacy status will neither delay nor prevent graduates from obtaining licensure, he said.

FHSU's Bachelor of Social Work program is CSWE accredited.

As a primarily online program, all knowledge and theory components of the courses, as well as some practice skill development, will be delivered through online technology, while the hands-on clinical skills training will be completed in face-to-face clinical intensives, clinical rotations, and clinical field placements, said Davis.

Clinical intensive requirements in the advanced clinical year involve attendance at one session per semester, which consists of two and a half days of handson clinical training. To make the program more accessible to students, these sessions will be organized around the regions where the MSW students are concentrated. Clinical rotations and clinical practicums can be set up near where individual students reside.

Tuition and fee information for both programs, and comparisons with other MSW programs in the region are available on the departmental Facebook and Instagram pages and on the department's webpage, www. fhsu.edu/socialwork. For more information, contact Dr. Tim Davis by email, todavis@fhsu. edu, or by phone, 785-628-5395.

BOE Minutes 11/11/2019

UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY BOARD OF **EDUCATION** UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 412 SHERIDAN COUNTY, **KANSAS**

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 412 met for their regular meeting on Monday, November 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Central Administrative Office Hoxie, Kansas.

PRESENT WERE:

BOARD MEMBERS: Leonard Weber, Billi Beckman, Margery Haas, Michael Bretz, Lola Baalman, Devan Castle, Reba White

SUPERINTENDENT: Jim

Howard CLERK: Mandy Shipley PRINCIPALS: Wildeman

GUE GUESTS: Lauren Spillman, Wade Tremblay, Amanda Tremblay, Lance Baar, Casey Johnson, Leah Heskett Billi Beckman called the

meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Lauren Spillman took a picture of the Board for the High School Yearbook and left

the meeting at 7:01 PM. The Board and all in attendance recited the flag

The agenda was approved with the addition of two executive sessions for Matters Affecting a Student under the Opening; Communications to the Board (Haas/White 7-0).

The board recognized the visitors present.

Communications to the Board were reviewed and included many thank you cards that were passed around for the Board to review

throughout the meeting. The Board moved to enter

into executive session at 7:02 PM to discuss a student concern pursuant to the matters affecting a student exception under KOMA for 3 minutes with the Board, Wade Tremblay, and Amanda Tremblay present, returning to open session at 7:05 PM in the BOE room (Weber/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:06 PM to discuss a student concern pursuant to the matters affecting a student exception under KOMA for 5 minutes with the Board, Wade Tremblay, and Amanda Tremblay present, returning to open session at 7:11 PM in the BOE room (Weber/Haas 7-0).

Wade Tremblay and Amanda Tremblay left the meeting at

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:12 PM to discuss a student concern pursuant to the matters affecting a student exception under KOMA for 5 minutes with the Board and Jim Howard present, returning to open session at 7:17 PM in the BOE room (White/Baalman

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:18 PM to discuss a student concern pursuant to the matters affecting a student exception under KOMA for 5 minutes with the Board and Jim Howard present, returning to open session at 7:23 PM in the BOE room (White/

Baalman 7-0). The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:24 PM to discuss a student concern pursuant to the matters affecting a student exception under KOMA for 5 minutes with the Board and

Jim Howard present, returning to open session at 7:29 PM in the BOE room (White/ Baalman 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented (Baalman/Bretz 7-0). Margery Haas updated the Board on the latest happenings with the Toothaker Estate.

The Board reviewed their goals.

All employees will receive effective evaluations that reflect their actual performance.

- The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:37 PM to discuss fall coaching evaluations pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel under KOMA for 10 minutes with the Board, Lance Baar, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 7:47 PM in the BOE room (Baalman/We-
- Approval of fall coaches was tabled to the Spring when the Board can approve all coaches and sponsors for the 2020-2021 school year at the same time.
- Lance Baar left the meeting at 7:48 PM.
- Technology will be developed to complement student learning.
- Jim Howard reviewed the technology report. Guidance Department will be developed to assist all

students to have success in

in the last month.

our district. The Board reviewed a report provided by Tennille Giancola updating them on the progress made with this goal

The Board moved on to Department reports.

Jim Howard shared his Principal's Report for Hoxie Grade School students. He discussed enrollment and events that had happened since the last meeting including the production of the Billy Goats Gruff, the 5th grade loom project with DSNWK, dental screening follow ups, and Red Ribbon Week.

Mark Wildeman shared his Principal's Report for Hoxie JR/SR High. He shared extracurricular numbers and happenings for Winter Sports/ Activities. He also wrapped up the seasons for fall sports and then concluded his report with a reminder to the Board about the school play on November 15 at 7:00 PM and November 17 at 3:00 PM.

Minutes from the latest NKESC Board meeting were provided.

The Board reviewed the Food Service report.

Jim Howard shared his Superintendents Report. He discussed events that had happened in the District since the last meeting including the Superintendents council in Oakley, the Evers grant awarded to NKESC to be utilized in all 19 member districts for social emotional support over the next several vears, and the ribbon cutting for the welding program in Quinter that he attended. He also gave the Board an update on the plan for the K-6 reading series, the outside door locking systems, and a possible visit in the spring from NASA astronaut, Nick Hague.

The Board moved on to New Business.

The Board moved to approve the amended banking resolutions as presented (Bretz/Baalman 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the amended surety bond resolution as presented (Castle/Bretz 7-0).

The action on the new phone system was tabled to the

December Board meeting. The Board moved declare bus #13 remaindered (Baalman/Haas 7-0).

The Board held a discussion on a holiday gift for the staff and came to a consensus on what to do for this school year. Board The held

discussion on when to do the Superintendent Evaluation. They came to a consensus to do it at the regular Board meeting in December.

Leah Heskett and Casey Johnson left the meeting at 8:50

The Board took a break at 8:51 PM and returned to open session at 8:54 PM.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:55 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations and new hires pursuant to the nonelected personnel exception under KOMA for 1 hour and 30 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 10:25 PM in the BOE room (Haas/Weber 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the movement of Cheryl Schwarz from part-time to fulltime employment as Teachers Aid/Library Aid and At-Risk support for the 2019-2020 school (Bretz/Weber 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Hayley Heim as JR/SR High Secretary for the 2019-2020 school year (Haas/ White 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Miranda Marez-Scanlon as Junior Class Sponsor for the 2019-2020 school year.

Billi Beckman adjourned the meeting at 10:27 PM. BECKMAN, BILLI PRESIDENT

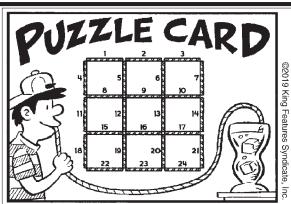
December 2019 MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK

Approved this 9th day of



Fun Page

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SIP AND SOLVE! Your problem is to remove six straws from the 24 shown here and have three squares left.

will be left with three different-sized squares. Answer: If you remove straws 5, 6, 8, 13, 15 and 16, you

Answer: NV - envy.

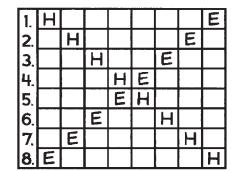
1. Picnic pest (in place).

3. An extravagant act.

5. Great for heartburn.

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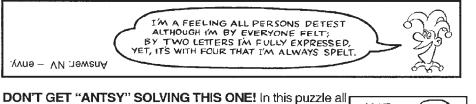
Charles Barry Townsend



Using the definitions and the anagrams below, find the eight eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. For each definition, the letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

FIND THE BIG WORDS!

Illustrated by David Coulson



ANT

2 ANT_

3.ANT_

4.ANT_

6. ANT____

DEFINITIONS:

1. Known to recede with time. 2.. Sailor songs.

- 3. Helps cold sufferers. 4. Very intelligent people.
- 5. Gets you into tight places. 6. Lost all its color.
- 7. Promises to marry.
- 8. Hour before the end.

ANAGRAM: hail + rein

sine + chat shin + real gags + heed ache + bled

nosh + hero rest + both vent + heel

Answers: 1. Hairline. 2. Chanties. 3. Inhalers. 4. Eggheads. 5. Shoehorn. 6. Bleached. 7. Betroths. 8. Eleventh.

CryptoQuip

of the words get progressively longer, and they all start with

Answers: 1. Ant. 2. Ante. 3. Antic. 4. Antler. 5. Antacid. 6. Antonyms.

2. A poker stake.

4. Pointy decoration.

6. Words of opposite meanings. 5. ANT...

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: K equals O

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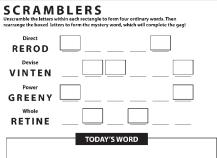
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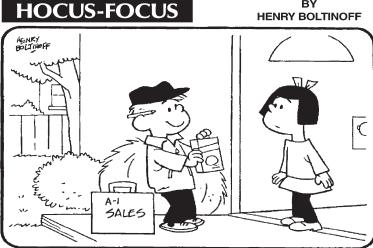
Kids' Maze



dear — the boss wants me to take



BY



Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

Ε

EATERNO

GSTUBINGTN

RIDDLE SEARCH - AQUARIUMS Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: What do goldfish say on the fourth Thursday in November?

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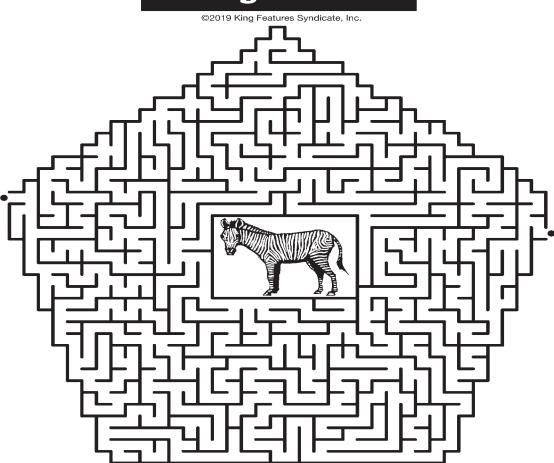
GRAVEL HEATER JAVA MOSS

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



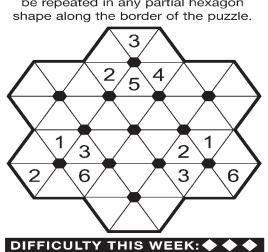
5. Shrub is missing, 6. Picture on box has changed. Differences: 1. Girl's bow is missing. 2. Collar is different. 3. Boy's pencil is gone. 4. Name on briefcase is different. YOU AND

Mega Maze



by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging © 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

ACROSS 1 Tropical tree **5** Des

49 Wear out

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19 Berry of a Brazilian I-Across 20 Practically no time

21 — Hashana 22 "Relax!" 23 Poker hand of four clubs and one

heart, say 26 Judicious **27** Old TV's "Remington

28 Test for univ. seniors 29 One of the Gandhis

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homebuilder

36 Farm tool 38 No-charge 39 Moisten, as

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poultry 40 What a

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feature of Mark Twain

Venice 84 Foxlike **85** Haunting

86 Capital of 47 "E pluribus 88 Sage guide 50 Plotting aids

51 Many a critic 53 Org. for Roger Federer transport 56 Oatmeal 96 Chachi bath brand

58 Outback (1963 hit) locale 62 Cube creator shrug

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64 Somewhat 65 Duplicated 111 Amend 67 Beatles song 112 So-so mark that's an apt alternate

title for this puzzle division 70 Lower **116** Yarn baseball **117** For no

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73 Clip, as wool **121** "The **74** "High Voltage band

actress Sanford

DOWN

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player Scott 98 "— So Fine"

99 A shoulder

110 Get decayed

a box **114** Army

119 Little bay stipulations

Jeffersons" 122 Tread 123 Body part

with the ACL 124 Get lippy with
125 Soft caps

93 Moses' peak

particular

1 Blue Ribbon

beer brewer 2 Piercing 3 Cutting beam 4 Priestly hat **5** Formed

6 See 115-Down 7 "Send me!" 8 Island nation

in the Pacific 9 Double curves 10 "Zip it up!"

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108 Ruhr's chief film of 1964 city 71 Here, to Luc 109 Leaks slowly 113 Slippery 73 Bad city air swimmers 115 With 76 More unsightly **77** "— Na Na"

6-Down 78 GoPro, e.g. start a round of golf 117 Sloop sail 79 Med. group

118 Lay odds

whisperer'

ME BOTH

82 -TV (cable

channel)

resin or peril

83 Suffix with

87 Court great

Arthur 89 Trunk gunk

90 Green fruit

91 Chit letters

92 "Gone" boy

band

93 Slapped,

e.g. **94** Patch



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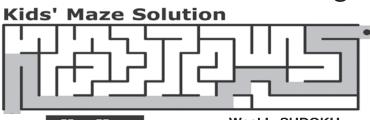
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Last Week's Fun Page Solutions





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Answer



SHOMELTHRE

solution

CryptoQuip

I believe a quirky trait that's unique to a camcorder wielder should become known as a "videosvncrasv."

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Rabble; 2. Insight; 3. Modest; 4. Median Today's Word

ADMITTED

Super Crossword -

Answers

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