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2017 ~ A Year in Review

Compiled by Rachel Farber

January

1/5/2017

New year brings new changes and growth for *The Sheridan Sentinel*.

Lady Indians win last game, before winter break, over Atwood 59-18.

Shane Beckman wins second place in National Sorghum Producers contest.

1/12/2017

Newly elected county officials sworn into office.

The Sheridan County Community Foundation raised over \$75,000.00 to be given to local non-profit organizations at annual Match Day.

The second-grade classes of Hoxie and Selden collect walnuts and burr oak acorns to plant, working with the Sheridan County Conservation District.

1/19/2017

FFA place well at Norton Ag Sales Contest and Job Interview Contest.

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs played two games in two days, losing to the Logan Trojans 17-15 and winning 17-15 over the St. Francis Indians.

1/26/2017

DSNWK receives \$1,450.00 grant from the Sheridan County Community Initiative Fund to create a garden area for use by the community.

The HHS Varsity Scholars Bowl team places second at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament of January 9.

Fourth-graders take annual Kansas Day Field Trip to the Buffalo Bill Cultural Center and the Western Plains

Energy, LLC ethanol plant.

Obituary: Linda Kay Cook, age 61, passed away December 30, 2016. Willard Roy Hedge, age 91, of Doctor's Inlet, FL, passed away December 2, 2016. William Charles "Bill" Brown, age 86 passed away December 23, 2016. Wayne "Shep" Shepard, age 78, passed away January 2, 2017. James Patterson, age 83, passed away January 6, 2017. Michael Musick of WaKeeney, age 63, passed away January 4, 2017. Darin Richmeier, age 49, passed away January 4, 2017. Dr. John Rand Neuenschwander, age 69, passed away on December 14, 2016. Curtis James, age 62, passed away January 20, 2017. Benjamin "Ben" Mosier, age 96, passed away January 17, 2017.

February

2/2/2017

Lady Indians add another win at home over the Quinter Bulldogs 46-29.

Sheridan County Conservation District holds annual meeting to award poster winners and speech winners.

Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs win over Weskan Coyotes 42-29.

2/9/2017

Hoxie Grade School's annual Read and Run kicks

off with school assembly.

Beverly Rucker conducts Pride of the Prairie Orchestra.

Golden Plains High School Scholars Team qualifies for state.

2/16/2017

Peoples State Bank installed a new sign.

Emily Campbell began remodeling the Shaw Jewelry building to become her new restaurant.

Twin Creeks Extension District hires new Extension Director, Stacy Brown, at the Sheridan County office.

Hoxie 8th Grade takes third place at Oakley Scholars Bowl Tournament.

2/23/2017

Sheridan County Sheriff's Deputy Adam Babcock successfully completes Basic Training and graduates from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in Hutchinson.

Sheridan County Public Library hosts Valentine's Tea Party for the Story Hour children.

DSNWK receives donations from Knights of Columbus and Hoxie Lions Club.

Obituary: Francis Henry Richmeier, age 84, passed away January 7, 2017. Curt Jake James, age 62, passed away January 20, 2017. Gaylen



Hoxie Indians Football Team wins State for the first time in Hoxie history. An awards ceremony brought a huge crowd to honor the coaches and team. (Photo by Rachel Farber)

Lee Randolph, age 76, passed away January 26, 2017.

Corwin Franklin Deibert, age 80, passed away January 27, 2017. Agnes Berens, age 89, passed away January 31, 2017. Rex D. Albin of Quinter, age 81, passed away February 1, 2017. Darrell W. Allen, age 84, passed away February 3, 2017. Kenneth Ray Corke, age 95, passes away February 4, 2017. Mary Lou Long of Norton, age 86, passed away February 16, 2017. Janice Marie (Richmeier) Nusser of Wichita, age 57, passed away on February 17, 2017. Charlene Mae Maske of Elwood, IL, age 77, passed

away on February 18, 2017.

March

3/2/2017

The Golden Plains Middle School girls basketball teams, both A and B teams, had undefeated seasons this year and won WKLL Tournament Championship.

Senator Rick Billinger and Representative Don Hineman spoke to a crowd of 19 at the Bowen Scout House on Saturday, February 25.

Hoxie Lady Indians win last regular season game over Colby 65-33.

Golden Plains Kindergarten celebrates President's Day with three-cornered hats and "I cannot tell a lie cherry pie."

3/9/2017

Hoxie Indians and Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs prepare to compete in the state

tournament.

Scrappy Quilters' program presented by Judy Cressler entitled "Multiple Ways to Make Hunters Stars or Orion Stars."

Hoxie Lady Indians take second at Sub State Tournament, losing to the Oberlin Red Devils 62-30.

3/16/2017

The State Bank, now Equity Bank, has new sign installed.

Hoxie Rotary Club donates \$1,800 to the Sheridan County Historical Society to help with their ongoing renovation project.

Hoxie Indians and Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs both place 4th at the 2A State Basketball Tournament.

3/23/2017

The Golden Plains Middle

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2017 Quilt of Valor Recipients (Photo by Rachel Farber)

Grassroots Journalism

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

People in Kansas, and across this country, depend on strong community journalism to keep them informed and connected to one another. In spite of all the inroads with social media, many of the folks who live in rural communities across Kansas still rely on home-town newspapers like *The Hoxie Sentinel* where I grew up.

Just like the local grocery, school or courthouse, inhabitants of rural Kansas consider their community newspaper vital. Some even believe if they lose their paper, they could lose their entire town.

While in northwestern Kansas a couple weeks ago a long-time cattleman told me he'd be lost without his weekly paper. He told me, "Just like my livestock, we need to nurture this process. Folks gotta' support their local paper just like they have to support other businesses up and down Main Street."

Community newspapers report the "real news." What's really happening in a small town or village. You remember, the local news - the births, deaths, weddings, city council meetings, high school events, sporting events - they cover it all.

As a youngster growing up in

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New Year, New Changes

By Viktorija Briggs

The new year always brings a hope and promise of "new and better." Here, at *The Sentinel* we have just that in mind. Our newest staff member is Rachelle Eichman. She is our new Advertising Director and will be handling our ad sales, as well as writing a contributing column for new parents.

Other changes coming include a once-a-month update of important events that have occurred at the state and national levels; a gardening column for the home gardener; a section aimed at the holistic aspects of body/mind/spirit health, and a DIY column.

We are also in the process of expanding our coverage to a greater area, so will be recruiting for a larger ad sales team under Rachelle's direction, as well as freelancer writers, and looking for sponsors for syndicated articles, such as Baxter Black. Rachelle has already been

hard at work obtaining new advertisers that will begin appearing in *The Sentinel* in the coming weeks.

Another new part of *The Sentinel* is our website and online edition of the newspaper. The website (www.sheridansentinel.com) is updated regularly, and the online edition is available there each week. Something very exciting for us is that any web address in an ad or article will be interactive - click on it in the document and a new window will open up to that webpage. We are also doing this for all ads we currently have in place that have a website or social media address. This will become a service at the end of January. Those who wish to continue this extra access and exposure to a potentially larger customer base will need to contact us prior to January 26. Sharing our advertiser's ads on social media and *The Sentinel* website will generate a larger advertising exposure

and be an add-on service. Most businesses do not have the time or know-how to do this, so we are offering this new service.

Beginning this week, we have new email addresses, depending on what your question or request is in reference to.

To submit articles or photos, or contact me: editor@sheridansentinel.com

For questions regarding billing, or to contact Rachel: accounting@sheridansentinel.com

Advertising questions or submissions, or to contact Rachelle: advertising@sheridansentinel.com

All other emails will no longer be in service after January 10.

As you can see, we have lots of plans and activity in place! Watch us grow and be a part of it! We are Sheridan County's oldest and largest newspaper, bringing you all the news you want since 1884.

Meet The Sentinel's New Advertising Director



By Rachelle Eichman

My name is Rachelle Eichman and I am originally from Groveton, TX. I moved to Palco my junior year, graduating from Palco High School in 2007. From there I went to NCKTC in Beloit, majoring in Advanced Computer Technology. Since graduating from Beloit in 2008, my husband and I have owned and operated several different restaurants in the area. In September, I left the restaurant business when we had our very first child, Ava Marie Eichman, who is now 4 months old, and I decided to be a stay-at-home-

mom and work on terms that would allow me to do this, and this job came along! I enjoy working at *The Sentinel* as I'm able to work and take care of my family at the same time. I haven't been on the job very long, but I'm very excited for what is to come, and we'll make a great team that can work together for the community and surrounding areas to give our customers what they need and want.

The Sentinel is very happy to have Rachelle with us and look forward to helping her build her team and help grow *The Sentinel's* reach.

The Sheridan Sentinel 716 Main Street, PO Box 78, Hoxie, KS 67740 785-675-3321 sentinel@sheridansentinel.com

Words of Faith

Behold,

I make all things

New.

Revelation 21:5

Grain Report

Reported on: Tuesday, Jan. 3	
Wheat	3.68
Corn	2.97
Milo	3.23
Beans	8.52

Weather Report

SC Conservation District			
Date	High	Low	Moisture
12/24	27	7	1-2" snow
12/25	20	1	--
12/26	10	3	--
12/27	21	9	--
12/28	36	13	--
12/29	46	-1	--
12/30	14	-2	--
Annual Meeting 2/5 w/ noon meal			

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Words of Wisdom

Every Day
is a
NEW START,
not just every
NEW YEAR!

Where's Sheridan?

Community News

The Sheridan Sentinel

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Non-print-ready ads MUST be in by 3 pm Monday.
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Please email articles, news, and photos to:
 advertising@sheridansentinel.com
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 716 Main Street, Hoxie.

We confirm receipt of all emailed submissions within 24-hours. If you have not received confirmation, or if it is a time-sensitive submission, please call us at 785-675-3321.

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 Wednesday's Call
 785-677-3064

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204 W 4th Street
 Selden, KS

For Appointment Call
 785-386-4108

Tuesday - Friday 9am - 6pm
 Saturday 9am - 1pm

Evenings by Appointment
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FREE 30 Minute Healing Sessions

Mondays beginning January 8
 9:30 am - 11:30 am at The Living Room
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 Mindi
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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

Christmas Day dinner guests at the home of Ramona Shaw included Alice Wagoner, Hoxie; Kevin and Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs; Brandon Wagoner, Joplin, Missouri; Jeff and Mary Wahlmeier; rural Clayton. Jeff and Mary visited his Mother at the Andbe Home in Norton in the afternoon.

Friday visitors at the home of Wayne and Louise Cressler were grandson Robert Cressler, Zach and Trenton, Chicago, IL, and Russell Cressler, rural Jennings. They were on their way to Salina to visit with the rest of their family.

Kay and Doyle Brown were guests Christmas Day at the home of their daughter Kara and Gordon Kuntz, Hays. Additional guest included Zach Kuntz, Fort Benning,

GA; Kurt Brown, Millie and Dashiell from Quinter; Jordyn Brown and Ty McCullough, Hays.

Sunflower seniors' potluck dinner will be held January 10 at noon at the center. We welcome anyone who would like to join us.

United Methodist Women will meet on January 10 instead of January 3 at 2:00 p.m. at the church.

The Jennings Sons of the American Legion will host a pancake and sausage meal Sunday January 21 from 11:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m. Following the meal there will be a program honoring Korean War Veterans.

Rachel Carter is a resident of Good Samaritan Home in Oberlin after being discharged from the Kearney hospital on Thursday.

SELDEN NEWS

By Jacque Boultinghouse

Birthdays & Anniversaries: December 22: Pat Wessel, Clyde & Barb Hopper; December 23: Tammie Bainter; December 24: Curtis Carman, Mitzi Wachendorfer; December 25: Helen Jo Ochs; December 27: Tom Stone, Landon Truetken; December 28: Heath Schulte, Bill & Rose Bainter, Robbie & Debbie Koerperich.

On December 21, during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Boyd Wilson won high with a score of 643, Bob Wessel took second with a score of 605 and Gail Mumm had the most queens. Other players included Lillian Sulzman, Pat Wessel, Don Juenemann, Wilma Ritter, Carl Mumm, Margee Wilson, JR Albers and Don Quackenbush.

On December 28, during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Gail Mumm won high with a score of 661, Pat Wessel took second with a score of 635 and JR Albers had the most jacks. Other players included Lillian Sulzman, Bob Wessel, Wilma Ritter, Paulie Neff, Carl Mumm,

Ralph Weis, Royce Cook, Lola Cook, Boyd Wilson, Margee Wilson, Don Quackenbush and Don Juenemann.

On December 16, during Pinochle Night, Bernie Koerperich took first with a score of 744, Ramona Shaw took second with a score of 719, Rick Shaw took third with a score of 702. During the evening, Wilma Ritter received a Zero candy bar for getting low with a score of 455, Joe Broeckelman 691, got the first double pinochle, Ramona Shaw got the first run and the first misdeal with 5 nines, and Shirley Emigh, 616, had the first 100 A's. Other players included Lillian Sulzman 555, Cathy Broeckelman 687, Carl Mumm 625, and Vicky Ray 640.

On January 8, at 9:30am, "Coffee at the Library" with someone from the Sheridan County Historical Society will be on hand to talk about local history in Celebration of Kansas Day in January. Everyone welcome. Also, the New Kansas Notable Books are now available.

Grassroots Journalism

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Sheridan County I could catch up on all the events going on in all the small villages in my county including Seguin, Selden, Studley and Tasco. While these communities were too small to publish their own newspaper, stringers (usually a volunteer with a flair for writing within the community) submitted this local news to *The Sentinel* each

week. Each community column provided the latest on vital dinner parties, who visited whom and the weekly rainfall reports. Our little town news could be found under the heading "Seguin Items."

Vona Lee Dempewolf penned this weekly update and this crack reporter kept everyone in the know. Many of her sources went unnamed and some of this news was gathered by listening in on the party line. That's when six or seven families shared the same telephone line. If two people were having a conversation and



Meal Site Menu

January 8 - January 12

Monday: Salisbury Steak, Hashbrown Casserole, Winter-Mix Vegetables, Bread, Apricots

Tuesday: Goulash, 3-Bean Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Bread, Brownie

Wednesday: Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Cranberry Fluff Salad

Thursday: Smokies, Macaroni & Cheese, Italian Blend Vegetables, Bread, Applesauce

Friday: Taco Salad, Mexicali Corn, Chips or Fritos, Watergate Salad

The Hoxie Meal Site wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday - Friday. Calling 675-2154 by 11 a.m., the day before, may make reservations. Home Delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. For individuals 60 and over, a contribution of \$3.25 per meal is requested. We also invite those less than 60 years of age to attend or pickup a meal at a cost of \$6.00 per meal. A monthly menu can be picked up at a Meal Site. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Make checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.

Upcoming Area Events

Every Tuesday:
 12pm Hoxie Rotary Club-upstairs at Oscar's

Wednesdays - on-going:
 Moms in Prayer Meetings: Contact Kristin Johnson for more information 785-657-1478
 6pm Connect-UMC
 7:30pm FOUNDRY-Hoxie UMC (6:30pm-3rd Wednesday)

2nd Monday - each month:
 5pm Sheridan County Hospital Auxiliary Meeting-SCHC Conference Room

1st Wednesday - each month:
 6pm Grinnell VFW monthly supper at VFW Hall

2nd Wednesday (Sept-May):
 2pm UMC Coffee Club-UMC Social Hall

Last Thursday:
 7pm Jennings Book Club Meeting-Jennings City Library

Every Saturday:
 6:30pm Facebook Bible Study w/ Pastor Jake Schadel (Cross & Flame Parish Facebook page)

Hoxie Monday, January 8:

7pm Sheridan County Benefit Walk Annual Meeting - Midwest Energy Building Meeting Room. Public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, January 27:
 7pm "The Secret Garden" presentation hosted by Main Street Arts Council at Hoxie High School, 1625 Queen Ave.

Sunday, January 28:
 4pm "The Secret Garden" presentation hosted by Main Street Arts Council at Hoxie High School, 1625 Queen Ave.

Monday, February 5:
 12pm Sheridan County Conservation District Annual Meeting-awards, drawings, noon meal.

Colby Sunday, January 21:
 3pm "Forever Young" musical production at Cultural Arts Center, Colby.

Thursday, February 1:
 9am Kansas Farmers' Market Regional Workshop-Colby Community College

a third party lifted the phone receiver, he/she could listen in on the conversation. Now that's another story.

But back to local newspapers that remain the voice of rural communities. Without them, that independent voice is gone. In the case of political reporting, rural Kansas newspapers reveal the person running in a campaign.

Readers come to know who that person really is. Not just what he or she says they are.

Today's volunteer organizations should make it a point to visit with the local newspapers in their region. Cultivating first-name relationships with reporters, editors and publishers is vital to getting the word out on what your organization is doing. It's all part of the process of community. Letting people know what you're all about.

The local media is vital for businessmen, farmers, ranchers anyone who is engaged in business. This important

communications link is important for everyone in and around each community.

While much of today's big city and national media have a less than stellar reputation, it's different in small towns. In small towns people know their reporters and editors. One of the best ways for anyone in public life to connect with constituents is through community newspapers.

Coverage is different too. Community papers report the facts. Sometimes the large metropolitan papers miss the point and end up talking about themselves. They make the news - they become the news.

Today, avenues for delivering news continue to expand. Social media continues to explode, especially among the younger crowd. Still, approximately 150 million people in the United States read a newspaper - in print or on line - on a weekly basis. More than 45 million read a paper daily.

Although there is no doubt print newspaper readership is slowly declining, reports about the pending death of the newspaper industry are exaggerated. Given the fragmentation of media choices, printed newspapers are holding on to their audiences. And nowhere is this truer than in rural states like Kansas.

John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.



Made 25
 Happy Anniversary!

The City of Hoxie will be CLOSED Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr Day We will resume regular trash pickup on Tuesday, January 16

Health & Well-BEing

How About Some Reality for Your New Year's Resolution?

By Viktorija Briggs, CHC
"New Year's Resolution" ~ the tradition of making a 'promise' to do something beginning with the new year.

Statistically, the most common resolutions are:

- #1: Lose weight (51%)
- #2: Exercise more (47%)
- #3: Eat healthier (46%)
- #4: Personal growth (31%)
- #5: Spend more time with family (30%)

Statistically, only 20% will keep those resolutions. (Nationalltoday.com New Year's survey of 1,000 people)

Why? Because they're untimely, unrealistic, and honestly unnecessary.

After the holidays, when we've eaten more than we wanted, but absolutely couldn't pass up, we suddenly decide to 'lose weight.' Or, 'exercise more' to lose that weight. Plus, vow to 'eat healthier,' since we indulged so much over the previous two or three months.

But the worry and bogus resolution-making is completely unnecessary.

First, accept the fact that the holidays are a special time of year, and with it comes the holiday treats served up at parties and dinners throughout the season. Why be a Martyr Grinch and say, "No, thank you, I'm on a diet and can't eat that"? That is just rude. You were at their event, which they've worked hard to put together, as well as have a wide array, and

beautiful presentation of the foods and treats available. If it were at your own place, then you would have set your own table full of goodies according to your own eating preferences. So, instead you should have taken a few token bits and left it at that. No rudeness, no hurt feelings.

So, back to the resolution-making. How to make a real resolution and stick with it? Don't make it a "resolution," make it a lifestyle alteration, which will later become a permanent change.

Let's take the most common: lose weight. How are you going to go about it? Just quit eating the foods you like? Deprive yourself of what you want? How about going about it from a different perspective?

First, you have to change your way of thinking. Try "weight maintenance" instead of "weight loss", and then prioritize how you will get to the weight you want to maintain. But to do that you have to know exactly what all the aspects are of what you want so that you can get to that end-goal.

This is where mind mapping takes place. This is an incredible way to see every nuance of any situation in your life. But, for this exercise here, we're only focusing on the goal of losing weight.

Write down the end-goal in the center of a piece of paper (i.e. lose 30 pounds). Draw a

line out from there and place a priority, such as "eat more vegetables." Draw another one "exercise." And more according to whatever you think of regarding food, weight, losing weight, improving your health, etc. From each of these categories you will then break them down even further, such as for "exercise" you could add, "walk" or "jog" or "yoga" or whatever - or all, for that matter. It's not that you will be doing all of these. It's just that they are options that popped in your head and you're putting them down on paper. They can be ignored or removed later.

Once your mind map is 'done' (they never really are, trust me), you can then pick one category and work with it until you are comfortable with it and it is part of your everyday life. Then add another. And another, and so on until you have built yourself a new mindset regarding weight maintenance.

By changing how you think of something, you will change your reaction to it. The more positive the better. Change "I'm fat and I need to lose 30 pounds," which is negative and defeatist to "I'm healthy and well, and feel good," which is all positive.

Stop making "resolutions." Begin to change your mind, and ultimately change your life.

Have an abundantly healthy and Happy New Year!

For more on mind mapping, go to: <https://www.mindmeister.com/>

Parenting Pointers

By Rachelle Eichman

I hope these tips will help. It might not, but hey, it's worth a shot.

- 15 Keys to Surviving:**
- Never be afraid to ask for help
 - Be prepared to be hands free
 - Read a lot of information on babies
 - Schedule a sleeping routine for baby
 - Accept food offerings
 - Be a team with your husband or family member
 - Keep meals prepared
 - Let your baby sleep in your room in a bassinet
 - Eat well for yourself

- Drink well for yourself
- Invest in a good swaddle for baby (I couldn't live without mine)
- Don't fear the coffee
- Don't think everything needs done at once; it takes time, especially within the first 2 months
- Do what works
- Tell it like it is

Remember, that it won't last forever, and they don't stay little long, so enjoy the cuddles and the long nights because it's quality time with your little one who needs it most!

Year in Review continued

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School competed at the Western Kansas Liberty League Scholar's Bowl in Winona where the 7th Grade Team took first.

Children's authors, Morgan Williams and Terry Farley, visited with the Hoxie Grade School students to discuss different styles and types of writing.

The Hoxie Kids Wrestling Club took 18 wrestlers to USAWKS District Championships in Garden City, where 14 qualified to compete at the state tournament.

3/30/2017
Golden Plains High School received the Sportsmanship Award from KSHSAA for the participation in the Class 1A Division II State Basketball Tournament in mid-March.

Hoxie United Methodist Women will hold Twice Sold Treasure sale.

The Golden Plains fourth and fifth grade students participated in the Kid Wind Project, where they learned about different forms of energy.

Obituary: Frederick E. Wessel, age 66, passed away February 16, 1951. Alie Henn, age 20, passed away February 21, 2017. James A. Davidson of Chandler, AZ, age 77, passed away February 22, 2017. Caroline Marie (Gasper) Austerman of Norton, age 95, passed away February 24, 2017. Minnie Pauline Mong of WaKeeney, age 69, passed away February 25, 2017. Lawrence "Larry" Whidden of Norcatour, age 71, passed away February 27, 2017. William K. Pickinpaugh, Jr., of Tucson, AZ, age 79, passed away March 1, 2017. Melvin Moss of Colby, age 55, passed away March 3, 2017. Ethel Marie Miley, age 91, passed away March 3, 2017. Samantha Roze Charles, age 21, passed away March 7, 2017. Janet Karen Treat,



Hoxie Kids Wrestling Club place at State. (Photo by Casey Johnson)

age 74, passed away March 7, 2017. Lois Joan Kaspar Hepner of Prescott, AZ, age 80, passed away March 14, 2017. Nina Mary Wilson of Colorado Springs, CO, age 88, passed away March 10, 2017. Kenneth "Kenny" A. Greene, age 30, passed away March 17, 2017. Arleda Rebecca Gaede, age 84, passed away March 21, 2017.

April
4/6/2017
Sheridan County Historical Society holds open house after remodeling project is finished.

The Angelus 4-H Club received a top blue ribbon at County Day and a blue ribbon at Regional Day for their skit about the Pledge of Allegiance.

4/13/2017

Opening National Library week at the Sheridan County Library on Sunday afternoon, Kou Lovin gave a presentation about writing, doing the artwork and self-publishing a book with stories of her youth in Japan.

The Golden Plains Forensics Team went to Sharon Springs March 30 to compete at the Northwest Kansas League meet with one student advancing to the State Tournament.

Junior Varsity track begins the season with girls team placing fourth and the boys

team placing sixth.

4/20/2017
The Easter Bunny mad a visit to James L. Johnson Memorial Park where the local children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt.

Ten area students receive

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Sam Bretz speaks at Citizenship in Action in Topeka. (4-H courtesy photo)

Kenoxie Archives & Museum

A soon-to-be 501(c)3 entity, is looking for any area newspapers, school newspapers, or other publications since the area's settling 137+ years ago.

If you have anything and would like to help preserve the history of the area, please bring them to:

The Sheridan Sentinel
716 Main Street
Hoxie
785-675-3321

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Amanda Volchko, PA-C
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Hoxie Medical Clinic now employs a Case Manager and Navigator to assist with insurance enrollment on the healthcare marketplace, other needed services., and we also accept VA Choice. Free mammograms and Pap tests are available to women with no insurance.

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The Kitchen Cabinet

Rachel Farber



Reheated Dishes
To make over remnants of food and not have them messy and unattractive is a most desirable accomplishment and one which practice will perfect. There are many dishes that are more toothsome on their second appearance than on their first. It is not advisable, if one has a finicky household, to mention too often that this is "so and so" warmed over. What fussy people don't know won't worry them. The woman who tries to spend wisely has little or no waste and it is her ambition to waste nothing. To those of us who have been trained in the New England prudence a burned bread crust is near neighbor to a crime. In these days of want across the water it seems fitting that we should learn economy at home, if for

no other reason than to give us who are suffering through no fault of their own. Let us then serve plain, substantial meals, have better digestion and have something to give when the request comes.

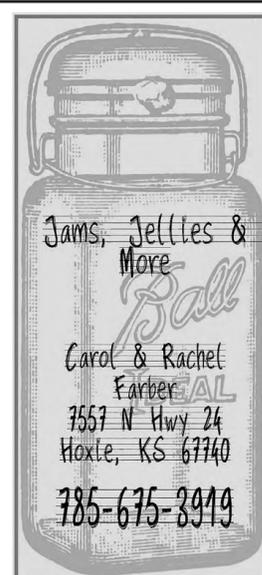
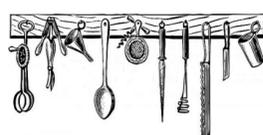
Savory Minced Meat - Put a tablespoonful of beef drippings into a hot frying pan, add a tablespoonful of butter, brown in it a half of an onion finely chopped, then turn in any chopped meat, beef or lamb or veal. Turn with a fork until well seasoned and mixed, add salt and pepper, and if you have any gravy pour this over the meat just before taking it up.

Warmed Over Beef - Hot roast or well-cooked beef may be prepared in the following tasty manner. Heat a tablespoonful each of drippings and butter in a hot pan, add a half of an onion

chopped, and when yellow turn in a cup of tomatoes; when simmering turn in slices of cold beef, cook slowly, seasoning with salt and pepper.

Barbecued Ham - Lay cold fried ham in the following sauce and reheat. One tablespoonful of vinegar, a teaspoonful of sugar, a saltspoonful of dry mustard, pepper and salt if needed. Lay the meat in this and let it absorb it.

By Nellie Maxwell
The Sentinel Archives
The Hoxie Sentinel
January 14, 1915



Year in Review

Year in Review continued

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Masonic essay contest scholarships.

Hannah Franklin received an Honorable Mention on her Conservation Poster at the National Association of Conservation Districts convention in Denver, CO.

4/27/2017

The Sheridan County EMS received a \$22,000.00 grant from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation for an 800 MHz communications upgrade.

Hoxie junior Zack Sherman placed first in Clean at the Kansas Eight Man Football Association Powerlifting Meet in Clafin, he placed second in Bench and first in Squat to finish second overall.

The Golden Plains MS girls competed at Rawlins County Invitational on April 11 in Atwood.

Obituary: Doris Ilene Nappier of Washington, MO, age 86, passed away March 30, 2017. Lyman Lee Adams, age 91, passed away April 14, 2017. Ron Nickelson of Penokee, age 83, passed away April 21, 2017. Mike Schamberger, age 97, passed away April 24, 2017.

May

5/4/2017

As Kansans in the western third of the state begin to dig out from under heavy snow, the Kansas Division of Emergency Management will work with counties to determine the extent of damage to public infrastructure and utilities.

Sheridan County Sheriff's Deputy Mark Scheetz successfully completes Basic Training and graduates from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in Hutchinson, while also receiving an award for marksmanship.

Verle Mendenhall received his 60-year Service Award, April 9, 2017 at the Hoxie Lodge #348.

5/11/2017

The Hoxie Farmers' Market opened the season May 6, with the new market tent set up to catch the attention of passersby.

Ken Schaffer received the "Elk of the Year for 2016-2017" from the Kansas Elks Association.

5/18/2017

Delaney Hargitt, a third grader at Quinter Elementary

School, was one of twelve winners in the 2017 Writers Contest through Smoky Hills Public Television, with her story "Wagons West," which was written and illustrated by her.

Early morning high speed chase began with domestic violence call and ended with suspect being tased and taken into custody.

Four Hoxie students received 1 ratings at the Kansas State High School Activities Association State Music Festival in Salina.

5/25/2017

The Run for the Wall, an organization for remembering Vietnam Veterans, made a stop in Oakley while traveling from Ontario, CA to Washington D. C. to the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

Main Street Dugout in Grainfield got a new look with an awning and new doors.

Hoxie Grade School held their annual Fun Day, sponsored by the Hoxie Recreation Commission, with fun and games for the students.

Golden Plains High School graduated 14 seniors on May 13 in Rexford.

Anniversaries: Fred & Marilyn Johnson, of Lenexa, KS, to celebrate their 70th Wedding Anniversary June 11.

Obituary: Paul J. Grace of Great Bend, KS, age 95, passed away April 25, 2017. Dorothy Arlene Jamison, age 85, passed away April 29, 2017. Judith Ann Herbster of Falls City, NE, age 62, passed away May 2, 2017. Dr. Raymond H. Thorpe, age 71, passed away May 2, 2017. Patricia Joan Tremblay of Colby, age 84, passed away May 5, 2017.

June

6/1/2017

Area cities honor veterans in Memorial Day Services.

New business, The Office Emporium, owned by Cindy Eller, prepares to open for business.

Several kids turned out for the Twin Creeks Extension John Lewis Memorial Fishing Clinic held on May 26, 2017.

6/8/2017

Skyler Denio from the Hoxie FFA chapter was elected to serve as the 2017-18 State FFA Sentinel at the 89th Kansas FFA Convention.

Grainfield holds annual Cruise, Shoes & BBQ's, with a car show, barbeque contest and fun and games for the kids.

Golden Plains MS girls track team competed at the Logan Invitational with all three teams placing third.

6/15/2017

The annual Sheridan County Benefit Walk was held on June 9, 2017 and was a great success. The event was attended by about 375



Hoxie Indians take State! (HHS courtesy photo)

people for the supper, balloon launch and Fun Run and 5K.

Hoxie Red Hoxie Recreation Baseball defeated Trego County with a 10-0 shutout.

6/22/2017

A round table event, The World Cafe, was hosted by the Western Prairie Food, Farm & Community Alliance to help determine what locally produced food was available and accessible in the area.

The 11th Annual Lion's Club Rod Run was a great success, with lots of cars, pickups and even a couple of semi-trucks participating in the Show and Shine for the afternoon prior to the drag races in the evening.

Hoxie Recreation Commission held art classes taught by Kristin Johnson.

6/29/2017

The Main Street Arts Council presented An Evening with Baba Wague, husband of Ronna Neuschwander, where he taught local children and adults the art of African Mud Cloth painting.

The Sheridan County Health Complex held an open house to welcome Dr. Nguyen and say farewell to P. A. Amanda Volchko.

James Henn, Hoxie

2017. James Dalton Brown, age 24, passed away June 6, 2017. Retired Colonel Joseph William Robben, Jr. of San Clemente, CA, age 74, passed away May 31, 2017.

July

7/6/2017

The 43rd Annual Heim

Governor Sam Brownback and Lt. Governor Jeff Colyer were at the Hoxie Feedyard, where a lunch was held, to discuss the life of the Ogallala Aquifer.

Hoxie Red Baseball wins over Quinter, 8-0, and Stockton, 14-1.

Vicki Babcock celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 9, 2017. Warren and Deloris Sager celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 22, 2017. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patmon celebrated their 75th Wedding Anniversary on July 25, 2017.

Obituaries: Donald Lane Schultz of Grainfield, age 80, passed away July 5, 2017.

August

8/3/2017

Town & Country adds new services to their business with Hunt Brothers Pizza and Wings after the Stop 2 Shop closes.

The Hoxie Farmers' Market has been going well for the season, with several vendors and lots of patrons.

8/10/2017

The Sheridan County Farm Bureau Association held its annual meeting August 5 where they were able to award Norbert Weis with the Century Farm recognition.

Hoxie Medical Clinic receives recognitions for patient-centered care from the National Committee for Quality Assurance.

Erik Gaede, Vice President at the First State Bank in Hoxie, recently completed the 2017 Agricultural Lending School sponsored by the Kansas and Nebraska



Freshman Addi Campbell (in the air) and senior Nicole Heim #12 work to block a pass by a Lady Hornet in Saturday's NWKL championship game at Oberlin. Hoxie placed second in the tournament. (Photo by Devynn Snider)

Family Reunion was in Colby, KS, June 23-25, 2017 with relatives from seven states attending.

Cris Wilson, Smoky Hills Public Television, attends Share-A-Story at the Selden

Nex-Tech advises residents to be wary of area door-to-door salespeople claiming to be agents of theirs, though they are not conducting door-to-door sales.

7/27/2017



The Golden Plains Elementary girls perform at half time of the high school football game against Weskan on October 6. Girls shown include (l-r) Marisol Perez, Hayden Wark, Addy Wessel, Anette Hernandez-Lopez, Katie Carter, and Anais Cepeda. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

graduate attending Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland, was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Electrical Construction Wiring at the 2017 SkillsUSA Championships held in Louisville, KY.

Anniversaries: Dennis and Marla Rogers celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary June 17, 2017.

Obituaries: Jean Louise Aumiller, age 68, passed away May 29, 2017. Wilma M. Wharton of Hutchinson, age 83, passed away May 29,

Public Library to help "build" their own project.

The Hoxie Farmers' Market was well attended by vendors and patrons.

7/13/2017

Summer RockFest, hosted by the Hoxie United Methodist Church, was a success with many people attending to listen to five Christian Rock bands.

Sydney Dingler was among 2,700 students honored at Wichita State University for achieving the WSU dean's honor roll for spring 2017.

7/20/2017

Karl Pratt is set to direct Mary Poppins being produced by the Hays Community Theater.

The Sheridan County Volunteer Fire Department led the Fair Parade as the 2017 Grand Marshals.

The Main Street Arts Council presented Disney's Lion King Jr., with mud cloth painting taught by Baba Wague as part of the costumes.

Birthdays: Edna Schiltz celebrated her 90th birthday on July 22, 2017.

Anniversaries: Paul and

Bankers Associations.

8/17/2017

Hoxie Masonic Lodge #348 donated all of the Hoxie first graders' school supplies for the 2017-18 school year.

August 10, 2017 a hail storm blew through the area doing lots of damage to crops, trees and vehicles. It grew stronger as it progressed southeast through Sheridan County doing much more damage to the WaKeeney area.

The Hoxie High School cafeteria received bright new paint in preparation for the

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High School Scholars Bowl team members who competed at the Regional Meet are Katelyn Reitchcheck, Skyler Denio, Orlando Rivero, (back) Myah Sorter, Noah Smith and Levi Smith. (Hoxie Schools courtesy photo)

Year in Review

Year in Review continued

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new school year.

8/24/2017

The Sheridan County Health Complex held their 8th Annual Golf Tournament August 18, 2017 with many attending to watch the golfers and the games for the kids.

The Main Street Art Council's Art Walk was a great success with the many artists and the many patrons visiting each of them.

August 21, 2017 had everyone looking to the skies with a total eclipse of the sun traveling completely across the continental US.

8/31/2017

The Sheridan County Courthouse Centennial Celebration was held August 26, 2017, hosted by the Sheridan County Commissioners, the Sheridan County Historical Society and the Hoxie Masonic Lodge #348.

Girl Scouts held a Bridging Ceremony August 27, 2017 to Bridge two girls to Cadets and four girls to Jr. Girl Scouts.

Hoxie Rotary Club welcomes Mike O'Dell as the new president.

Births: William (Liam) Isaacson McCoy was born July 26, 2017. Braxton Eugene Cook was born August 3, 2017.

Birthdays: Shirley Hemman celebrated her 81st birthday on August 21, 2017. Alfred "Bud" Lager celebrated his 90th birthday August 13, 2017. Don Emerick celebrated his 91st birthday on August 28, 2017.

Anniversaries: Henry and Helen Jo Ochs celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary August 12, 2017. Stuart and Anita Beckman celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary August 19, 2017.

Obituaries: Todd Roy Toll of Morland, age 59, passed away July 23, 2017. Gary L. Davis, age 70, passed away August 1, 2017. Quinley Marie Taylor of Dresden, age 8, passed away August 11, 2017. Orville Richmeier of Norton, age 80, passed away August 23, 2017. Theda Blythe Carman, age 89, passed away August 24, 2017. Rose Mary Goetz, age 93, passed away August 25, 2017. Loretta G. Rodrigues, age 73, passed away August 27, 2017.

September

Golden Plains Schools began their fiftieth year as a district when students returned on August 23, 2017.

Golden Plains Elementary held a back-to-school night and barbeque on August 22 to welcome students to the new school year.

9/14/2017

The Kansas Law Enforcement Torch Run came through Hoxie September 8, 2017. Sheriff Brandon Carver carried the Flame of Hope for this leg of the state Special Olympics Summer Games in



Golden Plains kindergarteners Nash Ziegelmeier, Koen Schaben, Parker Vahling, Taitum Schwarz, and Justin Korte (guitar at right) rock out on their guitars during the Kindergarten Graduation program. (Photo by Kaylie Schaben)

Wichita.

The Kansas Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program is providing bundles of fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey from High Plains Food Co-op farms to Sheridan County seniors at NO COST who meet age and income requirements.

John Deere announced the acquisition of Blue River Technology. Based in Sunnyvale, California, Blue River Technology, has designed and integrated computer vision and machine learning technology that will enable growers to reduce the use of herbicides by spraying only where weeds are present.

9/21/2017



Travis Johnson charges forward in the stick horse race at the Courthouse Centennial Celebration. (Photo by Viktorija Briggs)

Writer's workshop to be held at Cottonwood Ranch.

Hoxie Junior High athletes will have another sport to compete in this year with Cross Country.

Golden Plains Schools will be participating in National Box Tops for Education Week September 24-30 with a Box Tops Drive.

9/28/2017

A & C Liquid Assets, a new liquor store owned by Allison and Cole Nondorf, opened its doors on September 25, 2017.

September 13, 2017, the Hoxie FFA chapter had 17 members participate in District Land Judging at Saint Francis.

The Golden Plains High School football team lost their Homecoming game to the Cheylin Cougars 72-31 on September 15, 2017.

Birthdays: Lawan Kohman, of Hope, KS, celebrated her 90th birthday September 17, 2017. Evelyn Walden celebrated her 90th birthday September 17, 2017.

Obituaries: Bernadine Cobb of Kansas City, MO, age 94, passed away September 4, 2017. Julie Schlick of Goodland, age 78, passed away September 24, 2017.

October

10/5/2017

October begins with a hail storm and flooding.

DSNWK celebrates 50th anniversary September 29 at Kennedy Middle School in Hays with a dance, lunch and a balloon launch.

The final week of the Hoxie Farmers' Market was held on a chilly, drizzly September 30.

10/5/2017

Dr. Mark Olson has been elected by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards to serve as the president for the upcoming year.

The Body Venture exhibit, sponsored by the Kansas Department of Education, was at the Hoxie Grade School on October 4, 2017.

The First Presbyterian Church celebrates an installation service for the Rev. Dixie Anders on October 15, 2017.

10/19/2017

The Golden Plains Elementary girls performed at half time of the high school football game against Weskan on October 6.

The Hoxie FFA Greenhand team traveled to Stockton to participate in the annual 2017 Greenhand Conference. The event took place on Monday, October 9.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture will host an egg grading workshop at Colby Community College to train poultry producers in egg grading and to share other important poultry care and food safety information.

10/26/2017

Two Hoxie FFA members participated in the 2017 Dairy Judging Contest October 18, with one placing 5th and one placing 30th out of approximately 130 students.

Kristin Johnson hosted her 3rd Annual Gourd Gathering October 20-21, where they learned the art of "fractal burning" on gourds.

The Golden Plains High School Scholar's Bowl Team went undefeated for 9 rounds to claim first place at the Rawlins County High School Invitational on October 16.

Obituaries: Edis "Pat" Arlene Weeks, age 80, passed away September 28, 2017. Jeremy "Scott" Lovin, age 41, passed away October 2, 2017. Donna L. Dumler of Oakley, age 84, passed away October 17, 2017. Beatrice M. "Tucky" Hickert, age 89, passed away October 21, 2017.

November

11/2/2017

Sixteen veterans in Graham County received their Quilts of Valor on October 29, 2017.

The Hoxie Indian football team ended their regular season on a high note Friday Oct. 27. The Indians defeated the Oberlin Red Devils 50-0 with a quick score right after half-time to improve to 8-1 for the season.

The Sheridan Co. Conservation District Manager, DeeAnn Schamberger, spent the morning with the second graders, learning about growing trees.

11/9/2017

Hoxie advances to the Bi-District playoff to play South Central High School (Coldwater).

Darion Meyer and Orlando Rivero placed 2nd in the Open Division at the Garden City High School Debate tournament.

Storyteller Pam Faro will be giving a public performance of "Uncle Olaus Survives the Titanic" at the Sheridan County Public Library November 16.

11/16/2017

November 10, 2017, the Hoxie Indians defeated the South-Central (Coldwater) Timberwolves 30-25 in a thriller that came down to a late touchdown to decide the outcome. The Indians are Sectional Champions and head to Spearville for the Sub-State Playoff game.

Six greenhand FFA

members competed at the Food Science CDE on November 9 at Hays with three of them placing in the top ten.

On November 10, The Sheridan County Emergency Communications Center in conjunction with the Kansas 911 Coordinating Council are pleased to announce the availability of Text-to-911 during an emergency.

11/23/2017

The Hoxie Indians defeated the Spearville Royal Lancers 44-20 on Friday, Nov. 17. Hoxie is State-bound for the first time since 1981.

The Hoxie youth group "Ichthus" is hosting an Italian Cook-Off to raise money for a trip to Haiti.

12/14/2017

Golden Plains High School has made many improvements over the past four years. With improvements ranging from brick on the school, fresh paint, new signs, concrete for drainage, and a brand-new gym floor, the school is continually improving their facilities in preparation for continued academic and athletic growth and pride in their school.

Golden Plains Kindergarten Class celebrated the 50th day of school with a variety of activities from the 1950's.

11/30/2017

The 2017-18 Hoxie Wrestling Team tied for first place with the Oberlin Red Devils at the Hoxie Invitational Wrestling Tournament held December 2.

Darion Meyer and Taylor Burris placed 8th in the Open Division at the Russell High School Debate Tournament.

The Kansas State High School Activities Association is proud to announce a new website to showcase the many accomplishments throughout history obtained by student-athletes, coaches, teams and more. Introducing the 'KSHSAA Gallery of Champions' which can be found at www.kshsaachamps.org.

12/14/2017

Stacey Heim was honored December 11, 2017, with awards for her 12 years of service as a school board member for the USD #412.

The Hoxie Elks Lodge #2415 held the local Hoop Shoot December 10, 2017.

Reinke has recognized Hoxie Implement Company in Hoxie and Colby Ag Center in Colby as one of its top five highest selling dealers in the West Central Territory, in acknowledgement of the company's marketing year success.

12/21/2017

Golden Plains junior



The Masons conducted the re-dedication ceremony of the Courthouse Cornerstone during the Courthouse Centennial Celebration. (Photo by Viktorija Briggs)

The Hoxie Indian football team won their first ever state title on Saturday, Nov. 25 in the 8-man Division I classification. Hoxie beat the St. Paul Indians 54-14.

The GPHS scholar's bowl team earned first place at the Goodland Invitational scholar's bowl on November 16.

The Golden Plains Middle School boys played their first regular season game in Logan on November 16. Neither A-team or B-team could find a win over the Trojans.

Birthdays: Larry Cressler celebrated his 85th birthday October 18, 2017. Norma Boxler celebrated her 85th birthday November 11, 2017. Ann Schlageck celebrated her 80th birthday November 18, 2017. Louise Lovin celebrated her 80th birthday November 20, 2017. Edwin Simon celebrated his 80th birthday November 25, 2017.

Obituaries: Duane Steinsouer, age 79, passed away November 6, 2017. Delphas Eugene "Mel" Mahlinger of Alpharetta, GA, age 91, passed away on November 10, 2017. Hubert Donald Deane of Grand Junction, CO, age 86, passed away November 11, 2017. John Elijah Bird of Plainville, age 96, passed away November 18, 2017.

December

12/7/2017

KayCee Miller was named to the Sagebrush Shootout All-State Team for the second year in a row.

Miss Chandler's 4th grade class traveled up and down Main Street December 18, caroling to the businesses.

Representative Rick Billinger presented Coach Barr with a plaque commemorating the Hoxie Football Team's State Championship win.

12/28/2017

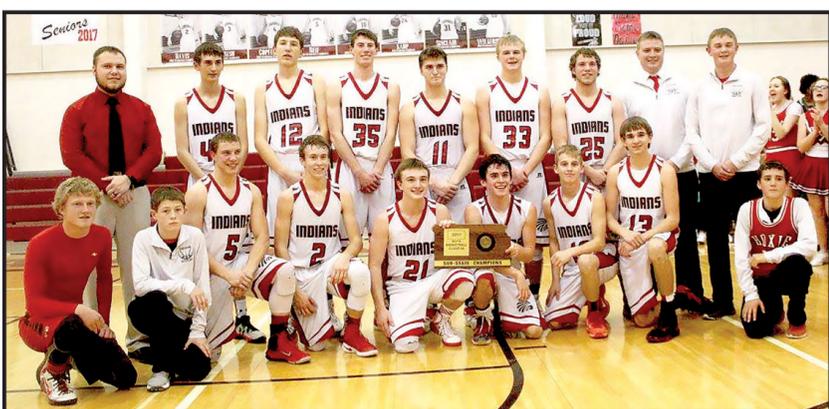
Wade Niermeier of Hoxie, son of Fred and Nancy Niermeier, was awarded a \$1,000 Hampel Oil/Mobil Delvac Scholarship through the Kansas Livestock Foundation (KLF).

High speed chase on Christmas Day ends with recovery of a vehicle stolen from Hartford, VT and arrest of the suspect on multiple charges.

The Golden Plains JV Boys Basketball team played their first full game of the season in Stockton December 19 losing 27-51.

Birthdays: Deloris "Blondie" Paintin celebrated her 95th birthday January 1, 2018.

Obituaries: Doris Ruth Adams, age 89, passed away November 29, 2017. Greg Wellbrock of Ulysses, age 51, passed away December 12, 2017. Melvia Deane Paulson, age 87, passed away December 13, 2017.



Hoxie Indians Boys Basketball Sub-State Team (HHS courtesy photo)

Golden Plains Bulldogs

MS Boys Improve at Northern Valley

By Judy Rogers
The Golden Plains Middle School Basketball teams showed improvement at Northern Valley on December 14, but both A and B teams are still looking for a win this season. The A-team had played Northern Valley in the Preseason losing by 45 points. This last game before Christmas break was much closer as the boys showed considerable improvement and played consistently throughout the game with only a 20-point loss 29-49. The 'Dogs fell behind 8-12 in the first and added another 7 in the second. The third was their best quarter with 9 and 5 were added in the fourth. The Huskies scored 12 each of the first three quarters along with 13 in the fourth to win the game 49-29.

"This was one of the better games we've played," said eighth grader Fabian Cepeda, who led the team with 14 points. "We worked better as a team and made more shots. We still need to work on our defense." Also scoring for the 'Dogs was Ashton Schiltz 8, Alex Gonzalez 3, Roberto Loya 2, and Jovanny Infante 2.

The B-team boys had a difficult time getting their offense going against the Huskies. They only managed a single basket from Joshua Yanez-Perez in the first half falling behind 20-2.

Yanez-Perez added another basket in the third to lead the team with 4 total. Adding 3 points in the fourth was Jerrit Koerperich with another basket by Tayten Barnett as the 'Dogs lost 42-9 to the Huskies.

"They were a good team," said Memo Aragon, 7th grade. "We had a lot of bad passes... we need to work on our passes and on making our free throws." The boys will be back on the road as they travel to McDonald to play Cheylin on January 4.

Bulldogs Lose Road Game



Golden Plains Junior Dylan Spresser (31) gets fouled as he goes up for a layup in Stockton on December 19. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Judy Rogers
The Golden Plains Bulldogs lost another game on the road as traveled to Stockton on December 19. After having over a week off without a game, the boys were a little out of sync as they worked hard to compete.

The Bulldogs won the tip, but the Tigers put up two quick 3's before the Bulldogs could score. They were able to keep the ball in the air for a 9-14 score at the end of the first.

Still struggling to keep control of the ball, the Bulldogs were only able to add 5 points in the second as the Tigers pumped in 21 to lead 35-14 at the half. The Bulldogs played their best quarter in the third with 14 points. The Tigers added another 20. The fourth quarter was all Stockton as they pumped in another 18 holding the 'Dogs to a single free throw to win the game 73-29.

Thirty of Stockton's points came from ten shots behind the arc while they only shot three free throws the entire game. The Bulldogs had points coming from Wade Rush 9, Caleb Korte 4, Nolan Ritter 4, Jeron Schutte 4, Jacob Ritter 3, Dylan Spresser 3, and Harley Weese 2.

The Bulldogs go into the break with a 1-4 record. They will host Logan at home on January 5 and go to St. Francis on January 6.

SAFE CHECKS SEATBELT EVALUATION



Golden Plains National Honor Society members Devin Carter (left) and Nolan Ritter (right) conduct SAFE checks to evaluate seatbelt usage by students, staff, and community members driving by the school one morning last week. SAFE (Seatbelts Are for Everyone) is a teen-run, peer-to-peer program focusing on increasing teen restraint compliance through education, positive rewards and enforcement. It is designed to bring awareness to the importance of wearing a seatbelt, therefore reducing the number of motor vehicle-related injuries and fatalities among Kansas teens. The goal of SAFE is to increase seatbelt use among students while providing strong traffic safety messages throughout the school year. NHS Members encouraged students to sign a pledge card promising to always wear their seatbelt when driving during the last day of school on December 19. They plan to conduct another survey to gauge improvement in seatbelt safety later in the year. More information can be found at <https://www.ksro.org/safe>. (Photo by Judy Rogers)



MENU
1/8/2018 - 1/12/2018
Menu unavailable

BULLDOGS' CALENDAR

TUESDAY 1/9/2018
FHSU Rep Here
WEDNESDAY 1/10/2018
8am Leadership Thomas Co.
FRIDAY 1/12/2018
Registration Deadline: 2/10 ACT Test
6pm HS Basketball @ Western Plains
SATURDAY 1/13/2018
8am Little Girls Dance Camp
1pm JV Basketball Tournament

Questions or more information call District Office 785-386-4560 usd316.k12.ks.us

Christmas Fun Day for NHS & GP Elementary Students



Golden Plains Junior Iram Garcia and 3rd grader Austin Larison work together on a craft during the NHS Christmas fun day. Members of the National Honor Society at GP and the other juniors and seniors went to the elementary school with a group of activities for the kids to celebrate the holidays. (Photo by Amanda Cheney)

Senior Kaylie Schaben helps 3rd grader Jordyn Bange with a craft during the NHS Christmas fun day. "It was a fun morning," said Kaylie. "We definitely are worn out, but it was nice to see all the kids that look up to us so much." (Photo by Amanda Cheney)



2017 Golden Plains School Booster Businesses

Crop Production Services | Hoxie FEEDYARD | Hoxie Machine | NEXTECH | Sentinel Office Supply | Steve's Auto Body | The Sheridan Sentinel | Watkins Realty and Ins. Agency, LLC



Hoxie Indians



RED CALENDAR
MONDAY 1/8/2018
3:40pm GS BLT Meeting
4pm HS Scholar's Bowl @ Dighton NWKL
7pm BOE Meeting
WEDNESDAY 1/10/2018
NWKL Meeting @ Oakley
THURSDAY 1/11/2018
FFA Ag Sales & Job Interview
HrH Basketball @ Wallace Co.
FRIDAY 1/12/2018
6pm HS Basketball @ Decatur Co.
SATURDAY 1/13/2018
JrH Basketball @ Wallace Co.
9:30am HS Wrestling @ Decatur Co.

Questions or more information call District Office 785-675-3258 hoxie.org

BOE Agenda

- Opening
 - Call to order: Flag Salute
 - BOE Picture for the Yearbook
- Additions to and approval of agenda
- Recognition of Visitors
- Communications to Board

OPEN SPACES SPORTS
NEX-TECH CABLE CHANNEL 125
LIVE VIDEO STREAMING
HOXIE INDIAN SPORTS

BASKETBALL
Jan. 5 Hoxie @ Greeley County
6:15pm

WRESTLING
Jan. 6 Hoxie @ Norton Invitational
9:30am

- Examination and Approval of Business Reports
 - Current Bills
 - Treasure's Report
 - Activity Funds
 - Monthly Budget Summary
 - Fund Expense Summary
- Old Business
 - Review and approve minutes of meeting(s).
 - Approve December 11th Regular Meeting
 - Board Goals next steps.
 - Board Goals
 - Accountability (from top to bottom). Follow through, Leadership, Effective evaluations (district employees from top to bottom)
 - Communication and trust at all levels
 - Curriculum Alignment/Create student opportunity, dual credit
 - Understand budget

- Finalize Bus Purchase
- Department Reports
 - Principal Reports
 - Jim
 - Gary
 - NKESC Report
 - Legislative Updates
 - Transportation/Maintenance Report
 - Technology Report
 - Food Service
 - Superintendent's Report
- New Business
 - JH/SH Principal Search
 - One-to-One Technology
 - Motion for Executive Session
 - Consider Resignation/Non-Renewals
 - Consider new hires
- Adjournment

2017 Hoxie School Booster Businesses

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Farm & Garden News

Farm Bureau Dates to Remember

Jan. 10: Farming for the Future workshop, Scott City (reg. deadline 5 days prior)
 Jan. 11: Farming for the Future workshop, Emporia (reg. deadline 5 days prior)
 Jan. 11: Emergency response workshop, Wichita
 Jan. 11: Winter Water Technology Expo, Garden City
 Jan. 11-12: Farm Financial Workshops, Salina (reg. deadline Dec. 21)
 Jan. 23-24: Farm Financial Workshops, Kingman (reg. deadline Dec. 21)
 Jan. 25-26: Commodity Classic, Manhattan (reg. deadline Jan. 17)
 Jan. 26-28: YF&R Conference, Manhattan (reg. deadline Jan. 17)
 Jan. 30-31: No-till on the Plains Winter Conference, Wichita
 Feb. 7: Farm Financial Workshops, Colby (reg. deadline Jan. 16)
 Feb. 8: Farm Financial Workshops, Dodge City (reg. deadline Jan. 16)
 Feb. 8: Day at the Statehouse, Topeka (reg. deadline Jan. 17)
 Feb. 12-13: Farm Financial Workshops, Emporia (reg. deadline Jan. 16)
 Feb. 15-16: Women Managing the Farm Conference, Manhattan
 Feb. 21: Western Kansas Forage Conference, Garden City (reg. deadline Feb. 9)
 Feb. 22: Be Ag-Wise Workshop, Manhattan (reg. deadline two weeks prior)
 Feb. 27: Be Ag-Wise Workshop, Colby (reg. deadline two weeks prior)
 Feb. 28: Farm bill forum, Dodge City
 March 1: Farm bill forum, Manhattan
 March 6: Be Ag-Wise Workshop, Garden City (reg. deadline two weeks prior)
 March 6-7: CMS training, Manhattan (reg. deadline Feb. 12)
 March 13: Be Ag-Wise Workshop, Bonner Springs (reg. deadline two weeks prior)
 March 18-21: LEADs (for county board members only), Washington, D.C. (reg. deadline Feb. 16)

Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the month of December 2017, topsoil moisture rated 28 percent very short, 49 short, 23 adequate, and 0 surplus, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Subsoil moisture rated 16 percent very short, 48 short, 36 adequate, and 0 surplus.
 Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 4 percent very poor, 18 poor, 41 fair, 34 good, and 3 excellent.
 Cotton harvested was 86 percent complete, behind 92 last year and 94 average.
 The next monthly report (for January) will be issued January 29, 2018. Weekly reports will begin March 5th for the 2018 season.
 Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and KSU Extension Service, and other reporters across the State.

KDA Receives Grant to Support SAVE Farm

The Kansas Department of Agriculture has received a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to support the development of the Servicemember Agricultural Vocation Education Program, also known as SAVE. The award was one of 36 grants made through the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program, authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill, which aims to help address issues associated with the rising age and decrease in the number of U.S. Farmers and Ranchers.

SAVE works to bridge the gap between the need for new farmers in our country and the large population of veterans and transitioning service members looking for new opportunities, a high percentage of whom indicate an interest in farming. The SAVE Farm vision is to provide occupational agricultural training, therapy and engagement to a significant number of veterans, serve members and family members on a training farm in Kansas.

"This grant is central to SAVE's growth and success," said Gary LaGrange, president of SAVE. "As we move toward a mature, comprehensive training model for our service members and veterans, this grant enables us to significantly expand our reach and ability to bring new, younger men and women into farming and agriculture. It is a pleasure to work with KDA and USDA as we seek to address the national challenges facing veterans and farmers."

This grant will support three specific programs as part of the SAVE Farm: a bee keeping training program, farm tours including farm business planning and financial management, and apprenticeships on working farms with potential succession possibilities.

"The SAVE Farm serves a valuable role in providing a bridge between the agriculture community and the service we owe to our veterans as they transition to civilian life," said Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Jackie McClaskey. "The hands-on training and therapy provided through this program open the door for these veterans to a fulfilling future career in agriculture."

The average age of farmers in the U.S. is approaching 60, and farm succession has been an increasingly critical concern. More than 60 percent of veterans come from families that have farmed in the previous generation. NIFA's mission is to invest in and advance agricultural research, education and extension that solve societal challenges, and this \$257,000 grant to Kansas will serve that mission. At the same time, it will further KDA's purpose to serve, promote and grow the state's largest industry: agriculture.

For more information about the SAVE Farm, go to www.thesavefarm.org.

Opportunities for Farm Bureau Members in Kansas

Great opportunities for Farm Bureau members in Kansas are available for registration.

1. Young Farmers and Ranchers Conference - Jan. 26-28 - Manhattan: An opportunity to connect with industry resources, network with peers and be inspired by speakers. Register by Jan. 17 at here.

2. Commodity Classic - Jan. 25-26 - Manhattan: KFB's 2018 Ag Advisory Committees will meet either Jan. 25 or 26 and Farm Bureau members in Kansas are invited to a dinner and discussion the evening of Jan. 25. The Commodity Classic will be Jan. 26, where the general session includes presentations from leading industry and policy experts addressing some of the key commodity issues and uncertainties facing Kansas growers in the year ahead. Register by Jan. 17 here.

3. Day at the Statehouse - Feb. 8 - Topeka: Join Farm Bureau members from across the state in Topeka for Day at the Statehouse (DAS). This is your opportunity to learn about current legislative issues, advocate policy with lawmakers and participate in valuable conversations as we strive to be the Voice of Agriculture. Register by Jan. 17 here.

4. LEADs - March 18-21 - Washington, D.C.: This trip to Washington, D.C. is reserved for county Farm Bureau board members to experience the federal level of our policy efforts in action. The 2018 LEADs trip offers meetings with Kansas Representatives, AFBF policy updates, tours and more. Register by Feb. 16 here.

SENIOR NEWS LINE

By Matilda Charles

A Grain of Salt

It's all over the news now that eating a salad every day may help reduce cognitive decline and dementia in seniors. What's worrisome is that the results of medical research sometimes are splashed in big headlines and that too many people automatically will assume it's true.

When it comes to understanding research, we need to dig deeper than just the headline.

For example, how long did the study go on? In this case, it was five years. That's good.

The thinking skills of participants were tested every year. That's also good.

But was the research done in a controlled environment, such as how many salads did a participant actually eat? In this case, the information was self-reported in a questionnaire. In other words, it might not be true.

And then there's the bottom line. Did the researchers flatly state that eating salads helps? No, they did not. They said there was an "association," but they couldn't rule out other possible reasons.

Color me confused because an article quoting the same study author, basically saying the same thing, appeared back in 2015, and back then it was stated that it's a mystery.

In this column, I frequently point your attention to the results of research, but each time I advise you to talk to your doctor before you make any changes in your exercise or diet. And I'm doing so again: Before you add extra greens to your diet, consult your doctor, especially if you're going to add large amounts of kale, lettuce or broccoli, or anything with vitamin K. Vitamin K affects blood clotting, and could cause problems for people already on drugs to decrease the amount of clotting.

In short, beware. Just because you read it in the news doesn't make it true ... or good for you personally. Ask your doctor.

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EPA Proposes Grain Sorghum Oil Pathway

The Environmental Protection Agency issued a Proposed Rule in the Federal Register today on the life-cycle greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with biofuels that are produced from grain sorghum oil extracted at dry-mill ethanol plants.

EPA is seeking comment for 30 days on its proposed assessment that using distillers sorghum oil as a feedstock results in no significant agricultural sector GHG emissions. Through EPA analysis, biodiesel produced from distillers sorghum meets the lifecycle GHG emissions reduction threshold of 50 percent required for advanced biofuels, and biomass-based diesel under the Renewable Fuel Standard program.

"After almost four years of work by National Sorghum Producers industry partners and staff, we are excited to see this proposed rule in the Federal Register, putting us one step closer to sorghum oil filling biodiesel production needs," said John Duff, NSP Strategic Business Director. "This is significant positive news for sorghum producers and ethanol plants in the Sorghum Belt as it provides more opportunities and better returns producing ethanol from sorghum."

The proposed rule is a result of a petition filed by NSP and extensive work with the EPA providing data and analysis during the rule making process. A pathway approval will allow the production of biodiesel and heating oil from distillers sorghum oil, and renewable diesel, jet fuel, heating oil, naphtha, and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) produced from distillers sorghum oil.

"This news is much anticipated, and we sincerely appreciate the help of our renewable energy partners, ethanol plants and producer leaders," NSP CEO Tim Lust said. "We are also grateful for all the congressional leaders who signed a supporting letter and Senator Jerry Moran, Congressman Roger Marshall and Congressman Jodey Arrington who made calls to the EPA supporting the pathway, as well."

NSP represents U.S. sorghum producers and serves as the voice of the sorghum industry coast to coast through legislative representation, regulatory representation and education. To learn more about NSP, visit www.sorghumgrowers.com.

Register Now for the Western Kansas Forage Conference

Online registration is available for the Kansas State University and Kansas Forage and Grassland Council (KSGFC) Western Kansas Forage Conference Wed., Feb. 21 at the Southwest Research-Extension Center in Garden City.

Conference registration is \$25 per individual. For an additional \$25, a farm or ranch can become a KSGFC member. Please direct any questions to Mark Nelson at info@ksfgc.org.

Registration is required by Feb. 9 and can be completed online. For more information, visit <https://ksfgc.org/wkfc/>.



Garden Planners & Designing Your Garden

By Viktorija Briggs

Just after the New Year, home gardeners begin planning their new garden: preparations necessary, what to plant, where to plant each vegetable - for those who use the companion planting technique, when to plant - for those who plant according to the lunar and planetary cycles, and whether you're going to go organic and/or non-GMO. The choices to make can seem endless. But the most fun is looking at all of the seed choices!

Do you order seed catalogs, or do you go online and order from there? Or, do you just pick up seed packets at area stores? Regardless of where you get your seeds, it's always interesting to see all the varieties of each vegetable and to decide if *this year* you're going to try something new.

There are a very large number of seed companies wanting to get your seed-buying business. Some of these include:

Burpee, which has been around since 1876, and has an excellent reputation for all of their products, and can be found in area stores.

Johnny's Selected Seeds offers heirloom, organic and hybrid seed varieties.

Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds has a great reputation, and a wide variety of some of the most interesting vegetables I've seen.

Ferry-Morse is a very well-known name as well, and is a member of The Plantation Products Family of Brands. These seeds are easy to find locally.

These are just a few of the many seed companies out there.

For those who like to have something tangible in-hand to design their garden, a

simple pad of graph paper and a pencil work great. But, did you know that there are also physical garden planners you purchase online? Some are actual planner books, others are .pdfs that can be downloaded and printed out.

A nice, inexpensive spiral-bound book found on Amazon.com is [The Garden Journal, Planner and Log Book](#), for less than \$15.

There are also interactive online garden planners that can be a lot of fun to use!

Better Homes & Gardens has a free version. It's easy to use, but there are some aspects that, while I didn't really care for them, they were only in structure choices and did not impact the value of the program.

The **Smart Gardener** website has two ways to use their system with unlimited use: \$6 for 90 days or \$20 for 360 days (no-brainer there). I haven't tried this one, but it looks simple enough and with many good aspects for building your garden plans.

Mother Earth News has their vegetable garden planner as well. I tried this one years ago and didn't like it. But, I'm sure it's been updated and much more user-friendly and with many more bells & whistles than before.

There are so many choices out there, you just have to look. But if that's just too confusing and overwhelming, then a simple stop at a local area farm & garden supply store, or even a large chain supermarket should do just fine for you.

So, get your plans started, get your vegetable seed purchases planned, and get ready for your Spring home garden planting.

Regional

Farmers' Market Workshops Scheduled for February

The Kansas Department of Agriculture, K-State Research and Extension and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment will host five regional workshops in February 2018 to assist farmers' market vendors and managers.

Kansas farmers' markets not only provide a fresh food source, but also stimulate the local economy. In 2017, 85 farmers' markets were registered with KDA's Central Registration of Farmers' Markets.

"Farmers' markets provide growers a chance to tell their farm's story, with face-to-face interaction with consumers," said Londa Nwadike, consumer food safety specialist with K-State Research and Extension and the University of Missouri. "But there are also legal, safety and financial parameters that farmers need to understand before choosing to sell at a farmers' market."

Workshop topics will vary slightly by location. Highlighted topics include:

- Vendor Marketing and Communications
- Growing in High Tunnels 101
- Regulations on Selling Meat, Eggs & Poultry
- Sales Tax for Vendors
- KDA's Division of Weights and Measures will also offer free scale certification at the workshops for attendees.

Dates and locations for the Farmers' Market events are as follows:

- Feb. 1 - Colby: Colby Community College, Student Union, Multipurpose Room
- Feb. 2 - Great Bend: Trinity Lutheran Church, 2701 24th St.
- Feb. 3 - Wichita: Sedgwick County Extension

Office, 7001 W 21st St. N

• Feb. 9 - Olathe: K-State Olathe, 22201 W Innovation Dr.

• Feb. 10 - Chanute: Mid-West Fertilizer, Chanute Agronomy Center, 3030 W Santa Fe Ave.

Registration for the February workshops is now open and is \$20 per participant. Registration includes lunch; however, lunch will only be guaranteed to those participants who register at least 10 days prior to the respective workshop date.

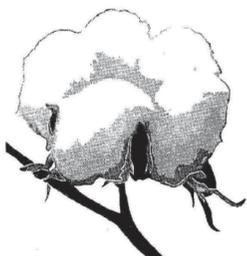
Registration forms can be found at FromtheLandofKansas.com/FMWorkshop or at local extension offices.

Onsite registration will open at 8:30 a.m. and the workshops will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m. The Wichita workshop will begin onsite registration at 8:15 a.m. and the workshop begins at 8:45 a.m., concluding at 4:15 p.m.

In addition, farmers' market vendors and managers are encouraged to attend the 2018 *From the Land of Kansas* Annual Meeting and Farmers' Market Conference on March 1 and 2 in Manhattan. Registration is open at FromtheLandofKansas.com/FMConference and will close Feb. 19, 2018.

KDA is committed to providing an environment that enhances and encourages economic growth of the agriculture industry and the Kansas economy. These workshops will provide support and assistance to help make Kansas businesses more successful.

For more information, contact Lexi Wright, KDA's *From the Land of Kansas* marketing coordinator, at 785-564-6755 or Lexi.Wright@ks.gov.



State & National News

State of Kansas Year in Review

January:
1/13-16 Massive ice storm impacted most of Kansas, bringing 0.75" of ice in Great Bend to even higher amounts around Dodge City, leading to downed trees and power lines. Sheridan County was one of those hit hard by this storm, with power poles snapped and broken, and no power for several days to several weeks in some areas.

February:
2/22 Adam Purinton shot and killed Srinivas Kuchibhotla, an Indian engineer, and wounded Alok Madasani in Olathe, Kansas, after mistaking them for Iranians.

March:
3/7 Fires devastate 3 states, spawn dozens of tornadoes, destroy millions of acres, burn to death thousands of livestock, kill several people, and a state of emergency is declared.

3/16 Governor Brownback declared March 16 as "Indian American Appreciation Day" to honor the three victims of the shooting on February 22.

3/23 Local fire south of Studley, KS gives worry, but the rains helped put it out.

April:
4/28-5/1 Severe winter snowstorm with snowdrifts up to 8 feet deep, 70mph straight-line winds, and flooding caused a disaster in the western third of Kansas. Power was out to millions for day, and weeks in some areas.

May:
5/26 Welfare spending declined as fewer Kansans receive cash assistance, since 2011 when Kansas began incorporating work requirements for programs such as cash assistance and food stamps.

June:
6/7 Kansas Republicans raise taxes, reversing Governor Brownback's deep tax cuts in his "real live experiment."

6/24 Prison riot at El Dorado Correctional Facility

July:
7/22 Severe storms and straight-line winds bring flooding to Jackson and Wyandotte Counties.

7/26 Governor Brownback nominated by President Trump to be Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom.

August:
8/22 Flash floods, due to several bouts of heavy rains in the Kansas City metro area, leave one dead, and dozens being rescued from their homes and cars.

September:
9/27 K-TRACS, a system for monitoring prescriptions for controlled substances, received a \$178,000 federal grant to help fight the opioid crisis. K-TRACS is overseen by the Kansas Board of Pharmacy.

October:
10/21 A major chemical release occurred at the MGP Ingredients' plant in Atchison, KS at 8am, when sodium hydrochlorite, also known as sodium hypochlorite, and sulfuric acid were inadvertently mixed together in the wrong holding tank. It had dispersed by 11am.

November:
11/21 Kansas Corporation Commission will investigate all permits granted since 2008 to oil and gas companies after learning that some wells received permits giving nearby residents accurate information about their rights to protest the wells.

December:
12/22 Kansas Senate passed S. 167, Senator Moran's legislation to honor fallen educators, which designates Emporia State University Memorial as a National Memorial. There is no cost to taxpayers, as the NTHF and ESU would retain ownership and continue its care through private funds used for maintenance, while also having a national memorial designation.

National Year in Review

January:
1/1 Nevada legalized recreational marijuana

1/6 Russia accused of hacking the Democratic National Committee and ultimately influencing the election in favor of Donald Trump.

1/20 Donald Trump elected 45th President of the United States, and the DOW Stock Exchange immediately jumped 95 points to 19,827, and another 257 the day after the election.

1/21 Women's March on Washington, D.C. There were an estimated 2.9 million people who participated in the Women's March in cities across the United States, with the Washington March attracting almost half a million people, and worldwide participation is estimated at over five million. Many of the women protestors were dressed up as vaginas.

February:
2/7 A tornado hit New Orleans, LA, knocking out electricity to 10,000 homes.

2/12 An emergency spillway failure at the Oroville Dam in Oroville, CA forced nearly 200,000 people to evacuate.

2/22 NASA announced that TRAPPIST-1, a star system that is 39 light years away, contains seven Earth-sized planets, with three that are in the habitable zone, and all seven have the liquid supporting potential.

President Trump rescinded protections for transgender students that had allowed them to use bathrooms corresponding with their gender identity.

March:
3/18 Rock & Roll legend Chuck Berry died at the age of 90.

3/28 President Trump signed the 'Energy Independence Executive Order' to increase coal and other fossil fuel production, while turning back the Obama-era policies on climate change and the environment.

April:
4/6 The U.S. military launches 59 Tomahawk cruise missiles at an air base in Syria in response to a suspected chemical weapons attack on a rebel-held town. Russia considered the strikes an "aggression", and that they significantly damage US-Russia ties.

4/9 Asian physician, David Dao, was physically assaulted by police, and dragged off an United Airlines flight from Chicago to Louisville, prompting a worldwide reaction.

4/15 Twenty-one people were arrested when hundreds of President Trump's supporters clash with anti-Trump protesters in Berkeley, CA.

4/24 The City of New Orleans ordered and began the removal of four Civil War Era Confederacy monuments.

May:
5/17 Transgender Chelsea Manning is released after serving only seven years of her 35-year sentence for leaking diplomatic cables and military files to Wikileaks.

From the House floor, Rep. Al Green (D-Texas) calls for President Trump's impeachment.

5/18 Sotheby's Auction sold an untitled Jean-Michel Basquiat 1982 painting for \$110 million, making it the most expensive work by an American artist ever sold at an auction.

5/20 Trump's first foreign visit as President was to Saudi Arabia, where he signed deals worth more than \$350 billion, including a \$110 billion arms deal, which was the single

largest such deal in U.S. history.

5/21 The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Baily Circus staged their final show at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Uniondale, NY, concluding its 146-year history.

June:
6/1 President Trump withdraws the U.S. from the Paris Climate Accord. Its purpose is for member countries to voluntarily design and implement 'green industry' to 'combat global climate change'; however, there are no legal repercussions for failing to do so.

6/14 The Federal Reserve raised its key interest rate to a target range of 1 to 1.25%. This was the second increase of the year and brought it to its highest level since 2008.

July:
7/20 Former US football star and actor O.J. Simpson was granted parole after nine years of a 33-year sentence in a Nevada prison (released on October 1.)

7/26 The first gene editing of human embryos in the USA is reported to have taken place, using CRISPR.

7/27 The House votes 235-192 to pass a \$788 billion spending bill. Included in the bill is a \$1.6 billion down payment for the border wall with Mexico and a large budget increase for the Pentagon.

An Obamacare repeal fails after a third attempt. It was voted down 51 to 49.

August:
8/12 The Unite the Right rally, held in Charlottesville, VA, was a gathering of people protesting the removal of the Robert E. Lee sculpture, and other Confederate monuments and memorials from public locations. A violent clash broke out between attendees and counter-protesters. One person was killed when a car ran through a group of people.

8/17 Category 4 Hurricane Harvey with winds up to 130mph, inflicted \$200 billion in damages in the U.S., and a total of \$198 billion in the Gulf of Mexico region.

8/21 Total Solar Eclipse, called the "Great American Eclipse," was the first solar eclipse visible across the entire contiguous United States since June 8, 1918.

8/29 Hurricane Harvey caused both the Addicks and Barker Dams in Houston to begin overflowing, which worsens the flooding hazards. A curfew is imposed to help prevent looting of evacuated homes.

September:
9/5 It was announced that the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) immigration policy, which was set by the Obama administration in 2012, will be discontinued.

9/6 Hurricane Irma, the post powerful hurricane ever recorded in the Atlantic Ocean with winds of 185mph landed on the Caribbean islands of Barbuda, Saint Martens, and the British Virgin Islands. There was a reported 95% damage to the buildings on Barbuda.

9/10 Millions are left without power as the center of Hurricane Irma hits just south of Naples, FL.

9/20 Hurricane Maria, with maximum sustained winds of 155mph makes landfall in the US territory of Puerto Rico, leaving millions of people without power.

October:
10/1 Stephen Paddock of Mesquite, NV, opened fire on a crowd of concertgoers at the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival on the Las Vegas Strip. He killed 58 people and injured 546 more. It was the deadliest mass shooting committed by an individual

in the United States.
10/6 The Trump administration rules that employers may opt out of providing free birth control to their employees.

10/8 The deadliest week of wildfires in California's history killed at least 35 people, and devastating hundreds of thousands of acres.

10/12 The US withdrew from UNESCO, accusing it of "anti-Israel" bias.

10/26 Nearly 3,000 files related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy were released that were scheduled for release in a 1992 law.

November:
11/5 In the 5th deadliest shooting in U.S. history, twenty-six people were killed and 20 more injured in a Baptist church in Sutherland Springs, TX by Devin Kelley. It was the deadliest shooting in a place of worship.

11/7 Democrat Ralph Northam wins Governor of Virginia, and Democrat Philip Murphy wins Governor of New Jersey in off-year elections. Danica Roem is the first transgender person to be elected to a state legislature in the US in Virginia's 13th District.

11/13 "Abilify MyCite" is approved by the FDA. It is the first drug in the U.S. with a digital ingestion tracking system, meaning, it records, by a sensor embedded in the pill, when the medication was taken.

11/19 Convicted murderer Charles Manson died at age 83, after 46 years in prison.

11/21 CBS talk show host Charlie Rose was fired when eight women accused him of inappropriate behavior.

11/27 One of NBC's most famous news anchors was fired Matt Lauer after an allegation of sexual misconduct.

December:
12/2 The Senate passed, 51 to 49, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. It is the most sweeping overhaul of the US tax code since the Reagan era, and was criticized for adding \$1 trillion to the budget deficit, and benefiting the wealthy and big corporations moreso than the common citizen.

12/4 President Trump announced an 85% cut to Utah's 1.3m acre Bears Ears National Monument, as well as a 50% cut to the 1.9m acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. This angered Native American tribes and environmental groups considerably.

The Supreme Court allows President Trump's travel ban on six mainly Muslim countries to go fully into effect.

12/6 President Trump recognizes Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel.

12/8 The governor of California declared a state of emergency as the worst wildfires on record devastated homes and businesses, forcing the evacuation of 200,000 people.

12/12 Democrat Doug Jones took the Alabama Senate seat. It was the first time a Democrat has won the state since 1992.

12/13 The Federal Reserve rose interest rates a quarter percentage point, to a range of 1.25-1.5 percent for the third rise of 2017.

12/18 Climate change will be dropped from the list of national security threats.

12/21 The National Center for Health Statistics reported that US life expectancy fell in 2016 for the second year in a row, from 78.7 to 78.6. This was in part due to the growing opioid crisis.

12/29 DOW Stock Exchanges close at record high at 24,719, an increase of 4,892 points since Inauguration Day.

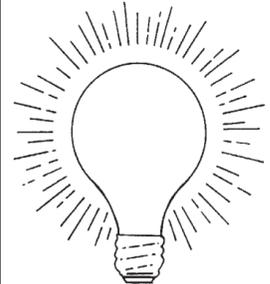
Kobach Calls for Lower Utility Rates

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach called on the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and Kansas public utilities to reduce utility rates following the recent corporate federal tax cuts signed by President Trump.

"Kansas public utilities are about to experience a sizable financial windfall as a result of the corporate tax cut passed by Congress. As these utilities essentially operate as monopolies, the tax cuts should be passed along to Kansans in the form of lower utility rates," said Kobach. "When utility companies receive a windfall they owe a duty to the public to return that revenue by lowering rates. I hope the Kansas Corporation Commission and utility companies act quickly to make this adjustment."

The KCC is a three-member commission appointed by the Governor. One of their chief duties is regulating rates for public utilities including electricity and natural gas.

"Benjamin Franklin was to have said the only two certainties in life are death and taxes. In Kansas, there has been another certainty, regardless of which party controls the Governor's office utility rates have increased. This impacts every Kansan, especially those struggling to make ends meet. As Governor, I will appoint KCC commissioners committed to pushing back on utility rates and protecting the financial well being of the people of Kansas," added Kobach.



Congressman Marshall Announces January Listening Tour

Congressman Roger Marshall will host a series of town halls continuing his Listening Tour through the Big First District.

Wednesday, January 3, 2018, Rep. Marshall will begin his January tour with a town hall in Grant County. The Listening Tour will make 14 stops and conclude in Wabauunsee County on Monday, January 15. Congressman Marshall is looking forward to answering questions and discussing legislative goals for 2018 with members of the community. All citizens of the district are encouraged to attend as well as members of the press.

With these added listening sessions, Rep. Marshall will have held a town hall in all 63 counties in Kansas' 1st Congressional District within his first term in office.

Transparency and community engagement with his constituents is a top priority for the Congressman. Dr. Marshall is one of Congresses top town-hall holders. After concluding this tour, he will be second in the House of Representatives for hosting the most town halls in this term, despite being in one of the biggest, based on mileage, districts in the country.

"Kansans are my top priority, and I am looking forward to continuing the discussions and hearing

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their questions and concerns on this tour," Congressman Marshall said. "These town halls allow me to get one-on-one time with folks from the first district and take their concerns to Washington. I look forward to hearing from them. Their opinions and perspectives are very important to me."

The congressman looks forward to having constructive conversations with Kansans.

Listening Tour Schedule (NWKS Region):
Ness County Town Hall
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Ness County Bank Building
102 W. Main Street, Ness City

Trego County Town Hall
3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Western Co-op Electric,
Community room
635 S. 13th Street, Wakeeney

Graham County Town Hall
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Frontier Stage
305 E. Main Street, Hill City

Thursday, Jan. 4
Rooks County Town Hall
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Downtown Stockton
409 Main Street, Stockton

Great Bend Town Hall
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Front Door Community Center
1615 10th Street, Great Bend

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Commission Minutes December 18, 2017

NOTICE: The Sheridan Sentinel has been voted by the City & County Commissioners to no longer be the official newspaper of Sheridan County. There may be occasions where we will not print their Commission Minutes due to space constraints.

Now on this 18th day of December 2017, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Vice-Chairman Vic Bielser presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Chairman Troy Dewey was out.

The meeting was called to order by Bielser.

Bracht brought up the Northwest Kansas Solid Waste Authority. This will be discussed when Paulette Feldt and Dave Bingham enter the meeting. Bainter advised he attended the WPRC & D meeting.

At 7:55 Shirley Niermeier, County Treasurer entered the meeting. Bielser made a motion to enter in to executive session for a period of ten minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Present were the board, Niermeier and Bracht. The door opened at 8:02. Niermeier exited the meeting.

Bielser and Bainter talked briefly about the City of Selden and Northwest Kansas Planning & Development.

Bielser made a motion to approve the December 11, 2017 minutes as amended. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

On a motion from Bielser and second from Bainter, warrants were approved. 2-0.

Bainter made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Change Orders. Bielser seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

Bielser made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-49 transferring cash from General Fund to the Special Ambulance Fund, Resolution No. 12-52 transferring cash from Road & Bridge to Special Machinery, Resolution No. 17-86 transferring cash from Road & Bridge to Special Highway, Resolution No. 17-53 from Noxious Weed cash to Noxious Weed Capital Outlay, Resolution No. 17-54 transferring cash from General Fund to Capital Improvements, and Resolution No. 17-112 transferring cash from Road & Bridge to Landfill Capital Outlay. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

Bielser made a motion to amend the Agenda to include David Stithem, County Appraiser. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Stithem advised the board that the tape drive backup system for the AS400 can no longer be limped along. The tapes are obsolete. A new system/tapes and installation would be \$2,300.00. Bielser made a motion to purchase the new equipment, seconded by Bainter. Carried 2-0. Stithem will take care of ordering the equipment and scheduling the installation.

County Attorney Joe Pratt entered the meeting. Bracht discussed with the board the correspondence received from both *The Sheridan Sentinel* and *The Hoxie Times* and their interest in becoming the official county newspaper. Bielser made a motion to name *The Hoxie Times* as the official county newspaper for the year 2018. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Pratt discussed with the board some documentation issues.

Hannah Schoendaler, Niceta Farber and Mike O'Dell from the Sheridan County Health Complex entered the meeting. Schoendaler discussed with the board that they are looking at a Community Development Block Grant and the need for a countywide LMI survey. They are asking for the support from the board in pursuing other funding so that there is not a tax burden on the citizens of Sheridan County for the much

needed updates and repairs to the hospital. They will also be looking for part-time help to help obtain the LMI survey's, especially in the rural area. Bainter and Bielser gave their support and approval to go ahead with their plan.

Paulette Feldt, Road & Bridge Supervisor and Dave Bingham, Landfill Operator, entered the meeting. Bielser made a motion to approve the dues for the Kansas Organization of Recyclers in the amount of \$125.00. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Bingham advised the board that the HHW/Composting/Recycling meeting will be in Hutchinson in March, 2018. Tyler Francis from Altitude Recycling Equipment entered the meeting. Francis advised the board that his company handles everything "equipment" for recycling. He talked about the different balers and his recommendation for our needs. At 10:13 the board adjourned to tour the recycling center. Touring were Feldt, Bingham, Bielser, Bainter and Francis. The facility was reviewed, and they discussed the location of where the baler would be located. The board reconvened at 11:27 in the commissioner's room.

The following payroll and warrants were approved:
General \$79,471.15
Road & Bridge \$54,014.33
Nox. Weed \$1,995.60
Public Health \$4,190.95
Public Transp. \$847.75
Landfill \$2,322.55
Spec Auto \$1,148.00

No further business, Bielser made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 2-0. The last meeting of the year will be Friday, December 29, 2017 at the regular time and meeting place.

Attest: Heather Bracht, County Clerk, Troy Dewey, Chairman

Where are your City and County legals? Did you know they are no longer promulgated in *The Sheridan Sentinel*, the largest newspaper in Sheridan County? Who will see them? How will you know what rulings they make that will directly impact you? Contact your Commissioners to ask why.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of
DONNA STOCKMENT,
Deceased.

Case No. 2017-PR-000022

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition dated December 9, 2017, has been filed in this court by Diane L. Edwards, as a surviving heir of Donna Stockment, deceased, praying for administration of said estate and for the appointment of Diane L. Edwards as executor of the estate.

You are further advised that the petitioner in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, and if such request is granted the court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any action of the administrator or other proceedings in the estate will be given except for notice of final settlement of the decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the court, the court may order supervised administration to ensue.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses to

the appointment of Diane L. Edwards as executor of the estate on or before **January 8, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.** in this court in the city of Hoxie in Sheridan County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

/s/ Diane L. Edwards
Diane L. Edwards,
Petitioner

/s/ Steven W. Hirsch
Steven W. Hirsch #12789
HIRSCH LAW OFFICE
124 So Penn, PO Box 296
Oberlin, Kansas 67749
Attorney for Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of
MELVIA D. PAULSON,
Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition dated December 19, 2017, has been filed in this court by Daniel Wessel, as executor for Melvia D. Paulson, deceased, praying for administration of said estate and for the appointment of Daniel Wessel, as executor of the estate.

You are further advised that the petitioner in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, and if such request is granted the court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any action of the administrator or other proceedings in the estate will be given except for notice of final settlement of the decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the court, the court may order supervised administration to ensue.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

/s/ Daniel Wessel,
Petitioner

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Attorney for Petitioner

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Leon Sample

Leon Sample, 74, passed away Monday, December 25, 2017 at his home in Hoxie, Kansas.

He was born September 22, 1943 to Benjamin Leslie and Dorothy Henrietta (Epler) Sample.

He married Barbara Deibert, December 10, 1961, and shared 56 years of wonderful married life. They were blessed with three children, Dana, Darrel & Mike.

Leon attended school at the Tasco Grade School and graduated from Hoxie High School. He was always known as an honest and hardworking person. He enjoyed many jobs from a very young age; farming for Rodney Martin, helping Uncle Fred on the farm, Don's Alignment & Foster Lumber Company. When his father retired, he was proud to purchase the family business, "Sample Oil Company." He owned and operated this business until 1978 when he accepted an offer to manage the Studley Coop. He held this position until his retirement in May 2005. He rarely missed a day of work other than an annual trip to the state wrestling tournaments to watch his sons and nephews wrestle. After retiring he enjoyed riding along with Mr. P on his truck runs and helping Archie, Rick and Don Moss with corn harvest.

Leon was an avid Royals baseball fan through good times and bad. He was able to visit 20 major league stadiums and 2 minor league stadiums with his wife. He loved watching car races and flying remote controlled airplanes with his flying buddies and gained the nickname "King Pin," for his bowling skills. He was a regular visitor at the Howard Cass home and enjoyed the tales he heard there. And he sure enjoyed that first tomato from his garden each summer.

He always enjoyed having family visit. He loved and was proud of his three children and the adults they have become and loved every grandchild as if they were his own. He instilled in each of them good values to live by and an excellent example of how to love.

He continued the practice of date night and supper out with his wife once a week, and they shared a love for the birds that gathered daily in their back yard for food and water. He was a good provider for his family and the rock we all leaned on.

Leon knew Jesus as his Lord and Savior and had a personal ministry of spreading kindness wherever he went, never turning down anyone in need. He will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Lyle Sample; sister, Doris Rachau; sister-in-law, Nettie Richmeier; brothers-in-law, Tom McClain & Ken Deibert; and his Epler and Sample Grandparents.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara, of the home; daughter, Dana Sample, Columbia, MO; sons, Darrel Sample & wife Hana, Highlands Ranch, CO; Mike Sample and wife Ann, Lindsborg, KS; brother, Leo Sample & wife Eileen, Hoxie; sister, Donna McClain, Aurora, CO; mother-in-law, Peggy Allen; sister-in-law, Sandra Reitcheck and husband Gary all of Hoxie and Brother-in-law Terry Deibert and wife Cyndi of Bartlesville, OK.

He is also survived by grandchildren Chris Chase, Holly Hickam, Megan Sample, Haileah Chase, David & Dylan Sample, Breahna Wright, Ashtyn Chase and Rocco Hickam. Also among survivors are nieces, nephews and friends too numerous to mention.

Memorials are suggested to the Wounded Warriors Project, and may be sent in care of Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, PO Box 987, Hoxie, KS 67740

Patricia Luna



Patricia R. Luna passed away Saturday, December 23, 2017, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby, Kansas, at the age of 50. She was born January 5, 1967, in

Florence Mills



Florence "Nadine" (Arnold) Mills passed from this life on Thursday, December 29, 2017, at the Sheridan County Health Complex in Hoxie, Kansas at the age of 89. She was born March 7, 1928, in Hill City, Kansas, to Albert Cecil and Mae Elizabeth (Cooper) Arnold. Nadine attended Grade School and High School in Hoxie, Kansas graduating with the class of 1946. Following graduation, she attended the Salina Academy to become a cosmetologist. On June 1, 1947, Florence "Nadine" Arnold was united in marriage to Albert Lamar Mills at the home of Nadine's parents. To this union two daughters, Kathy and Kay, were born.

After they were married, they lived in Silver City, New Mexico where Albert attended the Silver City New Mexico Technical College for two years. After Albert's graduation, they moved back to Hoxie, Kansas. After moving back to Hoxie, Nadine owned and operated her own shop until 1959. In 1961, Nadine joined the family business, Arnold Electric, working on mainly on the company's business records for the government, doing invoices, some ordering and paying all the bills. Nadine and Albert worked together for many years until they sold their business.

Nadine was baptized when she and Albert lived in Silver City, New Mexico. She was a member of the Hoxie Church of Christ. She devoted her life to serving God, family, and those in need of a kind word or helping hand. She taught the Toddler's Sunday School for many years. She was very devoted to the Lord always showing patience, love, and faith to her family, friends, and community.

Nadine was an excellent cook and loved cooking for her family. She and Albert served as 4-H Leaders for several years. She loved fishing, music and really enjoyed singing. Nadine had health struggles from birth, but she always had a smile on her face and was positive about life. She was a person who was an encourager, a giver and always put herself last.

Nadine is survived by her daughters, Kathy Patterson and husband David of Hoxie, Kansas, Kay Splattstoesser and husband, Gary of Colby, Kansas, eight grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren nine great-great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Lloyd Mills and wife Veryl of Houston, Texas; and sister-in-law Lorraine Coulter of Hoxie.

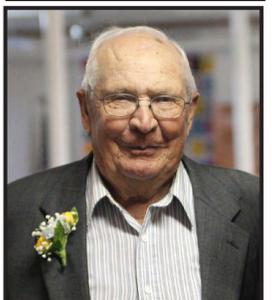
Nadine was devoted to a life of serving God and her beloved family. Her unending patience and gentleness was an example to each. She will be missed but her loving kindness and spirit will be with us always.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert; her parents, Cecil and Mae Arnold; brother, Don Arnold; brothers-in-law, Norman Mills and Edwin Coulter; and sister-in-law Doris Arnold.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, January 2, 2018, at 1:30 P.M., at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home in Hoxie, Kansas with Micha Howery officiating. Visitation was Tuesday, January 2, 2018 from 9:00 A.M. until service time, 1:30 P.M. Family received friends from 10:30 A.M. until 11:30 A.M., at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to the Hoxie Church of Christ or the Sheridan County Health Complex Long Term Care and may be sent in care of Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, PO Box 987, Hoxie, Kansas 67740. On line condolences may be left at www.mickeyleopoldfuneral.com

Sylvester Ritter



Sylvester M. "Bud" Ritter was born December 31, 1926, the son of Bernard "Ben" and Philomena "Minnie" (Kruse) Ritter. He passed away Wednesday, December 27, 2017, four days short of his 91st birthday.

Sylvester was the fifth of eleven children in his family and grew up on a farm west of Dresden. He attended school in Leoville and farmed with his father and brothers while growing up. Sylvester spent time in the military from October 3, 1950 to August 26, 1952, and was stationed at 807 Station Hospital at Camp Carson, CO and Elmendorf Air Force Base at Anchorage, AK.

On October 28, 1952, Sylvester married Margaret Alice Reitcheck at Seguin, KS. They made their home on a farm one and one-half miles north of his birthplace where he was engaged in farming and ranching. Five children blessed their union, in addition to nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, who were his pride and joy. Sylvester was a lifelong member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville and had served on the Parish Council, Finance Committee, Maintenance Committee, and as a Eucharistic Minister. He and Margaret enjoyed traveling and spending time with their family.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret of the home; two sons, Steven Ritter of Dresden and Greg Ritter and wife, Stephanie of Dresden; three daughters, Janice Thummel and husband, Jon of Hoxie, Paula Gooder and husband, Doug of Seward, NE, and Elaine Ritter and fiancé, Craig Gasper, of Tipton; one brother, Victor Ritter of Jennings; four sisters, Dolores Thompson of Hoxie, Sr. Dolores Ritter of New York, NY, Alfreda Colling of McCook, NE, and Bernadine Spresser of Leoville; nine grandchildren: Daniel Thummel (Betha), Chris Thummel, Michelle Wise (Skyler), Natalie Gooder (Mike Steffens), Austin Gooder (Kelsey Pralle), Brittany Jeffery (Neal), Melissa Ritter (Tim Thornton), Angela Ritter (Ryan Kuhlman), and Jacob Ritter; six great-grandchildren: Eric, Jon Oliver and Ellie Thummel; Cohen and Morgan Wise; and Meadow Thornton; many nephews and nieces, other relatives and friends.

Sylvester was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers, Dennis, S. J., Cletus, Raymond, and Francis Ritter.

Vigil Services were held Friday, December 29, 2017, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville. Mass of the Resurrection was Saturday, December 30 at 10:00 a.m. at the church in Leoville with Rev. Mark Berland officiating. Burial took place in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Leoville, with military rites by the American Legion Post #321. Memorials may be given in Sylvester's memory to the church, cemetery or charity of choice, in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn Ave., Oberlin, KS 67749. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family on our website: www.paulsfh.com.

in addition to many nephews and nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces, other relatives and friends.

Patricia was preceded in death by her grandparents and two brothers, Robin and Alex Luna.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 30, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. at the Rexford Community Church in Rexford, Kansas, with Pastor Lane Purcell officiating. Burial was in the Rexford Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be addressed in Patricia's name and sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn Ave., Oberlin, KS 67749. Friends may sign the guest book or leave messages of condolence for the family on our website: www.paulsfh.com.

Fort Collins, CO, the daughter of Lee and Ruth (Duran) Luna. Patricia grew up in Milliken, CO, and attended Milliken and Johnstown schools. She worked for the Weld County School District RE-5J (Milliken-Johnstown) for 15 years. After moving to Rexford, KS, Patricia worked as a Special Education Paraprofessional for Golden Plains USD #316 in Rexford.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Buttram of Rexford; parents, Lee and Ruth Luna of Rexford; three children, Brandon, Chantee and Alexus Luna, all of Rexford; four brothers and their wives, Paul and Rhonda Luna of Colby, Bill and Mary Luna of Rexford, Robbie and Nikkie Carlson of Rexford, and Domonic and Lynda Luna of Kersey, CO;

Fun Page

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The Family Budget

There's a "bottom to every family's pocketbook." So, many families sit down and talk about money matters and ways they can work together to stay inside the family budget. One thing they talk about are the things the family **needs**: shelter, food, clothes and so on. After that, they can talk about things they **want** to have, but that are not truly necessary. They might put limits on spending any extra money or find ways to cut back a bit, if needed.

What things do families **need** to budget for? What things are nice to have or do, but are "extras" that they **want**? Read each item and circle "W" for things a family might **want** and "N" for things they **need**.

1. clothes	W	N	12. magazines	W	N
2. furniture	W	N	13. food	W	N
3. new toy	W	N	14. water	W	N
4. amusement parks	W	N	15. dinner out	W	N
5. transportation	W	N	16. family phone	W	N
6. electricity	W	N	17. computer	W	N
7. newer furniture	W	N	18. candy	W	N
8. shelter	W	N	19. extra car	W	N
9. heat	W	N	20. cable T.V.	W	N
10. savings	W	N	21. video games	W	N
11. vacation	W	N	22. (pay) taxes	W	N

Next, find and circle each word in the family's house.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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Brainstorming Ideas (Using Money Wisely)

Our class got together to brainstorm ideas for ways **kids** can help with their family budgets. You can talk to your parents or the grownups who care for you, and choose which ideas might work for your family.

Spend time at your library reading, playing games or using computers!

Every penny saved helps.

Read our ideas to fill in the crossword puzzle:

- save extra _____ and put them in a jar
- keep an eye out around town for thrifty _____
- rent a _____ instead of going to the theater
- toss your _____ into the laundry every other day instead of every day
- help your Mom and Dad by clipping _____
- update your card at your local _____ and take out books, DVDs, CDs
- dress sensibly so you can keep the _____ at a reasonable temperature
- help hand-wash your family _____ rather than taking it to the car wash
- make your own _____ rather than buying them from the school cafeteria
- turn off the _____ when you leave a room
- accept hand-me-down _____ (no complaints!)
- try and spend no more than 15 minutes when in the _____

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - BUILDING A HOUSE

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: How does a penguin build a house?

BACKHOE	D	A	R	B	A	C	K	H	O	E
BEAM	O	I	T	E	L	K	C	A	P	S
BOLT	W	J	N	L	G	L	M	R	H	I
BRAD	E	O	I	O	Y	A	E	A	S	V
BRICK	L	R	A	G	R	T	M	I	E	T
CEMENT	D	T	P	G	S	M	T	L	O	B
CONCRETE	O	G	A	A	E	A	T	U	N	R
DIAGRAM	E	I	L	R	T	H	W	E	P	I
DOWEL	D	P	E	T	E	R	C	N	O	C
DRILL	R	C	E	M	E	N	T	E	A	K
HAMMER										
JIGSAW										
NUT										
PAINT										
PLASTER										
PUTT										
SPACKLE										
TEAK										
VICE										

Riddle answer: _____

Cash Stash!

It's always smart to start to stash a little extra cash away. You can start your own cash stash by doing small jobs for family, friends or neighbors. You might be able to do extra chores around the house. Talk to your Mom or Dad to see if any of these ideas would "work" for you!

Little jobs add up to good "cents!"

Chitter did four extra chores this month to earn a little extra cash. He made \$12.75. Read Chitter's list of jobs (that his parents gave him permission to do). Check off four chores that add up to \$12.75.

<input type="checkbox"/> walk dog 75¢	<input type="checkbox"/> shovel walk \$5.00
<input type="checkbox"/> clean out closet \$4.50	<input type="checkbox"/> dust the house \$2.00
<input type="checkbox"/> wash dishes \$1.25	<input type="checkbox"/> water plants \$1.75
<input type="checkbox"/> fold laundry \$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/> vacuum \$3.25
<input type="checkbox"/> wash windows \$3.00	<input type="checkbox"/> organize family CD/DVD collection \$4.25

Hint: You might need a pencil and paper or a calculator to help add up the money. There is more than one answer.

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: F equals C

YV B TEMOYMP FBHORRM PEG
CAHA CYSW BJREO FTRFRSBOA
FBMWG, CRESW TA JA MBQAW
ASQAH VEWPA?

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

	-		x		16
+		÷		-	
	+		x		12
x		x		x	
	+		x		25
20		21		10	

1 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 9

DIFFICULTY: ★
★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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Kids' Maze

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Super Crossword

SUMMING UP THE NEW YEAR

ACROSS

- law (computer industry rule)
- WWII prez
- Argus-eyed
- Turn sharply
- Haul in
- Mendacity
- Nerve
- Caucus state
- Luau libation
- Hearth waste
- Slight residue
- Again
- Ad Council bloodhound
- Et — (plus more)
- Roly-poly
- "I knew it!"
- Good tidbit
- Colleague of Trotsky
- "They don't have qwerty layouts"
- Pen's tip
- String after Q
- Have — of hope
- Gp. for fillers and drillers
- *At a short distance
- *Metro section manager
- Deadeye's skill
- TCBY treats
- Bloom holder
- PC pictures
- Fetus feeder
- Kotter of TV
- Juan's "this"
- Henry VIII's third Catherine
- *Tool whose teeth rotate
- Costello and Holtz
- Baseballer Slaughter
- Brogan part
- Sloping
- Bacon piece
- Gone
- Antsy feeling
- Color tone
- "It may show acidity"
- *Divorcée in 1991 news
- Min. segment
- Segment
- 114-Down
- Chargers linebacker Mantl —
- *Yale, e.g.
- Tips, as a cap
- Chilling
- Golfer Trevino
- Batter
- Taxi readout
- What the double-digit Roman numerals at the starts of the answers to the starred clues add up to
- Mud in a cup
- Haikus, e.g.
- 22nd letter
- Goey camp treats
- All tied up
- Shui scroll
- Be off
- Unseat
- Like paraffin
- Lacking pity
- Negatives
- First phases
- 1 Fox or ox
- Prophesier
- Derivation
- Teaches new skills
- Biblical twin
- Rigidly formal
- Thin-screen boob tube
- Plate
- Practice
- Giant in train travel
- Petty of film
- Quiz's kin
- Paella base
- Ticked (off)
- Pfizer drug
- Many eras
- She bleats
- Bitingly cold
- In thing
- Chin-wag
- Native Nebraskan
- Sister of Cleo
- Rider, e.g.
- Old rulers
- Jenna Bush, to Jeb
- NBA and NRA, e.g.
- Crusty roll
- Big name in Art Deco
- "We did it!"
- "See you"
- Wild horse debut
- Cartoonist Al
- Oscar winner
- Sharif of "Funny Girl"
- No voters
- On or about
- Coup group
- Morse "E"
- "That's what — service!"
- One paid to park cars
- Sweet filling
- Event invitee
- Sup at home
- Try to hit, as a fly
- Snow-pure
- Epic story
- Aloha
- Stadium site
- "One," on a U.S. coin
- Process unit
- Coll. in Lower Manhattan
- NBA and NRA, e.g.
- Cow of ads
- Kitchen filter
- Burlesque dancer Lili
- Llama locale
- 2004 Chevy
- Mudbath site
- "It" game
- Feeling bliss
- Vane locales
- Freezes
- Church chant
- "Icky!"
- Full of melting snow
- Fiats
- Spanish plural article
- Islands (Danish chain)
- Least limited
- Has a feeling
- Botch
- Goes (for)
- Blow a horn
- Saving sort
- Arab nation
- Drusilla
- divorced him
- Marvel mutants
- Shut-goer
- Gardner of "The Bribe"
- Nettle

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

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

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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Super Crossword

Answers

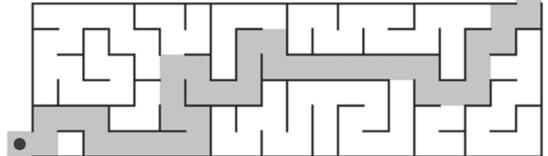
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answer
The well-off monarch from Prague realized that he would like to open a Czech king account.

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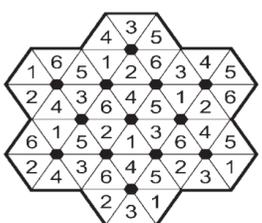


Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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SNOWFLAKES



Puzzles4Kids

Answer

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SACHET	T	CHASE
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Go Figure!

answers

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