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TAXPAYERS' REPORT

This past week at our Commissioners Meeting, we continued to gather information about the budget requests of the various county departments. We will continue this process for the next few weeks and formulate what our 2021 Budget will be. It is important to know that *this process is NOT a budget!* This is the term used by the State of Kansas and thereby used by the counties to decide how much we are going to tax the property owners and how much the County wants to spend throughout the next year.

This process would be more accurately described as a "WISH LIST" of how much money the various county departments would like to have at their disposal to spend as the year progresses. If this were a true budget, we would analyze all the spending during the previous year and what the money was spent on. If you don't know the history of the spending for a particular department you have no idea if the amount requested for this department is a true and accurate request. It is important to request a breakdown of *all* the money spent to determine if all the expenditures were necessary and to determine if there is any room for less spending, as well as if there is a legitimate need coming up during this next year that is going to require additional spending or a need for a particular purchase. This is the process we are using to determine the amount of property tax we are going to levy.

We will be having a budget hearing where the taxpayers have an opportunity to come and discuss the proposed budget with the Commissioners and help to decide the final version of the 2021 budget. Watch *The Sheridan Sentinel* for the notice of our tax hearing. Please attend and ask any questions you have. Remember, this is *your* money that is being taxed and you have *every right* to ask how much and what it is going to be spent on!

Thanks for reading and GOD Bless!
WES BAINTER, Sheridan County Commissioner

Campaign Season Begins!



Sheridan County Attorney, Harry Joe Pratt, shows off his new election campaign sign on the back of his classic Jeepster. (Sentinel Staff photo)

Wheatland High School Commencement Ceremony Held June 20, 2020



Wheatland Graduating Class 2020 enjoying a moment together before the ceremony (front l&r): Saige Meier, Jett Schmidtberger, Jordyn Vincent (KSHSAA Citizenship Award recipient), Eidree Chapin, Jessi Shaw, Morgan Zimmerman (American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Award recipient), Jessica Heier (Salutatorian); (back l-r): Ethan Beckman (Valedictorian), Harrison Stephens, Colter Allemang, Chris Bixenman, Jordan Katt, Kyler Haffner, Jordan Ostmeyer. (WHS photo)

By Carolyn Nelson
Wheatland High School has 14 new alumni! On Saturday, June 20, the graduating Class of 2020 received their diplomas. The ceremony had been postponed for several weeks due to concerns about

the Covid-19 pandemic. However, recent CDC guidelines allowed students, family, and friends to attend the event in the WHS gymnasium.

Principal Todd Flinn welcomed the audience, then Kyler Haffner led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jett Schmidtberger guided everyone in a meditation. Valedictorian Ethan Beckman and Salutatorian Jessica Heier reminisced with their class about shared memories through their years of school.

Eidree Chapin introduced the commencement speaker, Mr. Steve Reed, WHS science teacher. Reed began teaching at WHS the year the graduates were sophomores. He praised the class for their strong work ethic and encouraged them to continue using this in the future. Reed also reminded the graduates of several humorous moments in biology and forensic science class. "My years at Wheatland High School will always leave me with memories of a great school and great people. It has been an honor being here."

Following the tribute to parents, Mr. Marvin Beesley presented the American Legion Award to Morgan Zimmerman and Ethan Beckman. Ms. Diane Wetter gave the WGGP scholarship to Morgan Zimmerman. Mr. Flinn presented the Dale M. Dennis Excellence

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Golden Plains 3rd Grade Class Receives Grant



The Golden Plains 3rd grade class received a \$3,000 Dane G. Hanson Grant that was used to purchase 15 iPads and cases for their classroom. Teacher, Lori Truetken, says they were a much-needed upgrade that allows students to take full advantage of the technology elements of their new ELA curriculum, as well as many other applications. The class also received money to purchase the charging/storage cart from the Midwest Energy Community Fund. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

BTI Hoxie Sponsors Paine Suter for John Deere Ag Tech Program with Full-Ride Scholarship



Paine Suter, a senior who has applied and been chosen to receive a full-ride scholarship to BTI's Ag Tech Program. This program guarantees employment for Paine at BTI as a Service Technician after graduating from the program. This 2-year program is a \$30,000 value.

The BTI Ag Tech program is a full-ride scholarship that includes tuition, fees, books, campus room and board, and a tool loan that the student will pay back interest free. This is all provided with a 5-year commitment to work for BTI after graduation. The Ag Tech program is a 2-year program that allows students to graduate with an associate degree from a community college that has a John Deere sponsored Ag Tech program. BTI partners with Fort Scott Community College, Garden City Community College,

and Southeast Community College in Milford, Nebraska and allows students to select the best fit for them. Students learn not only in a classroom setting, but they take what they have learned and head out to the shop and apply it in a hands-on setting. The program also includes internship opportunities at the student's BTI location during two scheduled program internships as well as school breaks, such as summers and spring break. During these internships, students learn from experienced Service Technicians and get paid during their internship!

"Paine is going to be a great service technician. We look forward to seeing him apply the knowledge he gains at school to our shop. Paine will be an asset to BTI Hoxie," said BTI Hoxie Service Manager Dan Morford.

While at Hill City High School, Paine has enjoyed his time in football, wrestling, and FFA. He also enjoys hanging out with friends and fishing in his free time. This fall he plans to attend Garden City Community

College in Garden City, KS, and he looks forward to all the new experiences college will bring.

About BTI
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ELECTION NOTICE

Voters who have returned an Application for Advance Ballot by Mail to the County Election Office MUST vote on an Advance Mail Ballot. Be aware that if you have returned this form you are unable to vote in-person on Election Day.

Additional Reminder: If you desire to advance vote and have not yet returned your application, please do so as soon as possible as the Advance Ballots will be mailed out on July 15.

If you have any questions, please call the Sheridan County Clerk's Office at 785-675-3361.

HAMA Food Pantry Receives Donation from Hoxie Rotary Club



The Hoxie Rotary Club, through the District Rotary, donated 60 boxes of food to the HAMA Food Pantry. Each box included oatmeal, cheesy rice, minestrone soup, pasta with Italian tomato basil sauce, mac & cheese, and Spanish rice. (Photo by Mike O'Dell, Hoxie Rotary President)

Hoxie High School 2020 Graduation

Saturday, July 18

3pm HS Auditorium

Graduation will be aired on Open Spaces Sports. Masks and distancing will not be required in the auditorium but please use what makes you comfortable.

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JENNINGS NEWS
 By Louise Cressler



We have had all kinds of different weather this past week. Some very hot windy days, some cooler days, and showers. Commodities were given Monday, June 22, at the Jennings City Office. There were 68 people receiving them. Our grandson, Preston Cressler from Salina came to visit me one day this past week. He cut down and hauled away a scraggy tree from our back yard. We then ate a late lunch before he went on to visit his dad, Russell. Through the Cares Act, Coronavirus Farmer's Assistance Program, the Jennings United Methodist Church will be getting some vegetables and fruit to give to the people in the community on Friday, July 3, at 2:00 p.m. Drive through the alley behind the church. There is no income guideline.

UPcoming EVENTS

Every Sunday:
 9am First Presbyterian Church Service

Every Tuesday:
 12pm Rotary
 7pm Fire Dept Mtg

Every Wednesday:
 9am Commissioner Mtg

Every Thursday:
 2:30pm Bible Study @ Ridgewood Manor, More info: Ronda 675-8911 or Joan 675-3106

Monthly:
 1st Monday - City of Hoxie
 1st Tuesday - HAMA
 1st Wednesday - Chamber of Commerce
 2nd Monday - BOE Mtg

Post your info **HERE!**
 Call 785-675-3321

Submission Guidelines
 Print-ready ads and content deadline: noon Tuesday
 Non-print-ready ads MUST be in by 3 pm Monday.
 Due to time constraints, all ad & content submissions must be emailed in .doc, .docx, or .pdf format; photos in .jpg or .png format. All non-print-ready ad submissions are subject to a design fee (starting at \$10).
 Please email articles, news, and photos to: editor@sheridansentinel.com or bring them by our office at 716 Main Street, Hoxie.
 We confirm receipt of all emailed submissions within 24-hours. If you have not received confirmation, or if it is a time-sensitive submission, please call us at 785-675-3321. sheridansentinel.com

SELDEN NEWS
 By Jacque Boultinghouse



Birthdays & Anniversaries: July 4: Curt Spresser, Troy & Nicole Moore, Scott Boultinghouse; July 5: Alessia Vargas, Cathy Broeckelman, Gale & Dale Smith, Jesse Miller; July 6: Jason Rogers, Sam Astalosh; July 7: AJ Stoll, Joey Lobato; July 8: Danielle Spresser Brown, Gabrielle Schiltz, Larry Radovich; July 9: Eric & Pam Washington, Gary Cheney.
 On Thursday, June 25, during Senior Citizens, the group enjoyed a good meal prepared by Gloria Goscha of Midway Cafe followed by an afternoon of pinochle. Alfred J. Albers won high with a score 614, Don Quackenbush took second with a score of 561 and Pat Wessel had the most nines. Others enjoying the day included Lillian Sulzman, Bob Wessel, Boyd Wilson, Margee Wilson, Don Juememann, Wilma Ritter and Carl Mumm. Everyone have a fun and safe 4th of July. Happy Independence Day!!!!

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 EMS 785-675-3364
 Emergency Mgmt. 785-386-8051
 County Clerk 785-675-3361
 Road & Bridge Dept. 785-675-3621
 Public Library 785-675-3102

Bainter Chiropractic
 Dr. Raquelle Bainter



Tuesday 9:00 - 12:00
 Thursday 2:00 - 5:30
 Saturday by Appointment
 800 Main St., Hoxie
 785-677-3077

Thomas County Farmer's Market Temporarily Closed

Following the recent coronavirus outbreak in Colby this past week, coordinators of the Thomas County Farmer's Market have decided to temporarily cancel the event until further notice. The market typically takes place every Wednesday afternoon from May through September in downtown Colby. "We are working on potential mechanisms for the market to operate during this public health crisis and we are hoping to allow some form of a farmer's market in the near future," said Director Travis Rickford. "It is important that farmers connect consumers to local produce and meat and we hope they'll continue to follow social distancing guidelines to sell online, through social media, and other means independently until we can establish proper health and safety protocols for reopening the Farmer's Market. "The goal is to maintain local food production and supply while preventing the person-to-person contact that spreads the coronavirus," he said. Visit www.facebook.com/thomascountyfarmersmarket for the latest updates. Additionally, people can contact Farmer's Market Coordinator Jacy Moss with questions and additional information. Moss can be contacted at jacym@nwksprevention.com or (785) 460-8177.

Firework Stands OPEN till July 5:
 D & H *Sparky's*

Hoxie Recreation:
 Thursday, July 2: PW Baseball 6:30pm at Hoxie
 Monday, July 6: CL 6:30pm at Hoxie
 Tuesday, July 7: Nitro Softball 6:30pm at Hoxie
 Minor League 6:30pm at Hill City
 PW Baseball 6:30pm at Trego
 Wednesday, July 8: Diva Softball 6:30pm at Quinter
 CL Baseball 6:30pm at Trego
 T-Ball - Contact the Rec to Sign up & Volunteer!

FREE Thursday, July 2
 Family Food Bags for all Hoxie Residents Pick up 11:15-12:45 @ First Christian Church

Prairie Museum of Art & History
 Annette Hutfles-Boardman Reception & Open House July 12 2-4pm

Selden Softball every Wednesday Night, T-Ball 6:30, Slow Pitch 7:30, HS/Adults 8:30 All Welcome!

Stella
 Stella Blue in Selden open July 4 11 a.m. till sold out. Limited food & cold beer.

Hoxie High School Junior/Senior Prom
 Saturday, July 11 7pm Cruise Main 7:45pm Promenade at HS Track 8:30-11pm Dance

HS Graduation July 18
 Thomas County Speedway Races July 10

Hoxie Medical Clinic Closed July 3

Sheridan County Public Health
 PREVENT. PROMOTE. PROTECT
 940 8th St. Hoxie, KS
 785-675-2101

Office Hours:
 M-Th 8a-6p
 F 8a-4:30p

Nurse Hours:
 M-Th 8:30a-6pm
 Closed for Lunch 12:30-1p

WIC Clinic
 M-Th 9a-4:30pm

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 716 Main Street
 Hoxie, KS 67740
 785-677-3994

Cruisin' to the Drive-in

Relive the Drive-in Movie Experience!
Smokey And The Bandit
 Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 8:45PM.
 Sheridan Co. Fairgrounds
 Admission: Free-will donations

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

Sunday Buffet

Pan Fried Chicken * Deep Fried Chicken
 Chicken Teriyaki * St. Louis Ribs
 Catfish

Sides: Mashed Potatoes & gravy and Vegetable
 Cake &
 Homemade Ice Cream
 11:00 am ~ 1:30 pm

July Harvest Special for Everyone
 5 oz Bacon Cheeseburger & Potato \$8.40
 Soda included

Carry-Out & Dine-In

Hoxie Hotrodders
 Lions Club Hoxie, KS

Boy Scouts will be serving burgers.
 Concessions Available
 Weather Providing
 For information call: 785-675-9070

Sheridan County Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

Weekly Agenda is posted Monday afternoon to the Sheridan County Clerk's Office Facebook page and the Sheridan County website. (http://www.kansas.gov/sheridan/).

WEDNESDAY, July 1, 2020
 Sheridan County Courthouse
 Agenda Subject to Change ~ Public Attendance Restricted

NO COMMISSION MEETING

NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8
 9am

CLOSED
Friday, July 3
 in observance of
July 4
 Courthouse * Public Health Office
 Road & Bridge Department * Landfill

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Community & SCHC News

Mealsite Menu

Reservations Call 675-2154

July 6 ~ July 10

- Monday:** Smothered Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Pineapple
- Tuesday:** Chicken Filet Sandwich, 3-Bean Salad, Cantaloupe, Bun, Pudding
- Wednesday:** Turkey a la King, Spinach Salad, Rosy Pears, Biscuit, Brownie
- Thursday:** Pork Cutlet, Scalloped Potatoes, California Blend Vegetables, Bread, Rosy Applesauce
- Friday:** Baked Fish, Creamed Potatoes, Peas, Bread, Strawberries & Bananas

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older with guests to attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday-Friday. Please call 675-2154 by 11 a.m. the day before, to make reservations. Home Delivery is available to those not able to dine in. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. Patrons over 60, a \$5.50 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.

Non-Profit Organization Looking for Community Members to Join Our International Team

World Heritage International Student Exchange Program (WH) is seeking representatives to work with volunteer host families and international exchange students in your community. WH provides academic year and semester exchange programs in the United States for high school students from around the world. Students are 15 to 18 years of age, have passed a series of academic and character requirements and are awaiting an opportunity to embark on their American adventure. Local Representatives also have the opportunity to support American high school students in their journey abroad.

Area Representatives recruit and screen prospective host families supervise the exchange students in their community throughout the year, and interview American students who wish to live and learn abroad. Area Representatives are compensated based on the number of students they are supervising.

WH's primary goal is to contribute to international understanding by enabling students to learn about other languages and cultures through active participation in family, school and community life. Through sharing their home, host families and communities also gain new knowledge and appreciation of other cultures and languages. WH's Area Representatives are the cornerstone of the organization, making all of this possible!

For more information about World Heritage or becoming an Area Representative, please call the World Heritage Office at (949) 342-1777 or 1 (800) 888-9040, email us at info@world-heritage.org or go to host.world-heritage.org to learn more. We look forward to welcoming you to the ranks of Area Representatives nationwide - striving towards a world of understanding, one child at a time!

World Heritage International Student Exchange programs, formerly known as Spanish Heritage, is a non-profit, public benefit organization affiliated with and operated under the sponsorship of ASSE International. World Heritage programs are conducted in accordance with the high standards established by the U.S. Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET). World Heritage is also a member of the Alliance for International Educational and Cultural Exchange.

Dennis and Zimmerman Make Washburn University Spring 2020 Dean's List

Washburn University has announced its Spring 2020 Dean's List honorees. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 3.4 to 3.99.

Congratulations to all of these students, Washburn University is proud of their hard work and commitment to their education.

Local Dean's List honorees include: Alexis Dennis of Hoxie, and Carlie Zimmerman of Grainfield.

Washburn-Founded in 1865, is a public institution with more than 200 academic programs. Washburn's programs lead to certification, associate, bachelor, master's degree, or doctor of nursing practice and juris doctor degrees.

In addition, Washburn Institute of Technology (Washburn Tech) is also part of the Washburn University family serving adult and high school students as well as business and industry participants with career specific training.

Washburn University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association and many of the individual programs have additional accreditations.

Rietcheck Completes Degree Requirements at Cloud County Community College

Austin Rietcheck of Hoxie, KS, has completed the requirements for the Associate of Applied Science degree from Cloud County Community College. Students completing the degree requirements were conferred degrees following the Spring 2020 semester. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the commencement ceremony did not take place.

Cloud County Community College offers a wide variety of courses leading toward completion of transfer and career degrees in four areas: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science and Associate of General Studies.

Cloud County Community College (CCCC) is one of 26 public two-year community and technical colleges in Kansas and is

coordinated by the Kansas Board of Regents. CCCC's service area encompasses a 12-county area primarily in north central Kansas with its two physical campuses in Concordia and Junction City.

City of Hoxie

CDBG-CV (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act CDBG #20-CV-031 Plan

The City of Hoxie has received a Community Development Block Grant to help local for-profit businesses retain jobs for low-to-moderate income people. CV funding can assist these businesses with issues triggered by the Covid-19 virus and when no other funds are available.

The City of Hoxie will begin accepting applications for CV assistance to businesses within the city limits of Hoxie beginning on July 2, 2020. Applications will be accepted for a 30 day period ending on August 1, 2020. Applications can be picked up and dropped off at the City Hall on or after July 2, 2020 at 829 Main Street, Hoxie, Kansas.

After the August 1, 2020 deadline, the City will review applications and award funds based on review of demonstrated need. Businesses will be notified in writing of the outcome.

Should additional funding remain after the first 30 day deadline, the City of Hoxie will advertise for a second 30 day application period.

Area Churches

- Christ Community Church
454 W Hwy 24
Hoxie
- First Presbyterian Church
1101 Sheridan Ave
Hoxie
- Hoxie Christian Church
1025 Queen
Hoxie
- Hoxie Church of Christ
1541 Oak
Hoxie
- Hoxie United Methodist Church
1325 15th St
Hoxie
- Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church
Hwy 223
Leoville
- Immanuel Lutheran Church
1400 Locust St
Hoxie
- Living Word Fellowship
454 Hwy 24
Hoxie
- Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
14988 E Rd 70 S
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

JACK'S TURNING 80!

Jack Ostmeyer's family would appreciate you wishing him a

HAPPY 80th on July 9

with a greeting to:

309 Elm Ave.
Oakley, KS 67748



Garage Sale

Friday, July 3
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm &
Saturday, July 4
8:30 am - 2:00 pm

1033 4th St, Hoxie

Yard items, kids' toys, jewelry, patriotic items, ladies' clothes, Disney collectibles, boys clothing, & lots of misc. items!
Something for everyone!



Thank you to the Hoxie Hotrodders Lions Club for providing the picnic tables for Prairie Barn Market at the museum in Colby. We appreciate it!
~ Barnwood & Bling and Prairie Museum of Art & History

Sheridan County CDBG-CV (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security [CARES]) Act CDBG #20-CV-059 Plan

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Sheridan County will begin accepting applications for CV assistance beginning on June 25, 2020. Applications will be accepted for a 30 day period ending on July 25, 2020. Applications can be picked up and dropped off at the Sheridan County Clerk's office on or after June 25, 2020 at 925 9th Street, Hoxie, Kansas.

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Hoxie Medical Clinic

Dr. Victor Nemechek, MD * Dr. Michael Machen, MD * Dr. Jill Stewart, MD
Deanna Sulzman, APRN-C * Amanda Volchko, PA-C
Chris Hansen, PA-C * Bhavini Gopaldas, PA-C
Jodi Dumler, LCSW * Taylor Bainter, LMSW

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

Call for Appointment: 785-675-3018

Selden Community Clinic

Hours:
Monday & Thursday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Call for Appointment: 785-386-4380

Sheridan County Health Complex

PHYSICAL THERAPY:
Direct Access to PT
Speech & Occupational Therapy
Women's Health/Pelvic Floor Rehab

CARDIOLOGY * LABORATORY *
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INJECTIONS * HEALTH COACH

RADIOLOGY:
X-Ray * CT Scan * MRI
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.

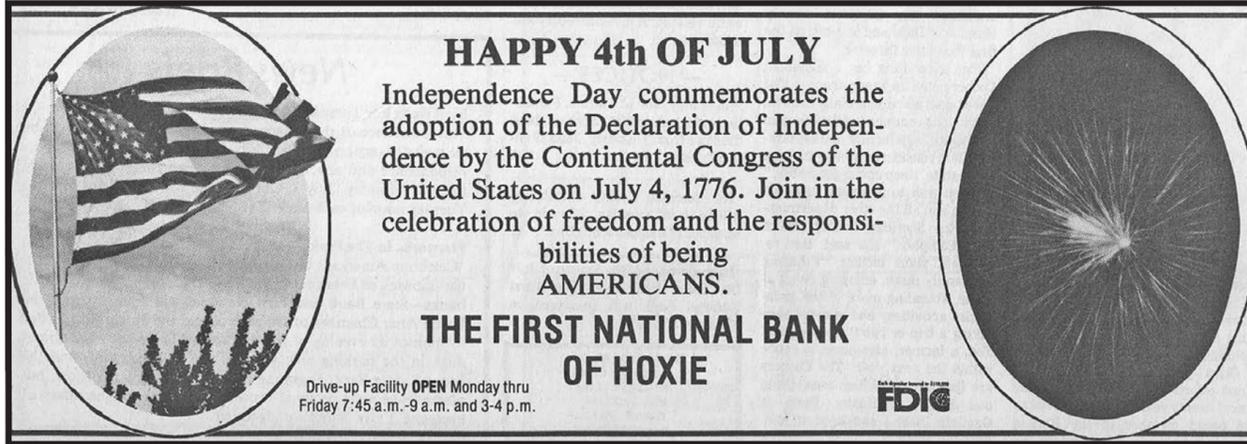
SCHC JOB OPENINGS

Type	Department	Position	Shift
Full Time	Acute	Director of Nursing	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Full Time	Dietary	Cook	TBD
PRN	Radiology	Technologist	TBD
Full Time	Business Office	Community Resources	Day Shift
PRN	FQHC Clinic	CNA	Day Shift
Full Time	Housekeeping	Housekeeper	Day Shift
PRN	Long Term Care	Nurse	TBD
Full Time	Long Term Care	CNA	Day Shift
Full Time	Long Term Care	RN or LPN	Night Shift
TBD	General	Application	TBD
PRN	Laboratory	Med Tech	TBD



KENOXIE ARCHIVES & MUSEUM'S Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director



First National Bank ad for the Independence Day from *The Hoxie Sentinel* 25 years ago. (Kenoxie Archives and Museum photo)

**The Hoxie Democrat
Friday, July 12, 1886**

King give the other boys a chance. Kenneth is no more, except in name. Geo Odell is away on a flying trip to Nebraska. Eleven new residences will be put up in Hoxie in the next two weeks. The Hoxie drug store has just placed in position a handsome prescription case. Rev. Griffes held divine service at the residence of H. Peters last Sabbath.

Every one attend the celebration on the 5th and have one of the best times ever had.

The circus has been delayed by high waters. It will be here soon, however, so writes the advance agent.

J. W. Huff, whom we familiarly call Hank, drives the best, or one of the best, teams of horses in the county.

Hoxie is going to have a flag pole 75 feet high. Everybody should come to this town to celebrate the Fourth.

Mr. C. H. Menfee now is here and will make this his home. He will assist in the management of the City Bakery.

Mr. Prince L. Hudgens, one of Oberlin's bright lawyers, took in Hoxie this week and thinks our town makes a very creditable impression.

Church services were held at the home of Mr. J. H. Heroy last Sunday by the Rev. Morrill. Some forty were present.

Fred Boller has a very fine farm north of here and nightly he goes there to sleep. Fred says "as nice as the land is, just so nice and sassy are the fleas and mosquito bugs which grow thereon."

Emmigrants are coming into Sheridan county by the hundreds, more than at any time since the settlement of the county.

Mrs. John Winkelman and family arrived here last Saturday and have taken possession of their fine residence. Uncle John is as happy as a clam in high tide.

Joseph Corrette, of Grinnell, was in town Saturday.

The Democrat and post-office building has been painted. Follow suit, boys.

Look at Shellabarger & Co's 'ad' in this paper. It's a good one, and will be found to be the truth all the way through.

Buy the Lenora flour for \$1.20, for half patten and \$1.35 per sack for full patten at Hibbs, Adeel.

Neal Provost made a decided improvement in front of his billiard parlors in the shape of a good sidewalk. Adjoining property holders up and down the street should follow the good example.

The bread, cakes and pies made by the City bakery are very fine. The proprietor, Mr. Menefee, will work up a big trade. By the way, we should mention that the dining room of this bakery is elegantly furnished and papered.

The advice given last week is being pretty generally followed and new side walks are being laid everywhere, among which are the Hoxie billiard parlor, City bakery, Geo Tatum, C. E. Snow and the Commercial Hotel. Let the good work go on.

The City Bakery of Hoxie is now ready to supply the people of Hoxie and country with bread, pies, cakes and also lemonades, ice cream, nuts, candies, cigars and tobacco, and in connection with the bakery will give lunches at all house of the day. I respectfully solicit my share of your patronage. I remain yours truly City Bakery.

**125 Years Ago
July 4, 1895**

E. L. Cummings and wife visited in the city Monday.

The county commissioners have held a session and Crip Evans hasn't been to town either.

Eastern papers which have heretofore been mum or nearly so about Sheridan county, are now talking of her fine crops.

Editor Hartley returned Friday from the east. Johnny Jones had just finished putting up his first alfalfa cutting before the rain Friday.

Ulrich Andregg says he is going to raise a good big wheat crop on his 150 acres.

M. E. Thorpe having been a member of the I. O. O. F.'s for more than twenty-five years will in a short time, receive a veteran's Jewell.

Walter Boyle and wife of Selden were in the city Tuesday in consultation with Dr. Hail. Mrs. Boyle has a very sore hand and the Dr. is treating it.

Moss Thorp took up his bed and bedding and walked Monday. That is, he moved from the rooms over the barber shop to those over Battey Bros meat market.

A Colby Sunday School failed to hold a session a Sunday or so ago on account of the superintendent and so many of the older scholars going on a fishing expedition on that day.

We have spoken of it before, but we rise to remark again that three rains in that many days is coming a little thick for Kansas. However that is just what we have had within the past week.

Grover Walker and wife of Osborne are visiting with P. G. Walker and wife, of this city. Grover says our crop prospects, especially the small grain, are much brighter than they are in Osborne county.

A gang of tramps struck Quinter last week and picked nine base ballists from their crowd which beat the "supreme stuffin" out of Quinter's home nine. How sad. Brother Trimmer of the Republican will probably never recover from the shock.

Fred Thompson has bought another paper and is starting out with an exceptional readable paper. The name of his purchase is *The Randall Times*, and is published at Randall, Jewell county. The *Sentinel* extends best wishes for success to Fred in his new field.

Miss Winona Douglas closed a very successful term of school in district 64 on Friday June 21. There were quite a number present consisting of the patrons of her school, her father's family and other friends of Miss Douglas. Refreshments were served at noon and later ice cream. An interesting program had been prepared, which was listened to with pleasure and every one seemed well pleased.

G. H. Cheney who has been visiting his mother in the eastern part of the state, returned home last Saturday. He reports splendid prospects for corn in that part the state, but small grain poor.

Charley Long another one who left Kansas to escape the drouth, went to central Illinois, and it hasn't raised there but once since he arrived, it is so dry they burned off their wheat fields to kill the chinch bugs long before it was time to harvest.

Minnie Rowilson's school children enjoyed a dinner and ice cream social at the residence of her mother near Hoxie, last Saturday. Miss Minnie has been the teacher at the Seguin school for the last two winters and is very popular out his way.

Sam Weller
**100 Years Ago
July 1, 1920**

Sheridan County Starts Harvesting Her Big \$7,000,000 Wheat Crop

The County's Big 1920 Wheat Crop Will Net a Sum Equal to \$1,400 For Each Inhabitant

This county has 148,615 acres of winter wheat which is all 100 percent and good for an average of twenty-five bushels per acre, which at \$2 per bushel would leave over a quarter of a million dollars to credit hail and other losses and still leave a balance of \$7,000,000 to our wheat growers. Besides this the county has 28,000 acres of barley that will yield from 40 to 60 bushels per acre. At least, the county's barley crop, at a conservative estimate, will tally around the million mark, which at present prices will add another million and one-half dollars to the county's treasury.

Local News
Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Andregg were Salina visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur G. Brown and son are visiting relatives in this city for a few days.

Miss Eda Schlicher is assisting with the work in the First National Bank while Miss Odessa Moore is taking a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCartney left the last of the week for Kirksville, Missouri, where they will visit with relatives for several weeks.

W. D. Allen returned home from El Dorado, Kansas, Wednesday evening where he had been called owing to the death of a grandson.

Mrs. Clarence Hubbard, of Stafford, New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Currier, and family and among her numerous old-time Hoxie friends.

Fred Ellison and family returned to Hoxie last week after spending several months in Oklahoma. Fred will help harvest our big wheat crop.

Miss Flossie Vinson who is attending the Hays Normal, taking some special work, came home the first of the week for a visit with home folks.

George Fairchild and family visited relatives in Smith county last week. George says harvesting is on in full blast down in Smith and Osborne counties.

Mrs. E. S. Beachy, of Kansas City, who owns a section of land southwest of Hoxie is spending a few days here looking after her property which she wishes to sell.

B. N. Jones and grandson returned to Hoxie last Friday in time to help with the big harvest. Mr. Jones has been in eastern Kansas and Arkansas for the past three or four months.

Houck's Landing
By Remus Spaulding
R. D. Carpenter has a new Reo truck.

A. B. Person, of Selden, was at the Landing, Sunday.

Roy Hattan delivered corn to the Rexford market last week.

The county road gang is doing some mighty fine work on the line leading past Clair Davis and E. A. Patterson.

Sunshine Items
James Harold autoed to Hoxie, Saturday.
Mrs. John Launchbaugh was shopping in Hoxie one day recently.

Miss Alvin Schlicher, of Oakley, spent the week-end with Miss Sylvia Ferguson.

Miss Edna McMannis, of Dresden, returned home after spending three weeks in Hoxie attending

Institute and preparing for the examination which was given last Friday and Saturday.

Mickey's Cash Store
Why have the good housewife toil and sweat over a hot coal stove during harvest when you can get one of our oil stoves and make cooking for her a pleasant task? Come in and look over our stock.

Provide good beds for your harvest hands and they will work better. We can fit you out to your satisfaction in bedsteads, springs and mattresses. You need not look any further.

**75 Years Ago
June 28, 1945**

Society News
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ackerman and baby and Mrs. P. C. Ackerman spent Sunday in the country at the Henry Ackerman home.

The Women's Society for Christian Service of the Methodist Church held its June meeting last Thursday. Over thirty members and guests were there. The members of the newly organized W. S. C. S. of Studley were invited and six attended. Mrs. John Launchbaugh, president, presided during the afternoon. The lesson was on Juvenile Delinquency. Mrs. Charlie Neal lead the devotionals. Mrs. Howard Reed had charge of the lesson and was aided by several others in giving the interesting and informative material. Cooling refreshments were served by Mrs. Nelda Cooper, Miss Irma Lewis and Mrs. Morse.

The Mary and Martha Class of the Presbyterian Church held their June 20th meeting in the country at the home of Misses Vera and Verna Mowry. Eighteen young maids and matrons had their usual fine pot-luck supper. Home made ice-cream and chocolate cake was the enjoyable addition of the hostesses. Mrs. Mona Waite was given a going-away gift by her classmates. The rest of the evening was spent on the bulletins which are sent to the those in the service.

Local Happenings
Mary Decker spent Sunday at a neighborhood picnic at Rexford for the Ed Pattersons. About 70 friends gathered for a basket dinner. The Pattersons are retiring from their farm and moving to Oakley. Mrs. Decker attended Methodist Church Services at Menlo on Sunday and says that Mrs. Flowers brought the message. The Menlo Church had dedication services of this new church the previous Sunday. Mrs. Decker was an overnight guest at the Orris Mahanna home.

Phyllis Arlene is the name that has been given the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Morgan. She arrived Saturday, June 23rd at the Quinter hospital. Mother and babe are getting along just fine. On Sunday the two sets of grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pickett and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morgan and two sons drove to Quinter to visit Mrs. Morgan and baby. All of this group and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Morgan had dinner at the Pickett home before the trip to Quinter.

Midway Items
Club met June 21st with Mrs. E. W. Horner. Twelve members answered roll-call, and there were five visitors. Dorthy and Jean Adams, Bernadine and Arlene Duncanson and Arene Duff.

The contents of the sick chest were sold and the proceeds were kept in the Club Treasury.

Mrs. B. Bacon gave the lesson on Russia.

The next meeting will be July 5 with Mrs. George Adams. The project leader will have charge of the lesson, "Making the home more comfortable for winter."

Leoville
Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Shaw and children and Mr. and Mrs. Adlor Fortin and children spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fortin, the occasion being Darrel's birthday.

Fritz Kaus is returning to Camp this week after spending his furlough with his parents.

James Carney, Pete Harris and Richard Menke of Lillis Kan. came last week to help with the harvest.

Lucerne World
Frank Scott and Roland Heskett went to Salina Monday to bring back a combine for Roland Heskett.

The Walt Mowry, Cliff Mowry and Jim Mowry families were afternoon visitors at the Emma Mowry home.

Robbie Shoemaker comes home from the army the 29th of June while Leo a younger brother leaves at that time. These boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shoemaker of Galatia Kansas.

**50 Years Ago
July 2, 1970**

Buechman to Attend Conference in Russia
Charles Buechman, band director at Hoxie Grade School, left Wednesday, July 1 to join a NEA sponsored tour group in New York for the 9th conference of the International Society for Music Education to be held in Moscow, U.S.S.R. from July 7 to July 15.

Leaving New York on July 2, the tour will include visits to Copenhagen, Denmark and Stockholm, Sweden before going to Moscow for the conference. Other cities in the U.S.S.R. to be visited after the conference include Tbilisi and Leningrad. The tour will conclude with visits

to Helsinki, Finland, Paris and London before returning to New York City on July 30.

Seguin Items
Mrs. Elmer Rietcheck and children spent last Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Adam Haffner.

Mrs. Halan Wiley of Colby spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. John Geerdes.

Vernon Rietcheck and his harvest crew returned home Monday after a month of harvesting in different areas. They reported a very good wheat harvest.

Mickey's Want Ads
If you are taking time to celebrate the 4th we can supply the coolers, water jugs, stools, fishing equipment and other needs.

"It was awfully close," said the winning beauty contestant. "I won by no more than a bare inch."

Bar-B-Q grills, baskets, forks, knives, basket broilers, hamburger baskets and all the other tools and necessities.

Saline Valley 4-H
The meeting of the Saline Valley 4-H Club was called to order by Janet Transue, president on June 15. Melaney Simon led us in singing. Oh, Susanna. Roll call was to be answered by your favorite TV show.

Shirley White gave a talk on children and Patty White gave other program.

The Bill Miniums were hosts.
Raymond Minium, Reporter

McGraw News
Callers last week at the Helen Tice home were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Welter and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tribble, Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Tice, Willard Carter and Mrs. Glen Lewis.

Miss Jean Ann Bainter was a Thursday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bainter.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Weber and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hartzog and family Sunday morning.

Studley Items
Alex and Bob Moore went to Salina Sunday to bring Mrs. Alex Moore home from her visit with her mother at Springdale, Ark. Mrs. Moore came to Mr. and Mrs. Dick (Donna Moore) Morgenstern's and their son Darrell Saturday and visited them overnight. They also stopped at Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Stramels in WaKeeney for a short visit.

Mrs. Sylvia Wentz visited Mrs. Esther Brandt Saturday night and went to church and a basket dinner at Hill City R. L. D. S. church Sunday with her.

Broadway News
Mrs. George Simon and Galen Simon called at Jr. Wagoners Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles White were guests at Jim Whites Thursday night. They went on to their home at Manhattan Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Milton Epler spent Sunday night with her mother, Mrs. Walker in Hoxie.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Corke and Cass Breeden called on George Simons Saturday afternoon. They were visiting at the Breeden home.

**25 Years Ago
June 29, 1995**

Trio of Chamber Events for Summer
Three very popular community events sponsored by the Hoxie Area Chamber of Commerce the summer months will once again be offered. Two of these, a ball drop and a community garage sale will be held in conjunction with the Sheridan County Fair, July 26-29. The third, the Back-To-School Contest begins Aug. 5 and concludes Aug. 26.

Ladies Golf
June 20, the weather man stated winds 15-25, but actually it felt like 25-35. But there were eight ladies out there, beating the ball around, and with really pretty good scores. At 5:30 play, there were three ladies who braved the endless wind.

Sunday Night Golf
Sunday evening, June 17, found 11 golfers braving the wind. Teams of 3 and 4 were formed and everyone headed out to scramble the course. The winning team of David M., Gary M., Darlene G. and Karen T. brought in the low score for the evening with a 33. (Must have been that one rally good shot of David's, right K. F.!)

McGraw News
Friday night Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bainter and Ben, and Kyle Black from Oberlin came to mow the McGraw church yard and also visited Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter. Sunday afternoon Wes Bainter and Weston, and Warren Bainter and Ben called on Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bainter had supper Thursday night with Russel Bainter. Bill Bainter visited Sunday morning. Mrs. Jim Bainter called on Russel Sunday afternoon.

Jennings Allison News
Jay and Mahee Kump went to Brewster and Winona Sunday. Jay preached at both churches which was a former charge that he ministered. Jay said it was a joy to be with those people again.

Sherry, Allan and Rachel Marie Carter came last weekend to visit at the William Carter's. Sherry returned to Merriam on Thursday. Allan and Rachel will spend several weeks in Jennings.

NWKS News

Governor Laura Kelly Announces Masks Must be Worn Statewide

Governor Laura Kelly today announced that she will sign an Executive Order requiring that most Kansans in a public space must wear a mask, beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, July 3.

"This is a simple, proactive step we can take to keep Kansans at work, get our kids back to school, and keep ourselves and our neighbors healthy," Governor Kelly said. "Wearing a mask is not only safe - but it is necessary to avoid another shut down."

"Remember - my mask protects you, and your mask protects me," Governor Kelly said. "We're all in this together."

Under the order, most Kansans must wear masks in stores and shops, restaurants, and in any situation in which social distancing of 6 feet cannot be maintained,

including outside. The EO will be released on Thursday and will provide specific guidance regarding under what circumstances masks must be worn.

"I know Kansans will have many questions about this order - and we will answer them when it is released later this week," Governor Kelly said. "But by announcing the requirement today, people in our state will have the appropriate time to acquire the masks."

The Kansas Attorney General's Office will work closely with officials in Governor Kelly's administration to ensure that the order complies with Kansas law.

For more information on COVID-19 health guidance, please visit www.covid.ks.gov.

Senate President Susan Wagle Responds to Governor's Mask Mandate

The following is a quote from Kansas Senate President Susan Wagle:

"Once again, a one size fits all order doesn't work for our diverse state. She's inconsistent in her direction, one day giving authority to local government and the next taking it back, causing total confusion. This Governor's focus must remain on fixing our record-breaking budget shortfall rather than diverting attention away from the letter she received today from our Attorney General stating that her budget plan violates Kansas statutes. Governor Kelly should focus on doing her job of managing her agencies and allow the local officials to do theirs."

With KHF Funding, Health Centers Provide Continued Care During Covid-19 Pandemic

When COVID-19 hit Kansas, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) located throughout the state experienced dwindling patient visits, resulting in large decreases in cash flow. These clinics, which provide care to all Kansans regardless of their ability to pay, saw fewer patients coming in for routine wellness checks, behavioral health care, follow-up care, chronic disease management and dental care.

At the same time, the FQHCs were responding to emergent care needs related to the pandemic - and, on top of this, like every medical provider, dealing with high demand of costly personal protective equipment (PPE) and increased cleaning costs to reduce spread of infection.

Despite supply chain shortages of PPE and coronavirus testing materials, these Kansas health centers were screening, testing, diagnosing and caring for patients with COVID-19. And, in many cases, providing care to patients most at-risk due to health disparities related to race, ethnicity, lower socioeconomic status and chronic disease.

To help ensure these entities remain viable beyond the pandemic, the Kansas Health Foundation (KHF) provided \$2.8 million to 19 FQHCs in Kansas. Funding was based primarily on the size and nature of population served, and pandemic factors specific to the communities served. The grants helped clinics maintain operations with COVID-19 response, and also to change delivery of care models to meet patients' needs.

"At the Kansas Health Foundation, we believe safety net clinics provide vitally critical access to care for vulnerable Kansas populations," said Reggie Robinson, KHF president and CEO. "We felt compelled to support these facilities as

they fill a critical gap in our state's health care services infrastructure - especially during trying times like these."

Denise Cyzman, CEO of the Community Care Network of Kansas, said primary care, mental health, and substance use disorder visits were reduced by more than 50 percent at the FQHCs. Dental visits were reduced by more than 90 percent. The Community Care Network of Kansas helps grow and strengthen community care clinics and availability of resources, with a common goal of providing high-quality health care that is accessible to all Kansans.

"Having the Kansas Health Foundation step up with \$2.8 million in grants for the community health centers was timely - and displayed their strong commitment to the health of Kansans and Kansas health care providers," Cyzman said.

Although patients were not visiting the FQHC clinics for ongoing primary, dental and behavioral health care services during that stage of the pandemic, the need for care did not subside. Clinics used the grants to shift from in-person visits to telehealth services.

All Kansas community health centers now provide telemedicine, and nine out of ten provide tele-behavioral health services for patients needing mental health or substance use assistance. The funding also helped with operational support to help keep clinic doors open, purchase telemedicine equipment and provide COVID-19 testing and education.

In northwest Kansas, Hoxie Medical Clinic saw a 60 percent decrease in patient visits during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, as those who were not acutely ill delayed care or canceled appointments altogether.

"The KHF funds will allow us to continue to operate at our current capacity, allow for our patients to continue to get the high-quality health care that they have come to expect from the providers and staff at the Hoxie Medical Clinic, as well as to give us a cushion that allows our financial status to remain solvent while we navigate the short- and long-term impacts that the COVID-19 epidemic will have on our industry and the community that we serve," said Kevin Johnson, chief operations officer at Hoxie Medical Clinic.

Due to COVID-19, the clinic has added telehealth services to increase access to care, and now screens patients and staff for COVID-19 symptoms upon arrival. And, to minimize spread of infection, it has created separate areas for acutely ill patients and patients with routine or follow-up appointments.

Like Hoxie Medical Clinic, HealthCore Clinic, located in Wichita, implemented a screening process and telemedicine services. It also created a "car-side respiratory clinic" to care for patients experiencing symptoms of the common cold, flu, seasonal allergies and COVID-19 - to help reduce the risk of exposure to healthy patients and staff. The clinic also conducted a 12-day COVID-19 mobile testing site in northeast Wichita, to provide outreach to vulnerable populations.

"During the month of May, HealthCore Clinic utilized our integrated mobile medical clinic to provide drive-thru and walk-up COVID-19 testing with no cost to the patient, no need for symptoms, and regardless of insurance status," said Teresa Lovelady, CEO of HealthCore Clinic. "Through this initiative (made possible in part with KHF funding), we tested 1,728 people with a positive test rate of 2.14 percent. This was a unique and extremely

impactful opportunity to serve our community that was disproportionately being affected by the virus."

Before launching its mobile medical clinic, staff used data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Sedgwick County that indicated the county's African-American population was three times more likely to become infected with COVID-19 and eight times more likely to die from it. HealthCore Clinic created a public outreach initiative to increase awareness of COVID-19 testing and resources, which helped it reach a larger audience for testing.

KHF funding was also used to purchase critical PPE for staff, distribute thousands of COVID-19 fact sheets from the CDC and offer telehealth services to those experiencing behavioral health challenges.

"Because of the funding provided by Kansas Health Foundation, HealthCore is in a better position to respond to COVID-19," Lovelady said. "As the state reopens, HealthCore will continue to be responsive to the health needs of the community."

Although COVID-19 has changed the way care is delivered at the FQHCs, their commitment to provide high-quality primary, behavioral and dental care will not change.

"Like always, the clinics are committed to erase boundaries and barriers to care, to ensure every Kansan has access to high-quality care and be as healthy as they can be," Cyzman said. "This will mean healthier, stronger communities in which people have access to boundless health."

For a full list of FQHC grant recipients, please read the initial news release about KHF's board approving \$5.3 million for COVID-19 response and recovery at <https://kansashealth.org/2020/04/17/covid-19-funding/>.

6th Annual Dane G. Hansen Museum 5K Run/2 Mile Walk

The Hansen Museum is pleased to announce its 6th Annual 5K Run/2 Mile Walk, held in conjunction with the 47th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday, August 15, 2020, at the Hansen Museum in Logan, KS. Entry fees are \$20 for adults and \$10 for youth 15-years old and younger. All fees will be donated to Phillips County Hospice Services.

Check-in and t-shirt pickup starts at 7am on the corner of Douglas Street and Main Street in front of the Museum. The 5K run will begin at 8am with the 20mile walk to follow at 8:15am. Paid registrations received by August 3 will receive a free t-shirt. Prizes will be awarded to each divisions' top male and female finishers, and top three in each division will receive a medal.

For more information, please contact the Hansen Museum at 785-689-4846. This event is sponsored by the Dane G. Hansen with funds from the Dan G. Hansen Foundation.

The Dan G. Hansen Museum is open Monday through Friday 9-12 & 1-4; Saturdays 9-12 & 1-5; Sundays & Holidays 1-5. We are closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. The Museum is handicapped accessible and admission is always free thanks to the generous support of the Dan G. Hansen Foundation. For more information or if you have question, please contact us at 785-689-4846.



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 Sunday 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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- **Paper:** shredded, magazines, newspaper, office paper
- **Chipboard:** cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, beverage boxes, etc.
- **Cardboard:** corrugated only
- **Clear Plastic:** #1 clear pop bottles, juice bottles
- **Colored Plastic:** #2 laundry detergent bottles, coffee containers, etc.
- **#2 Natural Plastic:** Milk jugs, rinsed chemical containers
- **Glass:** beer/liquor bottles, pickle jars, etc.
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- **Tin Cans:** soup cans, tuna cans, cat food cans, etc.
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Farm News

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Ag Community Relief Presents Virtual Livestock Auction

Calling all 4-H and FFA members and parents! Are you a resident of Illinois, Kansas, Michigan or Missouri? Has your county or state fair been canceled due to the recent restrictions amid COVID-19? You've come to the right place! Ag Community Relief in partnership with DVAAuction is thrilled to offer a solution. We invite you to participate in Ag Community Relief's Junior Auction Virtual Event. We will be backing and facilitating timed auctions for MO, IL, MI and KS. So how does this all work? It's easy! Simply follow the steps outlined in our Sellers Guide which is linked below and encourage your prospective buyers to visit this page to learn how they can participate in bidding by referencing the Buyer Registration Guide below. But before we get to the guides check out some general event information!

We will be kicking things off with our Missouri and Illinois auctions, followed by Michigan and then Kansas. All auctions will be hosted on DVAAuction.com. Each auction

will be a timed auction and held virtually over a two-week period. Auction dates and times are listed below. Auctions are open to youth in MO, IL, MI and KS. The auctions will focus on the following animals - Cattle, Sheep and Swine.

AUCTION DATES & TIMES:

Missouri: July 18-August 1
 Illinois: July 18-August 1
 Michigan: July 25-August 8
 Kansas: August 1-August 15

Bidding for all auctions will open at 10:00 AM CDT on its respective start date and close at 7:00 PM CDT on the final day of the auction. Auction start and ends dates are indicated above.

There will be a small \$20 lot fee per animal which will be deducted from final sale checks.

Transportation of all livestock purchases are to be coordinated amongst the seller/seller's legal guardian and the buyer.



A Family Harvest

By Kim Baldwin, McPherson County farmer and rancher

As the days wind down in June, wheat harvest has just now begun for our family. It's a late harvest this year, but we are glad we are able to get into the fields to harvest the grain. It's perhaps my most favorite event of the year on the farm. We've watched this crop since last fall when it was sown into the soil and emerged as a small plant. We've watched as it's carpeted the ground, survived a cold winter, transformed into the most vivid green before ripening into the most beautiful yellow. We've invested a lot of time and hope in the crop, and now it's time to harvest the grain.

One of the other reasons I love wheat harvest is because the entire family is involved. Since the kids are out of school for the summer, they get to experience harvest in all of its glory as well. Both Banks and Isannah have always played an active role in wheat harvest. When both were younger many of their nap times happened in their

car seats while I would drive meals or machine parts out to the fields. I would hold my babies on my hips, and we'd wave to the combines and cheer as they'd roar past making another round in a field.

Every year my kids get to help bake cookies, pack meals and distribute drinks for our harvest crew. They get to sink their toes in the spilled wheat before it's shoveled up. They love to drive out to the fields and watch our crew and machines run. They enjoy meals out in the field and riding in the combine's buddy seat next to their dad or grandpa as they move from one side of the field to the other cutting the wheat. It's a beautiful tradition we experience every summer, and I often wonder if harvest will call my two home when they are older with children of their own.

Last night, after we had driven out to the field with food for the crew, the guys began walking back to the tractor, combines and trucks to continue cutting the wheat into the night. As we were walking back to the car, my 4-year-old daughter began weeping. The weeping quickly turned into sobs. As I was attempting to calm her down to find out what was wrong, she was pointing to the combines and grain cart already moving to the opposite end of the field.

After encouraging her to take deep breaths so she could express what was wrong, she began to hiccup her explanation while tears rolled down her face. It turns out she had planned to ride in a combine after dinner and clearly she was not in one of the cabs. She wanted me to call one of the combines back so she could get in and help cut wheat. I assured her she'd get to ride later. Hesitantly, she climbed into her car seat and we drove home.

For the next few hours, Isannah would ask if it was time for her to go cut. Near bedtime, my husband briefly came into the house to get an item before getting back out to the field. Isannah cornered him and asked if it was time for her to go cut wheat. He knew she would not take "no" for an answer. So even though it was already past her bedtime, at 9 p.m., the two of them headed back to the field. According to Adam, she fell asleep on the drive out to the field, but woke up to help cut wheat for another couple hours.

He carried her to bed shortly before midnight, both exhausted from another day of wheat harvest.

This morning as we all slowly made our way to the breakfast table, Isannah, still sleepy eyed with dirt on her face and wearing the same clothes from yesterday, sat down at the table, crossed her arms and proceeded to ask Adam, "When are WE cutting wheat today?"

How can you not love wheat harvest when it's clearly a family affair?

"Insight" is a weekly column published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

Wheat Scoop: K-State Chosen as Hub for Improving U.S. Winter Wheat

University will lead \$1M project to improve winter wheat varieties

The USDA's National Institute for Food and Agriculture has selected Kansas State University to serve as a center for efforts to improve U.S. winter wheat varieties.

The university received \$1 million to establish the International Wheat Yield Partnership's (IWYP) Winter Wheat Breeding Innovation Hub. K-State will lead the effort to evaluate research findings from several IWYP projects that contribute to "significantly improved" wheat yields, according to officials.

Hub partners will seek ways to stack - or combine -- desirable traits from those projects into elite winter wheat varieties for U.S. growers. Desirable traits may include genetic improvements that make winter wheat more resistant to pests, disease or drought, thus improving its yield potential.

Eduard Akhunov, a K-State wheat geneticist and the project's principal investigator, said that stacking desirable traits (called trait packages) in wheat varieties helps researchers "deliver key yield traits to U.S. growers as quickly as possible to reverse the declining trend of winter wheat acreage, and add significant economic value to the U.S. and global wheat industries."

Akhunov said the hub is a public-private partnership between national and international wheat breeding programs, government organizations and industry.

"This partnership is established to maximize the value of research investments for the benefit of global agriculture by translating research findings into commercial breeding products," he said.

It is estimated that the world's wheat production must double by the year 2050 in order to meet the needs of a population expected to surpass 9 billion people. Akhunov said researchers around the world already are working on that challenge, having discovered many valuable agronomic traits that pave the way for future wheat improvements.

"To fully implement these advances in breeding programs, we must put together a systematic effort to transfer traits to elite lines that are relevant to regional breeding programs," he said. "Grain yields are critical for global food security. State wheat growers and commodity groups consider increasing grain yield at the farm level as one of the main priorities for the industry."

Akhunov said members of the new hub will test

findings from IWYP projects to build trait packages for higher-yielding winter wheat, which refers to varieties that are planted in the fall and harvested in late spring or early summer. Another IWYP Hub at the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) in Mexico leads a project to translate research and validate improvements for spring wheat, or those varieties planted in the spring and harvested in the fall.

Akhunov believes K-State is the right place to work on winter wheat, noting the university has one of the most productive winter wheat breeding programs in the United States. Since the early 1990s, K-State has released more than 40 winter wheat varieties.

The university has greenhouse space, growth chamber facilities, and research fields for screening preliminary and advanced lines, he said.

"The combined expertise, capabilities, infrastructure and germplasm to conduct this type of work already exists here," Akhunov said, noting the university's close work with the USDA's Agricultural Research Service and the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center, both located in Manhattan.

"This is an important time for wheat, and the timing of this project coincides perfectly with the investment Kansas farmers are making into wheat at the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center and K-State," said Justin Gilpin, the chief executive officer with Kansas Wheat.

K-State's Wheat Genetics Resources Center and Integrated Genomics Facility, and the ARS's Hard Red Winter Wheat Quality Lab and Hard Winter Wheat Genotyping Lab, are among the partners that make this work possible in Manhattan, according to Akhunov.

"These partnerships allow for rapid, genomics-assisted trait transfer and stacking in elite germplasm using high-throughput diagnostic and genome-wide markers, speed breeding and field-based trait evaluation," he said.

The new IWYP Hub includes many other public and private partners including the Kansas Wheat Commission, Kansas Department of

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ORDINANCE NO. 615

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE, DISCHARGE OR FIRING OF FIREWORKS, FIRECRACKERS AND OTHER PYROTECHNIC DISPLAYS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 600

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF HOXIE, KANSAS:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to discharge within the City of Hoxie, Kansas, any firecrackers, roman candles, skyrocket, pinwheels, pistols, canes, cannons, and other articles of fireworks which are explosive in nature except legal fireworks may be discharged between and including the dates of June 27 to July 5 of each and every year between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. However, notwithstanding the above, on July 4 of each year, legal fireworks may be discharged between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and midnight.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful at any time to discharge fireworks of any kind within the boundaries of the James L. Johnson Memorial Park located in the City of Hoxie.

Section 3. The sale of any type of fireworks will be permitted within the city limits of the City of Hoxie, Kansas as long as the structure from which the fireworks are being sold is located in excess of 500 feet from any existing building or home not owned by the proprietor of the seller of said fireworks. The seller of said fireworks shall notify the Sheridan County Fire Department of the location of said structure where fireworks will be sold and will be subject to inspection by the Sheridan County Rural Fire Department and shall comply with any and all directions from said fire department regarding matters required for the safety of those persons selling fireworks, purchasing fireworks or the adjoining neighbors.

Section 4. Any person, firm or corporation desiring to discharge any type of fireworks within the City of Hoxie, Kansas at any time not authorized herein may make application for exemption of this ordinance with the governing body of the City of Hoxie, Kansas by written application submitted thirty (30) days prior to said exhibition of fireworks. Therein said application shall contain the date, time and place of the exhibition of fireworks and shall contain such reasons for the exemption request. The City governing body shall consider all requests and grant or deny the same by written response based upon the reasons set forth in the exemption application.

Section 5. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$500.00 or placed in the City Jail for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

Section 6. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, including Ordinance No. 600.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication in The Hoxie Sentinel.

Passed by the Board of City Commissioners on this 9th day of July, 2007.
Lori Horesky, Mayor
ATTEST:
Jessica Spresser, City Clerk

Celebrate Safely This Independence Day

More than 130 fireworks-related injuries occurred last year in Kansas

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of the State Fire Marshal and Safe Kids Kansas would, again, like to remind Kansans of the importance of safety this Independence Day.

"While our Fourth of July celebrations will undoubtedly be a little bit different this year, we want to remind everyone the importance of safety this season -- safety for COVID-19 and safety for fireworks," Secretary Lee Norman, KDHE Secretary said.

First, check with your community concerning mass gatherings/public events and what is permitted.

"This has been a unique year due to the COVID-19 restrictions across the state. As those restrictions are being lifted, we understand many will especially be looking forward to celebrating this year's Fourth of July," Doug Jorgensen, Fire Marshal for the State of Kansas, said. "We know the safest way to enjoy fireworks is to visit view public fireworks displays conducted by trained professionals who know how to properly handle fireworks. For some counties, those displays have been cancelled or postponed out of an abundance of caution for COVID-19."

For those planning to attend gatherings or public events, it's important to practice social distancing (6 feet or more) from people who are outside of your household as well as to wear face masks during this time.

"If choosing to go to any events or gatherings, please be vigilant with the safety

of yourself and your family," Norman said. "Now is not the time to relax our guard -- wear the facemask, practice social distancing -- you own your own preparedness."

For those choosing to celebrate at home, it's important to remember that fireworks are dangerous to both adults and children if not handled properly.

Out of 135 reported fireworks-related injuries in Kansas in 2019, males between the ages of 9 and 34 were the most commonly injured demographic, according to the 2019 Kansas Fireworks Injury Survey. Males represented 65 percent of the total number of injuries. Nearly half of the injuries involved children under the age of 18 and occurred on July 4. Hands, eyes, face and head injuries were among those reported.

"Hand injuries are the most common injury seen in Kansas, at 33 percent," Cherie Sage, Director of Safe Kids Kansas, said. "It's really important for little hands to not light fireworks. This includes sparklers, which burn at a temperature hot enough to melt glass. We encourage parents to let their little ones use glow sticks instead of sparklers."

The data was collected through voluntary reporting from Kansas hospitals and administered by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Jorgensen added that always using a long-handled lighter to ignite fireworks, lighting from a solid, flat and stable platform and making sure fireworks debris has cooled off completely before disposing, are tips that can significantly lower the risk of

injuries and fires.

Other tips include:

- Have an adult supervise all fireworks activities
- Have a water supply ready

- Have a first-aid kit
- Always ignite fireworks outdoors
- Light only one firework at a time
- Never re-ignite malfunctioning fireworks
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place

Bottle rockets and M80s are illegal in Kansas and extremely dangerous. The use or sale of these banned fireworks is considered a crime under Kansas law. It is also illegal in Kansas to shoot fireworks on or under any vehicle, on any public roadway, within 50 feet of a fireworks stand or where fireworks are stored, and at gas stations or any place liquid gas -- including propane -- is stored.

Always refer to the local ordinances as to whether fireworks are allowed in your area as well as what types. Some cities or counties have restricted dates/times or types of fireworks that may be sold or discharged.

In addition, out of respect for veterans when it comes to the individual discharge of fireworks, please keep in mind the noise and stress (PTSD) your activities may cause near VA facilities.

For more information on fireworks safety, visit [Fire Marshal.ks.gov/fireworkssafety](http://FireMarshal.ks.gov/fireworkssafety) or SafeKidsKansas.org. For more information on COVID-19, visit www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus.



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Legals & Obituaries

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

Board of County Commissioners of Sheridan County, Kansas,

vs. Plaintiff Case No. 2020-CV-12

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If the above Defendants are living, and if dead, then their unknown spouses, heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns; and
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 The unknown executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, successors, receivers and assigns of any of the above-named defendants who are or were existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; and
 The unknown spouses of the defendants, and all other persons concerned, Defendants.
 You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in the District Court of Sheridan county, Kansas by the Board of County Commissioners of Sheridan County, Kansas, praying for judicial foreclosure and sale of real property upon which there is unpaid delinquent real estate taxes, and you are hereby required to plead the said petition on or before July 29, 2020, in said Court in Hoxie, Kansas. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition. The following are descriptions of all

(First published in The Sheridan Sentinel June 25, 2020)

IN THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF

Christopher James Kay

Present Name

Case No. 2020-CV-13

Div. No. _____

To Change His/Her Name to:

Christopher James Higby

New Name

PURSUANT TO K.S.A. CHAPTER 60

NOTICE OF HEARING - PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that Christopher James Kay [Petitioner's Full Name], filed a Petition in the above court on the 22nd day of June, 2020, requesting a judgment and order changing his/her name from Christopher James Kay to Christopher James Higby.

The Petition will be heard in SHERIDAN County District Court, 925 4th St., [Court address], Hoxie [City], Kansas on the 8th day of September, 2020, at 2:00 a.m. p.m.

If you have any objection to the requested name change, you are required to file a responsive pleading on or before August 5, 2020 [Insert date at least 41 days after first publication] in this court or appear at the hearing and object to the requested name change. If you fail to act, judgment and order will be entered upon the Petition as requested by Petitioner.

Chigby
 Petitioner, Pro Se
 Name (Print): Christopher James Kay
 Address 1: 8080 S. Rd 150 W.
 Address 2:
 City, State, Zip: Roward, KS 67753
 Telephone Number: 785-855 2015

(Last published in The Sheridan Sentinel July 9, 2020)

properties which shall be subject to foreclosure and sale and the names of such of you as are the owner, or a party having some interest therein:

Tract #1 Brenda Ward
 An undivided 10% interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the South Half(S/2) of Section Eighteen (18), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #2 Rick Mayber Trust
 An undivided 10% interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the South Half(S/2) of Section Eighteen (18), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #3 Brenda Ward
 An undivided 10% interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N/2 NW/4) of Section Nineteen (19), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
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 Tract #7 Brenda Ward
 An undivided 10% interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-Four (24), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Seven (27), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #8 Rick Mayber Trust
 An undivided 10% interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-Four (24), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Seven (27), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #9 Teresa Davidson
 An undivided 1/15th interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #10 Donald Frederick Pratt
 All of Grantors interest in and to a portion of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 7 South, Range 30 West of the 6th P.M., County of Sheridan, State of Kansas, more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the South Quarter corner of said Section 22 and considering the South line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 22 to bear an assumed bearing of North 90 00'00" West with all bearings contained herein relative thereto; thence along said South line, North 90 00'00" West 1755.12 feet; thence North 00 00'00" West 684.39 feet; thence North 90 00'00" East 1753.64 feet to the East line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 22; thence along said East line, South 00 07'24" East 684.39 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

Tract #11 Norman Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N/2 of SW/4) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #12 Norman Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Twelve (12), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #13 Lloyd Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Twelve (12), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #14 Lorraine Coulter
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Twelve (12), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #15 Norman Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #16 Lloyd Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #17 Lorraine Coulter
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #18 Norman Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #19 Lloyd Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.
 Tract #20 Lorraine Coulter
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #21 Norman Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #22 Lloyd Mills
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #23 Lorraine Coulter
 An undivided one-twelfth (1/12th) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Six (26), Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #24 Marie M. McKinney
 An undivided one-fourth (1/4) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the South Half of the South Half (S/2 of S/2) of Section Thirty-five (35), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-Seven (27), Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #28 James Reed, Jr.
 Undivided one-sixth (1/6th) interest in all of the minerals in, on and under the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Seven (7), Township Seven (7), Range Twenty-eight (28) West of the 6th P.M., Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tracts #29 & #30
 Dan Mumm and Anita Mumm, Peoples State Bank, Colby, Kansas
 Lots Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10) Eleven (11), Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15), Sixteen (16), Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18), Block Twenty-Four (24) City of Selden, Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #31 Misty Jolene Jenkins Higdon, f/k/a Misty Jolene Jenkins and Bradley Ray Higdon
 Ten (10) Year Reservation in and to an undivided one-sixth (1/6th) interest in all of the minerals in, on and under the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Seventeen (17), Township Six (6), Range Twenty-Nine (29) West of the 6th P.M., Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract #32 Dustin Shaw and Lyndsey Shaw
 A tract of land in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-Five (25), Township Six (6) South, Range Twenty-Nine (29) West of the 6th P.M., Sheridan County, Kansas, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-Five (25), Township Six (6) South, Range Twenty-Nine (29) West, thence in a Southerly direction along the East boundary line a distance of eight hundred fifty (850) feet, thence in a Northwesterly direction a distance of One thousand two hundred two and one tenth (1,202.10) feet to a point on the north boundary line, thence in an Easterly direction along the North boundary line a distance of eight hundred fifty (850) feet to the point of beginning.

Tract #33 Thomas Dale Houdek, Sandra Jo Mouton and Jill Margaret Cranfill
 The Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Ten (10) Range Thirty (30) West, Sheridan County, Kansas.

Board of Commissioners Sheridan County, Kansas

Approved:

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Graveside Services

Georgia Harwerth
 A public graveside service will be held for Georgia Harwerth at the Hoxie City Cemetery on Thursday, July 9, 2020, 1:00 P.M. Following the service, a reception will be held at the Hoxie United Methodist Church. All are welcome to come greet the family and have a time for fellowship and refreshment. Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home handling the service arrangements.

Robin Pyles
 Robin Renee (Shipley) Pyles, McCook, NE, formerly of Hoxie, KS, daughter of Gary Shipley and Ellen (Brewster) Howard, passed away Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at her home in McCook, NE. A public Graveside Service will be held at the Hoxie City Cemetery, Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 1:00 P.M. All are invited. A full obituary will be published. Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home handling arrangements.

Consumer Corner: Avoid These Most-Common Coronavirus Scams

By Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt

The situation surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak has created many new avenues for scammers to take advantage of the public's apprehension and uncertainty. The Kansas Attorney General's office and our In Your Corner Kansas campaign is always focused on protecting consumers from scams and rip-offs, but as the U.S. and the world continue to respond to the coronavirus pandemic, we wanted to remind Kansans to be diligent and to keep yourself and your personal information safe.

One way for the attorney general's office to help is to share with you a comprehensive collection of the different types of scams reported to our office during the pandemic relating to COVID-19. Here is a list of general descriptions of those complaints so you can know what to watch out for: COVID-19 prevention scams. We've seen scammers claim that they have a product that will prevent you from contracting coronavirus. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention (CDC), there is currently no vaccine to prevent contracting the disease.

Text message scams. There are primarily three types of text messages scams that have been reported to our office - all aimed at stealing your personal information. One claims to offer cash assistance if you're struggling financially during the pandemic. Another claims your government stimulus check is ready and to click a link to receive it. The last one claims that you may have been in contact with someone who has tested positive or is exhibiting symptoms a recommends you self-isolate and get tested with an accompanying link for more information. All of these are scams and as a general rule you should never click on any text message links relating to COVID-19 or anything else from a sender you do not know.

Small Business Administration(SBA) imposter. The real website for the SBA is www.sba.gov. We've seen other websites impersonating the SBA attempting to steal

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WHS Graduation

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in Education to Jessica Heier. Kyler Haffner and Jordyn Vincent received the KSHAA Citizenship Awards. Mr. Flinn congratulated the class on the many scholarships and awards they had ranging from \$950.00 to over \$42,000. The class totaled over \$116,000 to assist with college expenses. Flinn also congratulated them for their diligence in the classroom. Six graduates were members of the National Honor Society, and eight students graduated with honors.

New graduate, Jett Schmidtberger stated, "Graduation was pretty great, and I'm glad we got to have it. Celebrating our accomplishments with all our family and friends was awesome! I'm glad I am finally done with high school, and I'm excited about the new challenges ahead." Good luck, graduates!



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PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE STATE OF KANSAS

I, Heather Bracht, County Election Officer of Sheridan County, Kansas do hereby certify, pursuant to K.S.A. 25-209, that the following is a list of candidates having either filed with the Sheridan County Election Officer or the Kansas Secretary of State Scott Schwab, a Certificate of Candidacy certifying that the following candidates have filed the proper petition or declaration of candidacy and are entitled to be placed on the ballot at the Primary Election to be held on the 4th day of August A.D. 2020.

United States Senate
Republican
Lance Berland, Abilene
John L. Berman, Richland, WA
Derek C. Ellis, Topeka
Bob Hamilton, Bucyrus
Kris Kobach, Lecompton
David Alan Lindstrom, Overland Park
Roger Marshall, Great Bend
Brian Matlock, Kansas City
John Miller, Overland Park
Steve Roberts, Overland Park
Gabriel Mark Robles, Topeka
Democratic
Barbara Bollier, Mission Hills
Robert Leon Tillman, Wichita

United States House of Representatives - 1st District
Republican
Bill Clifford, Garden City
Tracey Mann, Salina
Jerry Molstad, LaCrosse
Michael Soetaert, Council Grove
Democratic
Kali Barnett, Manhattan
Christy Cauble Davis, Cottonwood Falls

State Senate - 40th District
Democratic
Larry Joseph Dreiling, Hays
Republican
Richard (Rick) Billinger, Goodland

State Representative - 118th District
Republican
Jim Minnix, Scott City
Democratic
No Candidate

District Court Judge - 15th District
Position 1
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican

Kevin N. Berens, Colby
Position 2
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Scott Showalter, Goodland

District Magistrate Judge - 15th District
Position 3
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
John Cahoj, Hoxie

County Offices
County Commissioner - District 2
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Mike "Buck" Mader, Hoxie

County Commissioner - District 3
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Joe Bainter, Selden
Thomas J. Beckman, Selden

County Attorney
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Harry Joe Pratt, Hoxie

County Sheriff
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Brandon E. Carver, Hoxie

County Clerk
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Heather Bracht, Hoxie

County Treasurer
Democratic
Shirley A. Niermeier, Hoxie
Republican
No Candidate

Register of Deeds
Democratic
No Candidate
Republican
Dawn Marie Jones, Hoxie

Precinct Committeepersons - Democratic Party
Adell Township
No Candidates
Bloomfield Township
No Candidates
Bowcreek Township
No Candidates
East Kenneth Township
No Candidates
West Kenneth Township
No Candidates
Logan Township
No Candidates

Parnell Township
No Candidates
Prairie Dog Township
No Candidates
East Saline Township
No Candidates
West Saline Township
No Candidates
Sheridan Township
No Candidates
Solomon Township
No Candidates
Springbrook Township
No Candidates
Union Township
No Candidates
Valley Township
No Candidates

Precinct Committeepersons - Republican Party
Adell Township
No Candidates
Bloomfield Township
Committeeman
Stuart Beckman, Rexford
Committeewoman
Anita Beckman, Rexford
Bowcreek Township
No Candidates
East Kenneth Township
Committeeman
No Candidate
Committeewoman
Paula Bielser, Hoxie
Carolyn Meyer, Hoxie
West Kenneth Township
Committeeman
No Candidate
Committeewoman
Dawn Elliott, Hoxie
Logan Township
Committeeman
Doyle E. Kauk, Hoxie
Committeewoman
Ronnie Kauk, Hoxie
Parnell Township
No Candidates
Prairie Dog Township
No Candidates
East Saline Township
No Candidates
West Saline Township
No Candidates
Sheridan Township
Committeeman
Joe Broeckelman, Selden
Committeewoman
Cathy Broeckelman, Selden
Solomon Township
No Candidates
Springbrook Township
Committeeman
No Candidate
Committeewoman
Heidi A. Haffner, Grainfield
Union Township
No Candidates
Valley Township
No Candidates

Township Offices - Trustee
Adell Township
No Candidates
Bowcreek Township
Democratic

No Candidates
Republican
Scott Shaw, Hoxie
Solomon Township
No Candidates
Valley Township
No Candidates

City of Hoxie - Water Commissioner
Kevin Schoendaler, Hoxie

Sheridan County Hospital Board of Trustees Member
Lucille Heim, Hoxie

The polling locations are as follows:

Adell Township - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Bloomfield Township - Selden Community Building - Selden, KS
Bowcreek Township - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Kenneth Township (East & West Precincts) - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Logan Township - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Parnell Township - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Prairie Dog - Selden Community Building - Selden, KS
East Saline - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
West Saline - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Sheridan - Selden Community Building - Selden, KS
Solomon - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Springbrook - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS
Union - Selden Community Building - Selden, KS
Valley - Main Building - Sheridan County Fairgrounds - Hoxie, KS

The polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. on the 4th day of August 2020.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of my office this 17th day of June, 2020.

Heather Bracht
Sheridan County Clerk/
Election Officer
Sheridan County, Kansas

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Citizens and Taxpayers of Sheridan County:

I am sure as you are all aware that I have been attacked in the Sheridan Sentinel multiple times by several people as well as people throughout the county. I think it is time to set the record straight and stop the BS.

First of all, several people are falsely accusing me of not wanting to lower taxes in Sheridan County. Obviously, they don't know me as I have stated many times that I have voted to lower the mill levy all three years since I've been a commissioner. My critics are saying yes, but the property valuation also increased. Yes, and that is why we lowered what we did. Then they say we need to lower it more, and more, and more.

Obviously, they are not familiar with the tax lid and county finances. Here's the reason I am cautious about lowering the mill levy too low. If we lower the mill levy way down and then the property valuations drop, that means a loss of revenue coming into the county. Then what? How do we pay the bills? Well, let me tell you. If the mill levy drops and valuations drop, the only way to raise the mill levy back up is by special vote of the tax payers. So what if the vote fails? Where is the money going to come from to fund the county? Well that is where the reserve would come into play, but that would only keep the county going about six months, and so that brings me to the reserves. My critics say, "why do we need so much in the reserves?" Well, I'm glad they asked. Several years ago, Graham county to our east had a major flood hit their county. The damages were over 2.5 million to roads and bridges that were washed away. My critics say, "Well, FEMA should kick in! Wrong! FEMA does not kick in until the damages exceed over 6.2 million. So what did Graham County do? They had to cover the costs and come up with the money.

That is why I am so cautious about protecting our reserves. So what if property valuations drop and we get hit with a major flood in the county at the same time. Right now we have a little over 5 million in reserves and it would be gone in no time should that occur, but my critics say, "Well, we haven't had a disaster yet!" So let me say to them, "Be careful what you say about Kansas weather."

So I guess what I'm trying to say is if we drain the reserves and we end up needing the money and don't have it, the commissioners will have to answer to the people. So enough said about money. I would like to point out a few accusations that were made about me in the Sheridan Sentinel in the Thursday, June 25, issue on page 3. My opponent, Tom Beckman, wrote in a letter to the editor that while

in office the roads were not getting built or maintained by the road and bridge employees. Well, I don't know what county Tom has been living in but Road 110W that goes by Tom's house was pulled up and rebuilt from Road 60 N to 110 N with millings and gravel ripped into it. Actually, it is probably one of the best roads in the county. Also, the road and bridge crew were busy rebuilding other roads throughout the county including a rebuild of the red line from Highway 23 East to the county line.

They also worked on Road 60N from Highway 23 E to about 140 E. It is also called 380. There is a lot more roads they worked on that I won't mention. As far as maintaining roads, yes, it was a tough year last year with all the big rains washing out the roads a few days after they were fixed over and over again.

Several times, I brought up that we needed to hire more help, but it fell on deaf ears and didn't happen. So back to Tom Beckman's letter to the editor. In it he wrote that "Joe abstained from voting to change the leadership in the road dept." EXCUSE me, Tom, but I don't know what meeting you were at, but I voted with commissioner Wes Bainter and commissioner Troy Dewey abstained.

Finally, I would like to put the issue to rest about me not having to pay much property tax in the county and not wanting to lower taxes. That is a false rumor that was started by a man from Selden and it couldn't be further from the truth. Yes, I may not pay much in property taxes but that does not affect my vote on whether to raise or lower them. As a matter of fact, my mom and dad own farm ground as well as a large home in Sheridan County. They are paying their fair share of property taxes as well and if I thought it was a reasonable thing to do, I would lower the mill levy a lot lower to help them out also. But they understand that my hands are tied. I've got to look out for the best interest of the county as well.

I've always said that this is not an easy job because it doesn't matter what decision I make. I'm damned if I do and damned if I don't. I've also learned that I'm not going to make everyone happy with whatever decision I make so I try to vote in the best interest of the county.

With that I will sign off. Look for more letters in the future, and no, Tom, I didn't have someone hep me write this letter.

Stay Healthy
Stay Safe
Joe Bainter
County Commissioner
District #3
(785) 386-8366

Commission Minutes 6/17/20

Now on this 17th day of June 2020, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guests were Doyle Kauk and Rachel Farber. Wes Bainter called the meeting to order. Pratt advised the Board he had responded to the discrimination complaint filed and will mail a packet to the Human Rights Commission. Pratt stated he declined taking part in the mediation process as he doesn't feel the claim has any merit. The results of the investigation will be sent to Bracht. Pratt stated he had sent his budget requests to the Board for their review.

Bracht advised the Board that there was another positive COVID case in Sheridan County.

The process for finding a replacement for a commissioner in District #2 was discussed. Bracht is on top of it and doing everything within her role as County Clerk/Election Officer to keep the process going.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the Abatement to the Treasurer's tax roll in the amount of \$720. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0

New signature cards were signed for the First State Bank.

The Notice supporting Western Kansas Child Advocacy Group was approved and signed on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 2-0

The Board approved the CDDBG-CV plan and documents.

The notice will run in *The Sheridan Sentinel* for the next few weeks. Applications will be picked up in the Clerk's Office.

Joe Bainter made a motion to approve and sign the WorkforceONE Agreement. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0

It came to the attention of the Board that a board member needs to be found for the Northwest Kansas Library Board. Wes Bainter contacted Bette James who currently serves on the Board and she stated it was ok to try and find someone to replace her. She would continue if no one could be found. Bracht will contact Sarah Diercks at the Library and ask for a recommendation.

Bracht distributed a letter that was written and placed in the drop box. The anonymous letter was a positive opinion about the Road & Bridge Department and the work they do.

Joe Bainter moved to approve the June 10, 2020 Minutes as presented. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge, came to the table. Herskowitz presented a bid for five new radios. Joe Bainter made a motion to approve the bid from VLS Communications in the amount of \$10,821.11. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0 These radios will be given to Road & Bridge employees, and the older radios will be given to the gravel haulers to make communication easier.

Bids were received for four new loader tires. Allie Repair had the low bid for four (4) Firestone Versa Built tires for a total cost of \$8,000. Joe Bainter made a motion to purchase the tires from Allie Repair, seconded by Wes Bainter. Carried 2-0

Herskowitz reported that

gravel had been put in place on several roads; the landfill is still being cleaned up with the fence hopefully going up this week; Colby Canvas made a tarp for one of the box trailers; shoulder work was done on Hwy 380 to 70E and should be completed this week; trees and bushes and general cleanup was done at the bridges by the property owned by Agnes Winter.

Herskowitz showed a video of the disc retriever unit in motion to the Board and Kauk. Herskowitz feels it does a good job of getting the debris chewed up and moved.

Adam Teeter will bring in a bid next week for building up a road in the southwest part of the county.

Doug Cass is out doing culverts.

Joe Bainter and Wes Bainter both stated they have heard positive comments about Joe Herskowitz and the entire Road & Bridge Department.

Jim Minnix entered the meeting. Minnix is running for the Kansas House of Representatives, 118th District. He will be taking Don Hineman's seat. Minnix discussed with the Board property taxes, the tax lid and cash carryover.

Mandy Hachmeister from Options, Domestic, and Sexual Violence Services, came to the table. Hachmeister gave a report of the services they provide. She reported that there has been a 200% increase since COVID. COVID presented new challenges and hurdles not anticipated. The house in Hays typically houses 20 individuals. They are currently doing a fundraising in Colby to provide a facility there.

Sheriff Carver and Sheriff Nichols from Thomas County entered the meeting. At 10:55, Wes Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session

for a period of 20 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Present were Carver, Nichols, the Board, Pratt and Bracht. The door opened at 11:15 with no decision being made.

No further business. Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at the regular time and meeting place.

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



Chasing Clovers: Just an Opinion

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

4-H is not about awards, projects, competitions or money -- 4-H is about helping youth grow and develop as young adults. Youth development goals for the Kansas 4-H program are often referred to as Life Skills.

Building a Positive Self-Concept: Youth feel accepted by others and achieve success in meeting increasingly difficult challenges. 4-Hers develop healthy behaviors as they successfully provide leadership for others, share their feelings and ideas with others, accomplish goals they set for themselves, and decide for themselves the progress they have made.

Developing an Inquiring Mind: Through mental stimulation, curiosity and enthusiasm for finding out about the world and its people. 4-Hers develop an inquiring mind through

learning experiences such as exploring projects, meeting new friends, developing talks and demonstrations, helping design a club booth, going on field trips, hikes and tours.

Relating to Others: Through expressing ideas and feelings, respecting differences among others, dealing with conflict and applying democratic practices in problem solving. 4-Hers learn communication skills with club meeting talks and demonstrations; they develop and practice problem solving as they work with others on group projects, exercise leadership and participate in intensive, small-group camp activities.

Developing Concern for the Community: Through awareness of the natural and social communities and their interrelationships, learning to respect difference, and assuming responsibilities to help. 4-Hers develop concern as they assist younger

members, plan and conduct day camps for community children, participate in retirement home visits, and share in community service projects.

Learning to Make Decisions: Through use of knowledge, skills and values in identifying and analyzing problems then selecting from alternative solutions. 4-H members develop and practice decision-making skills as they set goals and determine strategies to work toward goals within their group, participate in well-planned project programs, consider alternatives in project selection, evaluate one's own progress toward goals, and become involved in meaningful club business meetings.

As we are approaching county fair season in western Kansas, we are reminded that the 4-H youth development

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Walk Kansas Wrap-Up

The Walk KANSAS program has come to a close for the Twin Creeks Extension District with twenty-six teams! With the one hundred thirty-five individuals walking over 18,400 miles and ate over 20,000 fruits and vegetables in the 8-week program.

Walk Kansas is an eight-week physical activity program which started Sunday, March 15. Each team is made up of six members and they could walk together or individually. Team members kept track of their miles and recorded them on the Walk Kansas website.

Also, each participant received a weekly newsletter online with great health tips focusing on the Blue Zone lifestyle traits. (Blue Zones are places in the world where people are known to live measurably longer and healthier lives). We had also planned to hold some evening programs in mid to late April, featuring the "Eat the Med" way, (which is about eating lots of fruits and vegetables, choosing whole grains, eating more beans and legumes, reducing added sugar, using oil and canola oils and more.) when we had to cancel any programs until after the 4th of July due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As a wrap-up, a drawing was held after the completion of the program. The following participants won a Fitbit Versa 2 watch: Katie Couey, Peggy Ninemire, Sierra Wahlmeier and Teresa Bird. Jessica Ebner, Tami Black, Taryn Graham and Kellie Gibson won a Walk Kansas cutting board and knife. Mindy Getz, Ashli Pfannenstiel, Melany DeWitt, Stephanie Ritter, Meagan Gosselin and Lisa Stoll won a Walk Kansas t-shirt or drawing bag, and a yoga band, key chain and a collapsible bowl with a lid.

The way the participants were able to get their names in the drawing were:

1. Register for the program.
2. Every week that they record their minutes they will get their names in (8 opportunities).
3. If their team completes their challenge, each team member will have their name put in the drawing again.

So that is a total of 10 times for each person to have a chance of winning any of the prizes. All the prizes were purchased with the registration fee. (You could only win one prize.)

Congratulations to all the participants and keep walking!!

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Scams

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personal information under the guise of a small business loan application. Remember that government websites are almost always going to end with a ".gov" URL and that government agencies typically contact you by mail, so always be leery of anyone reaching out to you by email, text message or phone call claiming to be from the government.

Fake mask or other personal protective equipment (PPE) sellers. Like with any other product, you always need to be careful shopping online by verifying you're shopping on a secure website, guarding your personal information, paying with a credit card and saving receipts.

Unemployment benefits fraud. Numerous consumers have received letters from the Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) stating their unemployment claim has been processed when in fact they had never filed for unemployment benefits. This is an identity theft issue, and it's likely someone else has filed using their personal information in an attempt to capture those benefits. If you have received a letter from KDOL regarding your benefits being processed and you have not filed for unemployment, file a report with KDOL by phone at (785) 581-7300, online at www.dol.ks.gov/fraud or by email at kdol.fraud@ks.gov.

More information on how to protect yourself from these and other scams is available on our consumer protection website at www.InYourCornerKansas.org or by calling our consumer protection hotline at (800) 432-2310.

Chasing Clovers

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program does not focus on the competition element of the county fairs, but the educational aspect that comes from participating in contests and competitions. We all thrive on the rush of a competition and who is crowned the champion. When looking at the path it took to get to the competition, it is the ups and downs, the educational learning opportunities and day to day challenges that ultimately create champions in every participant.

Judging involves opinions. When you exhibit at a fair, you are asking for a second opinion. You have already formed your evaluation or viewpoint about your project work. The judge doesn't always know the problems you had or why you chose to do what you did. Your answers to questions help a judge to better know about your work. Remember to be gracious and respect the judge's opinion. You chose to have them evaluate your exhibit when you enter it at the fair. You might not agree

and that's OK.

In our opinion, everyone is a "Winner" -- regardless of the ribbon color. Our goal is to have "Purple Ribbon 4-Her's", not just purple ribbon animals, cakes and dresses. Enjoy the fair season in western Kansas!

K-State Research and Extension encourages social distancing among all participants and spectators. In order to help us keep the spread of COVID-19 to a minimum and to keep our 4-her's healthy, we ask that anyone showing any symptoms or feeling ill, please stay home!

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

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Answer

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Super Crossword

Answers

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