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Main Street Welcomes New Business

By Levi Gleason, Sentinel Staff Writer, Tomahawk Chief Editor

Becci Baker was born and raised in Creighton, Nebraska, a small town in northern Nebraska with a humbling population of 1,225. She is a married mother of two young kids and enjoys reading and working out in her spare time.

After graduating from high school Becci headed to Wayne State College and got her bachelor's degree in Biology. However, she was not yet done and spent another three years at the University of Nebraska Medical Center earning her doctorate in Physical Therapy. In 2017, Becci was done with school and ready to begin a new chapter of her life. Soon after meeting her husband Tyler Baker, she moved to Hoxie because "It's a little harder to move the farm, than for me to move to the farm." After she moved to Hoxie, she began her career at the Sheridan County Health Complex and Gove County Medical Center Physical Therapy Departments, splitting her time two days a week in Hoxie and three days a week in Quinter, which she did for about four years.

"Then, with the COVID pandemic, I just felt like I didn't love the look of the healthcare scene anymore in the capacity that I was in it. So, I decided that it was a good time to go private practice because that was always a goal I had anyways. The other thing I think that I was looking for, as far as my profession goes, was the ability to have a bit more flexibility with my patients and their treatments. Because, when you go into these hospital settings it is all about having people be seen through their health insurance, which is great because I would say the majority of people have health insurance, but the scene is changing just a bit, and people's health insurance is just so high that when people look at physical therapy it costs them so much. My overall hope was to bring a more affordable setting for people in this small community, and surrounding communities, so that they felt that they could try things like the dry needling, massages or just physical therapy but not have it feel like it was going to cost them an arm and a leg." said Becci.

So, what is up and coming for Restore Physical Therapy & Wellness LLC? As Becci stated earlier, it is her highest priority to provide good but affordable care outside of the hospital. One way she



hopes to make her services more widely available to community members is by taking a diverse set of health insurance plans. She currently takes Medicare and is working on getting certified by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas. As well as this, "Next summer from May through July, I am going to employ a Nex-Generation intern. So, they can start applying for that January 1. I am looking for that to be a position for a local high school or college kid to have to get some exposure in the field and also kinda give me a bit of extra help."

To schedule your appointment, Restore Physical Therapy & Wellness, LLC is located at 720 Main St. or call 785-677-3777.

SHERIDAN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Pratt Named Foundation Director

The Sheridan County Community Foundation has named Karl Pratt its Executive Director effective January 1, 2022, as it voted to expand the part-time Board Liaison position, to full-time status during its December meeting.

Pratt, who has served as the Foundation's sole staff person since the fall of 2018, has helped develop the position over the years growing first from 15 hours a week, to 20 hours and most recently 25 hours. With his ever-growing capacities as the Foundation staff member, which also encompasses community and economic development endeavors for Sheridan County, the time was right to expand the position to full-time status to better serve the needs of the Foundation and county at large.

"Karl has fulfilled the role we were looking for in our foundation and went way beyond that to be an all-encompassing hub of economic and philanthropic needs across the county. There have been so many grant and other business opportunities that he has brought to our attention that would have for sure been missed if we didn't have him in this capacity," said Jodi Rogers, SCCF Board Member and Secretary/Treasurer.

In addition to Foundation related duties, this year, Pratt will be working to officially redevelop the local economic development board and begin exploring various ED-related programming, services, and potential grant/loan resources. He will also continue to work with local committees to address childcare needs and other community projects such as the auditorium upgrades and park improvements.

"I'm very eager to serve in the expanded role as Executive Director of the Foundation," noted Pratt. "It has been an amazing experience to develop and grow the staff position over the last few years in support of the Foundation, while also dipping my toes into the world of economic development. I am excited to continue to assist in growing the Foundation, its programming, services, grant opportunities, and donor stewardship, as well as assisting existing, expanding, and new businesses in the area. I have thoroughly enjoyed learning more about business, philanthropy, and community and economic development since I joined the Foundation--these elements all go hand-in-hand, in my opinion, and each can have a tremendous effect on the other in improving the quality of life for folks in an area."

Pratt will now hold regular business hours from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at his offices in Bottle KAP Studios, 721 Main St, Hoxie. He can be contacted at 785-675-1240 or karlpratt.sccf@gmail.com.

Please feel free to stop by or make an appointment to visit him to assist with fulfilling your philanthropic wishes, learning more about grant opportunities, connecting you and your business to a variety of educational and financial resources, and more.

SCCF is governed by its Board of Directors, including Michelle Foote, Chair; Jodi Rogers, Secretary/Treasurer; Whitney Bainter; Mike Mense; Teri Moss; Harry Joe Pratt; Danielle Schiltz; William Slipke; and Youth Ambassadors, Molly Foote, Haley Heskett, and Hailee Scheetz.

SCCF is an affiliate of the Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation based in Bird City. The Foundation seeks to encourage, prudently manage, and distribute charitable contributions to improve the quality of life for Sheridan County residents, now and in the future. To learn more, contact Pratt at 785-675-1240, karlpratt.sccf@gmail.com, visit www.growsheridancounty.org. Connect with SCCF at www.facebook.com/sheridanccf.

GPHS K-12 Christmas Party



December 17. All students, grades K-12 spent the morning participating in a variety of Christmas themed activities. (All photos by Judy Rogers)

Golden Plains High School Teacher Robynn Wessel helps third grader Brookelynn Vahling dip her pretzel

Genesis Holguin and Dexter Juenemann from Amy Patmon's Kindergarten class wait by the gingerbread man before going to the next activity.

Golden

junior Dalia Tellez

Plains

 $G\ o\ l\ d\ e\ n$ Plains senior Ethan Shea and third grader Freddy Araux enjoyed the party.



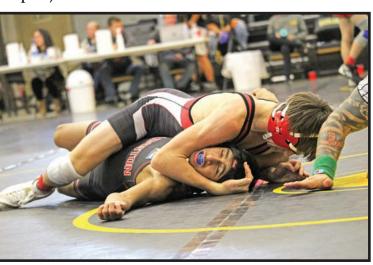
Golden Plains senior BJ Rogers and Kindergartener Angel Cruz-Cardona became fast friends.

The K-12 Christmas party was held in Rexford on

Hoxie Wrestlers Return to the Mat



Dayton Bell with the fall over Lakin. (Photo by Coleen Shepard)



Tate Weimer with the Fall against Hugoton. (Photo by Coleen Shepard)

(See article on page 3)



Derek Johnson with the fall over Ellis. (Photo by Coleen



Wayne Shepard with the fall over Ulysses. (Photo by Coleen Shepard)

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Birthdays & Anniversaries: December 24: Curtis Carman,

Mitzi Wachendorfer; December 27: Tom Stone, Landon Truetken;

December 28: Heath Schulte, Bill & Rose Bainter, Robbie & Debbie

Koerperich; December 31: Judy Brantley Hankins, Clayton Bainter; January 1: Mike & Tammi Porsch, Kandy Vahling; January 2: Boyd

& Margee Wilson, Mike & Kandy Vahling; January 4: Bill Bainter,

Mike Kruse, Jenna Hynek; January 7: John Kruse; January 8: Tom

Zodrow, Gary Shaw, Tyler Stevenson, Colton Sauvage; January 9:

Evelyn Wahl, Lindsey Wahl; January 10: Melanie Schultz Ruoff,

Randi Stevenson, Keizer Carman; January 11: Shad Putnam, Robin Smith Markle; January 12: Joe Bainter; January 13: Sherry

Winners of the Christmas Light Night include Jerry & Paula

Schiltz, Davis & Terra Rath, Boyd & Margee Wilson, and Orba

Smith. Thank you to everyone who took the time to decorate for

Christmas and make Selden look special.

Carman, Carl Ochs.



Submission Guidelines

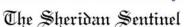
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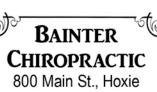
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County Clerk 785-675-3361 Road & Bridge Dept. 785-675-3621

Public Library

785-675-3102

Thank you!

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WEEK of January 6 ~ January 12

Thursday: Parmesan Chicken

Friday: Meatloaf & Hamburger Casserole

Saturday: Hot Roast Beef Sandwich

Sunday: 7-Meat Buffet w/sides & 2 desserts

Monday: Steak Fingers & Chicken Strips

Tuesday: Beef & Noodles Wednesday: Fried Chicken

Breakfast 7am ~ 9:30am

Thank you for your continued support & understanding



Russell and Mary Cressler, rural Jennings, visited and brought lots of goodies to me on Sunday, December 26.

This area received a nice 3 to 4 inches of snow this past Friday evening and Saturday morning. The temperature was very cold so not as much moisture in the snow as we would have liked but thankful for what we did get.

Sunflower Senior Citizens potluck dinner will be Wednesday, January 12, weather permitting. Everyone is welcome to join us

Sheridan County Benefit Walk Meeting

The Sheridan County Benefit Walk Annual Meeting will be held at the Lutheran Church in Hoxie on Monday, January 11, at 6pm. The public is invited to attend.



I hope everyone had a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. I rang in the new year by going to bed early so I could get up and go goose hunting, and I'll say this, there's no shortage of geese in the area! I've been getting a few here and there, but last Tuesday was the best. A friend and I took two kids for their first goose hunt. It was a day where everything came together. Dan and the kids each got their limits of Canada geese, while yours truly shot one. But the hunt wasn't about me shooting, it was for the kids. The look of wonderment while a thousand plus snow geese surrounded us for a half hour was great! For over an hour and a half we had geese in easy shooting range. Even after we were done shooting and picking up decoys, the birds kept coming! When we got to the trucks there had to be five thousand geese right where we had been. But as of yesterday, not one goose was feeding there. They had moved to a field about five miles away, and more birds have arrived. Dan and I are trying to put together another hunt for just the two of us. It should be epic!

I just can't pick any one lake for geese right now. There are just tons at every lake in the area. Saturday at Webster saw massive flocks of geese moving all day long, and there was a lot of open water too! Sunday, we saw mostly frozen, yet by noon the ice was cracking and breaking up.

If anyone needs me next weekend, I'll be hunting, somewhere. I've talked to people who have been catching some really nice crappies. Webster and Norton have both been good, but I think ice fishing is going to be the deal for a while.

A.O.C. Remember her? The bartender-turned-congress person. I won't say she's a nut. No, she's absolutely crazy. Did you know the only reason Republicans and Conservatives don't like her is because she won't date us? I'm not kidding! You just can't make this garbage up! Yep, we're all jealous of her boyfriend. What's her boyfriend, a tree stump? I can imagine that would be the only thing dumb enough to date her!

Let's see, in California now you are supposed to recycle all leftover food, so it doesn't decompose and release methane gas. They're serious! I'm just going to assume they've taken every dumb person in the state and given them the job to dream this

It's no secret that I have been a Kiss fan since the beginning. That being said, Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley have proven the Hollywood thinking has rotted their brains. According to Gene, unvaccinated people are the enemy. Come on, Gene, the n thing you'll tell us is to lock away the unvaccinated. Just like the Nazi's did to your mother. And Paul with all of his virtue signaling. Crying now because he and his family have the Omicron variant. Yeah Paul, we've all had colds before too.

I see Biden has pretty much washed his hands of the whole COVID debacle. Turning it over for the states to deal with. Even OSHA has figured out they won't win in their bid to control the

Epstein's girlfriend was found guilty on charges of child prostitution. I wonder how long before she has an "accident" while

Oh yes, before I forget, I am still waiting for one Democrat to tell me two things. First, you still haven't told us what crimes Donald Trump is guilty of, and second, name one darned thing Joe Biden has done for the good of this country. I'm still waiting. I know as well as you do on both counts you have nothing. It's great to see

Well, gotta go now. As always stay safe and enjoy the outside. And to my supporters, thank you. You make this possible, and I will not let you down.



Raised by us from birth to finish

Mark Your Calendars!

Every Sunday:

11am First Presbyterian **Church Service**

Every Tuesday: 8am Commissioner Mtg

12pm Rotary 7pm Fire Dept Mtg

Every Wednesday: 3:30pm Christ Community Church

All-Stars for Jesus

Jr. High Youth Group

City of Hoxie ~ BOE Mtg

2nd Wednesday:

2nd & 4th Thursday:

4th Monday: Hospital Board of Trustees, What do you have happening soon? Share Your Event Here - FREE

Sheridan County Benefit Walk Meeting

Lutheran Church 6pm January 11

2022 Events to Put on Your Calendar





Sheridan County Fair July 19-23









Monthly:

2nd Monday:

1st Tuesday: HAMA

Chamber of Commerce

Potluck in the Park 6:30-8pm

FQHC 8am following Wednesday

⊀Mealsite Menu⊀

January 10 ~ January 14

Monday: Swiss Steak, Rice, Seasoned Carrots, Bread, Straw

Tuesday: Harvest Turkey Soup, Orange-Pineapple Salad, Crackers, Brownie

Wednesday: Goulash, Mixed Vegetables, Bread, Tropical

Thursday: Ham & Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Bread, Hot Cinnamon Pears

Friday: BBQ Meatballs, Baked Potato, Cheesy Broccoli, Bread, Applesauce

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older with guests to attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday-Friday. Please call 675-2154 by 11 a.m. the day before, to make reservations. Home Delivery is available to those not able to dine $\,$ in. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. Patrons over 60, a \$3.50 per meal contribution is requested. Those under 60, meal cost is \$6.50. A montly menu can be picked up at the Mealsite. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project



HOXIE ELKS LODGE W Sheridan Ave 675-3161 Wednesday 6-8pm Saturday 6-9pm



Midway Cafe Hwy 83, Selden

386-4545 Monday-Friday 7am-2pm & 5-7pm Saturday 7am-2pm

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First Presbyterian Church 1101 Sheridan Ave Hoxie

Hoxie Christian Church 1025 Queen Hoxie

Hoxie Church of Christ I541 Oak Hoxie

Hoxie United Methodist Church 900 12th St

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Hwy 223 Leóville

Immanuel Lutheran Church 1400 Locust St Hoxie

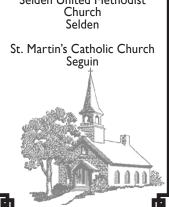
Living Word Fellowship 454 Hwy 24

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church 14988 E Rd 70 S Hoxie

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 202 S Missouri Selden St. Frances Catholic Church

Hoxie Selden United Methodist

924 17th



Hoxie Wrestlers Return to the Mat

By Coleen Shepard

The Indian wrestlers will return to competition Saturday, January 8, when the varsity boys and girls wrestlers travel to Dodge City High School Field House to compete at the 4th Annual Dodge City Invitational Tournament.

The third regular season rankings released by the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association (KWCA) on December 28 have the Hoxie's boys' varsity team ranked first in 321A and third in All Class. Additionally, the KWCA has eight Indians ranked in the top 6 with six of those ranked No. 1: Tate Weimer (113lb), Carson Ochs (126lb), Drew Bell (138lb), Drew Bretz (152lb), and Derek Johnson (160lb). Dayton Bell (132lb) and Wayne Shepard (120lb) are ranked No. 2 and No. 3 and Hoxie's 195-pounder Donovan Balluch has moved

DATE

January 8, 2022

January 14, 2022

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January 27, 2022

January 28, 2022

January 29, 2022

February 5, 2022

February 10, 2022

February 11, 2022

February 12, 2022

February 12, 2022

February 18-19, 2022 TBD

February 23-24, 2022 TBD

February 25-26, 2022 TBD

into the rankings at No. 6. Caron Ochs, Drew Bell, Drew Bretz, and Derek Johnson remain undefeated going into the second half of the season.

With several ranked teams competing, this weekend's competition could bring one of Hoxie's biggest challenges as a team. Competing on Saturday will be 6A ranked Dodge City (#2), Garden City (#5), Junction City (#6), Manhattan (#8) and Gardner Edgerton (#10); 5A ranked Goddard (#3), Valley Center (#8) and Great Bend (#10). Joining Hoxie in the in the KWCA All Class Rankings are Goddard (#2) and Dodge City (#9.)

Hoxie's number one ranked Marissa Porsch (138 lb) will also compete in Dodge City on Saturday.

Wrestling action can be followed at https://www. trackwrestling.com and Open

LOCATION

Dodge City

Goodland

Wakeeney

Hill City

Colby

Colby

Colby

Norton

FHSU Gross Memo

TBD

Washburn Rura

Phillipsburg

Beloit

Beloit Atwood

WRESTLING

TYPE

Invitational

League

Invitational

Invitational - Day 1

Invitational - Day 2

Invitational - JV

Dual - Goodland

Invitational - Girls

Dual - Hill City

Regional - Girls

Regional - Girls

Invitational - JV

Regional-Boys

State - Girls

State - Boys

Dbl Dual - Oakley/ScottHoxie

TIME

6:00 PN

9:00 AM

6:00 PM

2:00 PM

10:00 AM

9:30 AM

6:00 PM

1:00 PM

9:00 AM

6:00 PM

9:30 AM

TBD

TBD

10:00 AM

Spaces Sports is hoping to be able to cover the tournament. Visit https://openspacessports. <u>com</u> for information on coverage.

Correction for last week's wrestling article Update". Rankings in that article were KWCA 2nd regular season rankings released on



Drew Bretz with the fall over Goodland. (Photo by Coleen



School Calendars: Jan. 10 ~ Jan. 15, 2022

Hoxie Schools USD #412 Monday, January 10 4pm V SB @ Plainville 7pm BOE Meeting Tuesday, January 11 4:30pm JV/V BB @ TMP Friday, January 14 4:45pm JV/V BB @ Oberlin 6pm V WR Dbl Dual vs Scott City/Oakley Saturday, January 15 9am G&JV WR @ Hays

3pm V BB @ MCL Play-in (Stockton)

Golden Plains USD #316 Monday, January 10 4pm MS Scholar Bowl @ Colby 6pm HS Basketball @ St. Francis/ Cheylin

Tuesday, January 11 4pm MS Basketball vs Heartland Christian

Friday, January 14 6pm HS Basketball @ Logan Saturday, January 15 8pm HS Winter Dance

Wheatland USD #292 Monday, January 14 7:30pm BOE Meeting Tuesday, January 15 4pm HS BB @ Dighton Friday, January 14 4pm HS BB vs Weskan

Note: All scheduled activities are subject to change. Please check the school web site for updates www.usd316.k12.ks.us



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SCHC SEEKING EXPERIENCED CEO

Sheridan County Health Complex (SCHC) is seeking a dynamic, experienced Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to lead our Health Complex.

SCHC includes an 18-bed critical access hospital, 32-bed long term care facility, Public Health, Federally Qualified Health Center, and satellite clinic.

The CEO is responsible for all day-to-day operations of the facility. This position is accountable for planning, organizing, and directing the facility to ensure that quality patient care is provided and that the financial integrity of the facility is maintained. The CEO ensures compliance with applicable laws and regulations, as well as all policies and procedures set forth by the Board of Trustees and Medical Staff, and those required by Medicare Survey Standards.

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For immediate consideration, please send a detailed resume to: SCHC, Attn: Human Resources, PO Box 16,7 Hoxie, KS 67740, or email to Shelby Moss at smoss@schcmed.

To view a full job description or to apply online, please visit the SCHC website, www. <u>schcmed.com/careers.</u>

Pay will be based on education and experience.

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

The Hoxie Democrat Friday, January 6, 1888

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dow, of Grainfield, were in the city the first of the week.

George when you come to town please come in and tell Margaret that you don't want only what is coming to you. I don't think she owes you

Nelson Alloway was in the city last Monday. He reports work as being on a stand still at Colby, waiting for iron and a little warmer weather.

A. C. Smith has rented the Pratt butcher shop, and will have a full line of meats and game and fish in their seasons.

Do not miss the chance of having your bad teeth extracted and filled during Dr. Shively's stay in our city.

The Sheridan county board of trade is now organized and in running shape. M. A. Chambers is President; J. S. Turner, Vice-President; George Crane, Treasurer; Isaac Mullholland, Sec.

It was amusing to see the constables taking the farmers on the street, to act as Jurymen. Many of them had just come to town on an errand and were not prepared to stay but the law was very strict and had to be enforced.

Mr. and Mrs. George Foster held a family reunion at their place on the Saline, Jan. 1. It was the first for many years and a splendid time was had. The old folks retired early filled with many thoughts of the past, but the young people kept up the merriment until morning.

J. L. Miller, the sheep man of the Saline, was in town last Wednesday and reports their sheep in good condition and that everything indicates a grand success in the sheep and wool business, even if the tariff is taken off.

One of the best dances of the season took place last Friday night at the Ellithorpe house. All had a good time and kept up the music until

Married – on Dec. 24, Mr. Geo Shortridge to Miss Tillie Ogle, both of Sheridan county. Rev. J. A. Griffes, officiating. The *Democrat* extends its best wishes and invokes this worlds richest luck to the young couple.

A letter from J. E. Stevenson informs us that he will be back in a few days.

We received a letter from our old friends Hilts who used to live in Sheridan county in 1880. He desires to come back and try the old county again. We would advise him to come, and that soon, as this is the best country in the world and cannot be beat for sheep, as that is the business he wants to engage in.

G. A. Griffes, the boss implement and flour and feed man of Mystic, was in town the first of

The county commissioners were viewing property last Wednesday in town and equalizing the assessments when they thought an injustice had been done.

125 Years Ago January 7, 1897

Five old bachelors in Indiana have entered into a compact to be married and meet at a given place with their wives for Christmas dinner during this year or forfeit \$100 in cash and suffer themselves to be bound, gagged and taken to the dinner by the sheriff.

The postoffice at Hays City was robbed of \$400 the other day.

After a ten days vacation school resumed last Monday morning.

We will take corn on new or old subscriptions

at 15 cents per bushel. One of Hoxie's most incorageable bachelors is

an addition to society. S. G. Hopkins and family begun the new year

with old friends at Selden. Ben Cooper and family spent the holidays

with relatives in Adell township.

Alva Freeman and wife, of Selden, came down last Thursday and broke bread with his folks new

A. L. McCallum and family New Yeared with John A. Hill and family at Studley. He reports a good dinner and a good time.

A Park literary society will settle the question as to "who set up the most booze during the recent campaign" next Friday night.

Judge Hedge reports a fine time at his son Dan's at a dance last Friday night. Although the Judge is "slightly" above middle age he enjoys a dance as much as any of the youngsters.

The Gove City debaters are nothing if not dandies, just after disposing of the question that rotation in office in a government like ours is conducive to the most desirable results they have taken up and will battle with and decide whether or not "that art and poetry prior to 1800 is superior to the present." In as much as we are living at the "present" we would dislike very much to be on the affirmative, the editor of the Leader might wish to trade the present for something prior to 1800, but we will take ours

Two Formosa girls had made up their minds to take the same young man as life partner just as the old year was winking out and a duel was the result, no one was injured and the young man, it is said, is engaged to another.

Selden Department

County Attorney Hopkins and wife were up for a few days visit with friends in these parts

Miss Warner a sister of Frank who used to be here in business with H. M. Worley is here visiting friends and relatives.

The school in Dist. 71, closed one week ago and Miss Worley the successful teacher returned to Nebraska where her parents reside.

The Knights and Ladies of Security had a supper in the Hall for the members and their families on the evening of December 31. All enjoyed themselves and a grand time is reported.

GOOD MEAT



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From The Hoxie Sentinel, 1921. (Kenoxie Archives & Museum photo)

100 Years Ago January 5, 1922

Local News

Howard Sloan was down from Selden on business the first of the week.

V. P. Borger, of Saline township, was shaking hands with his numerous friends here Monday. Johnnie Slaven and family, of Prairie Dog township, were a Hoxie business visitors

C. H. Beers, the Buick dealer, is announcing a

reduction in the price of Buicks this week. Basket Ball - Jenning vs. Hoxie, Friday

evening at 7:30. It will be a good game. Come. Carl Butler, of Selden, and his father of Osborne county, who is visiting him, were in Hoxie Monday on business.

How can the Elephant be a true friend? See "Miracles of the Jungle" at the Palace Theatre, January 12.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beers entertained to six o'clock dinner Tuesday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson, of Salina.

Misses Irene Comeau and Rosa Mosier are home for the holidays. They are both attending the Sacred Heart Convent, at Salina.

Wirt Bartlett was here from Union township

Wednesday. While here he visited the Toothaker boys, his old-time friends. E. R. Wilcox, John Hardesty and another party, whose name we didn't learn, were here

from Jennings Wednesday on business. Mrs. I. L. Vinson received word the latter part of the week of the death of her step-brother, Mr. John Mayhew, of Plainville, Kansas, who passed

away after an illness of only a few days. Fred E. Bear, editor of the Hoxie Sentinel, is rightly named, from all appearances floating down this way. He issued a twenty-six page paper last week that ranks with the best of them. · Topeka Daily Capital

Joe Cooper had us send this week the Sentinel to Harry Doubleday at Albany, Oregon, as a Christmas gift. We don't know whether Mr. Cooper intended to surprise Harry or not. If he did, we've spilled the beans.

Bow Creek

By Faith

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hedge, of Hoxie, spent Sunday afternoon at the Ray Hedge home. Robert Todd, of Welsh, Louisiana, is visiting

his sister, Mrs. J. N. Walden, and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Miller and son of Morland, spent Monday night and Tuesday at the H. E.

Cressler home. Valley Items By Gleaner

Misses Louise and Lela Hines were here from Menlo Christmas day.

Mrs. Ben Taylor is spending the holidays with

her parents in eastern Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Houseworth spent Christmas in Tasco with the Clifford Crum

family. The Harmon and Ralph Getz families were

entertained at the Erwin Getz home Christmas. **Emerald Grove**

By Lucile

Mrs. Joe Pratt visited homefolks a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Simon spent two days in Quinter last week. Mrs. Simon has many relatives living there.

75 Years Ago January 9, 1947 Ad Smiths Store to New Owner

A business transaction was completed at the close of 1946 which will remove from the business circle one of Hoxie's older and familiar business establishments when Ad Smith sold this grocery and dry goods store to Charlie B. Shafer.

Lucerne News

Dolph Martin have a telephone installed now. Mrs. Emma Mowry is not better at this writing

Ken Teaters, who drives a gas transport for J. H. Parker, of Colby, took dinner with the Pete Kempers Tuesday.

Jennings News

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Small and children from Denver came Tuesday evening to spend Christmas and a few days with relatives and

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tapp has moved in the Jess Hardesty house.

Cal Tapp and wife spent Christmas in Salina visiting their daughter and family returning to

Jennings Friday. Social News

Harmony Club - The Harmony Club met Dec. 18 with Imogene Toothaker with eight members and eleven guests present. The usual cooperative dinner was given at noon. During the afternoon there was sewing and fancy work done for the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mabel Cooper on January 15. All members are urged to be present for the election of officers and the drawing of new thimble sisters.

Watch Party - Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rogers entertained New Years eve with a "Watch Party". There were three tables of pinochle at which the high score couple were Mr. and Mrs. Leon Babcock. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jackson received the consolation prize.

Friendly Neighbors

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Black and children of Oberlin spent from Friday afternoon to Sunday afternoon at the Willard Broyles home.

Club met Dec. 19 with Frankie Batchelder with ten members and one visitor present. Club will meet with Irene Stephenson Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spillman spent Sunday at C. A. Batchelders, Doren Spillman and Doris Foster were afternoon callers.

Mt. Pleasant News

The Christmas program at the Baptist Church was attended with a full church.

Mrs. Delmas Simon was quite ill over the holiday season.

R. H. Whites enjoyed part of their family home over the holidays.

Sequin Items

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wegman attended a family reunion at the Hugh Campbell home New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mannebach and children were dinner guests New Years day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ziegler, in Oakley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meier, of Hays, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thummel and family.

Leoville

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kaus and children returned to Littleton, Colo., Thursday after spending a week here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kinser and son are visiting relatives here.

Wilbur Kruse and Ray Bruggeman returned to Manhattan Saturday to resume their school

50 Years Ago January 7, 1971

Indian Wrestlers Won from Sainty

The Hoxie Indian wrestlers downed the St. Francis Indians Tuesday, Dec. 22 at St. Francis by a score of 34 to 14. The wrestlers under the leadership of Bill Pickinpaugh and Tim Rath are undefeated in league action so far.

Youthquake to be Shown January 14 at

Presbyterian Church

Youthquake! A sound color film depicting in comedy and satire the problems of the youth with the church will be shown at the Presbyterian Church in Hoxie on Thursday, Jan. 14, according to the pastor, Phil Ramer.

Broadway News

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Simon and Timmie attended a pot luck supper Tuesday evening at Quinter honoring Mr. and Mrs. Ed Loomis who has been manager of the Co-op there. The Loomis' are going to Texas.

Ralph Shafer and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Graham of Dodge City spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Morris Shafer.

Harold McWilliams spent Wednesday night at Albert Smiths.

Mickey's Want Ads

If you need an electric tape for that water pipe we have all lengths.

During a physical examination the doctor noticed that the patient's hand shook. "You drink a lot don't you?" he asked.

"Nope," replied the patient, "Spill most of it." You can new buy the Sesquicentennial Colt revolver 1820-1970, the "Show Me".

Seguin Items

New Year's Day parade and football TV fans at the Gene Dempewolf home were: the Paul Munks, the Frank Meiers and the Elmer Rietchecks. John, Rose and Bob Rietcheck joined the group for the exciting finale of the N.U-L.S.U. game.

Sunday evening visitors at the John Rietcheck home was Mr. and Mrs. Al Rietcheck and boys.

Leoville News

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bruggeman and children visited several days with relatives in Wichita. They returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Sulzman and boys had Mrs. Blanche Skubal and Annette and Larry Riley of Colby as Christmas dinner guests.

Teresa Fortin spent Christmas at the Gene Fortin home. Mrs. Fortin and Don accompanied her home Sunday and visited the Frank and Dave Kruse families Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 26-27.

McGraw News Mrs. Earl Hartzog, Mike, Virginia and Harold were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theo McKenna of Oberlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tribble were New Year's day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Tice of Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Watkins were New Year's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Smith and

family.

Studley Items Mr. and Mrs. Ted White and family of Burlington visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob White Sr. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 26-27.

Henry Pratt of Kansas City visited Mrs. Irene Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Davis on Monday, Dec. 28.

Miss Hilda Pratt enjoyed dinner on Sunday, Dec. 27 with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis.

25 Years Ago January 4, 1996

Fire Damages Taylor Implement Building On a quiet Sunday morning on the last day of 1995, fire was probably the last thing on the

minds of personnel of Taylor Implement Co. "They're really lucky someone spotted the fire when they did. Another 30 minutes and the barrels of oil would have been a real concern," Ross Carder, Sheridan County RFD No. 1 fire chief said.

Decision to Expedite Museum Opening

In recent weeks, the Sheridan County Historical Society board of directors voted to construct an addition between the two east buildings of the museum complex which is located along US Highway 23 between 12th and 13th streets. This decision will expedite the process of opening the county-owned museum to the public.

McGraw

Mr. and Mrs. John Herrmann spent Christmas with their children in Colorado Springs. They

left the 23 $^{
m rd}$ and returned the 27 $^{
m th}$ Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter went to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Guamer's and Nathan's house for supper. Wes Bainter and Weston visited Monday for dinner and supper.

Donna Ward and two of her grandchildren visited Mr. and Mrs. George Launchbaugh on Saturday.

Rexford

Christmas Day guests of Tracey King and her son were her grandmother, Elizabeth Thayer and her aunt, Arlene Strandley.

Grace Cheney is home again after spending seven weeks in Hays taking treatments. She spent Christmas Day with Gary and Kay Cheney, Karen and Matt.

Cindy Stepper of Denver came last Saturday to spend the holidays with her mother, Deb Stepper. Their Christmas Day guests were Bernice Maris and Frances McIntyre.

Clubs, Meetings

Ladies Auxiliary to V. F. W. Post 2864 of Grinnell held a short meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 29, 1995. The treasurer's report was given and bills discussed and approved.

Closing ceremonies were conducted and the meeting closed until Jan. 17, 1996.

The party began with a bountiful meal provided by the auxiliary and guests attending. Over 50 guests and members attended. After the feast, cards were enjoyed by 48 players. The lucky winners were: high, Ralph Hansen and Beryl Covalt; low Bonnie Fellhoelter and Betty Long; door prizes were won by Ed Dickman and Joe Quint; traveling prizes were won by John Scheetz and Aggie Tholen.





NWKS & AG NEWS

Chasing Clovers: Tribute to a Volunteer

By Patsy L. Maddy, Twin Creeks Extension District, 4-H Youth Development Agent

This article is written in memory of a fellow agent, mentor, and friend - Beverly Kindler, Norton County Extension Agent (Emeritus). Beverly passed away this past week and we will no longer get to share conversations with her about Extension work, 4-H experiences, and everyday life. Beverly was passionate and devoted to her community, her civic organizations, her friends, and her work with Extension.

Beverly continued to be active in supporting Extension and 4-H work and enjoyed attending various events and activities and volunteering whenever needed. Communication was a key component in her daily life and many 4-H members were honored to receive a congratulations note or card in the mail with a newspaper article included that she had taken the time to cut out and thoughtfully sent to members. Beverly cherished the value of volunteers and knew the difference they made in the success of small communities. Following is an article that she volunteered to write a couple of years ago for National 4-H Week.

WANTED:

Persons with these qualities—patience, resourceful, time to share, interest in people, and community and a willingness to work with

Benefits: Many opportunities to meet people and a variety of tasks or goals to meet and gain satisfaction in tasks being done.

The Job: Being a VOLUNTEER!

At this time of year, a new 4-H Club year is starting and there are 4-H clubs in Norton, Decatur, Sheridan, and Graham counties with eager 4-H members. As 4-Hers participate, they will develop their life skills with the assistance of adult volunteers in project work, club events and activities, as well as with projects and programs on the area and state level. There are also opportunities for junior leaders to be volunteers.

Valuable in the work you do and the vigor you bring

Opportunities galore for you to serve

Loyal, sincere, full of cheer

Untiring in your efforts throughout the year

Notable are the contributions you make

 ${f T}$ is for the time you devote

Effective in ways you fill your role

Enthusiasm to reach each goal

Ready with a smile

Special and wonderful—That's what you are!

Contact the Twin Creeks Extension District office in your county to explore the opportunities to volunteer. You will be glad you did! Our thanks and appreciation to each and every volunteer for the work you do to help youth and families.

From: Beverly Kinder, Norton County Extension Agent (Emeritus)

In honor of Beverly and to continue her passion for Extension and our 4-H programs, please consider volunteering your time and talents to assist our Twin Creeks District Extension agents in extending the reach and education from Kansas State University to the people in our local communities. Your volunteer commitment can be as little as helping with one event in 2022, mentor a 4-H member in a project area, devote time during the county fair, or simply contact your local Extension office to ask where they may need some assistance.

Thank you, Beverly, for your dedication, commitment, and passion! You have truly been a blessing to the Extension and Norton communities as well as family and friends. You will be dearly missed and we hope we can live up to your accomplishments and contributions. Rest peacefully good and faithful servant! Thank you!

Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, contact Twin Creeks Extension District, Norton office, 785-877-5755.

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Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending January 2, 2022, topsoil moisture supplies rated 34% very short, 38% short, 26% adequate, and 2% surplus, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 28% very short, 37% short, 34% adequate, and 1% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 8% very poor, 17% poor, 42% fair, 30% good, and 3% excellent.

The next report will be issued January 24, 2022.



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Low-Income Energy Assistance Program Helps Heat Kansas Homes

A perfect storm of cold weather and expensive energy costs is headed to Kansas households heating bills this winter.

National gas costs are projected to rise by 30 percent while energy costs are expected to be six percent higher, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration and the Kansas Corporation Commission. They explain that high natural gas and energy usage from Winter Storm Uri in February 2021, high demands on natural gas from heat waves this summer, energy shortages in Europe and Asia, and declining domestic production, all combined will cause energy and natural gas costs to be higher than normal this winter.

"This strain on already stressed family financial situations is cause for concern," said DCF Secretary Laura Howard. "The Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) is ready to assist Kansans with the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIFAD)."

LIEAP provides an annual benefit to help qualifying households pay winter heating bills. Persons with disabilities, older adults and families with children are the primary groups assisted. Applications for the program will be accepted beginning Monday, Jan. 3. In 2021, 38,750 households received an average benefit of \$1,389, an increase from 2020 when about 34,000 households received an average benefit of \$960.

To qualify, applicants must be responsible for direct payment of their heating bills. Income eligibility requirements are set at 150 percent of the federal poverty level. The level of benefit varies according to household income, number of people living in the home, type of residence, type of heating fuel and utility rates.

Applicants need to have made payments on their heating bill two out of the last three months. Those payments must be equal to or exceed \$80 or the total balance due on their energy bills, whichever is less.

Applications for the program have been mailed to households that received energy assistance last year. LIEAP applications are also available at local DCF offices and through partnering agencies starting Jan. 3. They can be requested by calling 1-800-432-0043. To apply online, visit https://cssp.kees.ks.gov/apspssp/sspNonMed.portal. For more information, visit http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/ees/Pages/EnergyAssistance.aspx.

Applications will be accepted from Jan. 3 to 5 p.m. March 31. Income eligibility determination:

Persons Living at the Address and allowable Maximum Gross Monthly Income:

1-\$1,610

2-\$2,178

3-\$2,745

4-\$3,313

5-\$3,880 6-\$4,448

7-\$5,015

8-\$5,583

+1-\$568 for each additional person

Funding for the Low Income Energy Assistance program is provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Community Service through the Federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

KFB Seeks Interns

Kansas Farm Bureau is seeking candidates for a Communications Intern, a Training & Development Intern and an Advocacy Intern. Our interns gain real-world experience and tangible pieces for their work portfolio while also connecting with those in agriculture across the state.

For more information and to apply, visit $\underline{\text{https://www.kfb.org/}}$ $\underline{\text{About/Careers.}}$

Disaster Assistance for Producers Impacted by Wildfires and Drought

Kansas agricultural operations have been significantly impacted by recent wildfires and ongoing severe drought. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has technical and financial assistance available to help farmers and livestock producers recover. Impacted producers should contact their local USDA Service Center to report losses and learn more about program options available to assist in their recovery from crop, land, infrastructure and livestock losses and damages.

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More information may be found at https://bit.ly/3pUfvN3.





Local Schedule for Rep. Tracey Mann's Town Hall Listening Tour

Representative Mann will host 11 town hall meetings next week to hear from Kansans. Below are the meeting dates, times, and locations. More town halls in other counties within the First Congressional District will be scheduled in the coming months.

MEDIA RSVP: Media is welcome at all the meetings below. Please contact Michaela Todd at Michaela.Todd@mail.house.gov to RSVP and for further information.

Wednesday, January 5, 2022, Town Hall Schedule

Decatur County

Where: Gateway Civic Center - Rooms 1 & 2

1 Morgan Drive, Oberlin, KS Time: 3:00 PM CT

Thursday, January 6, 2022, Town Hall Schedule

Sheridan County

Where: Sheridan County Library – Meeting Room 801 Royal Avenue, Hoxie, KS Time: 3:00 PM CT

Farm Credit Seeking Scholarship Applicants

Contact: Randal D. Wilson, President, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, ACA, 785-462-6714.

The Board of Directors of Farm Credit of Western Kansas, ACA is pleased to announce the continuation of the Farm Credit of Western Kansas, ACA, Mark Winger Scholarship program. Farm Credit has \$8,000 available to High School Seniors, a \$500 per semester scholarship, which is renewable for up-to four years of post-secondary education per recipient. Eligible applicants are area high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of Farm Credit of Western Kansas, ACA members.

Applications are available at www.fcwk.com; or from their High School counselor; or at the Farm Credit Office located at 1190 S Range in Colby. Applications are due by February 15, 2022. For more information or questions, contact Relda Galli at the Farm Credit office in Colby (785-462-6714).

Farm Credit of Western Kansas, ACA is located in Colby, KS and can be reached by calling 1-800-657-6048. Farm Credit makes loans for the purchase or refinance of farm, ranch or agribusiness real estate and facilities as well as loans to finance farm operations, agribusiness, livestock, and equipment. Farm Credit also has an extensive crop insurance program. The farmers and ranchers who borrow from Farm Credit own the ACA. Farm Credit of Western Kansas is part of the Farm Credit System, the nation's leading agricultural lender.

Century and Sesquicentennial Farms Programs

Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) is continuing in 2022 its recognition of "Sesquicentennial Farms" in conjunction with KFB's annual "Century Farm" program. The Century Farm program honors farms with ownership of at least 80 acres within the same family for 100 years or more. The Sesquicentennial Farm recognition goes beyond that to farms in the same family for 150 years. Both programs require an applicant to be a Farm Bureau member in Kansas.

"Kansas farmers and ranchers have a lot to be proud of," Rich Felts, Kansas Farm Bureau president, says. "One thing we take pride in is our value in the traditions and strong family ties through generations of rural living. Kansas Farm Bureau is honored to celebrate those through the Century Farm and Sesquicentennial Farms programs."

The deadline for consideration to be part of the 2022 programs is May 15. Since the year 2000, Kansas Farm Bureau has recognized more than 3,100 family farms. Complete details for qualification and applications for both programs can be obtained at county Farm Bureau offices across Kansas or on the KFB website, www.kfb.org/centuryfarm.



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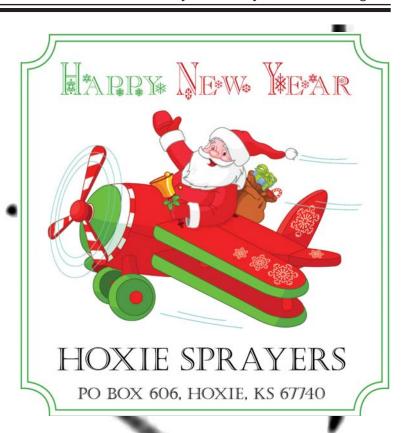


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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of JUDITH KAYE JONES, Deceased

Case No. 2021-PR-19

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL **SETTLEMENT**

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed on December 20, 2021 in said Court by the undersigned, executor of the Will of the decedent, praying for final settlement of the estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance of fees, expenses and costs of administration, determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees entitled to the estate and assignment to them in accordance with the Will of the decedent. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before January 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., on said day, in said Court, in the City of Hoxie, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Jamie Chapman Veronica Tomasello Petitioners

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

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Governing Body of Sheridan County will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sheridan County Courthouse foyer for the purpose of hearing and answering questions relating to the Revised Sheridan County Environmental Sanitary Code manual. The Revised Sheridan County Environmental Sanitary Code manual is available for public inspection in the Clerk's office, 2nd floor of the courthouse.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of DAVID A. POPP. Deceased Case No.: 2021-PR-000017

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Final Settlement has been filed in this Court by Petitioner, Kristin Johnson, duly appointed and qualified and acting as the Executor of the Estate of David A. Popp, deceased, requesting that the Petitioner's acts be approved; accounts be settled and allowed, the heirs be determined, the Last Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court finds the allowances requested for the Executor's fees and the Attorney's fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed, upon the filing of Receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of David A. Popp, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses to the admission on or before the 25th day of January, 2022, at 10 o'clock 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, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Kristin Johnson, Petitioner

Submitted by: SEIBEL LAW OFFICE, LLC STACEY L.J. SEIBEL (KS# 17293) 1805 E. 27th Street, Hays, KS 67601 Telephone: (785) 625-3997 Attorney for the Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM HEATH SAUVAGE Deceased. (Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. 2021-PR-00001

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a petition filed in this Court by Bodie Sauvage, duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of William Heath Sauvage, deceased, requesting that Petitioners' acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allowances requested for attorneys' fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Administrator of the above estate, deceased, and the Petitioners be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before the 31st day of January, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Hoxie, Sheridan County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

/s/ Bodie Sauvage Bodie Sauvage, Administrator

/s/ Steven W. Hirsch, # 12789 HIRSCH LAW OFFICE 124 So Penn, PO Box 296 Oberlin, KS 67749 (785) 475-2296 Attorneys for Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

Form 2.37 - Affidavit of Mailing.

In the Matter of the Estate of MARY LOUISE SCHULTZ, Deceased.

2021-PR-000014

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State Of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on January 4, 2022, a Petition for Informal Administration and Admit Will to Probate was filed in this Court by Daniel L. Schultz, Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Mary Louise Schultz, deceased, dated August 31, 2009, praying for Informal Administration and to Admit the Last Will to Probate. The Estate includes the following real property:

An undivided one-third (1/3) interest in and to the non-producing severed minerals in, to and under all of Section Three (3), Township Fifteen(15)South,RangeThirty-nine(39)Westofthe6thP.M.,Wallace County, KS

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before 1st day, February, 2022 at 10 a.m. of such day, 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, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Daniel L. Schultz, Petitioner

Submitted by: SEIBEL LAW OFFICE, LLC STACEY L.J. SEIBEL (KS# 17293) 1805 E. 27th Street, Hays, KS 67601 Telephone: (785) 625-3997 Attorney for the Petitioner





Gloria Walker

April 5, 1948 ~ December 12, 2021



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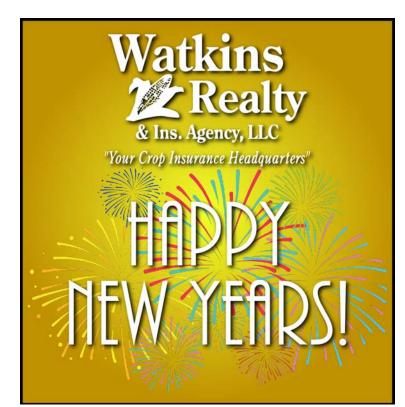
Gloria Jeanne Walker, 73, passed away on December 12, 2021, in Kansas City, MO. She was born on April 5, 1948, in Colby, KS to Jack and Carol (Carmen) McKee.

She grew up in Selden, KS, and graduated from Hoxie High School in 1966. After high school she went to beauty school and then decided to work at The Bank in Selden. On August 31, 1968, Gloria married Ellis

Walker at the United Methodist Church in Selden. After they were married, they moved to Colorado and lived there for 38 years. Together they enjoyed 53 years of marriage. In her spare time, she loved to knit, garden, especially roses, she also ran an in-home daycare. She loved being around kids. But mostly she loved spending time with her family.

Gloria is survived by her husband, Ellis Walker of Selden, KS; son, Todd Walker of Selden, KS; daughter, Luann Walker of Norton, KS; brother, Jeff (Jill) Hill of Littleton, CO; sister, Lynn (Darrell) Weick of Olathe, KS; sister-in-law, Sueanne Hill of Hoxie, KS, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carol and Dorman Hill; sons, Barry Walker and Brian Walker; brother, Mark

Memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 8, 2022, at the Selden United Methodist Church at 10:00 AM. Burial will be in Selden Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Selden Public Library or Selden United Methodist Church. Condolences can be left at www.paulsfh.

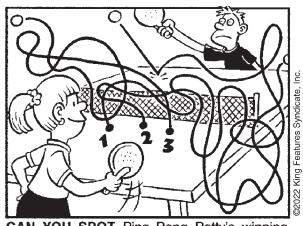


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New Year!







CAN YOU SPOT Ping Pong Patty's winning shot?

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FIG. 1

Answer: No.1 will put Freddy away.

Charles Barry Townsend



Answers: 1. Last chance. 2. "Pride goeth before a fall."

DOODLE PICS! The two pictures shown here are graphic presentations of familiar

words, phrases or names. You have one

CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.

minute to identify both.

pipe, pips. Answers: Top to bottom, left to right: Pall, pals, pans, pane, pins, pine,

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: U equals K

VID LMBULJSDE VIZED TAXE TJHD

VIDSEDPHDE JFD ZU, WAV VIDX

BZAPG IJHD WDDL IJLGPDG WDVVDF.

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FALL PRIDE



You have five minutes to get out of this challenge. In this type of problem you are given a word that must be changed into another word in a series of moves. During each move, you must change one letter in the previous word, so as to form a new word. In our example, we changed MIME to TALK in four moves. See if you can change the following words in four moves each.

DON'T GET BOXED IN!

- 1. LESS to MORE
- 2. OUST to REND
- 3. PEST to GONE
- 4. RUBE to GENT
- 5. SALT to LICK

E. SALT, SILT, SILK, SICK, LICK. 4. RUBE, RUNE, RUNT, RENT, GENT. 3. PEST, PENT, GENT, GENE, GONE. 2. OUST, RUST, REST, RENT, REND. 1. LESS, LOSS, LOSE, LORE, MORE.

Kids' Maze

SCRAMBLERS

DAGUR BLAME WROPE ARGON

1 Exchanges

for paper

concerned

with birdies

detergent

the work

already

26 Start of a

money

Takes much, briefly

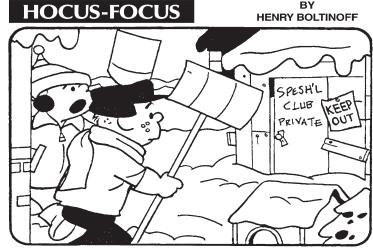
13 Liquid

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO DUCKS USE IN MATH CLASS?

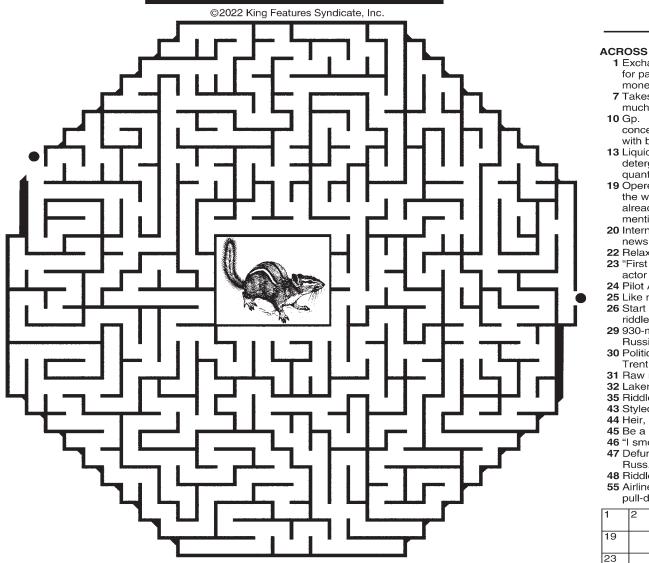
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SAWING	 WINGS	SHARED	SHRED
BRACED	 BEARD	PETALS	LEAPS
KNACKS	 SNACK	NOSIER	RINSE
		ROWERS	WORSE
		SAFEST	FEAST



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

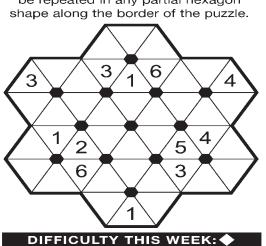


Differences: 1. Cap is different. 2. Scarl is shorter. 3. Glove is smaller. 4. Shovel is turned. 5. Doghouse is missing. 6. Sign is missing.



by Japheth Light

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



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◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY! © 2022 King Features Synd., Inc

Super Crossword **13** SLR, say 54 Smoker's puff

108 Family mem. **57** Dir. from N.M. to Ky. 109 Riddle's 58 "Play it by answer 117 Mitchell of ear," e.g.

61 Google 120 Not yet encrypted program 121 Is entirely for targeted promotions unacceptable 65 Brother 122 Disclose of DDE's 123 List the

19 Opere — (in 66 Big tub 69 Riddle. part 4 mentioned) 74 Facial blinker 20 International 75 Caviar base

news agency 76 Manors 22 Relaxed 23 "First Blood" 24 Pilot Amelia 25 Like magma

29 930-mile-long Russian river 30 Politico Trent 31 Raw rock

32 Lakers' org. 35 Riddle, part 2 43 Styled like 44 Heir, often 45 Be a rambler

46 "I smell —!" 47 Defunct Russ, state 48 Riddle, part 3 106 Byrnes who

128 "- Fideles 77 Oklahoma (carol) city 78 Livid DOWN 80 Actor 1 Roman Stephen

81 Basketball tourney org. e.g. 83 Riddle, part 5 3 Raw beef 90 Turner of song 93 Add to the

work force 94 Vientiane is its capital 95 No. on a map 96 Liquor choice 97 End of the

2 Plane wings,

particulars of

124 Coop up

Muppet

dish 4 Disney's

riddle 105 Prefix with 17-Down was "Kookie"

Montana 5 Tall Sicilian volcano 6 Fly high

7 Chocolate cookieflavored Post cereal 8 Shortage

9 Guarantee 10 Bell's ring 11 Mutt's noise

125 Officers-to-be 126 Tutu-wearing **127** D.C. bigwig

emperor 33 Male lover

35 Once existed

40 Trailing plant 41 — Strauss 42 Wizard of Oz

Deighton hit song) 21 Jennifer 62 Insect egg 63 Beginning Lopez's "J to — L-O!" 64 Lauder of makeup 66 Seasoned.

27 Dull 28 Homer Simpson's outburst 32 Cruel Roman

amends

15 Animal hide

no-no

17 Function

18 Writer

34 Echidnas eat them

36 Totally lost 37 Squarish, as 38 Four minus

one, in Italy 39 Gmail rival

creator 49 Work over

50 Happen next 52 "Luther" star

51 Comes upon Elba 53 Repeated

79 Christmas 114 Female yout 81 Court barriers 82 Flight staffers 115 Incite 83 Punch sound 116 Subjective 84 Old LP player 85 Crafts'

alternative

78 Suited to —

56 Pi-sigma link

(off-roader)

biblically

61 "Billy, Don't

oily salad

dressings

68 Turner of TV

dispensers

67 French

buddy

70 Big coffee

71 Vincent

van -

72 Incline

73 Coffee

59 Sport- —

partner 86 Not stringent 87 Lead-in to "And how!"

88 Suffix with lobby

117 Circle bit **118** Org. concerned with the three

ACORN-STASHING IN THE SKY

91 Nailed the

92 Opposite of

63-Down

leftovers

six-pointers

Manhattan

restaurant

star William

Down, part

of a Florida

orchard

111 A law — itse

112 Slush Puppie

113 CD- -

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unit

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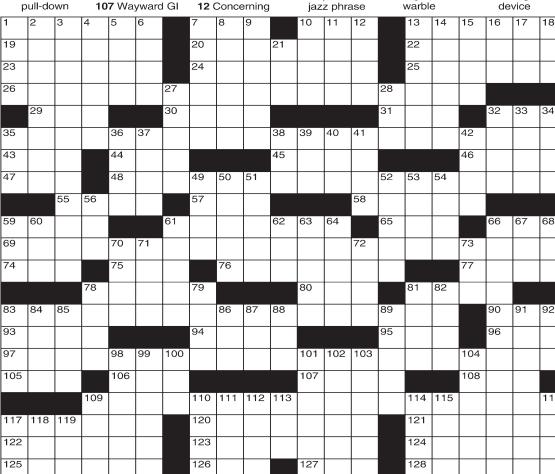
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---15/TFN---

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answer

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1. Guard 2. Amble;

3. Power; 4. Groan

Today's Word

BORROW

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

2 9 3 7 8 5 1 6 4

1 7 4 6 9 2 8 5 3

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

3 8 5 1 2 7 4 9 6

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Commission Minutes 12/29/21

Now on this 29th day of December 2021, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Buck Mader and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guest was Carolyn Meyer.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wes Bainter made a motion to amend the agenda to include Mindy Harting, Sheridan County Appraiser. Joe Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Harting stated there are two residences in Selden that are eligible for tax relief due to being totally destroyed in the May tornado. This is per Kansas Statute. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve abating a certain portion of the taxes for Chris Bainter and Loran Sulzman seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor came to the table. Herskowitz stated the wi-fi had been installed at the recycling center so they will work on getting the app to open and close the door using a phone.

The Road & Bridge employees have started doing dirt/bridge work at 20E and 1/2 S.

Some of the Road & Bridge employees are looking for cornerstones in an area where an individual wants to put in a

Herskowitz will get to Bracht the pay scale for sand haulers.

At 8:12, Joe Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Mader seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Herskowitz, Bracht, and Pratt. At 8:30 the door opened. Joe Bainter made a motion to extend the executive session for a period of 10 minutes, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0. The door opened at 8:40.

Dana Hess, Communications Director, came to the table to discuss the Board changing the policy of the County paying 100% of insurance to

Puzzles4Kids

Answer

UNLACE

SAWING

BRACED

KNACKS

ARGUES

SHARED

LATEST

PETALS

NOSIER

SAFEST

ROWERS

the employee having to pay 6% of the insurance. Also present were employees from the Courthouse, EMS, Road & Bridge, law enforcement and dispatch. Hess' concerns consisted of: Wes Bainter has stated that no changes will be made to insurance benefits, etc; having the County pay the insurance offsets travel expense for the employees who come from another town; by taking away the County paying 100% of the medical insurance premium we are not taking care of employees; what is the draw to hire new employees; the decision to have employees pay 6% of total medical insurance premium needs reversed; where does the percentage the employee pays end - 100%? Wes Bainter had Bracht state the total wage/benefit package amount that Hess made with the contributions from the County and stated that she wasn't happy with it. Wes Bainter reminded everyone that the money comes from the taxpayers. If we don't put a cap on it, they will have to go back to the taxpayers and ask for money. Wes Bainter continued by saying that no employee comes in and thanks the Board for the pay and benefits. Wes Bainter stated he serves the public and has to be mindful of the taxpayers. The County has a Cadillac insurance plan with Blue Cross/Blue Shield and having to pay 6% of the premium is a bargain. Wes

Bainter stated that it doesn't hold water that employees stay for the insurance and that taxes haven't been saved on employees or budgets. Other employee comments included: salaries are good enough to pay the 6% insurance; maybe pay the single policy in full; grandfather in current employees and any new employees would have to pay a portion of the premium; no complaints, appreciate the county; thank you for allowing us to come and talk. The Board agreed that next year when the renewal comes in there will be

employee/board discussions. County Attorney, Joe Pratt, came to the table. There are questions about public health. Shirley Niermeier, Treasurer was also at the table. Niermeier stated she is to watch the money. She is only seeing money going out to the hospital for public health expenses but no money coming in for public health services. The Board agreed that Mike O'Dell should come in and explain what they are doing. Niermeier will also be present.

Pratt gave to Bracht information on the Opiod Settlement and will come later to talk with her.

Wes Bainter distributed a Google Map picture of the Historical Society buildings. Wes Bainter has talked with Britton Sealock about possibly purchasing the land to the east. Sealock currently does not wish to sell the garage or track right north of the garage but would be willing to give the county first right of refusal for the parcel. Pratt will talk to a Historical Society Board

member and see what they are thinking. They will be asked to attend a Commissioner's Meeting.

Pratt stated there is discussion about turning the old Getz IGA building into two daycare facilities, the parking lot could be turned into a gravel playground. Pratt will make arrangements to look at the building with the Board and Karl Pratt, Economic Development Director.

Bracht presented the Board with the Resolution appointing Dr. Doug Gruenbacher as the County Health Officer for the 2022 year. The hospital requested he retain the position for 2022. The Board tabled approving this Resolution. The Board thought the hospital wanted to take that position using a local doctor.

Joe Bainter made a motion to approve the 2022 Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) membership dues in the amount of \$1,457.28. Wes Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0

Wes Bainter made a motion, seconded by Mader, to approve the amended pay for Sheriff's Office and Dispatch and approve the wages for Road & Bridge and EMT's for 2022. Carried 3-0

Approval of three transfers was done on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0

Mader made a motion to approve the two Treasurer's Abatements presented. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0

Bracht will give the Board the miles mowed, and total dollars spent for mowing at the next meeting.

There was discussion on the holidays currently being observed by the County. Wes Bainter would like to observe the eight holidays that are federal holidays. The Board discussed this, but no decision was made.

The Minutes of December 21, 2021, were approved as presented on a motion by Wes Bainter and second by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0

Mader made a motion to approve the warrants and payroll as presented. Joe Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0

The following payroll and warrants were audited approved:

General \$166,302.06 Road & Bridge \$109,051.34 Forfeiture \$2,189.50 Spec Hwy \$3,030.00 Nox Weed \$12,583.46 Public Transp. \$3,075.45 E911 \$2,695.90 Public Health \$16,279.36 Landfill \$1,225.14 Stray Animal \$26.55 MV \$8,870.65

At 11:35 with no further business, Joe Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 8:00 in the first-floor foyer.

Bracht, Attest: Heather County Clerk, Wes Bainter, Chairman





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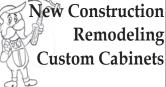
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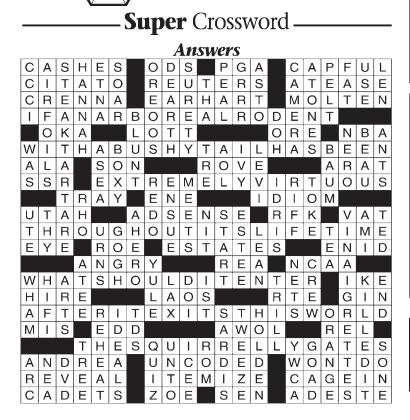
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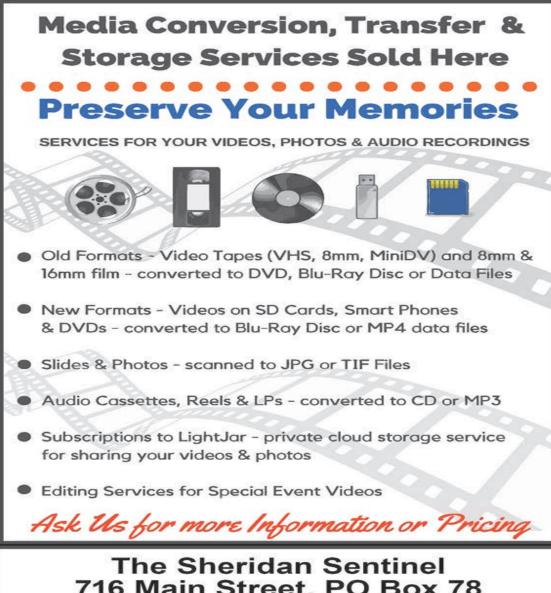












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