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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

In my taxpayers report this week, I want to direct your attention to a notice you will find in this newspaper titled "A Petition for Recall of Wesley Bainter from the Sheridan County Commission".

You will read several charges alleging misconduct and violations as your Sheridan County Commissioner. The first references a grant to help pay for infrastructure special assessments in the Sunrise Addition on the east side of Hoxie. The grant referred to here is a City of Hoxie grant application and has nothing to do with Wes Bainter. Since the creation of Sunrise Addition, the City of Hoxie has submitted a grant application to the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation during 2013, 2017, 2018 and 2019. To date, the City of Hoxie has received a total of \$643,110,00. Hoxie has used these funds to reduce the City of Hoxie Bonds, which were sold to finance the Sunrise Addition. The original amount of bonds sold was \$2,600,000.00 which was the cost of the infrastructure: i.e., streets, sewer, water, gas, electric, and storm drain system. This amount did not include the cost of the real estate. The important part of this grant program is that the City of Hoxie does not receive any of these funds until housing is built. If the housing does not get built, Hoxie does not receive the funds. This is the whole thrust behind this State of Kansas Grant Program - to create housing in small western Kansas towns.

We are all blessed to have created 22 new, high quality living units and we still need more. Hoxie is the only town in Northwest Kansas that has a Sunrise Addition that is growing, and as a result we have a town that is growing. Kansas only awards \$2,000,000.00 in grants annually, which they try to spread them out over the whole state to assist as many communities as possible.

The next reference to my alleged misconduct is referred to on September 9, 2019, where I supposedly submitted a bid for work to the Sheridan County Hospital and then on September 11, 2019 signed a letter to help the Sheridan County Hospital obtain funds in order to pay my company for the work that was done. This is totally and absolutely a fabrication!! Neither I, nor my company, ever performed any work for the Sheridan County Hospital, and we were never owed any money. This entire accusation is a complete fabrication.

The next one refers to my going to Mr. Dewey's house to get his signature on an application the Commissioners had already agreed on and which needed to be submitted before another Commissioners' Meeting would be held. Mr. Dewey was sick that day and was not going to be able to attend our Commissioners Meeting and instructed me to come by his house to get his signature, which I did. Shortly thereafter, we were in our Commissioners' Meeting and our council contacted Mr. Dewey to get further verification that he did indeed sign the application, all of which was entered into the minutes. There was NO violation committed by me

The next accusation refers to the construction of the new Recycling Center building. Here again, the facts are not as printed. Our Sheridan County Road Supervisor oversaw contacting the building contractors in our area and the surrounding areas to ask for bids on this project. The plans were developed by the Road Supervisor and were on constant display at the Sheridan County Road Department office for more than 30 days.

Lastly, the reference that a surety bond was not obtained is true. The Commissioners did not require a surety bond and it was never presented to us that a surety bond was required. The decision by all three Commissioners not to require a surety bond saved Sheridan County at least \$10,000. Our Road Supervisor and the building contractor worked together very closely on the construction of this

There was constant contact to make sure all the invoices were paid on time. As a side note, after the concrete was

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Petition for Recall

A Petition for Recall assessments. The grant was of Wesley Bainter from County Sheridan Commission was approved by the County Attorney on March 24. The recall petition was not circulated at that time due to the statewide restrictions. coronavirus Those restrictions now being lifted, and the process of obtaining eligible signatures will now begin.

The approved petition, which is limited to 200 words, reads as follows:

Misconduct in K.S.A. 75-4304 Violations: August 21, 2019, Bainter submitted a letter of support to sign to obtain a grant to pay off Sunrise Addition special

subsequently used to pay off his company's lots 31 & 36. September 9, 2019, Bainter's company submitted a bid for work to the Sheridan County Hospital. September 10, 2019, the Clerk's Office was advised the hospital would try to obtain the money to pay him. September 11, 2019, Bainter signed the letter to get money to pay his company.

of KOMA: Violations October 2, Bainter 2019, admitted during the commission meeting he had gone to commissioner Dewey's house to get Dewey's signature on the application

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Summer Theater Festival Goes Virtual

Registrations are currently open for the Main Street Arts Council's 2020 Main Street Summer Theater Festival which has been restructured to a virtual format in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"With so many unknowns related to the virus and out of concern for the safety of our participants, staff and volunteers, not to mention the amount of preparatory time required, we believe modifying this year's festival is the best decision for us at this time. We are excited, in essence, to break down a typical show into its various components, allowing us to continue to provide educational, and performance musical opportunities for youth, ages 5-18, in northwest Kansas, in a new medium," said Karl Pratt, MSAC Executive Director.

Participation in the festival components remains of charge to youth from the designated festival counties, including Cheyenne, Gove, Rawlins, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas, and Wallace. Preference will be given to youth from these counties, though those in the surrounding areas are still encouraged to apply/participate. This is made possible, collectively, through the tremendous support of Dane G. Hansen Community Fund grants from the ACE Foundation, Cheyenne County Community Foundation, Gove County Community Foundation, Sheridan County Community Foundation, Sherman County Community Foundation, Thomas County Community Foundation and Wallace County Foundation. All organizations are affiliates of the Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation based in Bird City.

Additional financial support for our Student Director Internship Program was made possible with a grant from the Friends of the Cottonwood Ranch, as well as our selection into the Nex-Generation Round Up for Youth, Inc. Intern Program. A marketing intern position was made possible through the Dane G. Hansen Summer Intern Initiative facilitated by K-State Research and Extension.

"We are so grateful to our funding organizations as well as our business sponsors and

Donation for Summer Food Program

Hoxie Rec Receives



By Jodi Rogers, Recreation Director

Bainter, Sheridan Wes Commissioner County donates 4 county paychecks to the Hoxie Recreation to help fund the summer food program. The summer food program will be available for free to kids ages 1-18 a few days a week during the month of June. More details

to come. "We are so grateful to community members like Wes that see the value in our Recreation programs. If it wasn't for our community's financial support, we would not be in existence."

individual donors for their support of our program and belief in our mission to help spread the arts across the region," noted Pratt. "We simply can't say 'thank you' enough!"

The festival includes the following components:

1) Theater Workshops - June 1 through July 24

Workshops will be held weekly for 30 minutes, broken into age groups of 5-7, 8-10, 11-13 and 14-18 years.

Topics will include a variety of acting exercises with weekly 'homework' assignments.

These will be held throughout June and July. 2) Skits and Scenes Program -

June 1 through July 24 Participants will be cast into monologues, duets or small ensemble skits/scenes based on age (broken into age groups of 5-7, 8-10, 11-13 and 14-18 years)

Individual skit/scene rehearsals will be scheduled with each receiving, at minimum, one rehearsal per week for 10, 20 or up to 30 minutes depending on

length Skits/scenes will be recorded, edited and made available for public viewing throughout the summer.

Participants will have the opportunity to participate in up to two different skits/scenes throughout the summer.

3) Dance Program - June 1 through June 26

will Participants rehearse dance routine a culminating in individual participants recording themselves and submitting them to be edited into a comprehensive video that will be shared online.

Rehearsals will be held twice weekly for 30 minutes each broken into age groups of 5-7, 8-12, 13-18 years. Each rehearsal session will be recorded and posted to the private MSAC Vimeo page for practice purposes in between sessions.

The program will last for four weeks in June.

• ***Age groups suggestions; if indiv individual student dance ability permits them to join a higher age group, we are happy to accommodate such requests.

4) Virtual/Zoom Musical Production of "Mirror Image" -June 1 through July 31

The full-length musical "Mirror Image" will be produced virtually for students grades 7-12, including graduating seniors, only.

Participants all seven designated festival counties, as well as the surrounding areas will be eligible, though, casting will be limited to 31 participants.

Rehearsals will be held Mondays through Thursdays for up to an hour in length, held weekly throughout June and July.

As part of the recording process, participants will record themselves singing and acting scenes individually, submitting videos to be professionally edited (both sound and video) through a contract with the professional audio/video engineering firm, Arts Laureate.

The final video will be made available for public viewing on our website at the conclusion of the summer.

Adjustments to the program schedules may be made as needed.

Those wishing to participate are required to register online at <u>www.mainstreetartscouncil.</u> com/msstf2020 where they can Continued on page 8

Dear Readers:

Harriet Richardson was a dear friend of mine for almost 30 years. We shared a love of history and a curiosity for knowing what was going on around us in our state, nation, and world. We were patriotic, and often shared with each other historical tidbits we had found. When I began the History Day program at Hoxie High School in the early 1990s, Harriet and her husband Bill were some of our most ardent supporters. They were invaluable to many of our students and, of course, to me!

Bill had served in the same WWII bomb group as my dad, and we found much delight in that! In these later years, Harriet - a quilter extraordinaire donated quilts to surviving veterans of Bill's 5th Bomb Group (H), and what a joy it was for those vets to receive their very own piece of her handiwork. Her smiles were radiant each time she received a phone call and or letter of thanks from a veteran, as she realized how much her gifts meant to Bill's comrades.

Eight years ago, five widows

of 5th Bomb Group (H) servicemen wrote their memories from the home front during WWII. Harriet was one of the five who wrote of their experiences. Although this article was published all those years ago, I'd like to share it again with those of you who might not remember it and those of you who never read it. In some ways, it's eerily similar to our situation today.

Harriet was never one to mince words - you always knew what her thoughts were and where she stood. There was no guessing. I think that's the thing I loved about her most besides her patriotism: her honesty.

Oh, how I shall miss you, dear Harriet. Rest in peace – a peace you so deserved!! - Joanne Emerick

Wartime Memories Harriet Penquite ByRichardson May 2012

I was 3½ years old when Pearl Harbor was bombed. We lived in Grinnell, Iowa, and had a gas station and eight modern cabins for tourists along US Highway 6. Modern meant each cabin had its own bathroom with a shower! Very soon there was no gas, no travel, no income. Dad was sent for a physical and failed. We moved to Omaha, Nebraska, and he worked at the Martin Bomber Plant. I learned later that during the war they manufactured B-26s and B-29s including the Enola Gay and Bockscar.

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Applications Now Accepted for Sheridan County Emergency Grant Funding Program

The Sheridan County Community Foundation invites area nonprofits and charitable organizations in Sheridan County who are facing challenges as a direct result of COVID-19 to apply for Emergency Grant Funding. Organizations must hold nonprofit status or be sponsored by a qualifying entity. Utilizing funds from the local Dane G. Hansen Community Grant Fund, which SCCF manages, an initial pool of \$10,000 has been made available from which area organizations can apply for funding to support their programmatic, operational, and other needs incurred due to burdens caused by the pandemic. The maximum request amount per organization is \$1,000 during this cycle. SCCF will review all applications and respond as soon as possible with an answer.

Visit the online form at https://bit.ly/EGFsheridan. Contact Board Liaison Karl Pratt at karlpratt.sccf@gmail. com with questions regarding the application process.

SCCF is an affiliate of the Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation based. 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-county-community-foundation, stay connected socially at www.facebook.com/sheridanccf.



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785-675-2101

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F 8a-4:30p Nurse Hours: M-Th 8:30a-6pm Closed for Lunch

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There will be a Red Cross Blood drive on May 29, at the Community Center in Selden. Please call 1-800-733-2767 (800-red-cross) to schedule your time.

Birthdays Anniversaries: May 8: Darcie Spresser Giles, Kim Wessel; May 9: Travis Rogers; May 10: Don Koerperich, John Koerperich, Greg & Traci Bruggeman; May 11: Jason Rall, Tom Aumiller; May 12: Dan Shuler, Brielle Eatherly, Dylan Shaw; May 14: Micah Goscha; May 15: Terry Preston; May 16: John & Marilyn Kaus; May 17: Ryan Stevenson, Dan Mumm; May 18: Dan Wachendorfer; May 19: Frank Bouts, Leslie

Wessel, Harold Murphy; Messel, Harold Murphy; May 20; John Kaus; May 21: Dennis & Marla Rogers; May 22: Wade Zodrow, Karen Shaw; May 24: Ashley Stevenson Arnberger, Tom & Maureen Bruggeman; May 25: Koen Schaben; May 26: Linda Schroer; May 27: Drew Stevenson, Tasha Carman; May 28: Scott Bruggeman, Steve & Helen Carman; May 29: Joe Geisinger, Bob Wessel, Jan Juenemann; May 30: Dick

the Selden Public Library for more details.

on June 3, with the T-ball kids starting at 6:30 pm.

Gove County Rodeo

Cancelled

The members of the Gove County Rodeo Club, Inc. have

decided to cancel the 2020

Gove County Rodeo. We hope

We feel it is in the best

interest of everyone involved

since we rely on contestants

from out of town and out

of state and some are from

highly infected COVID-19

areas. Some of the members

have collected ad money and

they will be contacting you to

see about your refund or hold

If you are not contacted,

please contact them. Again,

we had a tough decision to

Hope to see everyone in

2021 for the BEST BUCKIN'

make, but feel it's best!

until next vear.

RODEO!

to see you all in 2021.

25th Annual Pickin' on the Plains Festival Postponed

- All entertainers that were scheduled to perform in 2020 will be performing in 2021
- Weekend passes still available for online purchase at www. oasisontheplains.com.

After careful consideration of the health of the performers, volunteers and audience, the Bluegrass Committee in charge of the Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass Festival has announced that the 2020 25th Anniversary Festival will be postponed to the first weekend in June of 2021 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The new dates will be June 4, 5 and 6, 2021. Entertainment that was scheduled for the 2020 festival will be performing on the new date in 2021, including Ricky Skaggs. Tickets purchased for this year's festival will still be valid in 2021, but the festival is also offering refunds. Campground reservations will also remain valid. All partners who have paid for their sponsorship already will carry over and receive advertising at the 2021 festival. Moving forward the festival will move to the first weekend in June instead of the third weekend in July.

Veteran's **Memorial Day** Ceremonies **Cancelled**

Due to National Cemetery Administration Guidelines gathering State restrictions, the traditional Memorial Day Services at Kansas Veterans' Cemeteries are cancelled. A recorded wreath-laying ceremony, conducted by the staff, will be posted on the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Office Facebook page for each Cemetery. Roll call will be made of all veterans laid to rest at these cemeteries this past year. Floral guidelines will remain the same.

For further questions, contact Heidi Goff, Cemetery Manger & Assistant Director, at 785-743-5685 or email to heidi.goff@ks.gov.



In Loving Memory of Lisa Shipley

who passed away 5-years ago on Memorial Day, May 25. We think of you with love each day, but that is nothing new. We thought about you yesterday,

and days before that too. We think of you in silence, And often speak your

пате.

Now, all we have are memories,

And your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake, With which we'll never

part. God has you in his

keeping, We have you in our hearts. Author Unknown

Your mother, Della Jean & Family

Stevenson, Devin Spresser.
Summer reading program begins soon. Check with

Summer softball will begin

Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project. Sheridan County Commissioners'

Weekly Agenda is posted Monday afternoon to the Sheridan County Clerk's Office Facebook page and the Sheridan County website.

Meeting Agenda

Mealsite Menu Reservations Call 675-2154

May 25 ~ May 29

Tuesday: Polish Sausage w/Kraut, Mashed Pota-

Wednesday: Turkey Roast in Gravy, Mashed Po-

Thursday: Meatballs, Baked Potato, Broccoli,

Friday: Chef Salad, Cottage Cheese, Crackers,

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older with guests to

attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday-Friday. Please call 675-2154 by 11 a.m. the day before, to

make reservations. Home Delivery is available to those notable to dine

in. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. Patrons

over 60, a \$3.50 per meal contribution is requested. Those under 60,

meal cost is \$6.50. A montly menu can be picked up at the Mealsite.

Monday: MEMORIAL DAY

toes, Green Beans, Bread, Rosy Pears

tatoes, Beets, Bread, Tropical Fruit

Bread, Peaches

Pineapple

(http://www.kansas.gov/sheridan/).

WEDNESDAY, May 20, 2020

Sheridan County Courthouse Agenda Subject to Change ~ Public Attendance Restricted

9am Joe Pratt, County Attorney **9:15am** Old Business

9:30am Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Dept.







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and Join us on Facebook Live!

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First Presbyterian Church 1101 Sheridan Ave Hoxie

Hoxie Christian Church 1025 Queen Hoxie

Hoxie Church of Christ 1541 Oak Hoxie Hoxie United Methodist Church 1325 15th St

Hoxie Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Hwy 223 Immanuel Lutheran Church 1400 Locust St

Hoxie Living Word Fellowship 454 Hwy 24

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church 14988 E Rd 70 S Hoxie

Hoxie

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 202 S Missouri

Selden St. Frances Catholic Church 924 17th

Hoxie Selden United Methodist

Church Selden

St. Martin's Catholic Church Seguin

Commentary & SCHC News



Well, I've actually been able to go fishing quite often this season. As most of you know, big catfish are usually my first choice. However, after this weekend, that may change a bit. Spent two and a half days fishing down at Glen Elder. Friday and Saturday didn't go so well, but Sunday was a great day. With a white buck tail jig, I was able to catch white bass, wipers, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, Crappie, a huge shad, and a walleye weighing in at 7.3 pounds. All in about 3 hours' time from the same spot! It was awesome not knowing what I was going to catch next! The reports I hear from fishermen all say that the bite is on for most anything you want to catch. I may go tomorrow evening. I'll

just have to wait and see. Last Thursday morning was not a good one for me. Ten miles north of town I hit a deer broadside at sixty-five miles an hour. No warning or anything. Just, Boom! - totaled car! I've wanted to get rid of this car for a while, but I really wanted to sell it. Thank goodness for insurance! It's funny how things work out in the end. On Saturday, while not catching fish I did an internet search and located my dream truck for a really great price! So, Wednesday, I take possession of my new truck! What an awesome birthday present! Thank you to my lovely wife Linda! You take awesome to new levels!

I see our governor is dragging

her feet on opening the state back up. Want to know something? At no time during any of this farce did I stay at home, self-isolate, or wear a stupid mask in public. I refuse to bow to unconstitutional 'orders' by someone who cannot force any of this lie on us. It has become painfully obvious to anyone with more than ten brain cells that this is all about the next election and a big power grab by the Democrats.

To this day, I have not seen

all the doom and destruction and mass dying that we were told was coming. Now, all of a sudden, the so-called experts are talking back on it. Imagine that. And, to those who say I'm 'selfish' for not caving in, how dare you! How dare you demand I change my life so you can feel safe! If you want to stay home and leach unemployment instead of work, fine. I, myself, will make my own way. I don't need Commandant Kelly telling me how to live. Or anyone else for that matter. You stay home. You hide inside scared of nothing. Because let's be honest, to-date the flu has still killed more people. As has homicide. And car accidents. Oh, and let's not forget the Democrats darling, abortion. Funny how those clinics stayed open while everything else was shut down. Murderous jerks - all of them. If you vote Democrat, you are complicit in murder. It does not bother me in the least to stand up and call these people out. I just wish more folks had the guts to stand up and say something instead of being afraid of offending someone. A lack of action is offensive in the extreme to me. I just hope and pray more people stand up to this before our country does go to hell. What about you?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This Letter to the Editor is penned to all Sheridan County property taxpayers, especially in District 3, of which I am the Republican candidate in the August 4 Primary Election.

In these tough economic times, all money that we must pay is a burden. It is frustrating to see overaxation and over-spending. As John Marshall, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court said, "The power to tax is the power to destroy!

There are many examples of over-taxation in our county, but here is one that is current. It comes from he County Commissioner Board Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2020. Shirley Niermeier, Treasurer, distributed the 2019 Financial Report to the Board. As of December 31, 2019, there was \$13,975,377.06 in

In January, \$6,974,710.65 was distributed to the different taxing entities, leaving just over \$7 million in he bank.

Ellis County, which has a County Supervisor hired for the purpose of spending county funds, believes that \$2 million surplus is very adequate. We all know that Ellis County's budget would be larger than Sheridan County's.

To summarize this example, property taxes paid by Sheridan County taxpayers have been overtaxed by \$5 million. Seven million dollars minus \$2 million réserve results in a \$5 million overtaxing situation. Íf you, as a customer, were overcharged at a local store, you would demand your money back!

As Commissioner, I will demand your money back through property tax relief. What would be your notivation to improve your property, just to be taxed more and more? Think about how everyone would benefit if taxpayers in the county had more money left in their

pocket to spend at local businesses, instead of that same money sitting in the County's bank account. Remember, that is <u>\$5 million</u>. Am I saying that we would lose or reduce programs and services? Absolutely not! Thomas Jefferson

said, "The government you elect is the government you deserve." Common sense has been brought back to the County Commissioner Board with the election of Wes

Bainter. Through looking at the expenditures as a business instead of a 'free-for-all', he has saved us money. My approach to solving our problems would not be to just throw money at it, but by continuing to spend our tax money wisely, instead of just spending it because we have it.

Consider the following example of how checking prices and making smart choices saved the taxpayers money...and yes, we have a surplus. There was \$650,000 in funds budgeted to do the repairs to the Courthouse (windows, heat & air, electrical & wiring, and roof). However, the repairs will end up costing approximately \$240,000, so there is a \$410,000 surplus. These savings were accomplished by checking with local providers and contractors, which will turn around and become more revenue to the County.

I believe it is important for the community to be informed and understand how important it is to elect comeone who will work *for* them. I will be here to educate, protect, and fight for you – and what is good for the County. I will be writing more letters in the next few weeks.

Tom Beckman, Candidate for 3rd District

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completed and the building was ready to be erected, the gentleman who was supposed to erect the building was not able to perform this service, so another erector was needed. The building contractor located another erector who could start right away if he had a telehandler and forklifts provided to him. The erector was hired to assemble the metal building and Bainter Construction provided, Company donation, the equipment to get the project completed. Bainter Construction did not receive any money from Sheridan County for the use of our equipment. I did not invoice for any money, I did not receive any money, nor

reading this Taxpayers Report that I am only one commissioner out of three commissioners. A former commissioner shared with me that when he was a commissioner he reminded people that he would only take one third of the credit for good things accomplished and he would only take one third of the blame for bad decisions. It would only make sense that if I should be recalled then maybe all three of us commissioners should be recalled.

I want to leave you with two definitions:

Libel – a published false statement that is damaging to a person's reputation and,

Slander - making a false and damaging statement about someone.

Next year I will have been in business for 50 years, and in those years I have never been sued or had any other legal action taken against

financial obligations that I did not fulfill. I have never had any bankruptcies in any of my business activities in five decades. I will not tolerate slander or libel against me, and I will pursue all legal remedies.

I enjoy being your Sheridan County Commissioner and appreciate all the support I have throughout the county. I work in the best interest of the Sheridan County Taxpayers. I have always been open with what the Commissioners are doing and have an open-door policy. Please contact me with any questions or concerns. My number is 785-675-8695.

Thanks for reading and **GOD Bless!**

WES BAINTER, Sheridan

Petition for Recall

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for the KDOT Cost Share Program.

K.S.A. 19-214 through 19-216 Violations: For the new construction of the recycling center in the amount of \$178,000: The project was not advertised in the local paper. The time and place the contract will be awarded was not specified. The bids were not sealed. Bids were reviewed separately on July 31 and August 14, 2019. Plans were not displayed in a designated office for at least 30 days before awarding of the contract. No surety bond was obtained.

You must be a registered voter in the 1st District to sign the recall petition. There are no political party restrictions.

The following taxpayers are circulating the petition: David Stithem, Don Rowlison, Paula Bielser, and Mary Adams.

EDITORIAL: *CRY WOLF!*

By Viktorija Briggs

Now that this CV-19 fiasco is winding down and things are beginning to open back up, the next question is, what happens next time? The 'powers that be' screamed, "WOLF!" as loudly and vehemently as they could, succeeding in scaring just about everyone. Some still are scared and the rest of us were over it by week two. They shut down the country (and the world) through massive scare tactics for something far less impactful than the flu in any given flu season. Then, when it was figured out inside of a few weeks by anyone with have a brain cell that this was an enormous Continued on page 8

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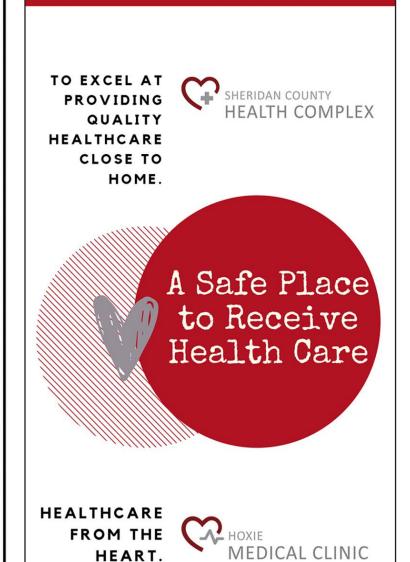
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KENOXIE ARCHIVES & MUSEUM'S Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

The Hoxie Democrat Friday, May 12, 1886

G. Webb Bertram was in the city attending court. Charlie Hook is busy plastering

the post office building. Judge L. K. Pratt was a guest of the Commercial House the first

of the week. Judge J. H. Wixom has rented the rooms next to Lupton's bank, where he can be interviewed

regarding any point in law. Chick Cowser was up from Buffalo Park visiting his parents last Sunday. In speaking of Hoxie he said "she looms up immense."

Mrs. Kraft, living about a mile south of here, presented her husband with a bouncing boy last Monday night. Mother and son are doing nicely.

Dr. A. X. Campbell, of Jamesport, Mo. invested in Hoxie town property and after a short visit home will return and practice medicine in this vicinity.

Geo. Spangler had his hair cut off so long that the short ends, which stick in his head, makes that rotund member look like a white washed goose egg.
E. E. Brown finished Ben

Miller's well, which same is 140 ft. deep; 28 ft. of rock was gone through. Also J. B. McPherson's was finished at a depth of 109 feet. Eight feet of rock was passed.

Millard Morrow received a kick from a wild pony square in the face, but fortunately was not seriously hurt. Shortly afterwards a stranger came along and for a wage of \$2, in about thirty minutes, tamed the horse so that when the trainer laid flat on his back one of the hind legs of the animal rested on the prostrated man's chin.

Hoxie needs a good shoemaker bad. Can't somebody write to some of his acquaintances and get such an artisan out here? He would do a land office business.

The dance at the Ramey hotel, last Wednesday eve, as a grand success. A large number was present and all enjoyed themselves.

Mr. Pierce, from whom a horse was stolen last week, and which was chronicled in our last, was found riderless in Colby. No clue of the thief.

Place returned Anthony day before yesterday from an extended trip to Nebraska and different parts of this state. He comes back with a nobby black suit and a silk hat. His title now is "judge."

Albert Troutman gave us a visit last Monday, and reports things O. K. in Grinnell; that the town is being moved to the south side of the track; that fine sidewalks will be laid; that a large livery barn is being erected and that a patent fence factory is to be established.

W. E. King arrived in our city and will immediately enter into the drug business. Mr. King comes highly recommended as a pharmacist from Jamesport Mo., and being an agreeable gentleman, he certainly will do a nice business. Good citizens are ever welcome in our midst. -Since writing the above we were told that Mr. W. J. Gillilar, also of Jamesport, Mo., will become a partner in the business.

Why doesn't somebody kill someone, or commit suicide, or run away with some other fellow's sister, or do something else to give us newspaper men something to write about? News are very scarce.

125 Years Ago May 23, 1895 J. Fitzgerell, of Lucerne, had

business in the city Saturday. Mrs. J. J. Wolfe and daughter Miss Blanche, of Grainfield, traded in Hoxie Friday.

Geo Crane of Macgraw, and one of the most popular men in Sheridan County, was in the city on business Saturday.

In a letter from Walter Turner he reports that he has a position in a general merchandise store in Gunderson a suberb to Butte City.

Joe McCoy and wife, of Park, Kansas were in the city Tuesday. Joe reports crops in his neighbor as looking well considering the long dry spell that we have had. The Hoxie Cornet Band

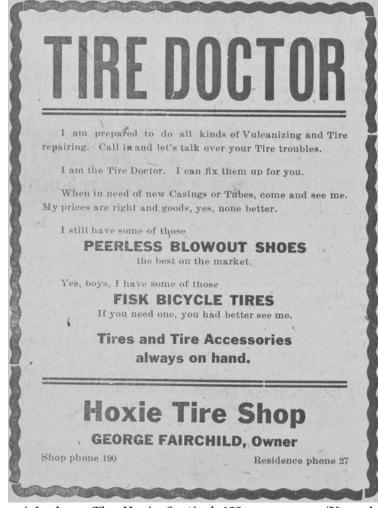
will soon have a new set of instruments. A. J. Massingill, wife and

daughter of Logan township visited in the city Saturday. Mrs. John Beery, of Selden,

Sundayed in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brown.

Geo Byers, returned Friday from Oakley, he having given bond to appear for trial at that place on the 24.

Fourteen new members were



Ads from The Hoxie Sentinel 100 years ago. (Kenoxie Archives and Museum photo)

added to the church records and two were baptized at Sand Creek school house last Sunday.

Last week we stated that Miss Maggie Toothacre had gone to Nebraska, with Deaconess Miller. In this we erred, it was Mrs. Toothacre instead of Miss Maggie.

Fred Taylor left his case in the Palladium office long enough to make a two days visit in Decatur County the first of the week.

Bills allowed and ordered paid by the county commissioners at their last session amounted to \$5481.45, just think of it, within \$1000 of being half of the taxes collected in a whole year. But then it does no good to talk of the

Bill Haynes, of Valley township, made proof on his homestead last Saturday. While in town he served notice on the mayor that it would be unnecessary to pass an ordinance prohibiting the sale of scullions as he would have nothing but good onions this year.

H. W. Moser, the alfalfa king of Sheridan county come up early Saturday morning from the New England ranch and purchased supplies.

When we published the commissioners proceeding in April, the types made us say that C. Geisenhiner was allowed 34.50 for overseeing poor in Prairie Dog township, when it should have been for assessing, and also, that Mrs. Henry had received aid on order of C. Geisenhiner when it should have read on order of W. H. Gallogly. We offer this as a correction for these mistakes and will say that we will be more careful in the future.

Elliott Echoes

Heroy has just James completed a frame addition to his house.

Mrs. Aaron Foster's baby has been very sick the past week but is reported better.

A large number of young folks gathered at Will Cressler's last Friday evening and enjoyed themselves eating ice-cream and playing games.

True Blue **Guy Currents**

Mr. Ewers, of Guy, bought a heard of cattle last Saturday.

Chas Curran went over to his farm on Martin creek, to see his folks, a few days ago. J. H. McCartney is disposing of

his property. J. O. Hopkins of Grainfield,

was on the streets of Guy, one day last week. Soberly

100 Years Ago May 20, 1920 **Shooting Affair in Bow Creek** Township

Mrs. Fred Dunning Attempts to End Her Life by Shooting Herself with a Revolver; but Fails in the Act

Monday noon word reached Hoxie that Mrs. Fred Dunning, who lives on the Standley farm near Guy, had shot herself through the chest with a revolver with alleged suicidal intent.

She chose a lonely place behind a shed to commit the sad act. The ball passed through her chest a little above her heart. Had the weapon been pitched a trifle lower death no doubt would have instantly ensued.

Dr. Pope was summoned who carefully dressed the wound and up to today, Wednesday, the unfortunate woman was still living with good chances to completely recover.

When questioned by Attorney Clark as to the probable cause for her self-inflicted wound, she gave ill health and low spirits and said she wanted to end it all.

This is a sad affair indeed for she has some little children who need a mother's sympathy and

Local News

Fred Naylor reports the sale of five quarters of land this week. Two to home parties and three to Lincoln county buyers.

The county commissioners are in session this week serving as a board of equalization. Should anyone have any grievances as to his assessment, now is the time to register a kick.

E. L. Noel left Tuesday morning for Wichita to attend a meeting of the state bankers' association. He will also visit relatives and friends while there. Mrs. Noel who is now in Wichita visiting her parents will return home with him.

A. Slaven, of Selden, sent us a good-sized check this week to keep his Sentinel going to him. Mr. Slaven is one of the old-time citizens up his way who owns a fine ranch and has deservedly prospered.

E. E. Louppkie, a brother-in-law of C. W. Popp, of Spring Brook township, and his family were here last week visiting the Popp family. Mr. Louppkie lives in Reno county and he says land is getting so high there that it isn't profitable to buy and he was so favorable impressed with this county that he wants to locate here if he can secure a suitable place. "Why" said Mr. Louppkie, 'you have much better wheat here than we have on our highpriced Reno county land."

News From Fairview

By Peggy Chas R. and Harry Adams and Charlie Gravener made a business trip to Hoxie, Monday.

A. R. Morris and son, Nelson, of Blue Springs, Nebraska, are breaking sod this week. Tom Shafer and Clete Shafer

were business callers at the county seat, Monday. Studley and Vicinity

By Aunt Polly

Cecil Teater purchased three fine horses of Matt Scott last

Harry Pratt is now putting electric lights in his home and hardware at Studley. G. W. Scott is doing the wiring.

Miss Hazel Shoemaker has

gone on a short visit to Gem,

Emerald Grove By Lucile

E. F. Simon braved the mud and went to town with a load of chickens today.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simon called at F. H. Phelps' and E. F. Simon's Sunday.

75 Years Ago May 17, 1945 **Local Happenings**

Captain Dale Wood arrived home yesterday morning for a furlough with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood and other relatives. He has been stationed at Yuma Arizona since returning to this country.

A foundation has been run for a house just south of the High School. Guy and Howard Currier plan to move a house to town in the near future and put it on this prepared foundation.

George Mr. and Mrs. Mountford and two children of Kansas City came Saturday to visit this week with relatives.

Miss Helen Shaw spent the Mother's Day week end at home from her college studies at Hays. Alfred Turner is working at the Hoxie Sentinel shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Nel Pyle and two sons, David and John spent the first part of the week in Elmdale. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pyle parents of Nels celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Sally Pyle was a house guest at the C. G. Baalman home while her parents and brothers were away. The returned in time for the eighth graduation exercises Wednesday evening.

Society News

Mrs. Fred Pratt and two children spent Mothers Day at Tasco with Mr. and Mrs. Millard Hill. Mrs. Pratt and Joe Pratt were also guests.

Mrs. R. W. Mahanna entertained the Auxilary Parley Monday evening May, 7th. These past presidents of the local chapter enjoyed an evening of visiting and hand sewing. The hostess served refreshments late in the evening.

The Chester Andregg family and the Eldon Steinshower family were at the O. W. Steinshower home for dinner Sunday evening in honor of Mothers Day.

The Harmony Club met May 9th with Mrs. George Weeks. There were six guests. They were Mrs. D. O. Burkepile, Mrs. Katie Burkepile, Mrs. Will Kahle and Larry, Mrs. J. U. Andregg, Mrs. J. W. Weeks and Mrs. Harley Morgan. The club and visitors enjoyed the covered dish dinner together and an afternoon of sewing and visiting. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Marion Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Watkins and children had with them on Sunday, Mother's Day, Mr. and Mrs. John Moss and children of the home and Sgt. Charles Moss. The Robert Moss family joined the group in the afternoon.

Prairie Dog Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McKay are the proud owners of a Chevrolet Super Deluxe Coupe purchased last week from Al Dryden of Oberlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Carman and Paul spent Sunday with their daughter rand sister Mrs. Phay Hussey and family from Goodland; Mrs. Mattie Motz accompanied them to visit her granddaughter Mrs. Marjorie Gilchrist who received the sad news of the death of her husband overseas.

George Shuler purchased a truck from Wendell Rogers last week.

Leoville Mrs. Barney Schieferecke and

an infant daughter returned home from the McCook hospital on Wednesday. The baby has

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explain its special features.

Archives and Museum photo)

the right price.

been named Rose Ann. Misses Levita Jacobs and Mary

Margaret Sapp spent Sunday with home folks. PFC. Henry Kruse is spending a 30 day furlough with relatives

at Leoville. He returned to the states in April after spending nearly two years over seas.

Rexford News

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Barnett and Mrs. Jesse Yount made a business trip to Goodland last Saturday.

Beuford Barnett and Gladith Bastin are taking treatments at Waconda Springs.

50 Years Ago May 21, 1970 Coyote Bounty Ends in

County Sheridan County Commissioners voted Monday to discontinue paying coyote bounty after May 21, 1970.

The county has been paying a \$2 bounty for coyote scalps for many years. Many of the surrounding counties have already discontinued paying the bounty.

County Clerk Marjorie Hilburn said Tuesday that the county had paid \$2 each for 176 coyote scalps the first months of this year. \$1.00 of that amount was reimbursed to the county by the state.

Studley Items G and G Club met with Mrs. Rachel Stout Thursday. Thirteen members were present to enjoy dinner together and an afternoon of visiting and needlework.

Galen Covalt and Mark Robben were fishing Saturday afternoon and night at Sheridan Lake. They came home with a nice catch.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Stillwell and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stillwell were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ploeger. McGraw News

Mrs. Russel Bainter and Jean visited Mrs. Myrtle Smith of Jennings Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perrin

were Monday evening visitors of

the Lee Walkers. Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Loughry of Norton were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bainter and family. Mrs. Bill Bainter, Cheri and Chris were Sunday afternoon callers.

Seguin Items

St. Ann's Sodality went on a journey northwest last Wednesday afternoon. We arrived at the James Beckman home. This was the first afternoon meeting we have had for a number of years. Most of us had never been out to the Beckman ranch. It was a nice afternoon - just enough rain to track mud but Hankie didn't mind it at all; she was happy to see fifteen ladies and five preschoolers. After our business session we played cards. Mrs. Gene Dempewolf had high score; Mrs. Francis Beckman, low; and Mrs. John Rietcheck received the door prize. Hostesses were Mrs. James Beckman, Mrs. Ed Moos and Mrs. Ray Bange. Our next meeting will be June 10. This will be the last meeting until September.

Sunshine 4-H Club

On May 2 at 8:00 p.m. the president of the Sunshine 4-H

Club called the regular meeting to order. Roll call was answered by our favorite food. For the business meeting we discussed 4-H Camp and the fair committee gave their reports. Carolyn Pratt gave a project talk on proper showmanship. Elliot Follis told us how mouth pieces are made for his music appreciation talk.

Hosts for the meeting were the George Pratts. Our next meeting will be the tour. - Reporter, Mike

Mickey's Want Ads

We have a nice selection of gardening tools, yard gadgets, sprinklers and other outdoor

"Do you believe your husband always tells you the truth?"

"No, indeed! Why, only last night I caught the deceitful wretch in a barefaced lie. He pretended to believe me when he knew I was lying just to test him."

We have a nice selection of G.

E. irons, all models and prices. Johnny had been for a ride with his father and, when his mother asked him how it had gone, he said: "We passed two idiots, three morons, four darn fools and I lost count of the knotheads.

25 Years Ago May 18, 1995

Storm Wreaked Havoc Throughout Sheridan County

The destructive forces of tornadoes, high winds, hail and heavy rain paid no attention to county boundaries and state lines as a severe storm ripped through Kanas Friday, May 12. It began as a quiet afternoon, but ended on a more tragic note as the dangerous thunderstorms developed near Goodland and continued to clear a path across the Missouri border and into neighboring states.

At 3:45 p.m., less than one mile east of the Thomas County line, the tornado was first spotted on the ground in Sheridan County just north of the Raymond Bange farm, 14 ½ miles west of Hoxie. Sheridan County Deputy Sheriff, John Cahoj continued to watch the twister as it touched down three more times within the distance of 7 miles. Broken windows, damaged outbuildings, and downed trees were among the damages reported by many from the Thomas County line east to Tasco.

New Hope F. C. E. Meets The New Hope FCE had their May meeting at the 4-H building

May 11 at 9:30. They attended the lesson on drying foods given by Decatur County Agent, Angela McCorkle. It was a very interesting lesson. She told about the different dehydrators and the features to look for when buying one, also the vegetables and fruits one can

After the lesson five of the New Hope FCE ladies had their meeting.

The meeting was opened with the flag salute and the Club Collect. Roll call was answered and each paid their pennies for the number of the month and date of their birthday. Minutes were read and approved and the treasurer's report given.

The next meeting will be June 13 at 2 p.m. at the home of Vona

The group then went to the Sheridan Inn to eat lunch together. It was a lighthearted time with lots of laughs. As it was Lucile's birthday, Mary Ellen had brought cake with a candle in honor of her? birthday!

Publicity Chairman Studley Items

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Covalt went to Oakley last Sunday to attend the bridal shower of their granddaughter, Melissa Chadwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Riedel and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Zerr accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jake Heier to Ransom Sunday morning where they attended the Sunflower Polka Club meeting, dance, and potluck supper at the

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cech and John, Mrs. Roger Mauck, Michaela and Adam, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weis visited Duffer Mauck to see the buffalo and ostrich. Other callers of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weis this week were Norbert Weis and Kelly Wigginton.

Mother's Day callers of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter were Mrs. Jim Gaumer, Wes Bainter and Raquelle. Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bainter, Abbie and Ben brought pizza for supper to Mr. and Mrs. Gayle

A. C. ARNOLD

Ads from The Hoxie Sentinel 100 years ago. (Kenoxie

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NWKS News

FHSU to Host Virtual Graduation Celebration

HAYS, Kan. disruptions caused this spring by the COVID-19 pandemic have driven universities across the nation to find new ways to teach, learn, work and celebrate. Today, May 15, was the date originally scheduled for the first of two spring weekend commencement ceremonies at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

In early June, the university will mail close to 1,800 "commencement in a box" kits to graduating students. These kits will include the traditional cap and gown along with the appropriate accessories that represent the degrees and accolades earned by each

On Friday, June 19, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., the FHSU Facebook page will become the hub for an online virtual celebration. graduation Graduating students will be asked to don their caps and gowns and share videos, photos, and personal messages of their home graduation celebrations.

Throughout the the university's Office of University Relations and Marketing will share images, original music, messages from faculty and staff, and several special video messages.

The university plans to use several social media channels over the course of the day, and the hashtag #TigerGrad will be used by all who want to share

New Relief Program to Small Business

TOPEKA - The Senate Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee passed critical legislation today to help Kansas small businesses owners, paying attention to our crucial Kansas agricultural community.

Using a program called the Kansas Economic Recovery Linked Deposit Loan Program, which mirrors a program designed during a less drastic economic downturn, committee members passed Senate sub HB 2619. The bill essentially reallocates \$60 million from idle funds, originally set-aside for a housing program which already served all requests and makes the funds available to businesses and farmers currently in crisis.

What that means for businesses and farmers is that banks will have \$60 million to borrow at less than the daily market rate so that they can provide very low interest rate loans to

"We're working very hard to provide solid legislation to offer this Governor in a short amount of time," says Senator Rob Olsen who chairs the committee. "Using the same design, we used to help the Agricultural Community through a previous crisis, makes it easy for small business get the quick access they need to attempt to save their businesses," says Olson.

"Our organization, which represents 99% of the commercial banking industry in Kansas, has been working closely with legislative leaders to develop a robust state-level response addressing the need for low-cost credit for Kansas businesses and appreciate the committee's hard work to help make it happen," says Doug Wareham, President & CEO of the Kansas Bankers Association.

"Kansas businesses need our help and the Kansas Senate is here, in the Statehouse, to make that happen while we prepare for floor debate next week," says Senate President Susan Wagle. "This legislation will provide long term solutions to our ag and business community. Our farmers and ranchers and small business owners will need every tool possible to get through this crisis."

KAC Requests Legislative Focus Shift to 2020 Property Tax Payments

Topeka, KS - The Kansas of Counties Association (KAC) is aware of current proposed legislation waive the interest and fees for second half property tax payments that were due on May 11, 2020. According to Sharon Gaede, Lyon County Treasurer and President of the Kansas County Treasurers Association (KČTA), polled our KCTA members as to the current delinquency rate for 2019 property tax payments compared to the same timeframe for 2018 tax payments, and we determined that on average there was approximately a one percent difference."

This one percent difference means that 99 percent of the amount of property tax payments made in May 2019 have already been paid as of May 11, 2020. Many of the delinquent taxpayers are those that have been consistently delinquent over time. Kansas county treasurers have already been working with local taxpayers to set up payment plans for their property taxes.

KAC plans to ask the Kansas legislature to enlist the aid of a study committee

recommend solutions for the first half property tax payment due in December 2020. While Kansas counties collect the property taxes, only 29.13 percent of the tax funds collected are actually retained by counties. The remainder goes to other taxing jurisdictions, including the state, cities, school districts, community colleges, libraries, water districts, drainage districts, and more. For that reason, KAC recommends that stakeholders such as cities, school districts, hospitals and other taxing jurisdictions serve on the study committee to better understand how changes to tax collections and disbursements would impact

The Kansas Association of Counties is a quasi-public agency, which seeks to advance the public interest promoting effective, responsive county government in Kansas. Founded in 1975, as an instrumentality of its member counties, KAC serves county governments through: legislative representation, technical assistance, leadership, and professional education.

local services.

Facebook Group Gains Popularity Connecting Consumers with Farmers and Ranchers

Facebook created by Butler County Farm Bureau member Rick McNary, has gained mass popularity since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic. The group, Shop Kansas Farms, was implemented to connect consumers who are finding it more difficult to find certain cuts of meat at grocery stores, with the farmers and ranchers who grocery buyers can purchase directly from. You can request to join the group https://bit. ly/3dYrnVD.



USDA Extends Flexibilities, Paves the Way for Summer Meals for Kids

impacted by the coronavirus

U.S. Secretary Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced today extension of three nationwide waivers, giving child nutrition program operators the flexibility they need to continue to feed children

promoting social distancing and keeping families safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"USDA has been extremely in expanding aggressive flexibilities ensure continue to receive the food they need for themselves and their families," said Secretary Perdue. "As our nation reopens and people return to work, we want to continue to be flexible since there is not a one size fits all approach to feeding kids. Extending these waivers throughout the summer ensures local operators can make plans that best suit their communities

Throughout the pandemic, schools and local program sponsors have used flexibilities provided by USDA to find creative ways to feed kids, such as setting up drivethru pick-ups and delivering meals on bus routes. With extension of these waivers, these innovative models can continue, without interruption, while state and local social distancing orders remain in place.

and keep children fed."

Background:

Since March, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has made maximum use of existing program flexibilities and new authorities granted by Congress to make it as easy as possible for children to receive food through the department's nutrition assistance programs the during national health emergency. Today's announcement extends three key flexibilities that will allow current operations to continue without disruption and ensure states and program operators have time to plan for continued operations throughout the

Today, FNS is extending the following waivers nationwide through August 31, 2020:

Non-Congregate Feeding: FNS is allowing meals to be served to children outside of the normally required group setting to support social distancing.

Parent Pickup: FNS is allowing parents and/or guardians to pick up meals and bring them home to their children.

Meal Times: FNS is waiving requirements that meals be served at certain standard times to allow for grab-n-go options. This also

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DDS Mowing & Trimming

Yard Services

allows for multiple daysworth of meals to be provided

at once. In addition to granting significant program flexibilities through both nationwide and individual state waivers, FNS is rapidly approving states for Pandemic-EBT, which provides food-purchasing benefits, equal to the value of school meals, to households with children who would otherwise be receiving free or reduced-price meals at school. FNS has approved 26 plans and continues to review new plans as they are submitted.

These actions and more are part of FNS's critical response to the COVID-19 outbreak. To learn more, visit www.fns. usda.gov/coronavirus and follow FNS on Twitter at @ USDANutrition.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service administers nutrition assistance programs that leverage American's agricultural abundance to ensure children and lowincome individuals families have nutritious food to eat. FNS also co-develops the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, which provide science-based nutrition recommendations and serve as the cornerstone of federal nutrition policy.





School News

Hoxie Schools USD 412 Important Summer Dates

SUMMER WEIGHTS SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS IMPORTANT DATES HS GIRLS CONDITIONING PHASE: SUMMER SCHOOL HS FOOTBALL: June 1 - June 12 June 15 - July 30th **FHSU Football Camp** Mon/Wed/Fri @ 6:45 AM July 8-9 OR July 10-11 Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM to 12:00 Tue/Thur @ 6:30 PM Coach Baar's Team Camp August 10-14 @ 7:00 PM DRIVERS ED: HS BOYS CONDITIONING PHASE: **Practice Dates:** May 29th - Parent meeting @6:30 PM July 28,29,30, Aug 4,5,6 @ 7:00 PM Mon @ 6:00 AM If FHSU Football Camp is a go we would Tue/Thur @ 6:30 AM Wed/Fri @ 7:00 PM practice once or twice prior to the camp **GRADUATION:** May 16 - Posting a virtual presentation HS VOLLEYBALL: July 18 - Traditional Ceremony @ 3:00 PM HS & JH BOYS/GIRLS WRESTLING Hays League: Mondays June 15,22,29, July 6,13,20 June 8-12 6:30-7:30 Practice Dates: Tuesdays June practice 16, 18, 23, 25, 30 @ 6:30-8pm June 16,23,30, July 7,14,21,28 @6:15 PM REC DATES: Art: June 24, July 1, 8, and 15 HS GIRLS BASKETBALL: Baseball/Softball: depends on coaches JH GIRLS CONDITIONING PHASE: May 18th more likely June 1st June 1 - June 12 Mon-Tue-Wed-Thur-Fri @ 8:00-8:45 AM June 17,24, July 1,8, (All 6:30 PM) Golf: May 19-29 Colby League: Thursdays K-18: last 2 weeks in May June 18, 25, July 2, 9 JH BOYS CONDITIONING PHASE: June 1 - June ?? Camp - June 20-21 - 1A/2A Tournament @ STAFF INSERVICE: HS GIRLS POST CONDITIONING PHASE: HS BOYS BASKETBALL: June 15-August 7 Mon/Wed/Fri @ 6:45 AM Practice Dates: Mondays TURN IN EQUIPMENT: June 15,22,29, July 6,13,20 @ 7:00 PM May 22nd Possible Camps: June 20-21 June 26-28 HS BOYS POST CONDITIONING PHASE: July 18-19 Talking to junior class JH/HS WRESTLING CAMP School Done on May 22nd Tue/Thur @ 6:30 AM July 13-15 possible camp Rec will serve meals June 1: Tuesday Mark Your Calendars!



Golden Plains Middle **School Second Semester Honor Roll**

Superintendent 8th Grade:

Jordyn Fleckenstein, Landon Meier, Emma Weiner

Principal 8th Grade:

Tayten Barnett, Valentina Bermudez, Ava Brantley, Will Bruggeman, Jorja Juenemann, Jerrit Koerperich, Keyth Masoner, Mia Rogers

7th Grade:

Mariah Barnett, Emma Carter, Myah Ritter, Madilyn | Green, Ånette Hernandez-Lopez, Owen Patmon, Joshua Rath, Dominic Stout, Siena Abraham Taylor, Vargas, Hayden Wark

6th Grade: Tanner Black, Braylee Knowles, Diego Perez, Dylan Wark, Ezekiel Weiner

Golden Plains High School Second Semester Honor Roll Superintendent

Seniors:

Taryn Fleckenstein, Zoey Hillis, Jaiden Koerperich, Candace Taylor, Joseph Yanez-Perez

Juniors:

Ashley Stoll, Brooke Stoll **Sophomores:**

Kassie Miller, Lauren Patmon, Ashton Schiltz, Morgan Wark

Freshmen: McHaley Carter, Breanna

Principal **Seniors**:

Jaime Infante, Rileigh Korte,

Colby Lathrop, Mabel Lugo-Martinez, Darrin McCurdy, Austin Patmon, Karrington Schaben, Karlissa Shepherd, Emily Stoltz, Harley Weese

Juniors: Hannah Bange, Kole Butts, Danica Ritter, Wade Rush

Sophomores: Alisha Brantley, Garrett

Carter, Fabian Cepeda, Amie Cheney, Alejandro Gonzalez, Jovanny Infante, Britton Knowles, Brandon Luna, Carli Nieman, Ethan Shea, Ethan Weiner, Joshua Yanez-Perez

Freshmen: Morgan Durham, Jazline

Manriquez, Sidney Taylor

WHS Senior Scores Big in Art Competition

By Morgan Zimmerman, Co-Editor

Senior Delta Dawn Torres was one of the finalists in the KU Physics and Astronomy Art Competition. This competition is held throughout the state of Kansas. They award one high school and one junior high student. The competition is to promote women in fields such as physics and astronomy, and any STEAM related field. The intention of this competition was to display the winning artwork on Kansas University's campus. Due to Covid-19, they are still waiting to see if this will be able to be on display come fall.

Art teacher Ronna Schultz said, "We don't usually enter this poster contest, but I thought this was an awesome opportunity to support KU and STEAM. Delta Dawn was in between projects, so I asked her if she would like to participate. Although it was a challenge for her, I knew that she could do it. When I found out that she got first place I was elated! I hope in the fall KU will be able to display her work on campus.'

Delta Dawn was later notified that she received first place and will be awarded with \$100 worth of art supplies, and two books about women in art and physics.



WHS All-Area Basketball Players Honored

By Livia Schultz, Staff Reporter

As the basketball season wrapped up, there have been many recognitions for outstanding work and skill. Representing the boy's team, Senior Kyler Haffner and Junior Trevor Zarybnicky made All-Area Boys Basketball Honorable-Mention Team. For the girl's team, Senior Jessi Bernbeck was also selected for the All-Area Girls Basketball Honorable-Mention Team.

Jessi Bernbeck stated, "Playing basketball at Wheatland has taught me so much, and I am thankful for all my teammates and coaches for pushing me to be my best."

Congratulations to all members of both basketball teams for an outstanding year, and even more to the three selected for the All-Area Basketball recognition!

NHS Members Get Creative in

By Laredo Allemang, Staff Reporter

Quarantine

With everyone quarantine, NHS members have had to become creative with their service projects. On April 22, it was Secretary's Day, and they celebrated by thanking the USD 291 and 292 secretaries for their service. They thanked the secretaries by sending them a note of appreciation and some cookies baked by member Jordyn Vincent.

A regular activity for the NHS is to go to the grade school and read to the children. Since they can't read to the elementary students face-to-face, Wheatland's NHS has taken to Facebook. The members are posting videos to the fans on the Thunderhawks' page of themselves reading, so the young students can watch and listen.

Diane Wetter says, "NHS members enjoy doing these Service service projects. is one of the four pillars of the National Honor Society. The other three pillars are scholarship, character, leadership. NHS members continue to serve as positive role models to younger students throughout the days of the Covid-19 Pandemic, albeit online."



Driver's Ed-Morgan Durham and McHaley Carter, Freshman PE-Breanna Rath, Freshman Health-Jazline Manriquez, Seventh Hour Weightlifting-Ashley Stoll & Brooke Stoll, Second Hour Band-Morgan Wark, Fifth Hour Weights-Austin Durham, Music Lessons-Danica Ritter, Sixth Hour Band-Taryn Fleckenstein, Vocal-Candace Tayler.

Algebra I-McHaley Carter, Geometry-Kassie Miller, Algebra II-Hannah Bange, College Algebra-Jaiden Koerperich and Taryn Fleckenstein, Applied Math I-Morgan Durham, First Semester Family & Consumer Science-Lauren Patmon, Second Semester Family & Consumer Science-Danica Ritter.

Coaches and Sponsors each recognized their athletes and participants for their efforts throughout the year. The video was posted to the school web site and on the school's social media sites

Golden Plains Holds Virtual Awards

By Judy Rogers

ceremony on Tuesday, May 5, by announcing the awards virtually. Activities Director Travis Smith delivered the welcome and senior Mabel Lugo opened with a prayer. Teachers and Coaches came to the school individually to record their presentations

Golden Plains High School announcing the awards.

held their annual Awards Among the awards announced was Kansas State High School Activities Association (KSHSAA) Citizenship Award for excellence as an exemplary young citizen, who has demonstrated a marked respect for country; assumed responsibility for

given to Jaime Infante and

Candace Taylor.

The Dale Dennis Excellence in Education Award recognizes a senior for his/ her citizenship, service, scholarship, and demonstration of self-awareness. This award is given in honor of Dale M. Dennis, Deputy Commissioner of the Kansas State Department of Education. It was awarded to Karrington Schaben.

The Kansas Governor's Scholars Award honors the top one percent academically of Kansas high school seniors. Taryn Fleckenstein received this award.

The **KU Honors Program** is designed to promote academic excellence in secondary education, to reward high school seniors for their hard work and dedication, and to support our Kansas communities. It is given to the top 10% of a school's senior class. Taryn Fleckenstein and Candace Taylor received this honor.

The **Hugh O'Brian Youth** Leadership Conference is a 4-day leadership seminar for high school sophomores. The goal is to motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within society with a special emphasis on service to others. This year the seminar will be done in a virtual format rather than on a college campus. These students were sponsored by the Rexford and Gem Lions Clubs. Ethan Weiner and Alisha Brantley will be attending virtually this summer.

Each year Nex-Tech sponsors paid summer Internships. Students gain professional skills and broaden their perspectives on career options. Local businesses benefit by networking with youth, bringing fresh ideas to the workplace, and "interviewing" students for poten-

and a video was posted online improving school and comtial future jobs - all of which munity; and has shown rever- contribute to youth retention ence for life. This award was to our small, rural communities. This year Candace Taylor and Alisha Brantley were selected for internships at the Main Street Arts Council in Hoxie.

> Chris Lee, who presented these awards also recognized the WKLL All-League Academic Team members and the results of the WKLL Academlast winter.

> Achievement Award recognizes students who show outstanding educational growth, improvement, commitment, or intellectual development in their academic subject. Students recognized include:

American History-Danica

Speech-McHaley Carter. General Science-McHaley

Second Hour Art I-Jazline Manriquez, Breanna Rath, & Karlissa Shepherd, Second Hour Art II-Zoey Hillis, Sevent Hour Art 1-Jaime Infante, Seventh Hour Art II-Alisha Brantley, Eighth Hour Art I-Austin Durham, Welding-Garrett Carter, Ag Leadership-Wade Rush, Construction-Wade Rush, Intro to Ag-Kole Butts.

Counselor Corner

By Chris Lee

Kansas Career Workforce Grant has extended its application deadline to June 1. If you are going into fields such as auto mechanics, nursing, plumbing, pharmacy technician, etc. you qualify. A list of funded programs is available at https://bit. ly/3g1QIzJ. The application is available at https://bit. ly/2yeIDGR.

PrairieLand John Deere offering technically minded students a twoyear scholarship for select community colleges and vocational schools, up to \$10,500 in tools. In return, program graduates are guaranteed a position at a PrairieLand location, and they agree to work for us for three years.

The scholarship offers the opportunity for 100 percent reimbursement tuition for students who attend a certified John Deere Tech program (Fort Scott, Garden City, Milford NE) or diesel mechanics programs at community colleges and vocational schools near you (including Northwest Tech.)

If students and parents would like to speak with one of our service managers or a scholarship recipient, email aschmidt@plpjd.com or call Allison at 620-664-5860, ext.

All GCCC summer classes are online this summer and

are offered at our in-state oncampus rate of \$108 per credit hour. If you have current high school students who want to take online classes, please contact Tyra Haar (tyra.haar@ gcccks.edu) and she'll walk you through the process.

If May grads want to take classes with us this summer, they can enroll online: https:// bit.ly/3cKcWEs. information about summer course offerings is available here: https://bit.ly/2yeIbs9. In its 31st year, and because of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the Kansas Future Teacher Academy will be held - just in a different format than in its previous three decades.

The online KFTA will be Monday, June 8, thru Thursday, June 11, and is open to all teachers, preservice teachers, KFTA alumni and high school students interested in teaching. In order to attend, people can register at www.emporia. edu/kfta. There is no charge to attend this event. You can find a schedule of events at the same website.

The 21st annual GROW and EXCITE summer science camps will be held virtually this year rather than on the Kansas State campus. From June 1-5, KAWSE staff will offer a facilitated camp experience, complete with live check-ins, live demonstrations and interviews with K-State

faculty, staff and students, and a few special evening activities too! The remainder of the time, June 6-12, participants will have access to camp materials to review at their own pace. The workshop will use a combination of platforms, including Canvas and Zoom, to host sessions. Internet access is required to access Canvas; Zoom can be accessed using internet or by calling in with a phone.

GROW is for grades 6-8, while EXCITE is for grades 9-11. You must register by May 22 at https://bit.ly/2Tjev4v

Were you in the color guard in high school? Do you wish you had given it a try? Emporia State is looking for people who want to spin a flag. Find out more by emailing ESMHColorguard@ gmail.com or go to https://bit.ly/2TfyHUH. Applications must be received by May 31.

If you are not going to ESU, check to see if your school has such opportunities. Many universities are struggling for positions like these because they were not able to have spring tryouts.

IMPORTANT DATES: June 1: Deadline to apply Kansas Board of Regent Scholarships June 19:

Registration deadline for July 18 ĂCT August 14: Registration deadline for September 12

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Ritter, World History-Lauren Patmon, American Government-Taryn Fleckenstein, English I-Breanna Rath, English II-Lauren Patmon & Alisha Brantley, English III-Ashley Stoll & Brooke Stoll, English IV-Mabel Lugo, College Comp-Taryn Fleckenstein, College Speech-Malilah Green, Speech/Drama-Joseph Yanez-Perez, Freshman

Carter, Biology-Ashton Schiltz, Advanced Biology-Wade Chemistry-Ashley Rush, Stoll, Anatomy & Physiology-Taryn Fleckenstein, Multimedia-Danica Ritter, Computer Technology I-McHaley Carter, General Business-Morgan Wark, Accounting I-Hannah Bange, Yearbook-Ashley Stoll & Brooke Stoll, Advanced Computers-Kassie Miller.



Farm News

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About NCBA, a Contractor to the Beef Checkoff

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Kansas Corn **Announces 2020** Kansas Corn Yield Contest

Kansas Corn is now accepting entries into the 2020 Kansas Corn Yield Contest. In its third year, the yield contest is open to Kansas Corn Growers Association members, and entry into the 2020 contest is free.

The Kansas Corn Yield Contest is a way for growers to interact and learn from other farmers and input providers and help define what makes economic sense for their business.

"We created this contest to build excitement around the productivity of our Kansas corn producers, share data practices to improve profitability and to celebrate the top yields throughout the state. We partner with K-State Research and Extension to conduct this yield contest to encourage innovation and reward the hard-working farmers who enter," according to Kansas Corn's Director of Industry Relations, Stacy Mayo-Martinez.

The contest will award a dryland and irrigated winner in each of the 10 districts. The districts align with crop reporting districts, plus a north-northeast district, which was created to include Doniphan and parts of Brown and Atchison counties. In addition, one statewide dryland winner and one statewide irrigated winner will be announced. Cash prizes will be awarded at the district and state levels. Winners will be recognized at the Kansas Corn Symposium in January 2021.

In last year's contest, the top statewide dryland yield entry was 281 bushels per acre from Alex Noll in Leavenworth County, and the top statewide irrigated entry was 303.8 bushels per acre from Triangle H of Finney County.

Registration for the Kansas Corn Yield Contest must be completed online by August 31, 2020. If harvest occurs before the August 31 deadline, the registration must be received two weeks prior to harvest. Harvest forms must be submitted online by Dec. 1, 2020. Exceptions can be made for late harvest. Entries submitted to the National Corn Yield Contest qualify to enter the state contest, but growers must enter in both

District winners will receive \$300 and a plaque. Second place entries will receive a \$200 prize and third place will receive a \$100 prize. The highest yielding dryland and irrigated entries statewide will receive an additional \$500

For complete yield contest rules, forms and to register, visit kscorn.com/yield. For more information, call Kansas Corn at 785-410-5009, or email yield@ksgrains.com.

State Board of Agriculture to Hold **Virtual Meeting**

Manhattan, KS - The Kansas State Board of Agriculture will hold its regular board meeting using internet meeting services on Thursday, May 21, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Anyone interested in the meeting can participate using video conferencing or by utilizing a call-in option.

The meeting is open to the public. Individuals who have questions about the meeting, including how to participate in the virtual meeting, should contact Brittney Grother at 785-564-6797 or <u>Brittney.</u>

Grother@ks.gov. Persons who require special accommodations must make their needs known at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

USDA Accepting Proposals for State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement Initiative

Manhattan, KS - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is now accepting new or modified proposals from state governments for its State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) Initiative. Through SAFE, vital habitat is restored to meet high-priority state wildlife conservation goals. The deadline to submit proposals to the Kansas State FSA Office is May 29, 2020. The state office must submit final recommendations to the FSA national office by June 19, 2020.

"Conservation is a major priority for FSA, and this program empowers landowners to create critical wildlife habitat through the establishment of wetlands, grasses and trees," said David Schemm, FSA State Executive Director in Kansas. "We're proud to offer the opportunity, through SAFE, for producers, state and federal wildlife experts and those with nonprofit organizations to work together to develop and maintain high-value wildlife habitats."

SAFE practices must be used to restore animal habitats for the following categories:

rare, threatened and endangered species

species that have suffered a significant population decline

species that provide significant social or economic value to the community.

SAFE grass and tree practices were moved to the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) General Signup in 2019 and competed against other offers, while buffer and wetland practices remain under continuous CRP signup.

When submitted, proposals must include an overview of the project accomplishments, a list of all practices planned, the commitment of the state and participants and the planned outreach

For more information about SAFE and submitting a proposal, contact your FSA state office at 785-539-3531.

FMCSA Updates Hours of Service Rules to Increase Safety on America's Roadways

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) yesterday published a final rule updating hours of service (HOS) rules to increase safety on America's roadways by updating existing regulations for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

Based on the detailed public comments and input from the American people, FMCSA's final rule on hours of service offers four key revisions to the existing HOS rules:

The Agency increase safety and flexibility for the 30-minute break rule by requiring a break after 8 hours of consecutive driving and allowing the break to be satisfied by a driver using onduty, not driving status, rather than off-duty status.

The Agency modify the sleeper-berth exception to allow drivers to split their required 10 hours off duty into two periods: an 8/2 split, or a 7/3 split—with

neither period counting against the driver's 14 hour driving window.

Agency modify the adverse driving conditions exception extending by two hours the during maximum window which driving is permitted.

The Agency change the short-haul exception available to certain commercial drivers by lengthening the drivers' maximum on duty period from 12 to 14 hours and extending the distance limit within which the driver may operate from 100 air miles to 150 air miles

FMCSA's final rule is crafted to improve safety on the nation's roadways. The rule changes do not increase driving time and will continue to prevent CMV operators from driving for more than eight consecutive hours without at least a 30-minute

More information is available at https://bit.ly/2X9IgG8.

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USDA Announces **Details of Direct Assistance to Farmers** Through CFAP

Farmers and Ranchers to Receive Direct Support for Losses Related to COVID-19

WASHINGTON, D.C., U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced details of the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP), which will provide up to \$16 billion in direct payments to deliver relief to America's farmers and ranchers impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. In addition to this direct support to farmers and ranchers, USDA's Farmers to Families Food Box program is partnering with regional and local distributors, whose workforces have been significantly impacted by the closure of many restaurants, hotels, and other food service entities, to purchase \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy, and meat and deliver boxes to Americans in need.

Beginning May 26, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the Farm Service Agency (FSA), will be accepting applications from agricultural producers who have suffered losses.

USDA Offers Farm Loans for Farmers **Facing Covid-19 Related** Challenges

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds producers that FSA offers farm ownership and farm operating loans to agricultural producers who may not find success obtaining loans from their traditional financial institutions because COVID-19. Farmers who cannot obtain commercial credit from a bank can apply for FSA direct or guaranteed

USDA offers a variety of loans to meet different production needs. Direct loans are made to applicants by FSA. Guaranteed loans are made by lending institutions who arrange for FSA to guarantee the loan. FSA can guarantee up to 95 percent of the loss of principal and interest on a loan. The FSA guarantee allows lenders to make agricultural credit available to producers who do not meet the lender's normal underwriting criteria.

The direct and guaranteed loan program offers two types of loans: farm ownership loans and farm operating loans.

Farm ownership loan funds may be used to purchase or enlarge a farm or ranch; purchase easements or rights of way needed in the farm's operation; build or improve buildings such as a dwelling or barn; promote soil and water conservation and development; and pay closing

Farm operating loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, poultry, farm equipment, fertilizer, and other materials necessary to operate a farm. Operating loan funds can also be used for family living expenses; refinancing debts under certain conditions; paying salaries for hired farm laborers; installing or improving water systems for home, livestock or irrigation use; and other similar improvements.

Repayment terms direct operating loans are scheduled from one to seven years. Financing for direct farm ownership loans cannot exceed 40 years. Interest rates for direct loans are set periodically according to the government's cost of borrowing. Guaranteed loan terms and interest rates are set by the lender.

For more information on FSA's farm loan programs, please contact your local FSA office or visit farmers.gov.

Continued News & Legals

CRY WOLF!

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power grab by the liberals/ socialists and their "Pinky & the Brain"-like 'We shall rule the world!' agenda; instead of backing off, they doubled down, especially the states with Democrat governors.

Case in point, Governor Kelly' Ad Aspera: Reopen Kansas Plan. Phase 2, begins Friday, May 22, and basically everything except bars, nightclubs, and swimming pools may open on that date. There are also other aspects to these changes to the plan that can be found at https://bit. ly/2zctUwF. The legislature returns on Thursday, May 21, to work at fully opening Kansas, regardless Governor Kelly's 'plan'. We'll see if they're that efficient and actually accomplish it

Kansas. Kelly is also headed the White House on Wednesday, May 20, for a conversation with President Trump. I have no doubt it will be far more than just a pleasant social visit. You don't get called to the principal's office just to say, "Hi, how's it goin'?"

or something relatively close

and far more beneficial to

the people and economy of

In a statement to The Hill, Governor Kelly said she and Trump would discuss a wide range of topics related to the pandemic, including her own strategy for reopening non-essential Kansas's businesses. (Emphasis mine... there are no non-essential businesses to those who work and earn their livelihood from them!)

"I look forward to the discussion with President Trump on ways we can continue to work with the federal government on our response and recovery efforts," Kelly said.

"Our continued emphasis is on protecting Kansans' health and well-being, and helping the state recover from a public health crisis that has exacted a painful financial toll on many. The economic damage will be long lasting and will require collaboration at every level. I look forward to discussing how the President and I will continue partnering together in our recovery," she added.

Those first two sentences in the second paragraph are an insult and extremely demeaning to the people of Kansas, and as for 'partnering' with the President...? I don't think she (or most liberals) understand that concept.

The gig is up. Next time they have some ginormous 'murder/death/kill' event (love the movie "Demolition Man"), who's going to believe it when they cry, "WOLF!" again? They already made their big move - and it failed. Miserably. Thankfully.

The people know their God-given rights; uphold the Constitution that governs this country above ALL other laws, rules, regulations, and executive orders; and so will not sit idly by if this type of attack tries to be implemented again. The scary part of this though, is what if at some point in the future it IS a real world-killing disease? Who will believe them?

The coming election will be the determinate factor what road this country takes moving forward; rebuild the country back as President Trump had already succeeded in doing (as business people are good at doing) or turn into Cuba and Venezuela power-grabbing elitist socialists always do).

Harriet

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I don't remember being four years old, and I don't remember kindergarten and first grade. But I DO remember other things very specifically. The most vivid that I can think of is taking my wagon and going around the block and collecting. (I couldn't cross the street!) People saved their newspapers, folded them in quarters, stacked and tied them in bundles for school children to pick up for the war effort. The other thing I can still picture is the tin can drives. Most all preserved food came in cans then – not in glass jars and plastic. Households were to rinse the cans, grind both ends out of them, insert the ends into the cans, and then step on them to flatten the cans. Kids collected the cans along with the newspapers. I was made to know at the time how fortunate we were. Dad gave rides to two men he took to work because they didn't have cars. They didn't have any money, either, and they paid Dad with food stamps and shoe coupons which were necessary to purchase certain grocery items and shoes and tires, I think. I do remember tokens and books of coupons.

We had an ice box, not a refrigerator. The iceman delivered ice. We also had a milkman and a bread man who delivered. This was, in a sense, a luxury, but was also a necessity because of the lack of public transportation, cars, and gas rationing. I do remember we had a cardboard box we put in the living room window telling how much ice we needed. Each of the four sides of the box had big numbers on it: 25, 50, 75, and 100, oriented so the one at the top would read correctly and tell the ice man how many pounds of ice to bring in. We grew some vegetables and it was called a Victory Garden, but I don't remember much about it. I don't remember if Mother canned or preserved. I DO remember three cooking things." One was that Mother made cottage cheese and I HAD to eat it. It was the sourest, worst-smelling thing I could imagine. Once in a while she'd buy a nickel Baby Ruth or Butterfinger candy bar and cut it up and add it to some cookie dough. I don't know if there were chocolate chips then or not [but we didn't have any]. Or maybe we couldn't have afforded them, but I remember Baby Ruth cookies! The third thing she made was marshmallows. Mmmm!

There was no television, of course. We listened to the radio. One program I remember like it was yesterday - the Don MacNeill Breakfast Club which originated in Chicago. He'd always have

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time for a silent prayer for the servicemen and begin it with, "We'll have a minute of silent prayer...each in his own words... each in his own way...for those protecting us." Mother would make me bow my head and she'd say a prayer. Often, she would cry as she mentioned her brother's name. Then Don would say, "It's time to march around the breakfast table!" or something really close to that, and so Mother and I would get up and march around the breakfast table. You do that five times a week for a couple of years and it sticks in your memory!

Once in a while Mother and I would ride a bus or streetcar or something like a trolley with overhead wires that supplied the power to go to Downtown Omaha to go to Brandeis Department Store, probably for clothing. There weren't suburban stores or shopping centers like now. We had blackouts. My folks pulled the roller shades down and turned out the lights. I usually got sent to bed. Lots later, I wondered how many were actually "real" and how many times they just wanted to get me to go to sleep! Nylon was needed in the war effort, so it was almost impossible to get. Mother had leg make-up. It was a tan-colored lotion ladies rubbed onto their legs to look like nylon stockings. Later I read that they used an eyebrow or other colored pencil to draw a line up their leg to make it look like they had on nylons which had dark

back seams at the time. Another thing I remember about clothing from the time I was in second grade when we lived back in Iowa. Apparently, there was a shortage of rubber for elastic. My underwear pants didn't have elastic but had a cotton band around the top that tied at the left side. Well, at least one time at school, I got a knot in my pants and couldn't get them off and it caused me MUCH embarrassment! I sure remember that!!

I remember margarine being white. It was packaged white with a tiny paper "envelope" of dark orange powder to be mixed with the whole 'oleo.' Well, that was a terrible mess. Then Delrich came up with a clear plastic bag that sealed in the margarine and a capsule of coloring. We'd pinch the coloring and then just work that through the margarine in the bag. There were no dishes to clean! There was only one misfortune I remember with that. A friend, Sandra Porter and I were playing catch with the bag and started throwing it at the ceiling and around the room. Well, one time when it hit the ceiling, some margarine popped out. I was always thankful it was in Porter's house, not ours!

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Mill

Lathe

Keyways

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Summer Theater Festival

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also find more detailed festival and schedule information, as well as audition requirements. A priority deadline of Friday, May 29 has been set. Those wishing to register after that date are asked to contact the Arts Council at mainstreetartscouncil@gmail. com to ensure availability.

The Arts Council is led by

Karl Pratt, Executive Director, and Bonnie Cameron, Creative Director/Founder. They are assisted by Jan Moore, Regional Office Manager. While based in Hoxie, the Main Street Arts Council aims to serve the northwest Kansas region.

Along with the Summer Theater Festival, the Arts Council is currently offering FREE Virtual Art Classes for all ages via Facebook Live. Visit www.mainstreetartscouncil. com/events to learn more and register, then plan to follow along on Facebook at www.facebook. com/mainstreetartscouncil. At this time, the Annual Main Street Art Walk is still scheduled for Friday, August 21. A determination of whether to continue with the live event or reformat to a virtual offering as well will be decided at a later date.

All MSAC programming is made possible through the financial support of paid members, donations, grants. To support MSAC in its endeavor to promote the arts, encourage creativity, serve the Arts community, and act as an advocate for the Arts, please consider paid membership. Varying levels are available for both individuals and businesses, each offering a multitude of benefits and advertising premiums in acknowledgment of support.

Visit mainstreetartscouncil.com/join-us for more information and to join today.

Pratt

Contact mainstreetartscouncil@gmail. com with questions related to the Summer Theater Festival or other general inquiries.

(First published in The Sheridan Sentinel May 21, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, **KANSAS**

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM SMITH, Deceased

Case No. 2020-PR-11

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR REFUSAL **TO GRANT LETTERS**

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed on May 19, 2020 in said Court by Petitioner praying for an order refusing to grant Letters of Administration in this estate and further requesting that the Last Will and Testament of the decedent dated May 22, 2019 be adjudged the Last Will and Testament of the decedent and be admitted to record for the purpose of preserving the same in the event that probate proceedings are later required.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before June 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Hoxie, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon such petition.

Arlene Smith Petitioner

Harry Joe Pratt, #11860 Attorney for Petitioner ELAND & PRATT, LLC Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 565 736 Main Street Hoxie, KS 67740 (785) 675-3217 Fax No. (785) 675-3983

(Last published in The Sheridan Sentinel June 4, 2020)

Commission Minutes 5/6/20

Now on this 6^{th} day of May 2020, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Troy Others Dewey presiding. present were Joe Bainter, Wes Bainter, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guest was Rachel Farber.

Dewey called the meeting to

Pratt presented an Easement between Sheridan County and JJ&K Farms for electric lines in the intersection of 140E and 80N. Dewey made a motion to approve and sign the Easement, seconded by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0

An Agreement between the Sheridan County Fire Department and the Sheridan County Road Department was presented. This is for a pump and motor that the Fire Department purchased but is placed on a Road & Bridge tanker truck. The Road Department will frequently transport water to the site of a fire to aid the Fire Department. This Agreement states that if the tanker is sold, the pump and motor can be returned to the Fire Department or the County can reimburse the Fire Department for the value of the pump and motor at the time of the sale. Joe Bainter moved to approve and sign this Agreement, seconded by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0

Jim Howard, USD #412 School Superintendent came to the table. Howard discussed the plans for re-opening of school events such as summer school and weights/sports practice. Howard stated that things will start June 1, but the school will follow the KSDE and school district guidelines as they pertain to this situation.

Joe Herskowitz and Curtis Higby from the Road & Bridge Department entered the meeting. The 2020 Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan was distributed and Continued on page 11



Located from Intersection of Highway 23 & 24 in Hoxie, KS: go 10 west on Highway 24 to Co. Rd. 100W, then 11½ miles South on Co. Rd 100W. A 2,600' air landing strip is close by to the east of the Auction Site Starting AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Dennis and Jane have rented their

Rescheduled - Sat., May 30, 2020 9:30 a.m.

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Lunch will be served.

Solar 450 Battery Charger

300 gal. Poly tank Misc. electrical win Thread cutter

Pickup tow hitch



Shank Orthman Ripper ing Kutter Track Closer 51 6' Ford 3-pt. Rotary i IM 602 DSL Tractor, ro PTO, 2 remotes, 16.9-3 pickers 1994 28' FallowMaster w/Quinstar pickers, rear hitch 1230 21' Sunflower tandem flex disc, 174, 58, 200537 174 Dodge 600 Truck, 15½ Bed and Hoist, 65,250 miles w/23,000 on new 360 engine 182 Dodge Ram 350 Custom Wrecker, C-Flex A & L 47 Grain Cart, small, 1000 PTO

182 Dodge Ram 350 Custom Wrecker, 4-speed 189 Kenworth Truck w 1485,000 miles, 3306 Cat, AC, PS, 24.5 Low Pro rubber 21 1998 Nedville Grain Trailer, roll over tarp, 24.5 Low Pro tires 190 R50 Gileaner Combine, 22 wheat hdr, 3506 engine hours, 2358 sep. hours, SN: 506003522149090 101 Cheye Crew Cab 2500 4x4 8.1 A & L. 47 Grain Cart, small, 1000 PTC 1050 L Brandt Auger, w/dump hopper, hyd., PTO 1981 Chrysler Cordoba, 2-dr. coupe, hardtop, LS, 318, red, runs 1981 Chrysler Cordoba, 2-dr., 318, aut 1952 Chevy Panel Wagon 1927 Hudson car body, 2 door, suicide hours, SN: 506003522H9990 01 Chevy Crew Cab 2500, 4x4, 8.1 litre gas engine, Allison 6-speed auto trans., 190,000 miles, leather 195 NuWay Snow Bird 31' 5th Wheel

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2004 Chevy 1/2 ton, 4x4, extended cab
SS, leather, buckets, loaded, short
bed, 120,000 miles
Air over hyd, engine list
Air bumper jack
Case Industrial loader
28' CrustBuster w/drag teeth
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4x4, 1,026 miles
Yard sprayer 2003 Case H1 (200 8' row Pfainter, dou-ble markers, 2-150 gal poly tanks, (shedded), SN: CBJ0001810 1977 Ford F-750, 301 gas engine, 20' B&H, 97,700 miles, 5x2, electric lift fag. PS, 900872, 10,000 miles on new engine and transmission Waterman Singe valve, 6' 5-ton Bulk Bin with auger Vermore 756 Haybuster

Yard sprayer Model 3600 Ford Tractor w/loader, 6' bucket, 3-pt., PTO, 2 remotes, PS, SN: C6441085



Shop & Miscellaneous Items

Suction hose NH3 tubes and liquid tubes pipe, for salvage 10 Joints of 4" well pipe 20'x6" well pipe 4-30' x 2½" well pipe 7 Shank tool bar 14' Chisel JD 6-Section Rotary Hoe 7 Shank 3-pt. cultivator Case shoe drill Model RB 1584 Land Pride 7' Hitch pins 3-pt. back blade 225 Slant 6 Chrysler irrigation engine 2009 7710 PJ Utility Trailer

3 Case IH 1200 8 row Planter, dou

engine Sticks 3/4" sucker rod

Tire chains Bucket teet

Grease guns I Makita angle head Axle hubs 3-

Lots of miscellaneous





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Reopening of the Bidding Process

Sheridan County Hospital in Hoxie, Kansas is moving forward with reopening the bidding process, temporarily stopped due to the Covid 19 pandemic, for the renovation construction of the hospital patient rooms in their existing facility. The Hospital will receive sealed proposals for both projects until 10:00 AM Central Time on June 4th, 2020 at 826 18th St. A, Hoxie, KS 67740. Bid opening will be held publicly by an on-line Zoom Meeting—do not attend in person. The Two Projects are tax exempt and are listed as

Patient Room Renovation Project Package: This is a phased project that consist of a 3,600 sq. ft. patient room and corridors in the existing hospital facility and the addition of 155 sq. ft. Patient Toilet/Shower Rooms. Patients will remain in the facility throughout the duration of construction. There will be four phases of construction to ensure the Hospital is able to maintain approximately '% of the patient rooms for patient usage during the duration of construction. There are 8 alternates as part of the project. If the Owner elects to choses any or all of the alternates, those alternates will be completed

Courtyard Renovation Project Package: This consist of the removal of a large existing tree and root system, adding a new storm sewer catch basin that will tie into an existing courtyard catch basin, and removal of existing sidewalks and re-pouring new sidewalks to make better the flow of the surface drainage of the courtyard. The removal of the debris and delivery of the construction products are not allowed to go through the building and are to be craned over the roof of the existing building. For this reason, the two projects are being packaged together to allow the construction equipment to be used on both projects at the same time and provide construction efficiencies with the timing of both projects (IE, use of a crane for both project when it is needed at the same time for both projects).

The projects listed above will be worked on as a combined project but are funded separately and have their own set of regulations and guide lines. Both bid packages are to be bid on separately and tracked even though the successful sub-contractors will be working on both projects

The projects consist of furnishing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete all work required for the two projects listed above as shown on the drawings and described in the specifications prepared by the Architect, CG-ID Architecture, 319 East Francis Suite 101, North Palte, Nebraska. All bids shall be made on the printed proposal forms is used by the Architect The successful bidder will be required to furnish Corporate Surety Performance and Payment Bonds in a sum equal to 100% of the

All proposals shall remain in effect for a period of 90 calendar days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals. Each bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable Bid Bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid submitted as a guarantee that if awarded the contract, the Bidder will promptly enter into a contract. If bid security is not received with the proposal, the bid will

Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Architect, CG-ID Architecture, 319 East Francis Suite 101, North Platte, North Platte; Builder's Plan Service, Great Bend Chamber of Commerce, Great Bend, KS; Hays Area Chamber of Commerce, Hays, KS; Garden City Chamber of Commerce, Garden City, KS; Salina Chamber of Commerce, Salina, KS, Kansas Construction News Report, Wichita, KS; Reed Construction Data, Norcross, GA., Dodge Report, I-Square Foot. Copies of plans and specifications may be obtained from A & D Technical Supply of Lincoln upon payment of a \$100.00 deposit for each set. The deposit will be refunded upon return of the plans and specifications in good condition within 45 days after the bid opening date. For plan and specifications, A & D Technical Supply at 1822 "N" Street Suite B, Lincoln, NE 68508 can be contacted at; (402) 474-5454, http://plans.adtechsupply.com.

Individual Pre-bid walkthroughs: Potential bidders not familiar with the project can call Justine Wade to schedule a viewing at (785) 677-4113, she will then schedule and screen accordingly. Bidders will be asked to present to the North Side of the facility and call Maintenance Supervisor Tim Lea at (785) 675-3281 to be greeted and gain access into the Hospital. Bidders will then be screened and have their temperature taken prior to being permitted into the facility. Once screened you will be asked to wear a mask and practice social distancing as you are accompanied through the building.

The Owner shall have the right to reject any or all bids and to reject a bid not accompanied by any requiring bid security or by other Inc Owner shall have the right to reject any or all buds and to reject a bid not accompanied by any requiring bid security or by other data required by the bidding documents; or teject a bid which is in any way incomplete or irregular and to waive any informalities in any proposal. All GCs and ME&P Prime Contractors biding on these projects are required to provide proof of similar past construction and knowledge of working in a higher acuity care area of a hospital such as a med surg patient wing and following the facilities Construction Risk Assessment Policies and Procedures. The renovation of the patient wing is a USDA financed projects. All General Contractors along with Prime ME&P firms bidding on this project are to become familiar with the requirements of the USDA and Sheridan County Health Complex's Construction Risk Assessment Procedures provided in the front end of the specification manual before bidding on the projects.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS NTB-1

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Public Hearing Notice

Sheridan County will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., at the Sheridan County Courthouse, 925 9th Street, Hoxie, Kansas, for the purpose of considering an application to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Commerce under the CDBG-CV category.

A specific project application to be discussed is funding for micro-grants, economic development and administration in an area generally bounded by the County of Sheridan, Kansas. The estimated project cost is \$300,000 with the grant request for \$300,000 of the project cost. Other project proposals introduced at the hearing will be considered.

Oral and written comments will be recorded and become part of the County of Sheridan's CDBG Citizen Participation

Reasonable accommodations will be made available to persons with disabilities. Requests should be submitted to Heather Bracht, County Clerk by Tuesday, May 26, 2020.



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Public Hearing Notice

The City of Hoxie will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., at the Hoxie City Hall, 829 Main Street, Hoxie, Kansas, for the purpose of considering an application to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Commerce under the CDBG-CV category.

A specific project application to be discussed is funding for micro-grants, economic development, support for meals programs and administration in an area generally bounded by the City of Hoxie, Kansas. The estimated project cost is \$377,000 with the grant request for \$377,000 of the project cost. Other project proposals introduced at the hearing will be considered. Oral and written comments will be recorded and become

part of the City of Hoxie's CDBG citizen participation program. Reasonable accommodations will be made available to persons with disabilities. Requests should be submitted to Janet Bainter, City Clerk by Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Darryll Ray Johnson

December 26, 1942 ~ April 8, 2020

in the US, Canada, Africa and

Argentina. An important part

of his hunts was meeting people

and learning about the culture

of every place he visited. We

always said that we didn't

take vacations, we went on

adventures! He enjoyed a good

evening of rousing poker games,

as part of a group that played

together for almost 30 years. He

loved watching football as a big

family. Raising four girls all

close in age was not easy, but we

made it! Every grandchild was

by his parents, and his eldest

grandson, Andrew McConnell.

He is survived by his wife,

Cherry; four daughters, Marlys,

Amanda (John), Robin and

Melaney; six grandchildren

and one great-grandchild. Also survived by four siblings,

Barbara, Richard (Diane), Roger

(Ronda), and Robert (Marcia),

as well as many nieces and

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gift in tribute to Darryll Johnson

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service will be held at a future

date.

Darryll was preceded in death

considered an added blessing.

His greatest pride was his

fan of the Seattle Seahawks.

Darryll Ray Johnson was born December 26, 1942 in Hays, KS. He died April 8, 2020, of congestive heart failure, at home in Bellevue, WA.

Born to Melvin and Liona (Watkins) Johnson, Darryll was raised on the family farm west of Hoxie. He was active in farming, hunting, sports, and FFA.

He married Madeline Dreiling in June 1963. They moved to Brookings, SD, in 1964, and attended South Dakota State. He graduated with a BA in 1968, a MA in 1970, and became Asst. Professor of Sociology at Yankton College. Two daughters were born in SD, Marlys and

In 1975, they returned to Hoxie, and farming. They divorced in 1977, and he decided to return to academia. In 1978, he married Cherry Patmon Wade, also from Hoxie. They combined two families with two daughters each, and moved to Bellevue,

started as a Graduate Assistant working at the UW, College of Forest Resources. Recruited to work for the National Park Service Cooperative Park Studies Unit (CPSU), headquartered at the ÙW, he led studies in Alaska, Oregon, Washington, California. His career with NPS spanned 30 years. He had many publications, and received many honors and awards.

His love of farming lasted through the years, even in an urban landscape. He grew great produce, gifting his bounty to family, friends, neighbors, and the local food bank.

Harriet Ann (Penquite) Richardson died at her home in Hoxie, KS at the age of 81. She was born on May 22, 1938, in Atlantic, Iowa to Donald O. and Margaret Ruth (Jacobson) Penquite. She attended elementary and high school in Grinnell, IA, graduating with the honor of Salutatorian from Grinnell High School. She attended Iowa State University, Ames, IA for three years where she was a member of Pi Beta Phi. After college, she moved to Denver, CO and worked as a special events coordinator From Out Of The West, Inc. and was a stewardess for TWA. While working for TWA, she traveled extensively in Europe. Harriet was introduced to William "Bill" O. Richardson by one of his colleagues, and they were married on July 28, 1961 in Wheatridge, CO. They made their home in Hoxie, KS and

Harriet was very active and involved in many organizations in Hoxie. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Order of Eastern Star, Cultus Club, Culture Club, and Hoxie Quilters. Harriet loved history and wrote a book about the history of many of the rock structures in Šheridan County. She enjoyed going to auctions

had two sons, Mark and

John. They were members of

the Hoxie United Methodist

and garage sales searching for treasures.

Bill and Harriet were avid bridge players, and she loved playing in and hosting their couples' bridge club. Harriet was a very talented musician and for many years was the organist for the Hoxie United Methodist Church. She was also a member of the M&M's, a musical group, which sang at many events in the area. The M&M's entertained the residents of Ridgewood and Sheridan County Long Term Care at least once a month for many years; she was very proud of the M&M's.

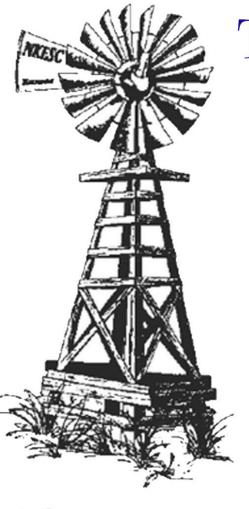
Harriett was instrumental in helping form the Hoxie Preschool in the 70's. She and Bill were always very generous and helped Developmental advance of Northwest Services Kansas (DSNWK)which has greatly benefited not only their sons, Mark and John, but also many others in the

Harriet is survived by her sons, Mark and John Richardson of Hoxie; brother, Thomas Penquite; and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Richardson, December 30, 1999; parents, Donald and Margaret Penquite; and sister, Susan Penquite.

A Graveside Service was held Friday, May 15, 2020, at Hoxie City Cemetery, All friends and family were invited to attend. Visitation was Friday, May 15, 2020 at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, Hoxie. Memorials are suggested to the Developmental Service of Northwest Kansas-Hoxie and Hoxie United Methodist Church and may be sent in care of Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, PO Box 987, Hoxie, Kansas 67740.

Words of comfort may be left at www. mickeyleopoldfuneral.com



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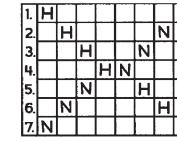
- 1. What did the thief get for
- stealing a calendar? 2. When is a boy like a pony?
- 3. When does a ship tell a falsehood?
- 4. When is a cliff like a fish?

(horse). 3. When she lies at the wharf. 4. When it is scaled. Answers: 1. Twelve months. 2. When he's a little hoarse





Illustrated by David Coulson



FIND THE BIG WORDS?

Using the definitions and anagrams below, you must find the seven eightletter words that fit into the framework above. The letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for:

- 1. Frontier clothing. shun + poem 2. A type of pickle. hers + king 3. A sailing vessel. corn + shoe
- 4. Tuna hate them. 5. A card game.

SCRAMBLERS

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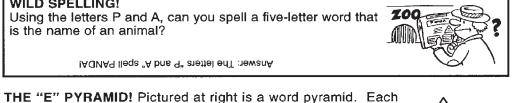
SPEEDO **PECOS**

- fist + hens lone + chip 6. What an archaeologist does thus + near
- 7. Unrivaled person or thing. shun + once

Kids' Maze

"You'll never guess why we

Answers: 1. Homespun. 2. Cherkins. 3. Schooner. 4. Fishnets. 5. Pinochle. 6. Unearths. 7. Nonesuch.



the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all of the E's. Here are some hints, from the top down: 1. A vowel (given). 5. More depressed.

Answer: The letters "P and A" spell PANDA!

- 2. In reference to.
- 6. To rob.

word, as you go down the pyramid, contains the same letters as

3. To feel regret.

WILD SPELLING!

is the name of an animal?

- 7. A muttered complaint.
- 4. Unsophisticated person.

Answers: 1. e. 2. re. 3. rue. 4. rube. 5. bluer. 6. burgle. 7. grumble.

HOCUS-FOCUS HENRY BOLTINOFF

Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

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RIDDLE SEARCH - SOUP OF THE DAY 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

answer to this riddle: What do ducks put in their soup?

O E

Riddle answer: ___

and write them on the blanks below

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BEET BROCCOLI

COCONUT

EGG DROP KALE

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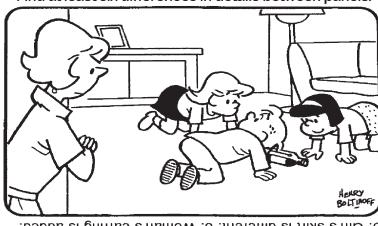
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POTATO TOMATO

WONTON

CHICKEN

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



5. Girl's skirt is different. 6. Woman's earring is added. Differences: 1. Plant is missing. 2. Frame is added. 3. Woman's blouse is different. 4. Lamp is added.

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CryptoQuip

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: Q equals B

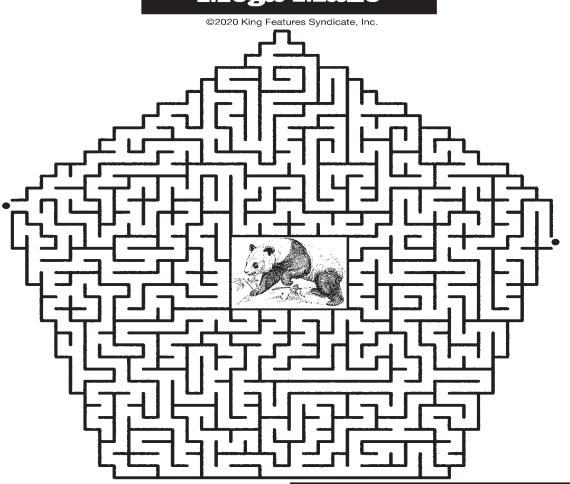
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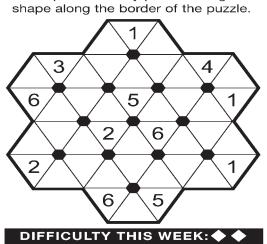
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Wega Waze



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



◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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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

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Super Crossword

52 Attired 96 - noires **DOWN** 53 Flummoxed (bugbears) 1 Sheffield loc. 54 Mrs., in Bonn 97 January, in

55 Question for Spain Knotts when 98 Coll. dorm he's holding supervisors a package? (donkey's 60 Bygone space station sound) 101 Moosé kin

61 Extreme joy 'Gimme a Break!" 64 Arcing tennis 102 With 111-20 "Stat!" shot 21 Film director 65 Second letter George A. addendum: 22 Bluish hue Abbr. 66 Singer with

23 Cruel Curry in a London borough? 26 Kitty chip

27 The real 28 Skirt's edge 29 Give Mason the ax?

ACROSS

1 Duelist's

weapon

(retail chain)

9 Weds on the

15 Swine food

19 Carter of

31 Make do with Paul? – a Letter to My Love"

(1981 film) 35 Road goop 36 Song syllable 37 Acné care

brand 38 Physics prize of note **42** Show

Hagen?

determine

51 Heredity

124

penitence 44 College founded by

68 Goes by car 69 Came in first Sculpting aid 72 Not too tasty '— a Rock' (1966 hit) 76 "Ni-i-i-ice!"

the 2011

album "21"

78 Semis, say 79 Go bad 80 Return Shearer's phone call?

84 Operatic 86 Running shoe brand

87 Traffic sound 88 Billion : giga-

92 Anthony championing

liberties?

20

moodstabilizing medication? 113 Regatta tool

Down,

114 Poet John 115 Exclude 116 "Whew, such a relief that Kahlo

arrived!" 120 Area 121 Samplings 122 Kin of beige

123 Prep school on the **Thames** 124 Tram loads 125 Ukrainian

port city 126 Exclude **127** Unit of

force

2 Pervade **3** It's negatively charged 4 Vote in

5 Twain's Tom 6 "— live and breathe!" 7 Very virile 8 Nearly globe-

connect two shaped dots, maybe 9 Palindromic 106 Battling it out "before" 10 Lounges idly 11 All: Prefix

Murdoch? 109 Put Arthur on 12 Lab's — dish 13 Great Lakes tribesmen 14 Northern

French river 15 Commence 16 Monocle,

17 Pledge 18 Answer from

the accused 24 "Warrior" co-star Nick

25 2,065, in old Rome 30 Year, in old Rome

31 Fawn's father 32 Defective

33 Uvea's organ 39 Cat breed 40 Virtual

marketer

TRUNCATION 41 Victors' wreaths 43 Sir Isaac -

77 Scorching 78 "The — Coochi Coo" (1961 hit) 81 Musicality negative 46 Shaft of light

APPELLATION

82 Winter hrs. in 47 Call a halt to Wichita 83 " ... — iron 49 Turner and bars a cage"

85 When shows are broadcast 89 Forever

90 Had faith in Mamas & the 91 Inquires 93 Bereft

94 — Lanka 95 Myopic "Mr." 96 "I — You" (hit for 58 Download for

Élvis) 100 Concludes 103 Hard -

Habakkuk follow 61 Give a hug 104 "I thought a deal! 105 Humble

106 Phonies 63 Not dynamic, 108 One way to mark losses

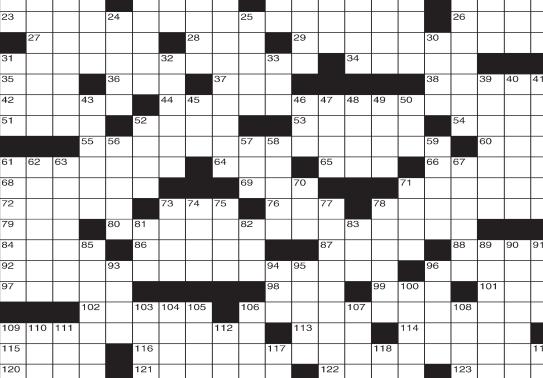
109 Clown name 110 Love deity 111 See 102-

Across 112 Sinus docs 117 Cookie-

pushing org. 118 Hexa-

74 Make — deal 119 Hex- ending sound ratio

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reviewed. Bracht will make a few changes and it will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Herskowitz presented Hauling Agreement for Herl Ag Spraying LLC, David Herl, for approval. Wes Bainter stated Herskowitz should utilize Sheridan County people first, but if Herl can be used at some point, that is fine, use him. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve and sign the Hauling Agreement for Herl Ag Spraying, seconded by Dewey. Carried 3-0

Herskowitz stated that Fred R Pratt and Scott Kennedy are the only individuals who have come forward so far to haul.

Weather permitting, two test holes will be drilled at the bridge that is to be replaced at a cost of \$7,000.

A dozer has been taken to the landfill to push trash since the BoMag is down. Wes Bainter contacted Vic Winter on speaker

phone and got an update on the repairs. Hopefully, sometime next week.

Estimates for culverts were distributed. Dewey made a motion to approve the bid from J & J Drainage in the amount of \$20,269.02 for assorted sizes of culverts and extension bands. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0

presented Herskowitz information on a disc retriever The Board discussed that this was a specialty piece of road equipment that will not be used by all employees. Without the proper training and guidance, it won't work, so training is a must. The Board feels it will be an affective piece of equipment. Dewey made a motion to purchase the disc retriever unit at a price of \$17,700. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0

Curtis Higby presented chemical quotes. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the quote from Nutrien Ag for chemicals at a cost of \$31,715.60. Bainter seconded the

motion. Carried 3-0

Dewey made a motion to amend the agenda to include Jodi Rogers from Hoxie Recreation. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Jim Howard briefly discussed when the school district might start summer programming and how it relates to Hoxie recreation. Rogers discussed the start of golf practices, baseball, and softball, and possibly swim team if the pool opens. Rogers does not feel there will be any traveling games until at least June 15. This is a decision the League will make.

phone conference was held with Mike O'Dell, Niceta Farber, and Kevin Johnson from the Sheridan County Health Complex. Farber stated that they were going to reopen the bid process for the hospital project next week. A notice will be put in the paper, so contractors are aware.

The hospital would like to purchase the enclosed trailer they are currently using for COVID testing. Wes Bainter made a motion to allow the hospital to purchase the trailer at a cost of \$3,100. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. After the motion was approved, Pratt stated he didn't know if this was possible, so was going to check and would let the Board know at the next meeting. The carried motion is tabled.

O'Dell gave a report of the 1st quarter financial report for the

hospital. O'Dell stated that the Long Term Care Unit is full so is currently still making money.

The hospital has applied for and received over \$6,000,000 in stimulus money so the cash flow is in a good position.

The Board was invited to the 2019 audit review to be held at Oscar's on June 22

Johnson from the Hoxie Medical Clinic stated the clinic is reopening on Monday, May 11 when all providers will be returning to a regular schedule. Selden clinic will return to normal schedule of Monday and Thursday from 10-2. Patients will continue to be screened and patients and staff will wear masks. Johnson stated that there has been an increase in telehealth encounters which will continue to be offered. The clinic has also received stimulus funding which enables them to remain open. A Nurse Practitioner will possibly come to work at the clinic in August.

Pratt wanted to discuss clarifying the sign on the Courthouse door requiring anyone coming in to do business to have on a mask or face covering. Melissa Wachendorfer, Public Health Melissa Nurse, was contacted and asked to come over.

The April 29, 2020 minutes were approved on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0

Wachendorfer Melissa entered the meeting. Pratt stated that the wearing of

masks is conflicting in that the Reopening plan for Sheridan County does not say anything about it being mandatory, just that it is recommended. Pratt would like the sign on the Courthouse doors to be changed to "recommends". Wachendorfer stated it was fine to change the sign to read the County "ASKS" the public to wear a mask when entering the Courthouse. Wachendorfer reminded the Board that we are the face of the community and we are opening pretty quickly. Wachendorfer also still recommends that if county offices are not able to stagger employees, then employees

should wear a mask. Bracht discussed with the Board the mowing agreement that was created for the Lucerne Cemetery. The Board agreed that at this time, the current Adell Township Board should handle the mowing agreement. Wes Bainter stated he will

send out a group text to the individuals mowing in the county and have them mow ditches by the cemetery in their areas prior to Memorial Day.

No further business, Dewey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0.

The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at the regular time and meeting place.

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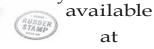
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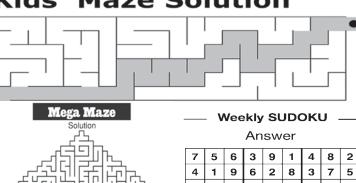


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