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Cousins Mary Margaret (l) and Lucy Anne Lager (r) give an illustrated talk at 4-H District Club Days on Tuesday, April 5. (Sentinel staff photo)





Demi Schippers gives a demonstration of how to make a stress ball using a balloon and Orbeez at 4-H District Club Days on Tuesday, April 5. (Sentinel staff photo)



Several girls show off their basketball skills at 4-H District Club Days on Tuesday, April 5. (Photo by Jordan Schippers)



Rylan Moss sings a solo at 4-H District Club Days on Tuesday, April 5. (Sentinel

Hoxie Music Contestants Perform at Oberlin



Saturday, April 2, Hoxie Sr. High students participated in their regional music contest at Oberlin. Below is a list of each student and their performances:

- Elyssa Rucker: Vocal Solo, Horn Solo
- Nathan Snyder: Snare Solo
- Maddy Snyder: Trumpet Solo
- Macon Sekavec: Saxophone Ensemble - Wes Reuber: Saxophone Ensemble
- Levi Gleason: Saxophone Ensemble, Baritone Saxophone Solo - Adam Heim: Snare Solo

Each student received a one rating and will be competing at State in Wichita at Friends University on April 30.





JV Girls Finish Season Undefeated

By Luz Aguilar

The Golden Plains JV Girls High School Basketball Team played their final game of the season against Northern Valley on February 18 in Almena. The JV girls finished their season undefeated with a 29-2 win over the Huskies.

In the first quarter, both teams worked hard but Golden Plains was able to make the first 3 points by Haden Wark. By the time the first-quarter buzzer went off the Bulldogs were in the lead 16-0.

In the second quarter, Northern Valley still had not made any points, but the Lady Dogs were on a roll, the Lady bulls were already seven points in when Northern Valley got their only two points in the game. Anette Hernandez finished the game with the last six points for the 29-2 win.

Points were scored by Hayden Wark 12, Anette Hernandez 8, Carli Nieman 5, Jordyn Fleckenstein 2, and Amie Cheney 2. The JV girls finished the season 7-0. "I felt like we all gave 110%," said Hayden Wark. "I think the team has improved since the start of this season."

2022 HHS PROM KING AND QUEEN



Hoxie seniors Ayden Campbell and Hayley Jacobs were crowned 2022 Prom King and Queen at the promenade on Saturday, April 9. (HHS photo)

Two HHS Wrestlers Sign College Contracts





Two Hoxie senior wrestlers sign to wrestle next year in college. Marissa Porsch will wrestle at Chadron State University and Drew Bell will continue his wrestling at Fort Hays State University! Congratulations to these two; and best wishes to them at their respective colleges. (HHS Wrestling photos)

By Karoline Schroeder, Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, April 6, Tyra Schultz signed onto North Central Kansas Technical College. Schultz signed in the WHS library with the student body and staff standing by her side. Her parents, Doug and Ronna Schultz, sat alongside her while she signed.

She will attend the Nursing program at NCK Tech. In the future, she plans on becoming a traveling nurse practitioner. Schultz said, "I am very excited for the chance to pursue

my career at NCK Tech."

Schultz Signs to NCK Tech



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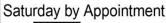
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JENNINGS NEWS By Louise Cressler

Blood Drive at Jennings will be held on Friday April 29 from 8:30 a.m to 2:30 p.m. at the Jennings United Methodist Church by appointment only. Please call Shelley McKenna at 785-678-3050 to schedule a donation.

Work is being done on the Jennings/Clayton School Alumni Directory. Do you need to correct your information such as address, marital status, or work status? Call Marge Hartzog 785-

A beautiful day outside this morning. Light winds and sunshine with temp up to 60 degrees already. I was outside and nearly forgot to send this column.

Annual Art Walk Set for April 22

The Colby Community College art department will host the 11th annual Spring Art Walk on Friday, April 22, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. along Franklin Avenue in downtown Colby.

Art and activities will span 15 locations, with many pieces available for purchase. The show features works by professional artists and student creations from CCC and area K-12 public and private schools.

K-12 art will be hung at Movement Connection and EXP Realty. CCC student art will be on display at Colby Furniture.

The printmaking department from Fort Hays State University will demonstrate various techniques. Affordable customized T-shirts can be purchased.

Additional highlights include:

- live musicians
- a maze painted on the bricks
- food vendors
- caricature drawings a drum circle
- face painting
- child safety registration with the Colby Police

Department. "There are new and different pieces this year," said CCC art

instructor Rebel Mahieu. "And we still have room for more if somebody has something they want to share.'

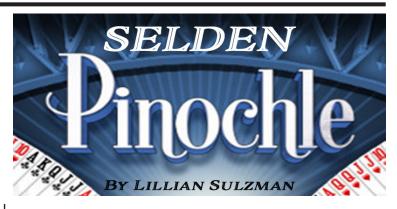
There is no charge to attend. For more information or to volunteer, contact Mahieu at (785) 269-7065.





Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am ~ 4pm





The Selden Pinochle group gathered to play their game of pinochle and enjoy lunch together last Thursday. Last week's group included me, Lillian Sulzman, Alfred J. Albers, Don Juenemann, Pat Wessel had 2nd high with 475, Bob Wessel held the most aces, Bernadine Spresser had high score of 537, Boyd Wilson, Margee Wilson, Ellis Walker, Steve Skubal, and Shirley Emigh joined for lunch only.

The game and meal were enjoyed by everyone.

Summer Community Band Seeks Musicians

The Colby Community Band is preparing for its fifth season and invites musicians of high school age and older to join. Performers younger than ninth grade are eligible with permission.

All rehearsals are scheduled to run from 7 to 8:15 p.m. in the CCC instrumental music room beginning May 16. Other rehearsal dates are May 23 and June 6, 13, 20, and 27. The concert is tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. on July 5 in Colby's Fike Park.

For more information, contact Michelle Meyer at 460-5519 or michelle.meyer@colbycc.edu.

Smoky Hills PBS Family Fun Day **Brings Curious George**

Smoky Hills PBS is excited to announce that they will be bringing their Family Fun Day event to Fike Park in Colby on Saturday, April 30 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Curious George will also be there!

The Family Fun Day event gives kids a chance to meet Curious George in person and take pictures with him. The first 500 kids that come to meet Curious George will receive a FREE gift!

"Curious George is so excited to come celebrate Earth Day with the kids," said Haley Gagnon, event coordinator for Smoky Hills PBS. "We are thrilled to bring our Family Fun Day event to Northwest Kansas!'

Family Fun Day is an educational and entertaining event that Smoky Hills PBS puts on approximately 4 times a year across Central and Western Kansas. Smoky Hills PBS brings a special PBS character to visit and FREE books and educational gifts are distributed to those children in attendance.

Thank you to these sponsors for making this Family Fun Day event possible:

Colby Community College, Family Center for Health Care, Dr. Sam Funk Optometry, Colby Glass Company, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, Frahm Farmland, H & H Solutions LLC, Hi-Plains Coop, Holzmeister Seed LLC, Horlacher Jewelers, Rotary Club of Colby, Commercial Sign Company, Leroy's Printing, The Palace Drug Store.





2nd & 3rd Grade

Each Group Will Have a "Golden Egg"

COMMUNITY NEWS

∦Mealsite Menu≭

Monday: Smothered Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Bread

Tuesday: Chili, Pineapple, Crackers, Cinnamon Roll Wednesday: Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Peaches

Thursday: BBQ Pulled Pork, Coleslaw, Jello w/ fruit, Bun, Birthday Cake

Friday: Little Smokies, Baked Potato, California Blend Vegetables, Bread, Mixed Fruit

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older with guests to attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday-Friday. Please call 675-2154 by 11 a.m. the day before, to make reservations. Home Delivery is available to those not able to dine $\,$ in. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. Patrons over 60, a \$3.50 per meal contribution is requested. Those under 60, meal cost is \$6.50. A montly menu can be picked up at the Mealsite. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.



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

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First Presbyterian Church 1101 Sheridan Ave Hoxie

Hoxie Christian Church 1025 Queen

Hoxie Church of Christ 1541 Oak Hoxie

Hoxie United Methodist Church 900 12th St Hoxie

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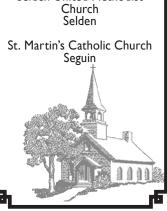
Living Word Fellowship 454 Hwy 24

Hoxie Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church 14988 E Rd 70 S

Hoxie Sacred Heart Catholic Church 202 S Missouri

St. Frances Catholic Church 924 17th

Hoxie Selden United Methodist Church



NEWS from the OUT

Yes, I missed last week. With everything going on I'm lucky to remember my name some days. Let's just say life hasn't been much fun lately. Fishing is picking up steam. But the last two trips to Antelope have just given bites with no fish caught. Speaking of Antelope Lake, keep your fish and bait secure. Those nasty raccoons are getting gutsy. I chased one out of the back of my truck Saturday evening.

Turkey season is upon us! I am excited about this season. In the last two weeks I've seen more turkeys than I have in several years, and while I love helping others get their birds, this season is a me first one. Don't get me wrong, I love guiding. But I can't eat

Before I forget, for those interested, I am rototilling and mowing again this year. I also have an edger and gas trimmer. I'm hoping to get some more work to help with our fundraiser for my hand treatment.

Let's see, what kind of foolishness is happening in this country? Our terrorist friends with BLM have been caught using donor money to purchase a \$6 million dollar mansion. Now they're crying that it's a misunderstanding. No, they're crooks to the last

The New York Lt Governor has been arrested for bribery. Inflation is the highest level in 40 years; and the dope in the Whitehouse still blames everyone but himself! And, of course, his minions follow right along.

Just so no one forgets, Epstein still did not kill himself, and Joe Biden is the one guilty of quid pro quo. But the libtards and Democrats ignore that fact even though it was recorded. It says something about a total lack of both conscience and going by the rule of law. But the law doesn't mean crap to you Democrats, does

Well, time to go. As always stay safe and enjoy the outside. Until next time.

CLOSED Good Friday Friday, April 15

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Bill Signed Designating Sandhill Plum Official State Fruit

~~More than 400 fourth-and fifth-graders from across 24 Kansas schools participated in an election to select the state fruit ~~

Governor Laura Kelly signed House Bill 2644, designating Sandhill Plum as the state fruit of Kansas. The efforts to pass this legislation began in 2021 when more than 400 fourth-and fifth-grade students from 24 different schools participated in a process that included writing essays, sending letters to state representatives, and voting to determine what they believed should be the designated state fruit for Kansas.

"I am proud of the efforts put forth by the students from Sabetha Elementary School and beyond," Governor Laura Kelly said. "Hundreds of bills are introduced each legislative session, but not all of them make it to this point. It's a shining example of what hard work and determination can truly accomplish at any age."

Ten students testified virtually in March on behalf of HB2644 in front of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee. The students from Sabetha Elementary School who started this process were in attendance to witness this bill become law.

The Sandhill Plum beat out the Red Mulberry, the American Persimmon, and the Gooseberry.

20th Anniversary Tour of the Church Basement Ladies

Western Plains Arts Association has brought the original play is returning for the 20th Anniversary National Tour of Church Basement Ladies.

This play will be in place of the new hit "You Smell Barn" play originally scheduled for this season. The comedy production is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 12, at the Oakley High School Auditorium.

Admission is by WPAA season ticket or adults \$20 and students

The Dane G. Hansen Foundation, Logan, is a major sponsor of all WPAA events this season. The Greater Northwest Kansas Community Foundation, Dane Hansen Community Grant for Logan County, Bird City, also provide generous grant support.

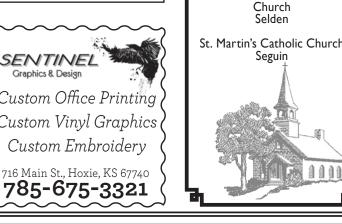
Twenty years ago, authors and humorists Janet Letnes Martin and Suzann Nelson, the creators and writers of the award-winning book, Growing Up Lutheran, and 10 other Scandinavian-American humor books, teamed up with Twin Cities based production company, TroupeAmerica, Inc. and its Executive Producer Curt

Wollan to turn their writings into a new musical comedy entitled Church Basement Ladies.

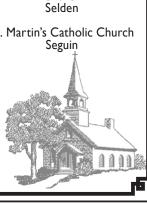
The original production of Church Basement Ladies opened at the Plymouth Playhouse in Minneapolis, MN, and was performed to more than 250,000 patrons, in 1123 performances during its two- and one-half year run. The success of the show has been beyond phenomenal. Enthusiastic patrons, who come from all faiths and religions, echo the same sentiment when commenting on the show "those same ladies live in my church basement, and I can even tell you their names.'



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FRIDAY OPEN LATE

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MAY 6 ~ 10AM TO 8PM

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Sheridan County Health Complex is currently accepting applications for a Chief Financial Officer. This person will be responsible for directing the organization's financial planning and accounting practices as well as its relationship with lending institutions, shareholders and the financial community. They will oversee and direct finance, budgeting, audit, tax, accounting, purchasing, real estate and insurance activities for the organization. The position is accountable for assisting the CEO in the planning, organizing, and directing of the facility to ensure that quality patient care is provided and that the financial integrity of the facility is maintained. The CFO ensures compliance with applicable laws and regulations as well as all policies and procedures set forth by the Board of Trustees, and those required by CMS Cost Reporting Standards. A bachelor's degree in accounting or finance is required along with a thorough knowledge of accounting, finance, reimbursement, budgeting, credit and collection as it relates to healthcare. Five (5) years' experience in a leadership or similar role is preferred.

For consideration, please send a detailed resume to: SCHC, Attn: Human Resources, PO Box 167, Hoxie Ks 67740 or email to Shelby Moss at smoss@schcmed.com. To view a full job description, or to apply online, please visit www.schcmed.com/careers. SCHC is an equal opportunity employer.



"Healthcare From the Heart"

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

The Hoxie Democrat Friday, April 13, 1888

John Jones has recovered so as to be able to

Melroy Hicks planted 200 hills of water melon seeds this week.

G. M. Brooks, the ex-county treasurer, was at the rally on Tuesday. He is farming extensively

J. P. Roswall tells us that he will stay in town most of the summer, and all work intrusted to him will receive prompt attention.

Mr. T. C. Elston and family were in the city this week visiting friends. They were accompanied by Wm. Kilpatrick and family.

John Maxwell was attending the republican love feast on Tuesday. He reports large crops being planted in the south-west part of the

J. W. Countryman was in town the first of the week and says that the people of his township are putting out large crops of grain, and are in hopes of a large crop.

J. R. Reed arrived from his trip to Nebraska last Saturday. He reports no town on his route that has as good prospects for a boom as Hoxie, and none so nicely situated.

Martin Countryman and W. W. Warner, of Prairie Dog, were pleasant callers on Tuesday. They report the tramps thick between Colby and Norton, on the line of the Rock Island.

C. H. Menefee and a friend arrived in the city last Tuesday from Denver. They will make this their future home. Charlie says he has roamed around a good deal and cannot find any better place than Hoxie.

The work of Mr. Rodgers and his crew of men was done on Tuesday, and they have started east where they will stay until after the election and the road begins to build, which, we are reliably informed, it will not do unless the bonds are voted; so, if we want a railroad, we must not sleep but be up and doing, for a railroad we must have in order to ship out our large surplus of grain which will be here this fall.

W. E. Ferree, one of Sheridan county's last year citizens, but now a tramp (having sold his claim) arrived in the city last week. He is looking well and hearty, and no man ever got a warmer reception or more royal entertainment than he did on his arrival at the rooms of the "Flour Gravy" gang. We do not know how long he will remain, but are satisfied that he would like to live and die right here. He told us on Monday that that was the first day he had felt at home since he left here last summer. We hope that he will make some investments and remain on Sheridan county soil.

125 Years Ago April 15, 1897

J. B. McPherson was elected G. O. W. at the recent meeting of Grand Lodge of A. O. U. W. and the last Kansas Workman, the official organ, published his picture and gave him a very creditable write-up.

Father Chrysostrom favored this office with a very pleasant call one day last week.

Commissioner Ottken has traded for a farm in Jefferson county, fourteen miles from Lawrence. Cressler & Talbott have put a large refrigerator up in their meat market and are prepared to keep

their stuff cool. Miss Ella Hill, of Morland, a cousin of Mr. A. L. McCallum of this city, visited here the latter part of the past month.

H. L. Korb is again in the livery business at the old stand, J. H. Brown having moved out last week and opened up in the east side barn.

L. S. Meeks, of Bloomfield township, marketed broom corn in Hoxie Saturday, and out of the proceeds favored this shebang with a cart wheel.

E. T. Crum shipped a car load of hogs to market Tuesday morning. Tony Haverkamp, Ben Kruse, David Shafer and several others were contributors to the load.

Dell Pickle a thrifty young farmer of near Lucerne, accompanied by his better half, was in Hoxie, Saturday. He has recently traded for a farm and is preparing to put out a large crop of sod corn. Dell will make it win if any of them do.

Bill Haines of Studley was billed to assist in the examination of the county treasurer's books, but did not arrive in time. He went to the depot to take the train but it did not come that night and he remained until the next day at 2 o'clock expecting it along every minute, there being no telegraph office there he could get no report.

The county commissioners are in regular session this week.

W. S. Quisenberry and Davy Wiggins drove down to Gove City, Saturday and remained over to Tuesday.

Lucerne Items

R. C. Gates is breaking out more land he says he wants it turned up.

Jake Spall says his corn pile shrunk about forty bushels in one night last week.

S. J. Foster is coming back to Sheridan county, having bought a part of the old Adell townsite. We welcome Uncle Silas in our midst again.

Quite a stir around Lucerne last week among the preachers. J. H. Spall moved on the O. H. Small farm and Rev. Gasell has moved on the Ruthaford farm.

Limber Jim

Selden Department

J. W. Tibbles is hauling corn from Selden to

Ed Lupton and W. S. Quisenberry were in town on Thursday last.

J. A. Henderson and family have moved into the old hotel building just south of Miller's drug

Elliott Hendrix and J. A. Henderson sojourned

BLACKJIMA A Mammoth, Registered Jack

will make the season of 1922, at the D. R. Follis farm, 16 miles northeast of Hoxie, 7 mlles southwest of Lucerne and 7 miles north and I mile east of Guy, every day except Saturdays and Sundays.

BLACK JIM is a Real One, coming 4 years old and weighs 1,100 lbs. No better jack in the state.

TERMS-\$12 to insure coit to stand and suck. Fee to fall due immediately if mare is sold or removed from the the county.

Care will be taken to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible should any occur.

> A. H. DUNCAN, Owner D. R. FOLLIS, Keeper

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

in Hoxie Tuesday. They had business with the Commissioners.

100 Years Ago April 13, 1922

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Hillman's Show Coming! Ladies Free Monday Eve April 17

Hillman's Ideal Stock Co's. two shows, under the combined direction of the F. P. Hillmans and Harry Sohms, will open a 3-night engagement at the Legion Hall in Hoxie Monday night, April 17. They are offering a new line of plays, the season's best comedy and dramatic successes, direct from New York. Each production is staged with special scenery and a big line of vaudeville is offered as extra features. The opening play, "After Midnight," is a brand new comedy-drama - bubbling over with laughs and thrills. As a

special inducement to pack the house on the opening night, one lady will be admitted free with every 50-cent ticket. Seats on sale at Beers'

Local News

Nick Wagoner, one of the county's most successful mule raisers, was attending to business here the last of the week. Some chaps with but one leg, as Nick is, would be tramping the country asking for charity, but Nick does as much work as many fellows with both legs and is prosperous, and he deserves to be.

Dr. E. D. Beckner, Frank A. McIvor, Chas. E. Montgomery, Dr. A. D. Fope, Carl Reed and Jay Steinshouer were in Salina the first of the week

taking the Scottish Rite degrees in Masonry. John Aldrich and C. W. Popp and son were up from the south part of the county on business on

Tuesday of last week. Miss Zelda Steinshouer, who has been teaching at Waldo the past winter, returned

home Saturday. Miss Ora Brison, of Plainville, a former teacher in the grade schools here, has been engaged to coach a play which will be given soon by the

senior class of the high school. Mrs. Grover Walker, who left last week for Europe, stopped for a few days visit, enroute to New York, in Kansas City with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Walker, also at Lexington and Versailles, Kentucky, and Cincinnati.

You are invited to attend the play, "A School for Scandal," given by the Junior class, Sheridan County High School, at American Legion Hall, Friday evening, April 21.

Valley

Bert Schropp and Ralfe Conard are farming together this year. They have the J. R. Conard and Frank Brandram places and have rented some ground of Charles Currier. They expect to move on the Brandram place this week.

Mrs. Yost and Mrs. E. H. Lynam called on Mrs. Frank Houseworth Friday.

Jessie Hines is helping Mrs. J. R. Woods this

Clif Crum is having an addition built to his home. T. A. and J. R. Conard are doing the carpenter work.

Bow Creek News

Miss Ura Launchbaugh was a caller at the John Henry and Earnie Lacey homes Friday and took in the play at Lone Star that evening.

The people of the Lone Star District took well-filled baskets to the schoolhouse Friday, it being the last day of school. Everybody enjoyed himself immensely and all went home wishing

Miss Gladys Johnson, the teacher, many more successful terms.

75 Years Ago

April 17, 1947 Senior Class to Present "Cyclone Sally"

The annual Senior play is scheduled for presentation on the evening of April 18. The cast has been chosen and are hard at work studying and practicing.

A Business Change

A familiar name but a new face joined the Hoxie business circle Tuesday when Harm Getz, of Tasco, purchased the Cumpton Dry Goods store and fixtures. Mr. Getz is well known here as he had operated a garage in Tasco for over 24 years. His business interests in Tasco were purchased by Howard Timmons, who also assumed management on Monday.

The store will be known as the Getz Dry Goods and will handle a complete line of ladies readyto-wear, as well as other accessories.

Lucerne News

Out of the 1,037 chickens Doc Scott received two weeks ago he still has 1,031 and they are a dandy bunch. He might give some of us old hands a few hints on raising chickens. We didn't know the army taught you "chicken care," Doc.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fitzjarrell spent Sunday at the Bob Follis. Sunday evening dinner guests at the Leote

Pontaths' were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Koster, of Ellsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jackson and Jackie, of Hoxie.

Music Recital

Mrs. Orrie Morlong presented her vocal and piano pupils in a recital at her home Friday evening, April 11, at eight o'clock. The parents of the pupils were guests.

Harmony Club

Harmony Club met Wednesday, April 9, at the home of Amelia woods with ten members and one visitor present. A cooperative dinner at noon and sewing for the hostess were enjoyed. Next meeting is to be April 23 with Ena Davis.

Leoville News

Miss Helen Meitl, a student nurse at Concordia, spent the week end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zimmerman were shopping in McCook Monday. Johnnie Spresser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack

Spresser, was operated on for appendicitis last Friday at the Colby hospital. He was able to return home the first of the week.

Studley Items

Mr. and Mrs. John Ploeger and family spent the week end visiting relatives in Victoria.

Bobby Woods is spending the week with his uncle, Eldon Stout.

T. F. Stout and Earl Stout and family and Leroy Scott were in Hill City Saturday and also called at the Rush home south of Penokee. Richard Mowry also went with them.

Morland News

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Hunsicker and Mrs. I. L. Underhill spent Sunday at the Charley Cooley home, in Bogue.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brooks spent a day last week in Morland visiting his brother, Rors and Oakie. Miss Virginia Hatter and Mrs. Kenney was business visitors in Hoxie, Monday.

50 Years Ago April 13, 1972

Mike Heim Wins Spelling Contest WHEAT GROWERS Land & Investment Co. WHEAT LAND A SPECIALTY Hoxie, Sheridan Co., Kansas

Mike Heim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Heim of Hoxie, won the USD No. 412 spelling contest held Friday at the grade school library. Mike is an eighth grader.

Ringneck Campers

The Ringneck Campers Club met at Red Willow lake April 7-8-9. Thirty-six members and several guests attended. Sunday morning worship was held at 9 o'clock in the café area of the marina. Those attending from Hoxie were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Percival and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Taylor.

McGraw News

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Tice were Thursday evening visitors of Mrs. Helen Tice.

Mrs. John Moss and Ralph and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Watkins were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Tice were Wednesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tribble.

Seguin Items

Mrs. Jerry Sellentin, Rhonda and Tausha of Lincoln, Nebr., are spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wegman and Elaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cooper of Hays were weekend visitors in the Frank Meier and Bill

Sunday was a perfect spring day in these parts and with Sunday being the only day when the muscles of this family are available, with an assist from Rock Meier, Gerri, Karen and Johnny Rietcheck, the yard around here looks almost like we hired a gardner.

Past Presidents Met with Mrs. Keller

Past President's Parley of the American Legion Auxiliary met on April 7 with Mrs. Nellie Keller. Fourteen members and one visitor, Mrs. Keller's sister, Mrs. Lucille Boss were present.

Members baked and brought 37 ½ dozen cookies which were packed in boxes and mailed to Wadsworth Hospital for the disabled veterans. Next month each member will furnish two stamped Mother's Day Cards for the veterans to send to their wives and mothers.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. Nellie Neal on May 5. - Reporter

Studley Items

G and G Club met with Mrs. Flavel Twell Thursday. Thirteen members were present to enjoy Flavel's delicious ham dinner and an afternoon of visiting. We are sorry that Mrs. Inez Bretz is a surgical patient in the Concordia hospital. Hope she will soon be home feeling much better. We sent get well cards to Mrs. Bretz, Mrs. Mamie Best and Mrs. Cora Kemp.

Galen Covalt did some garden plowing for Claud Spencer and Mrs. Molly Davis on Saturday.

Mickey's Want Ads

Its later than you think. We have some real nice quiet fans and the price is right. You can get repairs for them too.

Two friends arrived at the country club for a morning round of golf. The first one stepped up to the tee, took a mighty swing, and made a startling hole in one.

The second man, glancing at his buddy's achievement, stepped up to his ball and said: "All rightee! Now, I'll take my practice swing and then we'll start the game."

25 Years Ago April 17, 1996

2nd Graders to Host Pow-Wow

The Hoxie second graders will be hosting their annual Indian Pow-Wow at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2 in the grade school gym. An afternoon performance will be held at 1:30 p.m.

The children will be singing, dancing and telling about Indian life. They will have their crafts on display and will be serving cookies. Everyone is invited to attend this fun event.

Congratulations to Jacob Anderson and Jason Rogers on winning third place in Aesthetic competition in Manhattan last Saturday at the Balsa Wood Bridge Competition.

A local contest was held in Rexford last Friday in which Jacob and Jason won first place; Fred Durham second and Jenni Nechodomu, Secaley Palmer and Sarah Schieck placed third.

Deb Stepper returned home Monday afternoon after spending about two weeks in Denver with her daughter, Cindy.

Jennings-Allison

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey and Jared, Kokomo, Ind., arrived Saturday afternoon and visited his parents, the Elwood Baileys. They returned home Monday. J. A. M. Club

J. A. M. (Jesus and Me) Club, met at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the Jennings Church with 18 members present. New member is Josh Lahaanen. Ice cream bar treats were served and furnished by Neomi Carter. The Bible story continued in Genesis with the

birth of the first baby, Cain, and the tragic story of him and his brother, Abel. A film strip was shown depicting this story. The bird baskets were completed and coloring

began on a mural showing the steps of creation. A new "Praise Him" song was introduced and others sung.

The Selden Public Library held their monthly

meeting at 4:30 p.m. on April 7, at the library. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and the treasurer's report was given. "Kids Connect" is the theme for National Children's Book Week which is the week of April

The theme for summer reading program is "97 Bazillion Ways to Read" and will be held from June 2 - July 14.

NWKS News

National Sorghum Producers **Applauds** Year-Round E-15 **Announcement**

National Sorghum Producers Chairman Kody Carson, a sorghum farmer from Olton, Texas, applauded President Joe Biden's announcement today at the POET Bioprocessing plant in Menlo, Iowa, approving the year-round sale of E15.

"The year-round sale of E15 is good for not only American sorghum farmers and ethanol producers but also the American consumer. Sorghum made into climate-friendly ethanol gives consumers access to home-grown, cleaner fuel that will help lower the price at the pump for everyone and eliminating unnecessary summertime restrictions on E15 clears a major hurdle in greater energy independence and security for our nation. We applaud President Joe Biden's action on E15 and appreciate Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack for his support of American biofuels, as well."

CAFE Standards to **Cut Gasoline Usage**

The Department Transportation announced new fuel efficiency standards requiring the average new car to get at least 49 miles per gallon by 2026—an increase of 33 percent over 2021. The Administration billed the news as good for rural America given rural residents drive further distances, but the standards are also expected to cut into biofuels demand given lower overall gasoline usage also translates into lower demand for ethanol unless blending levels rise to offset the loss. Read more at https:// bit.ly/3Ks6wL1.

Melding of **Climate Policy** with Financial Regulations Opposed

Senate Republican Whip and Agriculture Committee Member, Senator John Thune (R-SD), led his colleagues in raising concerns about the Biden Administration's use of the financial regulatory system to advance its environmental agenda. "The viability of farms and ranches across the nation are essential to the viability of rural America and our nation's food security," the senators wrote. "That is why the rhetoric and actions taken by your administration to use the financial regulatory system as a back-door approach to set agriculture policy and advance such overreach is so concerning, as this downward pressure from Washington bureaucrats is not only felt by Wall Street firms, but by our nation's smallest banks and credit unions as well. Access letter at https://bit.ly/3JxfSDU.

Judge Dismisses Lawsuit Challenging **Election Laws**

A state judge has dismissed a lawsuit challenging signature verification and ballot harvesting restrictions enacted by the Legislature, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said today.

Legislators enacted House Bill 2183 and 2332 during the 2021 session, overriding the vetoes of Governor Laura Kelly. The measures established new requirements for signature verification on advanced ballots, as well as limits on the collections of advance

On Monday, Shawnee County District Court Judge Teresa Watson dismissed a law suit brought by the League of Women Voters of Kansas and other parties challenging the constitutionality of those provisions of the election laws.

"We have successfully defended these important electionintegrity provisions in district court," Schmidt said. "We will continue to provide them a vigorous defense as long as necessary to help ensure that Kansas elections are safe and secure."

A third provision, concerning the false representation of an election official, was upheld in September 2021 by the district court and that decision is on appeal with the Kansas Court of Appeals.

A fourth provision, which banned any person from mailing an advance voting application or causing an application to be mailed, unless the sender is a resident of Kansas or domiciled in Kansas, was struck down in November 2021 by a federal court.

A fifth provision, which prohibits the mailing of any advance mail ballot application that has been personalized with a voter's information, remains in litigation in federal court.

The case is League of Women Voters of Kansas, et al. v. Scott Schwab, et al., Case No. 2021-CV-299, in the District Court of Shawnee County, Kansas. A copy of the ruling is available at https://bit.ly/309BNoq.

Ask Congress to Expand **Rural Broadband**

Rural broadband is a critical pathway to global markets for agriculture and other industries. Farmers and ranchers depend on broadband just as they do highways, railways and waterways.

Farmers need increased mobile broadband coverage to be more efficient, economical and environmentally sustainable. Broadband connectivity allows farmers and ranchers to use cloudconnected equipment that indicates soil conditions, weather and the positioning of equipment. This key information not only helps them make data-driven business decisions, but it also helps improve sustainability by allowing farmers to very specifically target their water, fertilizer and crop protection use and plant seeds to achieve optimal yield.

Learn more here about the issue here: https://bit.ly/3NQey2w Ask your members of Congress to support:

- H.R. 3369, the Broadband for Rural America Act. This legislation will provide additional investments in USDA rural broadband programs while prioritizing rural areas most
- S. 1695, the Eliminating Barriers to Rural Internet Development Grant Eligibility (EBRIDGE) Act. This legislation removes hurdles for broadband projects, including difficult lastmile efforts that often delay rural broadband deployment.
- The House passed H.R. 3193, the EBRIDGE Act, in November 2021.

Biden EO Infringing on Second Amendment Rights Opposed

U.S. Representative Tracey Mann (KS-01) released the following statement in response to President Biden's new executive order that infringes on the Second Amendment rights of American

"If you weaken a loadbearing wall, the entire structure is compromised. That is what happens to our Constitution when the government violates the Second Amendment rights of the American people, and that is exactly what this executive order does. President Biden's action is yet another brazen attack on our right to protect ourselves and our loved ones. On top of a similar executive order issued last May that broadened the definition of a firearm to include parts used to make legal, private firearms, this order will:

Allow the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) to end the online sale of gun parts at will.

Mandate the serialization of many gun parts, forcing Americans to undergo a background check for a new legal "firearm" to repair or buy replacement parts for their guns. Require that 100% of Firearm Transaction Records from

gun stores dating back to 2002 end up in ATF's billion record

gun registry. stand against the overreaching President's executive order and will always

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Legislation Introduced Alerting Localities of Migrant Releases

Thursday, April 7, Congressman Jake LaTurner (R-KS) joined Congressman Michael Guest (R-MS) in introducing the Early Migration Alert Program (E-MAP) Act. This legislation would require Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to notify local law enforcement agencies and local government authorities of an impending release of migrants into their jurisdictions. The legislation was introduced days after the Biden administration announced its plans to terminate Title 42, which many officials warn will significantly increase the already record-setting number of migrant encounters on the southern border.

"The Biden Administration continues to release migrants into communities across America without notifying local police officers or social services agencies. This is unacceptable," said Rep. $\,$ LaTurner. "As the Department of Homeland Security prepares for up to 18,000 apprehensions per day following President Biden's reckless decision to lift Title 42, it's vital that local law enforcement is kept informed of any influx of migrants into their jurisdictions. I am proud to be an original cosponsor of the E-MAP Act to help establish proper communication channels between our brave federal and local law enforcement officers." Background:

Currently, there is no requirement for ICE or CBP to alert local police officers or social services agencies of a potential influx of migrants into their communities. Already this fiscal year, there have been record-breaking monthly encounters that are expected to continue at an overwhelming pace. Last year, encounters at the southern border peaked at a startling 213,539 encounters in July— a 21-year high and 420 percent increase compared to July 2020. During last year's immigration surge, migrants dropped off at bus stations inundated local communities and put a significant burden on public resources. Current encounters at the border are already outpacing last year's record-setting monthly numbers.

The E-MAP Act would require ICE and CBP to create an email subscription system to alert State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial municipalities and provide information regarding the impending release of migrants into local communities, including the:

- Number of migrants to be released Number of migrants with known criminal histories
- Initial destination of the migrants
- Final destinations and where they intend to settle

The legislation would require ICE and CBP to give municipalities at least a 24-hour notice before releasing an alien into the United

The E-MAP Act is endorsed by the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) and the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA).

Bill Provides School Children with Free, Basic Vision Screenings

~~Bipartisan Legislation Improves Quality of Vision and Hearing Services in Kansas~~

Governor Laura Kelly signed Senate Bill 62, a bipartisan bill that amends standards for free school-administered vision screenings and establishes the Kansas Children's Vision Health and School

"Early detection of vision issues in children helps educators assess and address the needs of students promptly," Governor Kelly said. "It is critical we address these issues early on -especially if a student has shown signs of reading difficulty, to ensure our kids continue to learn to their fullest potential and find success in the classroom."

In addition to updated standards, SB62 creates the Kansas Children's Vision Health and School Readiness Commission, an eight-member commission appointed by the State Board of Education to oversee the state's vision screening requirements. It will also assist Kansas families in finding free or low-cost eye exams if a student fails an initial vision screening and cannot afford the services on their own.

SB62 also ensures sign language interpreters are held to a standard just as other licensed professionals, so Kansans who are deaf or hard of hearing receive quality service from interpreters.

"The passage of SB 62 is a significant milestone for Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in its 40-year history," Robert Cooper, Executive Director of the Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, said. "SB62 aims at improving communication access and services for deaf and hard of hearing Kansans, building on the work and advocacy we have provided the community since KCDHH was first established by the Legislature in 1982." The Sheridan,

The American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture has launched a first-of-its-kind online platform for K-12 and STEM educators who seek to bring science to life through the lens of agriculture.

FBFA Launches Food and Agriculture Center

for Science Education

The Food and Agriculture Center for Science Education supports educators who teach, coach, or advise K-12 science coursework in public and private, formal and informal educational spaces through a three-pronged approach consisting of classroom resources, professional development and partnerships.

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College Musical **Revue Nears**

The Colby Community College music department will offer a free performance of "Echoes of Broadway," a musical revue, at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 23, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 24, in the Northwest Kansas Cultural Arts Center Frahm Theatre.

CCC vocal music director Randy Berls is directing the production. Various songs will be featured from musicals such as "Grease," "A New World," "Cabaret," "Les Misérables,"

The show includes a combination of college students and community members from northwest Kansas.

For more information, contact Berls at 460-5520 or randy.berls@colbycc.edu.

ESL Instruction Offered at Fort Hays State University

FHSU University Communications

For nearly 40 years, The Language Company has offered quality English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction to students from all over the world.

Fort Hays State University chose The Language Company (TLC) because of its reputation for providing a safe and educational welcoming environment for students. It helps them learn the essential English language necessary to achieve their personal, professional, and educational goals at a U.S. college or university.

"ESL instruction is critical to our emphasis on student success at FHSU," said Dr. Jill Arensdorf, Provost, and Vice-President for Academic Affairs. "Our decision to partner with The Language Company will assist in the preparation of students to be successful in their major program of choice at Fort Hays State and their life and work in the community."

ESL instruction partnership primarily focused international students from all over the world who come to FHSU to pursue their education.

"The Language Company believes that the cultural connection provided through the center not only benefits the students but also the campuses and communities that welcome them." TLC's Hassan Nazari-Robati said. "We are grateful that Fort Hays State University has invited The Language Company to establish a learning center on its campus."

TLC's Hays office will open on the Fort Hays State campus on July 18, 2022. Enrollment is now open, and students are encouraged to complete an application at www.thelanguagecompany. com. TLC staff is also available for any questions about the program via email at info@ thelanguagecompany.com.



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Counselor Corner

By Chris Lee

Many schools will do "Signing Day" programs, to announce seniors who are committing to that school. Salina Technical College will host its day April 14. Each student that participates will get a free bag of Salina Tech swag and a \$1000 scholarship. Call 785-309-3100, or email <u>admissions@salinatech.edu</u> if you have any questions.

Barton Community College enrollment starts April 12 or 13, and has two other dates in April, and three dates in May, June, and July each. Sign up for a date online at enroll.bartonccc.edu or call 620-722-6842. Don't forget that Barton awards books/tuition scholarships for an ACT of 26 or better OR a Kansas GPA of 3.6 and above. There are lesser scholarships for lesser GPAs OR ACT

Northwest Tech in Goodland offers a service-area scholarship to students with a 2.0 GPA in the 17-county area of western Kansas. You can register for this \$500 scholarship at https://bit. ly/3v1NZ1B.

Fort Hays State is starting an esports program. The primary advantage to students interested in the esports program will be engagement through a very active club and scholarships. Both engagement and scholarship will increase student success. Any interested student may visit fhsu.edu/esports to make contact with this program.

Sports Medicine and Athletic Training is rapidly growing in importance across the world and you can start learning at Garden City Community College. Working directly with our certified athletic trainers, you will learn to assist in the care provided to GCCC Broncbusters. With our hands-on approach to education, you will learn basic first aid, taping techniques, therapeutic modalities, manual therapy techniques, injury evaluations, and various treatment methods. You will work to provide medical coverage at practices/games and may have the opportunity to travel with our athletic teams to conference, regional, and national events. For more info on the program in general you can call 620-276-9617, or email harley.beck@gcccks.edu. If you want to apply for a position in the GCCC athletic training department email Allison.Griffin@gcccks.edu.

The Western Kansas Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute (API) is pleased to announce we will once again be awarding four scholarships to qualifying graduating Seniors in May 2022. Each scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000 annually (\$500 paid each semester) and may be renewed for up to four years. We have extended the application deadline to April 30. Please send completed applications to jill@southwinddrilling. com, or you can mail them to API, PO Box 446, Great Bend, KS 67530. Students can download the application on our website www.westernkansasapi.org.

The GROW and EXCITE Summer Workshop is a three-day exploration event designed to foster girls' continuing interest in pursuing majors or careers in science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) or pre-health fields. The event will be held on the Kansas State University campus in Manhattan.

Participants will be assigned to groups of 8-10 students. Each group will participate in hands-on activities developed and facilitated by K-State faculty and graduate students from a variety of STEM fields. Interaction with professors and students will allow the participants to gain insight into careers in these fields.

My daughter learned about bakery science/grain chemistry at EXCITE and completed that major later at KSU, the only scho with a bachelor's degree in that field. We will put out more info next week, but if you can't wait go to https://bit.ly/37009A5

Colleges have all kinds of interesting activities that are free. Seward County will have a Creative Writers Coffeehouse at the Student Union on April 8 at 7:00. Listen to reading from this year's Telolith and the poetry contest as you enjoy beverages and canapes. Look for these events when you go to college. You will meet interesting people and broaden your education.

The Northwest Kansas Library System offers a scholarship to students entering the fields of Literature, Library Science, Education, or related fields. The application deadline is April 8, however. See your school or town librarian to get a copy.

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 28: Early bird registration deadline for GROW/EXCITE May 1: O'Brate Traditional College Scholarship app due May 6: Registration deadline for the June 11 ACT test June 17: Registration deadline for July 16 ACT test

July 15: Deadline to apply for Horatio Alger Career Technical Scholarship

Sheridan County 4-H District Club Day Results

Sheridan County 4-H hosted the District Club Day event that was held in Hoxie at the Hoxie High School on April 5, 2022. All four counties in our Twin Creeks Extension District (Decatur, Graham, Norton & Sheridan) were well represented. To qualify for District Club Days, 4-Her's must earn a top blue ribbon at County Club Days. Congratulations to the following 4-H members for participating in this competition that focuses on public speaking and presentations. Participants were also able to practice their reasoning and decision-making skills during photography and life skills judging contests as well as a livestock skillathon activity.

Junior Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks

Top Blue: Margaret Mary & Lucy Lager-SD, Demi Schippers-

Blue: Josslynn VanLoenen-GH, Rylee Givens-NT, Inez

Red: Luke Wilson-DC, Ty Mitzner-GH, Trace Ziegler-SD, Jeremiah Carman-DC

Intermediate Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks

Top Blue: Clay Mitzner-GH, Haedyn Cox-NT

Blue:Roch Lager-SD, Kodi Dirks-DC, Graci Bliss-NT, Derek Wilson-DC

Senior Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks

Top Blue: Nash Geisinger-SD, Julie Wilson-DC

Blue: Tana Breiner-NT, Harmony Wilson, DC

Job Interview

Top Blue: Andrew Haffner-SD

Blue: Taydem Mitzner-GH, Julie Wilson-DC

Public Speaking

Top Blue: Wesley Brooks-NT

Blue: Taydem Mitzner-GH

Model Meeting

Top Blue: Angelus Club-SD

Extemporaneous

Top Blue: Andrew Haffner & Nash Geisinger-SD

Junior Reading

Blue: Rylee Givens-NT

Intermediate Reading

Top Blue: Jordyn Cox-NT

Blue: Kodi Dirks-DC **Senior Reading**

Top Blue: Mia Brooks-NT

Blue: Kaci Dirks-DC

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Top Blue: Dominic & Jayden Mishler-SD, Cedar Ridge Club-NT, Stick-To-It Club-DC

Intermediate Dance

Blue: LaRynn Rumback-SD

<u>Talent</u>

Top Blue: Basketball Girls-SD

Junior Project Talks

Top Blue: Ryelyn Cox-NT, Dominic Mishler-SD

Blue: Rylee Givens-NT

Intermediate Project Talks

Top Blue: Noah Wilson DC, Grady Breiner NT

Blue: Gage Breiner-NT

Junior Piano

Top Blue: Faith Carman-DC

Blue: Luke Wilson-DC

Intermediate Piano

Top Blue: Hope Carman-DC

Blue: Jude Lager-SD, Roch Lager-SD

Senior Piano

Top Blue: Julie Wilson-DC, Harmony Wilson-DC, Derek Clydesdale-NT

Blue: Mackenzie Clydesdale-NT

Intermediate Instrumental

Top Blue: Axten McKenna-NT

Red: Aubrey DuBois-NT

Intermediate Vocal

Red: Rylan Moss-SD

Senior Vocal

Top Blue: Gideon Carman-DC



Hoxie Track Meet

Junior Ryan Shaw triple jumps at the Hoxie track meet on Friday, April 8. He placed second with a jump of 39' 8.5". He also placed first in long jump with 19' 4.5". (HHS photo)

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Running the 300-meter hurdles at the Hoxie track meet on Friday, April 8 is junior Tori Bainter. She placed first with a time of 55.00. (HHS photo)









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GP Duo Place at Almena



Early Actors! Alisha Brantley and Dominic Stout represented Golden Plains High School at the Forensics meet in Almena on March 5. They placed in each of their events with Brantley qualifying for State Champs in Poetry. (Photo by Robynn Wessel)

By Judy Rogers

Two early risers from Golden Plains attended the Northern Valley Forensic Meet in Almena on March 5. Dominic Stout competed in Extemporaneous Speaking placing seventh and Alisha Brantley performed in Serious Solo for the first time placing fourth. She also competed in Poetry where she placed second to qualify for state champs in May.

"Waking up early did not slow these two down," said Coach Robynn Wessel. The team had some time to rest and prepare for the next meet in Phillipsburg on March 29.

Wheatland Wind Kids



WHS Applied Tech Students anxiously watch the results on the screen while testing joules. (WHS photo)

By Isabella Ostmeyer, Co-Editor

On Saturday, April 2, the Applied Technology students traveled to Topeka to compete in the State KidWind Competition. Students who attended are seniors Trey Vincent, Braden Gormley, and junior Robert Mason. This class is a cooperation between Mr. Heier's Shop Courses and Miss Wetter's Mathematics Courses, which explores STEM concepts. These students have worked many hours in the past month making improvements on their performance. The

majority of this project was done through various programs WHS offers such as 3D Printing, laser engraving, and many others. Students learn to use these programs, then use their knowledge in real-world situations such as this.

The team competed in various areas throughout this competition including Instant Challenge, Knowledge Quiz, Presentation, and Wind Tunnel Performance. For the Instant Challenge, these students had to determine the location of wind turbines of availability of wind currents, and access roads. The quiz was based on wind energy facts and common knowledge. Their presentation had to be a four-minute presentation in front of a panel of judges. They presented how they built their generator and why they made the changes they did throughout the tests. This presentation was 40%, wind performance was 40%, and the challenge and knowledge quiz were both 10% of the overall score. Each team gets ten minutes total for the wind tunnel performance. The score from this is the highest number of joules in a minute. Our students' highest recording came out to be 52 joules.

There were many students from other schools who came to these boys and talked about their wind tunnel. Throughout the day, students were able to mingle and talk about all tunnels. Many were amazed at our 3D-printed blades. Unfortunately, the work behind the scenes does not determine the overall score. Our students fell just short of advancing onto the national competition, but we are all very proud of their hard work and dedication to this project.

Sponsor Miss Wetter expressed, "The teamwork and the learning experience is a huge part of the KidWind competition. Students learn so much about engineering and problem solving, along with knowledge of renewable energy."

Bulldogs Recognized for Basketball Success





By Judy Rogers

Golden Plains High School had 5 basketball team members named to the Western Kansas Liberty League All-League Teams.

Kassie Miller, Senior, was named first team all-league. This is Kassie's third year to be named all-league first team. She was second team her freshman year. Kassie posted 404 points this year, 144 rebounds, 99 assists, and 116 steals. She finished her career with 1244 total points. Kassie was named to the Sports in Kansas State All-Tournament team for Class 1A Division II and to the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association All-State team. She was a Sports in Kansas Player of the Year Finalist and a Sports in Kansas Stat Leader for both Points per Game (17.4) and Steals per Game (4.8). Kassie was named to the Sagebrush All-Tournament team early in the



season and is the Heisman Award Nominee from GPHS. She has been selected to play in the Northwest Kansas All-Star Game and the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association All-Star Game in June. "I appreciate the league recognizing all the hard work I have put into our program's success these past four years," said Miller. "It's a credit to our entire team, coaches, parents, and community. Their support is deeply appreciated."

Named to the WKLL Second Team were Senior Rayna Taylor and Junior Sidney Taylor. This is the first year for either of these girls to receive all league recognition. Although she missed a few games due to injury, Rayna scored a total of 180 points for the Lady Bulldogs this season. She had 64 rebounds, 32 assists, and 19 steals. She was also selected to play in the Northwest Kansas All-Star game. "We have a lot of good players in our league," said Rayna. "Many others also deserved this recognition." Sidney scored 188 total points for her team, pulled down 101 rebounds, had 27 assists, and 33 steals. "We will continue to work hard to have another successful season next year," added Sidney.

Breanna Rath, Junior, was named Honorable Mention



for the league. She was on the second team last year. In her third season for the Bulldogs, Breanna totaled 157 points, 44 rebounds, 80 assists, and 80 steals. She, too, was named to the Sports in Kansas State All-Tournament team and the KBCA All-State Team. "I'm proud of how many of our girls made the all-league teams," said Rath.

On the boys' team, Senior Ashton Schiltz received Honorable Mention. This is his first year to be recognized by the league for his efforts on the court. Ashton played all four years of high school for the Bulldogs and finished his senior season with 99 points, 132 rebounds, 11 assists, 15 deflections, 10 steals, and 4 blocks. Despite missing a few games early in the season due to injury, he was a Sports in Kansas stat leader with an average of 8.2 rebounds per game. "I appreciate receiving this recognition," said Schiltz. "We had a lot of quality players and successful teams throughout the league, so it is an honor to have our efforts acknowledged."



Late Season Basketball Awards

Junior Jett Vincent, Seniors Livia Schultz, Anna Godek, and Trey Vincent were given honors for the KBCA 1A Division II All-State Teams! (WHS photo)

By Livia Schultz, Co-Editor

Recently announced were the honors for the KBCA 1A Division II All-State Teams. Seniors Anna Godek, Livia Schultz, and Trey Vincent made Honorable Mention, while

Junior Jett Vincent made First Team.

Head coach for the boys, Will Bixenman, said, "I am proud of Trey and Jett for receiving this award. Their hard work and commitment have proven success, but it also comes from great teammates. All postseason awards are team awards!

Head coach for the girls, Marlin Beougher, also stated, "I am very proud of both Livia and Anna for receiving this postseason honor. To make this list at all is quite an accomplishment!"



Golf Gets a Windy Start



Senior Trey Vincent takes the swing at the Oberlin Golf Tournament on Friday, April 1, 2022. (WHS photo) By Maddy Zerr, Staff Reporter

On Friday, April 1, 2021, senior golf team members Braden Gormley and Trey Vincent along with Coach Ms. Wetter battled the wind at the Oberlin Golf Tournament in Oberlin, Kansas.

Vincent tied for 11th with a score of 121. Gormley ended nine holes with a score of 75. He then withdrew due to injury.

Golf Coach Miss Wetter said, "It was good to play in the first tournament of the year even

though the golfers battled cold and windy conditions." Vincent stated, "I had

a fun time learning a new

course."

The Thunderhawk golf team will be very busy with JV tournaments on April 12 and 14, with many more to

come.
Varsity golfers will next
compete on April 18 at
Plainville.





Kansas Crop Progress and

For the week ending April 10, 2022, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork, according the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 31% very short, 28% short, 40% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 33% very short, 30% short, 37% adequate, and 0% surplus.

Condition

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 12% very poor, 20% poor, 34% fair, 31% good, and 3% excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 20%, behind 26% last year and 27% for the five-year average.

Corn planted was 5%, near 7% last year, and equal to average.

CRP Acreage Decreases

Following the close of general signups for USDA's Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced only 1.8 million of the 4 million acres in expiring contracts will be re-enrolled in the program. Additionally, there will only be approximately 800,000 acres in new contracts, resulting in a net loss of around 1.4 million general-signup acres. Vilsack said the numbers indicate there is no need for CRP emergency cropping to be opened. "The market basically responds to signals and farmers make the decision," he said. Hence, CRP remains undersubscribed, with only 22 million acres enrolled. The current cap is 25.5 million acres and will rise to 27 million acres in October in accordance with 2018 Farm Bill provisions. Read more from the Dean of Washington Farm Journalists, Mr. James R. Wiesemeyer, https://bit.ly/3Ksy4Qw.

Crop Updates

Sorghum Crop Progress Report

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Weekly Crop Progress Report said 13 percent of the nation's sorghum acreage was planted by April 3, one percentage point behind both the previous year and the 5-year average. Texas had planted 43 percent of its sorghum acreage by April 3, three percentage points behind last year and 4 points behind the 5-year

Sorghum Checkoff Releases Weekly Sorghum Basis Snapshot

The Sorghum Checkoff, with Southwest Agribusiness Consulting, released its weekly sorghum basis snapshot, available at SorghumCheckoff.





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Financial, Risk Management Courses for Farmers and Ranchers

K-State's Department of Agricultural Economics has released two online courses to help farmers and ranchers navigate the tough times. They are:

Finances and the Farm - six lessons covering recordkeeping, balance sheet, income statements, cash flow, managing family living expenses and goal setting. The course includes three hours of short video content and 1 ½ hours of bonus content. The cost is \$100 (education only), or \$300 if the participant wishes to receive Farm Service Agency borrower's training financial credit. Registration is available online.

Risk Management on the Farm - a five-part series covering costs of production, crop insurance, crop marketing, farm programs and beef cow/calf risk management. The course includes more than 4 ½ hours of short video content. The cost is \$100 (education only). Registration is available online.

Both courses are self-paced, which means participants can take up to six months to complete the material, though it is recommended that participants make a schedule to complete it in

Register by May 15 and qualify for a \$25 discount off the education-only prices. For the finances course, the coupon code to use is EP2VC5; for the risk management course, the code is RSKMGMTFM25.

More information is also available by contacting Robin Reid by email, robinreid@ksu.edu, or 785-532-0964.

Register Today for Kansas Stockmanship & Stewardship Event

Registration is now open for the Kansas Stockmanship & Stewardship event, June 16-18 in Leavenworth, Kan. Stockmanship & Stewardship is a unique educational experience for cattle producers featuring low-stress cattle handling demonstrations, Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) educational sessions, facility design sessions and industry updates that you won't find anywhere

The three-day event includes tours, classroom sessions and live cattle demonstrations with hands-on opportunities for attendees. The first day features a half-day tour including visits to Kauffman Stadium, Bichelmeyer Meats and J&N Ranch. The evening concludes with dinner at the Schwinn Farm Barn and a keynote presentation by Ron Wilson, rancher, and cowboy poet.

Classroom sessions on day two include topics such as economics, grazing management, importance of mental health, entrepreneurship, marketing concepts as well as a meat cutting demonstration, concluding with dinner and a live band. The final day at Due West Ranch Equestrian Center features stockmanship principles, safety considerations, chuteside demonstrations and a BQA training. The program is sponsored by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) a contractor to the beef checkoff, Merck Animal Health, Kansas State University (KSU) and the Kansas Beef Council (KBC).

For more information, complete agenda, fees and to register, visit https://bit.ly/37eOYUi. Full registration includes all events and meals, and student pricing and one-day registration options

Cattle producers attending Stockmanship & Stewardship are eligible for reimbursement through the Rancher Resilience Grant. To apply for a grant to cover registration costs and two nights hotel, visit https://bit.ly/3JhEouh.



Wading Into Water

GlennByBrunkow, Pottawatomie

County farmer and rancher

Water, it is the most important resource we have, not just in agriculture but humanity as a whole. It is an extraordinarily complex and difficult issue. This year the legislature proposed a massive water bill and while I will not get into the details of it, it did emphasize that water is an issue we will have to deal with in short order.

Water issues in Kansas are many and varied. In general, if you are from western Kansas, it is about quantity and aquifers. If you reside in eastern Kansas you are dealing with sedimentation, harmful algae blooms, and flooding. There are many more issues, but you get the idea, water issues are diversified, complex and they are critical to all of us. Will we have enough water? Where will it come from? Will it be safe? Are all questions we need to wrestle

Kansas Farm Bureau has extensive policy when it comes to water and water rights. We have developed those policies through the years, and they have come from our grassroots. Just like all policy we need to make sure that our water policy reflects our current situation and accurately gives us direction. In short, we need to take a deep look at our policy.

It's no secret that other organizations are getting involved in the debate about water at the state and national levels. Some of these groups have different viewpoints and objectives than we do at Kansas Farm Bureau. We need to have a presence and be at the table when water is discussed. That means we need to have clear, concise and solid water policy. That is where you, Kansas Farm Bureau members, come in.

We will be taking a deeper dive into our water policy in the near future to make sure it is relevant and fits your needs. Please watch for announcements of what the process will look like and be ready to do some hard work. This process will require us all to do our homework and learn more about water in Kansas. We need to understand the complexity of the issues and how they affect agriculture and society in general. This is not going to be an easy process, and it will require all of us to come together to help provide possible solutions.

This is an issue that affects all of us, and it is the biggest problem we have ever tackled, that is why we need everyone. If you are not a Kansas Farm Bureau member, I encourage you to go to your county office and join. We all need to be at the table for this one. We might look at our policy and decide it is just fine, but my guess is that we will see things that need to be changed.

The one thing I do know is that our grassroots' developed policy is some of the strongest out there and if we all put our heads together, we can produce a good solution. There will be more information to come in the near future, please be ready to join in and add your ideas to this important issue.

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Prairie Doc® Perspectives: Recognizing PTSD

By Jill Kruse, D.O.

Post-traumatic disorder, or PTSD, was first listed as a medical diagnosis in 1980. However, it has been recognized and called by many different names throughout history. The first recorded description of PTSD is in the Epic of Gilgamesh which dates back to 2100 B.C. In The Iliad and The Odyssey, Homer wrote about Trojan War soldiers exhibiting the symptoms of PTSD. Shakespeare described a character in King Henry IV who suffered from post-traumatic nightmares.

During the Civil War, the terms "irritable heart" and "soldier's heart" were used to describe PTSD symptoms. In World War I it was called "combat stress" or "shellshock". In World War II it became "battle fatigue" and "combat exhaustion". PTSD is not limited to soldiers, as "concentration the terms camp syndrome", "survivor syndrome", "battered child syndrome", and "rape trauma syndrome" were all recognized as conditions in the aftermath of WWII.

PTSD is a mental health condition resulting experiencing trauma firsthand or from witnessing others undergoing severely traumatic event. It can also result from repeated exposure to distressing details of an event. For example, many firefighters and other rescue personnel who searched for survivors after the 9/11 attacks suffer from PTSD.

The traumatic experience can lead to flashbacks or nightmares which can progress to physical reactions such as rapid heart rate or shaking when reminded of the event. Individuals with PTSD will often avoid any person, place, activity, or object that could trigger memories of the event. As a result, they may feel detached from others, or have persistent negative thoughts of themselves or others. They may have difficulty experiencing positive emotions like joy and happiness.

Another common symptom of PTSD is hyper vigilance and always feeling "on guard". This in turn can cause problems such as excessive sleeping, irritability, aggressive behavior, heightened startle response, or difficulty concentrating. If these symptoms last more than one month and interfere with multiple areas of a person's life, then they meet criteria for the diagnosis of PTSD.

PTSD is best treated

Avian Influenza Confirmed in Commercial Flock in McPherson County

The Kansas Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS), has identified highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in a commercial turkey flock in McPherson County. This is the first case of HPAI in a commercial flock in Kansas; to this point, there have been four backyard flocks in Kansas that have had confirmed cases of HPAI.

KDA is working closely with USDA-APHIS on a joint incident response at the affected premises in McPherson County. According to KDA's animal health officials, the turkey farm increased their biosecurity in early March and increased the monitoring of their flock. Upon noticing clinical signs of HPAI in their birds, they immediately contacted KDA. The affected premises was placed under quarantine and the birds will be humanely depopulated and disposed of in an approved manner to prevent the spread of the

In addition, KDA will be establishing a 20-km surveillance zone around the infected premises, and other farms or properties with poultry that fall within that zone will not be allowed to move birds or poultry products on or off their property without permission from KDA. The animal health team is working to locate all poultry owners in the area to ensure they know the symptoms of HPAI and are taking critical steps to protect their birds. Please contact KDA at 833-765-2006 or KDA.HPAI@ks.gov if you own poultry and you live in the southern half of McPherson County, the northeast corner of Reno County, or the northwest corner of Harvey County, including the communities of McPherson, Moundridge, Buhler, Inman or Conway.

Highly pathogenic avian influenza is a contagious viral disease that can infect chickens, turkeys and other birds and can cause severe illness and/or sudden death in infected birds. Poultry owners should attentively monitor your birds for symptoms of HPAI which include coughing, sneezing, nasal discharge, and other signs of respiratory distress; lack of energy and appetite; decreased water consumption; decreased egg production and/or soft-shelled, misshapen eggs; incoordination; and diarrhea. Avian influenza can also cause sudden death in birds even if they aren't showing other symptoms.

If these symptoms are observed in your birds, immediately contact your veterinarian. If you don't have a regular veterinarian, contact KDA's Division of Animal Health office toll-free at 833-765-

Anyone involved with poultry production from the small backyard chicken owner to the large commercial producer should review their biosecurity activities to assure the health of their birds. Find guidance on biosecurity on the KDA Division of Animal Health webpage at agriculture.ks.gov/AvianInfluenza.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the recent HPAI detections do not present an immediate public health concern. No human cases of these avian influenza viruses have been detected in the United States. Birds and eggs from the infected flock will not enter the food system. As a reminder, the proper handling and cooking of all poultry and eggs to an internal temperature of 165 °F is recommended as a general food safety

For more information about HPAI, including current status of the confirmed cases in other states and more information about biosecurity for your flock, go to KDA's avian influenza webpage at agriculture.ks.gov/AvianInfluenza or call KDA at 833-765-2006.

psychiatrists psychotherapists with special training in this condition. Administration Treatment often involves a combination of medication and therapy. Support groups, exercise, and mindfulness practices are also healthy coping strategies. And, as with any sickness, compassion from

family and friends is crucial. While the name for this illness may have changed, PTSD has been acknowledged for centuries. If you or someone you know is suffering from PTSD, don't wait. Talk to your doctor, counselor, or spiritual leader. For more information,

and call the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Helpline at 1-800-662-HELP (4357) or text HELP4U (435748).

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Notice of Sale of Abandoned Motor Vehicles

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

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

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

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

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

Gold Chevy Impala 2G1WH52K659224121 to Tareva Herl

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Deadline to File or Withdraw Candidacy

Deadline to file or withdraw candidacy for the 2022 Election is Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 12:00 noon.

The following offices will be nominated:

County Commissioner District #1

City of Hoxie Street Commissioner

Township Clerk for Bow Creek, Solomon, and Valley Townships

Precinct Committee People

Sheridan County Health Complex Board of Trustees: two (2) positions

There is a \$20 filing fee for each office.

Filing packets may be picked up at the Clerk's Office or you may contact the office with questions at 675-3361.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Adoption of Taylor Joseph Campbell, a Minor

Case No. 2022-AD-000001

(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR **ADOPTION WITH CONSENTS**

A petition for adoption has been filed by Zachary A. Bainter, requesting to adopt Taylor Joseph Campbell. You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before May 2, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. in the District Court of Sheridan County, Kansas, at 925 9th Street, Hoxie, Kansas 67740, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered at this hearing.

Date: April 5, 2022

/s/ Zachary A. Bainter A. Bainter, Petitioner

By: /s/ Michael C. Abbott Michael C. Abbott, #28111 HIRSCH LAW OFFICE 124 S. Penn Ave P.O. Box 296 Oberlin, Kansas 67749 Phone: (785) 475-2296 Fax: (785) 475-2060 michael@hirschlaw.net Attorneys for Petitioner

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Commission Minutes 4/5/22

Now on this 5th day of April 2022, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes presiding. Others Bainter present were Mike "Buck" Mader, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guests were Carolyn Meyer and The Sheridan Sentinel.

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

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. Herskowitz passed around a bid from LyCox Enterprises Inc. for disc scrapers for the retriever in the amount of \$1,225. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve purchasing the disc scrapers seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0

Roads, culverts, and the spur east of Selden were discussed. Herskowitz will contact

McCormick and find out where the guardrails are for the bridge north of the feedlot.

who will be coming mid-month. The paperwork should be completed at that time allowing the landfill to take tires.

Joe Pratt discussed statute and the County selling equipment, etc. Pratt feels the County doesn't need to be in the business of selling equipment, see if a local business could stock the items needed.

There was discussion on whether the County was in a burn ban or not. Bracht will check.

Bracht presented a letter of support to the Kansas Department of Commerce for the Sheridan County Health Complex Emergency Department Renovation and Expansion Project. The Board approved and signed the letter. Bracht will send the letter to Niceta Farber.

Bracht advised KCAMP is planning an appraisal of our buildings and content values of \$100,000 or more. This was last done in 2018.

Mader made a motion, seconded by Wes Bainter to approve the Employee Handbook change allowing employees to use their personal vehicles for travel to meetings, etc. Employees will be reimbursed the state rate for mileage. Motion carried 2-0

Correspondence received from KAC asking KDHE has a new inspector member counties to allow the Kansas County Human Association Resource (KCHRA) to be admitted to the KAC as an affiliate member. The

Signed into Law Tuesday, April 11, Governor Laura Kelly signed House Bill 2717

The following statement can be attributable to Governor Laura Kelly regarding HB 2717:

"Sanctuary City" House Bill 2717

"The responsibility to address our broken immigration system rests with Congress and cannot be resolved at the municipal level. Both Republicans and Democrats in Washington have failed to address immigration issues for decades. We need a national solution, and we need it now.

"I encourage my colleagues who sent me this bill to persuade our federal delegation to pass comprehensive immigration legislation that allows us to continue growing our economy and meeting our workforce needs here in Kansas.

"Kansans who rely on local government IDs to vote, such as veterans, the elderly, and people with disabilities will be adversely affected by this law. The Legislature needs to send me a trailer bill that ensures these folks can continue participating in our democracy."

AG Derek Schmidt Statement On 'Sanctuary City' Bill

Tuesday, April 11, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt issued the following statement regarding approval by the governor of HB 2717, which will restrict local "sanctuary" jurisdictions:

"The veto-proof bipartisan support for this bill in the Legislature demonstrated its importance, as the Biden administration continues its tragic failure to secure our southern border, jeopardizing public safety in our Kansas communities. Under this new law, Kansas law enforcement will be able to resume working professionally with federal immigration authorities as the needs of public safety require and not be silenced by a patchwork of local 'sanctuary city' gag orders."

The bill, which Schmidt proposed, passed the Senate 29-10 and the House 84-38.

Second Amendment Rights

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stand up against any efforts to diminish or weaken the rights of law-abiding citizens to own, carry, and use firearms."

Representative Mann introduced H.R. 716, the More Accountability is Necessary Now (MANN) Act - requiring the executive branch to notify the American public and Congress with its intent to issue any new, or revoke any existing, executive order pertaining to the rights of law-abiding American to own, carry, and use firearms as protected by the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. He also introduced H.R. 1758, the Home Defense and Competitive Shooting Act, and is a co-sponsor of H.R. 6945, the No Retaining Every Gun In a System That Restricts Your (REGISTRY) Rights Act.

Sen. Marshall on **Biggest Inflation Surge Since 1981**

 $U.S.\,Senator\,Roger\,Marshall, M.D.\,is sued\,the\,following\,statement$ after the U.S. Department of Labor announced the Consumer Price Index (CPI) surged 8.5% from a year ago, marking the highest inflation rate since 1981.

"Out-of-control spending and a radical energy agenda dictated by the White House are leading to rampant inflation that shows no signs of stopping. The CPI numbers released this morning make clear this Administration's policies continue to fail Kansans from every corner of our state. An 8.5% year-over-year price increase hasn't been seen in decades, but, yet President Biden continues to blame everyone but himself," said Senator Marshall. "Pre-COVID, we had the greatest economy in my lifetime, that came about because we lowered people's taxes, we lowered regulations, and we lowered energy prices. It's past time this Administration wakes up and stops the war on working class Americans, halts their out-ofcontrol tax-and-spend mentality, and unleashes American energy independence."

Background:

CNBC: Consumer prices rose 8.5% in March, slightly hotter than expected and the highest since 1981 (https://cnb.cx/3E4ZUQl) Wall Street Journal: U.S. Inflation Hit Four-Decade High in

March (https://on.wsj.com/3E5URyZ)

CNN: Consumer price inflation hit a new 40-year high in March (https://cnn.it/3E6Hejc)

NBC: U.S. inflation data hit a multidecade high last month amid surging gas prices (https://nbcnews.to/3JAWlmf)

FOX News: Inflation surges 8.5% in March, hitting a new 40-year

high (https://fxn.ws/3El2cLv)

Washington Post: Prices climbed 8.5% in March, compared to last year, amid growing fears of economic slowdown (https:// wapo.st/309TLHo)

purpose of KCHRA is to create opportunity for the exchange of ideas on issues challenging human resource professionals with the different counties. Wes Bainter feels very strongly "no" they should not be allowed in to KAC. The Board will revisit

next week. Holterman, Lucretia Development Director for Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center came to the table. Holterman discussed what they do in our community. The organization covers 34 counties in Western Kansas, and they work closely with law enforcement, county attorneys and DCFS. In 2021, seven kids were interviewed for assault claims, and one was checked by a nurse. They were in attendance for 11 court proceedings. They request to keep the budget amount at \$5,000 for 2023 but would also like to request \$10,000 of the ARPA funds to help offset some funding that is no longer available to them. The Board thanked her for coming.

Mader made a motion to approve the March 29, 2022 Minutes as amended. Wes Bainter seconded. Carried 2-0

Wes Bainter made a motion

seconded by Mader to amend the Agenda to include Carolyn Meyer. Carried 2-0. Meyer discussed Pregnancy Pathways. The organization officially has a 501(c)(3) designation. Meyer stated they had been given a generous donation, so she is not asking the Board for any money. On April 18, she will speak at the Catholic Church on how they can help. They (Pregnancy Pathways) are currently looking for a place to rent. They need an office space and bathroom. Suggestions were Carol Farber, Presbyterian Church and the hospital. Bracht asked about training and Meyer stated everyone would have training prior to talking with any clients. The Board asked Meyer to come back next week after talking with people about potential places to meet.

At 9:10 a.m. with no further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 8:00 in the courthouse main floor fover.

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

Abby Bainter

August 7, 1994 ~ March 31, 2022



Abby was born on August 7, 1994, in Oberlin, Kansas to David and Victoria (Ritter) Bainter, and passed away on March 31, 2022. The family lived in Clayton, Kansas during Abby's early years and moved to Norton, Kansas when she started 3rd grade, where she graduated with the Norton High School Class of 2012. Abby worked as a Certified Nursing (CNA) while Assistant in high school and after

graduating. She was exceptionally good at that job because she had such a caring heart. She especially enjoyed working with the elderly. Abby attended and graduated from the Hays Hair Academy in 2021.

Abby was a free spirit who had a very giving heart. She was always seeing the best in others and was a real champion for the underdog. Abby was a defender of those who could not defend themselves. She was the type of person who could talk to anyone and have made a friend. She loved nature and going on hikes with her dog, Vegas, who was her best friend. Abby also enjoyed art and creating paintings. In high school, Abby was an athlete and enjoyed cross country and softball. Abby could be stubborn, but she was a very compassionate individual. She loved her family, her nieces and nephews, and her dog Vegas, and they all hold a special place in her heart.

Abby is survived by her parents, David & Vicki Bainter of Norton; brothers, Zachary Bainter (Jessica) of Dresden, Troy Bainter (Haley) of Quinter; sister, Darcy Hager of Norton; nieces, Mackenna Hager and Raegan Bainter; nephews, Dawson Bainter, Brantley Hager, Logan Hager, Taylor Campbell, and Dallas Sheley; grandparents, Bill & Rose Bainter and Bernie & Frieda Goetze; aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Victor E. Ritter, and step-grandfather, John Keane.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, April 9, 2022, at the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Norton. Burial followed in the Mount Calvary Cemetery in Leoville. Visitation was Friday, April 8, 2022, at the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Parish Hall in Norton with the Vigil and Rosary following visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to the Abby Bainter Memorial Fund. Words of caring and comfort may be left at www.plumergobber.com.

Senator Rick Billinger Newsletter

April 10, 2022

It was a long day and night on the last day of March which was the end of the regular session before first adjournment on April

The first product of the Tax Conference Committee was CCR 2239. It passed the Senate unanimously.

a property tax freeze via an income tax rebate for low-income seniors and veterans 50% or more disabled

up to \$250 tax credit each year for teachers who purchased school supplies with their own money

over \$40 million in property tax relief - presently there is a \$20,000 exemption on the valuation of the 20 mil of property taxes for K-12, this legislation would increase the exemption to \$40,000 and increase it each year based on valuation and inflation increases – it hasn't been increased since 1997

removing state sales tax on delivery and postage costs

exempting sales tax on fencing materials for agriculture allowing county commissioners an option to abate property taxes on property destroyed by a natural disaster

creating a tax credit program for donors to technical and community colleges, capped at \$5 million a year

making the sales tax exemption on vehicle manufacturer rebates permanent

doubling the personal income tax exemption for 100% disabled veterans from \$2250 to \$4500

provides an option for Kansas taxpayers on State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction who are limited by the federal \$10,000

The Senate passed S Sub for HB2138, Election Security Bills: An affidavit system used to transfer ballots.

Election Audit-four counties will be selected for the audit according to population. One county with a population of 90,000 or more, one county with a population between 20,000 and 90,000 and two counties with a population under 20,000 each.

Watermarks-all voting systems in Kansas will use a paper ballot with a distinctive watermark.

Electronic Poll Books- The bill will ensure that poll books are secure and approved by the Secretary of State.

HB2717 bans sanctuary cities and counties by prohibiting municipalities from restricting law enforcement cooperation with federal authorities and would prohibit the use of municipal identification cards from being used to satisfy state proof of identity requirements, including for voter identification.

S Sub for HB 2448 will help end the cycle of dependency on government by requiring the Department for Children and Families to assign all able-bodied adults without dependents subject to the food assistance work requirements established by federal law to an employment and training program as defined in federal law. The bill would apply only to able-bodied adults aged 18 - 49 and only to individuals who are not employed at least 30 hours per week.

This week the Senate adopted HCR5022, which if approved by voters, would amend Article 9 Sections 2 and 5 of the Kansas Constitution to require County Sheriffs to remain elected if the county had not abolished the sheriff prior to January 2022, and would allow counties who abolished it (Riley County is the only one) to restore the elected Sheriff.

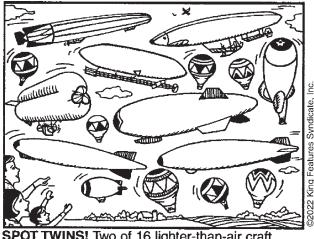
The Senate and House both passed the Fairness in Women's Sports Act, which simply ensures athletic teams or sports designated for women are reserved only for biological women. The bill has become necessary to ensure an equal playing field for biological females so they can fairly participate in athletics due to the district physiological advantages held by biological males over biological females. We need to preserve the incredible gains and access women have had in athletics and ensure that continues.

HB 2703 would create the Kansas Targeted Employment Act, which would establish a tax credit for businesses that employ individuals who are Kansas residents with developmental disabilities and amend law related to unemployment compensation regarding out-of-state reimbursing employers, fund control tables, solvency and credit rate schedules and the My Reemployment

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Kids' Maze

AIR BASE! Earth's atmosphere is said to be composed mainly of three gases in rough volume amounts of 78 percent, 21 percent and 1 percent. What are the three gases in order of their volumes? Nitrogen, oxygen and argon, respectively.

9-COUNT! Let's say you have 24 marbles — that's right, 24 — and you wish to place them in empty compartments of the square at right so that the sum on each side is 9. Place three in

BUT, let's say now you have only 20 marbles and wish to achieve the same result — that is, have 9 on each side. How quickly can you insert the 20 marbles to achieve another 9-per-side arrangement? Give it a

Answer: Place four marbles in each corner box and one in each

COUNT-ME-IN STEPWORDS

YOU are asked to find seven progressively longer words beginning with IN (see left), in accord with the following definitions:

- 1. Sign, as a contract (slang.)
- 2. Move along slowly in a traffic snarl.
- 3. Back of the book subject matter.
- 4. Vital tax form info.
- 5. Out of the elements on a nasty day.
- 6. Footsoldier branch of the army.
- 7. Player at third or short stop, for instance.

See how quickly you can find the answers.

SCRAMBLERS

ACROSS

1 Sore

15 Store

21 Gut

22 Dana

poets

4 Under the

10 "Get what I'm

ocean

sayin'?"

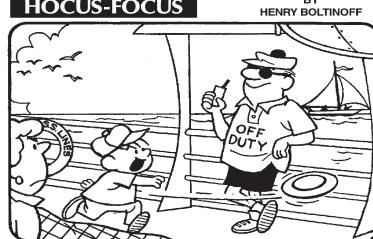
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BEATER ALERT

Indoors, 6. Infantry, 7. Infielder. 1. lnk. 2. lnch. 3. lndex. 4. lncome. 5.

SACRED CARED **NEIGHS** SHINE GARNET **RANGE** WOLVES VOWEL ELAPSE **PEALS** SOLVE LOVERS **HOCUS-FOCUS HENRY BOLTINOFF**



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Life preserver is missing. 2. Cap is reversed. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Shirt words are missing. 5. Frisbee is missing.

24 Michelle of

Asians

33 Korbut of

gymnastics 34 Secretive

viewers

35 B-52 org.

36 Ensnares

42 Meander

46 Gallic pal

Israeli 48 "What —"

partner

57 Precept

58 Hades river

61 "May — a favor?"

64 Takes in

62 Personal ID

45 Half a bikini

47 Native-born

("Ho-hum")

recorder

disguised

as a writing

instrument

from Somalia

card player

126 Motown's

Franklin

127 Lingo suffix

1 Peach -

Grande

software

4 NutraSweet

developer

5 Website ID

6 Water filter

8 Make furious

9 Oklahoma

brand 7 Polio studier

Albert

2 Singer

(desserts)

3 Cleans up, as

DOWN

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: Q equals D

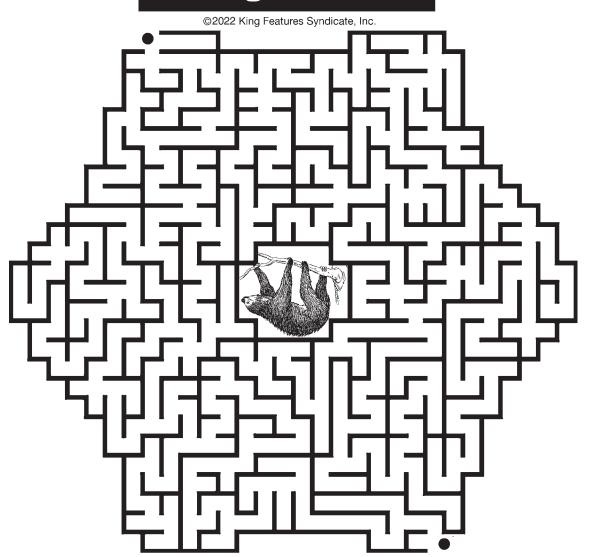
NO TIWPZIQB OJNCT XI SHISPHCB

GJHP OIH TIWPXKNMF, XKPHP

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Mega Maze



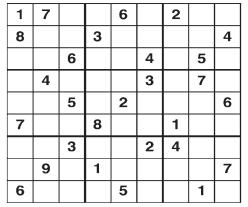
There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle. 6 DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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by Japheth Light

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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dance in Apia? **53** Ency., e.g. **54** Ancient

19 Prior to, to Central Americans 20 Gofer's job **55** See 112-

Down 56 Italian "my bacterium 57 Russia's Perfumes Alexis I, e.g.

59 Envy, e.g. fragrance 23 Person born 60 Dark-haired October in Bandar Seri Benghazi? Begawan? 25 Family car in 63 Lumber tool

Khartoum? 27 Eddie -Ripken (leisurewear **68** Extremist "Delta Dawn" chain)

28 Carrere of the 71 Pathologist's screen 29 Rock concert study 74 Long time

booster 30 Make furious 31 Silky cat in

34 Beyond city limits 37 Merit badge

displayers 38 Kazan of filmmaking 39 It precedes

75 Mo. in which fall starts Tijuana?

79 Cinch — (trash bag brand)

81 "Keep this in" 83 Do a fist omega 40 Clear-minded

97 Precept

98 Is the right 100 "That made no sense to

65 Former Oriole 106 People off 108 Engaged

singer Tucker

Saoirse 113 Hip-hop producer

Gotti

84 Scandal-120 Wine city in ridden

Na Na' 89 Tropical 123 — gow poker devil ray in 124 Supermodel Valletta? 91 Sleeping 125 "Check," to a

brew

88 Old TV's "-

garment Miguelito? 95 Oria, copies 96 Well out of

rattling things

Marseilles? 111 Actress 112 Long time

114 The Beatles' "I — Walrus"

115 Buyable

Barcelona?

apartment in Brazzaville? 118 Fish eggs in

11 Coffee pod 12 Drift (off)

10 Polite reply to a ladv 13 Pay add-on?

14 Hits the

jackpot 15 Piloting guy

16 Gave birth

65 — terrier

66 Dressy tie 67 Pop singer Lewis 70 Verdi's slave **72** With 90-Down

remarks 78 Not panicky 79 Partaking of **26** Erwin of film with others 29 Opera opus 80 Aspiration 32 Some vipers 82 — Mahal 85 On — with 86 Space that's

NATION NOTION

76 Dismissive

invulnerable to attack 87 Large boa 88 Joust verbally 89 — Hari

90 See 72-Down 43 Arabian ruler 92 Lace town WSW of Paris 93 Willful insult

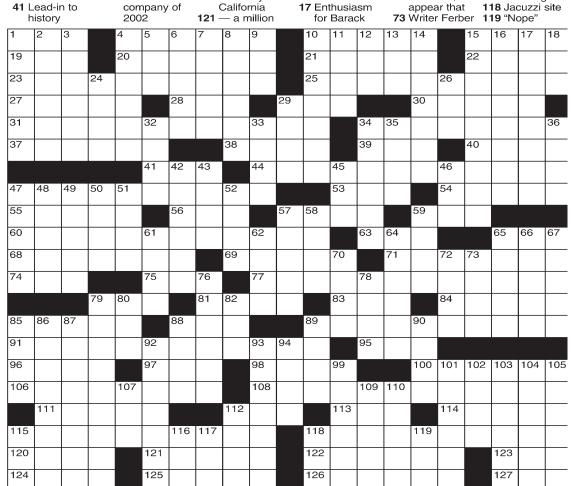
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50 Dodge of old 102 Genie house **51** "Hang on —" 52 Boxing event audiobooks 104 Unstressed vowel sounds **105** — -weenie 59 Go like a fish

107 Chinese idea 109 Large wader 110 Kick out **112** With

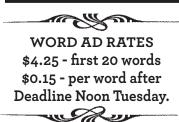
55-Across, she eloped with Ernie Kovacs 115 Caesar's 151

116 Artist Yoko 117 Mo. neighbor 118 Jacuzzi site



WORD FUN Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle: WHAT EASTER TREATS ARE FOUND AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN? HEROES ___ SHEER **ENTERS** SORELY **ROLES** MIDGET

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care for something, there

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1. Below 2. Maiden

3. Rebate; 4. Later

Today's Word

WATER

Answer

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

8 5 2 3 1 7 6 9 4

9 3 6 2 8 4 7 5 1

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

3 8 5 7 2 1 9 4 6

7 6 9 8 4 5 1 3 2

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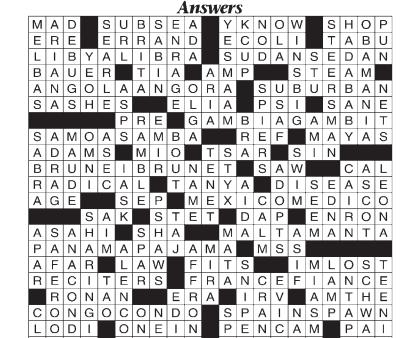
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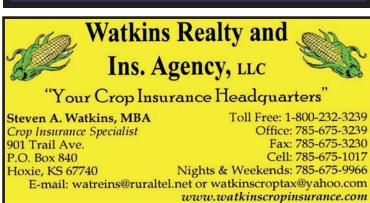
















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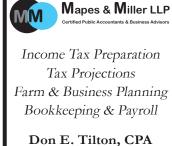


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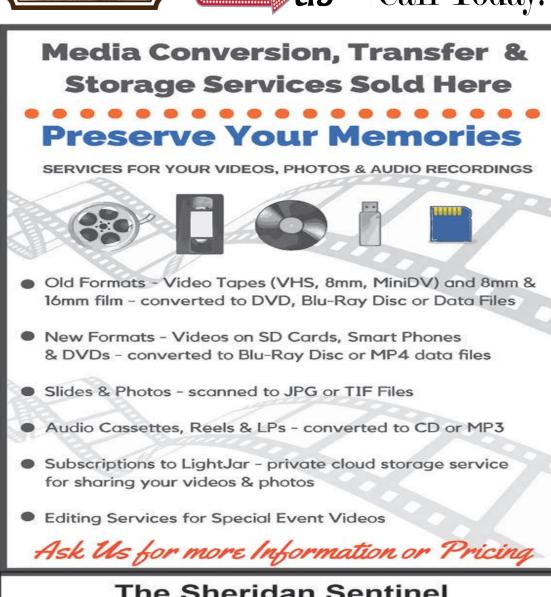
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