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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

The Commissioners have been meeting every week, as usual, and are taking care of our weekly business.

The election is now over, and a week ago the Commissioners certified the vote count. We are all aware of the discord we have in some parts of this country in regard to elections that have some grave concerns about the accuracy and the outcome of the vote counting. We should all be very thankful to live in this community where there is absolutely NO question about the vote count and the outcome of our elections! Our County Clerk, along with many good, good citizens in our community, work the elections process and make sure everything is absolutely correct. A big THANK YOU to all those who helped with our recent election.

A project that has been finished in the last few weeks is a completely new roof replacement on the schoolhouse at the Mickey Museum.

Another big project the Commissioners have been working on is the replacement of bridges in many locations on our county roads. Please refer to the photos (below) that show the new concrete glide we just completed seven miles north of Studley.



This concrete glide is 12" thick, heavily reinforced with almost two miles of rebar imbedded, along with 12" wide footings around the complete perimeter that will guarantee that this structure will be there for at least 50 years and never need any additional repairs...and require *no additional taxpayer money* as the years go by!

This is exactly like many small bridges in Sheridan County that have been talked about and talked to death! **With nothing ever getting DONE!**

NO MORE!
This bridge replacement/concrete glide was accomplished for the total amount of \$45,224. This amount is about 10% the cost of a full-blown bridge project. Our Road Supervisor, along with the Commissioners, have identified the next seven bridges that need to be replaced, and our objective is to get these, as well as several more, replaced in the next year.

At last week's Commissioner Meeting, we discussed the next bridge that is located two miles north of Selden, and it was decided to tear out the old wood bridge and replace it with a 3' culvert and reshape the road. By Friday, this bridge was out, the culvert was installed, and road work was DONE!!



While I'm talking about culverts, I would like to share with the people of Sheridan County that in the past two years, we have replaced and installed almost **40 new culverts**, along with the cleaning out and re-establishing drainage, and preventing water from running over the top of the road and washing them out.

Here, again, we are working together with private contractors in our community to get the work done! The age of the next seven bridges that are on the schedule for replacement is as follows: 1940...1950...1950...1966...1967...1968...1975. You can tell from the dates of these bridges that we are way, way past due in getting things DONE!! We will accomplish this bridge replacement work and we WILL NOT raise your taxes.

The Road Department also has enlisted the help of several of our rural farmer residents to run road graders and fix roads. They are, of course, full-time farmers, but during breaks from their farming operations are able to contribute time and work in getting roads repaired. We also have recently introduced the Road DRAG Contracts that are very similar to our Road MOWING Contracts, where the work is getting DONE!!

The culture of our Sheridan County Road Department, along with our rural residents, has completely changed. We, now as a county, are all working together to get our roads fixed and get the work DONE! Working together is resulting in *great positive results!*

This past week, you have received your tax statements. In many cases, you will notice that your property taxes have gone up from last year. During this current tax year of 2021, Sheridan County reduced your taxes by \$500,000. So, why did your taxes increase? Here's the answer; the City of Hoxie raised your taxes 1.7%. USD#412 raised their Local Option Budget Tax 4.4%. Twin Creeks Extension raised their tax authority 12.7%. Ground Water special was added, and last year wasn't on the original tax

Support Your Favorite Organization on "GivingTuesday"

The Sheridan County Community Foundation would like to remind residents that they can support their favorite local charitable organizations during this year's "GivingTuesday" event on Tuesday, November 30.

Donors can stop by Bottle KAP Studios, 721 Main St. in Hoxie, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. to make their contributions. Funds raised that day will be passed on to the recipient organizations.

What is GivingTuesday? GivingTuesday is a global generosity movement that unleashes the power of radical generosity around the world. It was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Over the past nine years, this idea has grown into a global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity.

There are no project requirements for organizations to participate in the local GivingTuesday initiative. Instead, all known area organizations will automatically be added to the list for donors to support. The list currently includes the following organizations:

- All Stars for Jesus (Christ Community Church)
- Christ Community Church Youth Group
- City of Hoxie
- City of Selden
- Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas
- Golden Plains Elementary School USD 316
- Hoxie Area Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry
- Hoxie Boy Scouts
- Hoxie Community Schools USD 412
- Hoxie Elks Lodge 2415
- Hoxie FFA Alumni
- Hoxie Golf Club
- Hoxie Housing Authority
- Hoxie Masonic Lodge #348
- Hoxie Recreation
- Hoxie Swap Shop
- Hoxie United Methodist Church
- Indian Pride Booster Club
- Kenoxie Archives & Museum
- Main Street Arts Council
- SCHS/HHS Alumni Association
- Scouts BSA Troop 161

Governor Laura Kelly Signs Bill in Response to Federal Vaccine Mandate

Tuesday, November 23, Governor Laura Kelly signed CCR for HB 2001 into law, the bill passed during Kansas' 2021 Special Session, which requires exemptions and eligibility for unemployment benefits.

The following statement can be attributed to Governor Laura Kelly:

"I have been clear that I believe it is too late to impose a federal standard. States have been leading the fight against COVID-19 for nearly two years. I know there are Kansans who believe this legislation goes too far, and there are others who believe this legislation doesn't go far enough. But I was elected to lead, and leadership means seeking compromise.

"This bill is the result of compromise in action. Now that it is signed, we need to turn our attention towards pressing issues like growing our economy and passing my plan to Axe the Food Tax, so we can put money back into everyday Kansans' pockets."

More information about CCR for HB 2001 can be found at <https://bit.ly/3CY6FkZ>.

Thunderhawks State Bound



Front (l-r): Manager, Emma Zerr, Seniors: Isaac Mendez, Trey Vincent, Tyrell Chapin, and Ryan Heier, Assistant Coach, Ty See; middle (l-r): Head Coach, Jesse Vincent, Manager, Jett Wolf, Devin Zimmerman-fr., Jett Vincent-jr, Treyton Barnett-fr, Treven Humphries-jr, Maddox Chushwa-so, Junior Gorchyca-fr, Jordan Perez-so, Assistant Coach, Matt Wolf; back (l-r): Chris Poage-so, Deagon Herl-so, Ian Farber-fr, Nathan Vollbracht-jr, Robert Mason-jr, Kaleb Doh-jr, Hunter Stroup-so, Kaden Aeschilman-fr. See article on page 7. (WHS photo)

- Sheridan County Amusement Company Inc
- Sheridan County Area Agency on Aging
- Sheridan County Benefit Walk
- Sheridan County Community Foundation
- Sheridan County Economic Development Corporation
- Sheridan County EMS
- Sheridan County Estates
- Sheridan County Fair Board
- Sheridan County Historical Society and Mickey's Museum
- Sheridan County Hospital
- Sheridan County Hospital Auxiliary
- Sheridan County Public Library
- Sheridan County Wellness Center
- St. Frances Cabrini Hoxie CYO/Jr CYO
- St. Paul Angelus CYO

Any additional organizations wishing to be added (or removed) to the list are asked to contact SCCF Board Liaison Karl Pratt at 785-675-1240, or karlpratt.sccf@gmail.com by Monday, November 29.

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 in Sheridan County residents, now and in the future. To learn more, visit www.growsheridancounty.org. Connect with SCCF at www.facebook.com/sheridancf.

Students Volunteer at Food Pantry



HHS StuCo and NHS students volunteered their time Sunday afternoon to pack and distribute Thanksgiving food boxes for the Ministerial Alliance food pantry. We love seeing HHS students serving their community!! (HHS photo)



SHERIDAN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

A Look Back at Grants Awarded in 2018

Through the incredible generosity of the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, Logan, our local Sheridan County Community Foundation has been able to award \$620,700 in grants to organizations with projects, events and activities benefitting Sheridan County since 2015.

Since that time, the Hansen Foundation has been awarding \$100,000 to the SCCF to distribute annually as long as SCCF continues to participate in several Hansen-sponsored initiatives including the Strategic Doing process to assist in project development and completion, the annual Match Month Challenge, and other initiatives.

According to the Hansen Foundation's website: The Dane G. Hansen Foundation works with regional foundations Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation (GNWKCF), Bird City, and the Greater Salina Community Foundation (GSCF), Salina, to assist in the distribution of grants through individual countywide community foundations throughout the Hansen Foundation's 26-county service area.

Funds supplied by the Hansen Foundation are distributed equally among the 26 counties. Administration assistance is provided by the host foundations.

Beginning in 2014 and continuing through 2021, the Hansen Foundation has distributed \$100,000 a year to each of the 26 counties. Beginning in 2022, the pass-through grant funds will be reduced to \$50,000 each year in conjunction with the announcement of new funding opportunities for the countywide community foundations through the matching initiative.

It goes without saying that we are very fortunate to be a part of the Hansen Foundation's service area, truly reaping the benefit of their amazing investment in the area.

Over the next several weeks, we would like to highlight all grants given to date from the Dane G. Hansen Community Fund administered by our local foundation.

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Words of Faith	Grain Report	Weather Report	Contents	Words of Wisdom
Don't be content with being Average. Average is as close to the bottom as it is to the top.	Reported on: Tuesday, Nov. 23 Corn 5.89 Milo 5.91 Beans 12.00 Wheat 8.34	Date High Low Moisture 11/14 -- -- -- 11/15 -- -- -- 11/16 -- -- -- 11/17 -- -- -- 11/18 -- -- -- 11/19 -- -- -- 11/20 -- -- -- Let It Rain!!	Community News 2-3 Now & Then 4 NWKS, State & Nat'l News 5 School News 6-7 Public Notices 8-9 Fun Page 10 Classifieds 11 Business Directory 12	The world will judge you no matter what you do, so live the life YOU want.

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Lunch at Mom's Kitchen in Oberlin was on the agenda for the Jennings Tuesday Study Club members for their November meeting.

Joan Metz called the meeting to order with eleven members reciting the club collect and answered roll call with "the color you dislike the most".

Joan McKenna read the minutes and Sue Long gave the Treasurers report.

The Angel Tree Project was discussed. Members then visited Creations Art Studio owned by Othelia Funk. There they were able to create their own pieces of jewelry using dichroic glass. Othelia also shared other articles in her studio for purchase. She utilizes multiple mediums to create many one-of-a-kind items.

Members will gather on December 7 at the United Methodist Church in Jennings for their salad and dessert lunch. There will be a gift exchange.

With our church starting at 8:00 a.m. it is dark when we get up. Sunday was a crisp morning to be out. After church and Sunday School some of the congregation decorated the church for Christmas and then enjoyed a delicious meal together.



Birthdays & Anniversaries: November 26: Bob Koerperich, Rick & Dori Pauls; November 27: Dan Juenemann, Stephanie Juenemann, Kane Washington, Heath & Sam Schulte; November 28: Lola Wessel, Amy Wessel; November 29: Jessica Koerperich; November 30: Carl & Cheryl Ochs; December 1: Mike & Jackie Neff, Mark Juenemann; December 2: Addie Wessel, Pam Washington.

On December 5, the Selden Community Foundation along with the City of Selden and the Selden Area Senior Citizens will sponsor the Community Christmas Celebration. Bingo starts at 4:00 pm. The first card is free, and each additional card is \$5.00 of which will go in the pot for the blackout game. Soup Supper will be from 5:00 to 6:30 pm and will be free will donation and then Santa should arrive at 6:30. Mark your calendar as it will be a very fun evening.

Thanksgiving holiday hours include Midway Cafe will have normal hours on Wednesday, but will be closed Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Selden Lumber, The Bank, the Selden Post Office, Karl's Store, Pauls Furniture, Steve's Body Shop will have normal hours on Wednesday, will be closed all day on Thanksgiving but then back to normal on Friday. The Selden Public Library will be closed Wednesday evening and Saturday morning, which are their normal days. HAPPY, HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!!!!!!!

Help Spread Christmas Cheer

It is that time of year when the Wheatland VFW Auxiliary #2864 is requesting donations for our Veterans at Fort Dodge Soldiers Home. Some of the items needed are men's & women's sweatpants sizes medium to 2X, liquid laundry detergent, body wash, body spray, lotions preferably Jergen's or Cocoa Shae, paper goods such as toilet paper and napkins, food items include Dorito chips, potato chips, cereal, cookies, individual packets of oatmeal, applesauce, pudding cups, Jell-o cups, peaches, pears, sugar free candy, mac & cheese, and low sodium nuts. Items need to be collected by December 15. Items can be dropped off at the VFW stag-stagette December 1, or by calling Carol Rietcheck at 785-673-6864, Amy Gassman at 785-673-3375 or Roxie Nelson at 785-824-3433. Thank You for helping our Veterans during this Holiday Season.



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BLACK FRIDAY SALE
Ground Beef \$4.25/lb
Friday & Saturday
November 26 & 27
Only

Supplies for Students

So far, The Sheridan County Sheriff's Office and Communications Center, the Sheridan County Community Foundation, and the Sheridan County Farm Bureau have had over 700 items donated in school supplies. Approximately \$4000 in monetary donations been donated already. This has allowed us to help students pay for their lunch (double dipping), this year lunch is free. But if a student wants seconds, they have to pay for it. We've already purchased trapper keepers, underwear, socks and a few other items for students in need. This has also helped with personal hygiene items, as well as transportation and enrollment for students. We've had anonymous donors donate over \$3000 in gift cards. These will help families in need during holiday breaks, to put groceries in the fridge for their family while on break or even a holiday dinner, \$500 in Walmart cards to help with groceries, school supplies, or winter coats/hats. We truly appreciate all the support of our locals helping to fund this project. This allows each student to have the necessities to be safe, healthy, have food and supplies needed to get their education or survive. These fellow students may later play a positive role in our community or county. With all the negativity in this world right now, this is a very heartwarming thing happening in Sheridan County... Holiday Spirit! God Bless America and God Bless Sheridan County!

Donations can be dropped off at the Sheridan County Community Foundation or sent to PO Box 445, Hoxie, KS, 67740. Sheriff B. Carver

SCAN FOR SUPPLY LISTS

HOXIE JR-SR HIGH GOLDEN PLAINS HOXIE GRADE SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

4-H BUILDING

HOXIE, KS

Lunch will be served with homemade pies



VENDORS

Pottery	Baked Goods	Scentsy	Watkins Products
Earrings	Cookies	Bison Meat	Colorstreet Nails
Clothes	Rada Cutlery	Baskets	Barnwood Signs
Jewelry	Home Décor	Crochet Items	... and More
	Mary Kay	Local Honey	

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785-657-7711

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County Clerk 785-675-3361
Road & Bridge Dept. 785-675-3621
Public Library 785-675-3102

Sheridan County Public Health
PREVENT. PROMOTE. PROTECT

Sheridan County Public Health is now under the management of Sheridan County Health Complex.

For vaccination and immunization information please call 785-675-3018.

Thank you!

CONTACT YOUR COMMISSIONER

Chairman: Wes Bainter ~ wesbainter@hotmail.com
Joe Bainter ~ bainterj83@gmail.com
Buck Mader ~ mcauto2@outlook.com

JD's RESTAURANT
785-675-3302
744 Main Street Hoxie

WEEK of November 25 ~ December 1

Thursday: HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Friday: Fried Chicken & Meatloaf
Saturday: Hot Roast Beef Sandwich
Sunday: 7-Meat Buffet w/sides & 2 desserts
Monday: Pizza & Spaghetti
Tuesday: Mexican
Wednesday: Vegetable Beef Soup & Potato Soup

Breakfast 7am ~ 9:30am

Thank you for your continued support & understanding

Upcoming Area EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars!

Every Sunday: 9am First Presbyterian Church Service	Monthly: 2nd Monday: City of Hoxie ~ BOE Mtg
Every Tuesday: 8am Commissioner Mtg 12pm Rotary 7pm Fire Dept Mtg	1st Tuesday: HAMA 2nd Wednesday: Chamber of Commerce
Every Wednesday: 3:30pm Christ Community Church All-Stars for Jesus Jr. High Youth Group	2nd & 4th Thursday: Potluck in the Park 6:30-8pm 4th Monday: Hospital Board of Trustees, FQHC 8am following Wednesday

What do you have happening soon?
Share Your Event Here - FREE

Winterfest in HOXIE

Main Street, Hoxie
Friday, November 26
All-Day "Retail Therapy"
2pm FREE Matinee Movie: "The Star"
6pm Christmas Lighting
6-8pm Food & Fellowship on Main Street
8pm Drawings

Selden Christmas Celebration
Selden Community Center
Friday, December 5

Mealsite Menu

November 29 ~ December 3

- Monday:** Chicken Strips, Scalloped Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Bread, Rosy Pears
- Tuesday:** Chili, Pineapple, Crackers (2), Cinnamon Roll
- Wednesday:** Waikiki Meatballs, Rice, Broccoli, Bread, Mixed Fruit
- Thursday:** Ground Beef Stroganoff, Brussels Sprouts, Bread, Fruit Cobbler
- Friday:** Little Smokies, Baked Potato, Hominy, Bread, Tropical Fruit

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 675-3154 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 monthly menu can be picked up at the Mealsite. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.

NEWS from the OUTSIDE with John Liester

Well, here we are again. The hunting seasons are going strong, and the fishing is going great too! I have seen some great pictures of crappies being caught, as well as white bass, wipers, and striped bass. Several striped bass over 25 pounds too! My hats off to the folks catching the fish. I just haven't had time to fish. I know, if you're too busy to fish, you're just too busy!

Most area lakes are still going great for fishing. White bass, wipers, and crappies are all strong at Webster, Kirwin, Lovewell, and Glen Elder. For white bass look along the dams and north shore with a south wind. Wipers and striped bass can be found along deeper and wind-blown points. I've seen a few really big striped bass coming out of the river west of Wilson Lake. So, before things freeze up get out there and get some fresh fish.

I think it's great news that all of the media "icons" that slandered and libeled Kyle Rittenhouse are going to be sued. Sorry, but you just can't keep spreading lies on mainstream media without consequences! I hope Kyle ends up owning CNN! That would be hilarious! Heck, he should put Ted Nugent in charge of programming!! Can you imagine the liberal minds dealing with him? It brings a big smile to my face!

Governor Kelly signed the vaccine mandate relief bills into law! Awesome to see that.

I also was pleased to learn she was at the Governor's Pheasants

Forever Hunt this last Saturday! I applaud her but I tend to keep my guard up when people act differently than normal. Oh yes, an election is coming. Hmmm.

As of today, I will remain employed until retirement!! What a huge relief for me!! Thank you, God, for hearing our prayers!!

Well, not much else to report on. I do hope and invite you all to come visit our store Friday evening. Having a big sale and will be serving goulash that evening! Come check it out! Be safe my friends!!

CLOSED
for
THANKSGIVING DAY

**Courthouse
Public Health Office
Road & Bridge Dept
Landfill**

**Thurs. Nov. 25
Fri. Nov. 26**

**HAPPY
TURKEY DAY!**

CLOSED
City of Hoxie
**Thurs & Fri
Nov 25 & 26**
for
THANKSGIVING

*There will be no trash
pick up on those days.*

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING**

Dining in Sheridan County

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W Sheridan Ave.
675-3161
Wednesday 6-8pm
Saturday 6-9pm

JD's
744 Main, Hoxie
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Midway Cafe
Hwy 83, Selden
386-4545
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Saturday 7am-2pm

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675-2022
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Saturday 7am-Noon

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Area Churches

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Hoxie

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1101 Sheridan Ave
Hoxie

Hoxie Christian Church
1025 Queen
Hoxie

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1541 Oak
Hoxie

Hoxie United Methodist Church
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Hoxie

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Hoxie

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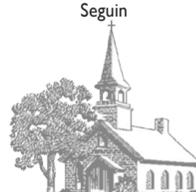
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
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Hoxie

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
202 S Missouri
Selden

St. Frances Catholic Church
924 17th
Hoxie

Selden United Methodist Church
Selden

St. Martin's Catholic Church
Seguin



Grainfield Youth Helps "Put the Brakes on Fatalities"

Journie Hake, age 7, of Grainfield has been named as one the northwest Kansas regional winners in the 2021 "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" poster contest. The contest is sponsored annually by the Kansas Department of Transportation and other traffic safety organizations.

Hake received a bicycle from the Kansas Turnpike Authority and a helmet from Safe Kids Kansas.

The aim of the contest is to encourage children to think about traffic safety and present those ideas on posters. A total of 638 children in Kansas, ages 5 to 13, participated this year.

Put the "Brakes on Fatalities Day" is a nationwide initiative to improve traffic safety and decrease traffic deaths. For more information, visit KDOT's Put the Brakes on Fatalities website at <https://bit.ly/3CDROfd>



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BLACK FRIDAY SALE
FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 & 27
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Chris Hansen, PA-C * Bhavini Gopaldas, PA-C
Jodi Dumler, LCSW

Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Call for Appointment: 785-675-3018

Selden Community Clinic

Hours: Tuesday ~ Thursday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Call for Appointment: 785-386-4380

HOXIE MEDICAL CLINIC

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Speech & Occupational Therapy
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RADIOLOGY:
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Ultrasound * 3D Mammography
Bone Density (DEXA) * Nuclear Medicine

Call for Appointment: 785-675-3281

Don't Have Insurance? We Can Help!
Hoxie Medical Clinic now employs a Case Manager and Navigator to assist with insurance enrollment on the healthcare marketplace, other needed services, and we also accept VA Choice. Free mammograms and Pap tests are available to women with no insurance.

SHERIDAN COUNTY HEALTH COMPLEX

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.

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Call Algdia Offutt Today to Schedule an Appointment!

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**The Hoxie Democrat
Friday, November 25, 1887**

A few choice town lots for sale by Isaac Mulholland.

Mrs. E. R. Chase has just received, in addition to her millinery stock, a new line of hats and trimmings of best qualities and latest novelties. She is also prepared to do dressmaking.

A. Nestor will do all kinds of shoemaking. New work a specialty, and all work guaranteed. Give him a call and get prices.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle as I wish to wind up my business at once. - J. S. Turner

Gents' scarlet, all wool underwear \$1.50 per suit at Borland & Ramsay's.

J. E. Stevenson is at Dighton this week.

The largest assortment of bed blankets and comforts in the city at Borland & Ramsay's.

Mr. G. H. Exline was in the city Monday.

D. D. Proper delivered quite an interesting address at the church last evening.

A new flour and feed store is started in town. C. E. Frazier and G. W. Duncan are the proprietors.

Charlie Hook is spending this week with his best girl.

Hon. E. J. Turner was in Topeka last week enroute for Washington, D. C.

The dance at the hall last night was a grand success.

F. A. Boller has some fine reading matter which he will rent to parties to read.

Married - At Hoxie, on Nov. 19, '87, Mr. Arthur Morrish to Miss Minnie Perry. Judge Wanzer, officiating. The boys were a little premature in their serenade, but Arthur responded with a half a dollar.

For Sale - A Star windmill and pump, which cost last summer \$126.50. I will now sell for \$75. All in good repair. - H. Patterson

Several report themselves as sick on account of too much turkey yesterday.

Mystic has burnt her fireguards, and if Hoxie don't, she is liable to burn her town.

Henry Ames departs for Salt Lake City next week where he will take up his residence and write for the Salt Lake papers.

The county officers nearly all ate turkey in the city yesterday.

No better investment can be made than in Mystic town property.

I. C. Bowen starts tomorrow for Iowa where he goes to visit his father and other friends. His father is very sick.

The lot drawing at Mystic passed off pleasantly and everyone appeared to be satisfied. All got good lots and the future prosperity of Mystic is assured. A railroad must go there or else build without bonds, as nearly everyone in that township owns lots and will not vote aid unless they get a benefit in return by way of a road building into the town.

**125 Years Ago
December 3, 1896**

Holiday trade will soon be here. Now is the time above all others to advertise.

Corn holds up to 15 cents per bushel and finds ready sale to local consumers at that price.

Mrs. M. D. Gollgoly and the children visited in the neighborhood of Selden last week.

Attorney Hopkins and Commissioner Crane are working on the county abstract books.

By way of diversion a Phillips county hog dined on an eight months old child Thanksgiving day.

A number of the township officers-elect were in town the first of the week preparing and fixing their bonds.

An eleven pound girl took up her abode at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beers last Monday night. All are doing nicely.

Uncle Jacob Huigen, O. Hansen, Tom Pratt and the Mosier boys all brought turkeys to town the day before Thanksgiving and succeeded in disposing of them at fair prices.

If one can judge from preparations that are being made, an awful good time is going to be had at the ball to be given by the Woodmen on Christmas night.

J. J. Kroetch has returned from Grinnell, where he went several days ago to check out a car of lumber which he sold, to be used in the erection of an addition to the Catholic church at Angelus.

Frank McIvor represented Hoxie at the Woodman ball at Grainfield, but owing to the extreme cold weather did not find a large crowd in attendance. It was given out that another dance will be given in a short time.

Last Tuesday afternoon Mrs. A. L. McCallum and Miss Maggie McCallum were out driving when the horse took a notion to come home sooner than they wished, as a result the buggy was turned over throwing the occupants out. Mrs. Mc. was considerably bruised about the head and shoulder and is still in considerable pain, but the doctor says nothing serious will result. Miss McCallum was more fortunate she having escaped with only a few scratches.

Lucerne Items

C. S. Gates went to Smith county last week on business.

Oscar Gazell went twelve miles south of Morland to preach last Sunday in spite of the cold.

John Shoemaker and Jake Spall were inaugurated into the office of clerk and treasurer of Adell township last week by Justice of the Peace Graham.

Limber Jim

Selden Department

There is to be a social dancing party in the brick building on Friday evening next. Good music and a good time is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo C. Clark desire to extend heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors for kind sympathy and assistance in their late bereavement.

Born - To G. W. Sloan and wife on November 20th, a son. George was in the 39th getting ammunition for him to kill jack rabbits with. He is the fifth son and if his father is correct, he is a sport.

100 Years Ago

Palace Theatre

JESSE L. LASKY
Presents

BRYANT WASHBURN

-in-

"MRS. TEMPLE'S TELEGRAM"

A PARAMOUNT-ARTCRAFT PICTURE

Hubby was home again; He'd been
out all night—and was innocent—!

Yet his story would have sounded so false that he
told Friend Wite a story that sounded true.

And she caught him!—
Result! that telegram!

• A Picture That's One Long Lingering Laugh

Saturday Eve., Nov. 26

COMEDY ADDED

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

November 24, 1921

High School to Begin in Two Weeks

Owing to the fact that many of the student's books were burned, the high school trustees felt it advisable to close the school for two weeks, this week and next. By this time all students should again be supplied with books, and school will resume. Quarters will be provided somewhere by that time.

Parents need have no fear as to the students making their credits this year as the usual Christmas vacation will not be taken, which will enable the school to make up all work lost, as a result of the present vacation. The school could run a week longer in the spring or school could be held on a few Saturdays, if necessary, to complete the work.

Local News

W. L. Sayers, the well-known attorney, has started the erection of a big business block at Hill City, his home town.

Mr. and Mrs. George Denison were called to Nebraska last week owing to the serious illness of some of Mrs. Denison's relatives.

The *Selden Observer* states that Elry Wyant, one of the wealthy farmers up that way, will begin the erection of a \$20,000 business building at Selden soon.

Nearly all the surrounding towns had a big celebration Armistice Day. Selden and Rexford each had a big barbecue and staged an all-round good program of interesting events.

N. H. Hockett informed us the other day that he and his wife and daughter had a most pleasant visit while gone this fall. They visited in Iowa and at Osborne, Kansas, where they formerly resided.

"We would have staid longer, but you know 'there is no place like home' after you have been gone five or six weeks and winter coming on at that," said Mr. Hockett.

Valley Items

By Gleaner
Studley people are preparing for a community dinner Thanksgiving Day and are arranging for a bazaar later on.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wennihan and sons are entertaining Mr. Charley Winnihan and family, from north of Jennings, and Mr. and Mrs. Art Warner and daughter, Iva, this Thanksgiving Day.

Crescent News

By Enterprise
Miss Goldie Bell spent Saturday with Mrs. Fred Huber.

Hart Gilchrist and family spent Sunday at the Jap Teel home near Rexford.

The friends and neighbors who attended the party at the O. E. Keck home Saturday evening report a good time and wonderful eats.

Northwest Prairie Dog

By Hooting Owl
Mrs. J. H. Read, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Quite a number of Prairie Dog attended the mask dance in Mr. Sieman's barn near Menlo Thursday evening.

Uncle Jack Sloan's many friends will be sorry to hear that he was crippled up by a wagon running over both feet, spraining an ankle and bruising the toes badly on one foot. He is at the home of his son, Bert, at Berthoud, Colorado.

**75 Years Ago
November 28, 1946**

Re-Open Hoxie Grill

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ufford are the new

managers of The Hoxie Grill, having opened the place for business last Friday. They will serve short orders, and some fountain service.

Has Big Sale

Fred Pratt, manager of the Hoxie Livestock Sales, informs this office that last Wednesday was the largest sale day to be held here this fall. Over 500 head of cattle, and nearly 200 head of hogs, besides other livestock were run through the sales ring. Total receipts for the day was near the \$40,000 mark.

Leoville

Audrey Ann Karls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Karls, was the lucky person to draw the new electric washing machine which was given away by the K of C Tuesday night, Nov. 19. The radio was won by King Muirhead of Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Mrs. August Karls attended D of I Initiation at Collyer on Sunday.

Seguin Items

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Meier were Colby shoppers one day last week. They also visited her mother and sister, Mrs. Ben Schlageck and Anna.

Hugh Wigginton and the Schlageck brothers shipped five car loads of cattle from Seguin Saturday.

Joe and George Geerdes were Sunday dinner guests at the J. C. Geerdes home.

Morland News

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and Mrs. Wm. Loof were dinner guests Sunday at the Charles Critchfield home.

Mrs. Sarah Dodd, Mrs. I. L. Underhill and Mrs. Loof spent Thursday with Mrs. Laura Shapley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooly, of Bogue, spent Sunday with Mrs. I. L. Underhill.

Thimble Circle Club

The Thimble Circle club met with Mrs. Rob Brewster last Thursday, for an all day meeting with 9 members present. Mrs. Willard Treu called at the close of the meeting. The day was spent quilting and doing embroidery work for the hostess. A delicious pot luck dinner was served at noon. After a short business meeting club adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. Addison Miller. Mrs. Willard Treu received a mystery pal package.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Ponath visited Mrs. Mary Hayes in Morland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and daughter and family, of Menlo, visited with Aubert Mowrys' and Paul Mills last Sunday.

Pleasant Hill News

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Davis were supper guests Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Husted and family.

Fred Karnes and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cressler were business callers in Norton Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and children spent Sunday at Hill City with her parents.

Lucerne News

The Ted and Don Kempers spent Sunday at the Pete Kempers. They worked on the windmill there.

Lloyd Wallace arrived at his grandfather, Husted's, last Thursday from overseas.

Mrs. Jennie Small is very sick. She is at her daughter's, Mrs. Walter Mowrys, at Jennings.

**50 Years Ago
November 25, 1971**

Free Movie to be Shown Saturday at Elks Lodge

A free Walt Disney movie, "The Ugly

Dachshund", will be shown at the Elks lodge building here this Saturday at 1:30 o'clock. All youngsters in the area are cordially invited to attend the movie which is sponsored by the Hoxie Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. in cooperation with the Youth Committee of the Elks.

Stores to Have Sidewalk Sale

The Ben Franklin Store and Cooper Dry Goods in Hoxie will have some of their merchandise outside and hold a sidewalk sale on Friday and Saturday, if the weatherman cooperates.

Many specially priced items will be displayed and shoppers should be reminded that Christmas is not far away, and maybe some of those gifts you have been thinking about will be available during the sidewalk sales. Plan to take advantage of the many bargains that these business places will be offering.

Broadway News

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Denio and son of Sterling spent the weekend of Nov. 14 at Oscar Borgers and with other relatives.

Mark Breeden is spending the holidays at Edith Breedens. He called at Cass Breedens and Archie Edgells on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Popp left Saturday for Missouri to visit relatives. They called at Harold McWilliams at Salina enroute.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gaumer were Wednesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter.

Mrs. Hallie VanVleet visited Mrs. Lottie Carstens at the Gayle Bainter home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Launchbaugh and Mrs. Ura Long were Saturday dinner guests of Mrs. Gerald Sines of McCook.

Seguin Items

Mrs. Margaret Stephens returned to our fair village the weekend of the 15th after a months visit with her daughter and family of Joe Kruses in Denver. The Kruses brought her home and visited relatives.

St. Ann's Sodality, eighteen members present for the November meeting Wednesday evening, the 10th. Business scarce, but an enjoyable evening of visiting. Hostesses were Mrs. Jack Schiltz, Mrs. Bob Feldt and Mrs. Gary Baalman.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. John Ploeger attended baptismal services for John's nephews, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashbaugh's baby at the Catholic church at Hays on Sunday Nov. 14.

Bible Study met with Mrs. Doris Mowry Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Anna Moore had word from her son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore that their youngest daughter has the mumps.

Mickey's Want Ads

We here wish you all have a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoyable visit with friends and relatives.

A boy and girl, both college students, were sitting on a sofa discussing mental telepathy.

"Would you call it mental telepathy," the girl asked, "if I were thinking the same thing you are?"

"No," the boy replied, "I'd call that just plain luck."

Magic bacon cookers, pastry cloths, measure spoons, mendets, graters, cheese slicers, potato racks for quick baking, egg beaters, pecan shellers, knife sharpeners, French fry cutters, egg rings.

**25 Years Ago
November 21, 1896**

Chamber Promotion to Begin Nov. 25

Yellowstone National Park will be the destination for the winners of this year's grand prize in the Hoxie Area Chamber of Commerce Christmas Promotion.

Monday, Nov. 25, participating business will begin issuing drawing tickets to Hoxie shoppers.

Pops Choir Attends Clinic in Oberlin

The HHS Pops Choir was one of the six schools that attended the Show Choir Clinic last Monday in Oberlin.

The Northwest Kansas League sponsored the Show Choir Clinic, while the Oberlin Decatur High School Singers hosted the event at the Morgan Theatre/Gateway.

Selden

Mabel Andrews was hostess at the Senior Citizens Center on Nov. 14. Gerald Sloan won high, Carol Shaw won second and Vesta Shea took low.

Families visiting the home of Cecil and Marrietta Stacy Nov. 9-14 for pheasant hunting were Bill Wilcox and son, Duane, of Kansas City; Frank Wilcox and grandsons, Shawn Rayusetter of California and David Cunningham of El Paso, Texas. While in the area Frank visited friends in Colby.

Rexford

The annual ham and turkey dinner on Nov. 9, sponsored by the Rexford Lions and Royal Neighbors of America, was a huge success. Approximately 270 meals were served which was about 40 more than in 1995. Profits from this project are reinvested in local community services.

Carol Gould and Lawrence and Zula Horinek enjoyed an evening of dinner and cards at Clea Moeder's home on Nov. 14.

Dale Mustoe is recovering nicely at home following minor surgery on Nov. 11 at Hays.

7th Graders Cruise Past Quinter, 52-21

The junior high basketball team split a pair of games against Quinter last week as the seventh graders coasted to a 52-21 victory, while the eighth grade suffered a 46-27 loss.

With the win, the seventh graders improved to 2-0, while the eighth grade remained winless at 0-2.

Elks Lodge Plans Annual Hoop Shoot

Hoxie Elks Lodge's "Local Lodge" competition for the 25th Annual Elks Hoop Shoot, the national free throw shooting contest for youngsters age 8 through 13, will be held at 2 p.m. on Dec. 8 at the Hoxie High School Gym.

WPAA Presents "Christmas in Killarney, An Irish Christmas Celebration"

From the producers of Rockin' Road to Dublin comes a sensational Christmas Season musical, Christmas in Killarney, An Irish Christmas Celebration. Western Plains Arts Association is pleased to bring this holiday show to the Oakley High School Auditorium, at 3 p.m. CST, Sunday, Dec. 5.

In addition to area business and individual sponsors, this program is made possible by a special gift from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, Logan, and the Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation-Dane Hansen Community Grant for Logan County, Bird City. Admission is by WPAA season ticket or adults \$20 and students \$10 at the door.

Created by the 2009 World Champion of Irish Dance Scott Doherty (Riverdance & Lord of the Dance) and worldwide touring Irish Celtic rocker Chris Smith, Christmas In Killarney combines the excitement of Irish dance and choreography with the harmonies of traditional Christmas classics.

Set in Killarney, Ireland in the late 1920's, Christmas In Killarney shows what it means to celebrate Christmas the 'Irish' way, where many of America's own Christmas traditions originated.

The creative team includes Broadway Director Jeff Whiting, Emmy award winning Set Designer Jason Ardizzone-West, Arranger Gary Lensenmayer, Costume Designer Sarah Cabbage and New York based Light Designer Aaron Porter.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to be the first to see what will become a holiday classic!

For information, video links and pictures contact www.ecetouring.com/artist/ChristmasinKillarney.

CCC Degree Ranked the Best

Online higher education resource University HQ ranked Colby Community College in the top spot for their Best Associate Degrees in Kansas report.

The study considered several factors, including:
Cost of tuition - On average, students can take a full course load with room and board for less than \$10,000 per year.

Retention rate - Calculated by the percentage of incoming first-year students who return the following year, the retention rate at Colby is consistently among the best in the state. Renovated housing, financing options, counseling and advising services, and new facilities make CCC an attractive choice.

Graduation Rate - One-on-one advising, free tutoring, and accessible instructors allow students to position themselves for success. The latest graduation rate is 54 percent.

Salary of graduates - CCC offers several programs in high-demand and high-paying fields, so graduates often rank near the top among Kansas peers for their return on investment.

Loan default rate - Related to the cost of attendance and salaries of graduates, the loan default rate of Colby alumni is 8.1 percent, significantly lower than the national average of 10.8 percent.

Percentage of students receiving financial assistance - Because various federal, institutional, and outside funding options are available, about 90 percent of Colby students receive aid.

Research information came from government websites produced by the National Center for Education Statistics, the Department of Education's College Scorecard, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and independent compensation software and data company Payscale.

Congress, Abandon Reconciliation Bill That Will Make Inflation Worse

The Chamber continues fighting back against the multi-trillion-dollar, tax-and-spend reconciliation bill, focusing on how it will worsen inflation.

Why it matters: Inflation is at a 31-year high. From food to gas Americans are paying more for everyday needs. The last thing Congress should do now is add to those pressures.

What we're doing: This week, we're targeting Members of Congress in multiple ways both in Washington, D.C., and in their home districts.

- Digital ads directed to USChamber.com/inflation for more information.
- Print advertising, including in The Washington Post that goes to every House and Senate office.
- A can't-miss mobile billboard on Capitol Hill.
- Asking and helping constituents contact their representatives.

Our take: "The partisan, multi-trillion-dollar reconciliation bill would accelerate inflation and stop America's fragile economic recovery in its tracks," said Chamber President and CEO Suzanne Clark. "With inflation at a 31-year high and employers struggling

President Biden Signs Infrastructure Bill

President Biden signed into law the \$1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill on Monday. Biden announced Sunday he would appoint former New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu as the senior adviser responsible for overseeing distribution of the funding, which will start in coming months "One of our biggest responsibilities is to make sure all the money is used efficiently and effectively," Biden said at a Cabinet meeting last week. The legislation includes \$550 billion in new funding for a range of needs for agriculture and rural America, including broadband, ports and inland waterways, roads and bridges and Western water projects. The Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works' Infrastructure Subcommittee, Senator Kevin Cramer (R-ND), touted the key wins in the legislation, much of which was written by his subcommittee, including that 90 percent of funding to the States is achieved by formulas which favor agricultural and rural States.

LaTurner Opposes Radical Build Back Better Agenda

Last week, Congressman Jake LaTurner voted against the Democrats' radical Build Back Better agenda. He issued the following statement:

"I just voted NO on the Democrats' radical Build Back Better agenda.

Kansans are already facing record-high inflation, skyrocketing energy prices, and a growing labor shortage caused by Democrats' reckless policies. This massive spending bill forces Congress to double down on President Biden's failing economic agenda and spend trillions of taxpayer dollars on far-left policies that will only exacerbate the hardships facing working families.

The radical policies inside this legislation will make it harder for job creators to stay afloat and will force Kansans to dig even deeper in their pockets to cover the cost of soaring prices. This bill also grants mass amnesty to millions of illegal immigrants, allows taxpayer-funded abortions, and paves the way for a government takeover of our healthcare system.

The fact is, Kansans want the federal government to spend less of their hard-earned money. The Build Back Better agenda does the opposite. It's reckless, irresponsible, and disastrous for Kansas taxpayers."

House Democrats Pass "Human Infrastructure" Reconciliation Bill, Next the Senate

House Democrats passed their version of a nearly \$1.7 trillion social spending and climate package today. Democrats planned to pass the measure yesterday, but Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) successfully delayed a vote on the bill by holding the floor for more than eight hours in a filibuster-style. Speaker Pelosi brought the package to the floor on Thursday after the release of the Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) final cost estimate. The CBO said that passage of the legislation would increase the deficit by more than \$367 billion over 10 years. The agriculture title of the bill is expected to result in direct spending outlays totaling \$76.9 billion over the 2022-2031 period.

The package will advance to the Senate where its provisions must survive the Byrd Rule, the scrutiny of moderate Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), and the gauntlet of vote-a-rama wherein an unlimited number of amendments may be filed and then voted on in rapid succession, often in as little as ten-minute increments, with 60 seconds of debate on each amendment. The reconciliation bill will also have to compete for Senate floor time in the compressed three-week window between Thanksgiving and Christmas where the chamber will also have to grapple with another continuing resolution to avoid a government shutdown, how to avoid a default on the U.S. debt by suspending or raising the debt ceiling by December 15, and passage of the National Defense Reauthorization.

Kansas State Parks Offering Free Entrance on Black Friday

There's no better deal than "free" and this Friday, there's no better place to snag that deal than at a Kansas state park. This Black Friday, Nov. 26, 2021, entrance fees will be waived at all Kansas state parks as part of the nationwide #OptOutside initiative.

Those who visit any of Kansas' 28 state parks on November 26 will also have a chance to win a free night's stay in a Kansas state park cabin of their choice. To enter, visitors must simply take a "selfie" within any Kansas state park and share it on Twitter, Facebook, or Instagram with the tags #OptOutside and #MyKsStatePark.

#OptOutside - the brainchild of outdoor retail giant REI - began after REI executives closed all 150-plus stores for a day in 2015 and paid more than 13,000 employees to instead spend the day outside. It's since become an annual event for REI, state parks across America and the millions of people who opt to spend the day outside and enjoy nature.

"We couldn't be more excited to once again offer free entrance to Kansas' state parks on Black Friday," said Linda Lanterman, director of Kansas State Parks. "Being outside in nature does wonders for our physical and mental health, so I hope everyone opts to go outside this year and enjoy a Kansas state park as part of their holiday experience."

To find a Kansas state park nearest you, and to make camping reservations year-round, visit www.ksoutdoors.com/State-Parks.

To connect with Kansas State Parks on social media, visit <https://bit.ly/3kZukuP>.

Infrastructure Law Has School Funding

The \$1.5 trillion infrastructure bill signed into law Monday by President Joe Biden contains billions of dollars to help K-12 schools. The law allocates \$65 billion to expand broadband access, \$200 million to eliminate lead contamination in schools, and \$5 billion for clean-energy school buses. Kansas schools typically receive about one percent of large federal funding bills.

Additional federal funding for public schools is under consideration in the \$1.75 trillion "Build Back Better" budget reconciliation bill which may be voted on this week. That measure includes more than \$400 billion for universal pre-K and childcare program, \$300 million for the Emergency Connectivity Fund for broadband access, and hundreds of millions for teacher recruitment and retention, school leadership, and more.

The reconciliation package formerly contained more than \$80 billion in funding for school infrastructure improvements. That provision and was eliminated from the bill because some Members of Congress felt the original \$3 trillion price tag was too high; other funding amounts for K-12 have been reduced to make the bill more palatable.

Biden's Vaccine Mandate Plays Politics with Americans' Food Supply

Republican lawmakers call on USDA to delay implementation until it has a plan to make up for potential loss in staff.

Congressman Jake LaTurner and House Oversight Republicans called on U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to delay the implementation of President Biden's vaccine mandate for USDA employees until the department can explain how it will make up for the potential loss in staff. Congressman LaTurner expressed concern with current vacancies at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and the vaccine mandate's potential to impair our economy, food supply, and national security.

"I have heard from countless farmers and ranchers across Kansas that are deeply concerned with President Biden's overreaching and unprecedented vaccine mandates. Our agriculture communities rely on Farm Service Agency employees to deliver and implement critical Farm Bill programs," said Congressman LaTurner. "If the USDA pushes forward with these mandates, we will undoubtedly see a spike in FSA vacancies, making it harder for Kansas farmers and ranchers to feed, fuel, and clothe our nation."

Local and state FSA offices play a pivotal and crucial function in interacting with the agriculture community. Eleven months into the Biden Administration, USDA has only appointed seven state FSA Directors. These positions do not require Senate confirmation. Recruiting and retaining local and state FSA personnel is a complex and slow process, and the vaccine mandate will exacerbate it and result in the loss of decades of experience and knowledge.

AFBF Sends Letter Opposing Build Back Better Act

The American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) sent a letter to the U.S. House of Representatives stating its opposition to the Build Back Better Act, also known as the reconciliation package. President Zippy Duvall commented on the Build Back Better Act.

"After watching months of contentious, partisan debate surrounding the Build Back Better Act, AFBF stands in opposition to the legislation.

"While some elements of the reconciliation package would benefit agriculture, the massive amount of spending and tax increases required to pay for the plan outweigh the gains we would see in rural America. We appreciate House efforts to protect farmers and ranchers by leaving key tax provisions untouched. Thousands of small businesses, however, would still be affected by tax increases, forcing them to pass increased costs to families across the nation.

"The economy is still recovering from the pandemic, supply chains are stressed, and inflation is putting pressure on America's pocketbooks. Now is not the time to put an additional burden on families struggling to make ends meet. We urge lawmakers to find common ground and work in a bipartisan manner to address the challenges facing our nation."

Read the AFBF letter at <https://bit.ly/32gV8QR>.



to fill a record number of job openings, Members of Congress must reject proposals that would harm American businesses and consumers and threaten our future prosperity."

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Tomahawk News

HHS Scholars Bowl @ Oberlin

By Jackie Campbell, Head Scholars Bowl Coach

Hoxie High School took a varsity team to the Oberlin Scholars' Bowl Tournament on Tuesday, November 9, 2021. The Hoxie team consisted of: Elyssa Rucker, Avery Reuber, Troy Swint, Adam Heim, and Nathan Snyder. The team took second place in the tournament and was awarded medals. They were defeated by WaKeeney, who took first place and never lost a match. Atwood took third place at the tournament. The other schools that participated in the tournament were: Norton, St. Francis, Philipsburg, Colby, and Oberlin. Hoxie's high scorers were Troy Swint with 80 points, and Elyssa Rucker with 70 points. All the rounds were low-scoring matches. The team worked really well together only to lose out on matches to Norton and WaKeeney. The HHS Scholars Bowl Team will travel to Goodland on November 16. Make sure to wish all participants good luck, and we hope to bring home the gold!

HHS Scholars' Bowl Team Take Third at Cowboy Classic

Hoxie High School took the varsity team to the Cowboys Classic Varsity Invitational Scholars' Bowl Tournament on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. Hoxie's team consisted of Troy Swint, Adam Heim, Elyssa Rucker, Maddy Snyder, Wes Reuber, and Brenden Cook. The team took 3rd place at the tournament. They were defeated by Syracuse who placed 2nd, and Sharon Springs-Wallace who placed 1st. Other schools that participated in the tournament were Brewster, Colby, Cheylin, St. Francis - teams 1 and 2, Oakley, Quinter, Golden Plains - teams 1 and 2, and Goodland - teams 1 and 2. Hoxie's top three high scorers were Troy Swint with 230 points, Elyssa Rucker and Maddy Snyder both with 130 points.

Coach Jackie Campbell commented, "The team did a great job. Their first round they had a tie breaker with Oakley and lost 60-70, their only loss for Pool A. They beat the undefeated team Syracuse 90-60, which placed them first in their pool and moved them into finals. They then matched up with Wallace, which was the 2nd place team in Pool 2 and lost 50-70. Hoxie then went head-to-head with Quinter for 3rd and 4th place and beat them 80-40 and ended up overall with third place.

The next high school scholars' bowl tournament is on Monday, December 6, 2021, at Hill City.

Hoxie JH Basketball vs TMP

By Levi Gleason, Sentinel Staff Writer, Tomahawk Chief Editor

On Thursday, November 4, the Hoxie Junior High School basketball boys played at home (grade school) against TMP. This was their second game of the season, led by Head Coach Kade Wessel, and Assistant Coach Tristan Schwarz.

To start off the article, we have the Hoxie B-Team Game vs TMP. All tensions were high as the boys got ready for the toss-up, nervous/anxious to see what they had in store for the rest of the night. After what felt like an eternity, the buzzer sounded, possession starting with TMP. Five seconds later, TMP made the first score of the night. The next three quarters were filled with many close calls and hard plays. The Hoxie B-Team ended the night with a score of 2-71.

Next, the Hoxie C-Team Game vs TMP. The Hoxie C-Team was able to watch their teammates the entire last game and get a bit of a feel of how TMP played, so they were set a little more than B-Team. The C-Team, as some of you may know, only play a half game (two quarters). The players were visibly amped up and wanted to show TMP that Hoxie should not be messed with. By the end of the end of the game our players scored 2 points against TMP's 21, making a final score of 2-21.

Finally, was the Hoxie A-Team vs TMP. These players are what some may call the junior high version of varsity and is usually compiled of both the most senior/best players. The boys started the game off with a BANG, scoring the first point in less than 10 seconds. The highest scorer of the game was Ian Giancola, scoring over half of the team's points. While one person may have made the majority of goals, there was no lack in teamwork among these young athletes and made the game very entertaining. Even after this edge-of-the-seat game, it ended with a score of 18-71.

MS Hosts First Meet

By Jaqueline Manriquez

The Golden Plains Middle School Scholars Bowl held their first meet on October 25 at Rexford. There were two teams for the 6th grade. The 6th grade black team won with first place while the 6th grade red didn't place. The 7th grade placed 3rd while the 8th grade team did not place.

The 6th graders team black won six rounds over Grinnell/Wheatland, GP Red, Weskan, Cheylin, Brewster and Triplains, and

lost one round to Heartland Christian. Team members included Cristian Garcia, Tanner Todd, Lakin Wark, Elizabeth Weiner, Brenlynn Rath, and Takoda Cline. "It went well for our first meet," said 6th grader Takoda Cline. "It was a good experience. Their questions were fun and challenging to answer."

The GP Red team competed well but was unable to win any rounds. The team included Briella Knowles, Evelyn Ortiz, Manuel Holquin Ibarra, Mayte Hernandez, and Shayna Altman. Although

GPHS All-School Play "The Purrfect Crime"



Golden Plains High School presented the all-school play "The Purrfect Crime" on November 11 and 13 in Rexford. Cast and crew members included (l-r) Ethan Shea, Ethan Weiner, Wyatt Amlong, Alisha Brantley, Dominic Stout, Ava Brantley, McKinzie Horobik, Jamie Graves, Emma Weiner, Memo Aragon, Siena Vargas, Mariah Barnett, Tayten Barnett, and Blake Durham. This year's play was directed by Christie Barnett (front). (Photo by Judy Rogers)

Scholars Win at Rawlins County



The Golden Plains 8th grade Scholars' Bowl team placed first at the Rawlins County meet on November 8 in Atwood. The team went undefeated throughout the day. Team members competing included (l-r) Tanner Black, Jaxson Vasbinder, Braylee Knowles, Dylan Wark, and Zeke Weiner. (Photo by Jennifer Spresser)

By Luz Aguilar

The Golden Plains Middle School Scholars Bowl Teams had their second meet of the season at Atwood on November 8. The seventh graders placed 3rd and the 8th grade won first place at the meet.

The 8th graders went undefeated in 5 rounds winning against Decatur County, Cheylin, Rawlins County, Colby, and Goodland. Team members were Jaxson Vasbinder, Zeke Weiner, Tanner Black, Braylee Knowles, and Dylan Wark. "We need to work on our science and history," said 8th grader Braylee Knowles.

The 7th graders won three rounds against Decatur County, Cheylin, and Rawlins County, and lost two rounds against Colby and Goodland. The round with Rawlins County went to four tie-breaker questions. Golden Plains ended up winning against Rawlins 60 to 50. Team members included Kailee Wessel, Addy Wessel, Kadalen Unrein, Katie Carter, and Lusía Ramirez-Rodriguez.

"At the beginning, I was very nervous," said Luisa Ramirez-Rodriguez, "but at the end I was excited." The Middle School Scholars Bowl team will have their next meet at Cheylin in Bird City on December 6.

First Time/First Place!
The 6th grade scholars bowl team won their first ever meet at Rexford October 25. Team members included (back) Lakin Wark, Cristian Garcia, Takoda Cline; (front) Brenlynn Rath, Elizabeth Weiner, and Tanner Todd. (Photo by Judy Rogers)



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School Calendars: Nov. 30-Dec. 4, 2021

HHS USD #412

Tuesday, November 30
4:30pm JH BB vs Smith Center
Thursday, December 2
6:00pm JH BB @ MCEL Play-in
Friday, December 3
4:30pm JV/V BB @Norton
6:00pm V WR Dual vs Colby
Saturday, December 4
10 V WR @ Hoxie Tourn.
10 JH BB @ MCEL

GPHS USD #316

Monday, November 29
7pm MS/HS Christmas Concert
Tuesday, November 30
All Day-FFA Veterinary Science Judging
4pm HS SB @ Tribune
Wednesday, December 1
8:15am WKLL Scholarship Testing
Thursday, December 2
7pm Elementary Christmas Concert
Friday, December 3
6pm HS BB vs Weskan

WHS USD #292

Tuesday, November 30
4pm HS SB @ Tribune
Friday, December 3
4pm HS BB vs Logan/Palco

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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WHS FFA Honored by Gove County Farm Bureau



Junior Nathan Vollbracht and senior Jaidlyn Harvey accept a check from Gove County Farm Bureau President, Katie Blackwill. The chapter was honored at the Farm Bureau annual meeting on Monday, November 16, 2021. (WHS photo)

By Elizabeth Thoe, FFA Sponsor

FFA was honored Monday 11-15-2021 by the Gove County Farm Bureau Association. We were invited to attend their annual meeting and dinner with their members. We were then honored to be given the Kansas Farm Bureau New Chapter Sponsorship and a check for our FFA Chapter. In attendance to accept the check were Nathan Vollbracht, FFA Reporter; and Jaid Harvey, FFA Member. Presenting the check is Gove County Farm Bureau President, Katie Blackwill.

Season Ends, Awards Begin

By Livia Schultz, Co-Editor

As the 2021 season came to an end, the Lady Thunderhawks began receiving post season volleyball awards. The WKLL League recognizes players and composes them into three teams. This year, seniors Livia Schultz, Anna Godek, and sophomore Karoline Schroeder were awarded WKLL All League 1st Team. Junior Kerri Heier was named to the 2nd Team.

After the state tournament came to an end, Class 1A DII 2021 All State Tournament Team was announced. Schultz was selected by the Kansas Volleyball Association for this recognition. The final postseason honor to be announced was the K.V.A. All State Class 1A DII teams. Schroeder was announced to the Honorable Mention team, Godek made the second team, and first team was Schultz.

Head Coach Shannon Foster said, "I am very excited for all of our girls that earned postseason awards. It shows that other coaches have an appreciation for our team and all the athletes we have. These awards were definitely made possible by a strong performance by the team!"

Meet

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they didn't win any rounds, they gained experience and had fun competing. "The scholars' bowl meeting went well for the most part," said Briella Knowles. "We were too nervous and anxious, and it made us buzz in too early."

The 7th grade won 5 rounds over Triplains, Greeley County, Cheylin, Grinnell/Wheatland, and Weskan. They had two losses against Heartland Christian and Rawlins County for third place. Team members included Kadelen Unrein, Javier Romero, Addy Wessel, and Kailee Wessel. "It went good. We tried really hard, and we did the best we could," said Kailee Wessel "We were not confident with our answers, and we second guessed ourselves."

The 8th graders had one win against Weskan but were unable to defeat Heartland Christian, Cheylin, Rawlins County, and Greeley County. Their team members included Zeke Weiner, Dylan Wark, Braylee Knowles, Marisol Perez, and Katie Carter. "For our first meet it went well," said Zeke Weiner. "It was fun for my first 8th grade scholars bowl!"

The next Middle School Scholars Bowl will be held at Atwood on November 8.

Tour of the Applied Tech Department

By Jaidlyn Harvey, Staff Reporter

On Tuesday, November 16, some of the Wheatland High School juniors and seniors went to Hays for an applied tech day. Hays hosted twenty-four different schools to come down and look at their equipment. Once they arrived, the students got a warm welcome from the FHSU committee. After the welcoming session was over, the schools broke out into nine mini sessions.

The first session talked about graphic communications and was hosted by Susan Dumler. Following the first session was a talk about the Technology and Engineering Collegiate Association (TEECA). After that was a session hosted by Mr. Kris Munsch. He talked about construction management. Joe Chretien, head of the electricity lab, followed the third session by speaking on industrial robots. Mr. Nathan Howard led the fifth session, and he talked about stem programs, 3-D printing, and laser cutting projects. Then Eric Deneault talked about Engineering design technology and undergraduate research. Zach Pixler spoke the seventh session. He gave everyone a



The students that attended the Jr. - Sr. Applied Tech Day were: (left to right) Senior Braden Gormley, Junior Robert Mason, Senior Trey Vincent, Junior Adam Phillips, Junior Nathan Vollbracht, Junior Treven Humphries, and Junior Kaleb Dohm. (WHS photo)

tour of the wood shop and showed them all of the equipment. Next was Mr. Dillion Bell who talked about how NCK Tech and Fort Hays work together for a little bit of manufacturing. Lastly, Mr. Randy Jordan led the final session. Mr. Jordan spoke on the happenings in the Metal lab.

Once the mini sessions were done, everyone had a boxed lunch, then the seniors got to take part in a scholarship drawing. At the very end of the day, they got a few campus highlights and even got a tour of the entire campus. The boys enjoyed what they saw, and everyone seemed to enjoy their day!

Junior Adam Phillips said, "It was interesting! It was also nice to do things that I actually enjoyed." Miss Diane Wetter, Applied Technology teacher said, "The applied technology Jr./Sr. Day at Hays is an excellent opportunity for students to learn about each of the programs in the applied tech department at FHSU! The department offers a lot of hands-on training for the students such as CNC machines, 3-D printers, laser engravers, welding, woods, screen printing and much more. It is also an educational experience for the students and will hopefully put them one step closer to choosing success."

Thunderhawks State Bound First Date with State, Trying to Put a Ring on It

By Anna Godek, Staff Reporter

Friday, November 19, is a date that will never be forgotten! The Thunderhawk football team punched their ticket to state with a 42-30 win over the Victoria Knights, the best possible way to avenge their loss last year to Victoria in Sectionals. The game was held on the Thunderhawk home field with a kickoff at 7:00 p.m. Stands were packed, and the crowd was rowdy.

Senior Isaac Mendez led the team in points with four touchdowns and two conversion points resulting in a total of 26 out of 42 points. Mendez also led the team in tackles with a total of 19. Junior Jett Vincent was close behind with 15 total tackles. Mendez also had 235 total yards, 121 of them being rushing. Senior quarterback Trey Vincent threw 179 passing yards.

Head coach Jesse Vincent says, "Victoria presented themselves as our toughest opponent and I was thankful for how the boys responded. It was a full hard-hitting game. I feel so blessed to coach this group of young men and look forward to fighting for a State Championship in Newton."

The Thunderhawks have NEVER been to a state game. Senior Ryan Heier says, "Winning Friday is one of the best feelings I've ever experienced. It's bittersweet knowing it's my senior year." The 2021 team has made history and will play a revenge game against Axtel in Newton on Saturday, November 27 at 3 pm. Congratulations to the team and coaches for all the hard work and effort they have put in. Proud day to be a Thunderhawk!

Junior and Senior Career Day

By Isabella Ostmeyer, Co-Editor

The junior and senior classes at Wheatland High School recently finished their participation in a weekly guest speaker to influence decisions they will need to make when on their own and in college.



Students thoughtfully choose their vehicle while taking into consideration their monthly budget at the automotive table at the career fair. (WHS photo)

The first week consisted of information about insurance, the second week covered taxes, and the third week was a tiny glimpse of an introduction of the finale. Finally, students spent a day-in-the-life of an adult.

On Wednesday, November 10, the students used all knowledge gained throughout these various speakers to spend a day in the life of either an individual post education or a student that is still in college. All had to make their own decision on transportation, insurance, groceries, and all the extras. They were given a monthly budget already figured for what field of study they plan to go into.

Students were bussed to the 4-H building in Grainfield where GCDC and Grainfield Extension already had tables and employees at their stations. They had the day well prepared beforehand.

We would like to give a big thank you to GCDC and the Grainfield Extension. They did a great job on preparing these students for their future life on their own. They also provided pizza for the participants to enjoy when they arrived back at the high school.

Junior Halle Habiger shares, "It was a very cool experience to get a taste of adult life that even threw real life obstacles into the mix."

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Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending November 21, 2021, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 13% very short, 26% short, 59% adequate, and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 14% very short, 26% short, 58% adequate, and 2% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 29% fair, 50% good, and 11% excellent. Winter wheat emerged was 89%, near 91% last year and 90% for the five-year average.

Soybeans harvested was 92%, behind 97% last year, and near 94% average.

Sorghum harvested was 91%, near 94% last year and 90% average.

Cotton condition rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 38% fair, 50% good, and 4% excellent. Cotton harvested was 47%, near 50% last year, and equal to average.

Sunflowers harvested was 93%, near 94% last year, but ahead of 88% average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 9% very poor, 17% poor, 38% fair, 35% good, and 1% excellent.

Inflation Impacts the Agricultural Industry

While commodity prices are strong for many crops, exorbitant input costs for seed, fertilizer, and chemicals are cutting deeply into the bottom line for many producers. The average retail price of anhydrous set a record this week at \$1,113/ton after increasing 38 percent from last month. Seven other major fertilizers tracked by DTN for the first week of November saw increases ranging from 9 to 36 percent as supply disruptions push prices to new highs. The inflated price of inputs is also being reflected on store shelves. "I want to say this loud and clear right now, that we risk a very low crop in the next harvest," said Svein Tore Holsether, the CEO and President of Yara International, a fertilizer company. "I'm afraid we're going to have a food crisis." Holsether said that the sharp rise in energy prices this summer and autumn had already resulted in fertilizer prices roughly tripling. The process of creating ammonia currently relies on hydropower or natural gas. "To produce a ton of ammonia last summer was \$110," said Holsether. "And now it's \$1,000."

Taxpayers' Report

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statement increase from last year. Taxes on irrigated land went up on your tax statement because the valuation on irrigated land was increased. Taxes on irrigated land increased from 12% to 16% in one year, which is considerable. The local counties don't have any decision authority in setting ag land valuation. This all comes from the Valuation Department in Topeka.

Please understand as you read this report that I am sharing information because I have been asked by several taxpayers this past week why their taxes went up...??? I have now answered that question.

It is useful to review the Property Tax Program. We have many boards here in Sheridan County that are elected and/or appointed to serve on these various boards. Many of them are vested with the responsibility to make decision and levy taxes on the taxpayers. Every year these boards are required to develop a budget for the upcoming year, and part of that process is to publish in *The Sheridan Sentinel* the time and place for their budget hearing, whereby the public can attend and express their view about the proposed budget. After the budget hearing is closed, the board votes to approve the proposed budget or to extend the time and reconsider the proposed budget.

Most of the time very few - if any - taxpayers attend these budget hearings, and therefore the budget is approved, and the amount of tax dollars is placed on the tax statement, which the taxpayers are required to pay. This is the system, and this is the way it is done.

Where were you when the tax hearing was being held??? This property tax system was developed many years ago and was a fair and equitable way to tax and pay for state, county, and city operational expenses. Over the year, property tax has been expanded and included absolutely every piece of property except those exempted. When property taxes were low, the system all worked well and was fair. But now, since property taxes have been raised and raised and raised, the system is no longer fair. Entrepreneurship work and effort is what made this country great. Now, if you expand your business and hire more employees and contribute to the overall expansion and success of your community you will be penalized with additional taxes. *We cannot tax ourselves into prosperity!* High taxes **always** lead to poverty.

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Bryan Barnett

December 23, 1964 ~ November 14, 2021



Bryan Tate Barnett was born in Hays, KS on December 23, 1964, to Bill & Sondra (Wark) Barnett. He went home to be with the Lord at the age of 56, on November 14, 2021, at the University Medical Center in El Paso, TX.

Bryan grew up on a farm north of Gem, KS and learned the principles of hard work and family values. He worked for a number of farmers around this area.

He graduated from Colby High School. He had a passion for flying and earned his private pilot's license at the age of 16. After graduation, he moved to Florida, working in food service while he attended F.I.T. flight school. He served in the U.S. Marines and afterward, stayed and worked as a salesman in North Carolina. He was also involved in street ministry while there.

He returned to Kansas and married Lori Homer in 1995. He became a father to her two sons and two more sons were born to this union.

Following the death of his father, Bryan and two of his brothers became the pastors at Christian Heritage Church in Liberal, KS.

Bryan worked in the construction business, jointly forming Barnett Home Improvements with two of his brothers. As a man of vision, he helped to create many attractive renovations. He was a general contractor and built several houses. He had a trucking business that was growing at the time of his passing.

Bryan was very involved in ministry of any kind. He was an ordained minister of the Pentecostal Holiness. He served as Youth Pastor in both Word of Life Church in Liberal, KS and Seeds of Hope Church in Sublette, KS. He was involved with the Ministerial Alliance in Liberal and was the first Police Chaplain there. Bryan loved music and was the sound and lighting technician for many different groups & bands. He was the director of the Light House Ministry & performed and directed worship sets, block parties, and other Christian events. One of his favorite ministry outlets was the Tribe of Judah Motorcycle Ministry and he served as president of the El Paso, TX branch. He held a full patch with them.

Bryan married his wife Carmen at a small ceremony on October 8, 2020, in El Paso, TX.

Bryan was a free spirit who colorfully wrote his own story, filling each chapter of his life to the fullest. His adventures were defined by his larger-than-life personality, his sense of humor and his giving heart. He took on the role of father & mentor to many in his life, with a determination to help, and with a passion to share his abiding faith in God. He was a devoted and faithful Christian and an active member of Grace Christian Center in El Paso.

Bryan was preceded in death by his father Bill; grandparents, Ralph and Velma Barnett, and Lawrence and Hulda Wark; and stepson Mitchel Franz.

He is survived by his wife Carmen, of El Paso; sons, Elijah (Ashley) Barnett and Joshua Barnett, both of Moses Lake, WA; his mother, Sondra Dahl and step-father Jay Dahl, Rexford, KS; his brothers, Todd (Mandy) Barnett, Azle, TX; Scott (Vicki) Barnett, Wichita, KS; and Cory (Tessy) Barnett, Liberal, KS; his sister Shalom (Jason) Schult, Pretty Prairie, KS; stepsons, Luis Alberto (Magda Loya), Chihuahua, Mexico, Jorge Alejandro (Anahi Loya), Chihuahua, Mexico and Matthew (Rachel) Franz, Moses Lake, WA; stepdaughter, Laura Rocio (Alredo Garcia), Chihuahua, Mexico; step-siblings, Tina (Jon) Anderson, Goodland, KS, Tim Dahl, Rexford, KS, and Linda (Bob) Dunn, Topeka, KS; 24 nieces & nephews, 13 great nieces & nephews, many extended family members, and a host of friends.

Celebrations to honor Bryan's life were held Saturday, November 20, 2021, at Grace Christian Center in El Paso, TX, and Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at College Drive Assembly of God in Colby, KS. His final resting place will be beside his father at Beulah Cemetery in Colby. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Machine Gun Preacher, at machinegunpreacher.org, or Manantial De Luz Orphanage in Mexico, which Bryan supported, by texting "Give" to 844-935-3370 or sending checks to Family Destiny, PO Box 557, Liberal, KS. For information or condolences visit www.baalmannmortality.com.

Commission Minutes 11/9/21

Now on this 16th day of November 2021, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Buck Mader, Joe Pratt County Attorney, and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guests were Carolyn Meyer and Reba White.

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

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Curtis Higby, Noxious Weed Director, came to the table. A bid was opened from Nutrien Ag Solutions for Kaput Prairie Dog bait. The bid was for 2000 lbs and the cost was \$2.25/lb or \$4,500. There is no expiration on the chemical. Mader made a motion to approve the bid from Nutrien Ag for the Kaput Prairie Dog bait. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Higby stated he has treated several prairie dog towns and that is what he is currently concentrating on.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. Herskowitz stated he had reached out to Ken Weber and there is a chip that can be plugged in and used with an app to be able to open and close the garage door at the recycling building.

Herskowitz distributed pictures of the bridge north of Selden. The Board discussed the bridge and agreed putting a culvert in is the best option.

It would be 30"-36" wide and 40' long.

The Board discussed the Sheridan/Graham County line bridge, which Erwin Construction has completed. Bracht was given the bill from Erwin Construction for the bridge work in the amount of \$17,535. It will be paid this week.

The Board and Herskowitz discussed the bridge report received from Penco Engineering, which lists the bridges in order of needing the most work.

The Board reviewed a bid from Teeter Oilfield Service for re-elevating seven miles of road on 60N/Hwy 23 to 70W. The bid is in the amount of \$17,087.50. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the bid seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0.

There was discussion about individuals coming to help farmers with harvest being able to work for the County as seasonal employees. Herskowitz stated he feels they are sitting ok now with the four additional individuals who are helping grade plus the individuals dragging and mowing.

Pratt briefly brought up the Opiate Settlement document. Bracht will complete the paperwork to opt in.

Pratt stated he sent letters to landowners about prairie dogs being on their land and that they can either take care of them or contact the Noxious Weed Department to take care of them.

Resolution No. 21-39 Sale of Equipment was approved and signed by the Board on a motion by Mader and second

by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0. This Resolution pertained specifically to selling of extra drag equipment. It will be placed in the paper.

Joe Bainter made a motion to approve the November 9, 2021 Minutes as amended seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0.

There was a short discussion about the "Y" east of Selden and the condition it is in.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the November 16, 2021 Warrants as presented. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Board accepted the bid from Tri-Central Office Supply for a new LexMark MS823dn printer in the amount of \$2,700 on a motion from Joe Bainter and second from Mader. Carried 3-0.

Pratt distributed paperwork to Carolyn Meyer regarding 501c3 designation and non-profit information.

Wes Bainter made a motion to amend the agenda to include Carolyn Meyer. Joe Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Meyer presented a rough draft business plan for Pregnancy Pathways and We Care Shelter and reviewed the document with the Board. Reba White posed questions about statistics for our county and bordering counties as it pertained to teen pregnancy and abortion and if birth control options were going to be made available.

Pratt discussed with the Board the Sheridan County Community Foundation and the "donor advise funds". Pratt stated this is where you donate to the Community Foundation for a specific project. It goes in the big pool and is then disbursed when needed. There is a fee associated with this process, but it allows people to give to an entity and use it as a tax deduction. Pratt stated the Pregnancy Pathway organization needed to gather and get a meeting going.

At 9:48, Joe Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of five minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the Board, Bracht and Pratt. The door opened at 10:00 with no decision being made.

The following Warrants were audited and approved:

General \$ 8,320.21
Road & Bridge \$255.30
Offender Reg \$75.00
Public Transp \$38.05
MV \$11.46

At 10:05 with no further business, Joe Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at 8:00 in the first-floor foyer.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BARTON COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LOIS JEWEL BOXBERGER, DECEASED.

Case No. 2021-PR-000087

ORDER FOR HEARING

The Court finds that the Amended Petition to Admit Foreign Will to Probate and Record filed by Donald J. Everett, should be heard on December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. in this court and notice of the time and place of hearing be given pursuant to K.S.A. 59-2209.

All instruments required by K.S.A. 59-2209 to be included with the Notice shall be served on all interested parties, and the Affidavit of Service shall so reflect, provided however, the Petitioner shall be excused from physically attaching to the Affidavit of Service copies of all instruments other than the Notice.

Judge of the District Court

APPROVED:

/s/
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of
JEANNIE MARIE HAMRICK, Deceased
(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. 2021-PR-000034

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are notified that on November 11, 2021, a petition was filed in this Court by Shelly Kuhn, a creditor of Jeannie Marie Hamrick, deceased, requesting Letters of Administration under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act to be issued to the Petitioner to serve without bond.

You are further advised under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act the Court need not supervise administration of the Estate, and no notice of any action of the Administrator or other proceedings in the administration will be given, except for notice of final settlement of decedent's estate.

You are further advised if written objections to simplified administration are filed with the Court, the Court may order that supervised administration ensue.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before December 6, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. in the District Court, 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.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

PETITIONER
/s/ Shelly Kuhn

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of
HARM LIPTON BRIERY, Deceased

Case No. 2020-PR-30

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 November 10, 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 December 10, 2021 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.

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Petitioner

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2021 TAX LEVY FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY

Rate of tax levied for 2021 on \$1,000. per assessed valuation
VALUES ARE AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021

TANGIBLE VALUATION OF SHERIDAN COUNTY IS \$72,638,700, INCLUDING PENALTY OF \$38,328.

Table with columns: STATE, K.S.A., Levy, CITY FUND LEVIES, K.S.A., Levy. Rows include Educational Building Fund, State Institutional Fund, TOTAL STATE FUNDS, COUNTY FUNDS, General, Road & Bridge, Nuisance Weed, Library Service Contract, etc.

Table with columns: FIRE DISTRICT LEVIES, K.S.A., Levy, Valuation, Levy. Rows include Oakley Fire, Rural Fire 1, Rural Fire 4.

Table with columns: REGIONAL LIBRARY, K.S.A., LEVY, Valuation, GENERAL, Employee Benefits, TOTAL.

Table with columns: TWIN CREEK EXTENSION, K.S.A., 2-423, District, Valuation, Levy. Rows include District 9.

VALUATIONS LISTED ARE SHERIDAN COUNTY VALUATIONS ONLY, STATE OF KANSAS, SHERIDAN COUNTY, SS: I, Heather Bracht, Clerk of Sheridan County, Kansas hereby certify the foregoing are the legal levies of Sheridan County, Kansas for the year 2021 as shown by the records on file in my office.

Table with columns: JUNITED SCHOOL DISTRICTS, 211, 274, 281, 292, 293, 294, 316, 412. Rows include JALUATION, General, JALUATION, Supp Gen, Cap Outlay, Recreation, Bond & Interest, TOTALS.

Table with columns: 2021 Levies by Taxing Unit, TAX UNIT, LEVY, USD, GEN, CEM, TWP, LEVY. Rows include ADELL TWP, BLOOMFIELD TWP, Broomfield Tax Units, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, BOWCREEK TWP, Bowcreek Tax Unit, 350, KENNETH TWP, Kenneth Tax Unit, 360, JOGAN TWP, Jogan Tax Units, 370, 371, 372, JANNELL TWP, Jannell Tax Units, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, HARRIS DOG TWP, Harris Dog Tax Units, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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Notice of Sale of Abandoned Motor Vehicles

Pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1102 the following abandoned motor vehicles which have been impounded by the Sheridan County Sheriff's Office & Hoxie Police Department. These vehicles and contents will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on December 13, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Sheridan County Sheriff's Office Parking lot at 940 8th St. Hoxie, KS.

Owners, if any, have failed to claim impounded vehicles. The owners thereof may claim their vehicles & contents within ten (10) days of the second publication of this notice by paying the removal, storage, & publication costs incurred.

If a vehicle was previously titled by a state other than Kansas or as a non-highway vehicle, a Motor Vehicle Identification number verification form will also be required to obtain title of any vehicle purchased & will be the responsibility of the buyer to request the verification & pay the costs involved.

The Sheridan County Sheriff's Office and Hoxie Police Department Reserves the right to withdraw any or all of the described vehicles prior to time of sale. No implied warrant of condition shall be understood by such sales.

All sales shall be made under conditions imposed by the auctioneer representing the Sheridan County Sheriff's Office an all sales must be settled at the time of the sale. Titles will be transferred to buyers, if available. Requirements of the state regarding titles to abandoned or unclaimed vehicles will be met by furnishing an Affidavit of Sale & proof of publication.

Vehicles in storage at the Sheridan County Sheriff's & Hoxie Police Department Impound Lot to be sold:

- Blue 2003 GMC Envoy XL VIN #1GKE16P83624641 to Aaron Daniel
Blue 1993 Ford Ranger VIN #1FTCR10XSPB25633 to Russell Wheeler
Red 1997 Ford F150 VIN #1FTDX1869VKA08945 to Tyler King
Gray 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme VIN #1G3W514W8JD391188 to Heather Roberson

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of
Dennis R. Rall, Deceased

Case No. 2021-PR-33

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned were duly appointed and qualified as Administrator of the estate of the above named decedent on the 19th day of October, 2021, and that Letters of Administration have been duly granted to said Administrators

All creditors of the above named decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

/s/ Douglas Rall, Administrator
/s/ David Rall, Administrator

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RESOLUTION NO. 21-39
SALE OF EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Sheridan County Commissioners have devised a plan to employ independent contractors to groom selected county roads with Road Groom Road Drag Machinery and as part of the Agreement said independent contractor is to own such a machine; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of five machines were contracted to be delivered so as to have available for independent contractors expressing interest in the Drag Agreements; and

WHEREAS, two drags have been purchased directly and three remain to be sold but due to previously interested independent contractors delaying payment, the cost of such drags were satisfied by the Sheridan County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Sheridan County Commissioners wish to treat the existing independent contractors and or new contract Drag Agreement independent contractors fairly they establish by this Resolution a sale procedure for the remaining road drags pursuant to K.S.A. 19-211 (b)(1) and will handle the sale of the remaining three drags as follows:

A Notice of Intent to Sell the remaining drags at private sale shall be published in the official county newspaper for two consecutive weeks; and

The road drags shall be described and it shall be noted they are for sale; and,

The price of a road drag shall be fixed price of \$16,900; and,

A preference for sale shall be given those executing a Sheridan County Road Drag Agreement over those just seeking to buy the road drag but not enter an agreement to provide road dragging of county roads.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Commissioner, Sheridan County, Kansas have adopted the above resolution this 16th day of November, 2021.

SHERIDAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wesley Bainter

Joe Bainter

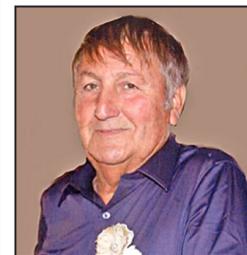
Mike Mader

Attest:
Heather Bracht, County Clerk

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Gary Smith

June 23, 1947 ~ November 16, 2021



Gary Lee Smith, 74, of Hoxie, KS unexpectedly passed away at the Sheridan County Health Complex on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. He was born June 23, 1947, to Lawrence and Vera (Brown) Smith in rural Norton County at the family home, one of eight children. The family lived on the farm in Norton County until they moved to Hoxie in May 1954.

Gary attended the Hoxie Schools, graduating with the Class of 1966. After graduation, Gary attended Northwest Technical College in Goodland. He graduated as an electrician. After graduating from Northwest Tech, Gary served in the United States Army. After serving his country, he married LaRene Cressler in May 1973. They lived in Holcomb, KS, and Gary worked for Geier Electric. Their daughter, Jerri Lea, was born in Holcomb. The family moved back to Hoxie, where Dustin Joe was born in 1977. They later divorced. Gary married Crystal L. Jamison, April 2, 2010, at the Hoxie Christian Church.

Gary and his brother Dale had an electrical and plumbing business in Selden for years. Gary went on to expand Smith Electric and operated on Main Street, Hoxie, for many years. He loved his profession and worked hard for his customers. One source of pride to Gary was hiring high school students and coaching them toward an electrical trade. The family later built a new home in rural Salina. Gary's grandchildren were the light of his life; Dakota Joe Coats, Madisyn Lea Coats, Treyton Mark Coats, Johanna Layne Smith, Emery Pearl Smith, Micah Matthew Keller Smith, Ruby Emma Irene Smith, Kayson Ruda, and Kinsley Ruda.

Gary 'retired' and moved back to Hoxie. Soon, Gary realized he was bored and went back to self-employment and helped with many electrical projects. In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, having a big garden, hunting for arrowheads, tinkering, working on his old truck, looking at wildlife, and killing rattlesnakes. When traveling, he enjoyed driving the country roads, pulling out his old paper map and taking his family on an adventure. Gary had made the decision to be an organ donor. He never knew a stranger; many said, "He sure was a nice guy."

Gary is survived by his loving wife Crystal L. Smith; children, Jerri Coats of Wichita, Dustin Smith, and wife Sarah of Lawrence, and Brittni Ruda and Zeb of Ludell; sister, Karen Allen of Hoxie; brothers, Donald Smith and wife Paula of Gilbert, AZ, and Dale Smith and wife Gail of Colona, IL; grandchildren, Dakota Coats (Mason), Madisyn Coats, Treyton Coats (Peyton), Johanna Smith, Emery Smith, Micah Smith, Ruby Smith, Kayson Ruda, and Kinsley Ruda; and friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents Lawrence and Vera Smith, sisters, Xyla Smith and Delores Smith; brothers, Dean Smith and Larry Smith and wife Mary Ellen; grandchild, Keller Jo Smith.

A funeral service was held Monday, November 22, 2021, at the Christ Community Church in Hoxie. Interment followed the service in the Hoxie City Cemetery. Visitation was Sunday, November 21, 2021, with family receiving friends, all at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, Hoxie. Memorials are suggested to the Sheridan County Benefit Walk or Hoxie Hotrodders. Memorials may be sent in care of Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, PO Box 987, Hoxie, Kansas 67740. Words of comfort may be left at www.mickeyleopoldfuneral.com.

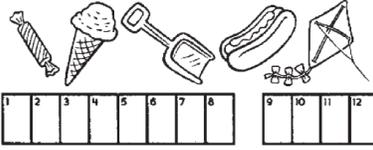
A BETCH-YA! Place a dime on the tablecloth, between two quarters, and cover with an empty glass so that the glass rests on the quarters. The bet is to remove the dime without touching either the coins or the glass.

SECRET: Scratch the tablecloth, opposite the dime, and it will come out from under the glass.



Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



Illustrated by David Coulson

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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WHERE ARE WE?

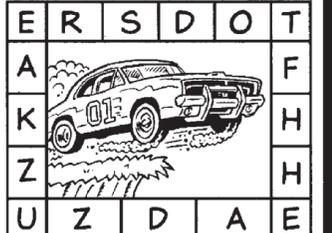
THE ANSWER to that question lies below. First you must correctly fill in the missing letters in the 12 words listed here. Then, transfer these same letters to the correspondingly numbered positions above. You should then have the name of a favorite American vacation spot.

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|-----------|------------|
| (1) D_NCE | (7) BEG_N |
| (2) GA_ES | (8) A_ORN |
| (3) SCA_P | (9) BA_ON |
| (4) AD_PT | (10) F_NDS |
| (5) _AILS | (11) BEA_S |
| (6) CHAR_ | (12) _EAST |

It's tricky! More than one letter will fit in some cases, but only one letter is the correct one. Use the trial-and-error method, and a good eraser!

Words are dance, gates, scarf, adapt, nails, chair, begin, acorn, bacon, finds, beats, yeast. The vacation spot is Atlantic City.

THE FLYING FENDERS! Hidden at right is the name of a famous TV program. Find the name by reading every other letter in the frame as you go around it clockwise. The trick is to start at the right letter.



LINKUPS! Here's a list of 12 one-syllable words, divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them. To do this, draw a line from one word in the left column to one word on the right.

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|---------|------|
| 1. DAM | TONE |
| 2. CALL | LED |
| 3. DRAW | HER |
| 4. BAN | USED |
| 5. ACE | PEST |
| 6. FEAT | DIED |

Wampst, cauliseq, drawied, dangied, acetone, feather.

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: X equals M

XZ UVB RL CBOVCKYQQZ JIOBCYO
KJB XVRPNOPVPUO. R'QQ VLM NSO
XOUSVPRU NJ USOUM RN VN SRL
JRQROLN UJPIOPROPUO.

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Kids' Maze



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SCRAMBLERS
Unscramble the letters, write each exchange to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gap.

Deal: RATED
Bonus: DRAWER
Keep: NEARIT
Ignite: LINKED

Today's Word: _____

"Isn't it about time you _____ in this heap?"

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

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

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

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

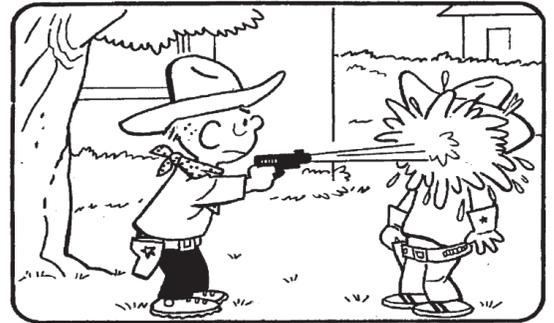
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UIF SPBE UP TDIPPM?

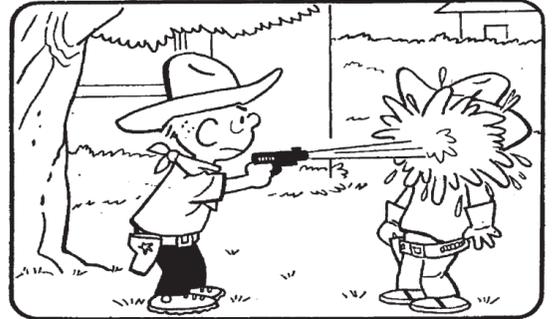
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



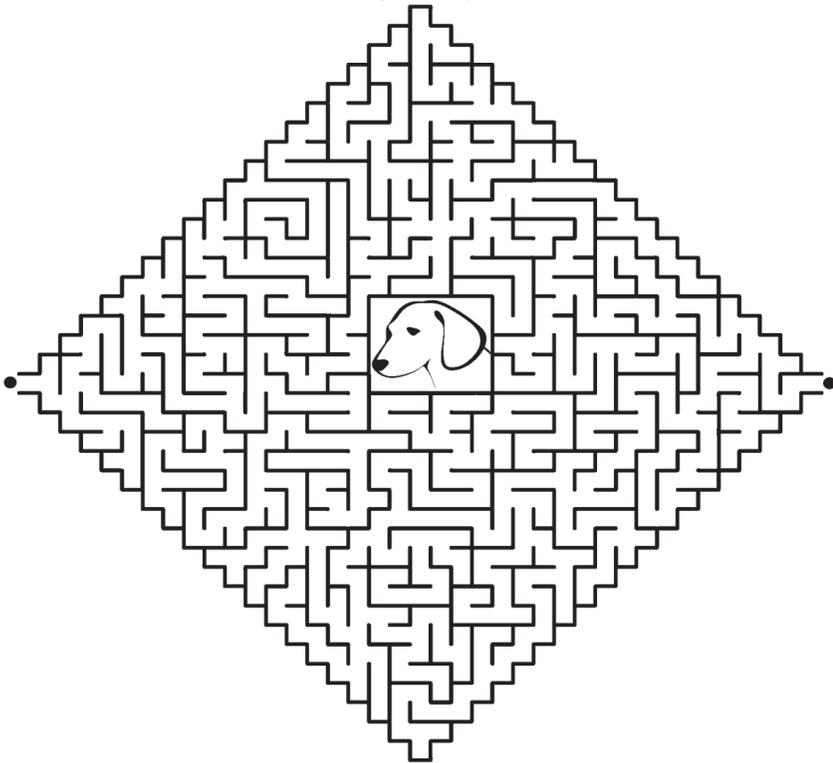
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bandanna is different. 2. Star on glove is missing. 3. Leaves are added. 4. Sleeve is shorter. 5. Sneakers are different. 6. Hedge is taller.

Mega Maze

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Super Crossword

OVERTHINKING THINGS

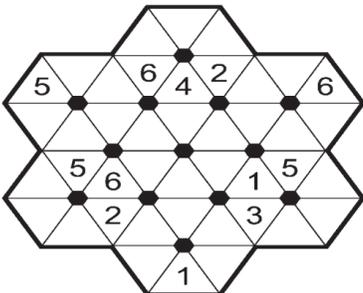
- ACROSS**
- 1 Curved like a pothook
 - 8 Some Algonquians
 - 14 Gushes lava
 - 20 Cartoon cel material
 - 21 Bassett of Hollywood
 - 22 Witch's elixir
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 25 Shoe-collecting Marcos
 - 26 State whose cap. is Boise
 - 27 Company that retails outdoor gear
 - 28 FDR follower
 - 30 Gather, as a harvest
 - 31 Pooch's yap
 - 32 Riddle, part 2
 - 39 Free of charge, as legal services
 - 41 Make knotted
 - 42 Large simian
 - 43 Stroke gently
 - 44 Riddle, part 3
 - 48 Right wrongs
 - 49 Genesis game system maker
 - 50 Egg, formally
 - 54 "Cool beans!"
 - 57 Lenin's land: Abbr.
 - 60 Tubular pasta
 - 64 Part of REO
 - 65 Riddle, part 4
 - 70 — kwon do
 - 71 "Toyboat" singer Yoko
 - 72 Caravan layover locale
 - 73 See 112-Across
 - 74 Gift for music
 - 75 Riddle, part 5
 - 79 Ho-hum
 - 80 Like gear that quells mobs
 - 81 English lav
 - 82 Chair fixer of a sort
 - 83 Bug spray ingredient
 - 84 Auction, e.g.
 - 88 Oscar winner
 - 91 Riddle, part 6
 - 100 Toby drink
 - 103 Zodiac lion
 - 104 Hocus-pocus
 - 105 Big retail stores
 - 106 End of the riddle
 - 110 Nibble on
 - 111 Be furious
 - 112 With 73-Across, fluorescent paint brand
 - 113 Pampering, in brief
 - 114 Pal, to Yves
 - 115 Demonstrate clearly
 - 117 Riddle's answer
 - 125 Bleep bad words from
 - 126 Warning on an airplane wing
 - 127 Earhart or Lindbergh
 - 128 Tramps (on)
 - 129 Sub-locating devices
 - 130 Greek
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Looked at
 - 2 Apollo 7 astronaut
 - 3 Go toward
 - 4 "— girl!" ("All right!")
 - 5 Dads
 - 6 Verb ending in the Bible
 - 7 "Gloria in Excelsis —"
 - 8 Guy's sense of self-importance
 - 9 Neighbor of Michigan
 - 10 Entertainer's rep.
 - 11 "Ho-hum"
 - 12 Land in la mer
 - 13 Voice a quick greeting
 - 14 Inscription on a tombstone
 - 15 — -com (film genre)
 - 16 In — (gestating)
 - 17 Make a heap
 - 18 Up till now
 - 19 Talk testily to
 - 24 Hi-tech address
 - 29 Salty expanses
 - 31 Many an iDevice game
 - 32 The Lone Ranger's chum
 - 33 Gung-ho for
 - 34 Hamlet
 - 35 Operates, as a booth
 - 36 Northwestern French department
 - 37 Many a YouTube journal
 - 38 Pollen transporter
 - 40 Triumphs over
 - 45 Lifesaver, perhaps
 - 46 Football field unit
 - 47 Kind of IRA
 - 51 Determine by ballot
 - 52 Nervousness
 - 53 It shows reflections
 - 54 Passable
 - 55 Comedian
 - 56 "— Fideles" (Yule carol)
 - 58 Atop
 - 59 Doe's partner
 - 61 "Othello" role
 - 62 Wide divide
 - 63 Earlier
 - 65 Italian for "years"
 - 66 "Dumb" bird
 - 67 Suffix with 45-Down
 - 68 Stringed instrument of yore
 - 69 Canadian gas station
 - 71 Atop, to poets
 - 76 Essential part
 - 77 Potential reply to "Who's there?"
 - 78 Shredded
 - 79 Round of gunfire
 - 82 Lay's snacks
 - 85 Oscar's kin
 - 86 Hop
 - 87 Corporate ID
 - 89 Takes unfair advantage of
 - 90 Girl in a J.D. Salinger story
 - 92 Part of REO
 - 93 Hands down, as a verdict
 - 94 Cato's robe
 - 95 More wee
 - 96 Lugs around
 - 97 Recluse under a religious vow
 - 98 Person acting as a link
 - 99 China's Sun — -sen
 - 100 Influence
 - 101 Shutter slat
 - 102 Ferret cousin
 - 107 High-IQ group
 - 108 Sacred songs
 - 109 Outer: Prefix in tic-tac-toe
 - 114 Central Asia's — Sea
 - 116 Flaky fish
 - 118 Winning row in tic-tac-toe
 - 119 Rival of AOL or Yahoo!
 - 120 NYC rail and bus org.
 - 121 "That'll show ya!"
 - 122 Adam's woman
 - 123 Petroleum
 - 124 Three, in Italy

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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: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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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: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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We are all aware of how dysfunctional our country is being run right now. This is the result of many good years of living the United States, where our governing bodies did a pretty good job of being fair and equitable to us American, and safeguarding our freedoms, such that we didn't really need to get involved. Things have dramatically changed. WE now find ourselves RULED, NOT GOVERNED...by Left Wing Radical Communists. Now it is absolutely necessary for all of us to get educated and get involved to make a better country. It's all up to us! It is interesting that the people who complain the most are also the people who are last on the list of people who will donate their time and make the effort to get involved and work to make things better. Remember, you will NOT receive the government that you deserve, you will receive the government that you are willing to work for!

I hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families. WE all have so much to be thankful for! Thanks for reading and GOD Bless!
WES BAINTER, Sheridan County Commissioner

2018 Grants

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2018 Grants Awarded: \$61,497.00
\$938.00, USD 412 Hoxie Community Schools, 6th grade field trip to Hays to participate in the Smoky Hills Education Service Center's Adventure Program on the Fort Hays State University campus
\$1,800.00, Kenoxie Archives & Museum, Storage materials to preserve historical copies of the newspaper
\$3,097.00, Sheridan County Sheriff's Department, Materials for the Drunk Buster Education Program
\$4,500.00, City of Hoxie, Construction of a nine-basket disc golf course at the Hoxie Walking Park
\$5,000.00, City of Hoxie, Replacement of lighting and poles at the Hoxie Tennis Courts
\$6,000.00, Hoxie Gun Club, Purchase, and installation of a light pole at the shooting range
\$9,500.00, USD 412 Hoxie Community Schools, Nine, indoor tower gardens for students to grow their own vegetables
\$2,000.00, Development Services of Northwest Kansas, Security camera system at the Hoxie Development Center
\$1,162.00, USD 412 Hoxie Community Schools, 6th grade field trip to Hays to participate in the Smoky Hills Education Service Center's Adventure Program on the Fort Hays State University campus
\$10,000.00, Hoxie Recreation, Renovations to the Hoxie Community Center on Main Street
\$7,500.00, Sheridan County Wellness Center, Two new treadmills at the wellness center
\$10,000.00, USD 412 Hoxie Community Schools, Playground equipment as part of a larger community-wide fundraising campaign
As a reminder, applications for these grants are accepted on a rolling deadline of the first of every month. They are reviewed at the SCCF's monthly meeting and notifications are sent out usually mid-month.

For more information and to apply, visit www.growsherdancounty.org/grants. You can also contact SCCF Board Liaison Karl Pratt at 785-675-1240, karlpratt.sccf@gmail.com.

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The crossing gourd.

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solution

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Answer

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Super Crossword
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