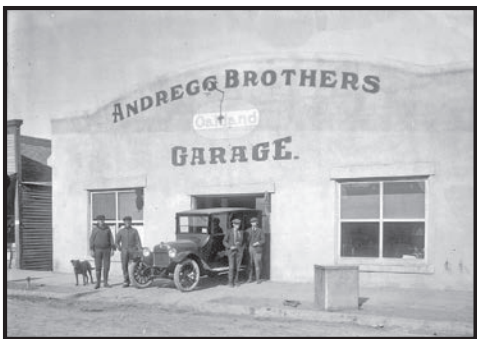




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Sheridan County
Unofficial Election Results

UNOFFICIAL Results for Sheridan County
Primary Election
August 4, 2026

United States Senate
Republican
Roger Marshall - 407
Pond Naramore - 52

Democratic
Damon Anderson – 1
Christy Davis – 9
Adam Hamilton – 8
Jason Hart – 2
Kevin Latz – 1
Erik Murray – 1
Sandy Spidel Neumann – 3
Anne Parelkar – 1
Patrick C. Schmidt – 3
Michael "Mike" Soetaert – 2
Noah Taylor – 12

United States House of Representatives – 1st District
Republican
Tracey Mann – 402
Craig Musser – 56

Democratic
Colin McRoberts – 16
Lauren Reinhold – 24

Governor/Lt. Governor
Republican
Ty Masterson/Jeffrey Klemp – 219
Charlotte O'Hara/Michelle Dombrosky – 10
Nick Reinecker/Katy Reinecker – 14
Stacy L. Rogers/Michael W Smith – 19
Philip Sarnecki/Joy Eakins – 107
Vicki Schmidt/Joe Newland – 46
Scott Schwab/Ken Rahjes – 67

Democratic
Ethan Corson/Renee Duxler – 21
Cindy Holscher/KC Ohaebosim – 17
Curt Skoog/Jennifer Bacani McKenney – 6

Secretary of State
Republican
Pat Proctor – 351

Republican
Kris Kobach - 383

Democratic
Chris Mann - 42

State Treasurer
Republican
Steven Johnson - 359

Democratic
Juan C. Luengo - 32

Commissioner of Insurance
Republican
Daniel Hawkins – 341

Democratic
Dinah Sykes – 33

State Representative – 118th District
Republican
Jim Minnix – 419

Democratic
No Candidate

State Board of Education – 5th District
Republican
Kelly Ancar – 235
Jean Clifford – 175

Democratic
Lorie Wood – 25

Constitutional Amendment
Yes - 315
No - 212

Unofficial State Election Results

Kansas Supreme Court Justices Amendment

Yes 63,044

No 143,328

Kansas Governor

Cindy Holscher Democrat - 42,126

Ty Masterson Republican - 37,919

New Program for
First Responders

Topeka – Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt, today, announced that the Kansas Department of Insurance is now accepting reimbursement requests for the HERO Act. The Helping First Responders Overcoming Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, or HERO Act, is a pilot program to help emergency responders by providing reimbursement for assessment and treatment of certain psychological conditions resulting from duty-related trauma.

The HERO Act was established this year by a proviso to the state budget, establishing a fund to be administered by the Department. First responders who meet the requirements may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), acute stress disorder (ASD), or subclinical syndromes of either disorder as a direct result of a duty-related traumatic event. A million dollars is set aside to be administered through the pilot program to eligible first responders.

The HERO act will assist, first responders by providing financial support for professional evaluation and treatment of post-traumatic stress. It is the result of a coordinated response by the legislature, the Kansas Department of Insurance, the Fraternal Order of Police, associations and other first responder associations to provide positive support for our first responders to manage the emotional challenges they face in serving and protecting their communities.

Information on the eligibility requirements of the program and the reimbursement request forms questions can be found at <https://www.insurance.kansas.gov/consumers/hero-act>.

Bright Fun for the Carnival



Did you notice the bright new designs on the dumpsters at the fairgrounds this year? They were painted as part of the Beautify Sheridan County Committee project. There are more projects in the works, and the committee is looking for more ideas and for anyone who would like to join them; designing, painting, construction, whatever may be needed. If you're interested in joining the Beautify Sheridan County Committee or have a beautification project in mind, contact them through *The Sheridan Sentinel* or Facebook.



51st Annual
Hansen Arts & Crafts Fair

If you enjoy sunshine and shopping for handcrafted treasures, spend a fun-filled Saturday in northwest Kansas along Highway 9. The town of Logan, home of the beautifully renovated Dane G. Hansen Museum, hosts one of Kansas' premier arts and crafts fairs. Join the festivities on Saturday, August 15, 2026, when more than 55 artisans and crafters from Kansas and surrounding states transform the Hansen Plaza into a shopper's paradise. Admission is free.

The day kicks off with the 5K Run and 2 Mile Fun Walk. Registration and T-shirt pickup begin at 7:00 a.m. at the corner of Douglas and Main Streets. The 5K Run starts at 8:00 a.m., followed by the 2-Mile Fun Walk at 8:15 a.m. All registration fees will benefit Phillips County Hospice Services. Registration forms are available at hansenmuseum.org/5k-run2-mile-fun-walk/, or call the Museum to sign up.

After the race, cool off in the shade and browse the many vendor booths as the fair officially opens at 9:00 a.m. Food vendors will fill the air with irresistible aromas while serving sweet rolls, hamburgers, bratwursts, turkey and noodles, homemade pies, walking tacos, snow cones, kettle corn, and more. There is something to satisfy every palate. Also beginning at 9:00 a.m., children can enjoy Inflate-o-Fun, featuring giant inflatables.

Live music on two stages will provide entertainment throughout the day. Formerly Three will perform on the south stage at 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 2:00 p.m., while 80 Proof Alice will perform on the north stage at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Throughout the day, visitors can watch skilled artisans demonstrate their craft around the Plaza. Demonstrations include pottery by Rodney Zimmerman, weaving by Sally Brandon, blacksmithing by Brien Bethke, watercolor painting by Cindy Balthazor, oil painting by David Vollbracht, airbrush face painting by Color Me Crazy Face Painting, and fast-draw shooting by the Deer Creek Regulators.

Be sure to stroll across the street to the Logan Library, where quilter Janie Lowry will present her "Now You See It, Now You Don't" 9-Patch Quilt Demonstration at 10:30 a.m. Then return at 12:30 p.m. to hear miniature quilt artist Elaine Boese share her passion for creating miniature quilts. On the opposite end of the block, Iowa chainsaw artist Blair Smith will amaze spectators with his chainsaw artistry throughout the day. Be sure to stop and watch this talented artist at work. Two of his original sculptures will be given away during drawings at 10:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.

While you're in Logan, take time to step inside the Hansen Museum and explore the galleries. On display is Going Places, an interactive exhibition created by Scitech of Perth, Australia, and produced by Imagine of Atlanta, Georgia. This engaging exhibition is a favorite with visitors of all ages, so don't miss the opportunity to experience it.

While inside the Museum, stop by the membership table to purchase or renew your Hansen Museum membership. Everyone who purchases or renews a membership during the Arts & Crafts Fair will automatically be entered into the Hansen Bucks drawings. A total of \$500 in Hansen Bucks, redeemable just like cash with Arts & Crafts Fair vendors, will be awarded during drawings at 10:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Winners must be present to claim and spend their Hansen Bucks.

The highlight of the day will be the selection of 12 new Artist of the Month winners, along with two alternates. Crafters are judged on originality, quality of craftsmanship, and booth presentation. Winners will be announced at 2:45 p.m., with awards and photographs following the fair's 3:00 p.m. closing.

Join us for the 51st Annual Hansen Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday, August 15, 2026, on the beautiful Hansen Plaza in downtown Logan, Kansas. Come hungry, bring your wallet, and wear your walking shoes. Spend the day enjoying shopping, entertainment, delicious food, and family fun—we look forward to seeing you!

Words of Wisdom	Grain Report	Weather Report	Thought of the Week
You don't always get what you wish for, but you get what you work for!	Reported on: Tuesday, Aug. 4	Date High Low Moisture	Remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it. ~Henry Ford
	Corn 4.07	7/27 107 77 .23"	
	Milo 3.42	7/28 93 74 .15"	
	Beans 10.39	7/29 94 73 --	
	Wheat 6.42	7/30 98 7 .02"	
		7/31 92 67 --	
		8/1 92 64 --	
		8/2 97 61 --	

Museum News

By Shari Buss, Director, Hansen Museum

The countdown is on! The 51st Annual Hansen Museum Arts & Crafts Fair is just around the corner, and we hope you'll make plans to join us on Saturday, August 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Hansen Plaza in downtown Logan.

It's shaping up to be another wonderful day of shopping, delicious food, live music, artisan demonstrations, and family fun. More than 55 talented crafters and artisans will be offering a wide variety of handcrafted items, making it the perfect opportunity to find one-of-a-kind gifts or something special for yourself. Be sure to come hungry, as our food vendors will be serving everything from sweet rolls and homemade pies to walking tacos, kettle corn, snow cones, and much more.

Families won't want to miss the inflatable attractions for the kids, live music throughout the day, chainsaw carving demonstrations by Blair Smith, and artisan demonstrations ranging from quilting and weaving to pottery, blacksmithing, watercolor, and oil painting. It's truly a day with something for everyone.

While you're at the fair, be sure to step inside the Hansen Museum and experience our interactive exhibition, *Going Places: The Technology of Transport*, created by Scitech and produced by Imagine.

One of my favorite things to watch has been the incredible imagination of the children. One exhibit features the trunk of a car with the simple challenge of seeing if you can fit all the luggage inside. But the kids have turned it into so much more than that!

They create an entire vacation adventure. First, they gather the suitcases and wheel them through airport security before heading to the flight simulator to "board" their airplane. After their plane "lands"—often in Florida—they head to the rental car, load up the luggage, and drive off to their hotel. Then they continue their vacation by wandering through the Museum, pretending they're sightseeing in their destination city.

Another favorite activity is racing to see how quickly they can transfer all the luggage from the airport to the rental car. The children send the suitcases flying down the metal roller conveyor, creating a human bucket brigade as they pass the luggage from one child to another until everything is packed into the trunk. Their laughter fills the gallery, and their imaginations take over. It's amazing to see how one simple exhibit can inspire creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving. That's exactly what makes *Going Places* such a special exhibition—it encourages children to learn, explore, and dream while having an incredible amount of fun.

Whether you're planning to spend the day at the Arts & Crafts Fair or simply looking for a fun afternoon with the family, we invite you to stop by the Hansen Museum. The Hansen Museum is located at 110 W. Main Street in Logan, Kansas. Museum hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday and holidays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Admission is always free courtesy of the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. For additional information, please call 785-689-4846 or visit www.hansenmuseum.org.

Men’s Basketball Golf Fundraiser Set for August 29

Colby - The Colby Community College men's basketball program will host its annual golf tournament fundraiser on Saturday, Aug. 29, at Meadow Lake Golf Course in Colby.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the men's basketball program. The four-person scramble will begin with check-in at 8:45 a.m., followed by a 9:30 a.m. shotgun start. Team registration is \$300 and includes lunch and a gift bag for each golfer.

Businesses and individuals can also support the event through a \$150 sponsorship package.

"We appreciate the continued support from our community and alumni," said assistant men's basketball coach Caleb Ligon. "Events like this help provide additional opportunities and resources for our student-athletes while bringing supporters together for a great day on the course."

Teams are encouraged to register early as space is limited.

For more information, contact Ligon at caleb.ligon@colbycc.edu.

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Kansas Wetlands Education Center Hosts Perseid Meteor Shower Watch Party

By FHSU University Marketing and Strategic Communications

Hays - The Kansas Wetlands Education Center (KWEC) invites the public to join its staff for a free, family-friendly Perseid meteor shower watch party on Friday, Aug. 14, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

This annual event celebrates the end of summer as the Earth passes through the dust and debris of the Swift-Tuttle comet, creating a spectacular display of meteors or "shooting stars" in the night sky. Stargazers may be able to spot 60-100 meteors per hour.

Located northeast of Great Bend on K-156 Highway, the KWEC offers an ideal location for comfortable sky-watching. Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to relax on the KWEC lawn while enjoying the celestial show.

With a Rocket Revolution theme, the evening will feature several rocket and space-themed learning stations. The Kansas Organization for Space modeling (KOSMO) will conduct two rocket launches, weather permitting, during the event. They will also have a display table and can answer a wide range of rocket-related questions, and plan to give away four rocket starter kits throughout the night.

Other activities include having participants make their own mission control patches complete with their unique astronaut name, conducting a stomp rocket engineering payload challenge, launching their own film canister rockets, and designing a rocket pulley. Planetarium shows will be offered in the inflatable planetarium, and the campfire area will be fully stocked with S'mores supplies.

The event will proceed rain or shine, but clear skies are necessary for optimal meteor shower viewing.

The Kansas Wetlands Education Center, affiliated with FHSU's Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics, is located 10 miles northeast of Great Bend along Kansas Highway 156 at Cheyenne Bottoms, 592 NE K-156 Hwy, Great Bend, KS 67530.

For more information, visit wetlandscenter.fhsu.edu or call 1-877-243-9268.

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Waiting for Another Sermon; It's Waiting for Someone Who Will Act

Everybody says, "Somebody needs to do something." "Somebody needs to stand up." "Somebody needs to tell people about Jesus." Can I tell you something? You keep saying, "Somebody." Jesus keeps saying, "You." Church; we've become professional spectators. We cheer from the sidelines. We share the post. We like the video. We type, "Amen." Then we close the app, walk out the church doors, go back to work, and never open our mouths.

We complain that the world is getting darker while hiding the very light God placed inside us. Listen, Jesus never looked at His disciples and said, "When it's comfortable, go." He never said, "When everybody agrees with you go." He never said, "When you've got enough Bible knowledge, go." He never said, "When you've got enough followers, go." He simply said, "Go." That's it. Go.

Walk into the uncomfortable places. Love the people everyone else avoids. Sit beside the addict. Pray with the broken. Listen to the lonely. Encourage the forgotten. Forgive the difficult. Serve the one who can never repay you. That's exactly where Jesus went.

If Jesus only went where religious people were comfortable, He would've never eaten with tax collectors. He would've never touched the lepers. He would've never defended the woman caught in adultery. He would've never spoken to the woman at the well. He would've never carried a cross up Calvary.

Friend, if your Christianity never stretches you, never costs you, never makes you uncomfortable, are you really following the Jesus of the Gospels? Because Jesus didn't call us to



admire His life. He called us to imitate it. So put the excuses down. Put the phone down. Put the remote down. Put the chips down. Get off the couch.

Someone's son is praying for hope. Someone's daughter is wondering if life is worth living. Someone's marriage is hanging by a thread. Someone's heart is breaking in silence. Someone is one conversation, one invitation, one prayer, away from meeting Jesus.

And what if God planned for that conversation to happen through you? Stop waiting for revival and become part of one. Stop asking God to send somebody when He has already sent you. You. Right where you work. Right where you live. Right where you shop. Right where you coach. Right where you laugh. Right where you hurt.

Church, the Gospel has never spread because Christians stayed comfortable. It spread because ordinary people filled with an extraordinary Savior refused to stay silent. One invitation. One prayer. One act of kindness. One conversation. One life surrendered to Jesus can change another life forever.

One day every one of us will stand before the King the One who gave us every heartbeat every sunrise, every opportunity, every breath. I don't want to tell Him, "Lord, I meant to." "I was going to." "I was waiting for the right time." I want to say, "Father, I wasn't perfect. I stumbled. I failed. I had fears. But I used every breath You gave me, to point people to You." Because this breath was never just for me. It was a gift to make His name known. So, don't waste the breath that somebody else is praying for. Live boldly. Love recklessly. Serve humbly. Speak the name of Jesus with courage and compassion. Walk toward the people everyone else walks past. Because the harvest has never needed more spectators. It has always needed more workers.

Now let me ask you something, when people stand before Jesus will they be able to say "I'm here because you weren't afraid to tell me about Him?" Chew on that.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."
— Matthew 9:37-38

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OBERLIN~DECATUR County News



County Carnival Makes Summer Fun

Farm Wife News - June 1980
By Jessie Barrett

How many carnivals have you been to where you can trade in three small stuffed toys for one huge one? Where the local banker sells ice cream in a clown suit, the minister runs the ring toss game, and a farmer operates the Ferris wheel?

When the end of July rolls around here in Decatur County Kansas, all of us - farm wives, farmers, businessmen and professionals - close up "shop" early in the day to run our home-owned carnival.

It has all the usual carnival thrills, sights, and sounds with one big difference - all of us are friends and neighbors sharing in a wonderful experience we've enjoyed every summer since 1973.

EVERYBODY PITCHES IN

In 1972, our county got word one week before fair time that the traveling carnival company that usually stopped in Oberlin each summer wouldn't be coming. So, that year we had a fair without a carnival.

By the next summer, our county chamber of commerce had organized an amusement authority consisting of a cross-section of county residents - everybody from farm families and dentists to grocers and senior citizens.

And we've been putting on our own county carnival ever since!

We borrowed money to buy a used Ferris wheel we found in Minnesota. The men of the area brought it to Oberlin and erected it permanently on the fair grounds. A local welder made two kiddie rides, and we rounded

up 10 different concession stands.

Since then a businessman [Ward Sauvage] has donated a merry-go-round, and we've grown to include over 20 concession stands - popcorn, icecream, and what I call "test your luck" booths.

Since last year's carnival, we've added a \$25,000 park train to the carnival. We've had to borrow again to buy track, but that shouldn't take long to pay back.

Money spent on the concessions and rides stays in the county. Some is set aside for buying prizes for the next year, some is used to pay our debts and maintain the rides and grounds, and the rest is used throughout the county for various charitable projects.

Our amusement authority has paid for a county Jaws of Life rescue tool, a monitor for our hospital nursery, library books, summer camps, and building repairs for local churches.

Even though my husband Jack and I are quite busy on our farm, I work as secretary of the county chamber of commerce. We own about 1,300 acres and rent about that many more to raise irrigated corn, wheat, alfalfa, watermelon and cantaloupe.

But when the carnival calls, we're happy to pitch in. In fact, as soon as one carnival is over, Jack and I spend evenings with friends to plan next year's big event.

Several weeks before fair time (I'm also secretary for the amusement authority), I start making concession assignments with local clubs, organizations, and individuals. Each concession stand signs up its own members to work, and a certain number of prizes - stuffed toys and games - are allotted to each booth.

Fairly early on each day of the fair, farmers park their tractors, and businessmen close their shops to set up booths for that night. We open up at 6:30 and stay open until everybody leaves.

My neighbor, Ann Ooten, who runs a drapery business with her husband Bill, is in charge of ordering and tallying up the prizes needed each day of the fair. I check out money aprons and prizes to concession workers before the gates open.

One nice thing about owning your own carnival is you can make the rules to suit your community. At our carnival, anyone can trade in three small ones for a large one. I really enjoy taking my turn at working our "trade-in" van. The kids that come to trade their prizes are out of this world - they are so excited!

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District 3: Ben Bryan

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Folks with small children are not afraid to let their little ones have the run of the grounds, for there are friendly, familiar faces everywhere.

At the close of each evening, I help the Ootens and others in the carnival check in aprons, game materials, and leftover prizes at the van. Prizes turned in at this time are marked off on the tally sheet. The cash from each booth is kept separate, so we can keep track of whether it is making any money.

Sometimes checking in prizes at the end of the night gets rather hectic if a quick thunderstorm comes up. But everyone shelters their prizes and waits their turn.

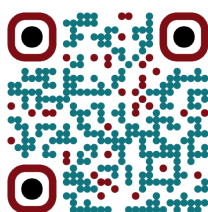
We've thought ahead to the future of our carnival, too. We don't want to lose the small-town feeling that people enjoy.

Besides, if we get many more rides and booths, we'll run out of manpower! We're planning to get one more ride and then stop the physical growth of our show.

When the carnival is over, we're all tired and full of relief. But just the memories of our children eyeing cotton candy and giggling on the rides and the fun we adults have packing up the equipment and working makes it all worthwhile.



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	Reported on: Tuesday, Aug. 4	Date	High	Low	Moisture
Vivo Travel Store	Wheat	--	7/20 106	73	1.03"
			7/21 94	73	.11"
Crossroads Express	Corn	--	7/22 94	72	.02"
			7/23 98	72	--
Raye's Grocery	Milo	--	7/24 91	64	--
			7/25 92	59	--
	Beans	--	7/26 99	59	--



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McCarty Family Farms Enhances Employee Training

Rexford - McCarty Family Farms takes pride in their commitment to animal welfare. They recently welcomed the Humane Handling Institute based at University of Wisconsin-River Falls to all three Kansas locations. This visit marks HHI's first on-farm dairy training experience as they work to expand their work in livestock handling education.

Founded in 2022, the Humane Handling Institute was created to support the meat industry through research, education, and outreach. Originally being funded to serve Wisconsin meat processing facilities, the program has since expanded beyond the state as well as other livestock sectors. HHI provides hands-on training focused on humane animal handling, stunning practices, and improvement in facility design.

As part of the training, HHI introduced augmented reality Cattle Vision Technology goggles designed to help employees see the world from a cow's perspective. The goggles simulate how cattle view their surroundings, including shadows, lighting changes, and movement. This allows handlers to better understand why cows

hesitate or stop in certain areas.

"The simulators allow the person wearing them to see the world like a cow would," said Karly Anderson, Ph.D., Scientist and Trainer with HHI.

The training also allows employees to test possible facility changes before making permanent adjustments. Using temporary materials like cardboard, teams can visualize modifications and evaluate how they may improve animal movement.

McKenzie Metz, Animal Welfare Program Coordinator at McCarty Family Farms, said "this training came at an important time. As we advance, one of our top priorities is the welfare of our animals."

"We've had several people evaluate our facilities, but we felt this approach would be the most beneficial. It allows employees to experience the environment from the cows' perspective, helping them better understand potential issues, build empathy, and make improvements rather than becoming frustrated."

The goal of the training is simple: better cow flow, less stress, and a safer, more efficient environment for both animals and employees.

Ashlynn Kirk, M.S., Program Manager for HHI., said, "the immersive technology creates opportunities for learning even beyond the goggles themselves."

"Even though not all employees can be fully immersed in the experience, we can use what we learn from the goggles and develop training to help everyone better understand animal behavior and handling," Kirk said.

McCarty Family Farms plans to continue implementing what was learned through the training to improve daily operations and strengthen its commitment to animal welfare.

For more information about the Humane Handling Institute, visit <https://www.uwrf.edu/humane-handling-institute>.

About McCarty Family Farms

Founded in 1914, McCarty Family Farms has evolved into a multi-state dairy operation grounded in the values of integrity, innovation, and stewardship. With locations in Kansas and Ohio, the family's mission is to produce high-quality, nutritious milk while prioritizing cow care, environmental responsibility, and strong community partnerships. Through the Judy McCarty Dairy Learning Center, the family also provides education and transparency to consumers, helping to build trust and understanding of modern dairy farming.

Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

Manhattan - For the week ending August 2, 2026, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 20% very short, 34% short, 43% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 18% very short, 33% short, 46% adequate, and 3% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 8% very poor, 16% poor, 30% fair, 37% good, and 9% excellent. Corn silking was 83%, near 84% last year and 85% for the five-year average. Dough was 56%, ahead of 49% last year and 48% average. Dented was 5%, near 4% last year, and equal to average.

Soybean condition rated 1% very poor, 8% poor, 32% fair, 52% good, and 7% excellent. Soybeans blooming was 71%, equal to last year, and near 73% average. Setting pods was 45%, ahead of 34% last year and 37% average.

Sorghum condition rated 6% very poor, 21% poor, 34% fair, 32% good, and 7% excellent. Sorghum headed was 36%, near 34% last year and 38% average. Coloring was 14%, ahead of 6% both last year and average.

Cotton condition rated 3% very poor, 9% poor, 30% fair, 42% good, and 16% excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 69%, well ahead of 45% last year, and ahead of 57% average. Bolls opening was 1%, equal to average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 6% very poor, 17% poor, 33% fair, 39% good, and 5% excellent.

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The Hoxie Democrat **August 7, 1891**

With this issue we close our newspaper career in Sheridan county, and in stepping out we ask of our successor a continuation of your patronage and good will. To those whom are our enemies we with them success and say that in leaving Sheridan county we know of not one person living in the county to whom we would not do a favor if in our power and wish to all unbounded success.

S. P. Davidson

F. E. Stakebake repaired Doubleday's wind mill this week.

Walter Foreman wants 100 men the last of this month to work on broom corn.

Judge Wanzer arrived home Wednesday evening - Arkansas no good for him.

The sound of the thresher is heard in the land and people in the south part of the county report large yields of grain.

Judge C. W. Smith, of Stockton, has accepted an invitation, and will address the "Vet's" at the reunion. He is a forcible speaker and all should hear him.

Robert M. Woods, of Joliet, Ill., one of the original organizers of the G. A. R. and the first adjutant general of the order may, perhaps, visit us at the Re-union.

The Hen Coop Route or the Graham Paper company deserve the censure of our people for the failure of our red, white and blue paper coming. We will give the right parties h—l, next week.

Abram Pratt, the nasby as Skelton, was a visitor on Monday last and brought some fine cabbage to one of the editors of the literary bureau; we judge his salary is small as he lives generally on the contributions of his friends.

County attorney John Hedge brought in a sample stalk of corn, an average of his field of 40 acres, that measured 10 feet and 5 inches. He says he has been at work this summer, and will not be in again until he comes after his salary, which will be in October.

The ladies of W. R. C. have secured the residence formerly occupied by Hon. E. J. Turner, for head-quarters and a reception room for the reunion. They will fit it up in good style and hope to see a large number of their sister corps of the north-west at that time. It is conveniently located and near camp, with all the conveniences necessary to make their visitors comfortable and happy.

125 Years Ago **August 8, 1901**

Threshermen will get a few days rest as a result of the rain Tuesday.

Mrs. John Hedge has been confined to her bed with a very painful attack of rheumatism.

The County Commissioners were in session Monday and Tuesday for the purpose of fixing the tax levy.

A. W. Hefley, Osborne county's representative, is in trouble just because he wanted to be a little too attentive to a neighbor's wife.

Mrs. V. A. Hank and little girl departed Tuesday afternoon on the L. & C. Flyer, via Oakley, for a two weeks' visit with relatives in Ellsworth.

Sheridan county was blessed with one of the heaviest rains of the season, Tuesday evening, which will be a great benefit to late corn and fodder crops. As near as we can estimate from what we have heard, an inch of water fell.

Emery Wickizer, County Superintendent of Gove county, accompanied by his cousin, Mr. Berlin, of Plymouth, Ind., came up Tuesday and is attending Normal for the purpose of getting notes that will be of benefit to him as an official.

W. J. Earley, of Belleville, was in Hoxie the first of the week and leased section seven in this township. He expects to move his family out in a short time. Mr. E. is a pleasant gentleman to meet and we are glad he intends locating with us.

C. T. Dallam informs us that quite a number are talking of putting in sub-irrigation tiling as an experiment. We have never seen it tried, but from what we have been able to learn from outside sources, it is the only successful method of irrigating.

Phelps Phacts

Verner Clemons returned from Grainfield last week.

Dan Currier and family are visiting near Morland.

Earl Phelps herds about 125 and Tell Corke about 65 head of cattle on the range at this time.

Bloomfield Items

W. J. Gilchrist has about sixty large wheat stacks.

Monroe Ocobock has been hauling wheat to Menlo.

The Rev. J. S. Clark still preaches at the Pleasant Valley school house.

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A Farmer

Union Items

John Eibert and son are assisting the Harold brothers in fencing in their farm on the Solomon.

Frank Hetrick's foot is still in a critical condition as the result of a fall from a header barge.

The Misses Minnie Mitchell and Emma Slover visited friends in the east part of the county last week.

A Scribbler

100 Years Ago **August 5, 1926**

Buick Garage Sold

A deal was consummated this week whereby C. B. Rosencrans became owner of the Buick Garage. He will operate a general garage and specialized service on Buick and Chevrolet cars. He has had a great deal of experience in the automobile service have spent the greater part of the last ten years in the work.

This is Mr. Rosencrans old home town and we are sure he will have the best wishes of all his many friends in this business adventure for he is a fine young man and very deserving of the highest success.

To Have Air Plane Landing at Tasco

Tasco boosters have taken the matter of a landing field up with the War Department air service, and as soon as the field is put in shape the War Department will publish it with the list of landings in the Aeronautical Bulletin.

The field will be arranged on the Frank Houseworth ranch just south of his big six acre lake.

It will not be long until the air will be filled with planes, both passenger and freight, and Mr. Houseworth's field will be an ideal landing place.

Local News

Wirt Bartlett was over from Union township Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Pearson, of Quinter, is visiting her this week.

Oris Hubbard, of near Dresden, was a Hoxie business visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton, of Decatur, Arkansas, are visiting at the Cain home this week. Mrs. Norton is a daughter of Mrs. Cain.

Mrs. Nellie Payton left this week for a short vacation which she will spend with friends and relatives in WaKeeney and Palco.

Mrs. George Taylor, who has spent several weeks in Boulder and other points in Colorado, expects to return home this week.

Orlo Moore, nephew of Mrs. L. L. Fairchild, and Lavon Powers, her cousin, both of Republic, Kansas, visited several days last week at the Fairchild home. They left the first of the week for Rexford.

Miss Clara Richter entertained to dinner Sunday Misses Isabelle Summerson, Hazel Steinshouer, Hazel James, Edith Davidson, Grace Eavis, Gladys Eavis, Christiana Schlicher, Lillie Westerman and Mr. Cleo Payton and Mr. Goerge Pittaway.

Farris Sloan was over to Hoxie Saturday on business. While in the city he looked up the *Sentinel* to place some advertising for his purebred Hampshire hogs. Farris thinks they are a fine breed to raise.

75 Years Ago **August 9, 1951**

King, Queen Winners

Miss Orlene Carter and Duane Duncanson were declared the winners of the king and queen popularity contest and were crowned in a special ceremony the first evening of the fair. Following their crowning they reigned at all events throughout the fair. Runners-up and attendants were Phyllis Gaede and Dick Mosier.

Baseball Tourney Result

Results of the baseball tournament held in connection with the Hoxie fair

the first tow days are as follows:

Wednesday afternoon: Hill City 14, Hoxie 1, with Schlick and Kahle pitching.

Wednesday night: Colby 9, Park 3.

Thursday afternoon: Park 15, Hoxie 10 with Boxler pitching.

Thursday night: Hill City 3, Colby 2. Placing were in order as follows: Hill City, Colby, Park, and Hoxie.

Allison News

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Rolland, of Norton, Mrs. Nora Thiesen and Fern, and Glenda and Jerry Heaney, of Clayton, called on Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Steele Sunday afternoon.

David Scott was a Sunday dinner guest of Bruce Max Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Scott and children took Bruck Max Poole, Carol and Vergie Winnihan, Neta Mae Bader, Rita Stephens and Eula Follis to "The Youth Fellowship" meeting at Oberlin Sunday.

Northwest Sheridan

Jack Plunkett, of Holyoke, Colo., was a dinner guest of his sister, Mrs. Tony Wachendorfer and family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brantley was supper guests at the Ernest Shaw home Wednesday.

Tex and Rex Shaw returned from Belvue, Colo., Saturday night and report the flood waters very destructive and several tragedies.

Mickey's Want Ads

Perhaps we can interest you in an electric De Laval cream separator. Come in and see one.

A comely miss, visiting her aunt downtown Saturday night, was given the aunt's pay-check to take home.

On the way home she was held up. "Help! Help! I've been robbed," she cried. "Someone has stolen my aunt's pay!"

A policeman rushed up and quieted her, saying:

"Cut out the pig-Latin and tell me what happened!"

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Jennings News

Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Mowry attended the rodeo at Philipsburg Saturday.

Oliver Denny, who lives in the south part of town, is very sick and under the care of Dr. Hardesty.

Tom Randall isn't so well again and under the care of Dr. Jeffery.

Broadway News

Mrs. Rodney Martin and Bonnie called at W. C. Morgans Wednesday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Borger, of Hoxie, spent Sunday evening at J. H. Jamisons.

Mr. and Mrs. Murl Simon made a business trip to Wichita over the week end.

50 Years Ago **July 29, 1976**

K-18 Team Will Go to State

The Hoxie K-18 baseball team, coached by Carl Adams and assisted by John Webster, is headed for the State tournament August 1-4 at Lucas.

The team worked its way to the State by taking 1st in the Great Plains League with a record of 8-2.

Studley Items

A cooperative luncheon was held at Mrs. Esther Brandt's Wednesday honoring Mrs. Leona Cummings of Las Vegas, Nevada, who was here visiting relatives and friends. Those present besides the honored guests were: Mrs. Dorothy Richards, Mrs. Rachel Niblock, Mrs. Alice Lewis, Mrs. Marjorie Dechant and girls, Mrs. Anna Moore, Mrs. Brandt and Mrs. Stout.

Mrs. Beverly Mauk and two children came to the Bob Chadwicks Sunday. The children will stay with the Chadwicks while their mother attends a Sarah Coventry meeting in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heskett attended a trap shoot at Kinsley, Kansas, over the weekend.

Mickey Want Ads

Today at 9 a.m. starts the big Sidewalk Sale at Mickey Hardware and Furniture. Save \$\$ now. Listed is some of the merchandise you can save on now!

There's a catch to it: A Sunday school teacher asked her young class how Noah spent his time on the ark.

As there was no response, she asked: "Do you suppose he did a lot of fishing?"

"What?" responded a 6-year-old, "with only two worms?"

There will be a supply of paint that we will have on sale - you'll not believe the prices.

Leoville News

Mr. and Mrs. Don Spresser are on a vacation trip to Wisconsin and other places of interest.

Mrs. Ray Jacobs spent last week at the Bob Moellering home near Hoxie. She stayed with Donna while the Moellerings were in Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fortin of Dallas, Texas came Saturday and are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fortin.

McGraw News

Adam and Amy Gaumer are spending a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter while Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gaumer are on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Loughry of Norton were Tuesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Russel Bainter and Jean. Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter were Wednesday evening visitors.

Ben Tribbler returned home Wednesday evening after finishing harvesting.

TOPS News

The regular weekly meeting of TOPS #KS 556, Selden was called to order by our leader at the Selden Grade School on Monday night. The TOPS pledge was repeated.

Roll call was answered by 14 members with a weight loss of 9 pounds and a weight gain of 6 pounds. Our weekly queen lost 4 pounds. The name drawn from the Hee Haw pot did not meet the requirements so there will be an addition in the money next week.

25 Years Ago **August 2, 2001**

Moran's County Tour Includes Stop in Hoxie

Congressman Jerry Moran stopped in Hoxie last Saturday at the Sheridan County Fair as part of his 66 county "Big First" listening tour.

Several residents visited with Moran on the Midway of the Carnival grounds, during which time he was asked about his intentions of running for governor.

Rexford

Mike Merserve was the guest speaker at the Rexford Community Church on July 22 due to the minister, Gary Taylor, being on vacation.

Edna Williams and her daughter, Sue, left Tuesday to return home to California after being here about a week checking their property.

The Rexford Missionary meeting was held at the Community Church Tuesday afternoon with Delores Dible in charge. Glendora Bastin gave the devotion and letters were read. Edna Colson served refreshments to the seven ladies present.

McGraw

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hagler visited the McGraw Church this week and presented a message from the Gideons.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weis were Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Coburn and Irene Stevenson.

Last week, on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Lenny Harrison, Len and Lindsay visited Mr. and Mrs. Steve Launchbaugh, G. G. and Karl. Mr. and Mrs. George Launchbaugh visited Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mizer on their 40th anniversary, Sunday. Also on Sunday the George Launchbaughs visited Mr. and Mrs. Jay Griffith of Clayton and Fern Mapes of Norcatur. Mrs. Don Ruda, Daniel and Jonathan, and Shelby Hinds were guests of the Launchbaughs on Sunday afternoon.

Letter to the Editor

Editor:

The videotaping of the Sheridan County Fair Parade failed because the camera battery failed to take a charge.

Since there was no time to have the bank write a notice on cable, I went to the church and turned on the equipment, then I went to the cable office, and at one minute before eight switched from the weather to the church.

Then I drove to the church and announced there wouldn't be any tape of the parade and why, and then I drove back to the cable office and switched back to weather since there were warnings out.

Sunday I learned that I didn't have any audio! I certainly hope better things happen next year.

Allen Neal

Grinnell Harvest Festival Results

The 51st Annual Grinnell After Harvest Festival convened on Friday evening, July 17, 2026, with a Pulled Pork Supper sponsored by Equity Bank. Equity provided the pork butts and ‘Ol Jeb” to smoke them in. The supper for approximately 300 people included cheesy corn, jalapeno poppers, and chips. Water for the Harvest Fest was provided by Pathway Ag and SNS Seed.

NWKS Radio provided the evening entertainment with “The Smokin’ J’s” from Kansas City, who played 7:30 – 10:30. An appreciative crowd enjoyed the calm weather and great music.

Saturday, July 18, started early with about 20 runners for the 5K Run/Walk, sponsored by the Grinnell Alumni Foundation. 1st place for men was Layton Werth, and Taryn Dickman came in first for the ladies.

The GP3 organization held a breakfast from 8:30-10am with pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice & coffee for a free will donation. They served approximately 150.

Nathan Vollbracht organized a Softball Tournament which ran from 9am-2pm. Three teams entered, with Team Divas winning first, and Team Yard Goats winning second. Thanks, Nathan!

The Poker Run took off with 30 motorcycles. They raised \$1390 for Dacoma Roth who is fighting cancer. The winners were Jeff Griffin & Dan Olsen, who both donated back their winnings.

The Community Market, organized by Stacy Tholen, was held at the Firehouse, from 9am-2pm. Many crafts, flowers & plants, cakes, breads, & eggs were sold. There were 13 vendors, making it a small, but successful market with several vendors selling out. We look forward to seeing everyone next year! Thanks, Stacy, for organizing this!

The Parade at 10:30 was a nice variety of floats, horses, ATV’s, farm equipment and Alumni Classes. Thanks to Lisa Bixenman, Ava Gillespie, and Laramie Bruce for organizing this.

The Car Show and Shine then had registration from 11-2:00. 15 cars, 22 trucks, 17 motorcycles, and 5 Open Class entered, for a total of 59 Entries.

The Top Ten Cars were: Bill Kruse with his 1956 Pontiac 2 Door Hard Top; Steve Townsend with his 1963 Chevy Nova; Mark von Leonrod with his 1958 Chevy Belaire; Gordon Hawkins with his 1959 Mercury Parklane; Mel Eberle with his 1970 Plymouth GTX; Ralph Ostmeyer with his 1955 Ford Fairlane Crown Victoria; Jake Brooks with his 1937 Chevy Coupe; Rick Pelton with his 1969 Chevy Chevelle; Randy Cooksey with his 1968 Chevy RS Camaro; and Nick Bley with his 1966 Pontiac GTO.



A new Gaga Ball pit was installed into the City Park by the Harvest Fest Committee, and it was a popular place all weekend of the Grinnell Harvest Festival, July 17-18.

The Top Ten in Trucks were: Luke Beckman with his 2008 Chevy 1500; Eugene Sauer with his 1951 Willys; Larry Bley with his 1948 Ford F-1; Randy & Peggy Cooksey with their 1979 Ford F100; Mark Suter with his 2016 Ford F-150; Loren & Candy Percival with their 1955 Chevy 3100; Steve and Greta Easterberg with their 1968 Chevy C10; Jay Sharp with his 1953 Chevy 3100; Kenn Poe with his 1974 Ford Bronco (original); and Eric Gaede with his 1975 GMC 3500.

Top Ten in Motorcycles were: Skippy Schwarz with his 2021 Harley-Davidson Lowrider; Skippy again with his 2005 Harley-Davidson Deluxe; Landon Ritter with his 2007 Harley-Davidson Street Bob; Skippy again with his 2003 Harley-Davidson Road King; Monte Phillips with his 2005 Suzuki Boulevard C50; Barbara Phillips with her 2002 Indian Drifter; Monty Phillips with his 2005 Indian Drifter; Johnny Phillips with his 1999 Kawasaki Indian Drifter; Adam Phillips with his 2023 Kawasaki ZX636; and Shawn Teichmer with his 2015 Harley Davidson TriGlide (in memory of Walt).

The Top Ten Open Class at the Grinnell Car Show was Landon Ritter with his 2000 Lincoln Towncar-Derby Car (Bone Stock); Ivan Meier with his Beast Go Cart; Walt Dinkel with his 1956 Ford F-100 Rat Rod; J.K. Keller with his 1951 Dodge Coupe; and Rylee Atkerson with his 1986 Jeep CJ7.

The 50/50 Winner was Barbara Phillips.
Best of Show was Alan Suter with his 1934 Ford 5 Windows.
The People’s Choice Award went to Karen Adelman with her 2003 Harley-Davidson Lowrider 3-Wheeler.

Thanks to all who entered, and all who enjoyed the day, choosing their top winners. Thanks to Dennis and Jane Schwarz for organizing this every year!!

Then, it was off to the races!! Starting with the Kids Pedal Tractor Pull. Winners for the 4-year-olds were: 1st-Jase Flieg, 2nd-Braetyn Flipse, 3rd-Denali Holzmeister. 5-year-old winners were: 1st-Clint Flipse, 2nd-Sutton Wolf. Winners for the large category of 6-year-olds was 1st-Lluvia Flores, 2nd-Cormac Sloan, 3rd-Zayden Schwarz. 7-year-old winners were 1st-Emerson Greenwood, 2nd-Alyna Altman, 3rd-Sadie Erven. 8-year-old winners were 1st-Mauricio Flores, 2nd-Dennis Shepard, 3rd-Charlie Schoendaler. 9-year-old winners were: 1st-Jacy Theobald, 2nd-Chalmers Sloan, 3rd-Theo Dickman. Winners in the 10-year-old category were: 1st-Camdyn Prewo, 2nd-Alvy Sloan, 3rd-Regan Dickman. 11-year-old winners were 1st-Daniel Theobald, 2nd-Brogan Goetz. The only 12-year-old, and thus the winner was Reese Greenwood.



The Smokin’ J’s from Kansas City entertained us on Friday night, July 17, at the Grinnell Harvest Festival.

Lunch was served to approximately 350 people. On the menu were hamburgers, beans, chips & water. The Free Will donations went to the After Harvest Fest.

The Altar Society ladies had a Pie & Ice Cream Booth and sold out before 1:30.

The next Race was the Bike & Trike Races. Winners of the 2- & 3-year-old bikes were 1st-Delaney Wolf, 2nd-Raina Williams, 3rd-Drayson Schwarz. Winners of the Girls 4- & 5-year-olds were: 1st-Peyton, 2nd Kynnedi Prewo, 3rd-Denali Holzmeister. Winners of the Boys 4- & 5-year-olds were: 1st-Sutton Wolf, 2nd-Clint Flipse. 6- & 7-year-old winners were 1st-Zayden Schwarz, 2nd-Archer Holzmeister, 3rd-Cooper Williams, 4th-Sawyer Flieg, 8- & 9-year-old winners were: 1st-Theo Dickman, 2nd-Waylon Beckman, 3rd-Braxton Bunk, 4th-Jacy Theobald. Winners of 10- & 11-year-old Bikes were: 1st-Daniel Theobald, 2nd-Elijah Taul, 3rd-Regan Dickman, 4th-Brogan Goetz, 5th-Camdyn Prewo. The last category was 12 and up and the winners were: 1st-

Brecken Goetz, 2nd-Jocelyn Nelson. Thanks to Lynn Heinrich for organizing this with her helpers Marissa Beckman & Taryn Dickman.

This excitement was followed by the Turtle Races—not as slow as you might think!! Winners for Age 3 & under was 1st-Drayson Schwarz, 2nd-Sully Schwarz. Age 4-6 year olds: 1st-Jase Flieg, 2nd-Lluvia Flores. Ages 7-9 winners were 1st-Mauricio Flores, 2nd-Ramsey Benford. Winners for the 10-12 age group was 1st-Naomi Flores, 2nd-Camdyn Prewo. Winners for the 13 & up was 1st-Marley Flores, 2nd-Dusty Taul.

Then, Julie Schwarz organized a Sack Race, Flag Race, and Confetti Egg Toss. As it was getting hotter, they took a break under the canopy to play Charades. They finished with the Parachute Game. Thanks, Julie for doing this!

The hot afternoon was enjoyed by the younger generation taking advantage of the



The theme for the Grinnell Harvest Fest Parade was “250 years of Red, White & Blue”. This cake was saved and rebuilt from when it was originally built by the Harvest Festival Founders from 1986 when it was put into the Gove County Centennial Parade in Gove.

Water Slide. Thanks to the National Honor Society students for supervising this. The new Gaga Ball Pit just purchased and put up by the Harvest Fest, was enjoyed both days by many kids. Thanks to the City for allowing it to stay up permanently in the park, for kids to enjoy anytime, not just at Harvest Fest.

The heat was broken up by attending Mass at 4:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church. The Mass Intention was for All the Living & Deceased Founders of the After Harvest Festival.

Back to the Park at 5pm for the Cornhole Tournament with Julie Dickman organizing that. Winners out of 13 teams were: 1st -Jeff Maher & Daryl Zerr, 2nd -Dereck & Rex McNary.

For the younger kids, there were two bounce houses and Laser Tag was enjoyed by the little older boys and girls, from 5:00 – 7:00.

Supper was available throughout the evening of hamburgers, hot dogs & beans, by the motorcycle club at the Firehouse. They served approximately 180 people. The Grace Youth Fellowship ran the Concession Stand both Friday and Saturday, and many bowls of Walking Tacos were seen, along with drinks and popcorn and candy served.

The Dart Tournament sponsored by the Iron Order Motorcycle Club in the Firehouse had eight teams. The winners were Casey Anderson & Tim Byers. They won \$80 and donated it to the Fire Department. Thanks to all!

At dark, it was time for the Free Fireworks, sponsored by the Harvest Fest & the

Ivan Meyer shows off his turtle he caught, before entering in the Turtle Races, always a favorite, at the Grinnell Harvest Festival, Saturday, July 18. (Photo courtesy of MJ Goetz)



City of Grinnell. The display was awesome and made especially so with the music of DJ Doug Manhart. Thanks, Doug, for your great music all day Saturday, & some on Friday night. We really appreciate your talent & time to make our weekend really great!

On Sunday, July 19, the 4-person Scramble at the Cow Paddy Golf Course took place with tee-off at 9am. **First Flight winners were:** 1st-Ochs, Bosserman, Mancia, & Reyes; 2nd- Kiser, Tomer, Corwin, & Havlis; 3rd- Beckman, Beckman, Beckman, & Tuttle.

Second Flight winners all tied for 1st Place: The 4 Burris Team; the Heier, Heier, Chapin, & Zerr team; and the Lopez, Bucher, Bucher, and Wymund team.

Third Flight winners: 1st-The 3 Kuhlman and McNary team; Tied for 2nd place was the Teeter, Heier, Byerly, Byerly team; and the Benken, Charles, Plummer, Plummer team.

Thank you to Christ Teeter and Ted Hart for their organization on this fun day for all the duffers.

First of all, we couldn’t do any of this without all the Sponsors. Please see the ad in this issue, thanking them.

A big Thank You!! goes to the After Harvest Fest Committee of Leona Dickman, Pres., Shari Burks, Secretary, Jeremy Dickman, Treasurer, and Lisa Bixenman, Julie Dickman, Dennis Schwarz, Jason “Skippy” Schwarz, Landon Ritter, Leland & Christy Mense, Jeff Ostmeyer, and Don Huelsman. These people work most of the year to plan a great weekend for all of you! Come see us next year on July 16, 17, & 18, 2027.

Multiple Abortion Restrictions Blocked

A Kansas state court permanently struck down several abortion restrictions. The court ruled that the laws violate the fundamental right to abortion as well as health care providers’ right to free speech under the state constitution. Most of these restrictions have been temporarily blocked since October 2023, This decision assures abortion remains protected and accessible in Kansas, where, in 2022, residents overwhelmingly voted to protect the state’s constitutional right to abortion.

In its decision, the court ruled that the challenged laws violate the state’s constitutional right to abortion. The laws struck down today, some of which date back to 1997, include:

- A requirement that all patients are given specific information before they can receive abortion care.
- Requirements that certain state-mandated disclosures be received by patients in printed form at least 24 hours in advance of an abortion.
- A law requiring providers to relay to patients that a medication abortion can be reversed.
- A requirement for patients to wait an additional 30 minutes after meeting with their abortion provider before they may receive an abortion.
- A requirement for requesting their patients’ reasons for seeking abortion and report those reasons to the state.

Kansas politicians continue to restrict abortion access at the state and federal levels, including joining a separate case to restrict medication abortion nationwide.

Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

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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: ♦♦♦♦

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Hair is different. 2. Oven window is missing. 3. Puddle is smaller. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Handle is smaller. 6. Spatula is different.

Super Crossword

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1 Birmingham locale

8 Holy See leaders

13 Largest living bird

20 One vilifying in print

21 Spitz relative

22 City WSW of Albany

23 Aroma source

24 Former NBAer

25 Most humble

26 Own delicately pretty baby enclosures?

29 With 32-Across, tourist's reference

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31 Rhine feeder

32 See 29-Across

35 People put aside their pride for a while?

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49 Bring on

53 Turbine part

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57 Pinched a chubby shrink?

61 Pet's jingler

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63 My, in Milan

64 "Ammo" pair

67 "New Math" singer Tom

69 "The Donald"

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75 Stubborn beast

76 Not at home

79 Wage hike

82 Open spot in a forest

83 "Airplane!" co-star created an online fund-transfer service?

88 Large parrot

91 Exotic juice berry

92 India or Iran

93 Park it

94 Astounds

96 "Yay, team!"

98 Geezers

100 Turn down a mawkish sea monster?

106 USN rank

107 Chip or nick

108 Large feline

109 See 85-Down

113 What this puzzle's long answers are anagrams of

120 Enchant

123 PC character format

124 Some suede

125 In pieces

126 Diadem's kin

127 Prayer rug user, say

128 Hot springs

129 Lucifer

130 50- — (some long field goals)

DOWN

1 Maui "hello"

2 Detection system that uses a laser

3 Higher than

4 Deprive (of), as through absence

5 "When I was — ..."

6 Actress Suvari

7 Intro class for painters

8 Trifling

9 Signed off on

10 Zits

11 List-curtailling abbr.

12 Poet Teasdale

13 Tuba sound

14 Disdain openly

15 Many a rave attendee

16 Soldiers on "M*A*S*H"

17 Salt additive?

18 Dol. parts

19 Fez or kepi

27 "Just joking!"

28 "Yahoo!"

32 Beef or ham

33 Opposing

34 "Hey, I've got a secret ..."

36 Maintain

37 Essential

38 Boise setting

39 Volcanic flow

40 Actor Ladd

41 JFK was one

42 Bog material

43 Philippines' capital

44 Lime, silica and rust

45 — of despair

50 The, to Franz

51 Roosevelt's successor

52 Higher than "Rambo" site, for short

55 Yale student

58 Duffer's goal

59 "— joking!"

60 Thanksgiving staple

64 Slip by

65 In-flight

66 Puts in a blast furnace

68 Singer Clark

70 Singer Aimee

71 Bread for a gyro

73 Kampala site

74 Cunning

77 Signer of SALT I and II

78 Quirky habit

80 Unit for Graf

81 Mandate

83 Ill-defined

84 Astonishes

85 With 109-Across, zilch

86 Apothecary's bottle

87 Roo's friend

88 Produced

89 Revival reply

90 Gives the boot

95 Selection of chocolates

97 Spiteful, violent sort

99 Ground, as the teeth

101 Daily news sources

102 Inquire nosily

103 TV host Meredith

104 Old Greek

105 Cookout pest

110 "Swan Lake" villainess

111 Watchdog Ralph

112 People ogling

113 Attila's bunch

114 Secretary, say

115 Giant tubs

116 Yemen locale

117 Really gross

118 Octa- + one

119 Fancy water jug

120 Luggage item

121 Dialect suffix

122 Man

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 T

UEIC WDLIDCI FVGIW BOGHFOA

AIFFIPW OC OUYTA ADF, H ZTIWW

VDT LHZE F BOAA EHL O WEHYFV

GIPWDC.

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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.

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★ ★★ GO FIGURE!

	—		×		10
×		+		×	
	×		—		10
—		×		—	
	÷		+		11
12		9		12	

1 2 3 3 4 5 7 8 9

Kids' Maze

Kids' Maze Solution

SNOWFLAKES solution

Go Figure! answers

3	—	1	×	5	10
×		+		×	
7	×	2	—	4	10
—		×		—	
9	÷	3	+	8	11
12		9		12	

Super Crossword

Answers

ALABAMA POPES OSTRICH

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AREA OREL AAR MAP

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IDTAG ORFEO MIA EMS

LEHRER TRUMP MUSLIM

ASS OUT RAISE GLADE

HAYSINVENTEDPAYPAL

MACAW ACAI NATION SIT

AMAZES RAH CODGERS

DENYSAPPYLEVIANATHAN

ENS MAR LION AONE

HAPPYVALENTINESDAY

BEGUILE ASCI COWHIDE

ASUNDER TIARA KNEELER

GEYSERS SATAN YARDERS

Fun Page Solutions

CryptoQuip answer

When someone types capital letters an awful lot, I guess you might call him a shifty person.

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

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