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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

At last week's Commissioners' Meeting, we were notified that Curtis Higby, Weed Department, was now certified to use the poisons necessary to eradicate the prairie dog population that has been allowed to take over our county. The Weed Department has the necessary poisons bought and are on-hand. Once harvest is over then the prairie dog infestation will be dealt with.

God said, "Go forth and multiply". Prairie dogs thought God was talking to them!

On a statewide issue, the article below from the Kansas Policy Institute is very informative about the misinformation our governor is putting out to the media and her constituents regarding COVID-19 deaths. Kansas Policy Institute and their subsidiaries, *Kansas Justice Institute*, and *The Sentinel* are a powerful force in defense of liberty. Their work is even more important in the midst of the COVID-19 situation as state and local government officials test the bounds of their authority, and this freedom 'infrastructure' wouldn't exist without its readers. Visit their website (<https://kansaspolicy.org/>) for more information.

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

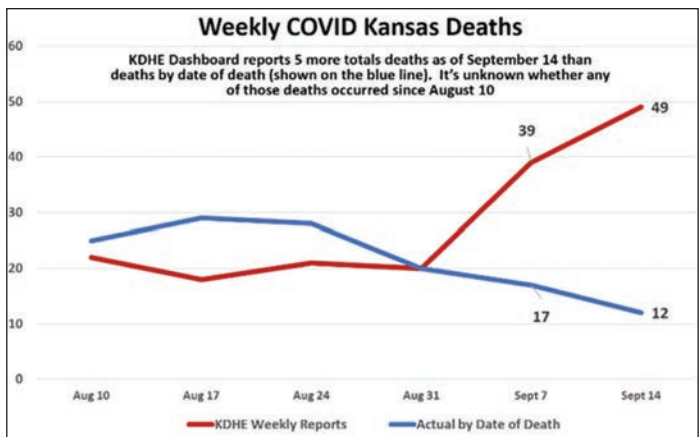
Gov. Kelly's September COVID Deaths Claim is Grossly Exaggerated

By Dave Trabert

September 15, 2020

Kansas Governor Laura Kelly at yesterday's press conference made a consciously exaggerated and deceptive claim about COVID deaths in September. She said there were "23 new deaths reported between Friday and today." It's understandable that most people would interpret Kelly's statement as did Hawver's Capitol Report, which wrote "She said there were 23 COVID-19 deaths in the state over the weekend, bringing the total to 534."

Kelly parsed her words carefully to deceive media and citizens. Most of those deaths didn't occur over the weekend...they were just reported over the weekend. According to their chart showing deaths by date of death, no one died on Saturday and just one person died on Sunday. *The Sentinel* (<https://sentinelksmo.org/>) compared deaths by date since March with the weekly change reported by KSDE...and found that most of the deaths reported in September occurred in prior months.



The Monday reports from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment reflect 39 new deaths reported for the week ended Sept. 7 and 49 more for the week ended September 14; that's 88 COVID deaths in September. But only 29 of them occurred in September; the rest occurred in prior months according to KDHE. (At press time, KDHE hadn't assigned dates to five deaths, so it's possible that September deaths could be as high as 34.)

Why would Governor Kelly want people to think COVID deaths are rapidly increasing when they are actually declining? Given Kelly's objections to being questioned about her COVID responses, one must wonder if she thinks frightened voters are easier to control and manipulate.

House Majority Leader Dan Hawkins (R-Wichita), who has had his own transparency issues with the Kelly administration, says Kansans deserve the truth, not talking points.

"The lives of hundreds-of-thousands of Kansans have been impacted in some way by the response to this pandemic. Many families have experienced extreme financial hardship as a result of lost jobs and failed businesses. Those Kansans deserve the unvarnished truth whether it's good or bad. It is always the responsibility of state government to present accurate, easily understood information, but even more so during a time of crisis."

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Swap Shop Gets New Addition



The Swap Shop has been getting an expansion built on this week. Stop in to see what it's all about! (*Sentinel* Staff photo)

Airport Runway Repaving Underway



The airport runway repaving project began Monday, September 14. It is expected to take approximately 60 days to complete. They will be removing all the asphalt and fixing the base, which currently has soft spots, and then new asphalt will be applied. The millings being removed are to be worked into the airport/ballpark road and the hangar access road. The majority of the funding is through a grant from KDOT. This has been a four-year project in the making to get to this point. (*Sentinel* Staff photo)

Meet a New Sheridan County EMS Volunteer



Sheridan County EMS is fortunate to have two new volunteers to help serve our community. One of them is Travis Schaffer. Travis became involved in EMS through his sister Stacey Brown. After their dad required an emergency flight to a larger hospital, Travis was approached about joining EMS and it was at this time

that he realized how vital it is to have the EMS service in Sheridan County.

Travis first joined EMS as an ambulance driver at the beginning of 2019. This requires first aid, CPR, and defensive driving classes and also being familiar with the equipment and supplies on the ambulance. Travis feels driving the ambulance came natural to him as he had past experience driving large trucks and he knows the county roads. After driving for a few months, he decided to tackle the 6-month EMT class which unfortunately was stretched out to about 8 months due to Covid-19. After finally being able to challenge the national registry EMT boards, Travis became a certified EMT.

He admits the class is tough, but he definitely learned a lot throughout the class. Being back in the classroom and attending classes at night while being a dad and managing multiple other work obligations takes discipline. Travis says although the class is challenging, it is also very rewarding. He feels the simple fact of being able to help someone who calls for help is most rewarding.

One thing that Travis would like his patients to know is that he is there to help them, not because he has to be, but because he wants to be. He will do whatever he can to help them through their emergency while being compassionate about their feelings and why they have

requested help.

"The Sheridan County EMS service means a lot to me," says Travis. "Being able to respond to someone in need and being able to tell them that you are there for them is very fulfilling. People don't truly know how important an emergency service is until they need it themselves. Whether it is law enforcement, fire, or EMS, people just don't understand how important these services are for our county."

Again, Sheridan County EMS is always open to more volunteers. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Kaufman, Sheridan County EMS Director, at 785-675-3364. You can also stop by the EMS station or visit with any of our county volunteers.



Celebrate the Foundation of America

DAR Promotes Constitution Week: September 17-23

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution urges Americans to reflect on the United States Constitution during this month's annual observance in honor of this foundational document of national governance.

"There are two documents of paramount importance to American history: the Declaration of Independence, which forged our national identity, and the United States Constitution, which set forth the framework for the federal government that functions to this day," said DAR President General Denise Doring VanBuren. "While Independence Day is a well-recognized and beloved national holiday, fewer people know about Constitution Week, and annual commemoration of the

living document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to our American way of life."

The DAR initiated the observance in 1955, when the service organization petitioned the U.S. Congress to dedicate September 17-23 of each year to the commemoration of Constitution Week. Congress adopted the resolution, and on August 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into Public Law #915. The celebration's goals are threefold: to encourage the study of the historical events that led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787; to remind the public that the Constitution is the basis of America's great heritage and the foundation for its way of life; and to emphasize U.S. citizens' responsibility to protect, defend, and preserve the U.S. Constitution.

DAR has been the foremost advocate for the awareness, promotion, and celebration of Constitution Week. The annual observance provides innumerable opportunities for educational initiatives and community outreach, two mission areas of crucial importance to the National Society. By fostering knowledge of, and appreciation for, the Constitution and the unalienable rights it affords to all Americans, DAR helps to keep alive the memory of the men and women who secured our nation's foundational liberties.

"In communities across America, Daughters will erect hundreds of community displays, sponsor municipal proclamations, ring bells, and state programs to raise awareness of the Constitution's tenets and importance. We invite

everyone to join us in celebrating this powerful document, which has enabled our democracy within a republic for more than two centuries. We hope that all Americans will learn more about the Constitution and its immense impact on our nation," VanBuren said.

One of the largest patriotic women's organizations in the world, DAR has more than 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters across the country and several foreign countries. DAR members promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism via commemorative events, scholarships, and educational initiatives, citizenship programs, service to veterans, meaningful community service, and more. For additional information about DAR and its relevant mission, visit www.dar.org.

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Words of Faith

It is for
FREEDOM
that Christ has set us free.
Stand firm, then, and do not
let yourselves be burdened
again by a yoke of slavery.
Galatians 5:1

Grain Report

Reported on: Tuesday, Sept. 15

Grain	Price
Corn	3.41
Milo	4.04
Beans	8.74
Wheat	4.19

Weather Report

Date	High	Low	Moisture
9/3	102	58	--
9/7	82	40	--
9/8	41	36	.23"
9/9	55	41	.40"
9/10	64	50	--
9/11	79	49	--
9/12	83	49	--

Beautiful Fall Weather!

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Words of Wisdom

FREEDOM
IS NEVER VOLUNTARILY
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OPPRESSOR;
IT MUST BE DEMANDED BY
THE
OPPRESSED.

Community News

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SAFE K:DS KANSAS

Is Your Child Buckled Up Correctly?

Child Passenger Safety Week is September 20-26
Safety advocates across Kansas encourage families to make sure their children are always securely buckled up during Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 20-26.
The Kansas Department of Transportation reports that 1,033 children between the ages of 0-13 were injured and eight were killed in traffic crashes across Kansas in 2018.
It is estimated that two out of three child safety seats are misused and around 25 percent of children ages 4 to 7 are prematurely moved to seat belts. It is important to make sure children are

always properly buckled in the back seat in a car seat, booster seat or seatbelt, whichever is appropriate for their weight, height and age," said Cynthia Callaway, Traffic Safety Specialist at the Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office.
The Kansas Highway Patrol has numerous child passenger safety technicians, some of whom are instructors, located throughout the state.
To ensure your child is riding in the right seat that is installed correctly, find a certified car seat technician near you by visiting www.kansascarseatcheck.org. You can also visit www.UltimateCarSeatGuide.org for tips and videos on how to select, use and install your car seat or booster seat.
Drivers should also remember to check the back seat for children to make sure no one is left inside a vehicle. Even on mild days, the interior of a vehicle can quickly heat up and become dangerous for children, whose body temperature rises faster than an adult's.
For more information on Kansas' seatbelt laws and child passenger safety, go to ktsro.org.

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12pm Rotary
7pm Fire Dept Mtg

Every Wednesday:
9am Commissioner Mtg
7:30pm Hoxie United Methodist Church Community Worship


Every Thursday:
2:30pm Bible Study @ Ridgewood Manor,
More info: Ronda 675-8911 or Joan 675-3106

Monthly:
1st Monday - City of Hoxie
1st Tuesday - HAMA
1st Wednesday - Chamber of Commerce
2nd Monday - BOE Mtg

WPAA Upcoming Program: *Lezlee & Paul*
Sunday, Sept. 27 3pm - Atwood HS Auditorium



JENNINGS NEWS
By Louise Cressler



A surprise distribution of food boxes was held on Friday for the Jennings, Dresden, and Clayton area. The boxes came to Norton instead of Colby as they had in the past.
Dorothy Vacura came home from the Kearney hospital on Saturday evening. She had gall bladder surgery on Friday.
Pinocle is being played at the Sunflower Senior Center on Monday. Come join us.
The Friends of Cottonwood Ranch is going to sponsor this year's "Books & Treats" at the Jennings City Library. This Halloween event is held annually on the same evening that the Sons of the American Legion have their Flag Retirement Ceremony. The library gives books and toys and candy to all attending goblins, age 0 through 18. Older witches and devils have been known to enjoy the treats also. Last year, we had photos of each costumed child to give out in November and LeRoy's Printing has agreed to help us do that again. We've discussed changes to make the event safer. If you have questions or concerns, contact Lynn Tacha. More specific information will be available later in October. Please, put "Books & Treats", October 31, Jennings City Library on your calendar again this year!

Solomon Valley 4-H Meeting

By Andrew Haffner, Reporter

The August 17, 2020 Solomon Valley 4-H meeting was called to order by Carter Beckman. The roll call for this month was "Which do you prefer-hotel or tent". The minutes of the last meeting we read and approved. Then we had Brain Drain by Demi Schippers and the question was "How many cattle are processed in a day?" and the answer was 800,000. The winner was Andrew Haffner with a guess of 690,000.
This month the Treasurer's Report was given by Zach Copper. There was no council report because council had not met. Leaders announcements were given. There were no committee reports.
The gavel was then handed off to Kyler Niblock to conduct the rest of the meeting. After that we had songs by Max Beckman, and we sang "Row, Row, Row Your Boat".

Next, we had talks/demos by Hayden Beckman and her demo was "How to make a chocolate milk shake", and after Hayden was done with her talk, Kyler Niblock gave his talk, "Tips for Fishing".
After talks/demos, we had recreation led by Hayden Beckman and Demi Schippers. The game was "Spoon Ball" and the objective was to get to a certain point without dropping the ball. Then we did our permanent record updates.
The gavel was handed back to President Carter Beckman. There was no unfinished business. For new business, we discussed planning the senior trip. Then the meeting was adjourned. When the meeting was adjourned there were snacks and drinks provided by Geisinger's and Haffner's. We signed thank you notes for various fair supporters.

DSNWK Receives Contribution from Schmidt Foundation

Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas announced today a generous grant award from the Robert and Patricia Schmidt Foundation, Hays. This \$170,000 grant will provide for long-awaited facility repairs and equipment upgrades. This award will benefit individuals served by DSNWK in Ellis, Russell and Rooks counties and will benefit DSNWK's services in the Hays, Russell, Stockton, Victoria and Catherine communities.
Developmental Services would like to thank the Robert and Patricia Schmidt Foundation for their support of DSNWK and the services we provide throughout northwest Kansas.
To give to DSNWK, visit <https://dsnwk.giftlegacy.com/> or contact Steve Keil, Director of Development, at 785-625-5678 or steve_keil@mysdnwk.org.
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Performance
Friday, Sept 18
at Football Game

Hoxie Buckle Series
Exhibitions:
11:30am
Races: 1pm
September 27
October 11 & 25

**Highway 36
Treasure Hunt**
Sept.
17-20



Community & SCHC News

Mealsite Menu

Reservations Call 675-2154

Sept 21 ~ Sept 25**Monday:** Chicken Strips, Scalloped Potatoes, Seasoned Carrots, Bread, Mandarin Oranges**Tuesday:** Waikiki Meatballs, Rice, Broccoli, Bread, Rosy Applesauce**Wednesday:** Pork Roast in gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Onions/Carrots/Cabbage, Bread, Emerald Pears**Thursday:** Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Green Beans, Bread, Peaches**Friday:** Tuna Salad, Tomato Soup, Pineapple, Bun, Cookie

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 not able to dine in. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. Patrons over 60, a \$5.50 per meal contribution is requested. Those under 60, meal cost is \$6.50. A monthly menu can be picked up at the Mealsite. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.



How Will We Live Out the Story We Are Given?

By Don Follis
September 13, 2020

A few years ago, I helped my mom sort through all the final burial expenses following my dad's death. They included the cost of having his body flown from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Denver, CO, and having a funeral director make a 500-mile round trip to pick up his body. Mom had two words when she collected all the bills: "Holy Cow." Followed by, "I'm going to be cremated."

And she was. She died June 16 at age 86. Two weeks ago, in a simple service, we buried her ashes next to my dad at the Hoxie Cemetery in Hoxie, Kansas. As I stood at her grave officiating, I could see the baseball field where I played little league baseball. Just east of the baseball field sits the ranch house my parents built when I was in Kindergarten.

On one side of my dad and mom's headstone is the gravestone of my little league coach. One day he told me it was okay to play catcher without a catcher's mask. The very first batter tipped a foul ball that broke my nose. I walked home with my white t-shirt covered with blood. My mom was mad at that coach the whole summer for not being more careful.

My Grandpa and Grandma Follis are buried on the other side of my parents. Not far away is my cousin's grave. He was killed in a farm accident at age 21. Near my cousin lies my old grade school friend. He threw a towel on my head one summer when I finally got the courage to swim across the deep end of the pool for the first time.

You can't walk around a cemetery for long without realizing that the last real enemy we all face is death. Burying my mom's ashes next to my dad really brought that home.

It's true that most do not happily and willingly accept their mortality. No, death is an affront to nearly everything

we cherish – our careers, our marriages, our children, our friends, our homes, and our communities. All sorts of loss remind us that we do not have the final word. Death does. In the end, it conquers all.

Meandering through the cemetery I thought how some face their mortality by living heroically in spite of their destiny. Others live for the moment, giving themselves to pleasure and power. En route to the cemetery, I drove by an exit on Interstate-70 where late one night two high school boys I knew decided how fast they could drive up an exit ramp and back down the entry ramp without slowing down. They rolled the car and one of the most popular boys in the high school was killed. Still others see the absurdity of life and end their life by suicide.

Over the years I have seen people who suffered loss but wanted to reverse their circumstances, even bringing family members back to life. That always makes me think of the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. I wonder when Lazarus died again if it was a long, painful death. Writer Jerry Sittser says, "We are deceived by our longings for what we once had, because we cannot have that way forever even if we regain what we lost for a while."

No miracle can save us from death, which is why so many long for a life where death is finally and ultimately defeated. In fact, followers of

Jesus believe the grave could not hold him. We believe Jesus conquered death and was raised by God to a life that would never end again. It is a life that says death does not have the final word. Life does. And though it is in the future, all tears and pain and sorrow will be swallowed up in everlasting life and pure, untainted joy. The present life we live often is full of sorrow and pain. We are creatures made of dust, and yet many speak of having a sense of eternity living in their heart, realizing they were made for something more.

Seeing the graves of those who have gone before me, I pondered my story and the heritage given to me at birth. I am part of a larger story, a story that I did not choose. Nor did my mother choose her story. As an infant, she was adopted into a poor farm family and assigned a role for which there was no audition.

And yet, we have the capacity to choose how we will live out the story given to us. Looking at my four siblings, my two uncles and their wives in their nineties, and a host of 50 assorted family members and friends, I wondered what it means to preserve the heritage my mother gave to me, even passing on a tradition of faith and love that future generations will want and need. The success of the role I play – I hope with as much integrity and joy as I can – depends on the choices I continue to make and the grace I receive.



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KENOXIE ARCHIVES & MUSEUM's Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

The Hoxie Democrat Friday, September 17, 1886

Clyde Albin says he will open his meat market sure next Monday.

The former Ramey house is being lathed and plastered and otherwise fixed up.

The Presbyterian church which is nearing completion presents a very fine appearance.

Instruments for the Hoxie brass band have been ordered and will be here next week.

The Central Branch will issue a new time card next Sunday, shortening the time of passenger trains thirty minutes.

Our friend, A. S. Carter, who lives near the western line of our county, says that as soon as his new house is finished he will give a big dance.

O. C. Harris and family left yesterday for Central City, Neb., for a four weeks visit, after which they will return and make this their home.

A nine pound daughter was born to the family of E. Canfield last Saturday Dr. Freeman says the mother is doing exceptionally well and the baby is dandy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cain came to town last Tuesday to hear the republican speakers speak their little pieces, but did not forget to give the Democrat a social call.

Judge Horton put up two of the celebrated Perkins Wind Mills and pumps, one for the Ellithorpe hotel and one for Mr. Geo. Crane. They are giving splendid satisfaction.

C. H. Menefee left for Oberlin day before yesterday, where he will take charge of the culinary department of the St. James hotel. In losing him we lose one of the finest gents that ever lived here. We wish him success.

T. F. Whealen departed for St. John county, last Wednesday, where he will hold down his homestead in the future. Tommy is a good boy and we commend him to the tender care and protection of the people of that county.

Harvey Tatum is back again from Oregon Territory where he had gone to bring down some horses to this section. He is looking hearty and says he had a jolly good time along the trail. He was fortunate enough to sell all his ponies before he arrived here.

Last Saturday afternoon Mr. E. H. Lupton went to Grainfield, at 10 o'clock that night he boarded the west bound fast train, ate a late breakfast Sunday morning in Denver, saw a fine game of base ball, took in the sights of the great western city all day Sunday and Monday morning, at 9:30 a.m., was back to Hoxie ready to make loans to those more luckless than himself. Talk about your flying trips!

J. C. Wait showed us plans and specifications for a new two story school house which we think will fill the bill for Hoxie. One thing we desire to state that no better a carpenter than Cal lives in western Kansas. He understands his business thoroughly.

Jerry G. Mote, last Friday, while down in a 15 ft. well had the bad luck of receiving a severe wound on the cheek, caused by a good sized stone falling in on him. Had it struck him square on the head it might have killed him. As it is, he has a painful wound and experiences the tightness of a quantity of sticking plaster.

125 Years Ago September 19, 1895

Charley Evans found the city Saturday and was around among the boys all day.

Postmaster T. S. Crick, of Guy, had business in this burg Tuesday.

S. G. Hopkins and wife visited relatives at Selden the first of this week.

Geo. W. Baily and Sherm Herron strayed into and spent the day in the city Tuesday.

Uncle Jimmy Grinnell does not forget the printer. On Tuesday he left two fine musk-melons at this office.

Frankie Davidson who has been in Colorado for some time returned last week and will attend school here.

The past two weeks have been the warmest of corresponding dates Western Kansas has seen for many years.

Walt Foreman finished harvesting about sixty acres of broom corn last week and is now looking for a baler.

C. H. Eckhart and wife of Spring Brook were in town Saturday. C. H. was looking for some one to wield the birch in his district.

J. A. McKinney of the south part of the county delivered a very interesting lecture on "the harmony of music," at the school ball Tuesday evening.

Col. Schultheis sent down east and bought a fine St. Bernard pup, which arrived last week and the Col's Senatorial boom is resting while he is training the pup.

An immigrant outfit from Nebraska, passed through town Tuesday on their way to Oklahoma. They reported crops of all kinds in two-thirds of Nebraska a total failure.

The Hoxie Roller Mills have been leased by the Bellville Milling Company, of Bellville, Kansas, whose managers are expected daily. The mills will be started immediately.

Sim Tucker has been appointed postmaster at Courtland, this state, and will assume the duties immediately. Sim has many friends in this vicinity, who will be greatly rejoiced to hear of his good luck and wish him all possible success.

Mrs. L. M. Humes, of Kansas City, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Shafer, 1 ½ miles west of this city.

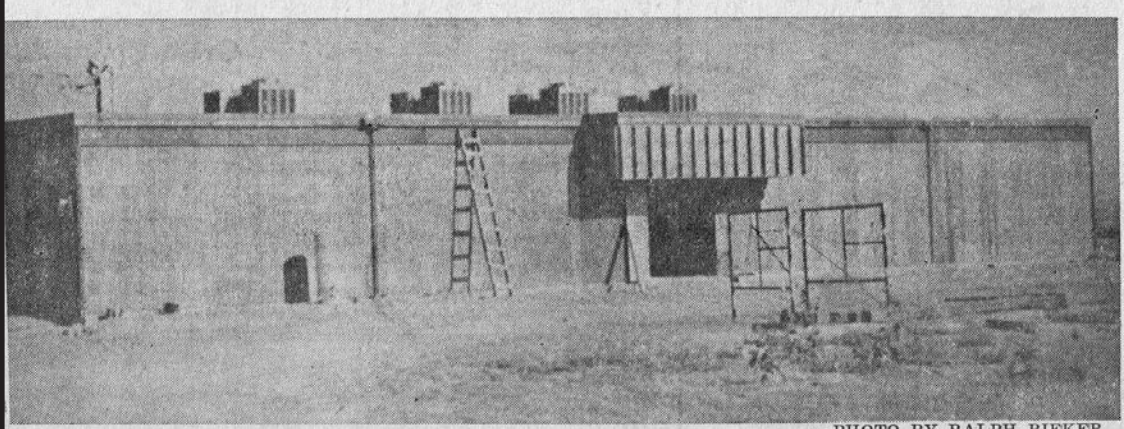
Hans Christensen of Solomon township was a financial caller at this office Friday. Mr. Christensen is one of Sheridan county's oldest settlers and it always affords us pleasure to meet his like.

W. B. Hall and wife, of Republic county, old-time friends of Ira Beery, are here on a short visit.

Selden Department

C. F. Reed and family visited at the Widow Bains last Sunday.

Initiation Held at New Elks Lodge Building for 15 Members



—PHOTO BY RALPH BIEKER

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The site of the first initiation ceremony for 15 new members on Tuesday night, Sept. 15. This brings the membership to nearly 255 in the new organization which was formed here a little more than a year ago.

New members initiated were: Benny Chambers, Warren Hills, Lee F. Wolf, A. F. Dempewolf, Victor Rall and Duane Hauser, all of Colby; Oliver Kranna-witter, Grinnell; Frank Bretz Jr., Studley; Leo Sulzman, Selden; John C. Brown, Harm Briery, Rick Urban, David Leopold, Ted Barnes and Harold Spresser, all of Hoxie.

Construction of the Hoxie Elks Lodge as it nears completion 50 years ago, September 17, 1970. (Kenoxie Archives & Museum photo)

Prof. Messmore made a trip to his farm near Menlo Saturday.

M. Thomas bought a self-feeder for his threshing outfit. They say it works fine.

Mrs. F. A. Patten came in on Tuesday last from Victor, Colo., on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Patten of this place.

J. W. Warner is threshing his grain and that too in a hurry. He has two steam threshers running on his farm at the same time and the way the wheat comes into town is a wonder. Jessie never does anything by halves.

John Woollums and Ed Lupton were on our streets early in the week. They are a pair of rattling, rustling, good boys. We need more like them in this country.

100 Years Ago September 16, 1920

Accidently Shot

Mrs. Codgill, of the Lucerne vicinity was accidently shot on Monday and is in a serious condition, her lower limbs being paralyzed.

Her two sons were playing with their gun and discharged it, possibly they were unaware of the fact that the weapon was loaded.

This is too bad and it is hoped that the unfortunate woman's life may yet be spared to her children and other loved ones.

Loses Thumb

Frank Morgan while leading a horse, Saturday, met with a painful accident which cost him his thumb.

We didn't learn the particulars but suppose the horse must have become frightened and jerked the rope which was wound around Frank's hand, pulling his thumb and one of his fingers nearly off.

He went to the Hays hospital and the doctor advised amputating his thumb, which he had done.

Local News

Farris Sloan, of Selden, was a Hoxie visitor last Friday.

Prof. Ecord, of Clayton, Kansas, is the new principal of the Hoxie City schools.

Mrs. Wilbur Brown and little son returned to their home at Ellis, Kansas, last Saturday.

Miss Zelda Steinhauer has gone to Waldo, Kansas, where she will teach school this year.

Grandma Mosier and Miss Kate Pratt, of Studley, were Hoxie visitors several days last week.

Chester Newland, Frank Strayhorn and Chester Nichols made a business trip to Garden city the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Miller, of Omaha, Nebraska, visited Mr. Miller's sister, Mrs. Dora Gunston, last week.

Hon. Frank A. McIvor spent a few days at home the first of the week resting up from a slight illness. He says home beats a hospital for him any time.

W. W. Hume, of Colby, was a Hoxie business visitor last Saturday. He is the proprietor of the Colby electric supply store and enjoys a nice business.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Anderson, of Coin, Iowa, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wiggins. Mrs. Anderson is an aunt of Mrs. Wiggins.

County Attorney Clark, wife and little son, William, Jr., and Mr. Clark's niece, Miss Catherine Clark, left the last of the week for Kentucky to visit relatives and friends.

Houck's Landing

By Remus Spaulding

Little Helen Woods was thrown from a horse Saturday morning and severely injured.

Lawrence Woods had a lively time Saturday when the horses he was working became unmanageable, cutting some capers with a wheat drill.

R. O. Edwards is making some valuable improvements on his Bow Creek farm on which he will move in the near future. These good people justly are worthy of a good home and that is what they will have when it is completed.

Valley

By Gleaner

Miss Belle Davis began teaching on Monday morning at Holly Creek school.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston and sons spent Sunday with Mrs. F. M. Ewers, at Guy.

Miss Louise Hines went to Menlo Saturday to stay with her uncle, W. H. Conard, and attend high school.

Northwest Prairie Dog

By Hooting Owl

Frank Wachendorfer and Frank Fetch went to

Denver Saturday night.

Miss Hattie Shelton is teaching at Bethany and Miss Bertha at Rosefield, this winter.

Mr. Tim Read and Miss Millie Stradley were married at Atwood last week. Congratulations.

75 Years Ago September 13, 1945

Hoxie Garden Club

Mrs. E. A. Monteith was hostess to seven other members of the Garden Club on Tuesday, September 4th.

Roll call "My Favorite Spring Bulb."

Mrs. Howard Briery was leader and gave an excellent review of the various bulbs to be planted at this time. Most popular were: Daffodil, John Evelyn, Dutch Hyacinth, grape Hyacinth, Daffodil-King Alfred, Parrot Tulip, Fragrant Narcissus.

Plans were made for the Annual Flower Show to be held Saturday, September 15, at the Legion Home. Everyone is asked to participate with an entry of flower, fruit, vegetables, or canned items.

Local Happenings

Mrs. Mildred Ahring and two daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Henry of San Diego, California, are visiting Mrs. Frank Pratt this week.

Ed Toothaker, brother of C. E. and Miss Maggie Toothaker, died this past week in California. His death followed a long illness and operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Curtis and little daughter spent this past week-end in Cawker City, Cedar and Kensington.

Lieutenant Tom Pratt was over Hoxie last Thursday in a C-46. He was piloting a group of officers on army business. He flew the plane over town and had wired his mother from Denver but she did not receive the message in time. Tom was stationed at Blytheville Air Field, Arkansas.

Miss Helen Shaw has re-entered college at Hays. She is a senior in the commercial department. Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Shaw accompanied her to Hays this past Sunday.

Miss Marie Cooper has enrolled in Kansas State College of Hays. Mrs. W. W. Cooper and Bill Cooper took Marie to Hays Monday and got her established there.

Society News

The Roscoe Blackford family and Mrs. Vernon Mickey and two children had dinner Tuesday evening with the Earl Leopolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tice and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Organ had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Davis.

The George Weeks', Kenneth and Florence and Percy Robb drove to the home of Mrs. Brobst and family near Stockton last Saturday. They spent the weekend there. Mrs. Brobst is an aunt of Mrs. Weeks.

Leoville

Miss Dee Schroer, a graduate nurse of St. Francis School of Nursing at Wichita, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Louise Schroer and other relatives.

School started last Monday with an enrollment of 62. There are twenty-four high school students staying in town while attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Rogers of Jennings were visitors of Mrs. Margaret Sapp and daughters on Sunday evening.

Tasco Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Cressler are moving back in the Tasco neighborhood.

Mrs. Gene Pfeifer and two children returned home Friday from Denver where they have been visiting relatives.

Harold Getz went to Norton Thursday and spent the remainder of the week with his sister and family.

Allison News

The Allison Ladies' Aid served lunch at the Ida Lieber Sale.

Silo filling is in progress at the Charlie Follis farm.

Glen Howard Perrin is visiting relatives and friends here. He recently returned from England. He spent some time in Denver with his wife who is employed there.

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Broadway News

Paul Breeden spent the past week at home from service. We understand he will be leaving soon for Vietnam.

Mrs. Jim Mader and Shelly and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. George Simon Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Albert Popp and Mrs. Ande Hauk returned Alberta Popp to her school at Manhattan Thursday.

Studley Items

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Riedel and Susie and Mr. and Mrs. Dick O'Dowd and Vickie and Larry Riedel of Colby visited the Pioneer Village at Minden, Nebr. on Sunday, Sept. 6.

G and G Club opened again Thursday by enjoying a bounteous roast pork dinner with Mrs. Esther Brandt. Eleven members and one visitor, Mrs. Jessie Kelley were present.

Charlie Davis attended baseball games in Kansas City over the weekend.

Tom Tom Tribune

Junior Sales A Success - The Q. S. P. Company sponsored the magazine sales for the Junior class between the dates of Aug. 27 and Sept. 10. The two teams were led by their captains Marilyn Weeks and LaDonna Vaughn. Marilyn's team managed to sell \$700 more magazines. The total for both teams, \$3201.68, was close to the school record of \$3251.

The three high salesmen were Marilyn Weeks, Ronna Neuenschwander, and Rick Moss. Prizes available were pins, Snoopy dogs, and pillows.

Mickey's Want Ads

Black & Decker sanders, jig saws, drills, saws and the accessories. Special jig saw and table \$24.88.

Several men were discussing just what people want most from a new car. Dependability, replied the first; styling replied another; economy, stated a third. When a fourth man appeared, he was asked what he wanted most out of his new car. "My teenage son," he countered.

Dove season in on and we have plenty of dove loads, gun oil, cleaners, and that good WD40.

Seguin Items

Mrs. Margaret Stephens was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stephens and family of Grinnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ostmeyer and family of Garden City were Friday night and Saturday guests of the Rietchecks. They were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ostmeyer of Oakley.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mannebach and Willie were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William Heim and Billy.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tribble were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Tice, Avis and Kim of Hoxie.

Victory Club met with Mrs. Gayle Bainter Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Hallie VanVleet, Mrs. Ura Long and Mrs. Earl Hartzog and Mike were visitors.

Mrs. Lee Walker attended a YWY team picnic at Jennings Tuesday evening.

25 Years Ago September 14, 1995

Hoxie Undefeated on Home Court

The Indians defended their home court Thursday, Sept. 5, walking away with two wins. Oakley and Quinter were both defeated by the Indians.

The match against Quinter went into three games with the Bulldogs coming up short. The varsity team defeated Quinter 9-15, 15-12, 15-5. Five members of the team had 100 percent serving.

Hoxie beat the Plainsmen in two games 15-3, 15-6. The Indians blocked five of Oakley's spikes.

Rexford News

The American Legion Veterans Affairs Tour, formerly called Coffee Tour, will stop in Rexford on Sept. 12. The local Legion Post invites interested citizens to attend this meeting at the Rexford Café at 7:30 a.m. for a dutch-treat breakfast. Each year new information is passed on concerning benefits, veterans concerns, and coming events.

A carry-in dinner was held at the Rexford Community church Sunday, Sept. 3 to honor the Sunday School teachers and other church workers. Over 50 people attended.

McGraw News

Mrs. Jim Bainter accompanied Mrs. Lonnie Kinderknecht of Colby to Colorado Springs for a Christian Women's Retreat Thursday through Saturday. Brenda Bainter of Denver joined them on Saturday.

Norma Tice was a Thursday overnight guest of Mrs. Bill Vahling and Josh visited Norma Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter visited Sunday evening.

Jennings-Allison News

Winning at pitch at the senior center Saturday evening was a tie between Eleanor Morel and Claudine Bennett. High in pinocle was Jay Kump. Others present were Ray Bennett, Wayne and Louise Cressler, Bob and Shirley White, Rosa Brock, Mary Votapka, and Alice Mizer.

Sunday evening dinner guests of Frances Bader were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jennings, and Deb and Dennis Bader.

Selden Happenings

Laura Berls was hostess at the senior citizens on Thursday, Sept. 7. Fansion Juenemann gave the monthly financial report. Everyone signed a birthday card for Margaret Sloan. High was won by Cecelia Ottley, second by Gertie Fleckenstein and low by Hazel Dreiling.

On Friday, Sept. 8, Leone Porsch went to Oberlin to have lunch with her daughter, Julia Otter at a café.

NWKS News

Smoky Hills PBS Receives Grant

The Sherman County Community Foundation (SCCF) has awarded Smoky Hills PBS with a grant for \$1,500 to support the Smoky Hills PBS' literacy initiative program in Sherman County.

The grant will support the following:

- Children's Programming on Smoky Hills PBS
- Book distribution program that will provide books to children in head start and early head start programs in Sherman County.

The Sherman County Community Foundation has been a longtime supporter of Smoky Hills PBS," said Haley Gagnon, Smoky Hills PBS Special Events Coordinator. "It's through the support of our communities and foundations like SCCF that Smoky Hills PBS is able to provide our youngest viewers with the resources they need to engage in a lifelong love of learning!"

The Sherman County Foundation is committed to providing opportunities for the people of Northwest Kansas to enjoy the highest possible quality of life. The foundation advances its mission by investing in the areas of education, health care, economic development, community social services and security, conservation and environment, arts and culture and community beautification.

Smoky Hills PBS serves 71 counties in central and western Kansas. It is available on many cable systems, DirecTV, and Dish Network. More information on Smoky Hills PBS and its programs and projects are available at www.SmokyHillsPBS.org or by calling 1-800-337-4788.

Farm to Fork Dinner Tickets Now on Sale

Downtown Hays Development Corporation (DHDC) and Gella's Diner are excited to present the fifth annual Farm to Fork Dinner Event on October 15 inside the newly renovated Strand Event Center. This incredible five-course meal is always an unforgettable evening, and 2020 will be no different.

Gella's Diner & Lb. Brewing Co.'s Executive Chef, Manuel Hernandez, will once again prepare the evening delicacies. Chef Hernandez delights in telling each course's story and takes guests on a journey through his experience with each dish. The menu will be announced via Facebook by the end of this week.

Each local grower and producer who contributes ingredients to the meal will also be recognized and thanked for their hard work and commitment to providing local food sources. Nearly every ingredient is thanks to Downtown

Hansen Foundation Initiative for Early Childhood Education

The Dane G. Hansen Foundation is pleased to announce a new, 5-year pilot initiative for licensed childcare centers in Northwest Kansas.

NW Kansas Cares for Kids includes three new grant opportunities for childcare centers that meet the following criteria:

- licensed by the State of Kansas for at least 13 children
- accepting children ages 2-weeks to 6-years of age
- open at least 3, and less than 24 hours a day
- located within the Hansen Foundation's 26-county service area

Home-based day care businesses, licensed group homes and preschools are not eligible.

Grants from the Hansen Foundation are available only to nonprofit centers. For-profit centers that meet the above criteria can apply for similar assistance through the Northwest Kansas Economic Innovation Center, Inc. (www.nwkeici.org).

The initiative includes three new grants designed to assist childcare centers in attracting and retaining quality staff, as well as to provide the tools needed to educate young children so they start school ready to continue learning.

The Early Childhood Education Staff Support Grant is designed to provide financial recognition for early childhood staff, reduce costs associated with staff turnover, and stabilize the workforce. Fewer staff changes are also a quality factor for children attending the centers. The grant provides bonuses every 6 months for full-time (30 hours/week) staff who remain at the same center. Bonus amounts range from \$250 to \$800. In addition, center directors are provided funds for additional discretionary bonuses.

Hays Market vendors and other local producers. Many of those vendors attend the event, so guests get to meet the farmers behind the food.

The 2020 event will be the third time the event has been hosted inside the historic Strand Theatre, but the first time the venue has been completely restored.

Dustin and Laney Roths recently bought the over 5,000-square-foot building at 1102 Main. Much of the building's original look has been restored into the new design, bringing back much of the architectural touches. The Farm to Fork Dinner will only be the fourth event inside the Strand Event Center.

Dinner begins promptly at 6:00 pm with hor d'oeuvres and a local wine sampling. As guests arrive, each one will be entered into a drawing to win handcrafted gifts from vari-

A second grant covers the cost of the comprehensive Montessori education curriculum, which includes training videos and instructions for teachers as well as time-tested, high-quality learning tools and manipulatives designed to last for many years. Each center may apply one time for up to \$5,000 in materials.

The third grant in the initiative offers childcare centers up to \$1,000 each year for up to 5 years to purchase high-quality children's books to create or enhance the center's library.

Grants will be awarded two times a year, in November and May. Applications will be accepted at any time but are due by October 30, 2020 and April 25, 2021. Late applications will not be considered until the next deadline. Grants will be awarded annually in November and May for up to five years. The application is restricted to qualifying centers and requires an access code.

For more information, worksheets and applications, visit our website: danehansenfoundation.org. Click on the NW Kansas Cares for Kids logo on the home page.

Two zoom conferences have been scheduled for eligible centers to learn more about these grant opportunities:

September 15, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. or September 17, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

RSVP to: RSVP@danehansenfoundation.org

- Include:
- your name
 - the center you represent
 - city/county where your center is located
 - which session you wish to attend
 - the email address where we can send the invitation with the Zoom link

ous Downtown Hays Market vendors. The remaining courses will begin at 7:00 pm.

Traditionally tables at this event are set up in a classic banquet style setting or long rows of rectangle tables. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, this is the most significant change.

Tickets went on sale Monday, September 14, at 8:00 am. In-office, tickets are \$60 for a single or \$450 for a table of eight. Stop by 1200 Main Street to purchase. Online tickets are \$65 for a single or \$455 for a table of eight. Visit www.downtownhays.com to

Kansas Businesses Ask Governor Not to Release Locations of COVID-19 Cases

A coalition of Kansas businesses on Wednesday sent a letter to Governor Laura Kelly asking her not to move forward with her administration's plans to release the names of businesses and locations with active cases of COVID-19.

"We are unsure what the benefit of this disclosure offers, other than a public shaming of businesses where an outbreak occurs," said Kansas Chamber President and CEO Alan Cobb. "That said, we are curious what legal basis or authority exists for the state to adopt this policy and whether the governor and her administration have considered any possible legal ramifications against either the state or a business impacted by this policy decision. We have seen Kansas businesses go above and beyond the call to protect their employees, customers, and Kansans during the last five months."

General Contractors of Kansas, Kansas Livestock Association, Kansas Bankers Association, National Federation of Independent Businesses, The Builders Association and Wichita Regional Chamber of Commerce joined the Kansas Chamber on the letter to the governor. They represent thousands of Kansas businesses of all sizes and industries, located across the state.

"Kansas businesses are committed to safely reopening and are doing what they can to stop the spread of the virus. It is vital to the health and safety of their employees and customers - and to their survival," Cobb said. "Rather than public shaming businesses, some who are barely able to keep their doors open because of COVID-19 related restrictions, the governor and her administration should focus their energies on our state's economic recovery and what they can do to help businesses stay open. In times of crises, Kansans work together. They don't tear down others."

purchase. Only 104 total tickets will be sold.

For more information, please visit www.downtownhays.com or reach out to Allie Glidewell at 785.621.4171 or allie@downtownhays.com



Preacher's Point

By
Pastor Timothy Johnson



America In Scripture

Over the years, people have tried to place America in the end-time events of Scripture. It is difficult for many to accept that a nation as powerful as the United States is not a prominent player in the last days; therefore, it must be there.

The reason for the first paragraph is when people see a title such as, "America In Scripture," they automatically think of prophecy.

Unless you want to point at the verses speaking of "all nations" or "every nation," there is no mention of America in Biblical prophecy. Yet, the American system weaves throughout the fabric of Scripture.

The American Government

The Founding Fathers understood men are sinners; people are corrupt. Therefore, to have a man-based system would only add to the degeneracy. A system outlined by God was needed to limit the amount of corruptness as much as possible.

The men of the Constitutional Convention found their answer in Isaiah 33:22, "For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us."

This verse gives America its three branches of government.

Judge - the judicial branch.
Lawgiver - the legislative branch.

King - the executive branch.
The checks and balances between the three branches attempt to keep a person or group from gaining absolute power, which corrupts absolutely.

John Adams, America's second President and one of the Declaration of Independence framers, believed the Declaration was grounded in Christian principles. Quoting Adams, "The Declaration of Independence laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity."

Adams felt the same about the Constitution. Adams said, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

The American Economy

The free enterprise system or capitalism is a Biblical principle. Ecclesiastes 2:24, "There is nothing better for a

man, *than* that he should eat and drink, and *that* he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it *was* from the hand of God."

The results of hard work come from God. God wants us to enjoy the things He has given us. The verse mentions that a person's soul should enjoy the profit of his labor. In other words, a person should enjoy their job or profession. God wants us to enjoy going to work. Even in the capitalistic system, many people hate their jobs. This hatred of the job may be more an indication of their lack of understanding God's will in their lives instead of a judgment of the economic system.

Another similar verse, Ecclesiastes 3:13, "And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it is the gift of God." Both of these verses say people should enjoy the good of their labor.

Continuing with the American economy in Scripture, God describes a virtuous woman in Proverbs 31. Much of her activities are involved in a free economy.

In Proverbs 31:16, the woman deals in real estate, showing she has a business sense as she works a vineyard on her land. Notice we have the principles of private enterprise and private ownership of property all in one verse describing a godly woman.

In verse twenty of Proverbs 31, we see the woman giving to the poor. A distinction is needed here. The earlier verses from Ecclesiastes explain a person should enjoy what they earn. Here in Proverbs, we see the individual, not the government taking care of the poor. God wants people to be benevolent; the purpose of government is to protect, not provide.

Freedom of Worship and Speech

Some wonder how the American Constitution can be intertwined with Christian principles and still uphold the separation of church and state. The Constitution says the government will not establish a religion. What it says is what it meant. We had just fought a war to release ourselves from the tyranny of a king. The Church of England was the state-established church in England. The founders did not want the government to dictate the church membership of the citizenry.

The Christian Bible gives us the foundation for freedom of religion and speech. Revelation 22:17 "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

God wants everyone to believe in Him, but He will force no one. "Whosoever will" is His edict. Your choice

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 Decatur Health is accepting applications for the following positions:

Procedure Nurse, Part Time (0.72 FTE) - with the option to go Full Time. Current licensure as a Registered Nurse in the State of Kansas is required. The Procedure Nurse provides direct nursing care to patients before, during, and after outpatient minor surgical procedures and administered specialty medications by infusion or injection. This position is responsible for scheduling, equipment, and supply management, completing appropriate documentation, and other department related duties.

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Cross Country Team Turns ‘Lemons into Lemonade’

By Tom Friess
The Hoxie Indians rolled into Quinter for their annual invitational where cool temps awaited the high school in stark contrast to the meet at Thomas Moore Prep (TMP). The team was to run shorthanded this day with injuries and other incidents unfortunately sidelining some key members.

Samantha Robben was our lone girl entry and she made it her goal to try to run to a Top-10 finish. Sam ran, what I believe to be, the best race of her career, as she ended up with a 7th placed medal and she bested her time from TMP by 3:59. Quite an improvement for one week and a testimony to her sticking to her plan and having confidence to press on.

The JV race had three Hoxie runners entered and each was able to set a new personal record (PR). Levi Gleason continued his early success with a one-minute PR and his first ever win in his second ever race. Owen Walker's fourth place finish also produced a new PR. A two-minute PR earned Macon Sekavec 8th place in a race that saw him get stronger as he got deeper into the competition.

In the varsity boys' race, the team hoped for another team championship but were running without three of

their top five place winners from TMP. Yet every starting line is a new opportunity, and we started the race in hopes of cashing in on that opportunity. The harriers were once again led by Gabriel Friess who raced to a first-place finish in a time that broke the 17-minute benchmark and established a new all-time Hoxie High School best. He was followed by Kane Epp in 8th place as he broke the 20-minute barrier and Zach Cooper in 10th place. Both of these young men ran almost one minute faster than at TMP. Adam Heim rounded out our scoring with an 18th place finish. He improved his time by a whopping 4:56 and a new PR.

The team earned a 3rd place finish, missing out on a trophy, but not for want of trying. These guys ran better than I could have hoped for as they stepped up to the plate and tried to make lemonade out of the lemons that we had been handed that day. I am proud of each of our team members and I look for further improvement as these athletes step up to work hard in practice to make themselves better each day. And we look forward to our teammates regaining their health and returning to action.



Senior Gabe Friess took record-breaking first-place finish at the Quinter Invitational that broke the 17-minute benchmark and established a new all-time Hoxie High School best. (HHS photo)

TMP Monarch Cross Country Invitational

By Tom Friess
The Hoxie cross country teams, boys and girls, middle and high school, opened their season on September 5 in Hays at the Monarch Invitational on TMP's campus. Warm temps and higher than normal humidity made for some tough running conditions, but the Indian squads were up to the task.

The 7th graders opened the season for our squads as each ran their first race. Michael Haffner took to the lead at the 600m mark and never looked back as he raced to the victory, breaking the six-minute benchmark. Draden Herl and Nick Robben both bettered their best practice times to finish in 15th and 17th in the boys' race. Adleigh Ziegler ran to a 10th place medal in the girls' race, securing her place with a strong sprint to the finish line. She also bettered her best practice time.

The 8th graders were to

follow with a 2-mile race. The three girls entered toed the line and the race began. The Indians were led by Izzie Baier as she raced to a 3rd place finish in her first race in a Hoxie uniform. Hilde Heskett earned the 9th place medal in her first ever cross-country competition and Makenna Heim ran her inaugural race in 15th place despite struggling with breathing.

The Freshman-Sophomore race was next on the docket and five Hoxie boys stood at the start. Drew Bretz led the charge and raced to a first-place finish. This, after consecutive years where he had earned 2nd place, was a well-deserved and decisive win. This season the runner-up was once again an Indian as Connor Diercks rode a strong finish to place 2nd. Kane Epp was close behind in 4th place and Levi Gleason also medaled in 13th place in his first ever CC

competition. Owen Walker earned 19th place to round out our freshman who were each running their first 5K and all came up with strong performances.

The last race of the day was the Junior-Senior division. We had two girls and five boys entered as we ran sophomore Macon Sekavec up due to a five-runner limit per division. In this race the team members once again performed well as Gabriel Friess nabbed top honors in a course record time. Clay Johnson and Zach Cooper ran together almost the entire race and finished with the same time earning the 11th and 12th place medals respectively. Adam Heim fought his way to a 21st place finish and he was followed into the chute by Macon in 22nd place. Emily Diercks ran to yet another first-place finish for the Indians as she earned her second championship in three years. Samantha Robben took home the 13th place medal in a race which took everything she had, but her competitiveness got her to the finish.

The boys' team also had a great day as they earned 1st place based on the best five places from both races. Their five-person total of 19 points is a really strong score as we look to compete in future events.

It was a great day for our team and the kids found out a lot about racing and competing against other runners and themselves. We look forward to building on what they accomplished at TMP.

Hoxie Works Hard at Greeley County Invitational

By Tom Friess
On Saturday, September 12, the middle school made the long trip to Tribune for a cross country meet. The day was sunny and calm as the team took to the course to race the two miles laid out on the golf course.

The girls went to the starting line first and prepared to run. Once again, Izzie Baier was the first Indian across the finish line. While she was 3rd overall, she was the first 8th grader and received the gold medal for her effort. Hilde Heskett was next through the

chute as she placed 14th in the 8th grade division. Adleigh Ziegler ran her first ever two-mile race and was able to place 19th in the 7th grade division. Makenna Heim finished in 19th place in the 8th grade division, but her time was good for a 39 second PR.

The boys were all guaranteed PR's as they are all 7th graders and were stepping up to the two-mile race distance. Michael Haffner was our first finisher as he negotiated the course to finish 7th overall, which was good for 4th in the 7th grade division. His time set a new course record for Hoxie Middle School. Draden Herl traversed the hilly Tribune course in 14:58, which was good for 16th place. Nick Robben finished in 24th place in the 43-athlete field.

The middle schoolers are starting to come around as runners. They are finding more success in practices and can now see how that affects their performances at meets, and while they have to overcome the ups and downs associated with distance running, we look for them to begin to have more and more strong workouts as the season progresses.

Counselor Corner

By Chris Lee
Fort Hays State offers first-time, full-time, on-campus freshman students the opportunity to receive an automatic and renewable scholarship based on a combination of their ACT/SAT score and GPA. Students may be eligible to receive up to \$15,000 in scholarship funds automatically.

You can use the Scholarship Estimator at <https://bit.ly/3bXd2ZL>. If you have questions you can email tigers@fhsu.edu. And don't forget the general and departmental scholarships at <https://bit.ly/3bWhRm9>.

Northwest Tech is offering both on-campus and live virtual

tours through platforms like Zoom and Facetime. Technical schools have a unique feel, so campus visits are a must. To set up a tour go to <https://bit.ly/3iwP2iq>. The college process can feel overwhelming for seniors, but Camp College is designed to relieve some of that stress. During this virtual event, students will have the chance to apply to schools with the help of admissions staff and counselors. After completing their application, they'll be able to attend sessions that cover preparing for college, paying for school, and other resources available for them.

Camp College will be held Tuesday, September 22, from 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. CDT,

and Wednesday, September 30, 5:30 to 8:00 P.M. CDT. You can register for this at <https://bit.ly/32uB7nN>. If you have trouble registering go to the organization's website: <https://www.gpacac.net/>.

The Watershed Science Internship is available to students major or coursework in civil/environmental engineering, water resources, hydrology, biology, chemistry, environmental science, or a related field. An interest in environmental and water quality issues. Willingness to learn and ability to work independently. GIS experience. You can find out more about this Internship and many

scholarships at fastweb.com.

IMPORTANT DATES:
September 17 (ACT has been giving some grace here): Registration deadline for October 10, 17, 24, and 25 ACT
September 23: ACT Prep at NKESC
November 1: Early action deadline at KU; Freshman Merit Scholarship deadline at WSU
November 6: Registration deadline for the December 12 ACT
November 15: Priority Deadline for Scholarships at FHSU
December 1: KU Scholarship/FAFSA Early Notification Deadline; KSU Premier Scholarship deadline
December 11: Deadline for Rudd Scholarship
February 15: Final deadline for scholarships at FHSU.

Week of: Monday ~ Friday September 21 ~ September 25				
USD 412 Hoxie Community School BREAKFAST				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sep - 21 MINN PANCAKE WRAPS CEREAL PEACHES, DICED JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 22 CHEERIOS ST. BERRY BAR CEREAL PINEAPPLE TIDBITS JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 23 SLIDER BUN WEGG&CHEESE CEREAL APPLESAUCE JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 24 B.FAST PIZZA CEREAL PEAR, DICED JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 25 BISCUIT&GRAVY CEREAL MANDARIN ORANGES JUICE, VARIETY MILK
LUNCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sep - 21 BRD.CHICKEN PTY./WW BUN BAKED BEANS MIXED VEGETABLES SALAD PINEAPPLE TIDBITS ORANGE WEDGES MILK	Sep - 22 STROMBOLI CURLEY FRIES CORN SALAD MANDARIN ORANGES APPLE HALF MILK	Sep - 23 HAMBURGER ON A BUN CRINKLED CUT FRIES MIXED VEGETABLES SALAD APPLESAUCE FRUIT CUP MILK	Sep - 24 MAC & CHEESE /W.SMOKIES PEAS SALAD BREADSTICK PEAR, DICED FROZEN FRUIT BALLS MILK	Sep - 25 PEPP.PIZZA STUFFED CRUST CORN SALAD PEACHES, DICED STRAWBERRY DESSERT MILK



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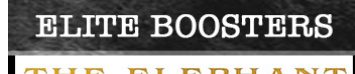
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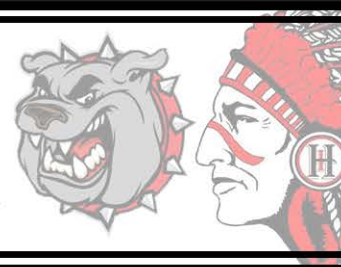
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GPHS Homecoming Candidates



Golden Plains High School will hold their Homecoming Crowning on Friday, September 18, at half time of the football game against Greeley County in Rexford. Candidates and attendants include (front l-r) Emma Weiner, Carli Nieman, Kloie Kuper, Ashley Stoll, McHaley Carter; (back l-r) Tayten Barnett, Jovanny Infante, Kole Butts, Rojelio Loya, Mason Green. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

Bulldogs Fall to Cougars in Season Opener

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldog Football team fell to the Cheylin Cougars 6-61 in their season opener in Rexford on September 4. "We were caught off guard," said senior Rojelio Loya. "You could tell they had worked out all summer and have played together as a team for a long time."

The Bulldogs won the toss and chose to receive but the ball rolled off the Dogs' hands and the Cougars recovered. Led by seniors Wade Rush and Rojelio Loya, the Dogs tried to stop the Cougars, but they quickly scored a touchdown and connected on a PAT pass for an early 7-0 lead.

The Dogs received the kick, this time junior Jovanny Infante downed the ball at midfield. Roberto Loya and Rojelio Loya each had short carries, but the Dogs couldn't achieve a first down and Rush punted it back to the Cougars. The Cougars quickly scored again to lead 14-0.

Nothing seemed to go right for the Dogs as they worked hard but a fumble recovered by the Cougars converted again to a 21-0 lead.

The Dogs made some short gains, but the Cougars added two more scores in the first extending their lead. With :37 on the clock in the first, the Dogs finally connected on a pass from Rojelio Loya to Rush who finished the quarter with the Bulldogs only score of the game and a first quarter score of 6-34 in favor of the Cougars.

Cheylin opened the second with another touchdown and extra point to extend their lead. Despite some big tackles by senior Toby Korte, Rush, and Rojelio Loya, the Cougars were able to score once more. The Loya brothers made some good gains but Cheylin took over to score twice more. The Dogs attempted to pass as the second quarter clock wound down, but time ran out giving Cheylin the win 61-6.

"It was a frustrating loss," continued Loya, "but the season is not over. We need to prepare for the next game and for the next time we meet up with them." The Bulldogs will be on the road as they travel to Weskan on September 11 for a 3:00 pm game.

JV Girls Claim Wins

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV Volleyball team added another win to their season with a two-set victory over Greeley County in Tribune on September 8.

The girls easily won the first set 25-13. The second set was closer by the Bulldogs pulled off the win 25-22. "It was a fun game," said Mia Rogers. "Although we still need to work on our communication, it was good to get another win!"

The JV girls will be back on the court September 15 as they travel to Victoria to play the Knights and the Northern Valley Huskies.

SENIORS ON THEIR FINAL JOURNEY



The seniors and their parental guardians stand proudly on the football field before Friday's home game. (WHS photo)

By Nevaeh Nelson, Staff reporter

On Friday, September 4, the Wheatland High School seniors had their recognition before the football game with Axtell. The members of the 2021 graduating class

are Aubri Iverson, Jailey Gallentine, Luke Bixenman, Trevor Zarybnicky, Johnny Phillips, Isaiah Dickman, Elliot Godek, Kirsten Schroeder, Wendell Mong, and Evelyn Resendez.

Luke is the son of Ron and Nancy Bixenman. He has been involved in Football, Basketball, Electric Car, Track, and Student Council.

Isaiah is the son of Jeremy and Lori Dickman. He has participated in Golf, Scholars Bowl, FCCLA, and Student Council.

Jailey is the daughter of Jerry and Amanda Gallentine. She is senior class president. She has been involved in Scholars Bowl, Forensics, NHS, DTP, Volleyball manager, Football manager, Art Club, KidWind, Math Relays, Junior and Sophomore class officer.

Elliot is the son of Dan and Nicole Godek. He is Senior Class Vice President. Elliot has been active in Football, Basketball, Golf, NHS, Scholar's Bowl, Forensics, DTP, Art Club, FCCLA, Electric Car, and Math Relays.

Aubri is the daughter of Justin and Samantha Iversen. Her activities have included Volleyball, NHS, Forensics, DTP, and she served as Junior Class president.

Wendell Mong is the son of Marilyn Mong and the late Tim Mong. He is Electric Car President and Senior Class Treasurer. Wendell has been involved in Football, Scholars Bowl, Golf, and Electric Car.

Johnny Phillips is the grandson of Monty and Barb Phillips. He has participated in Football and Track.

Evelyn Resendez is the

sister of Eli Resendez. Evelyn has played volleyball and is a member of the DTP.

Kirsten Schroeder is the daughter of Brad and Cindy Schroeder. She is the senior class STUCO representative. Kirsten has been involved in Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Cheerleading, Student Council, League Testing, and FCCLA.

Trevor is the son of Walt and Julie Dickman and Ed and Carla Zarybnicky. Trevor is Electric Car Vice President and Senior Class President. He has participated in Football, Basketball, Track, Leadership workshops, NHS, Electric Car, and Student Council.

The Senior Class officers are Jailey Gallentine as President, Elliot Godek as Vice President, Wendell Mong as Treasurer, and Trevor Zarybnicky as Secretary.

Jailey Gallentine said, "This year has been pretty hectic and hard to keep track of, but senior night put four years of work into focus. Being acknowledged helps make the transition into senior year more real."

All of the seniors have been involved heavily in many school activities and contribute a significant depth to the school. Good luck to all the seniors in their final year of high school!

Applied Tech Inventions

By Mary McDonald, Staff Reporter

Applied tech is a unique option for a math class that is offered to WHS upperclassmen. Applied tech focuses on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities. In Ms. Dianne Wetters' applied tech class, students learn about each area of STEM. The applied tech class is planning to partner up with the Kansas Energy Program to conduct an energy audit to improve lighting, heating, and cooling in our school district.

Ms. Wetter said "Applied tech exposes students to many concepts in the STEM areas. Science, technology, engineering, and math are all

very important career paths in today's world."

Students have started out the year strong with many accomplishments in applied tech already. Junior Tyrell Chapin built a robotic hydraulic arm. Another important accomplishment is that Senior Jailey Gallentine is working on coding. Once she is able to understand that, she can code the drone, the TI calculator robot, and other various robots. Senior Wendell Mong is using the program Inventor to design a three-dimensional robot hand that he will be able to 3D print. Wendell Mong is also working with Junior Trey Vincent on designing a house in Revit. Once their house

is designed, it will show plumbing, electrical, and outdoor landscaping. Junior Braden Gormley is using Inventor to animate how the top of a nut gets screwed on.



Senior Tyrell Chapin with his applied tech project. (WHS photo)

Kicking Off the New Season

By Anna Godek, Staff Reporter

On September 4, the Thunderhawk football team started off their 2020 season with a home game against Axtell. Kickoff was at 6pm because Axtell had a four-hour drive. The Thunderhawks fought very hard but lost to the Axtell Eagles with an ending score of 58-18. MaxPreps overall player of the game was Senior Wendell Mong.

Wendell said, "As a team we didn't perform to our full potential, but we are looking forward to seeing them later in the season."

The next Thunderhawk football game will be at Kinsley, Friday, September 11. Go out and support the Thunderhawk boys to a victory!



Junior Trey Vincent getting ready to throw the ball. (WHS photo)

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9/21/20
4pm VB MS @ Atwood
9/22/20
4:30pm VB HS @ Quinter
9/24/20
4:30pm VB/FB MS vs @ Palco
5pm XC V @ Hill City
9/25/20
7pm FB V @ Natoma
9/26/20
1pm VB V @ Tribune

WHEATLAND SCHEDULE

9/22/20
4pm VB V @ Winona
9/24/20
Electric Car @ Hays
9/25/20
7pm FB V @ Quinter

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Farm News

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Kansas Corn: EPA Denies Retroactive Refinery Waivers, Opens Door for Additional E15 Availability

The Kansas Corn Growers Association (KCGA) welcomed the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) denial of 54 of 68 pending gap-year small refinery exemptions (SREs) to oil refiners. Fourteen retroactive waiver requests remain under review. Additionally, EPA has not ruled on 31 waiver requests under consideration for 2019 and 2020.

Today's announcement confirms news reports that President Trump had directed EPA to deny the retroactive refinery exemption requests. The retroactive SRE requests were an attempt to skirt the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) and circumvent a Tenth Circuit Court decision which ruled EPA had overstepped its authority in granting several small refinery waivers. KCGA President Brent Rogers, Hoxie, said the decision was a step forward in protecting the RFS, the law that provides market access for ethanol producers.

"This will help alleviate some of the pressure our ethanol and corn producers have been feeling from EPA's handling of the RFS. However, we are still waiting to hear EPA's decision on the 31 refinery waiver requests for 2019 and 2020," Rogers said. "EPA has used the refinery exemptions to destroy demand for billions of gallons of ethanol in the past few years, which eliminated demand for at least 1.5 billion bushels of corn."

In a January ruling, the Tenth Circuit Court unanimously found EPA had "abused its discretion" in the way it granted small refinery exemptions. The ruling said some exemptions should not have been granted because they were not extensions of existing exemptions. After the decision was announced, small refineries flooded EPA with 67 "gap year" extensions, some dating back to 2011, in an attempt to establish chains of continuously-extended exemptions.

"Basically, they were trying to go back in time and create a chain of exemptions that would hold up in court, and at the same time, they would get retroactive RFS exemptions," according to KCGA CEO Greg Krissek. "If it worked, it would be a win-win for the oil refineries, and it would be another big market loss for corn and ethanol producers."

Kansas Corn also welcomed EPA's announcement that the agency is moving to update E15 labels to ensure consumers have informed choices at the pump and clarify the ability of existing fuel infrastructure to support expanded E15 use.

KCGA represents over 1,200 corn farmers in legislative and regulatory issues and works with the Kansas Corn Commission and its partners to build markets for corn and corn products.



The Start of Fall Harvest

By Greg Doering, Kansas Farm Bureau

September is the bridge between summer and fall. The sun's angle is still high enough to provide plenty of warmth, but its light fades faster in the evening. Cottonwoods are already dropping golden leaves. Football seasons are underway even if tailgating is on hiatus for the year. And across Kansas, September is when fall harvest starts in earnest.

For those of us not working in the fields, the most visible sign of harvest will be combines, tractors, grain carts and other slow-moving implements on the road. Remember to be on the lookout for these vehicles. Take your time and pass only when it's safe. Like you, farmers are anxious to be off the road and at their destination.

But for the next few weeks, the roads will be busy because unlike the mad dash to bring in wheat in early summer, fall harvest is a marathon.

Harvest started for Haskell County farmer Paige Clawson in August when corn silage was chopped. Clawson says they wrapped up their dryland corn harvest about a week before cold, wet weather brought everything to a halt.

"We're hoping to get back in the field (this) week," she says of the wait for irrigated corn to ripen. "The past few years we've had pretty phenomenal dryland corn, and I think this dryland corn would be an average to below average western Kansas dryland corn crop. Nothing to write home about."

Clawson says she hasn't seen the numbers on the final yields. "It was lower than I'd like to see but isn't that always the answer."

In south central Kansas, Stafford County farmer Justin Vosburgh took advantage of the rain to prep his machinery to be in the fields in a week or so.

"I'm actually excited for this fall harvest," Vosburgh says. "I think it's one of the best dryland crops we will cut in Stafford, Edwards, Pawnee and Pratt counties in a long time. Irrigated looks good, too."

Weather permitting, Vosburgh says he hopes to start harvest by mid-September and will spend the next six to eight weeks hauling in corn, milo and soybeans and planting next year's wheat crop.

"Mother Nature plays a huge role," he says. "Basically, from the 15th of September to the 31st of October, we'll either be in the harvest field or we'll be drilling wheat. It's probably the busiest time of the year for us. A lot will happen."

While the recent rains didn't come in time to boost Clawson's dryland corn, it did perk up the milo.

"You can tell where you rotated milo and had summer fallow and where you didn't," she says. "I think a couple recent rains have saved the crop that was going backward faster than we'd like to see."

Both Vosburgh and Clawson say they haven't really felt the effects of the pandemic on their farms.

"Probably my biggest fear right now is will COVID-19 cause us a problem," Vosburgh says. "Will it cause us a problem at an elevator? Will they have employees get sick? Will we get shorthanded? Those are issues you think about."

Clawson says the only difference she's noticed is curbside pickup for parts and a few items on backorder.

"We're just trying to stay on the farm and not go to town as often as we normally would," she says.

The pandemic is just another in a long line of uncertainties in farming. Yet farmers and ranchers somehow always find a silver lining. With harvest delayed by rain, Clawson was already looking toward the future.

"It will be nice to put wheat into moisture after not putting it into moisture last year," she says.

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

National Sorghum Foundation Opens Joint Scholarship Application

The National Sorghum Foundation and BASF are pleased to announce a joint scholarship for the 2020-2021 academic year. Two \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to deserving students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in an agriculturally related curriculum. Undergraduate applicants must be entering at least their second year of study during the 2020-2021 academic year. Applicants must also have a parent or grandparent who is a member of National Sorghum Producers. More information about each scholarship's criteria and application forms can be found online at <https://sorghumgrowers.com/foundation-scholarships/>.

KFB's Annual Meeting Set

This year's Kansas Farm Bureau annual meeting will be going virtual the first week of December.

During Dec. 3-4 workshops on issues affecting farmers and ranchers will be hosted online along with speakers like Vance Crow, and American Farm Bureau Federation's Andrew Walmsley. We will honor retiring Senator Pat Roberts and enjoy a lively discussion between Dr. Barry Flinchbaugh, and Roberts (invited). All of these activities will be open to ALL Farm Bureau members of Kansas and will be hosted virtually.

On Saturday, December 5, only voting delegates will gather at 10 different hubs across the state to complete the farm organization's business and set policy for 2021.

Registration opens in October. Be sure to check the Facebook event and your e-news publications for updated information on KFB's annual meeting.

Last Cutting of Alfalfa

Alfalfa will quit growing after the first hard freeze in Kansas which occurs, on average, around the first or second week of October, but can be as early as October 1 or late as November 1. The timing of the last two cuttings impacts the winter survival and productivity of the stand in the following year.

The last cutting, prior to fall dormancy, should be made based on expected crown regrowth rather than one-tenth bloom because of the decreasing photoperiod. The last cutting should be made so there will be 8 to 12 inches of foliage, or 4 to 6 weeks of growth time, before the first killing frost. This should allow adequate time for replenishment of root reserves. Which means the second to final cutting should occur around the first part of September.

At this stage of the growing season, alfalfa plants need to store enough carbohydrates to survive the winter. If root reserves are not replenished adequately before the first killing freeze in the fall, the stand is more susceptible to winter damage than it would be normally. That could result in slower greenup and early growth next spring, and in some cases stand loss due to winter kill.

The final cutting should occur right after the first killing freeze, before too many of the leaves have dropped. Producers should be prepared to enter the fields as soon as

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Kansas Crop Production Report

Based on September 1 conditions, Kansas's 2020 corn production is forecast at 782 million bushels, down 2% from last year's production, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Area to be harvested for grain, at 5.75 million acres, is down 4% from a year ago. Yield is forecast at 136 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last year.

Sorghum for grain in Kansas is forecast at 217 million bushels, up 6% from 2019. Area for harvest, at 2.55 million acres, is up 6% from last year. Yield is forecast at 85 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at a record 231 million bushels, up 24% from last year. Area for harvest, at a record 5.25 million acres, is up 17% from 2019. Yield is forecast at 44 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from last year.

Cotton production is forecast at 320,000 bales, up 14% from last year. Acreage for harvest, at a record 195,000 acres, is up 44,000 acres from 2019. Yield is forecast at 788 pounds per acre, down 102 pounds per acre from a year ago.

Special Note

The forecasts in this report are based on conditions as of September 1. Any potential impacts from the below freezing temperatures that occurred after September 1 will be reflected in future reports.



Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending September 13, 2020, there were 3.7 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8% very short, 29% short, 58% adequate, and 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 9% very short, 31% short, 57% adequate, and 3% surplus. Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 2%, near 5% for both last year and the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 6% very poor, 12% poor, 28% fair, 41% good, and 13% excellent. Corn dented was 91%, ahead of 86% last year, and near 89% average. Mature was 49%, ahead of 39% last year, but near 50% average. Harvested was 8%, equal to last year, and near 11% average.

Soybean condition rated 3% very poor, 12% poor, 34% fair, 42% good, and 9% excellent.

Soybeans setting pods was 96%, near 92% last year and 95% average. Dropping leaves was 32%, well ahead of 11% last year, and ahead of 19% average.

Sorghum condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 28% fair, 49% good, and 13% excellent.

Sorghum coloring was 82%, ahead of 68% last year, and near 78% average. Mature was 17%, ahead of 7% last year, and near 16% average. Harvested was 1%, equal to last year, and near 2% average.

Cotton condition rated 3% very poor, 10% poor, 39% fair, 42% good, and 6% excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 95%, near 92% last year, and ahead of 90% average. Bolls opening was 26%, ahead of 15% last year, and near 23% average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 6% very poor, 15% poor, 37% fair, 38% good, and 4% excellent.

Popular Cereal Brand Launches New Line with Sorghum as Key Ingredient



The Sorghum Checkoff continues to work on domestic markets, developing relationships with consumer packaged goods (CPG) companies like KIND, which recently launched a new cereal line with four flavors all of

which feature flaked sorghum as a key ingredient.

Dark Chocolate Almond Cereal: almonds, dark chocolate, and cocoa and super grain flakes (made with oats, sorghum, quinoa, and amaranth)

Apple Cinnamon Cereal: cinnamon apples, pumpkin seeds, and super grain flakes (made with oats, sorghum, quinoa, and amaranth)

Honey Almond Cereal: almonds, toasted coconut, and super grain flakes (made with oats, sorghum, quinoa, and amaranth)

Cranberry Almond Cereal: almonds, cranberries, and super grain flakes (made with oats sorghum, quinoa, and amaranth)

The new product can be found at Walmart. Read more about the launch at <https://bit.ly/2FsiGHu>.

Sorghum Export Report

The 2019/20 marketing year came to a close on September 1 with more than 178 million bushels of sorghum exported from the U.S and 87 percent of the exports shipped to China. China purchased 2.2 million bushels of sorghum this week and took delivery of 1.2 million bushels. Basis is holding constant to slightly up at the Gulf with sorghum trading at 136 percent of corn. Interior basis was also flat to slightly up.

Sorghum Crop Update

Seventy-four percent of the nation's sorghum acreage was at or beyond the coloring stage by September 6, thirteen percentage points ahead of last year and 4 points ahead of the five-year average. On September 6, twenty-nine percent of the nation's sorghum was mature, 3 percentage points ahead of last year but 4 points behind average. Twenty-one percent of the nation's sorghum was harvested by September 6, one percentage point behind last year and 2 points behind average. Forty-nine percent of the nation's sorghum was rated in good to excellent condition on September 6, one percentage point below the previous week and 19 points below the same time last year.

CFAP-2 Expected to be Announced

USDA's Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, Part 2 (CFAP-2) is expected to be announced sometime in September. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue stated earlier that details would be announced "shortly after Labor Day". However, it may be a few more days before there is a formal announcement. CFAP-2 is funded via the additional \$14 billion Congress provided in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act to replenish the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) account after July 1, 2020. Producers have raised a number of concerns regarding CFAP-1, including unworkable pay limits and means testing, the loss threshold, lack of a per acre minimum payment, cumbersome inventory rules, April 15 cliff date,

insufficient support, and so forth. It is unclear to what extent CFAP-2 will remedy these problems, but we do not expect assistance from this program in its current form to be as large as that from previous programs. However, many observers believe that a post-election COVID-19 relief package could still come together that would address outstanding some needs, including additional support for agriculture. Read more at <https://www.profarmer.com/node/13403>.

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Legals, Minutes & Obits

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of ARCHIE HUGHES, Deceased

Case No. 2020-PR-000001

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Donna Hughes, executor of the estate of Archie Hughes, deceased, praying for a final settlement of said estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for the services of the executor and attorney's fees and expenses; and also praying that the court determine the heirs entitled to the estate and the proportion or part thereof to which each is entitled, and distribute and assign the same to them in accordance with the provisions of decedent's will; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the executor be discharged and released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 19th day of October 2020, at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the city of Hoxie, Sheridan County, 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 said petition.

/s/ Donna Hughes
Donna Hughes, Executor

/S/ Steven W. Hirsch
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(Last published in The Sheridan Sentinel October 1, 2020)

Commission Minutes 9/2/20

Now on this 2nd day of September 2020, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, MaryEllen Welshhon, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guests were Doyle Kauk, Rachel Farber, Reba White, Doren Follis, Buck Mader, Carolyn Meyer and Dan Pries.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order.

Niceta Farber and Mike O'Dell from the Sheridan County Health Complex and Deb Kaufman, EMS Director, entered the meeting. Farber spoke with the Board on the history of how the hospital became involved in helping EMS. Farber stated the hospital was initially approached last year through Rotary on possibly coming up with a plan to encourage the hospital employees to become EMTs. The hospital reached out to their staff, asking if anyone was interested in taking the class or becoming drivers. There was some interest, with three employees taking the EMT class in Quinter and one employee becoming a driver. There are several RNs interested as well. The hospital is giving an incentive to the employees who are completing the class and they will be required to carry the pager for a minimum of 20

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ORDINANCE NO. 717

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC OFFENSES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HOXIE, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE OF KANSAS CITIES," EDITION OF 2020; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 712 AS IT PERTAINS TO THE 2019 UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOXIE, KANSAS:

Section 1. INCORPORATING UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE. There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating public offenses within the corporate limits of the City of Hoxie, Kansas, that certain code known as the "Uniform Public Offense Code", Edition of 2020, prepared and published in Book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas. No fewer than three copies of said Uniform Public Offense Code shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 717" and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance, and filed with the City Clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take into effect and be enforced from and after its publication in The Sheridan Sentinel.

Passed by the Commission the 14th day of September, 2020.

Signed and approved by the Mayor this 14th day of September, 2020.

Darrick Zerr, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janet Bainter, City Clerk

hrs. a month. Farber stated they understand the need for EMTs in the county and want the whole county to be involved. O'Dell stated that EMS brings revenue into the ER. Wes Bainter stated this is a good partnership. Wes Bainter just hired a new employee who is also an EMT and she will be allowed to leave her job during the day to go on ambulance runs and she will still receive her full pay. Farber stated we are fortunate to have such a good EMS service. Kaufman gave a brief report on the students and stated that EMS has always struggled with having enough personnel. Kaufman went on to say that there are more challenges coming as far as education and competency. Farber ended by saying that we need to be thankful for the people we have in Sheridan and to continue social distancing to help slow the spread of COVID.

Pratt stated that the airport runway work is to begin September 14.

Dan Pries was recognized. Pries had concerns on the section line of 4-6-28. No right-of-way or easement document has been found on this property. Pratt believes this is a private issue since there is nothing in the County records. Wes Bainter stated that a survey needs to be done to find the boundary lines, this would dispel any issues. Pries stated the fences are not on the line and agreed the survey would indicate where the fence should be.

There was discussion on the use of the trail road. Pratt stated since there is no documentation backing up a right-of-way, he believes it is a private matter and Pries needs to speak with the

City of Hoxie Commission Minutes 8/10/20

Minutes of The Regular Meeting of August 10, 2020

The Governing Body of the City of Hoxie, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, August 10, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the City Office.

Present were: Darrick Zerr, Mayor, Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner, Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner, Janet Bainter, City Clerk, Fred Washburn, City Superintendent, Brenton Boese, Chief of Police, and Ken Eland, City Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Darrick Zerr at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 13, 2020 and the minutes of the July 27, 2020 special meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Mayor Zerr and a second by Commissioner Schoendaler. Motion carried 3-0.

Budget Hearing

The hearing for the 2021 budget was opened by Mayor Zerr. At 7:10 p.m., with no input from the public, the hearing was closed by Mayor Zerr. Mayor Zerr made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget as published. Erwin seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Sewer Lagoons

Doug Goetz with Wilson and Company and Mark Hubert with Sporer Land Developments were present to discuss the weeds at the sewer lagoons. Hubert suggested that the City continue mowing the weeds down and he would have Dickhut Seed Company re-drill it in mid-November - December. He will have Dale Dickhut contact Fred about how often it needed to be mowed. Hubert exited at 8:20 p.m.

CDBG-CV Grant

Bainter presented CDBG-CV Drawdown #2. Erwin made a motion to approve CDBG-CV DD #2 in the amount of \$7,543.09. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

GAAP Waiver

On a motion by Mayor Zerr and a second by Erwin, the

neighbor who uses this trail road to get to his field. Pratt will contact the neighbor and advise of the discussion and his recommendation.

Joe Herskowitz, Nick Kane and Curtis Higby entered the meeting. Herskowitz stated he had hired two new employees. Job descriptions were distributed to the Board for review. The Board discussed the descriptions and suggested changes as well as a cell phone policy. These changes will be made and brought back next week.

Herskowitz gave a report of work that had been done: quite a lot of the roads were taken care of for harvest; the asphalt millings were cleaned up at the Allen Feedlot; several culverts were taken care of; the feedlot road was worked on and the main part is complete and ready for harvest traffic.

Higby distributed information pertaining to chemical to take care of prairie dogs as well as bids for side-by-side.

Wes Bainter made a motion to purchase the Polaris with the listed accessories plus heater and defroster from Better Built Trailers at a cost of \$18,000. Welshhon seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. These expenses will come out of the Weed Department budget.

At 10:05, Joe Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the Board, Pratt, Bracht, Herskowitz, Kane and Higby. The door opened at 10:15 with no decision being made.

Melissa Wachendorfer,

Board approved Resolution 3-2020 exempting the City of Hoxie from GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) for the year ending December 31, 2020. (3/0).

Trash Exemption

Bainter presented an application for Trash Exemption at 1200 Trail Ave. to the Commissioners. Mayor Zerr made a motion to approve the exemption. Erwin seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chief of Police Business

Chief Boese discussed a bill the City received from Colby Dodge for \$485.00 for diagnosing electrical issues on the Dodge pickup. Boese will call Colby Dodge to ask for a reduction of the bill since the issue wasn't resolved. Chief Boese also discussed surveillance cameras for the police department. He will check will Tyrel Spillman to see if he would be interested in ordering and installing the cameras. He informed the Commissioners that the manager at Dollar General was wanting to do a fundraiser with the police department to raise money for a local organization. Boese also informed the Commissioners that the air conditioner wasn't working in the Dodge Charger. Boese had a bid from Allie Repair and will also get a bid from Hoxie Ag and Radiator. Mayor Zerr made a motion, seconded by Erwin, to have the repairs done by the low bidder. Motion carried 3-0. Boese exited at 7:33 p.m.

Executive Session

At 7:33 p.m. on a motion made by Mayor Zerr and a second by Erwin, the Commissioners entered into executive session for a period of 10 minutes to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel. Present were the board, Ken Eland, Janet Bainter and Fred Washburn. The board exited at 7:40 p.m. with no motions being made.

Warrants

The warrants and overtime for the month of July were reviewed, approved, and signed by the Commissioners.

Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Zerr made a motion to adjourn. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Janet Bainter, City Clerk

Public Health Nurse/Administrator, entered the meeting. Wachendorfer stated that she needed to replace Lynn Moss who had left public health and she would like to hire an LPN. Wachendorfer feels having an LPN would allow Public Health to provide more services and be more available to the public in case she is gone. The LPN would still be the one to schedule appointments and file claims. The services Public Health provides are important and without someone in the office, everything starts falling behind. Welshhon stated that she had been asked if there are more individuals in Sheridan County that have tested positive for COVID and why this information wasn't posted on the Public Health website. The Board asks that this be done and if Wachendorfer doesn't have time, possibly Don Koerperich, Emergency Manager, could do it. The Board advised Wachendorfer they could not make a decision about hiring an LPN today.

Bracht asked the Board about flu shots for County employees. The Board stated employees can submit a claim for the flu shot and then the employee would be responsible for any amount not covered.

Bracht will check with some contractors about repairs to the brickwork on the southwest corner of the Courthouse.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the August 28, 2020 payroll as presented. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Bracht had forwarded information to the Board from the KNRC pertaining

Elta Rall

August 8, 1933 ~ September 13, 2020

Elta Ileen (Detjen) Rall passed away September 13, 2020 at the age of 87. She was born August 8, 1933 in Sheridan County Kansas to Albert and Ella (Hesterberg) Detjen. She married Elmer Rall April 9, 1961 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Hoxie, KS. To this union three sons were born, Doug, David, and Dennis.

Elta worked at many businesses in Hoxie including the Hoxie Grade School. She babysat for numerous children and became an accomplished seamstress, patching jeans, making clothes for her children, and sewing many quilts for her family members. Gardening was also a well-loved past time for her.

Elta is survived by sons Doug (Lisa), David (Sandy), and Dennis all of Hoxie; grandsons Clayton (Megan) of Tucson, AZ and Taylor (Alex) of Hoxie; and two great-granddaughters, Brandon of Tucson, AZ and Crimsyn of Hoxie; sister Agnes Lewis of Colby and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmer Rall; parents, Albert and Ella Detjen; sister, Arleta Detjen, and brother-in-law, Larry Lewis.

Elta loved to be around her family especially her grandchildren and will be missed by all.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2020, 10:00 A.M. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hoxie. Interment will follow the service in the Hoxie City Cemetery. Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home in Hoxie from 11:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. The family will be at the Visitation from 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. to receive friends. Memorials are suggested to the Sheridan County Health Complex and may be sent to the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, PO Box 987, Hoxie, Kansas 67740. Words of comfort may be left at mickeyleopoldfuneral.com.

City of Hoxie Commission Minutes Special Meeting 8/10/20

Minutes of The Special Meeting of August 10, 2020

The Governing Body of the City of Hoxie, Kansas, met in special session on Monday, August 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. at the City Office.

Present were: Darrick Zerr, Mayor, Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner, Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner, Janet Bainter, City Clerk, Fred Washburn, City Superintendent, Brenton Boese, Chief of Police, and Ken Eland, City Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Darrick Zerr at 5:00 p.m.

General	Laborer
Interviews	

Interviews with applicants were held.

Executive Session

At 6:45 p.m. on a motion made by Mayor Zerr and a second by Erwin, the Commissioners entered into executive session for a period of 10 minutes to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel. Present were the Board, Ken Eland, Janet Bainter and Fred Washburn. The Board exited at 6:55 p.m. with no motions being made.

General Laborer position

Erwin made a motion to hire Jesse Thompson and Bryan Nickelson as Public Works employees to start as soon as possible and to hire Scott Cooper to start January 1, 2021. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Schoendaler made a motion, seconded by Erwin, to pay Thompson and Nickelson \$20.00 per hour and to pay Cooper \$19.00 per hour. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Zerr made a motion to adjourn. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Janet Bainter, City Clerk

Last Cutting of Alfalfa

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soil moisture conditions allow. After a killing freeze, the remaining forage (if any) can be hayed safely. However, the producer should act quickly because the leaves will soon drop off.

Wheat Info

Information related to Wheat Varieties, Performance tests, disease & insect evaluations, sources of seed and newer varieties are available. Go to ksre.ksu.edu and search the many topics related to Wheat. K-State agronomy newsletter is called the "e-update". Other topics to research are Kansas Wheat Seed Book Report 1158, K-State Wheat Variety Disease & Insect Ratings 2020 MF991 or contact your local extension office of the Twin Creeks Extension District.

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Fun Page

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TURN-AROUND RIDDLES

1. Turn around **full** of things and get **introduced** to.
2. Turn around a **food** and get to **stupefy**.
3. Turn around a **flood** and get to **refine**.
4. Turn around **toys** and get a **small stain**.
5. Turn around a **measurement** and get a **cart**.

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To solve, turn around the letters in the first word to get the second. Example: Garb-brag.

Answers: 1. Team-meet. 2. Nuts-stun. 3. Tide-edit. 4. Tops-spots. 5. Yard-dray.

TWO QUICKIES!

1. How can you add 10 to nothing and end up with a large animal?
2. How can you subtract one from 19 and end up with a larger number?

Answer: Both questions use Roman numerals. 1. Add "X" to "O" to get "OX." 2. Take the "1" from "XIX" and you get "XX" (20).

A PROBLEM FOR THE AGES!

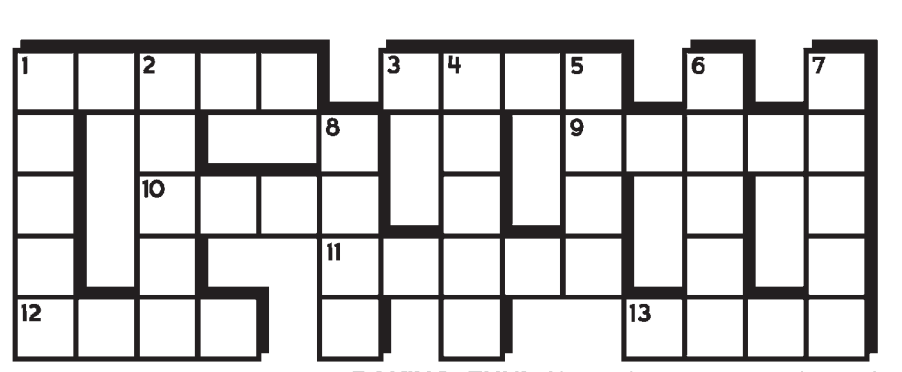
In this puzzle, all of the words we are searching for contain the word "AGE." The following hints should help you to "AGE" with dignity:

1. AGE (given).
2. One who is wise.
3. Measuring instruments.
4. Public respect.
5. Lists of things to do.
6. Corridors
7. An enclosure.

Answers: 1. Age. 2. Sage. 3. Gages. 4. Homage. 5. Agendas. 6. Passages. 7. Menagerie

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



BAKING FUN!

Above is a crossword puzzle grid. Below are words pertaining to baking and bakeries that you will need to complete the puzzle, using the trial-and-error method. Try to finish before the slice of pie disappears.

4-letter words: HEAT, OLEO, PANS, POTS, SALT, TART

5-letter words: ANGEL, APPLE, FLOUR, SPICE, TREAT, WAFER, WHEAT, YEAST

Answers: (Across) 1. Water. 3. Pans. 9. Apple. (Down) 1. Wheat. 2. Tart. 12. Treat. 13. Heat.

Answers:

1. AGE. 2. AGE. 3. AGE. 4. AGE. 5. AGE. 6. AGE. 7. AGE.

Answers: 1. Age. 2. Sage. 3. Gages. 4. Homage. 5. Agendas. 6. Passages. 7. Menagerie

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

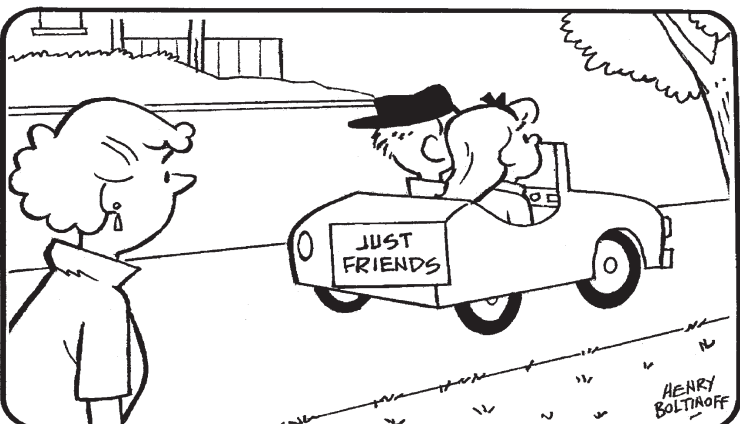
CRISSCROSS - NAMES FOR GIRL DOGS

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

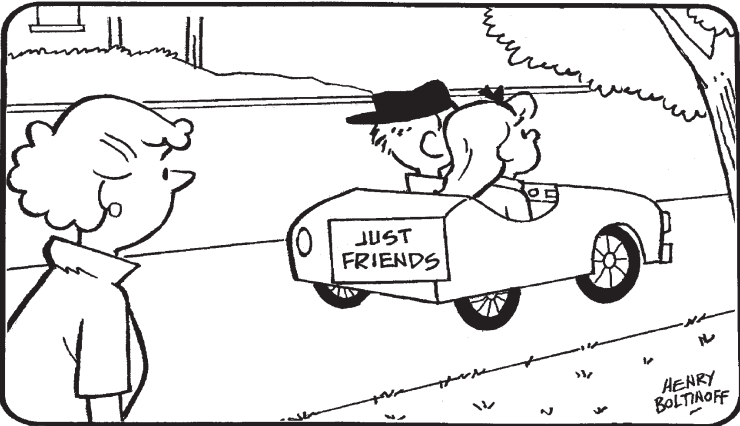
3 Letters IVY, SUE
4 Letters CLEO, COCO, JUDI, LILY, LUNA, OPAL, SKYE
5 Letters BELLA, LILAC, OLIVE, PIXIE, SCOUT, VENUS
6 Letters ATHENA, DAKOTA, EUDORA, JESSIE, MAISIE
8 Letters BROOKLYN, SUNSHINE

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tree is larger. 2. Fence is missing. 3. Hubcaps are different. 4. Earring is different. 5. Windshield is gone. 6. Wall has been extended.

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: **S** equals **G**

R'DH WHYRPRMHEO JHHP SNRPS
JTEW ETMHEO. MN JH GNPHIM, R
YRPW MGMTM DHXO WRI-MXHIIRPS.

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Kids' Maze

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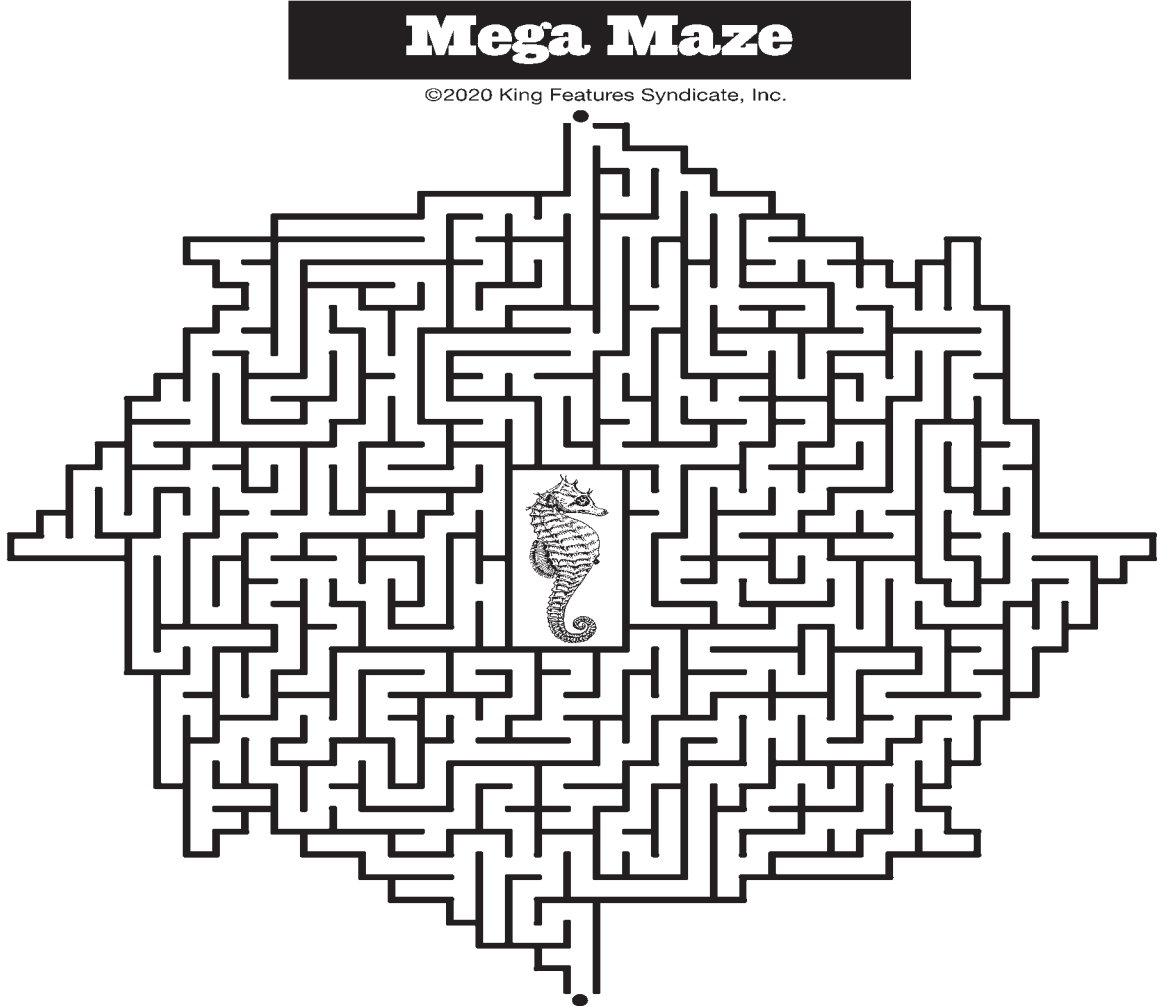
SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Mistake: PEALS
Gift: GITARS
Place: STILLAN
Room: MARBLE

"Your tired?! guess it just proves that women have more _____ than men."

TODAY'S WORD: _____



Super Crossword

COUNTY EXTENSION

ACROSS

- 1 Singer Judd
- 6 1960s war zone
- 9 Old Glory's country
- 12 Morse click
- 15 For each
- 18 City-related
- 19 He played
- 21 Haifa native
- 23 "Alfie" singer
- 25 Boasted of
- 26 Idyllic spot
- 27 City east of Syracuse
- 28 Not inert
- 29 See
- 31 Longtime porcelain brand
- 35 Hitler Ripken
- 38 Fish-fowl link
- 40 Some linens
- 41 Desires
- 42 Typeface option
- 44 Gave birth to
- 47 Put — show
- 48 Outer: Prefix
- 51 City on the eastern shore of Lake Erie
- 55 Pouch near a kettle
- 60 Aid in crime
- 61 Mix up
- 62 "It's my guess ..."
- 64 Workshop
- 65 Ending for opal
- 66 "Quantic" network
- 68 Overwhelm
- 69 Be inviting to
- 70 Former
- 71 Fleetwood
- 72 Cuba's Mac guitarist
- 75 Belt holders
- 77 They often
- 78 show DOBs
- 79 — chi
- 79 Not-so-great grade
- 80 Greek "H"
- 83 Zagreb native
- 85 Part of a flight of steps
- 87 Aesir god
- 88 Walk shakily
- 89 Follower of James Buchanan
- 94 Energize, with "up"
- 96 Dawn deity
- 97 You, in Germany
- 98 Piano exercise
- 99 Optimal
- 103 Provide with a new outfit
- 106 Not-so-great grade
- 108 La. neighbor
- 109 Laurel and Hardy film
- 114 "Woof!"
- 116 Effective use of language
- 117 Lascivious
- 119 Cuba's Castro
- 123 Spanish dances in
- 124 Race held every May
- 128 Let go
- 129 "Being Julia" star Bening
- 130 Diglyceride, e.g.
- 131 Some inserts
- 132 Steered
- 133 Topiary tree
- 134 Suffix with shepherd
- 135 English county (it can be added to the ends of this puzzle's seven longest answers)
- 1 DOWN
- 1 Unclad
- 2 Bone-dry
- 3 Certain woodwind
- 4 Divine food
- 5 B&B, e.g.
- 6 Pond dweller
- 7 "Robin —" (Irish ballad)
- 8 Senator
- 9 Bi-less one
- 10 Min. division
- 11 La. neighbor
- 12 Very varying
- 13 Designer
- 14 Fight stopper
- 15 Pint-size
- 16 Nine and two
- 17 Bill add-ons
- 20 Vacillates
- 22 Restless
- 24 Irish money
- 28 Decompose
- 30 "To Live and Die —" (1985 film)
- 32 Sailor's call
- 33 Joker Jay
- 34 Put on
- 35 Plotters' plot
- 36 Caribbean island
- 37 Vital factor
- 39 Zimbabwe, before 1979
- 43 Astern
- 45 Plus
- 46 Postpones
- 49 Hub: Abbr.
- 50 Grow incisors, e.g.
- 52 Nation
- 53 Jack of "Dragnet"
- 54 Fuzzy fruit
- 56 Voyaging
- 57 Feeling blue
- 58 Energize, with "up"
- 59 Figure out
- 63 Written with a #2, say
- 65 Foot arch
- 67 Loir or chop
- 68 Watchdog breeds
- 71 With
- 72 29-Across, new Apple product of 2013
- 72 Author
- 73 O'Brien
- 74 Coins or bills
- 75 Pop singer
- 76 PC monitor type
- 76 Jorge's gold
- 81 Diacritical squiggle
- 82 Attach
- 84 Great anger
- 86 Friend in France
- 87 Mo. #10
- 90 Paul Anka's "Eso —"
- 91 Butter-and-flour mixture
- 92 "Dream on!"
- 93 —do-well
- 95 Glorified
- 99 Diva
- 100 Resounded
- 101 Turtles' tops
- 102 Private pupil
- 104 "That kinda thing": Abbr.
- 105 Rich cake
- 107 "Piece of cake!"
- 110 Virtuous
- 111 It isn't poetry
- 112 Travel plan
- 113 Body tubes
- 115 Smart-alecky
- 118 Barely earns, with "out"
- 120 Intro painting class, maybe
- 121 Rival of Lyft
- 122 Old stringed instrument
- 124 Singer Starr
- 125 Suffix with ethyl
- 126 Florida-to-Indiana dir.
- 127 Moines lead-in

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
♦ Easy ♦ ♦ Medium ♦ ♦ ♦ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

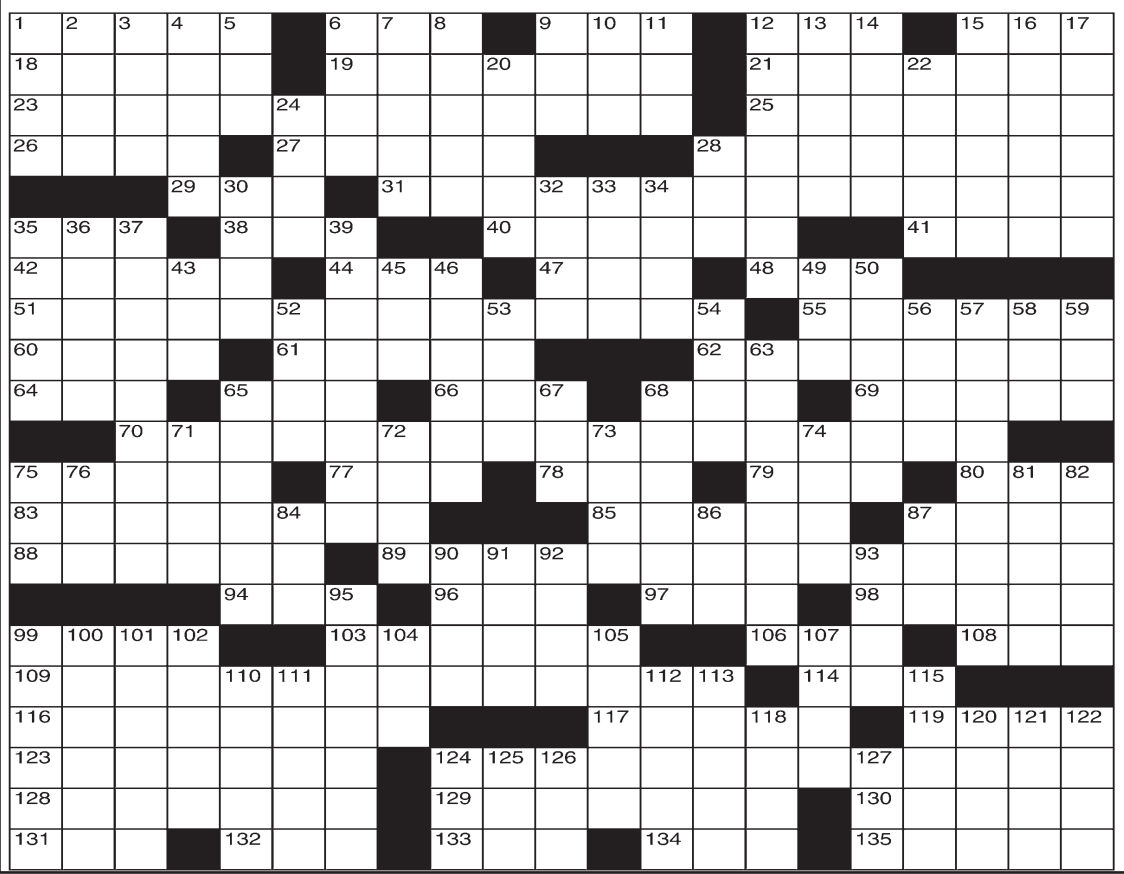
by Linda Thistle

			5	4			9		6
3					2			5	
	7	1				3			2
		8			7				3
	5			1			6		
4			5			2			
7				3			8		
		6			5	3			1
	8		9						

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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Pastor Johnson

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will have eternal consequences, but God will allow you to choose. This is freedom of religion.

The verse mentions that the Spirit, the bride, and "him that heareth" all say something. By implication, God says, "Whosoever will may speak." This is freedom of speech.

It is a huge stretch to find America in prophecy, but its founding principles are all over the Scripture. We are not perfect because we are human, and the Founding Fathers did everything they could to counter-act that.

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Gov. Kelly's September COVID Deaths Claim is Grossly Exaggerated

(Continued from page 1)

Kelly's deceptive claim about the COVID death trend is the latest in a string of her administration's attempts to mislead.

Last month, KDHE hid a low testing rate to scare people with a claim of Kansas having a high COVID positivity rate.

The Kelly administration has a habit of ignoring media inquiries that question their narrative and rejected at least two Open Records requests, hiding behind a legal technicality that says government officials can't be compelled to "create" a record. They don't deny having the requested information... they just don't want to produce it.

Even the Wall Street Journal said Kansas health secretary Dr. Lee Norman fudged data on a chart to make Governor Kelly's mask mandate look successful.

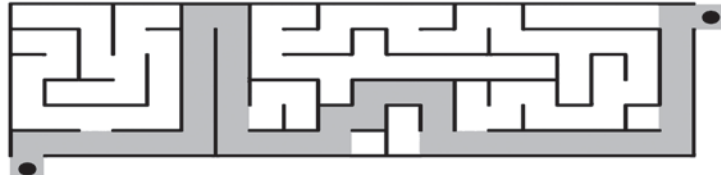
Senate President Susan Waggle (R-Wichita) says fear and more government mandates are a disservice to Kansans.

"Science, statistics, and analysis are now painting a different picture of the impact of the virus than what was originally anticipated. The death rate in Kansas is not at the 4% rate once predicted and is instead at a low overall rate of 1.07%. Outside of long-term care facilities, the death rate is 0.6%. Kansas citizens and Kansas business owners are taking the necessary steps to stop the spread and go about their work safely. Fear and more government mandates are not helpful or necessary and only inhibits our road to economic recovery."

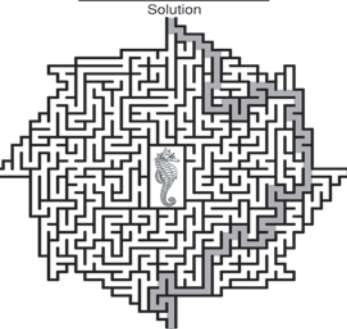
Weekly Kansas COVID Deaths			
Week Ended	Actual by Date of Death	KDHE Reported	Over (Under) Reported
16-Mar	1	1	0
23-Mar	2	1	-1
30-Mar	9	6	-3
6-Apr	26	17	-9
13-Apr	38	37	-1
20-Apr	37	38	1
27-Apr	21	20	-1
4-May	30	16	-14
11-May	24	22	-2
18-May	17	15	-2
25-May	10	15	5
1-Jun	16	29	13
8-Jun	16	19	3
15-Jun	8	9	1
22-Jun	18	14	-4
29-Jun	16	11	-5
6-Jul	11	10	-1
13-Jul	19	8	-11
20-Jul	24	19	-5
27-Jul	30	28	-2
3-Aug	25	30	5
10-Aug	25	22	-3
17-Aug	29	18	-11
24-Aug	28	21	-7
31-Aug	20	20	0
7-Sep	17	39	22
14-Sep	12	49	37
Total	529	534	5

Fun Page Solutions

Kids' Maze Solution



Mega Maze Solution



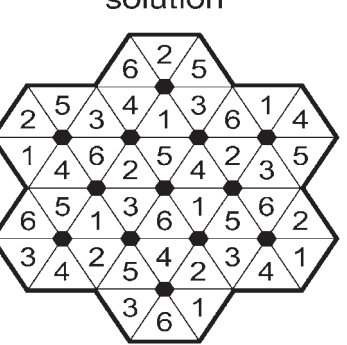
Puzzles4Kids Answer



CryptoQuip answer

I've definitely been going bald lately. To be honest, I find that very dis-tressing.

SNOWFLAKES solution



SCRAMBLERS solution

1. Lapse
2. Gratis;
3. Install;
4. Ramble

Today's Word STAMINA

Weekly SUDOKU Answer

8	2	5	4	7	1	9	3	6
3	6	4	8	2	9	1	5	7
9	7	1	6	5	3	8	4	2
6	1	8	2	4	7	5	9	3
2	5	9	3	1	8	7	6	4
4	3	7	5	9	6	2	1	8
7	9	2	1	3	4	6	8	5
1	4	6	7	8	5	3	2	9
5	8	3	9	6	2	4	7	1

Super Crossword

Answers

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Now here's a tip! by Jo Ann Derson

- Cooking a recipe with garlic and onions to start? Invite me to dinner! But first, remember to let the onions cook to nearly translucent before adding the garlic, which cooks much faster. If you put both in at the same time, the garlic will burn before the onions have a chance to deepen their flavor.
- Automatic toilets are great for not having to touch the handles, but they can be scary for kids — and some adults too, if I'm being honest. Try putting a sticky note over the sensor so that it will not flush until you take it off, giving you some control.
- "For chores, I write tasks on sticky notes and put them up on our family board. The kids choose the things they want to do, and when they are done to my satisfaction I sign their ticket. At the end of the week, they can bring me the tickets to pay out. This is for extra money, so they don't have to do it; I don't have to chase them, and I don't have to keep track of it either!" — E.L. in Montana
- Every so often, use a very diluted bleach solution to rinse out your reusable water bottles. Put them on a bottle rack to air dry completely before sealing them back up.
- "I use the same grip tape that my son uses for his baseball bat on my hand tools, like my hammer and pry bar. I also have used it on my lawn tools. It makes a nice barrier that stays put." — C.R. in South Carolina
- Things you should wash with soap and water more often than you think: hairbrushes, eyeglasses (and sunglasses) and keychains. Think about how often they get handled and how infrequently they get cleaned.

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