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Indian Wrestling Dominates...AGAIN!!



The Hoxie wrestlers and coaches showcase their achievements after winning the regional wrestling tournament on Saturday, February 21. (Photo by Tennille Giancola)

Hoxie Boys' Wrestling Wins Regional Wrestling

By Carley Cooper

The Hoxie boys wrestling team traveled to Norton on Saturday, February 21, to compete in the 3-2-1A Regional Tournament. The 14-member Regional squad battled through each match and will now advance 11 boys to the State tournament, all driven by a hard-fought determination to succeed for themselves and their team. The Hoxie boys wrestling team lost 5 seniors from last season, but they gained a group of underclassmen who have stepped up and filled those spots confidently as the season has progressed. Hoxie is also coming off a 5-year team title streak, hoping to extend it another year.

The state qualifiers are freshman Porter Meyer (106) who placed 3rd at regionals, sophomore Bradyn Wilson (113) who placed 2nd, junior Gunner Wentz (120) who placed 2nd, freshman Simon Watkins (126) who placed 1st, senior Ian Giancola (132) who placed 1st, sophomore Beau Koster (138) who placed 1st, junior Chase Meyer (144) who placed 2nd, sophomore Noah Nickleson (150) who placed 2nd, sophomore Travis Johnson who placed 3rd, sophomore Carter Giancola (165) who placed 1st, and junior Mat Bretz (215) who placed 2nd. The team scored 253.5 points, beating the runner-up Norton by 118.5 points. Alex Bufkin, Draden Herl, and Max Foote all wrestled well in the tournament but fell short in the consolation semifinals.

After a hard-fought wrestling tournament, the Hoxie wrestling team will send 11 athletes to the State Tournament on February 27-28, in Hays. Competition begins Friday at 9:00 am at Gross Memorial Coliseum at FHSU. The team will continue the season with strong momentum and several top-seeded wrestlers, hoping to continue the legacy and bring home the sixth consecutive State Championship title.

Indians Dominate Regionals in Commanding Performance

By Shane Swords

Norton - On a snow-covered morning in Norton, the bus doors opened and the Hoxie High School Indians stepped off with quiet confidence and unmistakable purpose.

Five-time defending state champions.

A full 14-man roster.

One mission — advance to the Kansas State High School Wrestling Championships.

By nightfall, that mission had been accomplished in emphatic fashion.

Hoxie didn't just compete at the regional tournament.

They dominated it.

A Championship Atmosphere

With hundreds of spectators packed into the gymnasium and teams from across the region battling for limited state berths, the stakes were crystal clear. In Kansas high school wrestling, regionals are unforgiving. Only the top finishers in each weight class move on. There are no second chances next week. You either earn it in the circle — or your season ends.

As the Star-Spangled Banner echoed through the arena and athletes stood shoulder-to-shoulder on the mat, the tone was set for a day defined by grit, speed, and high-level competition.

When the first whistle blew, Hoxie came out fast.

After the opening round, every Indian wrestler advanced.

Fast matches.

Multiple pins.

Dominant decisions.

The Indians were rolling — and they never slowed down.

By the Numbers: A Statement Performance

- 14 wrestlers entered
- 11 state qualifiers
- 4 Regional Champions
- 5 Regional Runners-Up
- 2 Third-Place Finishers
- 9 championship finalists

Every Hoxie athlete punched a ticket to state — either by reaching the finals or battling through the wrestle-back rounds with relentless determination.

Four Indians captured regional titles and will enter state as No. 1 seeds:

- Simon Watkins (126 lbs)
- Ian Giancola (132 lbs)
- Beau Koster (138 lbs)

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SHERIDAN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Special Community Project Finally Begins

By Sofia White, Special Projects Coordinator, Sheridan County Community Foundation

Hoxie - Exciting things are happening on Hoxie's Main Street as the long-envisioned Pocket Park project officially moves toward construction in 2026.

Years ago, the Sheridan County Community Foundation held a vote in which the community indicated a project they would like to see happen in Hoxie. The winner idea at that time was to transform the long-empty lot between the Hirsh & Abbott Law Office and First State Bank into a vibrant "Pocket Park." After years of dreaming, planning, and navigating a few ups and downs, the project is now becoming a reality with a commitment of grant funding from SCCF and others as well as in-kind contributions from several generous project partners.

The new park will bring a welcoming and engaging space to the heart of downtown Hoxie. Designed to celebrate Main Street's history while creating opportunities for connection, the park will serve as a gathering place during business hours, evening events, special celebrations, and community activities for years to come.

The Pocket Park will include such features as a 60-foot, large-scale mural highlighting the history of Main Street, a shade structure, seating with accessibility

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Rocky's Bait and Tackle to Open Saturday

The Sentinel staff recently had the opportunity to visit with Amy Coffel about the new business near Studley, Rocky's Bait and Tackle.

Amy and Rocky met in Colorado a few years ago and started discussing the dream of owning property to start a business for a hunting spot and bait shop. They moved back to Quinter and started the process. The goal was to wait until the lake opened back up, but with delays in that process, they are having their opening this weekend, February 28.

They purchased the land south of Sheridan State Lake and had a cabin custom made by the Amish in Missouri. Much time and effort was put into having the electricity, water, and propane installed.

Saturday, February 28, the bait and tackle shop will be open for business. They are hoping the community will come out to help celebrate and take a tour of the building, see what is available, and make suggestions of what people would like to see.

Currently, they have coolers, a soda fountain, snacks, coffee and a popcorn machine installed. They also have their licensing to sell beer and tobacco products as well as fishing licenses. They have their own ice machine. Future plans are to have crock pot meals available for dine-in or carry-out.

The shop will be specializing in bait and tackle to include frozen bait, live bait, and worms; with the live bait tank already installed. They will also have a variety of camping supplies and some grocery items available for your campfire meals.

Future plans also include construction of a deck on the south side of the shop for outdoor entertainment and events and adding cabins and camper parking sites available for rent.

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Hoxie Troop 160 Leaders Honored



Hays — Two leaders from Hoxie Scouts BSA Troop 160, chartered by American Legion Post No. 221, were recognized Saturday, February 21, at the Wheatland and Tomahawk District Baden Powell Award Dinner in Hays.

Beverly "Miss Bev" Rucker was named Tomahawk District Outstanding Scoutmaster of the Year. The award honors a Scoutmaster who demonstrates strong leadership, mentorship, and steady support for their troop. Rucker has been active in Scouting since 2001, when her sons joined, and served as Scoutmaster since 2019, helping to establish the first troop for girls in Scouting America. In addition to her Scoutmaster duties, she helped restart Cub Scout 160 Pack in 2024 and currently serves as its Cubmaster. Troop leaders described her as consistently willing to give time and energy wherever there is a need.

Monica Reuber received the Tomahawk District Outstanding Assistant Scoutmaster of the Year award,

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The Jennings Sons of American Legion Post 351 is holding a pancake feed at the Jennings Masonic Hall on Sunday, March 15 from 11:00 to 1:00. For a free will offering, the meal will offer all the pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and tea that you can eat. The guest speaker will be Jen Carder, of Hoxie. All funds received are used to support local service projects.

Please check Jennings Schools Alumni members' information in the current alumni book for relatives, friends, and classmates and contact Marge Hartzog, 785-678-3010 or PO Box 98, with any changes.

The Jennings American Legion will host their annual Pancake Feed on March 15, from 11am to 1pm at the Jennings Masonic Hall. Guest speaker will be Jen Carder of Hoxie at 1pm. The Jennings Sons of American Legion and Jennings Legion Auxiliary will assist with this event. All are welcome for a free will donation.

Senator Rick Billinger Newsletter February 23, 2026

Across the United States, property taxes are a primary source of funding for local services as public schools, infrastructure, emergency services and community programs. While these services benefit communities, senior citizens and disabled veterans often argue that their income does not rise at the same pace as property taxes. To address these concerns, many states offer relief programs for seniors including Kansas. During the Legislative Session in 2021 a bill was passed and signed into law for property tax relief. This bill addresses property tax relief claims for senior citizens and disabled veterans. The rebate to you will be the difference between the 2021 real estate tax amount and the real estate tax amount as of the year you are applying for the rebate. A household adjusted gross income is also considered in this bill. A cost-of-living adjustment is made to the household income limitation each year. For the calendar year 2025 your Adjusted Gross Income (KAGI) was \$58,041 or less. Social Security benefits are subtracted from KAGI income limit. To qualify you must live in your home for the entire year you are requesting reimbursement and your house must be valued at \$350,000 or less in the year you first qualify.

A RECAP TO QUALIFY: AGE/VETERAN STATUS:
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* You own and have lived in your house in Kansas for the entire year of the year you are applying for.

* Your home was valued at \$350,000 or less in the year you qualified.

* Your total household income for the year 2025 was \$58,041 (and may change annually) or less which does not include any Social Security you may be receiving.

To obtain a Property Tax Relief Form K-40SVR it may be downloaded from <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/pdf/k-40SVR.pdf> or call Kansas Department of Revenue for assistance 785 368-8222.

This last week Ways and Means completed the Budget, which has been sent to the printers. Over the next two weeks, both the House and the Senate will present and debate their budgets on their respective floors.

The "Unaffordable" Care Act, known as Obamacare, continues to make private health insurance extremely expensive for individuals. Many Americans turn to health care sharing ministry plans, which are considerably less expensive by making access to health care more affordable. SB 368 passed the Senate and furthers the objective as it creates the Health Care Sharing Ministries Tax Deduction Act to provide a subtraction modification for qualified health care expenses.

I am honored and grateful to represent the 40th Senate District in Kansas. Please do not hesitate to contact me by email: rick.billinger@senate.ks.gov or call me with your questions or concerns. My office number is 785 296-7399 or my cell number is 785 899-4700. If you are in Topeka, stop by my office at 545-S.



The Selden Senior Citizens met on February 19, at the Community Center for a delicious meal prepared by Gloria Goscha of Midway Cafe followed by an afternoon of pinocle. Those attending included Margee Wilson, Helen Carman. Carlene Bruggeman, Ellis Walker, Renee Filmore, Joan Austin, Steve Skubal, Betty Hickert, and John Milner. Those staying to play cards included Boyd Wilson with a score of 369, JR Albers with a score of 363, Shirley Emigh with a score of 347, Steve Carman with a score of 308, Tammy Shaw with a score of 328, and Jacque Boultinghouse with a score of 361.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

February 26: Betty Schieferecke, Klint Wessel

February 27: Judy Rogers, Brittany Ritter Jeffery, Brantley Diers, Jill Reichert, Hadley Oakley

February 28: Pat Stevenson, Charlena Boultinghouse

March 1: Austin Spreser

March 2: Caleb Koerperich

March 3: Jerrie Jacobs

March 4: Nina Hunter

Commerce Reopens Tax Credit Opportunities for Nonprofits, Healthcare Entities

Topeka – Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland today announced the latest round of the Community Service Program (CSP) Tax Credits, making \$4.14 million in state tax credits available for donors to qualified projects.

CSP Tax Credits provide an opportunity for private, non-profit organizations and public healthcare entities to incentivize private donations for one-time, transformational projects that expand access to essential services and result in lasting benefits for their respective communities.

"Making Kansas the best place for all to call home takes strategic collaboration and innovative thinking," Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland said. "CSP Tax Credits are a powerful tool our Kansas-based nonprofits and healthcare organizations can leverage to create or improve critical community assets – especially in our rural communities."

Under the program, the state authorizes nonprofit organizations to offer tax credits to donors that make contributions toward approved projects. Organizations are chosen through a competitive selection process.

Approved projects include capital campaigns, major renovations, significant equipment purchases or capacity-building initiatives. Projects must fall within one or more eligible categories:

- Community services (including childcare)
- Non-governmental crime prevention
- Youth job and technical training
- Healthcare services

Applications will be open March 1 through April 30, 2026. Those applying may request up to \$200,000 in tax credits. Applicants in rural communities with populations less than 15,000 are eligible for a 70%



Dancing Together for DSNWK

One of the year's most inspirational events, "Dancing Together for DSNWK" is set for March 1, at Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center in Hays. Dancing Together for DSNWK is a unique opportunity for young dancers from the community to participate in a special dance recital with individuals served by Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas. DSNWK, and Styles Dance Centre joined together to put on the special event not only to raise money, but build awareness and community support.

Lobby doors open at 2:00 p.m. with raffle prizes available. Auditorium doors open at 2:30 p.m. with the performance to take place at 3:00 p.m. This event is a free will offering for admission with all proceeds going to DSNWK.

DSNWK is a 501(c)(3) non-profit serving those with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the 18 most northwestern Kansas counties. Visit www.dsnwk.org to learn more about services and ways to support.

credit. Applicants not located in rural areas are eligible for a 50% credit. Awards will be announced by June 1 and the tax credits will activate July 1.

If your organization is interested in applying for CSP, the Kansas Department of Commerce will host an introductory webinar at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, February 26. To register for the webinar, visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/71K5uSYpQDSpicGtJKNaQ#registration>.

For more information regarding CSP, including program guidelines and application materials, go to <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/community-programs/csp/>. Interested parties may also contact Program Manager Kerri Falletti at Kerri.Falletti@ks.gov.

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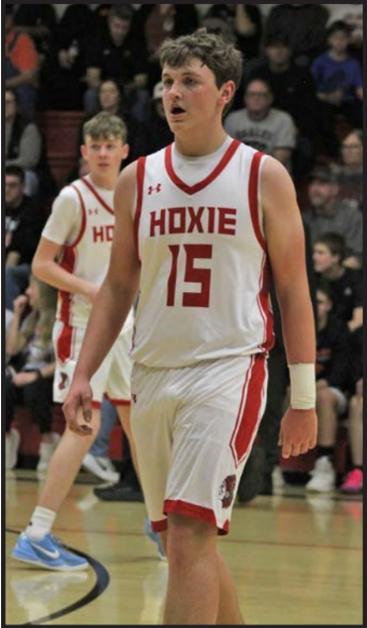
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Hoxie Boys and Girls Head into Sub-State



(HHS Yearbook Staff photos)

By Kendall Baalman

The Hoxie Indian basketball teams are headed into Sub-State action. The Lady Indians will host the Sublette Larks on Thursday, February 26, at the Colby Event Center. The boys' team will play the Sterling Black Bears on Friday, February 27, at 6:00 at Sterling High School.

"We are excited for Sub-State. Us girls are working together and getting our groove back," said senior Allie Gourley.

"We are ready to give our all for the last games of our high school careers," added senior Avery Mauck.

Senior Brodie Tremblay spoke on behalf of the boys' team, saying, "It's been a challenging season with ups and downs. We are looking forward to showcasing our abilities at Sub-State."

Lady Bulldogs Win by Twenty



By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldog basketball team claimed a 20-point win over St. Francis 51-31 in Rexford on February 16. "This was a really good game," said Elizabeth Weiner. "It was good to beat them again. It was a little rough in the beginning, but we did better as the game went on."

The Lady Bulldogs started strong and stayed their course. They led 9-5 at the end of the first quarter. They pushed to add 19 in the second as their always tough defense held the Indians to 5 for a 28-10 half time lead.

The Dogs held the Indians to another 5 in the third quarter. They added 12 of their own, extending their lead to 40-15. Backing off in the final minutes the Dogs only added 11 in the fourth as the Indians finished with 16. The Dogs earlier lead gave them the win 51-31.

Three Bulldogs were in double figures with Brenlynn Rath scoring 13 points, Elizabeth Weiner 12, and Kailee Wessel 11. Anais Cepeda added 9, Adilyn Meier 4, and Wendy Garcia 2.

Weiner pulled down 15 rebounds along with 10 by Rath, Wessel 5, Meier 4, Molly Ritter 3, and Cepeda 1. Cepeda handed out 4 assists, Rath 2, Wessel 2, Weiner 1, and Meier 1. Meier claimed 4 steals, Weiner 3, and Rath 2.

The Lady Bulldogs finish their regular season games against Logan/Palco in Rexford on February 20. "We hope to finish the season with another win over Logan," added Weiner.

Golden Plains Sophomore Brenlynn Rath posts up against St. Francis in Rexford on February 16. The Lady Bulldogs defeated the Indians for the second time this season in this rescheduled game. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

JV Boys Play Close with Indians

Golden Plains Sophomore Adam Ritter gets off a deep shot against the St. Francis Indians in Rexford on February 16. The Dogs played a tough two-quarter game falling to the Indians 21-25. (Photo by Judy Rogers)



By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV Boys basketball team played a close 2 quarter game with the St. Francis Indians in Rexford on February 16. Despite their efforts, the Dogs lost to the Indians 21-25.

The Dogs got off to a quick lead in the first with baskets from Cristian Garcia and Ruxin Arnberger. The Indians answered but the Dogs added shots from Kelby Buehler and Arnberger to lead the Indians 13-7.

The Indians stepped up their game in the second quarter to add 18 points, including multiple free throws, to tie the game up at 21. They hit several shots from the free throw line to claim the win 25-21.

Arnberger finished the game with 7 points for the Bulldogs along with 6 from Garcia. Adam Ritter, Kelby Buehler, Brandon Karnes, and Javier Romero each added 2.

"I think we played really well," said Karnes. "We were more aggressive than we have been. We got off our game for just a bit but came back on and finished the best we could." The JV boys will finish their season on February 20 when they host the Logan/Palco Trojans in Rexford.



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...be strong and courageous! Don't be afraid or discouraged. The Lord your God is with you...'
Joshua 1:9

Grandma & Granddad

Congratulations!

Good luck to Simon at State! Do your best and you will always be successful! We are praying for all the Hoxie wrestlers.

Love,
Papa Dan,
Grandma Judy
& Aunt Danielle

Congratulations!

Best of luck to Simon at State! It is your turn now - go get it! We are so proud of you and all your hard work. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

~Philippians 4:13

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S. Scoville completed his proof last Friday.

J. S. Turner is at Junction City this week on business.

A. S. Morgan was in the city this week attending court.

The jury have had a hard siege this week, having set on three cases.

W. J. Barnes arrived home in time to soothe his wife's last moments.

L. K. Pratt and wife are in the city. Judge Pratt appears for Harwi in his case.

H. R. Pruitt, register of deeds and attorney-at-law of Graham county, is assisting in the Harwi case.

Thos. Patmon arrived home last Saturday and will be on hand in the spring to put in a large crop.

Our only type setter, John Vedder, has been confined to his bed this week, hence our delay.

Judge Miller and agent Latta of Selden were in the city Wednesday being examined by the pension board.

L. S. Sprague received letter from Washington last week which will be interesting to those who are going to make proof.

Uncle Ab Pratt was in the city this week and reports times quiet at Skelton, but all getting through the winter in fine shape.

Uncle John Hedge wanted all the glory and we guess he got it. Shaw with his and the jury's assistance got 30 days in jail and \$100 fine with costs of the suit.

Attorney Ham, of Stockton, who is looking after the Bradley-Wheeler side of the Harwi case is on hand and will make a hard fight to win. He made many friends while in the city last term of court and all are glad to see him back.

H. R. Prewitt, H. J. Harwi, James C. Tritt, W. F. Hoyt, W. H. Hughston, J. H. Mullaney, L. C. Chase, W. M. Roberts, R. L. Duncalf, Henry Cassel, D. M. Smith, J. R. Wheeler, J. VanWyck, E. E. Sheldon, S. K. Davis, W. K. Gurney, Geo. E. Golding, E. C. Chipman, C. L. Stewart, and C. W. Lightfoot, of Hill City, registered at the Ellithorpe House Wednesday.

Skelton Letter

Mrs. Haines has been on the sick list for over a week.

Abram Pratt received another carload of coal last week.

Ira McGuire, of the Saline, was doing business in town one day last week.

J. A. Hill moved his family onto his farm, last week. They had been living in town nearly all winter so the children would not have so far to walk to school.

125 Years Ago

February 28, 1901

E. H. McCracken leaves this evening for Cuba.

Go to Quisenberry for a home on the easy payment plan.

Inspect Quisenberry's list of lands for sale on the wheat plan.

Just at this time Hoxie is experiencing the need of another hotel or two.

Attorneys Turk and Harwi, of Hill City, are in attendance at court this week.

S. G. Hopkins arrived home last Friday night and has been kept busy in court and attending his editorial duties.

Ed Gregg has been the whole push this week on the hurry-up dray, J. M. Sherwood, the proprietor being on the jury.

W. S. Quisenberry and his entire family left last Saturday for Illinois to attend the golden wedding of his parents.

L. S. Meeks and wife, of Bloomfield, were Hoxie visitors Monday. L. S. says his wheat is all right and he would not want a better prospect for a crop than he has.

Valley Items

Mr. Ordway, of Stockton, is up looking over the Bird place.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Conard, a son, he made his appearance on Washinton's birthday, the 22nd.

Wm. Cooney, an old resident of Graham county, was visiting with William Haines last week, he hails from near Holton, Kansas.

Reporter

Saline Siftings

Ike Epler is building a frame shed.

Nettys Mickey took a picture of the Square Top school last Sunday.

Ina Clemons and Helen Thompson attended Teachers' meeting at Hoxie last Saturday.

A Scribbler

Orange Items

Emmanuel Myers started for Rooks county Monday.

Clarkson and Parker have been hauling hay the last few days.

James Daniels and Hiram Peters made a flying trip to Hoxie the first of the week.

Cracker-Jack

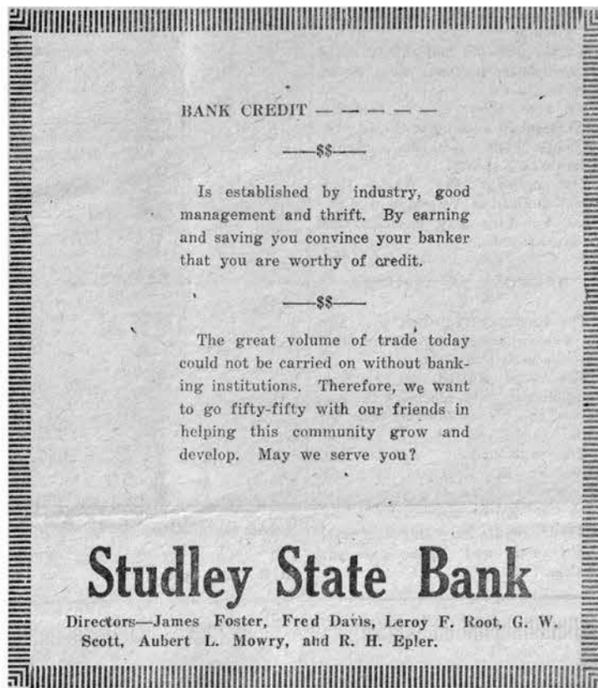
Union Items

Mrs. John Eibert is reported quite poorly the past week.

J. K. McMannis had considerable company Sunday.

Harvey Slover is sawing wood on the shares for J. H. Heroy.

Frank Hetrick has purchased several



From The Hoxie Sentinel, 1926. (Kenoxie Archives & Museum photo)

head of cattle the past month.
A Scribbler

Selden Items

George Thomas and wife were Hoxie visitors Monday.

L. B. Miller and wife were in Hoxie Saturday and Sunday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John Criswell is reported very low.

Mrs. Mattie Motz, nee Baines, is taking care of Uncle Sam during "Pats" absence.

Elliott Clippings

Charley Towler returned last week from Topeka.

Jay Matthews is wrestling with the grip this week.

Ed Pickerell has recently purchased a horse and buggy.

100 Years Ago

February 25, 1926

Had to Have Hand Amputated

Word comes from Norton that Merle Humphrey, who accidentally got his hand badly lacerated in a corn sheller a few days ago, had to have it taken off, as it was too risky to try to fix it up.

Mr. Humphrey and his family have the deepest sympathy of all their numerous friends in their misfortune.

Local News

Mable Stewart visited her sister, Mrs. Nichols, in Morland, last Sunday.

A. M. Hays, proprietor of the Quinter bakery, was a Hoxie visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Claude Weakley and Mrs. Grant Currier were Morland visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Decker Mosier and children were dinner guests Sunday at the Lawrence Mowry home in Hoxie.

L. C. Miley was a dinner guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. N. W. Harris, Thursday evening.

Little Miss Lois Hedge accompanied her aunt, Miss Emma Hedge, to Kansas City Saturday night.

P. Z. Buckles of Selden, and Henry LaRue, of Oberlin, were Hoxie visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Shaw spent Sunday and Monday in Phillipsburg with Mrs. Shaw's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bartley and children, of Jennings, were dinner guests Wednesday at the N. W. Harris home.

The fire alarm has summoned the Hoxie Fire Department to action twice within the past week. Fortunately neither fire did a great amount of damage. The first one was at the Summerson sisters' home in the east part of the city and the other destroyed the Boles' garage in the Minium-Woods block.

Kil Kare Klub

The Kil Kare Klub met with Mrs. Jim Brown January 28th. A business meeting was held and the following officers elected for the ensuing six months: Pres. Mrs. Helen Camp; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Myrtle Davis; Sec., Mrs. Will Camp. Also it was voted to buy material for muslin nighties and dark blouses for orphans of the "Home Finding Society" of Topeka.

East Saline

Rev. Howard and H. T. Corke attended "The Life Service League" at the Leland church Sunday and report a very interesting meeting.

David Howard took dinner and visited with Melvin Phelps Sunday.

Lonnie Corder and wife and Edith Simon attended a birthday dinner at the home of Mrs. Alice Pratt in Quinter, Sunday.

North Fork News

Mrs. Leonard Zimmerman spent Thursday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Zodrow.

Miss Alice Hutchison spent the weekend with Malinda Godfrey.

Frank Zodrow helped Leonard Zodrow grind feed Friday.

75 Years Ago

March 1, 1951

Lost Last Home Game

In the last home game of the season Tuesday night the St. Francis A team walked off with the long end of a 53-45 score, and the Little Indians came through with their usual thriller when they won 32-30 in an overtime game. Both games were played fast and hard and gave the full house all that was desired in high school basketball. The last game of the season will be played Friday night when the Indians travel to Norton.

Morland News

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Critchfield, from Wichita, spent from Thursday until Sunday at the Charles Critchfield home.

Mrs. Glen Teters called on Mrs. Loof Thursday.

Mrs. Pete Smith, of Lenora, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Shapely.

Broadway News

Calvin Chestnut has been suffering with a sore elbow. The doctor lanced it one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morgan helped Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Borger with some butchering Thursday at the Oscar Borger home.

Louis Morgan and W. C. done some electrical work for Fred Richmeier Saturday.

Adell Oil Pool Vicinity

Mr. and Mrs. Milt Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Connie Cramer, all of Hoxie, spent Sunday a week ago in the Murlin Cramer home.

Adell Circle Club met Thursday with Ruth Randolph in Allison. Ten members were present. Games were the order of the afternoon. Next meeting will be with Francis Bader, March 8th.

Mrs. Theo McKenna spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Nace Randall who is ill.

Allison News

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Steele received the announcement of Rickie Dean, born Feb. 17th to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Nelson of Colorado Springs. Rickie has two sisters, Meredith and Helen.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Randolph and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kappers and son and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Steffens were Thursday evening visitors at the Ernest Randolph home. The occasion was Dale's seventh birthday. Ice cream and cake was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Edgell and son, Archie, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perrin.

Sunshine 4-H Club

Have you ever heard Guy Lombardo's life history? This was music appreciation at the Sunshine 4-H Club meeting on Feb. 26, which was held at the Vern Sealock home.

The main business was to decide what to take to the spring festival. We decided on some sort of instrumental music. The program consisted of music appreciation by David Cooper; demonstration by Joe Cooper, and other program was a saxophone solo by Phillip Sealock. The program was not complete as not all the members were present because of stormy weather. After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Sealock. - Reporter

50 Years Ago

February 26, 1976

Hoxie Indians Reach Semi-Finals at Oberlin

Terry Davis hit a follow shot at the buzzer to pull the Hoxie Indians to a 45 to 43 upset of the Norton Bluejays in the Regional Tournament at Oberlin Tuesday night. The win propelled the Indians into the semi-finals against the state's 6th ranked Oakley Plainsmen at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 26.

Mickey's Want Ads

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An obstetrician received a phone call at 2 in the morning.

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"No!" the man on the phone exclaimed, "This is her husband!"

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Broadway News

Melanie and David Simon were hosts to Saline Valley 4-H Club Monday evening at Stella Simons in Quinter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Riedel spent the weekend at Garden City with their daughter.

Vicki Transue spent the weekend at Bill Miniums.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Loughry of Norton were week ago Saturday guests at the Jim Bainter home. Mr. and Mrs. Rod Wente and family of Quinter were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Jim Bainter called on Mrs. Ray Foster Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Foster returned home from Denver week ago Saturday after having ear surgery and is getting along fine.

Mrs. Ben Tribble was a Wednesday afternoon caller of Mrs. Dwane Tice.

Leoville News

Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Karls of Alamogordo, New Mexico, came Thursday and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. August Karls and other relatives here.

Mrs. Ray Heim and Mary Schieferecke of Denver spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Schieferecke. They returned home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dempewolf spent Sunday night with their daughter and family in LaCrosse on Saturday. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Sauer brought them to the Barney Schieferecke where they had supper with them. They also visited Ollie Dempewolf, who is a patient at the Hoxie hospital.

Solomon Valley 4-H Club

Have you ever made a bunny salad? Sheryl Hedge showed us a quick and easy way on February 19. Randy Mader, our president, called the meeting to order with the Flag Salute. Sheryl Hedge, the Vice-President called off the roll and we answered by our favorite T. V. commercial. We found out that Aka-Seltzer was most popular.

Joyce Karnes announced that there will be a craft meeting at the George Karnes home on March 6.

Our president reminded us of the date for the 4-H club days on Feb. 28. The meeting adjourned with the 4-H Pledge and recreation followed. Hosts were the Ed Karnes family. - Chris Kindall, Reporter

25 Years Ago

February 22, 2001

Hoxie Park Up for Award

The Greenway and Community Park in Hoxie, also called the walking park, has been nominated for a national award that recognizes outstanding trail projects funded by the national Recreation Trails Program.

Greenway Park is being considered for the national award through the Coalition for Recreational Trails, a federation of national and regional trail-related organizations.

Rexford

On Feb. 11, Peg Greenwood, the district six adjutant, attended an American Legion Planning Meeting in Concordia, for the district convention in April. She was accompanied by Phil Finley of Colby, an executive board member.

Bill and Donna Dible went to Denver last Wednesday then flew to Cancun, Mexico, for a business meeting at the beach there. They especially enjoyed the weather which was in the 80s - quite different from here this week. They returned home Monday.

The Rexford Bridge Club meeting was cancelled for Wednesday due to the stormy weather.

Jennings-Allison

Imogene Keenan, Jennings, and her daughter, Janeil Keenan, Goodland, were Feb. 10-11 weekend guests of Darci and John Roberts in Colorado Springs. On Sunday they all attended the 100th birthday of Josephine Bosler in Pueblo, Colo.

Senior night was held during the Brewster Jennings game Tuesday evening.

Seniors accompanied by their parents were acknowledged for their accomplishments over the last four years.

St. Paul's Circle #400 D of I

Thirteen members of St. Paul's Circle #400 Daughters of Isabella attended the noon luncheon and meeting Feb. 5 at Our Lady of Guadalupe parish Center in Grinnell.

Regent, Bonnie Huelsmann, read a letter from Frances Sheltra, International Regent, concerning an endowment fund created by the organization.

Pat Blazack, national Respect Life Chairman, told of many ways for Daughters to assist others as we respect life from conception to death.

FHSU Online Open House Event

By FHSU University Communications

HAYS, Kan. - Fort Hays State University Online invites prospective students to explore their future during the annual Online Open House on Tuesday, March 10, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. CDT. This virtual, drop-in event is designed for prospective undergraduate and graduate students interested in either on-campus or online programs.

Participants can customize their experience by joining specific sessions that align with their unique academic and career goals.

Event Highlights:

- Live Department Presentations: Live sessions with faculty from Nursing, Psychology, Allied Health, Teacher Education, Leadership, History, and more.
- Financial Aid Workshop: Expert guidance on applying for and securing aid.
- Student Success Resources: Explore tutoring, career services, and health and wellness support.
- Admissions Access: Get real-time answers on the application and enrollment process for all FHSU programs.

Scholarship Opportunities:

All attendees will be entered into a scholarship drawing and may participate in the FHSU Discovery Quest Challenge for additional opportunities to earn scholarships toward their FHSU education.

Register today to reserve your spot: <https://www.fhsu.edu/online/open-house/>

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New Kansas Bicycle Maps Now Available

The new 2026-28 Official State Bicycle Map of Kansas is now available from the Kansas Department of Transportation. Whether riding a few miles or cycling across the state, this edition offers a variety of information to help active transportation users plan a short trip or a long ride.

State bicycle maps and educational flyers with bicycle safety tips are free and can be ordered on KDOT's website at <http://www.ksdot.gov/KSBikeMap>.

"Rail-Trails and the U.S. Bicycle Route System maps are included in the publication and showcase historic and unique places to visit along these routes," said KDOT's Active Transportation Manager Jenny Kramer. "We want residents and visitors alike to experience a few of the many venues and sights Kansas offers by bike while participating in active lifestyles."

The map features color-coded highways to help riders distinguish traffic levels and varying route widths to show where shoulders are paved and wider than 3 feet. For those wanting to avoid highways, county roads are also shown using the same color coding for traffic ranges and denote whether they are paved or unpaved.

Additional features include:

- Rest areas and bike shops
- State parks and scenic byways
- Hospitals with 24-hour emergency care
- Past Biking Across Kansas routes

In addition, details and contact information on the new Kansas Trails Inc. organization are available. According to the group, its mission is to provide the resources, support and community connections needed to make trails across the state accessible and sustainable for everyone.

For more information or to order maps, send an email to KATE@ks.gov or call Kramer at 785-296-5186.

USDA Announces Request for Information on Data Products

Washington, D.C. - At the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Outlook Forum today, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins announced a Request for Information (RFI) on Opportunities, Challenges, and Emerging Areas in Statistical Data, Analysis, and Research at USDA.

Numerous entities within USDA, including the Economic Research Service, the National Agricultural Statistics Service, and the Office of the Chief Economist, produce statistical data, analysis, and research that aim provide the agriculture community with timely, accurate, and useful information. While the data and statistics used to inform reports including the World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, Crop Production Reports, and January and July Cattle are often considered the benchmark for other agricultural forecasts, there is always room for improvement to further enhance accuracy and usefulness.

"Ensuring farmers, ranchers, and other users of USDA data better understand the processes and methodology that go into producing these data and statistics is

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\$263 Million Food Purchase to Support U.S. Producers

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins today announced the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) intent to purchase up to \$263 million in dairy and agricultural products from American farmers and producers to distribute to food banks and nutrition assistance programs across the country. These purchases are being made through USDA's authority under Section 32 of the Agriculture Act of 1935 and will assist producers and communities in need. With this action, the Trump Administration is bolstering American prosperity by supporting American agriculture, rural communities, and those in need of nutrition assistance.

"From milk and dairy to fruits, legumes, and tree nuts, these staples are essential for feeding families and sustaining America's agricultural economy," said Secretary Brooke Rollins. "Through these Section 32 purchases, USDA is delivering wholesome, real food to Americans while injecting critical dollars into local economies. By turning harvests into meals, we are not only stabilizing farm income and protecting rural jobs—we are nourishing our nation and supporting the farmers who feed America. Under President Trump's leadership, these investments strengthen the food supply, sustain rural communities, and reinforce agriculture as a cornerstone of economic resilience."

Agricultural Marketing Service Section 32 Purchases AMS continuously purchases a variety of domestically produced and processed agricultural products. These "USDA Foods" are provided to USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) nutrition assistance programs, including food banks that operate The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), and are a vital component of the nation's food safety net. USDA AMS will purchase up to \$263 million of the following commodities:

- Butter: \$75 million
- Cheddar Cheese and Cheese Products: \$32.5 million
- Swiss Cheese: \$10 million
- Fresh Fluid Milk: \$20.5 million
- Ultra-High Temperature Milk: \$10 million
- Chickpeas: \$12 million
- Dried Beans (Black and Pinto): \$25 million
- Fresh Pears: \$15 million
- Lentils: \$14 million
- Pecans: \$10 million
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- Colored Plastic: #2 laundry detergent bottles, coffee containers, etc.
- #2 Natural Plastic: Milk jugs, rinsed chemical containers
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- Grocery Sacks: plastic grocery sacks

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Congressional Action Urged for Year-Round E15

Topeka - As the agricultural trade landscape continues to be unpredictable and everyday costs high, Governor Laura Kelly urges Congress to take action to authorize year-round E15 sales nationwide. Authorization of year-round E15 sales will create increased domestic demand for Kansas corn and grain sorghum while lowering gas costs for Kansans. Currently eight states have received EPA approval to opt out of the 1-psi Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) waiver for E10, effectively allowing E15 sales year-round in those states. Governor Kelly released the below statement regarding year-round E15 sales.

"While I have resisted opting out of the EPA waiver for the State of Kansas in favor of following the nationwide emergency waiver for the years of 2022 through 2025, the reliance on the granting of this emergency waiver continues to cause stress on our fuel retailers and agricultural industry.

"Congress can eliminate this patchwork of regulatory relief by implementing a nation-wide solution to this issue and providing regulatory certainty for industry and lower gas prices for Americans. Failure to do so will continue to harm demand for Kansas corn and grain sorghum at a time when supplies are at record levels and prices are depressed.

"Further delay of a national solution to this issue by Congress will cause me to give strong consideration to submitting a request to join the eight other states who have received EPA approval to sell E15 year-round. The deadline to submit this waiver request is April 1, 2026."

Special Community Project

Continued from page 1

options, lighting, ornamental fauna, and greenery. The mural, led by local artist Jennifer Carder, will be painted on the wall of Hirsh & Abbott Law Office. Painting is scheduled to begin in March (weather permitting) and is expected to be completed by June 30. Artists Chloe Johnson, Jordan Dardis, and Sarah Dardis will assist with the mural installation.

A collaborative mural design was inspired by public comments shared on the Sheridan County Historical Society Facebook page, thoughtfully reviewed by the Parks Improvement Committee, and developed in partnership with SCCF. The mural project has been made possible in part by a \$10,000 grant award from the State of Kansas through the Kansas Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The mural will celebrate cherished pieces of Hoxie's history, including the former iconic buildings, elements of Main Street activities like parades and Christmas lightings, and more.

As an extension to the mural, SCCF is launching the Stories on Main Project, a documentary-style oral history initiative led by Ed Lowry of Story Pocket Productions. The project will capture memories of Main Street told by those who experienced them firsthand.

In collaboration with the Sheridan County Historical Society, the completed brief documentary will be hosted on the Historical Society's YouTube page. A permanent QR code installed in the new park will allow visitors and residents to scan and watch the brief film, ensuring that Hoxie's stories remain accessible for generations to come.

Community members are invited to sign up by March 13, 2026, to participate in oral history interviews. Please use the form found at www.growsherdancounty.org/pocketpark. Please note that not all who sign up will be interviewed or included in the final film. Organizers are specifically seeking stories related to the mural themes listed above.

As construction approaches, organizers are also inviting the community to help choose the park's official name. Up to this point, it's simply been referred to as the "Pocket Park." Now, it is time to select a name that better reflects its purpose, history, and Main Street pride.

The park name will be featured as a neon sign inspired by the former Della's Café, the last business to stand on the lot before it tragically burned down.

Community members are encouraged to submit naming suggestions using the designated form found online at www.growsherdancounty.org/pocketpark.

The Pocket Park project represents a true community effort. SCCF extends their gratitude to the many people who have been involved over the years and more recently to members of the Parks Improvement Committee, Sheridan County Commissioners, City Council of Hoxie, Hirsh & Abbott Law Office, First State Bank, the State of Kansas/Kansas Arts Commission and National Endowment for the Arts, Roch Meier, Dan Campbell of Campbell Concrete, Jennifer Carder, and the many other community members who continue to support and shape this vision.

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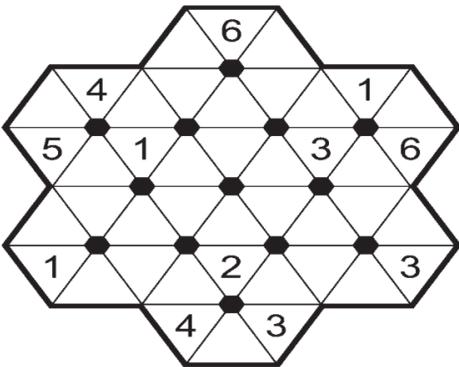
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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Super Crossword

BROADWAY OPENINGS

- ACROSS**
- 1 China's Mao — -tung
 - 4 Thumb locale
 - 8 Cries of unveiling
 - 13 Spanish fleet
 - 19 Post-bender headache
 - 21 Poetry Muse
 - 22 One-sided views
 - 23 Old stage actress Duse
 - 24 "Things go by so fast!"
 - 26 "As far as I'm aware ..."
 - 28 Brunched, e.g.
 - 29 Kwik-E-Mart clerk
 - 30 Writer Seton
 - 31 Iris locale
 - 32 Pres. advisory gp.
 - 34 New — (Yanni, e.g.)
 - 35 Become king after being a prince, say
 - 43 Quirk of behavior
 - 46 — Schwarz (toy retailer)
 - 47 Kuwaiti royal
 - 48 A third of IX
 - 49 Totally up the creek
 - 55 Semi section
 - 58 Witty writer Bombeck
 - 59 Hornswoggle
 - 60 Actress Swenson
 - 61 Hill's partner
 - 62 Nose partition
 - 65 Piece for two
 - 67 Paid no heed
 - 70 "We've been raking in the profit"
 - 75 Advance markdown
 - 77 Requirement
 - 78 Church decrees
 - 81 Painter of melting watches
 - 82 Camera varieties, for short
 - 86 Vientiane's country
 - 88 "My Country" author Abba
 - 89 Hole-poking tool
 - 90 Phrase just before an act is introduced
 - 95 Pouchlike body part
 - 96 Incantation opener
 - 97 River of Bern
 - 98 Veer off course
 - 99 What Thomas became, in kid-lit
 - 107 Alone
 - 108 See 102-Down
 - 109 Love-letter "hugs"
 - 110 Former toy company
 - 114 Alley — (court play)
 - 115 Juicer
 - 117 Overdoing the effort
 - 123 Writer of the Tony-winning musical featured in this puzzle
 - 126 Flavored with a certain spice
 - 127 Introduced acts, e.g.
 - 128 Lenya of "Cabaret"
 - 129 IRS part
 - 130 Tallies again
 - 131 Arctic people
 - 132 Central part of a church
 - 133 Star site
 - 5 Bristol's river
 - 6 Pianist Peter
 - 7 Party to a financial transaction
 - 8 Giggled
 - 9 Yank with a #13 jersey
 - 10 Hip-hop bud
 - 11 "Listen up!"
 - 12 "— lied!"
 - 13 Help do bad
 - 14 Plentiful
 - 15 Bad start?
 - 16 Cheese in an Italian deli
 - 17 Intensify
 - 18 Make certain
 - 20 Some Spanish paintings
 - 25 Spiked staff
 - 27 Harsh cleanser
 - 33 "I dunno" gesture
 - 34 Financier Onassis
 - 36 ET ship
 - 37 Avis rental
 - 38 Unemotional
 - 39 Vietnamese New Year
 - 40 Actor Katz
 - 41 Dusk-dawn linkup
 - 42 Move quickly
 - 43 Rail supports
 - 44 Pertaining to
 - 45 Singer Glen
 - 50 Fad dance of the 1960s
 - 51 Bro
 - 52 Sonata, e.g.
 - 53 Honoraria
 - 54 Actor Scott
 - 55 Payload area
 - 56 Bitter brew
 - 57 Part of B&B
 - 61 One of Santa's reindeer
 - 63 Old Glory's nation
 - 64 Wire measure
 - 66 "Sn" element
 - 68 Sierra maker
 - 69 Actress Peebles
 - 71 Lark's home
 - 72 — confident
 - 73 Boyfriend
 - 74 Hound's clue
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 - 79 Zippo
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 - 85 Ride a wave
 - 87 Antler sporter
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 - 91 Unemotional
 - 92 Greek letter
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 - 94 Suffix with southeast
 - 95 Wily
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 - 104 Near-eternity
 - 105 Noodle
 - 106 Erstwhile anesthetic
 - 111 Spun tales
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 - 113 Curiously
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign is different. 2. Strap is shorter. 3. Singshot is missing. 4. Cap is different. 5. Arm is moved. 6. Number is different.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Y equals E

SJYC L VHCOHBOKHCKXO ZYVHNYX

NKUUYA HB ERXYO, SHEFA IHE XLI

JY'X BYLFFI ZYCO HEO HU XJLRY?

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

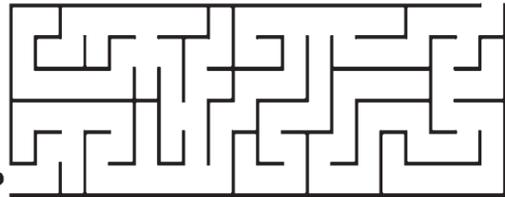
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DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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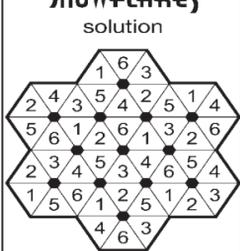
Kids' Maze



Kids' Maze Solution



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Go Figure! answers

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Super Crossword

Answers

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Fun Page Solutions

CryptoQuip answer

When a contortionist becomes miffed or upset, would you say he's really bent out of shape?

Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF) Case No.: SD-2026-PR-000002
FRED L. MOSS, DECEASED) TITLE TO REAL ESTATE INVOLVED
(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are notified that on February 5, 2026, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Kristine P. Moss, an heir, devisee and legatee, and Executrix named in the "Last Will and Testament of Fred L. Moss," deceased.

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

SUBMITTED BY:

Kristine P. Moss, Petitioner

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS
Board of Commissioners of Sheridan County, Kansas, Plaintiffs,
v. Case # SD-2026-CV-01
Castillo Contractors, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF KANSAS TO:
Tract # 1: Castillo Contractors
Tract # 2: Gerald Dwain Rahier II
Tract # 7, 8, 9 & 10: Shirley Lee Mayher
Tract # 11: Clara Jean Urrein
Tract # 12 & 13: Katy Anders

if the above defendants are living, and if dead, then their unknown spouses, heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns; and

The unknown executors, guardians and trustees of such of the above named defendants who are minors or are in anywise under legal disability; and

The unknown executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, successors of such defendants as are or were partners or in partnership; and

The unknown executors, administrators, trustees, creditors, successors, receivers and assigns of any of the above named defendants who are or were existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; and

The unknown spouses of the defendants, and all other persons concerned.

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in the District Court of Sheridan County, Kansas, by the Board of Commissioners of Sheridan County, Kansas, praying for judicial foreclosure and sale of real property upon which there is unpaid delinquent real estate taxes, and you are hereby required to plead the said petition on or before April 2, 2026, in said Court in Hoxie, Kansas. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition. The following are descriptions of all properties which shall be subject to foreclosure and sale and the names of such of you as are the owner, or a party having some interest therein:

Tract # 1: #1-HQ257 Lot 12, Block 27, Loveland Addition to the City of Hoxie, Sheridan County, Kansas.

Tract # 2: #1-HC035B - Lot 8, Block 4 with the exception of a tract, Original town, now City of Hoxie, Sheridan County Kansas

Tract # 7: #2-AD005B - A 30% interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals in and under and that may be produced from the S/2 18-6-26, Sheridan County Kansas.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LOGAN COUNTY, KANSAS
In the Matter of the Estate of Case No. LG-2026-PR-ALFREDA STEPHENS, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on February 17, 2026, a petition was filed in this Court by Michael Stephens, an heir, devisee and legatee, and executor named in the "Last Will and Testament of Alfreda Stephens," deceased, dated August 18, 2015, praying the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; petitioner be appointed as executor, without bond; petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before March 23, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Oakley, Logan County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the said estate within the latter of four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Michael Stephens
Petitioner Michael Stephens

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Attorneys for Petitioner

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USDA

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paramount to the integrity of these products," said Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics Dr. Scott H. Hutchins. "The RFI published today is another example of how USDA is deploying a Farmers First approach to policy and will help inform future efforts to deliver data that is useful to our customers. We rely on farmers for their survey contributions, so this request will hopefully convey our sincerity to use their data in a transparent and objective manner."

"USDA's data products have long been the gold standard in market reporting," said USDA Chief Economist Dr. Justin Benavidez. "That doesn't mean we can't make our products better. We're looking for producer-driven input that can introduce more transparency and ease of access across USDA's data outputs. We're also looking for ways to review our own accuracy and take steps to make improvements where we can. If producers don't believe in our products, we have work left to do."

The RFI will be open for public comment for 45 days and preliminary analysis of the feedback will be discussed at the 2026 Spring Data Users Meeting on April 22, 2026.

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Commission Minutes

2/17/26

Now on this 17th day of February 2026, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas, met in regular session with Chairman David Stithem presiding. Other members present were Kyle Emigh, Mike "Buck" Mader, Steve Hirsch, County Attorney, and County Clerk, Heather Bracht. Guest was Viktorija Briggs, *The Sheridan Sentinel*.

At 8:00 a.m. Stithem called the meeting to order.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hirsch drafted a letter to an individual about land and the ownership of the land. The Board approved and signed the letter.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. The Board was advised that the bridge in the southeast part of the county is moving right along.

O'Neill Smith, Noxious Weed Director, is testing today for chemical spraying.

Two of the mowers have been repaired. Waiting on a part for the 3rd one then they are ready to go.

Penco believes Sheridan County is first on the list for the signage project in the spring.

Roads were discussed.

A support letter was approved and signed by the Board for the US Department of Transportation for Kyle Railroad who is part of a group applying for the Better Utilizing Investment to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant. The request for a slight increase in sales tax to help with a new law enforcement building was discussed. It was presented to legislature on Friday and was to go to committee today.

Jordan Riley, EMS Director, came to the table. Riley and the Board discussed the overtime for an employee. Riley advised the Board that the inspection was going to take place on Tuesday,

January 20, and there were a few things he wanted to double check/clean-up so he asked the employee to work. It was stated that with three full-time employees in that building, the extra cleaning and stocking should be able to get done, without having someone work overtime. It will be paid this time, but not again.

The Board also advised that they have heard about a full-time employee's doing "live" Facebook feeds from the EMS Office while they are on duty. This will stop immediately.

Riley stated that he feels if EMS is being discussed, he should be involved. The Board stated that when they are advised of something that they feel he needs to be involved in, they ask him to come to the meeting.

Riley invited the Board to come to the EMS Office anytime and see what they do and inspect the various rooms. Riley exited the meeting.

Jordan Ewers, EMT, and Bennett Cave entered the meeting and were recognized. Ewers asked about the Facebook comment she heard just as she was walking in. The Board advised her what the discussion was about. Ewers asked why Minutes were no longer posted on Facebook and she was advised that people were making uninformed comments and that is why they were no longer posted. They are available to read in *The Sheridan Sentinel*, which by statute is where the County is obligated to put them. The Minutes are also available on the sheridancountyks.gov website.

Ewers asked about going into executive session, wanted to talk about "conflict of interest". She was advised that is not available, as no elected officials can be discussed in executive session.

On a motion by Stithem and second from Emigh, the February 10, 2026 Minutes were approved as presented. 3-0

Mader made a motion to approve the February

OBITUARY



Dan Koster
November 18, 1952
~ February 12, 2026

Daniel Lee "Dan" Koster, 73, Hays, beloved husband, dad, grandpa, brother, and friend to so many, passed on to eternal life on February

12, 2026, at HaysMed.

He was born on November 18, 1952 in Oberlin, Kansas, the son of Fritz and Lois (Hatten) Koster, and he was raised on the family farm seven miles west of Hoxie with two brothers and two sisters. In 1970 he graduated from Hoxie High School and earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from Colby Junior College and his Bachelor's Degree in Animal Science from Fort Hays State University.

On June 24, 1972, Dan married DeeAnn Schiltz at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Selden, beginning a life together that lasted over 53 years. They were blessed with three wonderful children, Dan Jr., Emily, and Tom. Dan was a loving father who worked hard to provide for his family. His long career was as an owner-operator truck driver with over 5 million miles logged on the road with no accidents or tickets. Health issues brought that episode of his life to a close, but he was ready to finally stay at home. He was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, and the St. Mary's 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus Council #6984. Dan was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather who professed and lived his strong catholic faith. He enjoyed working on his truck, having the kids go trucking with him, hanging out with his friends and family, and he deeply loved and was so proud of his children and grandchildren.

Dan is survived by his wife Dee of Hays, his children Dan (Anita) Koster, Jr. of Hays, Emily (Doug) Cooper of Overland Park, and Tom (Rachel) Koster of Wichita, eight grandchildren, Hannah, Michaela, Ben, Rose, Luke, Emry, Connor, and Laury, brothers Harold (Bridget) Koster of Hoxie, and Nick (Marita) Koster, III of Denver, two sisters Kathy (Don) Kennedy of Oakley, and Nancy (Carl) Kiltz of Lindsborg, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his father and mother-in-law Harold (Edna) Schiltz.

Mass of Christian Burial was Thursday, February 19, 2026, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Fr. Nick Parker officiating. Inurnment followed in St. Joseph Cemetery. Visitation was Thursday, all at Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home. A Daughter's of Isabella rosary and Vigil service were both on Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested for masses to be said for Dan or to Kansans for Life. Condolences and memories of Dan may be shared with the family at www.haysmemorial.com.

13, 2026 Payroll as presented. Emigh

seconded. Carried 3-0

The following payroll was reviewed and approved by the Board:

General \$69,150.20

Road & Bridge

\$26,347.49

Nox Weed \$1,863.10

Public Transp.

\$1,246.00

Landfill \$2,245.74

At 9:37 a.m. with no further business, Stithem

made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Emigh. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be

Tuesday, February 24,

2026 at 8:00 a.m. in the

Commissioner Room.

Attest: Heather Bracht,

County Clerk, David

Stithem, Chairman

Indians Dominate Regionals

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• Carter Giancola (165 lbs)

These champions navigated stacked brackets with hard hand-fighting, mat awareness, and clutch finishes. They controlled pace. They dictated position. They closed matches with authority.

They walked into regionals as contenders.

They walked out as champions.

Finals Under the Lights

Five Hoxie wrestlers battled to second-place finishes, securing state qualification in dramatic fashion:

• Gunner Wentz (120 lbs)

• Bradyn Wilson (113 lbs)

• Chase Meyer (144 lbs)

• Noah Nicholson (150 lbs)

• Mat Bretz (215 lbs)

Several of these finals matches came down to the final seconds — buzzer-beater takedowns, late escapes, and edge-of-the-mat scrambles that had the crowd on its feet. In a tournament where every point matters, these athletes showed poise under pressure and championship composure.

Third-place qualifiers Porter Meyer (106 lbs) and Travis Johnson (157 lbs) embodied resilience. After early setbacks, both wrestled through the backside of the bracket, winning must-win matches to secure their place at state. Their performances were a testament to grit — the kind that defines postseason wrestling.

A Historic Milestone for the Program

For the first time in school history, Hoxie will send three female wrestlers to the state tournament — a milestone moment that reflects the rapid growth and competitiveness of the girls program.

State qualifiers include:

• Josey Bell — 2nd Place (120 lbs)

• Molly Rahier — 4th Place (235 lbs)

• Keiley Kincaid — 7th Place (155 lbs)

Each athlete earned her spot through high-intensity matches and demonstrated that Hoxie wrestling excellence spans the entire program. Their advancement marks a historic step forward and sets the tone for future generations.

More Than Medals

Beyond placements and podium finishes, what stood out most in Norton was the culture.

Hoxie fans traveled strong — parents, alumni, classmates — filling the stands with energy. The cheers were loud in victory and just as strong in defeat. Every takedown was met with roars. Every hard-fought

scramble was supported with encouragement.

Five consecutive state championships don't happen by accident.

They are built in early morning practices.

In conditioning sessions when no one is watching.

In disciplined coaching.

In belief.

They are built in culture.

Eyes on the Biggest Stage

With 14 total qualifiers and multiple top seeds, Hoxie now turns its focus to the state tournament — not as hopefuls, but as proven contenders.

To qualify for state in Kansas wrestling is an achievement earned through months of physical and emotional sacrifice. Every athlete who punched their ticket proved they belong among the best.

But if regionals were any indication, Hoxie isn't traveling to state just to participate.

They're coming in hot.

They're coming in prepared.

And they're coming with something to prove.

Good luck to the Hoxie Indians as they chase history once again at the Kansas State Wrestling Championships.

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SB 244 - Women's Privacy Law Passes

KS Legislature Overrides Veto of Women's Privacy Law
Topeka - A supermajority of Kansas legislators overrode Governor Kelly's veto of Senate Bill 244, legislation which strengthens the state's Women's Bill of Rights by restoring clear, consistent definitions of sex in Kansas law and ensuring that women and girls have access to private, secure, sex-specific private spaces in public buildings. The vote was 87-37 in the House and 31-9 in the Senate. This bill becomes law immediately.

S.B. 244 provides statewide clarity for agencies, schools, and public institutions by clarifying that the use of "sex" and "gender" in statute is defined by biology. The bill also establishes clear expectations for the designation of multiple occupancy restrooms, locker rooms, and

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changing areas in public buildings, ensuring these spaces are based on biology.

Statement of Brittany Jones, Esq., President of Kansas Family Voice:

"A year to the day that the Kansas Legislature protected children from harmful and experimental attempts to change their gender, a supermajority of Kansas legislators stood together to restore common-sense and privacy in government restrooms by overriding Governor Kelly's veto of S.B. 244. Because the Governor refused to safeguard women and girls, the Legislature stepped in and did what was right.

Kansas has spoken clearly: women's spaces must be protected. Girls deserve confidence and peace of mind when they enter public restrooms and locker rooms, knowing their privacy will be respected. We are deeply grateful for the leadership in both the House and Senate, as well as every legislator who supported this bill.

We applaud the Legislature's swift action to ensure that common sense is immediately restored in Kansas. This law is a win for every Kansan."

Kansas Legislature Overrides Governor's Veto of Bill That Protects Women's Privacy, Safety

The following quote may be attributed to Alliance Defending Freedom Legal Counsel Sara Beth Nolan regarding the Kansas Legislature's vote Tuesday to overturn Gov. Laura Kelly's veto of SB 244, a bill that protects the privacy of women

and girls based on the biological differences between males and females:

"Women and girls shouldn't be forced to sacrifice their privacy and safety in the name of promoting gender ideology. Allowing men to invade women's most intimate spaces—including changing rooms and restrooms—compromises their dignity. SB 244 ensures that the private spaces of women and girls in government buildings are not open to men. It rightly prioritizes privacy and safety over ideology. We commend the strong leadership of House and Senate leadership, Rep. Susan Humphries, Rep. Bob Lewis, and Kansas Family Voice for standing up for women and young girls across the state."

Governor Kelly Releases Statement on Veto Override of Senate Bill 244

Topeka - Governor Laura Kelly on February 13 vetoed House Substitute for Senate Bill 244. On February 18, the Legislature overrode the Governor's veto.

The following statement is from Governor Kelly regarding the overriding of her veto of House Substitute for Senate Bill 244:

"As I said in my veto statement, this is a poorly drafted bill with significant, far-reaching consequences.

"Not only will this bill keep brothers from visiting sisters' dorms and husbands from wives' shared hospital rooms, it will cost Kansas taxpayers millions of dollars to comply with this very vague legislation.

Troop 160

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which recognizes an Assistant Scoutmaster who reliably supports program needs. Reuber joined Scouts BSA as an adult leader in 2021 when her daughter entered the troop. She is a regular leader at meetings and campouts, attends weeklong summer camp, serves as a driver for American flag displays and acts as a merit badge counselor. Troop 160 officials said the unit could not function without her sustained involvement.

The Baden Powell Award Dinner celebrated volunteers, leaders, and supporters from both the Wheatland and Tomahawk Districts whose service has had a lasting impact on Scouting in the region. The event brings together local Scouting units, chartering organizations, and community members to acknowledge contributions that help sustain community ties.

Troop 160 serves youth ages 11-18 in the area through traditional Scouting activities, campouts, and community service projects. The recognition of Rucker and Reuber highlights the vital role committed adult volunteers play in maintaining a vibrant Scouting program.

"It is nothing short of ridiculous that the Legislature is forcing the entire state, every city

and town, every school district, every public university to spend taxpayer money on a

Rocky's Bait and Tackle

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The community is encouraged to stop by and have coffee and get to know Rocky and Amy.

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