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## 3rd Annual Gourd Gathering ~ A Yearly Gathering of Artists



By Viktorija Briggs

This past weekend was Kristin Johnson's 3rd Annual Gourd Gathering. Friday evening, October 20 she had five guests arrive to begin the fun. On Saturday, another five joined, myself included. This was my second Gourd Gathering, having been there for the first, but missing the second one that was held last year.

Each gathering brings together artists from different mediums, but all who have an interest or love of working with gourds (we all know Kristin's gorgeous work with her Praisin' Art - and many of us have some of her pieces [I have two].)

This year, Doug Thirkell, from Salina, demonstrated his "fractal burning" technique.

It's amazing what beautiful designs electricity can create!

Diane Pratt, from Hoxie, taught us how to make layered dot designs on our own smaller gourds. It was actually quite calming laying down all those dots. Each one's piece was very different even though we all used the same technique.

Sandy Clanton, from Minneapolis, KS, showed some of her beautiful crocheted wire-wrapped work, explaining how to use small gourd shard pieces as pendants.

Marilyn Carroll, of Kiowa, CO, showed her beautiful Dremel-carved, leather-dyed gourd. It's a technique many of us are looking forward to trying for ourselves.

And, Merle Dallison, of Colorado Springs, CO promised to teach us how to

make gourd "fairy houses."

Despite Kristin's devastating loss of her gourd crop in last spring's storm, she managed to save a few, and still have her Gourd Gathering Group come visit. Gourds or not, we just have so much fun. I know I will always make time to attend each year from now on!

Attendees (not in order in the picture): Jeannie Traskowsky (Woodbine, KS), Ronda Johnson (Hoxie, KS), Diane Pratt (Hoxie, KS), Merle Dallison (Colorado Springs, CO), Sandy Clanton (Minneapolis, KS), Marilyn Carroll (Kiowa, CO), Jerri Drummond (Minneapolis, KS), Linda Johnson (Colorado Springs, CO), Doug Thirkell (Salina, KS), Viktorija Briggs (Hoxie, KS); Hostess: Kristin Johnson (Hoxie, KS).

## Students Visit 9-11 Memorial



Golden Plains High School students visited the Remember 9/11 Memorial in Oakley on October 18. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Judy Rogers

Golden Plains High School's student body visited the Remembering 9/11 Memorial on October 18 at the Fick Fossil Museum in Oakley. The exhibit was created in memory of Stephen Siller, a New York firefighter who lost his life at the Twin Towers. This is only the second time this exhibit has

been in Kansas.

"I'll never be able to fully grasp the full extent of this tragedy," said senior Charlotte McCurdy, "but reading the quotes and seeing the equipment really got to me." "It was very interesting reading all the comments from the survivors," added Kaylie Schaben, senior.

"I was surprised by the number of people that passed after the attack due to cancers and other factors," added Angel Sanchez-senior. "We appreciate Oakley for making this exhibit available to us," said Jennifer Esparza, senior. The Golden Plains Middle School will visit the memorial on Friday.

## Miracle Rides Receives \$2500 Grant from Monsanto



Miracle Rides is so blessed to have Dave and Stephanie Schippers nominate our organization for the Monsanto \$2500 grant. Our riders, volunteers and horses thank you! Front: David & Stephanie Schippers, Don Rowilson, Susan Wiggington. Back: volunteer, Hallie McKenna; rider, Tucker Baalman; volunteer, Wayne Sheppard. (Photo courtesy of Kay Wade)

## Golden Plains Scholar's Bowl Blows the Competition Away



The Golden Plains Varsity Scholar Bowl team went undefeated to place first at their first competition of the season at Rawlins County on October 16. Team members include (l-r) Jennifer Esparza, Devin Carter, Angel Sanchez, Taryn Fleckenstein, and Flint Hodge. (Photo by Steiner Scott)

By Charlotte McCurdy

The Golden Plains High School Scholar's Bowl Team went undefeated for 9 rounds to claim first place at the Rawlins County High School Invitational on Monday, October 16. Teams competing were Cheylin, Golden Plains, Goodland, Norton, Oberlin, Quinter, Rawlins County, Saint Francis, Wallace County, and Colby.

Golden Plains went against Goodland first. The final score for the round was 60-20. Round 2 was against last year's State Runner-Up, Cheylin, with a final score of 50-0. Norton was next with 60-20 as the score. Next, up against the

host, Rawlins County. Golden Plains triumphed with a score of 70-40. Rounds 5, 6, 7, and 8 were against Quinter, Wallace County, Colby, and Oberlin. 50-10 over Quinter, 70-10 with Wallace County, a hard-fought round resulting in 30-20 against Colby, and another nail-biting round against Oberlin with a finishing 40-30 score. The last and final Round 9 came down to quite the lead against Saint Francis with a final score of 65-0. All told, the Bulldogs scored a total of 435 points to their opponents total of 130.

"The first three round were good wins over the second and third place finishers, Norton and Goodland," said Coach

Scott, "and the win against the State Runners Up last year, Cheylin, really helped build our confidence. Great way to start the year, with impressive wins over the larger schools, and great teamwork with everyone contributing."

Team members participating in this meet were Flint Hodge, Jennifer Esparza, Angel Sanchez, Taryn Fleckenstein, and Devin Carter, along with coach, Steiner Scott.

"My hopes are pretty high," said newcomer, Flint Hodge of the upcoming season. "We came in first, so the moral is still pretty high." The Bulldogs will compete at their home meet in Rexford on October 30.

## DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Law enforcement officers at locations across the state will be collecting unused leftover medications for safe disposal on Saturday, October 28, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said today.

The collection events are part of a nationwide effort to safely dispose of leftover medications to prevent accidental or intentional misuse. Since the Drug Take-Back Day program began in 2010, more than 58 tons of unwanted medications have been collected and destroyed in Kansas alone.

"Unused medications are dangerous for kids, pets and the environment," Schmidt said. "Diversion of opioid painkillers, in particular, can contribute to the misuse of these drugs that has become a serious nationwide problem. Getting leftover medicines out of the medicine cabinets and safely destroyed keeps them from falling into the

wrong hands and makes our communities safer."

Medications will be accepted at drop-off sites across the state from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. To find a location, visit [www.ag.ks.gov](http://www.ag.ks.gov).

The National Drug Take-Back Day is coordinated by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration, which collects and safely destroys the medications.

Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Nationwide, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates opioid overdoses kill 91 Americans every day. According to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, pharmaceutical opioids are a leading cause of drug poisoning deaths in Kansas. The CDC says the number of opioid prescriptions has quadrupled since 1999,

despite Americans reporting a steady amount of pain.

Studies show a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that traditional methods for disposing of unused medicines - flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash - pose potential safety and health hazards and should be avoided.

Unused prescriptions can be turned in year-round at many local law enforcement locations. Sheridan County Sheriff's Office in Hoxie from 10am - 2pm on Saturday, October 28 for constituents to dispose of their leftover and unused medications. Please note however, we are not able to accept injectables and/or injection pens.

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**Words of Faith**  
Whatever you ask for in prayer believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.  
Mark 11:24

Grain Report	
Reported on: Tuesday, Oct. 24	
Wheat	3.37
Corn	2.97
Milo	2.97
Beans	8.45

Weather Report			
SC Conservation District			
Date	High	Low	Moisture
10/15	67	35	--
10/16	77	44	--
10/17	81	44	--
10/18	83	40	--
10/19	81	56	--
10/20	80	55	--
10/21	64	33	--

Been having some frosty mornings!

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**Words of Wisdom**  
Man is made by his belief.  
As he believes, so he is.  
~Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Where's Sheridan?

# Community News

## The Sheridan Sentinel

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## JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

Reminders: American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held Friday October 27 at the United Methodist Church. Call Marge Hartzog 785-678-3010 for appointment.

Saturday, October 28 many activities will be held in Jennings from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. \$5.00 noon lunch of hamburgers, chips, drink and cookies at the Community Hall, garage sale starting at 8:00 a.m. also at the Hall sponsored by the Girls Scout. Community Wide garage sale during the day. Flag ceremony at the Legion Hall at 5:00 p.m. Sons of the American Legion will be serving hotdogs after the flag ceremony. Library will open at 5:30 for Books and Treats. Girl Scout sponsored Trunk treats in the evening on Kansas Ave. Watch for posters on these activities.

The Jennings City Library received a wonderful donation from Eleanor

Morel's nieces as a memorial for Quinnley Taylor. It is such a nice reminder of thoughtfulness to open a book that has been dedicated by loved ones.

The Library has in new books by David Baldacci, James Patterson and Stephen King all of whom must love Halloween with their eerie, mysterious stories. Other new books that sound Halloweenish that are in the library include, "The Girl Who Was Taken" by Charlie Donlea; "Here and Gone" by Hayden Beck and "Y for Yesterday" by Sue Grafton.

A small group attended Clean Up Day Saturday. City council would like to thank those who came to work and enjoyed the noon meal at the Hall.

Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs spent Saturday at the home of her mother, Ramona Shaw.

## SELDEN NEWS

By Jacque Boultinghouse

Birthdays & Anniversaries: October 27: JR Albers, Sam Shuler; October 28: Zane Pauls, Dawson Spresser; October 29: Jack McKee, Chris Springer, Mea Affolter; October 30: CeeAnn Wessel Affolter; October 31: Paula McKenna, Makensie Shaw; November 1: Jason Geisinger; November 2: Pat Koeperich, Gail Smith, Gloria Goscha, Allison Benoit.

During Senior Citizens at the Community Center on October 19, Gail Mumm won high, Ralph Weis took second, Don Quackenbush got low

and Ohio Aumiller had the most Jacks. Other players included Bob Wessel, Pat Wessel, Paulie Neff, Margee Wilson, Carl Mumm, and Don Juenemann.

School Calendar: October 27: NO SCHOOL, High School Dance in Rexford at 8:00 pm; October 28: ACT Tests, Junior High Halloween Dance; October 30: High School Scholars Bowl at Rexford at 4:00 PM; November 1: Senior Day at NW Tech; November 2: Junior High and High School Vocal Clinic at Noon. School is dismissed at Noon.



## Mealsite Menu

October 30 - November 3

**Monday:** Chicken-Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Peaches

**Tuesday:** Chili, Ambrosia Salad, Crackers, Cinnamon Roll

**Wednesday:** Smokies, Macaroni & Cheese, Peas, Bread, Rosy Applesauce

**Thursday:** Sloppy Joe, Tater Triangles, Italian Blend Vegetables, Bun, Mandarin Oranges

**Friday:** Tuna Salad, Tomato Soup, Coleslaw, Crackers, Jel-lo w/fruit

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

## Upcoming Area Events

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

Courthouse, Commissioners Room. For information call 785-443-0120

**Wednesdays - on-going:** Moms in Prayer Meetings: Contact Kristin Johnson for more information 785-657-1478

**Saturday, November 18:** 9am-5pm Christmas Open House - Flower Barn, 642 Main

6pm Connect-UMC  
7:30pm FOUNDRY-Hoxie UMC (6:30pm-3rd Wednesday)

**Oakley:** **Sunday, October 29:** 3pm "Two on Tap" song & dance variety concert at Oakley High School Auditorium

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

**Grainfield:** **Tuesday, November 7:** 9am Meet with the Veterans Service Rep, Rick Austin at the Grainfield American Legion. For information call 785-443-0120

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

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

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

**Colby:** **Sunday, November 5:** 3pm Presidio Brass Band presents "Sounds of the Cinema" at Colby Cultural Arts Center \$20 adults, \$10 students or WPAA Season Ticket

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

**Wednesday, November 15:** 1pm Egg Grading Workshop and Produce Safety Workshop-Open to the Public

**Hoxie:** **Saturday, November 4:** 9am Writer's Workshop presented by Friends of the Cottonwood at Cottonwood Ranch

**Hays:** **Saturday, November 4:** 7:30pm New Music Festival-An Evening of Music by Living Composers at Beach-Schmidt Performing Arts Center. Tickets available at the Hays Visitors & Convention Bureau or the door 30-minutes prior to concert.

**Tuesday, November 7:** 1:30pm Meet with the Veterans Service Rep, Rick Austin at the Sheridan County

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**Selling Locations and Dates:**  
Quinter at 920 Lincoln St., Oct. 26, 27, 28, & 30  
Hays at Frontier Room, 203 W. 41st St., Nov. 4  
Claffin at Claffin Comm. Center, 409 A St., Nov. 11  
Hoxie at Sheridan Co. Fairgrounds, 1308 Main, Nov. 18

**Selling Hours: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.**

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When making soups, sauces, catsup, or anything that needs straining or putting through a sieve, use the ordinary flour sifter, or keep one for that purpose. The use of the crank will do the work in half the time it takes to rub food through with a spoon.  
When wash dresses are mused without being soiled, or are even soiled, rub with a cloth wet in cold starch until clean, and dampen the whole with a cloth wet in the starch, and the dress will press and look like new.  
Cut soft pieces of flannel the size of a child's soles, and with the white of egg paste them inside and keep the little people from having cold feet. A heavy piece of cloth cut from men's trousers the size of the rubber sole and pasted inside will be a wonderful help to keep anybody's feet warm in cold weather.  
To clean furs, take a pan of

**Weber Receives 2017 CHS Scholars Award**  
Chris Weber of Hoxie, Kansas, a senior in agronomy, have each been awarded a CHS Scholars Award through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center and the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University.  
Chris Weber is actively involved in Wheat State Agronomy Club and participates on the K-State soil judging and NACTA crops judging teams. He works as a student assistant for the Soybean Breeding Project at K-State and as a greenhouse manager. Chris anticipates a May 2018 graduation and hopes to work as a crop scout and assist in managing the family farm. The Weber family is affiliated with the following co-operatives: Frontier Ag and Western Cooperative Electric Association.  
To be eligible for the scholarship, the students must be U.S. or Canadian citizens, or legal residents properly enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior during the current academic year majoring in an agriculture-related undergraduate program or STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) degree program. Students can reapply annually. Preference is given to those students who demonstrate academic ability and exhibit leadership qualities through the university, community or industry.  
The awarding of the CHS Scholars Awards is coordinated through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center.  
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**Talented People**  
By Micah Howery  
I've always hated 1Corinthians 1:26-28. It says, "Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are."

I've been a Christian as long as I can remember. Does that mean I'm a "lowly thing"? Not very flattering! But there are two thoughts that expand this concept into something much greater, and end up being more encouraging than insulting.

The first is a recognition of the temporary state of this life. Money, power, accomplishments, pride and the like will all pass. Even a memory of me will most likely not pass one generation after I leave this earth. But, the things of the Spirit are eternal.

Those who are talented in this life actually function with a handicap. Because they are good at making money, controlling others, thinking clearly, accomplishing great feats or creating beautiful art, they partially fill the gap in their lives that cries out for permanence. They feel that if they do enough, they will somehow live on in the minds and hearts of those who follow after them.

While that may be partially true for a very select few, it's not even possible for the vast majority of talented people. Fame fades. Businesses die. Even nations crumble and fall. The greatest of our race can never be truly remembered or loved. They will not go on for

eternity. What hope is there for the rest of us?

So, for the talented, their abilities blind them to the truth that can give them eternity, and so their lives end in misery and pain.

Secondly, talent is an illusion. I'm not saying that people are not good at the things they are good at. Rather, talent hides another truth: that we are ultimately broken. I'm good with words. But if I focus on my gift, I might miss the fact that I am a sinner incapable of changing myself in areas of weakness. I can't save myself. I am broken like all the rest of humanity.

What's more, as a pastor I have had the pleasure/pain of seeing into the lives and inner workings of people's social lives, private thoughts and deepest emotions. What I have found is an inherent brokenness. We are not good. We choose self-destructive behavior. We reach out and hurt those around us. We think we know what's right or good, but are so far off base we can't even see it from where we are.

I'm a logical individual and have found in people an inability to see things clearly or think correctly. We misunderstand, assume, prejudice and then turn those "facts" into hatred, bigotry and arrogance. God has shown me in my own life where these tendencies lie. It's universal.

I know it wasn't Paul's point, but we are all "lowly, foolish, of ignoble birth." We are all "the things that are not", even when we, and others, think we are better than that.

Christianity has often been a "beggar's religion" filled with slaves, poor, needy and broken. Sick people, cripples, the blind, the deaf and the hurting have always been drawn to Jesus' message of grace, love and healing in a world that has ignored them. But that doesn't mean they are less. It means their realization of the truth has opened them up to the real truth: that they are so much more.

Don't rely on your own skill or ability. It is not what you think it is. Your "wisdom" is foolish. Your "strength" is weakness. Surrender wholly to God. Only there can you find what you think you already have.

**Area Churches**

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When baking sweet potatoes, put a dish of hot water in the oven near them. They will not be tough and dry.

A slice of ham browned and then simmered in sweet cider is a delicious change from the every day fried or broiled variety.

By Nellie Maxwell  
The Sentinel Archives  
The Hoxie Sentinel  
January 22, 1914



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# Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber

**From The Golden Belt, Grinnell**

**October 23, 1886**

Born's new house is going up fast.

One week from Tuesday next is the general election.

J. D. Rickman moved into his new house Wednesday.

D. A. Borah was elected Clerk, John Hopkins, Sheriff and W. T. Stokes, commissioner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Dist.

A little bird whispered in our ear that wedding bells will ring in the vicinity of Grinnell tomorrow.

Kent has bought a nice line of dry goods, and will have them shelved ready for inspection in a few days.

Numerous prairie fires are doing much damage over the county, prepare your fire-guards and make yourself safe before you are too late.

We are informed that grading on the new road from Oakley to Colby will begin on Monday next. This will give both towns a boom.

Election day passed off quietly in Grinnell. A much larger vote was polled than had been expected. The vote on the County Seat stood as follows: Gove City, 60, Buffalo Park, 51, Grainfield, 27.

Tucker is the busiest man in town. He makes all the tubing for the many drilled wells now going down over the country. The fall trade has already begun, and everybody rushes to the old reliable.

We would like to say that *Belt* is fully prepared to print election tickets equal to any that was shipped in from abroad. Any township not having confidence in their own print shop's ability will please remember this and keep the work in the county by giving *Belt* your order.

The Second regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held at the residence of Mrs. Kent, on Thursday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting was called to order by the president, the report of the last meeting read and approved, and the roll called, eight members responding to their names. After devoting some time to work the Society adjourned to meet at the residence of Mrs. Gardener, on Thursday p.m., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.

Gove City will have to do without a hotel this winter, as she has donated the use of the Benson House for county purposes.

The largest and nicest line of stationery in Gove county can be found at the Star Grocery. Go see it.

Rev. Aller preaches Sunday evening at the Arlington House. Everybody cordially invited to hear him.

The Badger Lumber Co. will soon have her yard in running order in Grinnell. This will be of great benefit to our town.

**125 Years Ago**  
**October 27, 1892**

Hon. E. J. Turner will speak here on Nov. 7.

I. B. Gray, of Guy, was in the city yesterday.

Martin Kerr was over from Grainfield Tuesday.

Walter White, of Buffalo Park, paraded our streets Monday.

Big annual dance tonight at Havercamp's in Solomon Township.

Joe Cooper and Miss Retta Suffecool were married last Saturday night.

E. H. Lupton made a flying trip to Beatrice, Nebraska, last week.

A partial eclipse of the sun occurred last Thursday, it was too cloudy here to see it.

T. L. Smith, who owns a large ranch in Gove county, passed through here Sunday with eleven car loads of cattle which he shipped from Selden.

Township committeemen are requested to send in their township tickets at once if they



Farming technology has come quite a long way! (Photo courtesy of Sheridan County Historical Society)

desire them printed on the regular tickets.

J. H. Heroy, the Elliott postmaster, made us a call while in town Monday.

Miss Amanda Brooks was in the city Saturday and Sunday.

W. C. Haines was up from Skelton yesterday with a load of "taters and things."

The Masons held a special meeting Tuesday night. Work in the second degree.

J. S. Smith's family and household goods arrived Tuesday and he is now at home in the east ward.

The Republicans of Valley township have nominated the following ticket: Trustee, W. P. Woods; Clerk, J. W. Toothacher; Treasurer, A. S. Morgan; Justice of the Peace, A. Pratt; constables, C. E. Miller and Chas. Sherwood.

John Shields, of the Oberlin Alliance-Times was over Sunday and Monday with a view to purchasing the Palladium. He returned home after expressing himself as not being "on the buy."

If there is anything which interests the farmers of Sheridan county more than another, it is good horses. Good horses cannot be had without good feed and care for them. These can be always had at a moderate cost, when you come to town at Smith's barn. - Korb's old stand west of Opera Block.

**Seguin Squibs**  
J. N. Anderson is still putting in wheat.

DeWitt Dodds took in the city of Hoxie Friday.

Joe Ozier was taking in the sights of Seguin Monday.

Abe Walton is putting up a house and barn and has had a wind mill put up.

It looks as if there was going to be a wedding. Boys get your bells and things ready.

Joe Anderson traded horses with W. H. Dodds Monday. Joe is getting to be quite a horse trader.

**100 Years Ago**  
**October 25, 1917**

**Local News**

Clyde Keller returned home from Sharon Springs last week.

C. P. Breeden, of Saline township, was a Hoxie business visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis and children spent a pleasant day with Mr. Lewis' uncle, Sherm Lewis, out in Bow Creek township, Sunday.

A bright red auto truck belonging to Whietker Bros., of Norton, was in town Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Adams are the proud parents of a nice, little baby girl, born last week.

Miss Agnes Rouse, of Selden, spent Saturday and Sunday

with her sister, Mrs. Fred E. Bear.

A large crowd attended the moving picture play at the Palace last Friday evening when "Julius Caesar" was put on the screen. Everybody thought it was good.

**Selden News**  
By Pollyanna

Mrs. J. A. Anderson has been ill with tonsillitis the past week.

J. C. Vaughn and daughter, Maud, were Hoxie visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hanshaw, Mrs. J. H. Criswell and Orpha and Orland Hanshaw spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Robinson and family, at Hoxie.

**Old Sheridan**  
By Pioneer

Len Spesser was up at Leonard Zodrow's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brelsford and son, Dewey, are still in Colorado.

Mrs. Carl Aumiller and Mrs. Grant Aumiller called on Mrs. Dell Hutchinson Sunday.

**Valley**  
By Gleaner

Myriam Conard spent the past week with Clara Collins, of Seguin.

Mrs. J. R. Woods is on the sick list this week and Mrs. Ed Conard is staying with her a few days.

Mrs. Ervin Getz and son, Robert, returned home last Monday from Phillipsburg, where they were visiting Mr. Getz's parents.

**Saline Pick-ups**  
By X. Y. Z.

George Phelps and wife went to Kansas City Monday night.

The date of the box supper to be held at Bee Hive has been changed to Friday evening November 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy James are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby girl which took up her abode at their home October 11.

We unintentionally omitted an important item last week. The stork paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelps October 8, and left a fine baby boy of which Roy is justly proud.

**Rose Field Roses**  
Roy Hopkins has returned to McDonald to resume his work. He was home to assist his father in sowing his fall wheat.

Mrs. Wooley and daughter, Mae, were visitors at Rose-field, Friday. Miss Sarah accompanied them home in the evening.

**75 Years Ago**  
**October 22, 1942**

**Local News**

Marge Jean Davis and Ruby Cooper went by train to Hill City Saturday. Yvonne Jones returned with them by train Saturday afternoon to spend the

week end here.

Miss Maud Reid is visiting with relatives in Lenora for several weeks.

Bill Cooper has returned home with an honorable discharge from the U. S. Army. Bill was at Fort Sill, Okla., when he became ill. He has recovered but is dismissed from active army duty. His plans for the immediate future are still indefinite. He is enjoying a well earned visit with his parents and sisters.

Mrs. Mae Bower of Codell spent the week end at the Howard Reed home. She drove to Hoxie with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harris of Plainville, who visited in the country at the parental Karnes home. Mrs. Bowers is teaching a rural school near Codell and likes her work fine.

O. F. Hommon has been working for Ralph Menefee for the past two weeks or so as machine operator at the Pix Theatre, Mr. and Mrs. Hommon and baby have been living in the upstairs apartment at the L. W. Briery home. They plan to move next week to Garden City where he will manage a theatre there.

**Selden Items**

Today, Monday is a holiday for the school kiddies but they are laboring as hard as they possibly can to gather scrap iron to help fight the Japs.

Mr. and Mrs. Winslow Aumiller and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wilcox on Tuesday.

Mr. Fred Strohwig is making the old blacksmith shop into a granary and Monday he was hurt while working on this building. We hope he will have no permanent injuries.

**Green Valley**

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bainter received word that their son Gayle, who has been in camp at Camp Barkley, Texas, has been transferred to Fort Riley, Kansas. Gayle is now a sergeant.

Club met Oct. 8 with Gladys McGatlin. Those present were Della and Ada Elshire, Nita Jennings, Merna Spillman, Mary Johnson. Next club will be Oct. 22 with Mrs. Merna Spillman.

Loren Broyles went to camp last week.

**Saline Valley Gossip**

Mrs. Martha Feldt spent the week at her brother's Vince Dickman's.

The Daughters of Isabella served breakfast to 44 Knights of Columbus Monday morning in the church basement.

Edward Dickman and Durwood Beckman were helping S. Lunsway near Colby

with his threshing this week.

A number of Angelus folks attended the Carder sale east of Grinnell Monday afternoon.

**50 Years Ago**  
**October 26, 1967**

**Movie to Begin at 7:30 at Pix Theatre**

S. H. Bagby, operator of the Pix Theatre announced this week that the movie will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the theatre beginning Friday, Nov. 3. The doors will open at 7:15, Bagby said.

There will be no Halloween show at the theatre this year.

**McGraw News**

Mrs. Sadie Smith was hostess to the Victory Club Oct. 19 with all members present but one. Next meeting will be Nov. 2 with Mrs. Helen Tice.

Mrs. Vernie Moore called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spillman on Tuesday. Sunday Mrs. Moore called on Mr. and Mrs. Everett Moats and Iva Brantley.

Mrs. Theo McKenna was a Thursday guest of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Hartzog.

**Leoville News**

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Degenhardt and children and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Klein and daughters Bonnie and Susan of Hays were Sunday visitors at the David Kruse home.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Wagoner and baby from Goodland visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. David Kruse visited Mrs. Henry Unrien at Jennings Wednesday afternoon.

**Seguin Items**

Henry and Gertrude Reinert of Atwood were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Math Schuetz and Asella. They also called at the T. M. Reinert home.

Mrs. Florence Wilson of Selden was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dempewolf.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wegman were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John Geerdes.

**Lucerne Vicinity**

Monday afternoon Beverly Teel entertained with a Beeline party.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kemper visited Mr. and Mrs. Vic Karnes and family Sunday evening.

They have put up tank batteries on the Brandt oil well and it is in production.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schlick were in Hill City on Friday.

**Tasco Notes**

Tasco Community Club met Friday, Oct. 20 with Ina Taylor. Irma Getz drew the hostess gift. Next meeting will be with Lena Morgan and Mrs. Welling on Nov. 3 at the Morgan home. Quilting and embroidery work will be done.

Visitors Monday afternoon at

the home of Ina Hill were Flavel Twell, Helen Pratt and Harry Joe.

Friends of the William Brown family hope to hear that their son Gilbert is still making improvement since his recent accident.

**Broadway News**

The Mr. Pleasant young people are sponsoring a mask Halloween social Saturday night at the church basement at 8 o'clock. Old and young are invited. Cider and doughnuts will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. George Simon spent Wednesday evening at Jim Maders.

Albert Smith called at the Claude Smith home at Quinter Tuesday morning.

**25 Years Ago**  
**October 29, 1992**

**Burbanks at Mt. Pleasant**

When Pastor Jeff Burbank greeted his parishioners for the first time on Sunday, Oct. 18, contagious enthusiasm certainly must have been included in the salutation. The American Baptist Minister and newly-arrived leader at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church expressed his feeling for his recent calling to the congregation in these words, "We are excited to be here, we are really excited to be here because we feel the Lord is here." "We" includes Jeff and his wife Leslie, and in the spring will include a third member of the family with the expected arrival of their first child.

**Hallelujah Party at Living Word Fellowship Saturday, 6-8:30 p.m.**

Living Word Fellowship of Hoxie and Christian Word Outreach of Colby invite all kids to attend a Hallelujah Party on Oct. 31 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Living Word Fellowship off Highway 24W. Come dressed as your favorite Bible character or animal. Kids will enjoy candy, carnival booths, prizes, a costume contest, and a special movie called "A Witch's Curse." Refreshments will be available for the adults and LOTS OF CANDY at each booth for the kids.

**HHS Spikers State Bound**

The varsity Indians traveled to Phillipsburg Saturday, Oct. 24, for sub-state action. Number one seed, Hoxie, first defeated eighth seed, Trego-WaKeeny with the scores of 15-0, 15-3. The spikers advanced to semi-finals meeting fifth seed Beloit. Hoxie defeated Beloit in two games, 15-11, 15-2. The final test for the lady Indians came during the championship match with Norton. The spikers playing tough defeated Norton in two games 15-6, 15-11. This qualified them for the state competition to be held Oct. 30-31 at the Bicentennial Center in Salina. The spikers ended the day with a total of 56 kills.

**New Hope Unit Meets**

The New Hope Unit members met Oct. 8 at the 4-H building to get the lesson The Middle East with members of the other clubs of the county. At noon we enjoyed the meal that had been prepared by various members in keeping with the Middle East. It was different in some dishes, and others were very good. We were supposed to eat only with the right hand as that culture thinks the left hand is unclean, but most of found that was a little hard to do.

Seven members were present. Mary Ellen made the sandwiches for the blood mobile for our club. We received a thank-you note from them, for the sandwiches and help.

The dues for the coming year to the county will be \$4. Fall workshop will be Nov. 19 at Oakley. Christmas Fair will be Oct. 29.

The November meeting will be with Bernadine as hostess. - Public Relations Chairman.

# Northwest Kansas News

## HaysMed's Low Infection Rates Receives National Certification

HaysMed, part of The University of Kansas Health System, is the only hospital in Kansas that has earned a prestigious certification because of its low infection risk. And it is one of only four hospitals in the United States to receive the Management of Infection Risk (MIR) certificate.

The eighteen primary factor areas are considered, and in which safety has been enhanced include: decreased hip/knee surgical site infection risk; decreased surgical site infection risk in colon procedures and hysterectomies; decreased device-

related infections with urinary catheters and central lines; and decreased infections related to the environment.

The committee includes clinical and non-clinical associates.

HaysMed is accredited by DNV Healthcare, a world-leading certification organization, which is the entity that awarded the MIR certification.

MIR certification builds on three important pillars: being proactive instead of reactive; developing a safety culture that is transparent and accountable; and engaging all staff in a systems-driven approach to safety.

## Working Together to Overcome the Reading Barrier

By David Kirkendall

The second in a 4-part series regarding the importance of reading to and with young children

To teach and give children the tools to overcome the reading barrier is an awe-inspiring moment. For a child to sit with a grandparent or someone from an older generation and have that person deliver praise for their reading abilities, will help set that child on a path to a love learning.

Logan Elementary school in Logan, Kansas rolled out a summer reading program this past June. Thanks to a generous donation from the Dane G. Hansen foundation, we were able to purchase a wide variety of literary books for our students.

The books arrived after school had already dismissed for the summer, so we struggled a bit to get the word out to our families. We attempted to accomplish this by have our teachers reach out through their class lists and by the use of social media. Students were able to come to the school and view all of the books we had purchased. They were spread out across our auditorium's stage. We provided them with a tote bag in which to store their books. Students were allowed to pick up to ten books to take home and enjoy. We had several students that made regular stops throughout the summer exchanging books.

We wanted to work with the surrounding community libraries and their summer reading programs. We hoped that our program would work in conjunction with theirs. To assist in this, Logan schools donated

an older iPad to each of the three libraries in our surrounding communities. We provided training and software to the librarians. This enables our students to be able to attend the libraries and take Accelerated Reading tests over the books that they had read. Accelerated reading tests measures the student's comprehension of the material contained in the book. We had several students show a dramatic increase in reading.

Several students were encouraged to work with our local nursing home and assisted living homes. These students would take books down and read to the residents. This is a continuation of our commitment to give back to our community from our elementary students.

The opportunity to engage students with books and to help foster a love for reading is a gift of a lifetime. When a child becomes aware of words on a page, and understands that they are not able to understand those words, they feel a sense of isolation from the book. It forces them to understand that they have a dependence on someone else to provide them the information contained within. It becomes a sense of being left out. When a child learns to read and begins to understand those words, they feel a sense of belonging to a group. It becomes one of our first self-aware barriers to growing up.

David Kirkendall is the Principal for Logan Schools

Learn more about the importance of reading to your children at [NWKansasReads.org](http://NWKansasReads.org).

## Piecing Together the 2018 Medicare Coverage & Open Enrollment Puzzle

Medicare A, Medicare B, Medicare C, Medicare D, Medigap. What are they and how do you make sense of it all? Each one refers to a different part of your coverage. Try to look at it as pieces of a puzzle. The following information is provided by Medicare.gov.

**Puzzle Piece #1:**  
In general, Medicare part A covers:

- Hospital Care
- Skilled nursing facility care
- Nursing home care (as long as custodial care isn't the only care you need)
- Hospice
- Home health services

**Puzzle Piece #2:**  
Part B covers 2 types of services:

- Medically necessary services: Services or supplies that are needed to diagnose or treat your medical condition and that meet accepted standards of medical practice.
- Preventive services: Health care to prevent illness (like the flu) or detect it at an early stage, when treatment is most likely to work best.

You pay nothing for most preventive services if you get the services from a health care provider who accepts assignment. Part B covers things like:

- Clinical research
- Ambulance services
- Durable medical equipment (DME)
- Mental health
- Getting a second opinion before surgery
- Limited outpatient prescription drugs

**Puzzle Piece #3:**  
Medicare C or Medicare Advantage plans are offered by private companies approved by Medicare. If you join a Medicare Advantage Plan, you still have Medicare. You'll get your Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) coverage from the Medicare Advantage Plan and not Original Medicare. Medicare Advantage Plans cover all Medicare services. Most Medicare Advantage Plans also offer extra coverage, like vision, hearing and dental coverage. Medicare pays a fixed amount

for your care each month to the companies offering Medicare Advantage Plans. These companies must follow rules set by Medicare. Each Medicare Advantage Plan can charge different out-of-pocket costs and can also have different rules for how you get services.

**Puzzle Piece #4:**

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act authorizes Medicare coverage of outpatient prescription drugs. Each Medicare drug plan has its own list of covered drugs (called a formulary). Many Medicare drug plans place drugs into different "tiers" on their formularies. Drugs in each tier have a different cost. A drug in a lower tier will generally cost you less than a drug in a higher tier. Sometimes, if your prescriber thinks you need a drug that's on a higher tier, you or your prescriber can ask your plan for an exception to get a lower copayment. A Medicare drug plan can make some changes to its formulary during the year within guidelines set by Medicare. If the change involves a drug you're currently taking, your plan must provide written notice to you at least 60 days prior to the date the change becomes effective.

**Puzzle Piece #5:**

A Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap) policy, sold by private companies, can help pay some of the health care costs that Original Medicare doesn't cover, like copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles. Some Medigap policies also offer coverage for services that Original Medicare doesn't cover, like medical care when you travel outside the U.S. If you have Original Medicare and you buy a Medigap policy, Medicare will pay its share of the Medicare-approved amount for covered health care costs. Then, your Medigap policy pays its share.

A Medigap policy is different from a Medicare Advantage Plan. Those plans are ways to get Medicare benefits, while a Medigap policy only supplements your Original Medicare benefits. And you can't have a Medigap policy with a Medicare Advantage Plan.

During this annual enrollment period (AEP) you can make changes to various aspects of your coverage.

- You can switch from Original Medicare to Medicare Advantage, or vice versa.
- You can also switch from one Medicare Advantage plan to another, or from one Medicare Part D (prescription drug) plan to another.
- And if you didn't enroll in a Medicare Part D plan when you were first eligible, you can do so during the general open enrollment, although a late enrollment penalty may apply.

If you want to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan, you must meet some basic criteria.

- You must be enrolled in Medicare Part A and B.
- You must live in the plan's service area.
- You cannot have End-Stage Renal Disease (some exceptions apply).

If you have questions or concerns about these plans and changes, contact your local Twin Creeks Extension District office for assistance. Oberlin 475-8121, Hoxie 675-3268, Norton 877-5755.

"The first wealth is health" -Ralph Waldo Emerson

Here are five tips that can help you make the most out of your health benefits and better understand how to use your health care dollars.

### 1. Know your open enrollment dates

Open enrollment isn't the same or at the same time for everyone, so there are key dates to keep in mind depending on your situation:

- For the more than 177 million Americans with employer-provided coverage,

many companies set aside a two-week period between September and December when employees can select health benefits for the following year.

- For the more than 58 million seniors and other people enrolled in Medicare, their Open Enrollment runs from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7 each year.
- Health insurance marketplace or individual state exchange open enrollment runs from Nov. 1 to Dec. 15.

For most people, changes made to coverage during open enrollment take effect Jan. 1, 2018.

### 2. Take time to review your options

Every person or family has unique health and budget needs, so there is no one-size-fits-all approach to selecting a health plan. Take the time to explore your options, and understand the benefits and costs of each plan so you can find the coverage that works best for you and your family members.

- Check if your current coverage still meets your needs and if your benefits will change next year.
- Determine if the plan is a good fit for your budget, and pay attention to more than just the monthly premium. You should also understand the other out-of-pocket costs, including deductibles, copays and coinsurance.
- Make sure your medications are covered. Even if you don't expect to change plans, it's important to ensure your drugs will still be covered next year.

**3. Make sure your doctor is in your plan's care provider network**

Even if you don't make any changes to your health insurance this year, it's still a good idea to ensure that any doctor you see regularly - or plan to visit in the coming year - is in your benefit plan's care provider network. If you plan to visit a doctor or hospital outside of the network, be sure to understand how your costs will differ from a network care provider because those costs will most likely be higher.

Also, check if your plan includes 24/7 telehealth services for consultations on minor health issues. Often, telehealth - defined as online, or virtual, visits with a doctor over a computer, tablet or mobile phone - is available to people enrolled in employer-sponsored health plans and group Medicare Advantage plans, as well as select individual Medicare Advantage plans. Virtual visits may provide convenient and affordable access to care for minor medical issues, including allergies, bronchitis and seasonal flu.

### 4. Don't forget about additional benefits

Additional benefits such as dental, vision, accident or critical-illness insurance are often affordable options that can protect you and your family from head to toe. For people enrolled in Medicare, many are surprised to find that Original Medicare doesn't cover prescription drugs and most dental, vision and hearing services. But many Medicare Advantage plans do, often at a \$0 monthly premium beyond the premium for Original Medicare.

### 5. Take advantage of wellness programs.

Some health plans offer discounts on gym memberships and provide financial incentives for completing health assessments, signing up for health coaching programs, lowering your cholesterol, losing weight, meeting walking goals, or stopping smoking. Programs are designed to reward people for making healthy choices and being more engaged in improving their health.

For help navigating open enrollment, visit [UHCOpenEnrollment.com](http://UHCOpenEnrollment.com) for articles and videos with easy-to-understand information about health benefits and health insurance terms.

## Writer's Workshop Comes to the Cottonwood Ranch

The Friends of Cottonwood Ranch are proud to announce a Writer's Workshop. On Saturday, November 4, 2017, we are having a day long program featuring authors: Faith Colburn, Jerilynn Henriksen and Thomas Fox Averill.

The Cottonwood Ranch is situated on Kansas Highway 24 between Hoxie and Hill City.

We will begin the day with registration at 8:30 to 9:15, and sessions will commence at 9:20, with Faith Colburn and Jerilynn Henriksen presenting the story of their journey to writing.

Faith has a background as a public information officer for Nebraska State Game and Parks. She writes poetry and fiction as well as historical articles and photo essays. Jerilynn's background includes teaching secondary Language Arts classes and College Composition. She has written eight children's books and a memoir. Thomas Fox Averill will speak about his own publishing journey and give some prompts to help with writer's block and also offer some editing tips.

At 3:00 the general public is invited for book signings and time for visiting with the authors. Faith Colburn has had articles in the NEBRASKALAND magazine as well as fiction pieces in *Kinesis* and the *Platte Valley Review*. Jerilynn Henriksen has written children's books including *Teddy the Ghost Dog of Red Rocks*, *Bad Cat* and *Prairie Tales*. Thomas Fox Averill has written *A Carol Dickens Christmas*, *The Slow Air of Ewan MacPherson*, *rode*, and *Secrets of the Tsil Café* and some story collections. He is the editor of *What Kansas Means to Me*; *Twentieth Century Writers in the Sunflower State*.

The workshop registration will be \$30.00 plus lunch. One may either bring their own lunch or a choice of soups prepared by the Friends of Cottonwood Ranch. Pre-registration is requested for the workshop portion of the day. Space is limited. You may phone 785 567-7868 or email [cottonwoodranch24@yahoo.com](mailto:cottonwoodranch24@yahoo.com)

Please mark your calendars for this interesting event in Northwest Kansas and if you cannot join us for the workshop, consider joining us for the book signing event at 3:00.

## Antique Appraisal Fair

The Prairie Museum of Art and History will host an Antique Appraisal Fair on Saturday, November 11 from 1:00-5:00 PM. The public is invited to bring their antiques and heirlooms for an appraisal by a panel of six antique dealers and other experts. The charge for each appraisal is \$15, and each person may bring a maximum of three items. Please bring items you can easily carry; no large furniture, fine jewelry, firearms or other weaponry will be accepted.

The panel of experts who are contributing their time to this project include Cal Mahin, Em 'n' Me Antiques, Hays; Bonnie Werth, Donelan Jewelry, Colby; Deb Johnson, Colby Flea Market; Barbara Zimkus, retired, WaKeeney; Chris Griffin, Prairie Museum, Colby; Pat Kluthe, Travelers Clock Repair, Emporia. Panel members will evaluate each object to the best of their abilities; no written appraisals will be given.

The public is welcome to observe and listen; regular museum admission will be charged. Thomas County Historical Society members are always admitted free of charge. Home-baked goodies will be available for sale.

Pat Kluthe of Time Travelers Clock Repair will also be giving an informative program and clock appraisal in the morning from 9:00-12:00 on the fascinating world of old clocks, clock myths, and how to keep your heirloom clock running smoothly. Area residents are invited to bring in their antique clocks to learn more about them. Arrangements can be made for clocks in need of repair, and a portion of the fee will be donated to the Thomas County Historical Society.

The Prairie Museum is located at 1905 S. Franklin Avenue in Colby. For more information, call 785-460-4590 or visit [www.prairiemuseum.org](http://www.prairiemuseum.org).

## Hoxie Medical Clinic

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9:00 am - 5 pm  
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8:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Free mammograms and Pap tests are available to women with no insurance.

Dr. Michael Machen is available to see patients.

Please call to schedule an appointment.

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# Hoxie Indians



## EMILY DIERCKS TO COMPETE AT STATE CROSS COUNTRY



Freshman Emily Diercks runs at the Regional Cross Country meet in Tribune Saturday. She came in 8th and will compete at the State Cross Country Meet in Wamego this Saturday, Oct. 28. (HHS courtesy photo)

By Tom Friess and Peggy Eland

Emily Diercks, freshman, will race at the State Cross Country meet in Wamego this Saturday. She placed eighth overall in the regional meet with a time of 22:45.

The regional meet is the most important meet of the year for every athlete as they all are striving for one of the select spots at the state meet in Wamego. So, it is either bring your best or the dream of going to state stays just that. I had some concern about our team, because none had been on this stage before, but they took to the course like veterans. Despite cool and windy conditions, they managed to set four new PRs among them. We were led in placing by Emily who improved her school record by 27 seconds and placed eighth to earn one of the individual spots at the state meet. She got off to a good start and was solidly in the top 10 for the entire race. We were led at the starting line by Halie as she took the mantle of leadership and took the girls through the warm-up. She also lowered her PR by 15 seconds and ran a lot better time than I would have thought given the fact she went out way too fast and actually led the race for the first quarter mile or so. She was able to gather herself for a good, strong finish. Karlee led us in improvement as she knocked 68 seconds off her previous season best and placed one spot in front of Halie. Throughout the ups and downs of her first

season, Karlee has always persevered and taken the next starting line as another great opportunity.

Sean and Parker wound up the day as they attempted to catch a little bolt of lightning and hoped to position themselves for a berth at state. Sean's practices this last week were awesome, and we thought if somebody would falter, he might be there to pick up the pieces. He ran a really good race and was able to take eight seconds off his PR, but probably most importantly, he found how much he can push himself in practice and was exploring new limits. Parker had a struggle as the wind kicked up plenty of dust, which caused him to have allergy troubles. He finished the race, but never really looked as strong as he is capable of being.

I was just really proud of our kids' attitudes all day. It was not a fun day to be outside, but they did not let the conditions get in their head and just went out and performed to the best of their abilities. Emily will get to run at Wamego in the KSHSAA State Championships for 2A next Saturday, Oct. 28 at 12:20 PM but in my book, ALL these athletes are champions.

Regional Results:  
Girls: Emily Diercks - 8<sup>th</sup> place 22:45, Karlee Geisinger - 17<sup>th</sup> place 24:37, Halie Weese 18<sup>th</sup> place 25:07  
Boys: Sean Robben - 24<sup>th</sup> place 20:33, Parker Jones - 40<sup>th</sup> place 21:49

## FFA Dairy Judging Contest

By Matthew Diercks

Two Hoxie FFA members woke up early on Wednesday, October 18 to partake in the 2017 Dairy Judging Contest. The event took place in Bird City, KS. The two members included Parker Jones and Andrew Foote. Andrew placed 5th and Parker place 30th out of approximately 130 competitors. Congratulations to Andrew and Parker for placing well and representing Hoxie. Following the contest, the members had an opportunity to tour Bird City McCarty Dairy. While there they were able to see the free stall barn and the milking parlor.

## Hoxie's Volleyball Season Ends

By Rebekah Castle

Saturday, October 21, the Lady Indians participated in the Sub-State tournament in WaKeeney. They played the third match of the day and their first game was against Trego. The Lady Indians played hard against the Golden Eagles and took a win in their first round. The scores for the three sets are 25-16 in the first, 25-23 in the second, and 25-19 in the third.

The second and last match of the Indians' season was against the Plainville Cardinals. The game ended in two sets and the Cardinals moved on to the next round against Smith Center. Scores for the Hoxie/Plainville match were 25-11 in the first set and 25-17 in the second set.

Smith Center won in the championship game, defeating the Cardinals and moving on to the State Tournament this weekend in Emporia.

## Halloween Fun at Hoxie After-School Art Program



The kids in the Hoxie After-School Art Program have had lots of fun this month getting ready for Halloween. Candy tubs made from peanut canisters, trick-or-treat bags from pillowcases, and there was lots of fun with the Sensory Balloons (which I was informed were called "Stress Balls.") (Photo by Viktorija Briggs)

## Indians Beat Hill City



Kicking off is junior Taye Washington #77 in Friday's action at Hill City. Senior Latham Schwarz #6 runs upfield to make a tackle. The Indians beat the Ringnecks 52-6. (HHS courtesy photo)

By Luke Schippers

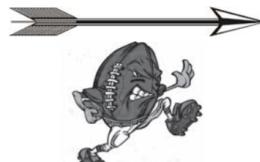
The Indians won Friday, Oct. 20 against Hill City High School 52-6. The game was over shortly after the third quarter started.

Hill City won the toss and chose to receive the ball. Junior Taye Washington kicked the ball to Hill City and Hill City returned the ball to the Indians' 4-yard line. Senior line-backer Luke Schippers intercepted a pass on Hill City's second play of the drive and returned it to the Indians' 5-yard line. The Indians drove down the field and scored on a 16-yard pass play from junior quarterback Jared Kennedy to senior running-back Latham Schwarz. Schwarz also rushed in for the 2-point conversion. Hoxie took an 8-0 lead. Washington kicked a touchback and Hill City started on their own 15-yard line. Senior Troyal Burris intercepted a pass on the second play of Hill City's drive and returned it to 3-yard line. Senior full-back Chris Cox fumbled on the Indians first play and Hill City recovered on their own 5-yard line. Hill City's drive was cut short by another Troyal Burris interception. He returned the ball to Hill City's 2-yard line, and Hoxie started there. Schwarz rushed in for the touchdown but was stopped short of the goal line for the 2-point conversion. Hoxie led 14-0. Washington kicked another touchback and Hill City started again at their own 15-yard line. Hoxie forced a punt after a short run and a pair of incomplete passes. Sophomore Wylie Weems returned the punt to Hoxie's 35-yard line and Hoxie started there. Weems took a handoff from Schwarz for an 8-yard touchdown, and Weems also carried the ball in for the 2-point conversion. Hoxie led 22-0. Washington kicked another touchback and Hill City again started at their own 15-yard line. Another run and a pair of incomplete passes forced a Hill City punt, and Hoxie started at Hill City's 38-yard line. Hoxie drove down the field until the first quarter ended.

On the first play of the second quarter, Schwarz

ran in from the 30-yard line breaking a pair of tackles, but a fumbled quarterback to running-back exchange stopped the 2-point conversion. Hoxie took a 28-0 lead. Washington kicked again and Hill City returned the ball to their own 29-yard line and started their drive. Hoxie forced another punt from Hill City with a tough defensive effort, and the Indians took over on their own 20-yard line. A snap over the head of Schwarz caused an Indian punt, and Hill City began their drive at the 23-yard line. Hill City drove down the field and scored, but Schippers intercepted the pass on the 2-point conversion attempt. Hoxie led 28-6. Hoxie returned the kick to their own 32-yard line, and started there. On the first play of the drive Kennedy threw an interception and Hill City took over at their 33-yard line. Hill City drove down the field but Hoxie eventually forced a field goal try that Hill City missed. Hoxie took over on their own 15-yard line. Hoxie drove down the field, and Schwarz rushed in for the touchdown from the 1-yard line. Schwarz also rushed in for the 2-point conversion, and Hoxie took a 36-6 lead. Washington kicked a touchback and Hill City started at their own 15-yard line again. Hoxie's defense forced another punt, and Hoxie took over at their own 35-yard line. Kennedy threw a 28-yard pass to Junior Logan Weimer for a touchdown, after a couple of solid runs by the Indians. Schwarz rushed in for the 2-point conversion, and Hoxie led 44-6. The clock ran out shortly after another kick from Washington and it was halftime.

Hoxie received the opening kick of the second half and started at their own 25-yard line. Weems rushed in for the touchdown from the 12-yard line, and Schwarz rushed in for the 2-point conversion to end the game. Hoxie won 52-6 due to the 8-man mercy rule.



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**MONDAY 10/30:**  
 B: Strawberry Bagel  
 L: Pig in a Blanket  
**TUESDAY 10/31:**  
 B: Pancake & Sausage on Stick  
 L: Meat Calzone  
**WEDNESDAY 11/1:**  
 B: Sausage & Cheese on Biscuit  
 L: Chicken Nuggets  
**THURSDAY 11/2:**  
 B: Peanut Butter & Jelly Pocket  
 L: Beef & Noodles  
**FRIDAY 11/3:**  
 B: Cheese Omelet & Toast  
 L: Pepperoni Pizza Stuffed Crust

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**RED CALENDAR**  
**MONDAY 10/30:**  
 4pm HS JV Scholars Bowl @ Trego City  
**TUESDAY 10/31:**  
 Halloween  
**THURSDAY 11/2:**  
 4:30pm JrH Basketball @ Home vs Dighton  
**FRIDAY 11/3:**  
 HS Football Bi-Districts  
**SATURDAY 11/4:**  
 District Music: JrH Band/Choir & HS Jazz @ Hays High

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# Golden Plains Bulldogs

## Bulldogs Advance in Quick Game



The Golden Plains offense lines up near the goal during the Bulldogs final home game of the season against Western Plains/Healy on October 20. Team members lined up include Toby Korte (85), Jaime Infante (33), Jacob Ritter (3-QB), Larry Radovich (81), Austin Patmon (20), and Josh Spresser (8). The Bobcats forfeited to the Bulldogs midway through the first quarter due to injuries giving the Bulldogs a 35-0 win and a spot in the Wild West Bowl in November. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs advanced to the semi-finals of the six-man playoffs and are guaranteed a spot at the Wild West Bowl on November 4 following a brief game against Western Plains/Healy on October 20 in Rexford.

The Bulldogs were excited and ready to play their final home game of the season as the Bobcats stepped on the field with seven players suited up. The Bobcats received the kick from Harley Weese, but quick tackles by Wade Rush, Caleb Korte, and Nolan Ritter kept them from advancing. A final tackle by Miguel Monge allowed the Bulldogs to take over.

Korte made a long run for the 'Dogs followed by a touchdown run by Dylan Spresser. Nolan Ritter kicked the PAT through the uprights and the 'Dogs led 7-0. Weese kicked back to the Bobcats, but they fumbled the ball and Monge recovered on the 11. Nolan Ritter caught a touchdown pass and kicked another PAT to put the 'Dogs up 14-0 with seven minutes to play in the first.

The Bobcats were unable to hang on to the kick return and it was recovered by Korte for the Bulldogs. Korte quickly ran in another touchdown followed by a PAT run by Josh Spresser.

Weese kicked again, and the Bobcats attempted to throw the ball. Korte intercepted their pass and ran it to just short of the goal. He finished the drive with his

second touchdown of the game. This time the PAT fell short and the 'Dogs were up 29-0 with 6:37 on the clock.

Weese kicked it once again. The Bobcats couldn't connect on a pass on the first down, and were tackled by Korte for a loss on the second. Monge recovered his second fumble of the night to give the ball back to GP. Weese handed the ball off to Dylan Spresser who scooted around the outside for another Bulldog touchdown.

The Bulldogs were up 35-0 with 5:36 remaining in the first quarter. The Bobcats suffered their second injury of the night leaving them with only 5 available players. Coach Smith offered to finish the game with 5 players, but the Bobcat coach chose to forfeit the game.

"In all my years of coaching, we have never had a game cancelled in the first quarter," said Coach Travis Smith. "We appreciate Western Plains/Healy finishing the season despite their low numbers and playing through their injuries this season. We were glad to have this final home game to help our team stay in rhythm as we prepare for the next two games.

The Bulldogs will play their semi-final game of the playoffs against Cheylin in Bird City on Thursday, October 26. The winner of this game will play for the six-man championship at the Wild West Bowl in Dodge City on November 4.

## Bulldogs Keep Streak Alive



Golden Plains Junior Miguel Monge blocks for the Bulldogs in the game against Wheatland/Grinnell in Grainfield on October 13. The Bulldogs won their fourth straight game with the 60-14 victory over the Thunderhawks to advance to the six-man playoffs. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs kept their winning streak alive stretching it to four straight and five overall with their 60-14 win over Wheatland/Grinnell on October 13 in Grainfield. "What a great way to finish the regular season," said Coach Travis Smith. "We sit at 5-2 and get to play at home for the first round of playoffs."

The Bulldogs won the toss and made several first downs with carries by Dylan Spresser and over to the Thunderhawks. The 'Hawks weren't able to move against the Bulldog defense with tackles by Nolan Ritter, Wade Rush, and Korte.

Korte then returned the punt to the 25 and evaded the defense to gain a quick 8. Spresser ran a first down moving the ball to the six-yard line. Korte finished the drive with his first of five touchdowns for the night. Jeron Schutte caught the PAT pass from quarterback Harley Weese to give the 'Dogs an early 7-0 lead. "We made a new formation for our PAT's" said Weese, "and it worked much better."

The 'Dogs again stopped the 'Hawks from advancing as Nolan Ritter intercepted a pass and ran it in for a touchdown. Another PAT pass connected from Weese to Rush to give the 'Dogs a 14-0 lead by the end of the first.

The second quarter continued to be all about the Bulldogs as Spresser and Korte carried the ball and the defense kept the 'Hawks from much forward momentum with Weese, Rush,

Korte, and Miguel Monge making repeated stops. The 'Hawks continued to attempt to pass the ball with little success against Golden Plains' improved pass coverage.

The 'Dogs took over on downs at the 21-yard line with 4:00 to play to the half. Ritter caught another pass, this one in the end zone, for a third Bulldog score. The PAT pass connected once more from Weese to Rush and the 'Dogs led 21-0.

Another big tackle from Chris Stoltz kept the 'Hawks away from their goal as they were pushed back to the 74-yard stretch. They moved the ball but got pushed out by Ritter, followed by tackles from Weese, and pass coverage from Korte, Spresser, and Rush.

The Bulldogs got the ball back with under two minutes on the clock. Korte made several quick gains. Spresser took over the running with 24 seconds and ran in another touchdown for the 'Dogs. This PAT attempt did not connect and the 'Dogs led 27-0 at the half.

The third quarter got off a good start for the Bulldogs as senior Larry Radovich fired up the team on the sidelines and the GP Cheerleaders kept the crowd cheering. The 'Hawks ran a first down but had their next pass attempt blocked by Korte. Monge then tackled the Thunderhawk runner forcing a fumble, which Monge recovered. Spresser took over for a short run followed by another Korte touchdown. The PAT pass from Weese to Ritter gave the 'Dogs a 34-0 lead early in the third.

The 'Dogs forced another Thunderhawk turnover with good hits by Monge and Rush allowing Korte to run in yet another Bulldog score. The PAT pass from Weese to Korte increased the Bulldog lead to 41-0.

The 'Hawks were finally able to score near the end of the third adding two points with a successful PAT kick, but the Bulldogs answered with a long run by Korte. After a fumble recovered for a loss, Korte caught a pass from Weese and run in for another touchdown and PAT to put the 'Dogs on top 48-8 going into the fourth.

The 'Hawks took over to start the final 10 minutes of play. They put the ball in the air in an effort to gain some yards and advanced to the 14. Harley Weese broke up four consecutive pass attempts to keep them out of the end zone forcing another turnover to the 'Dogs.

Following a Bulldog fumble recovered by the 'Hawks, they were able to pass in their second touchdown. Monge blocked this kick attempt for extra points to make the score 48-14.

The Bulldogs answered with a long touchdown pass caught by Spresser. A broken play on the extra point attempt left the 'Dogs in the lead 54-14. The 'Hawks had to turn the ball back to the 'Dogs again as they never let up on defense with tackles from Weese, Ritter, Korte, and Jaime Infante.

The 'Dogs continued to make advances by Spresser and Korte with Korte finishing the game with his fifth end zone score of the night and a 60-14 fourth straight win for Golden Plains.

"Our physicality and intensity has gotten better as the season has progressed," said Weese, who had 12 tackles in this game. Weese also connected on 9 of 10 passes for 89 yards and three touchdowns along with several PAT's and rushed for six yards. "This four game win streak motivates us to keep going. We plan to win out and get to the Wild West Bowl."

Korte led the Bulldogs offense with 20 carries for 203 yards and 4 rushing touchdowns. He also received for 26 yards and another touchdown along with 12 tackles. Dylan Spresser tallied up 16 carries for 194 yards and 1 touchdown, 41 yards received including 1 touchdown, along with his 3 tackles.

Nolan Ritter had two catches for 23 yards, 1 touchdown, 1 PAT and 12 tackles as well as one



### MENU

#### MONDAY 10/30:

B: Pancake & Sausage  
L: Chicke-Fried Steak

#### TUESDAY 10/31:

B: Scrambled Eggs  
L: Chicken a la King

#### WEDNESDAY 11/1:

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#### THURSDAY 11/2:

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#### FRIDAY 11/3:

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### BULLDOGS' CALENDAR

#### MONDAY 10/30:

4pm HS Scholar's Bowl @ Rexford

#### WEDNESDAY 11/1:

Sr Day @ NW Tech

#### THURSDAY 11/2:

12pm School Dismissal  
12pm MS/HS Vocal Clinic

#### SATURDAY 11/4:

MS/HS KMEA  
Wild West Bowl @ Dodge City

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interception for a touchdown. Wade Rush received two PAT catches, had 10 tackles, and 1 fumble recovery. Miguel Monge totaled 7 tackles along with 2 from Austin Patmon and 1 from Jaime Infante.

The Bulldogs advance to the playoffs with their 5-2 record and will host the Western Plains Bobcats for their first-round game in Rexford on October 20.

## Lady 'Dogs Play Three in Hill City



Golden Plains junior KayCee Miller (10) goes up for the spike as Maggi Nieman (l-r), Noel Ritter, Jennifer Esparza, and Mabel Lugo crunched in preparation for the return in their first match of the day at the Hill City tournament on October 7. They Bulldogs played three tough teams at this meet. (photo by Kaylie Schaben)

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Volleyball team played three tough matches in the Hill City Tournament on October 7. "The competition was difficult," said senior Jennifer Esparza, "but I feel like we played well against the teams."

The Lady Bulldogs played Rawlins County to start the day. They kept it close in the first set but fell to the Lady Buffaloes 23-25. The Buffaloes kept them on their toes as they won the second set and the match 20-25.

The second match for the Lady Bulldogs was against Hill City. The Ringnecks took control of the match early on with a 25-12 win over the Bulldogs. The 'Dogs fought back in the second set but couldn't hold on as

the Ringnecks won the match 25-16.

The Bulldogs were down, but they weren't out as they hit the court for the third match of the day against the Western Plains/Healy Bobcats. Both team worked hard trading points until the Bulldogs finally pulled ahead for the first set win 25-18. The second set continued to be a battle between the two teams with the Bobcats pulling ahead for the 25-23 win sending them into a third set. The 'Dogs regrouped as they traded sides of the net and with a strong serving run by senior Jennifer Esparza, they won their final set and match of the day 25-13.

The Bulldogs will finish their regular season matches on October 10 in Dighton.

## LADY BULLDOGS PLAY IN DIGHTON



Junior Jennifer Esparza bumps the ball as teammates (l-r) Noel Ritter, Brooke Stoll, Maggi Nieman, KayCee Miller, and Mabel Lugo prepare to attack the ball during the games in Dighton on October 10. (Photo by Kaylie Schaben)

By Judy Rogers

The Lady Bulldogs played their final regular season games in Dighton on October 10. The played some great volleyball but lost all three matches to some very good opponents—all of whom they played for the first time of the season.

"Overall, I think we played well throughout the night," said junior Amanda Cheney. "We had great team unity and enthusiasm in all of our matches."

The first match was against the Dighton Hornets. The Bulldogs came out on fire and quickly took care of things as they won 25-19. The Hornets fought back in the second to win 25-18. The girls continued to play close, but the Hornets held on for the win 25-23.

The Bulldogs played another

three-set match against Wheatland/Grinnell with the Bulldogs winning the first set 25-23. The Thunderhawks came back to win the second set 25-13. The final set was again a close match with the 'Hawks coming out on top 25-22.

The final game of the night was against the Trego Golden Eagles. The Eagles proved to be challenging opponents as they defeated the Bulldogs in two sets 25-20 and 25-18.

"We need to continue working on communication and transition," added Cheney. "I'm excited for what post season has to bring!" The Bulldogs will turn around and play again in the Western Kansas Liberty League Tournament on October 12 and 14 to make three tough matches in five days.

## 2017 Golden Plains School Booster Businesses



# Farm News

## Monarch Butterfly Conservation Strategies

Monarch butterflies are known for their beauty and their annual, multi-generational migration from overwintering sites in central Mexico to as far north as Canada and then back to Mexico. Over the last several years numbers in overwintering sites in Mexico have declined significantly and the monarch's status is currently under review by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Potentially, USFWS could determine the monarch is threatened or endangered.

Kansas is working to develop conservation strategies that will work for farmers, ranchers and private landowners to bolster monarch populations and habitat.

For more information on working lands programs available through the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) to enhance monarch habitat go here.

To apply for free milkweeds through Monarch Watch's Free Milkweeds for Restoration Projects program, visit this website.



## Kanas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending October 22, 2017, above normal temperatures continued across the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall totals of one to two inches were common across many eastern counties, while western and central counties remained mostly dry. There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 2 percent very short, 13 short, 78 adequate, and 7 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 17 short, 76 adequate, and 4 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 67 percent, behind 82 last year and 86 for the five-year average. Emerged was 41 percent, well behind 61 last year 63 average.

Corn mature was 95 percent, behind 100 last year, and near 99 average. Harvested was 65 percent, well behind 85 last year, and behind 82 average.

Soybean condition rated 5 percent very poor, 12 poor, 36 fair, 41 good, and 6 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 96 percent, near 94 last year and 95 average. Harvested was 56 percent, ahead of 49 last year, and near 55 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 32 fair, 46 good, and 12 excellent. Sorghum mature was 87 percent, behind 94 last year, and near 89 average. Harvested was 24 percent, well behind 54 last year and 45 average.

Cotton condition rated 3 percent very poor, 8 poor, 29 fair, 55 good, and 5 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 87 percent, ahead of 82 last year, and near 83 average. Harvested was 9 percent, near 8 both last year and average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 29 fair, 57 good, and 8 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 96 percent. Bracts turning yellow was 91 percent, near 93 last year and 94 average. Bracts turning brown was 81 percent, near 82 last year, and equal to average. Harvested was 17 percent, behind 36 last year and 33 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 94 percent complete.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 14 poor, 35 fair, 44 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 13 short, 84 adequate, and 1 surplus.

## Crop Update

By week's end, 81 percent of this year's sorghum was considered mature, eight percentage points behind last year and slightly behind the five-year average. Nationwide, sorghum producers had harvested 40 percent of the crop by October 15, 16 percentage points behind last year and 10 points behind the five-year average. Overall, 65 percent of the sorghum was reported in good to excellent condition, up slightly from last week but equal to the same time last year.

## Export Report

Export commitments were very strong this week with China and Mexico committing to purchase 4.7 million bushels of U.S. sorghum. This brings total commitments for the year to 58 million bushels, 28 percent of the USDA export target just six weeks into the marketing year. Shipments were also strong with China, South Korea and Mexico taking delivery of 1.8 million bushels and bringing total shipments for the year to 16 million bushels. At the current pace of deliveries, total U.S. shipments of sorghum to China since 2013 will reach 1 billion bushels by spring 2018. Basis continues to strengthen on these shipments with sorghum bids now equal to, and in some cases higher than, corn in central areas from Kansas to South Dakota. Gulf bids continue to increase as well with sorghum for December delivery trading at 121 percent of corn or \$4.88 per bushel.



## USDA Offers Targeted Farm Loan Funding for Underserved Groups and Beginning Farmers

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Kansas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Acting SED Terry L. Hawk reminds producers that FSA offers specially targeted farm ownership and farm operating loans to underserved applicants as well as beginning farmers and ranchers.

"Each year, a portion of FSA's loan funds are set aside to lend to targeted underserved and beginning farmers and ranchers," said Hawk. "Farming and ranching is a capital-intensive business and FSA is committed to helping producers start and maintain their agricultural operations."

During fiscal year 2017 (Oct. 1, 2016, through Sept. 30, 2017), Kansas FSA obligated more than \$98 million in loans to underserved borrowers and beginning farmers and ranchers.

USDA defines underserved applicants as a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. For farm loan program purposes, underserved groups are women, African Americans, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Hispanics and Asians and Pacific Islanders.

In order to qualify as a beginning farmer, the individual or entity must meet the eligibility requirements outlined for direct or guaranteed loans. Additionally, individuals and all entity members must have operated a farm for less than 10 years. Applicants must materially or substantially participate in the operation. For farm ownership purposes, the applicant must not own a farm greater than 30 percent of the average size farm in the county at the time of application. All direct farm ownership applicants must have participated in the business operations of a farm for at least three years out of the last 10 years prior to the date the application is submitted. If the applicant is an entity, all members must be related by blood or marriage and all entity members must be eligible beginning farmers.

Underserved or beginning farmers and ranchers who cannot obtain commercial credit from a bank can apply for either FSA direct

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## Sheridan County 2018 Crop Acreage Reporting Dates

In order to comply with FSA program eligibility requirements, all producers are encouraged to visit the Sheridan County FSA office to file an accurate crop certification report by the applicable deadline.

The following acreage reporting deadlines are applicable for Sheridan County:

November 15, 2017 Grass, Alfalfa  
December 15, 2017 Small Grains

The following exceptions apply to the above acreage reporting dates:

- If the crop has not been planted by the above acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed.

- If a producer acquires additional acreage after the above acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendars days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

- If a perennial forage crop is reported with the intended use of "cover only," "green manure," "left standing," or "seed," then the acreage must be reported by July 15.

## Kansas Cattle on Feed Up 1%

Kansas feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.25 million cattle on feed on October 1, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This inventory was up 1 percent from last year.

Placements during September totaled 435,000 head, up 4 percent from 2016.

Fed cattle marketings for the month of September totaled 390,000 head, up 8 percent from last year.

Other disappearance during September totaled 15,000 head, up 5,000 head from last year.

## Kansas Milk Production

Milk production in Kansas during September 2017 totaled 284 million pounds, up 5 percent from September 2016, according to the USDA's National Agricultural

Statistics Service. The average number of milk cows was 152,000 head, 5,000 head more than September 2016. Milk production per cow averaged 1,870 pounds.

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## KFAC Again to Participate in #GivingTuesday

Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (KFAC) will once again participate in #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities and organizations to encourage philanthropy and to celebrate generosity worldwide.

Occurring this year on Nov. 28, #GivingTuesday is held annually on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday to kick off the holiday giving season and inspire people to collaborate in impacting their communities and states by giving back. This is the second year KFAC has participated in the event.

Central National Bank and Farm Credit Associations of Kansas will join KFAC this year as match donors in the #GivingTuesday event. For every dollar donated by individuals or businesses, a 100% match will be made between Central National Bank and Farm Credit Associations of Kansas.

"We are so fortunate for the generosity of Central National Bank and Farm Credit

Associations of Kansas and that they see the value in partnering with us to match every dollar on #GivingTuesday," said Cathy Musick, KFAC executive director. "It's a great way for donors to leverage and stretch their donation a little further."

Individuals and businesses interested in donating on Nov. 28 can do so by visiting givinggrid.com/kfacgivingtuesday17. Donations may be made at this site or by mailing a check with "GivingTuesday" in the memo line. All donations must be received by Dec. 1st to qualify for the match dollars.

More information on KFAC or #GivingTuesday can be found at www.ksagclassroom.org or by emailing the KFAC office at (785) 320-4350.

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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of

MIKE SCHAMBERGER, Deceased

Case No. 2017-PR-000010

## NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Raymond Schamberger, executor of the estate of Mike Schamberger, deceased, praying for a final settlement of said estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for the services of the executor and attorney's fees and expenses; and also praying that the court determine the heirs entitled to the estate and the proportion or part thereof to which each is entitled, and distribute and assign the same to them in accordance with the provisions of decedent's will; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the executor be discharged and released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017, at 01:30 p.m. of said day, in said court, in the city of Hoxie, Sheridan County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

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

(Last published in The Sheridan Sentinel November 9, 2017)



## COMMISSION MINUTES 10/16/2017

Now on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Troy Dewey presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Vic Bielser, and County Clerk Heather Bracht.

The meeting was called to order by Dewey.

Bracht advised the board that the Neighborhood Revitalization program ends December 31, 2019.

A request was made from Kyle Railroad for a letter of support to strengthen bridges along the Kyle Railroad. This would affect a small area in the northern part of Sheridan County. Bielser made a motion to approve and sign the letter of support, seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0.

Bielser made a motion to approve the bid from Erwin Construction in the amount of \$1,400 to construct and erect a monument that the granite slab would rest on over the time capsule. Dewey seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Bainter made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2017 meeting, as well as the special meeting of October 9, 2017 as presented. Bielser seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Bainter gave a report of the highway meeting he attended in Bird City. Discussion on guard rails on bridges and the recommendation to get rid of angle iron rails. Bainter also reported on the Western Prairie RC & D meeting he attended later the same day.

Don Koerperich, Emergency Manager, entered the meeting. Koerperich presented an application for Homeland Security Grant Equipment consisting of 2 iPads and a small YETI generator. One of the iPads would be used to read the ID cards emergency personnel have. The generator is small, but would be useful in the field to charge computers or small electronic devices. Dewey made a motion to sign the application for the Homeland Security Grant, seconded by Bielser. Carried 3-0. Koerperich advised there is a training in Phillipsburg on the 24<sup>th</sup> for the iPads and generator and then they will be distributed. Koerperich has information on shelter kits, 50 kits for \$2,400. He is looking at 3 sets of kits. The kits consist of the container to hold the items, blankets,

hygiene products, first aid, lantern, inflatable pillows and army cot. He will do some follow-up on this as far as places to store the items, and get back with the board. Koerperich reported on the incident at the hospital with flooding in the basement and the use of sandbags.

Dewey made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Bielser. Carried 3-0.

Paulette Feldt, Road & Bridge Supervisor entered the meeting. Several road conditions were discussed. No work maps were distributed as Feldt had been out of the office for a few days.

David Bingham, Landfill Operator entered the meeting. Discussion continues about recycling and the possibility of taking care of it ourselves. Bingham will continue with obtaining some more information, and get back with the board.

The following warrants were approved:

General \$2,971.66  
Road & Bridge \$7,901.42  
Spec Mach \$5,250.00  
Tech Fund-ROD \$16.98  
Public Transp \$211.62  
MV \$464.46

No further business. Bielser made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dewey. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Monday, October 23, 2017 at the regular time and meeting place.

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

## USDA Farm Loan

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loans or guaranteed loans. Direct loans are made to applicants by FSA. Guaranteed loans are made by lending institutions who arrange for FSA to guarantee the loan. FSA can guarantee up to 95 percent of the loss of principal and interest on a loan. The FSA guarantee allows lenders to make agricultural credit available to producers who do not meet the lender's normal underwriting criteria.

The direct and guaranteed loan program offers two types of loans: farm ownership loans and farm operating loans.

Farm ownership loan funds may be used to purchase or enlarge a farm or ranch, purchase easements or rights of way needed in the farm's operation, build or improve buildings such as a dwelling or barn, promote soil and water conservation and development and pay closing costs.

Farm operating loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, poultry, farm equipment, fertilizer and other materials necessary to operate a successful farm. Operating loan funds can also be used for family living expenses, refinancing debts under certain conditions, paying salaries for hired farm laborers, installing or improving water systems for home, livestock or irrigation use and other similar improvements.

Repayment terms for direct operating loans depend on the collateral securing the loan and usually run from one to seven years. Financing for direct farm ownership loans cannot exceed 40 years. Interest rates for direct loans are set periodically according to the Government's cost of borrowing. Guaranteed loan terms and interest rates are set by the lender.

For more information on FSA's farm loan programs and underserved and beginning farmer guidelines, please contact your local FSA office. To find your local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

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## 2017 Specialty Crop Block Grants Awarded

The Kansas Department of Agriculture has been awarded \$296,405.62 through the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Agricultural Marketing Service. The purpose of the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program is to increase opportunities for specialty crops, which are defined by the USDA as "fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits, horticulture and nursery crops, including floriculture." KDA has selected several other recipients to further utilize the funds.

The following is a list of Kansas projects which will be funded by the grant:

- **Kansas 4-H Foundation, Rock Springs Specialty Crop Learning Center, \$51,930.45** - A living classroom at Rock Springs 4-H Center will provide hands-on learning opportunities for youth and educators. Staff will assist with the establishment of the specialty crops, development of educational programs, and harvesting/production process to utilize the crops in the Center dining facilities.

- **Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation, Expanding Vegetable Production in Western Kansas, \$44,000.00** - The Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation and additional partners will expand assistance to growth-oriented vegetable producers, providing support to core growth producers for preparation in delivery to institutional markets, as well as increased specialty crop production in the High Plains food shed.

- **Kansas Rural Center, Linking Specialty Crop Farmers, \$51,775.00** - Five regional workshops will assist beginning specialty crop growers gain access to necessary educational information. Additionally, experienced and novice growers will be paired to facilitate the transfer of success stories and foundational learning methods.

- **Kansas Department of Agriculture, Meet Me at the Market, \$62,134.40** - Market managers and vendors will receive resources to increase awareness of specialty crops available at their markets through promotional events, marketing templates and educational workshops.

- **Kansas State University, Effective Packing Practices, \$70,086.00** - A scientific study will analyze the effectiveness of utilizing a coating for cardboard flats for antimicrobial purposes. A cost-benefit economic analysis will calculate the value of the technology to fruit growers, and interviews with small fruit crop farmers will help understand current packing practices and acceptability of coated cardboard as a tool for shelf-life extension of berries.

For more information, visit KDA's Specialty Crop Block Grant webpage at [agriculture.ks.gov/specialtycrop](http://agriculture.ks.gov/specialtycrop).

## "Tucky" Hickert



Beatrice M. "Tucky" (Schandler) Hickert, age 89, died Saturday, October 21, 2017, at her home in Wichita. Tucky was born in New Alamo, Kansas, the daughter of Joseph and Dolores (Steichen) Schandler. As a toddler, she was dubbed a "toughie" by her sister who mispronounced it "Tucky", and both a toughie and Tucky she remained. She recalled an idyllic childhood spent playing on the banks of the Solomon River with her two sisters, and credited her parents with providing her with the values that she cherished her entire life, including a devotion to the Catholic church, a passion for learning and education in all its forms, and a vocation for helping others. She championed myriad causes with her unparalleled work ethic and relentless determination, inspired many first-generation college graduates, and sought personal excellence in all aspects of her life.

Tucky earned a nursing degree prior to her marriage in 1948 to Bernard "Barney" Hickert, with whom she built a farming business and shared a life of travel, friends and community involvement. After rearing her eldest nine children, she returned to college and obtained her R.N. for a second time at age 61. She retired from full-time nursing at age 73 to care for Barney until his death in 2003 from Alzheimer's. Tucky traveled widely, including a visit to the Vatican with Barney and friends, a lifelong dream, and a trip to Pakistan at age 79. She appreciated beauty in all its forms, from music and the fine arts to her beautiful garden and impeccable personal fashion. She possessed exceptional beauty, but was better known for her warmth, charm and goodness. Tucky had boundless energy and an insatiable curiosity, and was able to play bridge, read ambitiously, and discuss history and world events with dear friends through her last weeks of life. She was a beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Bernard "Barney"; her son, Stephen Hickert of Lawrence, KS; son-in-law, Joseph Kreutzer of Wichita, KS; and her sister, Imogene Ninemire of New Alamo, KS.

She is survived by her sister, Miriam Slipke, Hoxie, KS; seven daughters and three sons: Dr. Susan (Scott) Brown, St Joseph, MO; Nancy Kreutzer, Overland Park, KS; Beatrice (Ron) Heikes, Wichita, KS; Bernard J. (Barb) Hickert, Topeka, KS; Joseph (Gail) Hickert, Colorado Springs, CO; Dianne (George) Witwer, Bluffton, IN; Dr. Maureen Hickert (Bill) Salomon, Cincinnati, OH; George Hickert, Austin, TX; Caroline (Dale) Schippers, Olathe, KS; and Colette (Jawad) Haider of Irvington, NY; daughter-in-law, Jody Hickert, Lawrence, KS; 26 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

A Vigil service will be Friday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish Center, New Alamo, Kansas. Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, October 28 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, New Alamo. Memorial donations can be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church or Schandler Steichen Scholarship at Benedictine College (1020 North Second Street Atchison, KS, 66002, [www.benedictine.edu](http://www.benedictine.edu)). Contributions may be sent to the family or in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn Ave., Oberlin, KS 67749. Friends may send condolences online at [www.paulsfh.com](http://www.paulsfh.com).

## Donna Dumler



Donna L. Dumler was born January 24, 1933 in Russell, Kansas to Charles and Helen (Resley) Steward. After graduating from Russell High School, she married Frank E. Dumler on June 1, 1951. They made their home in Russell until 1955 when Frank purchased a farm northwest of Oakley, KS. Donna and Frank had four children: Matthew, Pamela, Alex, and Kathleen.

During her lifetime in Oakley, Donna was a member of the Oakley Library Board and an active member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church. She loved to play bridge and belonged to many card clubs. Donna had many different hobbies; including quilting, painting, ceramics, and working in her flower garden. Her family was always a recipient of her many talents. One of Donna's greatest joys were her children, grandchildren and her great grandchildren. Donna loved planning family gatherings and always looked forward to Christmas. Shopping and gift wrapping were usually finished by June of each year.

She is survived by her sons: Matthew and wife Eleanor, Alex and wife Mary; her two daughters, Pamela and husband Gene Miller, and Kathleen Funk. Grandchildren: Luke (Randi) Dumler, Maggie (Pete) Koster, and Lacey (Kurt) Felker, Kyle (Heather) Miller, Kelsey (Ryan) French, Chase Miller, Carl (Jodi) Dumler, Molly (Chris) Johnson, Emily Dumler, Aspen Montoya, and Kaid (Janie) Funk, and nineteen great-grandchildren.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Frank, daughter-in-law Stephanie Kliever Dumler, son-in-law, Roger Funk, granddaughter, Dessie Funk, and sister, Fern Major.

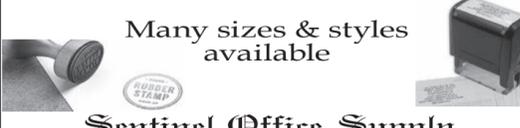
Donna departed this life on October 17, 2017. Her generous spirit and love of life will be missed by her family and her friends.

Funeral service: 10:30 a.m., Saturday, October 21, 2017 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Oakley with Pastor Michael Brockman officiating. Interment will follow in the Oakley Cemetery. Visitation: Friday, October 20, 2017 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Immanuel Lutheran Church. Memorials to the Oakley Public Library and Hospice may be sent in care of Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, P.O. Box 221, Oakley, KS 67748.

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### Contact Person:

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## Last Week's Fun Page Solutions

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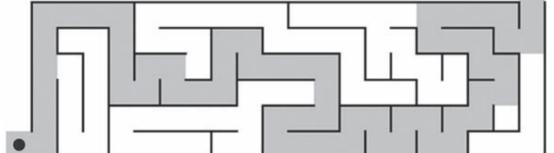
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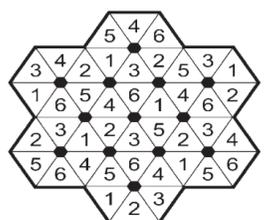
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Answer

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

### SNOWFLAKES

#### solution



### Puzzles4Kids

#### Answer

What's the problem with twin witches?

You cannot tell which witch is which.



### Go Figure!

#### answers

5	x	7	-	9	26
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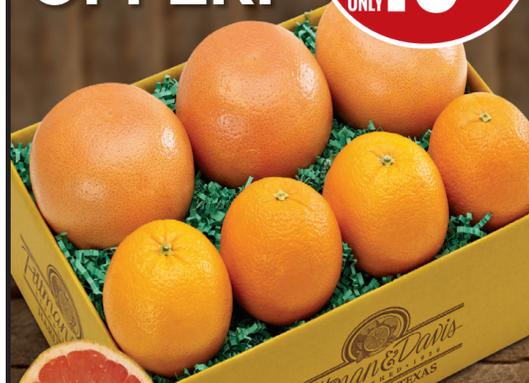
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