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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

We, again, have three commissioners, which is a great improvement over having only two. The timing was perfect for the installation of the third commissioner because we were in the final discussions about the 2021 Budget and making the final decision about how much our levy was going to be. At our last Wednesday's Commissioner Meeting, we had a unanimous decision to reduce our levy tax amount of the 2021 Budget by \$500,000. All three Commissioners voted in favor of this reduction.

The most significant part of the formulation of this budget was that we had a lot of input from a wide range of people in our community. We had residents from all parts of Sheridan County voice their opinion about the budget. We also had outstanding participation from our Sheridan County department heads. They should be commended for their budget requests that held the line on funding for 2021. This is the way a well-run county should operate. We should encourage input from all segments of our county when we are formulating a budget.

In the past, the budget has been mostly decided before it was published, and then at the budget hearing the decisions had pretty much already been made. This year, it was very encouraging to have meaningful conversations with the public on our way to formulating the budget. The development of a budget works much better when we all work together and are aware that this process is NOT "we against them!" All funding in a budget is important! Our county department heads run their departments very well and they are vested with the responsibility to meet state guidelines. Our residents, all around Sheridan County are vested with the responsibility to provide the funding for all county operations. Everyone agrees that we need well run county services and they need to be adequately funded. Finding the middle ground is why it is so important that residents involve themselves in this process. The failure in this process has been the lack of participation by the residents. If you don't want to be part of the solution and participate, don't complain about the decisions that are made!

Another item we are working very diligently on is the reinstatement of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program. This program has been a part of Sheridan County for the past 10 years and has served as the biggest economic driver. It is vital for the continuation of economic development and growth here. The greatest thing about this program is that *there is no cost to our county.* We hope to have this program reinstated in the next few weeks.

Thanks for reading, and GOD Bless!

WES BANTER, Sheridan County Commissioner

Grainfield Community Development Committee Receives Grant



Kay Haffner with the Grainfield Community Development Center received a \$1,000 Sharing Success grant from Western Cooperative along with the matching \$1,000 from CoBank for the Grainfield City Park renovations. (WCE photo)



Western Cooperative Electric's Sharing Success Fund, partnered with CoBank, has awarded a \$2,000 grant to the Grainfield Community Development Committee (GCDC) to help with the renovations of the Grainfield City Park.

The Grainfield community

has been raising funds for the renovation of the current City Park restrooms. Plans for the new facilities include a concession stand to be part of an all-in-one restroom and concession building.

Kay Haffner with the GCDC said, "There are no sinks or handicapped accessibility available in the current bathroom facility, and it has become inadequate for the events that take place each year in the park."

In addition to upgrading the antiquated restroom facilities, blueprints include a concession stand attached to

Chasing Prairie Chickens



Prairie Chicken photos by Loren Cressler.

By Marty Cressler

These Prairie Chicken pictures were taken in Sheridan County close to 10 years ago. Early one cool, crisp spring morning, I arose to the sound of the booming of prairie chickens doing their mating ritual.

Our son, Loren, was home from college on spring break, so armed with his camera, we took off on a hike in search of these elusive birds.

Every quarter mile or so, we would stop and listen, making sure that we were still heading toward the sounds of the prairie chickens. After about a 4-mile trek, we were close enough to see them, and were absolutely mesmerized by the sound. Until you have heard them booming, you really can't understand the thrill. It's like the sound goes straight to your soul. Another vocalization they make sounds like they are laughing at you because you can't find them. It's pretty entertaining as well.

The area in which the prairie chickens do their mating ritual is called a lek. We were fortunate to have such an area close enough to walk to. For several years now, I've not heard them; either they've moved on to another area, or nature and man have decreased their numbers there.

the same building. Makeshift structures are currently being used for food and drink service.

Haffner was excited at the prospect of adding a concession stand to the park. "During the premier event of the community, Cruise, Shoes, & BBQs, GCDC has been setting up a concession stand in a small pavilion. Everything has to be set up and torn down each day. As the event has grown, we are now having trouble keeping up with the crowds."

For the past 11 years, Cruise, Shoes, & BBQs has become GCDC's key event and fundraiser. The event now consists of 13 events over two days and attracts more than 300 participants.

"Sadly, Cruise, Shoes, and BBQs has been cancelled this year because of concerns over Covid-19, but we are already planning for the 2021 event. Next year will include the Wheatland High School All-School Reunion that same weekend at the park, and we plan on having a great crowd" said Haffner.

Member Services Manager Nolan Numrich,

"We are excited to help fund the Grainfield City Park renovations. Concern for the Community is one of the Seven Cooperative Principles that guide Western Cooperative, and the Sharing Success fund continues to be a great benefit for our members and the communities we serve."

Since 2013, the Sharing Success program has donated \$66,000 to local non-profit organizations. The next application period will run from April 1, to June 1, 2021.

Any questions regarding Western's member programs email nolann@westerncoop.com

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Round Robin Winners at SC Fair 2020



Eye contact and obeying the judge's instructions take top priority during a Round Robin Livestock Showmanship Competition. The ability to maintain a proper distance between the judge and the animal, keeping the animal in full view of the judge, also weigh heavily on the judge's decision when selecting the best all-around showman.

The 2020 Sheridan County Fair found youth vying for the title of Round Robin Showmanship Grand and Reserve Champion - the Best of the Best in Livestock competition! Participants this year included: Kassie Miller, Isabella Ostmeier, Jordan Ostmeier, Carter Beckman, Mia Rogers, Carley Cooper, Demi Schippers, Evie Schippers, Bailynn Moser and Rylan Moss.

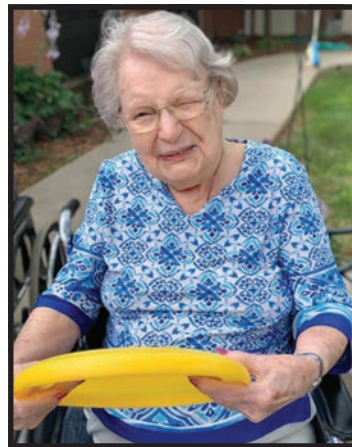
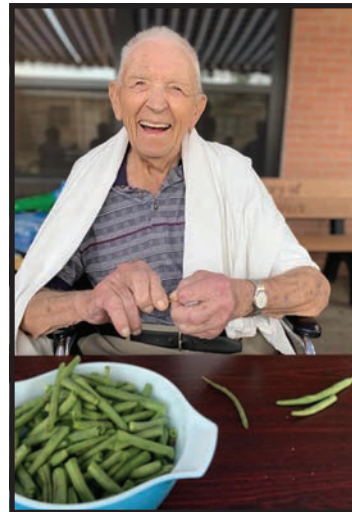
The Round Robin Showmanship Contest gives youth an opportunity for the Champion and Reserve Champion Junior and Senior Showmen from each livestock species of large animals to compete head to head for best all-around showman honors. They are judged on their showmanship skills and knowledge with each species of animal - Beef, Sheep, Goat, Swine and Horse. Fair superintendents select animals used in the contest with all contestants in the ring at the same time.

Congratulations to the 2020 Sheridan County Fair Round Robin Showmanship winners: Senior Grand Champion - Kassie Miller; Senior Reserve Grand Champion - Isabella Ostmeier; Junior Grand Champion - Evie Schippers; Junior Reserve Grand Champion - Kambree Lahnanen. They each received a belt buckle sponsored by Nutrien Ag and Vanderbilts.

Twin Creeks Extension District 4-H Youth Development Agent, Patsy Maddy, stated that she likes that this, the elite contest of the county fair, and youth are honored to be selected to represent their species as the best showman.

SCHC Residents

Enjoys
a
Summer
of
Fun



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Words of Faith

*Because of
your
FAITH,
it will happen.*

Matthew 9:29

Grain Report

Reported on: Tuesday, Sept. 1

Corn 3.34

Milo 3.93

Beans 8.38

Wheat 4.38

Weather Report

Date	High	Low	Moisture
8/23	96	67	--
8/24	97	69	--
8/25	95	66	--
8/26	96	64	--
8/27	96	68	--
8/28	95	64	--
8/29	82	65	--

PRAY FOR RAIN!

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Words of Wisdom

*Prayer is the road
to Heaven
but Faith
opens the door.*

Community News

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JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

Janiece Dowell, Colby, spent Wednesday visiting her brother Doyle and Kay Brown.

Gwen and Jeff Anderson, Goodland, came Saturday afternoon to mow my lawn and visit with me.

On August 24, the TEFAP commodities were distributed to 91 people in the Jennings and Dresden area. The next distribution will be held Monday, September 28, at the Jennings City Office.

The food (produce and fruit) box distribution by the United Methodist Church through the CARES ACT was Friday, August 28. The 120 boxes quickly disappeared with people from Dresden, Clayton, Norcatur, and Jennings coming to pick them up.

United Methodist Women will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2, at the United Methodist Church. Cheryl Metcalf, Oberlin, will give the program.

The Sunflower senior potluck will be held Wednesday, September 9, at noon. Everyone is welcome to join us.

The Jennings Historic Building Preservation Committee will be baking kolaches on Thursday, September 17, to sell at the Highway 36 Garage Sale on Friday, September 18 and Saturday, September 19. To preorder please call as soon as possible. Preorders are welcome and encouraged. Call Dorothy Vacura 785-678-8133 or Marge Hartzog 785-678-3010 to preorder. If you would like to help bake call one of the above numbers.

42nd Annual Labor Day Celebration

The 42nd Annual Logan Labor Day Celebration at the Logan Golf Course, will be held on Sunday, September 6, 2020. With funds from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, the Dane G. Hansen Museum sponsors this annual family-friendly event. There is no admission fee.

In the interest of public safety, this year's event schedule has been revised to be more friendly for social distancing.

At 11 a.m., the fun begins—including the start of the Dane G. Bales, Jr. Memorial Car Show (ending at 4 p.m.) and Logan's own Main Street Pizza will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs at the celebration. If you are craving some of their great pizza, it is still available for curbside pickup in town. Later in the day, enjoy a cold treat from Buck's Snow Shack or a bag full of salty-sweet crunch from The Corn Kettle.

As the afternoon heat starts to wind down, bring over your lawn chairs and settle in front of the stage as Bill Forness, Johnny Cash Impersonator from St. Louis, MO, opens the show at 5:30 p.m., playing The Man in Black's greatest hits. At 7:00 p.m., The Innocence band from Kearney, NE, will take the stage as the evening's entertainment.

The grand finale will be seen for miles as Rainbow Fireworks of Inman, Kansas, lights up the night sky with a brilliant firework show.

Mark your calendar today for the 42nd Annual Logan Labor Day Celebration on September 6, 2020!

Note from the director of the Hansen Museum:

There may be further adjustments made to the day's schedule, but we believe that this revised schedule lends itself well to social distancing, as the event is outdoors on a spacious golf course. Of course, if circumstances arise that would deem the Labor Day Celebration unsafe, the Museum Board reserves the right to reverse the decision in the interest of public safety.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of our friends & family for making our 50th Anniversary so special. Your lovely cards, sentiments, well wishes, and congratulations were very much appreciated! Thanks again, Gary & Ruth Meier

happy 90 birthday

The Family of Agnes Winter would like to honor her with a Card Shower in Celebration of her 90th Birthday, September 9.

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Mary Bishop Graduates KU

Mary Elizabeth Bishop, Hoxie, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Kansas this spring. She was among the more than 4,700 graduates representing 87 Kansas counties; 49 other states, territories, and Washington, D.C.; and 53 other countries.

Many spring and summer 2020 graduates celebrated their accomplishments as part of the virtual 2020 Commencement. Names of summer 2020 graduates will be published in the fall, and not all graduates elect to have their names published by KU News Service.

The university is planning an in-person Commencement event in May 2021 for the Class of 2020.

Albin Watercolor Painting Workshop

Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum

The Dane G. Hansen Museum is pleased to offer a two-day watercolor painting workshop with instructor Laurie Albin. The workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on September 25 and 26. Due to Museum renovations, this class will be held at the Logan Youth Center, 402 Church Street in Logan, KS.

Laurie will introduce basic watercolor techniques and present step-by-step demonstrations providing guidance and inspiration. This workshop is available to all skill levels.

About the instructor: Laurie Albin has been painting watercolors for nearly 45 years and has more than a decade of experience teaching and sharing the art with others. Laurie is a signature member of the Kansas Watercolor Society. To view Laurie's art, please visit her website: www.albinstudio.com.

This learning opportunity is brought to you through the Hansen Museum Continuing Education Program with funds from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. Cost of the workshop is \$120.00 with discounts available for Patron and Sustaining Members of the Hansen Museum. Download registration forms at www.hansenmuseum.org. For more information, please call 785-689-4846.

Please note that the Hansen Museum is temporarily closed for renovations and is expected to reopen in mid-February 2021. The office staff is available by phone (785-689-4846) and email (director@hansenmuseum.org) during usual weekday office hours: Monday through Friday 9-12 & 1-4.

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September 27
October 11 & 25

Wheatland/Grinnell Senior Recognition
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Faith & SCHC News

Mealsite Menu

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Preacher's Point

By
Pastor Timothy Johnson

Men, Women, Love, and Marriage

By the time you read this, my wife and I will celebrate our forty-second anniversary. When we meet someone, we have never met before and the fact that we have

been married over forty years comes up, the usual response is amazement. "Wow!" is normally the first word we hear.

It is incredible to me that it is amazing to them.

By today's standards, we did everything wrong before marriage. We were young. I was eighteen, Julie was nineteen. We did not live together first. We were both virgins until our wedding night. Our engagement was short, very short - 18 days. Many will read this paragraph and wonder how we made it. I will address these issues and more.

Being young - I was fresh out of high school; Julie, a year removed from high school. However, we were both mature. One of the significant differences between my generation and young people today is that the younger generations grow up quicker, but we matured faster. By growing up quicker, I mean that kids today are exposed to and involved with adult things such as sex, drugs, alcohol, and more as early as elementary school. Much earlier than my generation was. However, many of the younger generations still throw temper tantrums at age 35, do not understand the meaning of love, base decisions on their emotions instead of the facts laid before them, lack a general work ethic, and act like children in many ways. Even with the multitude of adult experiences, their minds and emotions have not matured. If you want a forty-plus year marriage - grow up.

Not living together first; being virgins - God has physical examples of spiritual

truth all over the place. One of these is sex. God intended the bedroom to be the most enjoyable physical experience a person can have. God uses the example of how marriage should be as a picture of the perfect spiritual relationship with Him.

I mentioned earlier that there is a misunderstanding of the meaning of love. The world's most famous Bible verse, John 3:16, contains the definition of love, "For God so loved the world that He gave..." When a couple loves one another, they give themselves to each other. Her joy, her needs, her wants are my top priority in the relationship. My happiness, my needs, my wishes are her top priority in the relationship. With the elimination of selfishness, both are happy. That is what true love accomplishes. When one or both parties of a relationship act selfishly, it drains the union of any happiness. The end is misery for both.

My love for my wife will not allow me to cheat on her because that does not fulfill her happiness.

Love branches out into all areas of life. The bedroom, the kitchen, the workplace, our finances, our decision-making process, everything: love or the lack thereof is the guide.

By holding the physical act of love back until marriage, we show that our commitment is to each other. This action, along with daily exhibitions of love, nearly eliminates all fear and jealousy from the relationship.

On to the short engagement. The shortness of our engagement had nothing to do with the length of

our marriage. Still, our preparation for a life together before our engagement did.

How we did what we did may not be right for every couple, but what we did is essential.

What we did - We decided how to handle money, discipline the children, our process for settling arguments, and more, all before Julie ever said "yes" to my proposal.

How we did it - we wrote to each other every day. It is not that we lived across the continent to each other; we saw each other at least twice a week (we went to different high schools). Both of us would sit down with our Bibles and write what amounted to our diary combined with a Bible commentary. The Bible is the book of life. Every life scenario is in there. As the Bible talked about the different life topics, we would write down our comments and thoughts. We reached down into our souls and wrote down our innermost feelings and opinions. When we were together, we would talk about the letters. Sometimes we disagreed. At that point, with everything laid on the table, and we came to a consensus.

Once married, there were a few occasions when one of us did not act as we decided before marriage. Instead of arguments, all the other had to do was bring up the letters. The guilty party would admit guilt, then both of us together would work to correct the wrong. After all, the vows do say, "for better or for worse."

Of course, over the years, opinions of things change. When that happened, we already had a process laid out to amend our decisions from before. But it is always in love - acting in the best interest of each other, not ourselves.

Trust is essential to a happy and long marriage, but the foundation of trust is true love. We should always think of how we can give ourselves to the other. When both in the relationship have that, there is nothing that can sever the bond.

Preacher Johnson is Pastor of Countryside Baptist Church in Parke County Indiana. Website: www.preachers-point.com; Email: preacherspoint@gmail.com; Mail: 410 S. Jefferson St. Rockville IN 47872. Facebook: <https://bit.ly/2YPePL7>.

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*The Kenneth Democrat
Friday, September 3, 1886*

Preaching on next Sabbath at 11 a.m., at Rev. M. L. Haney's residence, nine miles north-east: and in Hoxie at 8 p. M. I. G. Morrill, Pastor.

The Grainfield boys are the whitest people we have met this season.

J. B. Spencer is taking two weeks vacation in Defiance, Iowa.

Uncle Bill Hausafus took in the ball game at Grainfield last week.

Miss Ella Moriarty is on the sick list this week.

The glass ball shoot resulted in a victory for Chambers and Moser.

A party of horse runners and foot racers were in town this week, but did not make much money.

The school, under the management of A. F. Beechy, is progressing finely. Mr. B. is a No. 1 instructor.

Mrs. C. E. Adolf, wife of Charlie, arrived in town last Monday and will in the future make this her home.

Mrs. Dow, Miss Lynch and Clarence Dow left Wednesday for Bedford, Ia., where they will spend the winter.

There was a large turn out last Sabbath to quarterly meeting, and much interest was manifested.

A slight difficulty occurred in the lower end of town last week, no one seriously hurt but some slightly scared.

Isaac Mulholland returned from an extended trip east last Tuesday in which he reports good sales and lots of money.

I. H. Barlow has sold his land north of town to a party from Indiana who will immediately move here and make this his home.

The Cyclones played the Grainfield boys last week. The score at the end of the 7th inning stood 25 to 29 in favor of the Cyclones, with them a half inning to play.

W. D. Hibbard mounted his mule last week and went on a wolf hunt, he found the wolf and the mule found him by pitching him off and hitting him under the chin.

Mr. Spangler and son, father and brother to our George is in town. Mr. Spangler is a large land owner in Sheridan county, and is so well pleased with our city and the counties prospect that he will invest in some more real estate before he leaves.

There will be a grand Democratic rally at Oberlin, Kans. on Sept. 9 1886. All are invited to attend. Rally Democrats! and attend and hear the truth as it will be proclaimed by the state nominees. Also the honest farmer W. G. Gile, nominee for congress from this district will be present and talk to the people. Hear him and be convinced that he is the peoples choice.

The Ladies Aid Society of Hoxie have arranged for a *Lawn Social* on the grounds near the new church, next Tuesday evening. The best of cake and ice cream, and other delicacies of the season will be served in abundance. Should the weather prove cold or inclement, we can repair to the church building then sure to be sufficiently enclosed to be comfortable. All are most cordially invited to come and have a good social time, and help in a good cause.

By order of Committee
**125 Years Ago
September 5, 1895**

John Jones has nearly 300 tons of alfalfa hay in the stack.

A total eclipse of the moon occurred Tuesday night between the hours of 11 and 1.

Sprague's bondsmen will all be called upon in a short time to dig up the "balance."

Manager Kroetch of the Foster Lumber Yard reports a good business and also, that they will double their stock this fall.

J. A. Woollums is baling broom corn this week.

A hay baler would do a big business in this vicinity this year.

Wm. Loof, of south of Morland, was in town Monday with a load of produce.

Ed Coleman will teach an eight months term of school at Mingo, in Thomas county.

Our city is unusually dull this week, on account of so many of our citizens being in attendance at the reunion at Oberlin.

Willis Johnson of the South Fork was in the city Saturday and reported that he had up about 50 tons of hay and had hardly commenced hauling yet.

D. E. Curtis and wife and Miss Reed, of Tennessee, nieces and nephew of Uncle Andy Reed, arrived Tuesday and will visit with "Uncle Andy" for some time.

E. G. Everly and wife left last week for a short visit with friends and relatives in Russell and Cloud counties, before they go to their new home at Aroya, Colorado.

Fred Longberg, of near Guy, was arraigned before Probate Judge Hedge last Thursday and adjudged insane. He will be taken to the asylum as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

Tommy Graham, who left Sheridan county about two years ago and went to Nuckols county, Nebraska, to stay is back and says he will be satisfied to live here for all time. Crops are almost a total failure in Nuckols county this year.

Sheridan county's hay crop for '95 will reach several thousand tons, and the trouble is we have not enough stock to eat it. Thousands of acres of better hay than has been cut for years will be left standing on account of the scarceness of help to take care of it.

A 10-pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Dillon of this city, on Tuesday afternoon, the 3rd instant, Dr. Freeman officiating. Mansfield says the boy is a full-fledged republican. All were doing nicely at last reports.

Selden Department

H. M. Worley has taken up his adobe in his new dwelling just erected north of town.

Miss Clara Wrist has been installed as teacher in district No. 73.

Mr. Thomas and wife, of the firm of Thomas Bro's., of Atwood, Kansas, are visiting J. A.

Slide Kelly Slide!

Alaman Left!!

Sheridan County's Product

I supply this Market twice a week. Mail orders attended to promptly,

W. C. HAINES, Studley, Kansas.

WATER MELONS New Favorite, now on sale at McCallums'. The Hackensack nut-meg musk melon will be on sale this week. The best ever grown. It is the first time it has been produced in this county.	them to be onins and not scul-lions. POTATOES. Early Ohio, New Queen and Abram Pratt, all choice for seed and the best ever raised for eating. Sweet potatoes ready by the 15th. You all know my cele-brated Yellow Jersey, the best in the world and I have raised them this year.	large and well matured, deliv-ered in this market at market price. Orders taken for can-nings in season commencing September 15.
ONIONS. Will take orders and deliver good keeping onions at \$1.00 per bushel, for winter use. I have three of the best kinds of onions ever grown and will guarantee	TOMATOES. Six different varieties, all	PICKLES. I will make a specialty of pickles, putting them up for 25c per gallon. Leave your orders and jars at McCallums'. Cabbage, all sizes at the rul-ing price

In fact, everything in the vegetable line I am in shape to deliver and will do as I say. Give me a trial order and be convinced.

From the *Kenneth Democrat*, 1886. (Kenoxie Archives and Museum photo)

Sprague and wife, of this city.

L. D. Speenburgh has returned to his first love. He tells the same story they all do. "I would have been ahead had I stayed in Sheridan county."

The Selden High school was duly organized and started in its career of usefulness last Monday, with Prof. Messmore as principal and Miss Bertha Henderson as primary teacher.

**100 Years Ago
September 2, 1920**

Base Ball

The game between Grainfield and the home team proved mighty interesting. The visiting team came prepared to take out boys to a cleaning by bringing with them some imported players, but they found mighty stiff opposition in the local team who proved a little more scienced than they and walked away with the honors of victory to a score of 8 to 7 in their favor.

Next Sunday Dresden will play Hoxie on the Hoxie diamond.

Car Stolen

Last Thursday evening during the Chautauqua a thief took from our streets a Ford car belonging to Ray Lacy.

Mr. Lacy and family were attending the Chautauqua and had parked their car among scores of others to the north end of Main street.

It was a new Ford which they had owned but a short time and each evening Mr. Lacy had been locking the switch and putting the key into his pocket but that evening they arrived late and unfortunately he left the key in the switch, which made his car more tempting to the thief, than others.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Russell are enjoying an outing in the mountains of Colorado.

Mrs. Palmer, of Hays, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lon Gorrell, and husband this week.

B. F. Collins sold his residence in Hoxie, last week, to a Mr. Campbell, and has moved to Hill City.

Miss Lena Baier left Monday night for Dresden where she took a Rock Island train for Iowa to visit relatives.

Dr. Dailey returned from a business trip to Kansas City the first of the week. He brought home a new Overland.

R. A. Rogers and "Kink" Robinson, of Selden, and R. G. McCroskie, of Goodland, were Hoxie business visitors Saturday.

Mrs. B. R. Reed and son, Howard, were Salina visitors last week. Howard was making arrangements to enter the Kansas Wesleyan University this year.

Douglas Fairbanks in "The Knickerbocker Buckaroo" Wednesday, September 8, at the Palace. This is a stupendous photo play. You can't afford to miss it.

Mrs. Roy Tucker and children leave this week for their home in Kansas City. Her daughter, Helen, is in poor health and she is anxious to get back home to have her examined by a specialist.

Valley

By Gleaner

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Morgan, a son, on Sunday morning, August 29.

Tom L. Pratt was in the Guy vicinity Monday looking after his interests in the township.

Mrs. M. I. Woods and Mrs. Lucy Callan spent a few days the first of the week with Mrs. F. M. Ewers.

Mr. Lemon, of Hill City, and his crew of men moved the schoolhouse down to Tasco the first of the week.

Northwest Prairie Dog

By Hooting Owl

Mr. Baxter's are the new people who live on the old Bardwell place.

Miss Margaret Heitman is assisting Mrs. Heagney with her cooking.

Mrs. Almada Keeran, of Goodland, visited last week with Mrs. Orpha Comstock.

Mr. Geisenhener and family and Miss Holmes visited Sunday at the Shelton home.

**75 Years Ago
August 30, 1945**

Pix Theatre Damaged

Monday evening the fire whistle called our heroic fire department to the Pix Theatre. Mr. Kahle had been at the Theatre about an hour before the blaze leaped out from the back of the building. The air conditioning system was

destroyed, the screen and stage destroyed, and all the comfortable chairs in the theatre were damaged. Mr. Kahle is now engaged in rushing plans for rebuilding of the damaged parts and hopes to serve you again in his splendid theatre. The Pix Theatre is recognized as one of the finest in this part of the state. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Local Happenings

The Claude Adams family have moved to town and into their recently purchased property, for merely the B. J. Rueschhoff home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Davis, Marjorie Jean and Dean are moving to Sharon Springs this week end. We understand that they will have charge of the telephone office there. They have sold their home here to Mr. and Mrs. William Kahle who already have it spoken for as a rental property. The Davis family have lived in Sheridan County practically all of the lives of both generations. However, many relatives will bring them back often to visit.

Jack Percival, nephew of Dr. C. S. Percival, came August 21st for a visit. Jack is again a civilian, having recently been given his discharge. He plans to attend the University of Iowa this fall.

Mrs. Bill Haynes returned Saturday from a week spent in the Colby Hospital. She was having treatment for an allergic condition or hives which bothered her considerably for several days. Her baby daughter was cared for by her sister, Mrs. Fred Jones and Ronny by Mrs. Margaret Hill. Leon has been with relatives near Morland for several weeks.

Miss Nadine Richardson plans to leave this week end for Omaha, Nebraska where she will resume her nurses training after several weeks at home.

Society News

A picnic at the City Park was held over the noon hour Tuesday for the Junior department of the Methodist Church. All who attended report a fine time and lots of ice-cream.

Mrs. Gladly McKinley of Oberlin was a Sunday evening dinner guest at the C. S. Percival home for dinner Tuesday evening.

Maridel Mowry of Topeka was a Tuesday noon dinner guest of Ruth Aumiller.

The Loyal Jacobs family and Frank Johnson had dinner on Thursday evening of last week with the Alfred Turner family.

Tasco Notes

Mr. and Mrs. H. Getz and daughter spent Sunday at Norton with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Kreft stayed over-night with Wilbur's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Getz. Mr. and Mrs. Kreft are moving from Texas to California where he has work.

Morland News

Mrs. Lena Gray who spent the summer with Mrs. Appa Stober left for her home in California Monday evening.

Miss Phyllis Irene Minium is a patient in St. Anthonys hospital in Hays.

Leoville

Mrs. Bernard Geraghty and three daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Bruggeman and daughter are visiting at the Henry Bruggeman home. Pfc. Raymond Bruggeman is also home on a furlo. He has been overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ritter and daughters and Victor and Dennis spent last week in Denver.

**50 Years Ago
September 3, 1970**

Missing Truck Found

A 1954 International 2-ton truck belonging to Willis Toothaker which was stolen here during the weekend was found Tuesday. The truck was found parked on Highway 36 west of Oberlin, according to Sheriff O. D. Kratzer. The truck apparently was taken by a hitchhiker who wanted a lift, the sheriff said.

Hoxie Grade School News

Library - Mrs. Steinshouer

All library classes seem to be getting off to a good start in spite of the heat. And it has been extra hot in the library! It was interesting to note how many of the students came to the desk to check out the last book they had when school closed in May. Their comments were "It was so good I want to read it again" or "I didn't quite get through with it before library closed."

Hi-Plains 4-H Club Project Meeting

On August 24, eight members and one leader of the Hi-Plains 4-H Club met for a clothing meeting.

Mary Lou Winter demonstrated the care and use of electric scissors. Everyone was then given the opportunity to try them. Joyce Mowry gave the members hints on choosing material and patterns to fit the individual.

Melba Mowry showed an easy way to sew the crotch in a pair of slacks. Scarfs and different ways to tie them was the topic of Susan Wasserman's demonstration.

The meeting was dismissed to the regular club meeting. - Kathy Wasserman, reporter

Studley Items

Mrs. Sadie Wright and Miss Lucille Wright of Lincoln, Nebr. and Mrs. Della Wright of Lenora visited Mrs. Esther Brandt Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Husted, Mrs. Elsie Pelham, Mrs. Kay Karnes and Mrs. Earl Stout visited Dean's mother, Mrs. Margaret Husted and Kay's aunt, Mrs. Ernest Karnes in the Hoxie hospital Wednesday afternoon.

Leoville News

Joyce Fortin returned home from Denver last week and has enrolled in Colby Community Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kruse and Davy spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Degenhardt and children.

Linda Bequette of Hays visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kruse.

Seguin Items

Eight ladies from Hoxie and Seguin enjoyed Monday afternoon visiting and playing cards at the John Geerdes home. Those present were Leoba Baalman, Anna Beckman, Margaret Geerdes, Theresa Boor, Marie Heim, Margaret Stephens, Rose Rietcheck and the hostess, Mary Geerdes.

John Rietchecks called at Lambert Haffners Sunday evening.

Mickey's Want Ads

Farberware all stainless steel small appliances. The only all steel coffee makers, skillets and the famous smokeless broiler.

A man celebrating his 100th birthday was being interviewed by reporters.

"If you had your life to live over, do you think you would make the same mistakes again?" they asked.

"Yes," replied the old man, "but I'd start a lot sooner."

Rubber Maid ice cube bins on sale at 99c.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tribble and Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Tice took Sheri Kerby to Denver Saturday to meet the plane to return to her home in San Francisco. Sheri had spent a few weeks here visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter went to Norton Wednesday evening to visit Mrs. Bainter's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Benda of Sayre, Okla., and John Benda of Chickasha, Okla.

**25 Years Ago
August 31, 1995**

Sheriff's Report

On August 24, at approximately 1 p.m. the sheriff's department worked an accident involving a farm truck, driven by Brad Kennedy of Hoxie and a Department of Transportation tractor-mower combination, driven by Bradley Howard of Grainfield. Both vehicles were southbound when the accident occurred. No injuries were sustained.

The sheriff's department would like to caution residents on individuals soliciting for money by telephone for different organizations. The sheriff encourages the residents to double check with the organizations to be sure that the organizations do have people seeking funds before donating money.

Ladies Golf

This is the final article for the year. Those of you who did not play in the Ladies Handicap Tournament on Saturday, the 26th, missed out on a wonderful day. The Lord provided cloud cover, and just enough breeze to make it comfortable. We stared at 9 a.m. and finished by 12:30.

Wonderful salad lunch, provided by each golfer. Kathy Bergin was in charge of the tournament. Prizes went to Kathy Bergin as medalist with first place to Darlene Schaffer, second to Glenda Schaffer and a tie for third to Kathy Bergin and Frances William.

McGraw News

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. John Herrmann took Kyle Broxson back to Colorado Springs after spending the summer with them. They stayed until Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Terry Warner and David Herrmann. They all went to the zoo on Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Bainter visited Mrs. Jerome Mazanec and Danyelle and Mrs. Lonnie Kinderknecht of Colby last Thursday.

Studley Items

Crystal Crayton of Hays spent several days with her grandparents, Francis and Hetti Lou Crayton, before her school started.

Galen, Kathy and Jennifer Covalt spent Saturday afternoon with Roy and Beryl Covalt.

Jennings-Allison News

Deb and Dennis Bader spent nine days in Iowa and Minnesota visiting cousins and attending Deb's 25th year class reunion.

Lois Scott and Frances Bader were Sunday supper guests of Jim and Wilma Mader.

Rexford News

Dean and Glendora Bastin returned home last Thursday from a three and one-half week bus tour to Alaska. They saw Old Faithful and Grand Coulee Dam, took a ferry up the Inland Passage from Prince Rupert to Ketchikan, Juneau and Skagway. Then by bus they went to Fairbanks, Anchorage and Valdez where they saw the Columbia Glacier. On the way home they saw the Canadian Ice Fields and Lake Louise.

Many people attended the Lions Hog Roast at Gem Wednesday evening, good food and toe-tapping music was performed by different groups of musicians.

NWKS News

Alternative Fall Season Available for Schools

The Kansas State High School Activities Association Board of Directors voted to approve an optional alternative fall season for those schools which are unable to offer opportunities for student-athletes during the traditional fall season. This does not disrupt those schools which are offering practice and competitions at this time. It does provide an option for schools whose seasons are now, or later, unable to continue.

The plan was approved by the Board with 45 in favor and 29 opposed. This plan effectively provides:

- An opportunity for student-athletes to participate in their fall activity that is suspended for the traditional fall months

- Allows those schools with more favorable conditions to continue to practice/play

- Allows for individual schools to evaluate and decide best course of action for their respective activities

- Allows for flexibility at the activity specific level as some activities may continue and while others are suspended (only those suspended would be eligible for the alternative fall season)

- Schools have been placed into bands (groupings) according to their

classification for the purpose of determining appropriate spring sport start dates

- Maximum for total number of weeks participating and number of contests (traditional and alternative fall seasons) is congruent to max allowed in traditional fall season

- In the band of schools in Classes 1A-4A (amended from published agenda), if more than half of the total suspend one or more activities for the season, the spring sport season would have a delayed start and a later conclusion;

- In the band of schools in Classes 5A-6A (amended from published agenda), if more than half of the total schools suspend one or more activities for the season, the spring sport season would have a delayed start and a later conclusion

- In each band, the spring season will start on time and conclude on time if less than half of the schools need to utilize the alternative fall season

- Click the linked here for what other parameters and the schedules included with the plan: <https://bit.ly/3lzAq44>

The KSHSAA will continue to lead and support schools regarding the optimal path moving forward in support of student and community health.

WPAA 51st Season Opens with Oldies Group The Diamonds

Western Plains Arts Association begins its 51st Season opening performance with a classic Rock and Roll group that for 67 years is “truly a cut above” the rest.

The Diamonds, members of both the Doo-Wop Hall of Fame and Vocal Group Hall of Fame, are coming to the Oakley High School auditorium at 3 p.m. Central, Sunday, September 13.

Through the years, since the release of Little Darlin’ (1957), The Diamonds have learned one important lesson—the durability of this classic rock and roll music is as much about the future as it is about the past. As a result, The Diamonds continue to expand their audience to this day, performing in a variety of venues and settings worldwide. These performances include — with symphony orchestras, in performing arts theatres and major concert halls, on cruise ships, in casinos, at county and state fairs, on tours of England, Ireland, Brazil, Chile, Korea, and Japan, for benefit concerts, corporate conventions and at nightclubs. “We’ve been pleased to find a growing audience among all age groups. They love songs they can understand, remember and actually sing the words to — today, tomorrow, or even 20 years from now,” said one unnamed member of The Diamonds.

The Diamonds’ many accomplishments over the years include:

- 3 Gold Records (Silhouettes, The Stroll and Little Darlin’) 33 appearances on American Bandstand Soundtrack – American Graffiti

- Soundtrack – Happy Days
- 16 total Billboard hit records
- The standing ovations and

return engagements are the proof; The Diamonds have taken the classic Rock and Roll genre to a whole new level. Visit www.thediamonds.live for complete information and group pictures.

All total, nearly 30 men have sung lead, tenor, baritone or bass as members of The Diamonds since 1953. Current members of the group are Gary Owens, Adam David Marino, Michael Lawrence and Jeff Dolan. The Toronto, Ontario, Canada, quartet was founded in 1953 by Dave Somerville, Ted Kowalski, Phil Levitt, and Bill Reed. According to Wikipedia, they were most noted for interpreting and introducing rhythm and blues vocal group music to the wide pop music audience.

The Dane Hansen Foundation, Logan, Kansas, is providing a generous grant toward all WPAA season shows for the 2020-21 season. Numerous Northwest Kansas area businesses and individual donors combined make the season possible. Family \$110, adult \$50, and student \$15 season tickets are available for sale from any board member or at the gate. Visit wpaa.us for board member details. Tickets for The Diamonds may be purchased at the door: adults \$20, students \$10. WPAA season passes gain entry to all 51st Season programs.

COVID precautions: Oakley High School will not open until 30 minutes before showtime. People should plan to social distance within the auditorium and mask wearing is highly recommended. There will not be a meet and greet time with the artists after the show for health safety reasons.

Smoky Hills PBS Visits Gove County on the Next *Traveling Kansas*

Smoky Hills PBS’ *Traveling Kansas* will highlight Gove County on Saturday, Sept. 5th at 6:00 p.m.

On this episode of *Traveling Kansas*, we take a tour of Gove county featuring visits to the Castle Rock Badlands and Monument Rocks. Tour local museums and learn about the Gove County Community Foundation.

“We had a lot of fun exploring Gove County,” said Wayne Roberts, Smoky Hills PBS corporate support representative. “It’s a great place for a family getaway, taking you off of the highways and far into the country roads that are so fun to explore! Travel off of the beaten path with us in Gove County, our next stop on *Traveling Kansas*!”

Smoky Hills PBS members can access this episode NOW with PASSPORT, a streaming service offered to all Smoky Hills PBS members. For more information on PASSPORT or how to show your support of Smoky Hills PBS, click here: <http://bit.ly/2RGRCbY>

Viewers will also be able to stream the show via the Smoky Hills PBS YouTube channel on Sept. 5th at 6pm. You can find that link here: <http://bit.ly/StreamSmokyHillsPBS>

Traveling Kansas is a Smoky Hills PBS production that highlights Kansas communities, events and natural wonders.

This episode is made possible by Bluestem Medical, Quinter Chamber of Commerce, City of Quinter, Gove County Economic Development, Gove County Community Foundation, and Gove County Medical Center.

Letter to the Editor

To the Community Members of Sheridan County:

We would like to express gratitude to each of you for your efforts in containing COVID-19. To date there have been 7 cases in the county and none in the last several weeks. This has occurred due to your efforts to avoid traveling to areas with high infection rates and discouraging people from those areas to come here. Furthermore, we note that efforts to social distance, wear masks, and use good hand hygiene impact the success of mitigating the transmission of the virus.

We have never recommended against in-person school. It is clearly superior to any other methods of educating our children. Sheridan Public Health was first consulted the last week of July and the following week we were able to discuss the plan with Mr. Howard on that first Monday of August and the Commissioners on that following Wednesday.

When discussing the plan, we approached the discussion with two guiding principles:

1. Students are best served with in-person school
2. Minimizing community transmission of COVID-19

There are three methods of avoiding transmission and infection, which will then prevent any student or group of students from missing in-person school: hand hygiene, social distancing, and wearing masks when possible. To be clear, there is nothing that prevents every infection. The goal is not to eliminate but to mitigate. Multiple studies have shown that wearing masks will decrease the transmission of COVID-19 when social distancing is not possible.

Imagine an infection outbreak occurring the week before the state championships in volleyball or football or cross country. Most likely there would be individuals unable to participate, which would be a tragedy particularly if they were seniors. As a parent of an athlete, I would do everything I could to ensure that they would be able to fully participate for the duration of their season. Unfortunately, this year, that includes social distancing, hand hygiene, and using a face mask when needed. The

fact of the current year is that prevention of infections will lead to maximizing our kids’ sports seasons. Sports and school are important to our children’s mental and physical health.

The final, but possibly the most important reason for prevention of the virus, is that the death rate in Kansas for those greater than age 85 is 20 percent. The death rate for those age 75 to 84 is 10 percent and the rate continues to fall from there. The unfortunate truth of this stupid virus is that the peak time to be contagious is 48 hours before ANY symptoms. That means each of us have to behave like we could have the virus even though we feel good. We should social distance, have good hand hygiene, and wear a mask when needed so that we protect our most vulnerable.

Now for some good news! Infections in our state are down since the counties most hit by the virus have mandated masks. That has impacted our northwest Kansas numbers of infection in a very positive manner as well! Hopefully, this continues and our worries are not realized!

We respect the Sheridan County Health Board, which consists of our two county commissioners. We serve at their pleasure to recommend what we believe is the best for the citizens of Sheridan County. It would be unethical and a breach of the standard of care for us to make a recommendation that is contrary to medical evidence and contrary to current CDC and KDHE recommendations in this evolving global pandemic. Although we feel that the current plan is one of reaction versus prevention, we acknowledge that the Commissioners are elected to serve and make decisions they feel are best for the citizens of Sheridan County. With God’s grace we will come out of this stronger and smarter to face future pandemics. And again, please social distance, wear a mask when able and needed, and use good hand hygiene.

Thank you and God bless!
Doug Gruenbacher, MD
Melissa Wachendorfer, RN,
Administrator
Sheridan County Public Health
785-675-2101

Hate toward those wearing masks. Hate toward those not wearing masks. Hate for the government that keeps us locked up.

Hateful and fearful of each other.

I read a post on Facebook about a policeman who saw a black man walking along the road. It was 96 degrees out and so he offered him a ride and a cooling fruit snack. But he was afraid to stop and ask if he wanted a ride because he was afraid the man would think he, a cop, was trying to harass him. But he did stop. He did ask, and the man was grateful. The conversation, naturally, turned toward all that was going on in the country right now. What that black man said to that cop was profound, and hit me as it did the policeman,

“People have this all wrong. They want us to hate each other.”

Think about that. If we all decided to just *stop* all of this hate, then those who are trying to push our fear buttons would lose the energies feeding them. It is what I think we’re beginning to see also. As a whole, we are sick of living in fear, so we are beginning to fight back. Our economy is jumping back daily – despite those working so hard to keep it down for political gain. We are reaching out to one another again. We should never have allowed others to tell us we couldn’t in the first place. Ignore them. Ignore the fear and hate. It’s the only way to get beyond all of this.

Stop listening to the media.

Editorial: Stop Listening to the Media

By Viktorija Briggs

The last few months have been a nightmare of changes – most of which are *not* for the good: pandemic, lockdowns, mask mandates, protests that have turned to riots, riots that have turned violent, people turning on people. If you follow the news and media, regardless of source, if it is paid for by large conglomerates it is pushing a narrative unlike anything we have ever seen in this country before. *Ever. Before.*

The majority of those over 35 are looking around and

wondering, “*What happened?! Where is my country?!*”, because *this country* is NOT what we grew up learning about in school and living in. *This country* is the absolute antithesis of what our Constitution says we are and what our Founding Fathers fought hard to bring into being.

Most under the age of 35 have grown up with electronics in their hands; face down never looking up, little to no socialization skills, communication – *real* communication skills – are at absolute zero, critical thinking skills are not taught at home and discouraged in schools: i.e. follow the rules; don’t question authority; don’t defend yourself, let an adult handle it, and on & on. These ‘adults’ have never been appropriately disciplined or taught self-discipline (the former instills the latter), so they are a generation of ‘snowflakes’. Meaning, they are incapable of dealing with the realities of life, especially the harsh realities of not getting the job they want or the pay they want or being fired for not doing their job or not getting the president they voted for. So, they throw tantrums like toddlers. The only difference though, being that they are emotionally immature ‘adults’ in adult bodies with adult physical abilities, so their tantrums are capable of detrimental violence.

The media are pushing a narrative that everyone must hate each other. It doesn’t help that the government is pushing an agenda that has people scared to death of a virus that is 96.7% survivable, which is better than the common flu that comes around each year (regardless of strain). The media and government are pushing for people to hide behind masks, ‘social distance’, don’t touch or hug. What has this accomplished?

Fear is what it has accomplished. Nothing more. We are at a level of fear in this country – and the world – like never before. This extreme fear has brought about hate.



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*"Describing her first day back in grade school after a long absence, a teacher said,
It was like trying to hold 35 corks under water at the same time."*
Mark Twain

Volleyball Season Begins



Hitting the ball over the net is junior Haley Heskett in junior varsity action Friday during the match with Wheatland/Grinnell. Sophomore Paola Dimas and freshman Josey Kennedy back her up. The JV Lady Indians beat the JV Lady Thunderhawks 21-25, 25-17, 15-5. They also beat Oberlin JV 24-14, 25-10. The C Team beat Oberlin 25-7, 25-7. (HHS photo)



Hoxie senior Morgan Keith passes a hit from the back row as the libero in Friday's home opening match with Oberlin. The Hoxie ladies beat Oberlin 25-21 and 25-13. They also hosted Wheatland/Grinnell but lost to them in three sets 20-25, 25-21, 23-25. (HHS photo)

Counselor Corner

By Chris Lee
What happens if you can't attend college because of COVID? CNBC had a excellent article on this: <https://cnb.cx/3jt5eS3>. If you are looking for another

scholarship search engine Scholarship 360 is an interesting one. It's hard to find scholarships for the Arts, but it featured the Greater Than Gatsby Scholarship for students majoring in any type of art communications English

Cougars Finally Out for Practice



Fourth through sixth grade Hoxie Cougar football began practicing Monday, August 24. (Sentinel Staff photo)

film, fine arts, journalism, multimedia, photography and visual arts. Go to <https://bit.ly/3JCtES> to apply.

Last week the Wichita State scholarship deadline was listed incorrectly. November 1 is the correct date for freshman merit scholarships, but to compete for premier scholarships the application deadline is still October 15. You must have a 27 or better on the ACT to compete for the latter, however.

WSU is test optional for admissions, but an ACT score will still be needed for scholarships. There is a bunch of ways to get your Shocker info, but the easiest might be <https://bit.ly/3gOXAzv>.

High school students are invited to experience a day in the life of a K-State student! This semester EXCITE is highlighting the following STEM colleges: October 19-23: Colleges of Agriculture and Veterinary

Medicine, and November 9-13: Colleges of Engineering and Arts & Sciences.

This event is intended for students currently in high school (grades 9-12) with an interest in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) related careers. Our virtual EXCITE Shadow Days will combine pre-recorded sessions with live sessions. Register at <https://bit.ly/2QHGV04>. If you have questions email kawse@k-state.edu or call 785-380-7781.

The University of Kansas will still do its Honors program for the top 10% of every school's graduating class, but it will not have the program until January or later. Seven-semester GPAs will be used this year to determine who is recognized.

The Kansas Buffalo Association is offering a \$1000 scholarship to a high school senior or first-year college freshman who is involved in raising bison and/or is planning to pursue a career in an agriculturally related field.

The KBA invites interested applicants at <https://bit.ly/32HInsp>, provide one letter of reference and submit a 500-word essay explaining why you have chosen agriculture as your field of study and why

Bulldogs Add Cross Country



The Golden Plains Cross Country team does some sprint work before going on a long run during practice on August 21st. This is the first time GP has had a cross country team since 2002. Team members (left to right) include Jazline Manriquez, Ava Brantley, Emma Weiner, Alex Gonzalez, and Ethan Weiner. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Emma Weiner

This year, the Golden Plains Bulldogs are excited to add a new sport! We are having a Cross Country team for the first time since 2002. The team is being coached by Mindy Fleckenstein, who ran for the Bulldogs when she was in high school. There are five runners, three girls and two boys, who have been working hard to get ready for the season. The boys running for the Bulldogs are Juniors Alex Gonzalez and Ethan Weiner. The girls' team will consist of Sophomore Jazline Manriquez and Freshmen Ava Brantley and Emma Weiner.

"I'm excited to try something new!" commented Ava Brantley about starting the season. One of the reasons that a Cross Country team was added is to give kids another option for a fall sport along with volleyball and football. The USD 316 School Board decided that the athletes have to choose to do one sport or the other; they can't do both.

"Some days we train at a

harder pace than race pace and go a little farther than the race distance, which is 3.5 miles, to build endurance," said Ethan Weiner about the team's training. "Other days we train at a really hard pace but at shorter distances to work on getting out hard at the start and a strong finish. We also do some sprint work on hills and go on long runs."

Just like every other activity, cross country has to make some changes due to the COVID-19 virus. Some of the changes include wearing masks for the first quarter mile of the race and possibly not having or limiting fans. Most of the decisions about how the meets are going to be run will be made by the school hosting the meet so the rules may be different at each meet.

The runners will continue pushing to improve to prepare for their first meet and the rest of the season. They will be traveling to Goodland on Thursday, September 3, for their season opener. The meet will begin at 5:00 p.m at the Sugar Hills Golf Course.

the selection committee should choose you to receive the KBA scholarship. KBA members may act as sponsors to qualify family, friends or a member of a local school or county ag-related organization (FFA, 4H, etc.) for this scholarship.

IMPORTANT DATES:
September 17: Registration deadline for October 10, 17, 24, and 25 ACT

November 1: Early action deadline at KU; Premier 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
February 15: Final deadline for scholarships at FHSU

Week of: Monday ~ Friday September 7 ~ September 11				
USD 412 Hoxie Community School				
BREAKFAST				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sep - 7 NO SCHOOL TODAY	Sep - 8 BLUEBERRY MUFFIN CEREAL PINEAPPLE TIDBITS JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 9 SAUS.LK. WITH TOAST CEREAL MANDARIN ORANGES JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 10 WAFFLE STICKS CEREAL MANDARIN ORANGES JUICE, VARIETY MILK	Sep - 11 CHEWY COOKIES & CREAM BA CEREAL PEACHES, DICED JUICE, VARIETY MILK
LUNCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sep - 7 NO SCHOOL TODAY	Sep - 8 CHICKEN NUGGETS MASHED POTATOES PEAS SALAD ROLLS APPLE SAUCE MIXED FRUIT MILK	Sep - 9 FRITO PIE CORN SALAD PRETZEL, SOFT SALAD FRUIT COCKTAIL BANANAS, HALF MILK	Sep - 10 BRD. CHICKEN PTY./WW BUN CRINKLED CUT FRIES GREEN BEANS SALAD PEACHES, DICED APPLE HALF MILK	Sep - 11 TACOS CURLEY FRIES PEAS & CARROTS SALAD PINEAPPLE TIDBITS CHERRY CRISP MILK

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GPHS Welcomes New Students



Golden Plains welcomes four new students for the 2020-2021 school year including: (l-r) Connor Pawlak, Marshall DiRocco, and Collin Mumm. (not pictured Kloie Kuper) (Photo by Rayna Taylor)

By Carli Nieman

This year Golden Plains High school welcomed four new students: Collin Mumm, Marshall DiRocco, Connor Pawlak, and Kloie Kuper.

Collin is a sophomore who transferred from Decatur Community High School. He plans on participating in FFA and enjoys hanging out with the new friends he has made here. Collin said he cannot wait until summer break so he can get back to working.

Marshall DiRocco, also a sophomore, returns to Golden Plains from Coronado High School in Colorado Springs, CO. He plans on participating in football and basketball this year. He is excited for his football season and is thankful he can get the help he needs for his academics.

Connor Pawlak is a junior at Golden Plains. He transferred here from Goddard, KS. Connor is excited for the opportunities this year and plans on participating in football and track. In his free time Connor enjoys playing video games, riding his bike, and taking care of his pets.

Kloie Kuper is a senior at Golden Plains who transferred from Heartland Christian in Colby. She is participating in volleyball this year and her favorite class is shop. She also said she cannot wait to graduate.

"It is always nice to see new faces here at Golden Plains," stated high school secretary Annette Spreser.

GPHS Begins 2020 Volleyball Season



By Ashley Stoll

The Golden Plains High School volleyball team will

Golden Plains Sophomore McHaley Carter attacks the ball during a drill in practice. The Bulldogs will begin their season by traveling to Healy on Saturday, August 29. GPHS posted 30-7 2019 season and look to continue the success into the 2020 season. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

kick off their season by traveling to Healy on August 29 for the Healy Tournament. The Bulldogs have 16 girls on the team, including returning WKLL All-League starters Seniors Brooke Stoll and Ashley Stoll, along with Junior Kassie Miller. "It was an honor to get these awards last year," said Miller. "I hope that more girls will be able to experience it this year!"

Seniors on the team include Brooke Stoll, Ashley Stoll, and Kloie Kuper, who joined the school and team this year. "I am excited to get started on my Senior year of volleyball and look forward to coming together as a team to carry on our success from last season," said Ashley Stoll.

"It is going to be a great season full of improvement and creating lasting friendships," added Brooke Stoll.

Returning Junior starters

Bulldogs Kick Off to a G.R.E.A.T Season



Block! Jovanny Infante and Rojelio Loya battle it out in a blocking drill during football practice at Golden Plains High School. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Sidney Taylor

The Golden Plains High School Football team has been preparing for their upcoming football season. They have adopted the motto G.R.E.A.T. for this year—Greatness Requires Effort Attitude, Teamwork. The team had a three-day camp in late July along with their traditional summer schedule. As allowed by the Kansas State High School Activities Association, the team practiced up until the August 15 deadline.

"It was hard to adjust to social distancing, and we were worried if we would get a football season or not," said senior Rojelio Loya. The Bulldogs first official football practice started August 17 to prepare for their 5th year of six-man football.

The Bulldogs are led by Travis Smith in his 21st year as head coach, and assistant coach Russ Aumiller. "We are excited that we are able to have any type of season at this point," said Smith. "We are doing everything in our power to make sure we are keeping everyone healthy." Coach Smith said that the team social distances during drills and during water breaks and will follow all KSHSAA protocols for Covid-19 for this season.

The Bulldogs are beginning the season with 18 team members, four of them being returning seniors, including All-State players Wade Rush and Rojelio Loya. Other seniors are Austin Durham and Toby Korte. "We look forward to head back to the Wild West Bowl to play for the championship," said Loya.

"As a team we have grown and matured," added Rush.

"The seniors have shown a tremendous amount of leadership this summer and into the early stages of the season," added Coach Smith. "We are going to rely on them heavily both on and off the field as well."

Coach Smith also said that for the team to be successful this season, they are going to need some of the returners from last year to step into spots left vacant by last year's seniors.

The Bulldogs went 7-4 in their previous season and are looking to have another successful season. They ended the 2019 season placing third in state and they are working to head back to Dodge City for their 5th consecutive year.

The Dogs will open their season on September 4 against the Cheylin Cougars in Rexford starting at 7:00 pm. We truly believe the Bulldogs will be G.R.E.A.T this season.

along with Kassie Miller include Carli Nieman and Morgan Wark. Amie Cheney, Rayna Taylor, Britton Knowles, and Lauren Patmon will also be returning to contribute to the team. Sophomores on the team are Breanna Rath,

Outstanding High School Art Teacher



By Mary McDonald, Staff Reporter

WHS Art teacher, Mrs. Ronna Schultz, received an art award for being the outstanding Kansas high school art teacher of the year. She has taught art for the past thirty-four years at WHS. During her time as an art teacher she has received multiple awards at the national level, as well as six gold and two awards and two silver awards.

Mrs. Schultz said, "I was

Mrs. Schultz stands proudly with her national award and her new Outstanding Art Teacher award. (WHS photo)

doubtful of winning an award this prestigious."

The Kansas Art Education Association gives out four awards to art teachers every year. To become eligible for the award, a teacher must first be nominated by another art teacher in the state of Kansas. Mrs. Schultz was nominated by Linda Nelson Bova from Kansas City. Also, to be eligible for nomination, five former students and the school principal must write a letter of support.

WHS principal, Mr. Todd Flinn said, "It could easily be argued Mrs. Schultz has developed one of the top (if not the top) K-12 Art programs in the entire state!"

Mrs. Schultz was honored in an informal ceremony on Saturday, August 22, via Facebook due to COVID-19 regulations. There will be a ceremony in Wichita next October to give her a formal acknowledgment.

WHS Finds Their Way Back to School

By Evelyn Resendez, Staff Reporter

On August 20, 2020, Wheatland High School welcomed back students to school.

The day started off with an assembly in the commons area where Mr. Flinn informed students about new Covid-19 procedures. School this year looks a little different. For example, students have to social distance in the classroom as well as in the lunch area due to Covid guidelines. Following the assembly, students attended shortened class periods in order to be able to finish the day with some fun games.

Principal Mr. Flinn said, "Even though Covid-19 has changed the way we do things, we are all extremely excited to have students back in the building so that we can return to a semblance of 'normal life' as much as possible. The first few days back have presented some learning curves, but overall have been a great success. So far, our students have been vigilant in



Deanna Farber, WHS school secretary, smiles as she works hard at her desk. (WHS photo)

their interactions, and we hope things continue that way so that classes and activities can remain as normal as possible for the whole school year."

Senior Luke Bixenman added, "I was glad to see my friends, and it's good to be a senior."

After classes, students began an activity time. They were separated into groups and traveled to four different stations,

Thunderhawks Hit the Ground Running

By Anna Godek, Staff Reporter

Students are back in school and fall sports are back in action! WHS has volleyball and football games coming up quickly. Sadly, the Thunderhawks have no athletes out for cross country.

The volleyball team has a total of twelve team members along with one manager. Kirsten Schroeder is the only senior on the volleyball team. The volleyball team this week has a triangular at Hoxie with Oberlin, and a tournament Saturday in Hays. Senior Kirsten Schroeder says "With only 12 girls out this

year it is a little different than previous years. This group of girls has grown together, almost like a family. We have eight girls coming back from last season and four new girls to play this season. The team has adapted to the COVID restrictions that KSHSAA has put out this year. Please come out to cheer on our Thunderhawk Volleyball in the gym or on open spaces this year!

The football players are also ready and excited for their first games. The football team has 21 athletes out and five of them are seniors. This Friday they will

McHaley Carter, and Sidney Taylor. Incoming Freshmen to the team include Jordyn Fleckenstein, Mia Rogers, and Valentina Bermudez.

The team will be coached by returning head coach Ashley Arnberger and assisted by Laura Felthoelter. Junior Carli Nieman said, "I am excited to build on what we started last year and can't wait to see what we can accomplish this season."

"I am interested to see how the season will go with all the changes," added Breanna Rath, "but I am excited to see how we will improve as a team and as individuals."

The Lady Bulldogs displayed a 30-7 2019 season and are looking to continue this success into the 2020 season, despite the challenges and changes they will face due to Covid 19 virus. Practices and game

WHS Welcomes New Students



New student Freshman Patrick Johnson enjoys his first day at WHS. (WHS photo)

By Nevaeh Nelson, Staff reporter

On August 20, 2020, Wheatland High School welcomed a new freshman student, Patrick Johnson. He previously attended school in Oakley. Patrick and his parents are in the process of moving to Grinnell. He is the manager for football and is planning on being the manager for basketball. He is looking forward to participating in some sports such as golf and track. Patrick's favorite thing about attending WHS is the hands-on work with carpentry in his shop class and that he gets his own laptop that the school provides for its students.

Freshman Patrick Johnson said, "It is really good, one of the best schools I have been to."

each with a different activity. Station 1 was at the commons area where Miss. Weather led a Kahoot game about the teachers. Station 2 was in Mrs. Dohm's class where students played a brain teaser game. Station 3 was in Miss Iseman's class where students held a mock debate. Station 4 was in the art room with Mrs. Schultz where students drew self-portraits.

Junior Isabella Ostmeier said, "Learning about the teachers was so much fun."

Support the Thunderhawk football team this year whether it be by Open Spaces or in person. travel to Atwood to play in a Jamboree, which doesn't classify as a game. Their first game is at home against Axtell, September 4th. Senior Trevor Zarybnick's input on the upcoming season is, "I'm really excited for this year, because this is the most we have had on a team buy into the thought of the playoffs. This is the best football team I have been on. I think the sky's the limit for our team."

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9/7/20
Labor Day - No School
9/8/20
4pm VB-V @ Tribune
9/10/20
3pm VB-MS @ Northern Valley/WPH
4:30pm Cross Country @ Quinter
6pm FB-MS @ Northern Valley
9/11/20
3pm FB-V @ Weskan
9/12/20
ACT
9am VB-V @ Gove County Classic

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(Published in The Sheridan Sentinel September 3, 2020)

Commission Minutes
8/19/20

Pratt stated that there appears to be a ROW on the road in the NW part of the county that is being reviewed. Pratt will get with Herskowitz and look at the map and then make the appropriate response.

Bracht received
Neighborhood Revitalization

Joe Bainter moved the August 14, 2020 payroll be approved as presented. Welshhon seconded the

that he lives in Area 5 for mowing and the mowing does not seem to be done per the Mowing Agreement. Kauk obtained a copy of the Mowing Agreement and the map of the areas from the Clerk's Office, as well as the billing that has brought on the discussion. Kauk stated he had done a lot of driving in Areas 5 and 6 and that Area 6 has a lot of miles, most of them mowed and mowed properly. Kauk stated that the blade operator and mower need to communicate to each other, because if the employee has been blading and there are piles of dirt with grass in it, the mower will have to go

Discussion started on the 2021 Budget again. Joe Bainter stated he had spoken with quite a few people and some agreed with a \$500,000 - \$650,000 reduction, but quite a few supported \$350,000. Welshhon stated she wants to make the best decision for

May 19, 1929 ~ August 21, 2020



He is survived by his children, son Thomas and Cory Bouts, of Littleton, CO, son Richard Bouts, of Selden, KS, stepdaughter Rhonda and Kenneth Wildeman, of Jennings, KS, son Gerald and Ellyn Bouts, of Denver, CO, son Alan and Charlotte Bouts, of Westcliffe, CO, stepson Ronald Zimmerman, of Boise, ID, daughter Sarah and Martyr Veitel, of Pensacola, FL, son

Online condolences may be left at www.baalmannmortuary.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to City of Selden Parks in care of Baalmann Mortuary, PO Box 391, Colby, KS 67701. Also, the family is working on a virtual memorial page. If you have any pictures, videos, stories, thoughts, and memories please send them to frankboutsmemorial@gmail.com. Anyone contributing content or requesting access will be provided a link when the memorial is complete.

The following payroll was approved and signed:

General \$54,392.81
Road & Bridge \$23,611.33
Public Health \$4,195.78
Public Transp. \$753.25
Landfill \$1,458.88
Spec Auto \$1,229.33
No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at the regular time and meeting place.

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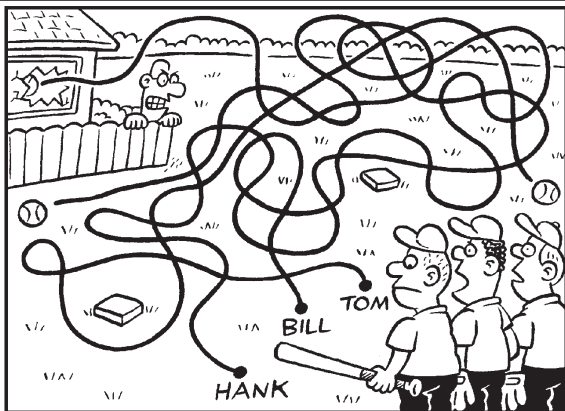
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Answer: Alabama.

'CLIP' YOUR FRIENDS WITH THIS ONE!
Bet your friends that you can place two paper clips an inch apart and then make them link together without touching either one. SECRET: Fold a bill and place two paper clips on it as shown at right. Now, take the two ends of the bill and jerk them apart. The clips will fly off the bill linked together.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

1.		O	W	L	
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5.		O	W	L	
6.		O	W	L	
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8.		O	W	L	



BIRDS OF A FEATHER FLOCK TOGETHER!
Are you as wise as this old owl? To the left is a list of eight words, each of which contains the word "owl." Using the following hints, see if you can figure out what the words are:

1. A hood.
2. A lawn game.
3. What police cars do.
4. Look of frowning disapproval.
5. Type of hunter.
6. Type of monkey.
7. Type of knot.
8. Hair that sticks up or out.

Answers: 1. Cowl. 2. Bowls. 3. Frowl. 4. Scowl. 5. Fowler. 6. Howler. 7. Bowline. 8. Cowlick.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

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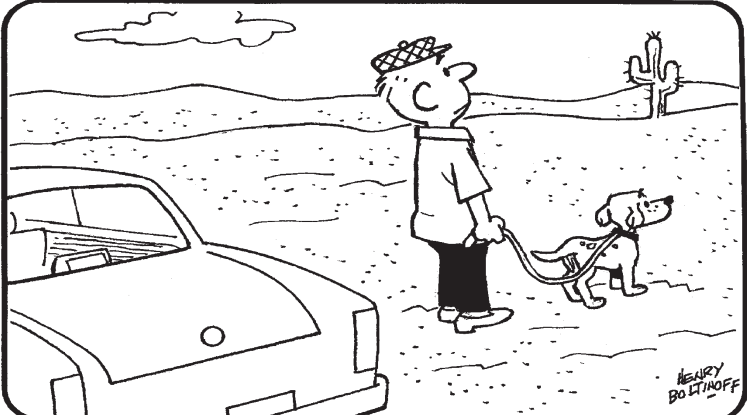
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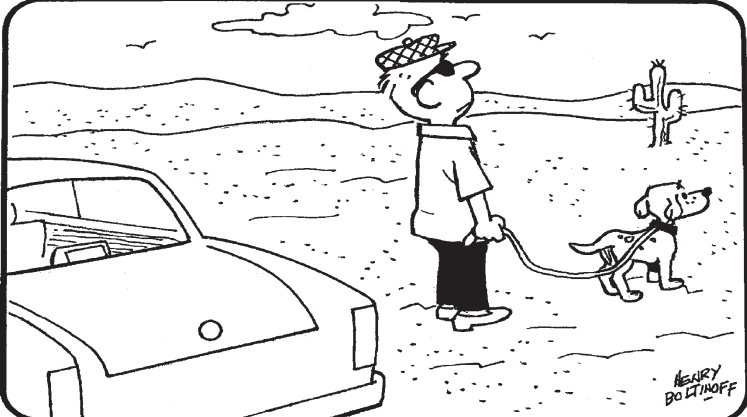
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Cloud has moved. 2. Sunglasses have been added. 3. License plate is missing. 4. Dog's leash is longer. 5. Birds have been added. 6. Cactus is closer.

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: P equals R

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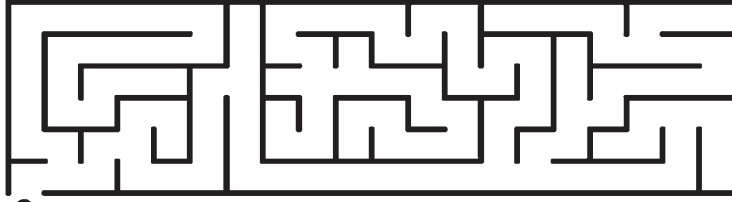
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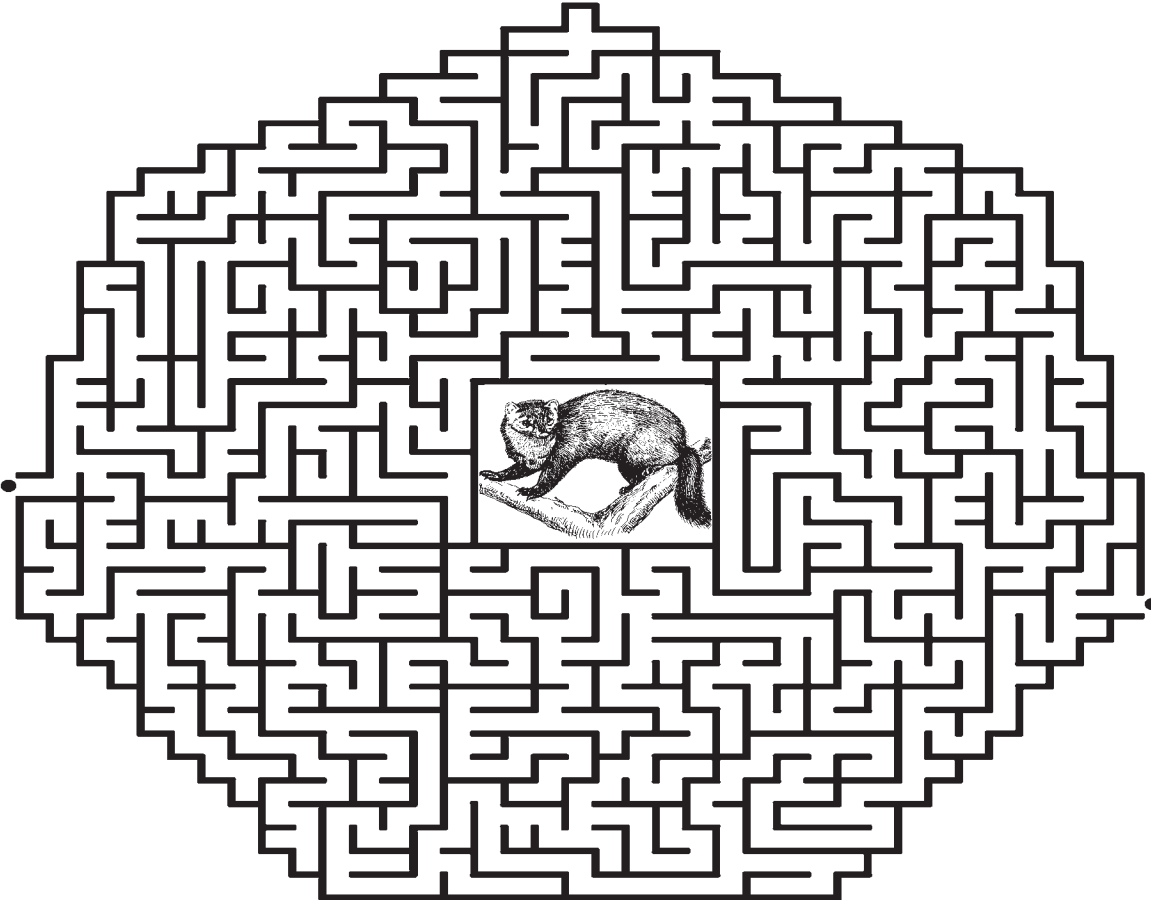
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Super Crossword

THE END IS IN SIGHT

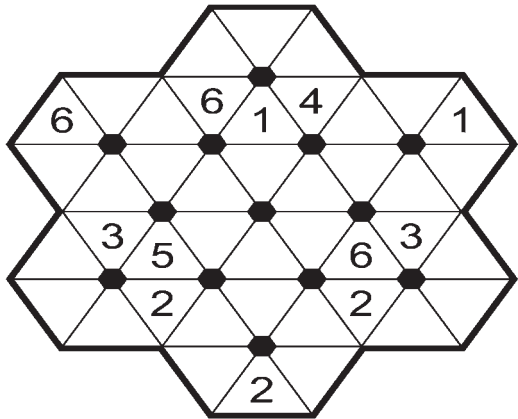
ACROSS

- 1 Rum brand
- 8 River of D.C.
- 15 Winger of Hollywood
- 20 Qom native
- 21 Great Plains tribe
- 22 "Sk8er Boi" singer
- 25 Surrender
- 26 Dairy farm machine
- 27 Mai
- 28 Slithery creature
- 29 Metal deposit
- 31 Added a coward as a Facebook connection?
- 37 "Unto the Sons" author
- 41 Apple center
- 42 Arles article
- 43 Prosecuting attorney's statement about his last-ever client?
- 51 Bewildered
- 52 Dentist's filler
- 53 On the — (in hiding)
- 55 Gift add-ons
- 58 Nice smell
- 62 "A mouse!"
- 63 Popular pain reliever
- 65 Golf rarity
- 66 Noted U.S. lithographer
- 70 One nosing around
- 72 R&B singer with the 2003 hit "4Ever"
- 73 Exemplars
- 74 Forebode
- 79 Golf ball holder
- 80 Black — cattle
- 81 Wide foot spec
- 82 Yule tunes
- 83 Bunks, e.g.
- 84 TV "Science Guy"
- 85 Garb
- 87 Bellybutton variety
- 90 Email a large image file in error?
- 99 Color tone
- 100 Vivacity
- 101 Nasty type
- 102 Funds given to a certain soccer player?
- 110 IM giggle
- 111 Lift up
- 112 Teeny-tiny
- 113 Seer's site
- 117 Estate in the country
- 118 Trumpeting beast wins someone's affection?
- 125 Ashley or Mary-Kate
- 126 Monte Carlo locale
- 127 Vail, for one
- 128 Must have
- 129 Get more precipitous
- 130 Climbed monkey-style
- 5 Cambodian money unit
- 6 Like a cold, damp cellar
- 7 Like the article "a" or "an": Abbr.
- 8 Golf average
- 9 Hosp. scrubs sites
- 10 Longest river in Scotland
- 11 Photo finish?
- 12 Photo finish
- 13 In advance
- 14 Wagfish sort
- 15 Hotel chain with a sun logo
- 16 Showed plainly
- 17 Rest period
- 18 Poet Rainer Maria
- 19 Mayflower man John
- 24 Make a gaffe
- 29 Giant Mel
- 30 Yell of cheer
- 32 Here, in Haiti
- 33 Long period
- 34 Gun org.
- 35 Salami seller
- 36 Rock's Lewis
- 38 JFK data
- 39 JFK jet, once
- 40 Lifesaving team, in brief
- 44 2018 is one
- 45 TV's Jamie
- 46 Lacking in variety
- 47 Absconded
- 48 Counterfeit
- 49 Lift up
- 50 Untangled
- 54 Untidy states
- 55 New York's — Zee Bridge
- 56 "AWOL" or "FAQ," e.g.
- 57 1714-27 king of England
- 59 Most unctuous
- 60 Lo — (Chinese dish)
- 61 Songwriter Harold
- 63 Totals (up)
- 64 Falsification
- 66 Middle marks
- 67 Large vase
- 68 Retort to "Are not!"
- 69 Author Anaïs
- 71 Letters on an AC
- 75 Actor Bruce
- 76 Yard intruder
- 77 Bump on —
- 78 "The jig —!"
- 83 Test version
- 85 Action
- 86 Old New York ballpark
- 88 Robbins of "Short Cuts"
- 89 Hard water
- 91 Forked (out)
- 92 Many beach mementos
- 93 TV Tarzan player Ron
- 94 "Thwack!"
- 95 Ending for serpent
- 96 Get rid of, as a bad habit
- 97 — de Oro
- 98 Slithery creature
- 102 — Rex (cat variety)
- 103 Force out of the country
- 104 Counterfeit
- 105 Water jugs
- 106 Ignited anew
- 107 Irk
- 108 "Just joking!"
- 109 Hair lock
- 114 Egyptian sacred cross
- 115 Twice CCI
- 116 Slant
- 119 Bakery buy
- 120 With it, man
- 121 Exist
- 122 "The Mugger" actress
- 123 R&B singer Des'
- 124 Bummed out

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

	8		7			3		
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	9				2		5	
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ ♦ Challenging
♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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Finding Beauty in Kansas
By Jackie Mundt, Pratt County farmer and rancher

Where is your favorite place that you have lived? It might not surprise you that Kansas isn't usually my first response. Kansas is an acquired taste.

When I first moved here over a decade ago, I was not very excited about the landscape. I had spent most of my life in the northern United States with green, lush woodlands and lakes everywhere you look. Trees and lakes in Kansas seemed a joke to me. And the wind. It was wicked and vengeful; it never seemed to stop. I was not a fan.

At the time, I read a book about the early homesteaders in Kansas and those who survived the Dust Bowl. I remember wondering, "What did early homesteaders think when they got here? Is this it?"

After naming some great attributes of different places, my response to that question about favorites always ends up being, "I can be happy anywhere, there is something to love everywhere, you just have to decide you want to be happy."

The people and strong agriculture industry in Kansas made it easy to love, and over the years, my appreciation of the state's beauty has grown. There are two undeniably spectacular and quintessentially Kansas times of year I love.

In the north, late February and early March are filled with endless gray days and snowbanks or dirty slush everywhere you look. I think that is why it always feels like such a surprise to be driving through Kansas on a sunny day and realize the winter wheat has turned vibrant green overnight and grazing cattle suddenly appear across the countryside. It is a sight that stops me every year, renewing my joy and strengthening my soul.

Then in May and June, the

came to appreciate the wind's cooling nature on humid, sunny days. My phone is now filled with pictures of the landscape because I was in constant awe of the beauty and power around me.

This summer when I slowed down, I figured out why homesteaders stayed, and generations of farmers love this land. It's a place where resilient crops and stout creatures withstand fierce weather conditions; a wide-open space that allows the most amazing views of the heavens.

Kansas doesn't have big bold beauty that can be easily seen. It has subtle, detailed beauty that you have to stand in the midst of to feel. It takes patience to experience and time to appreciate.

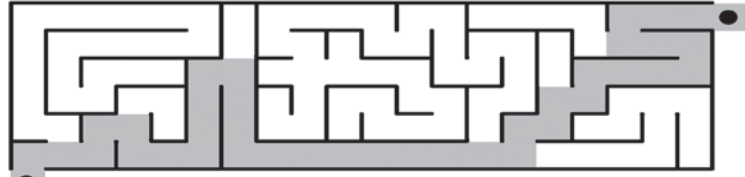
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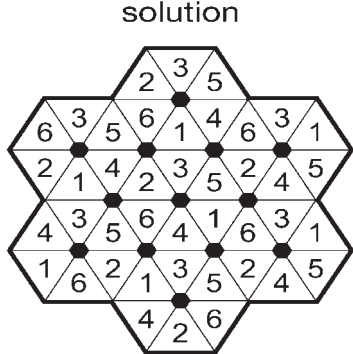
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CryptoQuip answer

How did Bond sleep through that large earthquake?
I suppose he was shaken, but not stirred!

SNOWFLAKES solution



SCRAMBLERS solution

1. Limpet
2. Second;
3. Feudal; 4. Polish

Today's Word LOCUSTS

Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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Super Crossword

Answers

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