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## Foote Family Invests in Golden Waves Grain

Goodland - Golden Waves Grain, LLC (“GWG”) today announced that the Foote Family, which owns and operates a number of agricultural companies throughout the region, including five cattle feedyards in Northwest Kansas and Southwest Nebraska, has made a significant strategic investment in the company, marking a major milestone in the development of GWG’s planned grain mill and commercial bakery campus in Goodland, Kansas that will have a positive impact on the entire tri-state region.

“We believe strongly in the Golden Waves Grain vision and the positive impact it will have on Goodland, Northwest Kansas, and the tri-state region,” said Scott Foote, who owns and operates the Foote Family of Companies with his brothers, Brad and Greg. “Projects like this help ensure that rural communities remain strong, competitive, and economically vibrant for generations to come. We are proud to support this next phase of development.”

The Golden Waves Grain project represents a \$200 million capital investment and is expected to create approximately 141 full-time jobs in northwest Kansas. The integrated facility will include a state-of-the-art grain milling operation and a large-scale commercial bakery, designed to add value to regional grain production while strengthening domestic food supply chains.

The project has strong support from the Kansas Department of Commerce, which recently awarded the Company its 2025 Agribusiness Award for Northwest Kansas.

The investment will allow Golden Waves Grain to complete a comprehensive design for the project. In partnership with Hutton Design+Build, GWG has officially begun process engineering and building design. This phase will deliver a complete set of construction-ready plans, moving the project significantly closer to final development and construction. Milling equipment will be sourced from Kice Industries in Park City, Kansas, and baking equipment will be purchased from Coperion in Sabetha, Kansas.

### Significant Impact for Goodland and Sherman County

Once operational, the Golden Waves Grain facility is expected to serve as a major economic anchor for Goodland and Sherman County, bringing long-term employment opportunities, workforce development, and increased economic activity to the region. In addition to direct jobs, the project is anticipated to generate substantial indirect and induced economic benefits, including demand for local services, transportation, utilities, maintenance, and agricultural inputs.

The project will also create new, stable markets for regional grain producers, helping keep agricultural value closer to the farm while supporting multigenerational farming operations throughout northwest Kansas. Local leaders anticipate that the scale of the investment will help retain and attract families, strengthen the tax base, and support future community growth.

“This investment is a critical step forward not only for Golden Waves Grain, but for Goodland and Kansas as a whole,” said Tony Adams, Chairman and President of Golden Waves Grain, LLC. “This project is about more than a facility. It’s about creating high-quality jobs, supporting local farmers, and building a sustainable economic future for this community. The Foote Family shares that long-term commitment to rural Kansas.”

The Foote Family’s investment reflects a strategic alignment around agricultural innovation, rural prosperity, and vertically integrated food production. Golden Waves Grain was assisted in this transaction by Ascendant Partners, Inc.

The Foote Family also owns and operates Outdoor Bank, which has been a critical partner for Golden Waves Grain, and further demonstrates the Foote Family’s belief in this project and its importance to Northwest Kansas. Outdoor Bank will continue supporting this project with its best-in-class treasury management and banking services.

“The Golden Waves Grain project represents the type of long-term, high-impact investment that communities like Goodland work hard to attract,” said Kent Brown, City Manager of Goodland. “A \$200 million project creating 141 quality jobs will have a meaningful and lasting impact on our local economy, workforce, and tax base. We appreciate Golden Waves Grain’s commitment to Goodland and Sherman County and are encouraged by the progress being made as the project advances into the engineering and planning phase.”

The Goodland facility is expected to serve both regional and national markets and will position northwest Kansas as a hub for grain processing and commercial baking. Additional project milestones, partnerships, and development timelines will be announced as engineering and planning work progresses.

About Golden Waves Grain, LLC Golden Waves Grain, LLC is a Kansas-based agricultural development company focused on value-added grain processing and food production. GWG is developing a next-generation grain mill and commercial bakery in Goodland, Kansas, designed to strengthen domestic supply chains, support regional farmers, and create long-term economic opportunity in rural communities. [www.goldenwavesgrain.com](http://www.goldenwavesgrain.com).

About the Foote Family and Outdoor Bank

The Foote Family, with headquarters in Bucyrus, Kansas, owns and operates a multi generation agricultural enterprise with deep roots in livestock production and land stewardship. The company is recognized for its commitment to responsible agriculture, long-term investment, and supporting projects that enhance the strength and sustainability of America’s agricultural economy. [www.footecattle.com](http://www.footecattle.com) Outdoor Bank has 11 physical locations across the State of Kansas, including a location in Goodland, Kansas. Outdoor Bank provides a range of banking services and provides support to business, including agricultural businesses, and communities in Kansas and beyond. Learn more about Outdoor Bank at [www.outdoorbank.com](http://www.outdoorbank.com) or by contacting its CEO, Jon Roberts, at [jon@outdoorbank.com](mailto:jon@outdoorbank.com).

## HHS Wrestlers Start the New Year Strong



Porter Meyer wins first place at the Dodge City Tournament. (Photo by Chloe Porsch)

By Teagan Slaubaugh

On January 9, 2026, the Hoxie wrestling team traveled to Dodge City for the Dodge City Showdown Tournament. The two-day tournament featured many tough, exciting matches. Though the competition was tough, the Hoxie Indian wrestlers put up a good fight. The boys earned fourth overall as a team, with many athletes placing in the top 4.

During this tournament, there were many great matches, including a first place win for freshman Porter Meyer (106lb). When asked how the Dodge City Showdown went, Meyer said, “The competition was really tough with a lot of good wrestlers, but overall, I think I wrestled well.” Another athlete who went above and beyond placing second in the 132lb class was senior Ian Giancola. “Dodge City was a fun and tough tournament,” said Giancola. “I feel that the team and I performed very well, and it was a great test for us all.”

In addition to Meyer’s and Giancola’s championship performances, many of the other Hoxie wrestlers performed impressively, including junior Chase Meyer (144lb) who placed second, and sophomore Bradyn Wilson (113lb) who placed third.

Both the girls’ and boys’ teams will compete against Scott City in a home dual on January 13, here in Hoxie. This dual will also be Senior Night. Good luck to the Indians!

## Snowball Candidates



By Brielle Hanna, Staff Editor

Left-Right Front row: Kaylee Schwarz is the daughter of Wendy Schwarz and Jerome Schwarz. Halle Zimmerman is the daughter of Lisa & Doug Zimmerman. Eveline Vemer is the host daughter of Dawn & Brian Beckman. Brielle Hanna is the daughter of Melissa & Chad Hanna. Back Row: Aceyn Bernbeck is the son of Amanda & Dion Bernbeck. Axtyn Teeter is the son of Amy Teeter, Sarah & Adam Teeter. Avyn Teeter is the son of Amy Teeter, Sarah & Adam Teeter. Coltin Deges is the son of Kristina Sauer and Rob Schneider.

## MSAC Presents the NWKS Regional Choir Premiere Concert

**Hoxie** - The Main Street Arts Council is pleased to present the Northwest Kansas Regional Choir Premiere Concert, a special musical event celebrating choral music in Northwest Kansas. The concert will take place on Sunday, January 25, at 3:00 p.m. CST at Bottle KAP Studios, located at 721 Main Street in Hoxie.

This premiere performance will feature the newly formed Northwest Kansas Regional Choir under the direction of Kathryn Tremblay, with Sally Cameron serving as accompanist. The concert marks an important debut for the ensemble and offers audiences an opportunity to experience high-quality choral music in an intimate, local setting.

Admission to the concert is offered as a free will donation, making the event accessible to the entire community. Community members, families, and music supporters are encouraged to attend and support the arts in northwest Kansas.

For additional information, visit [www.mainstreetartscouncil.com](http://www.mainstreetartscouncil.com) or contact the Main Street Arts Council at [mainstreetartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:mainstreetartscouncil@gmail.com).

### About the Main Street Arts Council

The Main Street Arts Council is an organization dedicated to promoting the arts, encouraging creativity, serving the arts community, and acting as an advocate for the arts. We strive to be a model organization for the Northwest Kansas region by ensuring access to the arts for all ages, encouraging a community passion for the arts and successfully supporting, partnering, and collaborating with others committed to the arts. Learn more at [www.mainstreetartscouncil.com](http://www.mainstreetartscouncil.com).

## Upcoming Beginner-Friendly Painting Class

Logan - The Hansen Museum Continuing Education Program is delighted to welcome certified Bob Ross instructor Hope Blakely of Arvada, CO, for two Magic of Painting classes on January 24 & 25. On Saturday, January 24, participants will paint Old Castle, and on Sunday, January 25, Mystic Waterfall. Both classes will take place in the Hansen Museum Community Room, located at 110 W. Main Street in Logan, from 9- 3 p.m. each day, with a one-hour lunch break.

These classes offer a fun, beginner-friendly introduction to painting. Students will be guided step-by-step through the process of completing a finished painting each day. No prior experience is necessary, and all supplies are provided. Participants need only bring a roll of paper towels. Open to individuals aged 13 and older, these sessions provide a relaxed, supportive atmosphere that fosters creativity and camaraderie.

Registration is available online at [www.hansenmuseum.org](http://www.hansenmuseum.org)

under the “Classes & Camps” section. Discounts are offered to Patron and Sustaining Members of the Hansen Museum. These classes are part of the Hansen Museum Continuing Education Program and are made possible through generous support from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. For more information,



call 785-689-4846.

The Hansen Museum is open Monday-Friday from 9-12 and 1-4, Saturdays from 9-12 and 1-5, and Sundays and holidays from 1-5. The Museum is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year’s Day. The facility is handicap accessible, and thanks to the support of the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, admission is always free.

Top: Saturday - “Old Castle”  
Right: Sunday - “Mystic Waterfall”

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**NEWS from the OUTSIDE**  
with John Lester

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! It was quiet at our home this year, just Linda and I. I do miss family getting together for the holidays, but times have changed. I don't really like the change, but what do you do?  
A cause for celebration!! They have started work on Sheridan Lake! I have pictures, well what I can take from the county road as they closed off the road in. But it's started! Yay, Sheridan County! An update on this: I was just there this afternoon 1-9-2026. There is a lot of work being done at the north end of the lake!  
I have to say that so far, this has been my worst goose season ever. I have shot a grand total of one, and only because it was sick and kept circling us. I did however manage to shoot a really good mule deer buck during firearms deer season, and last Thursday took a friend to get him a nice antlerless deer too. Just a note here. You have to go east of Highway 283 for that, and after the 4th you need to go over to unit 7 to hunt until the 11th. I, for one, am glad they called off the war on our whitetail deer out here. They should have shut down the multiple tags years ago. But outfitters and big money get their way before sense does. Greed is an evil thing.  
I hear reports of people still out catching fish, crappies mainly. I haven't been fishing for a while. Just doesn't seem right in January!  
I see our President is doing exactly what we hired him to do. What's funny is both Obama and Biden put bounties on Maduro, yet when Trump goes and actually gets the guy the Democrats have a freaking meltdown! More and more liberals and Democrats prove beyond a shadow of a doubt just how two-faced they are. If I were a Democrat I would be ashamed of where the party has gone. One lies through their teeth, and the rest swear by it, and to the gentleman exposing the Somalian daycare fraud, go get them!! How does the media approach his exposure of all the fraud? By calling him names and claiming he's lying. One thing about mainstream media; if their mouths are open, they are lying. And that's the truth! I'm also loving the cost of gas going down, aren't you folks?  
I see New York City elected a socialist mayor. We'll see how that works for them before long!  
Well, not much else to say except please people, take care of yourselves! We're not getting any younger. Until next time stay safe and enjoy the outside.



On December 19, Raelynn Slipke, Kansas City, and friend, Jon, came to the home of her parents, Raymond & Bonita Slipke. They celebrated an early Christmas on Saturday, also celebrating with them were Frank McClurg, Logan & Vicki Kendall, Phillipsburg.  
Coming for an early Christmas at the home of Dan & Shelly Wahlmeier that same weekend were Jazzamin & Alex Rein and Rocky, Omaha, NE.  
Coming on Christmas Eve to the Wahlmeier home were Joaquin & Helen Wahlmeier and Jonas, Phillipsburg. John & Becky Linden and their family celebrated Christmas on Sunday, the 21st. Those present were Brett & Michaela Linden and family of rural Hoxie, and Brian & Lindsey Linden and Trace, Hoxie.  
The New Almelo community was saddened on the 21st with the death of Lil Grizz, the hat maker. For 13 years he hand made felt hats in New Almelo with his wife Joy. Many of his hats were used in movies.  
Family coming to the home of George & Vicki Gassmann on Christmas Eve were Randy & Beth Gassmann and Abbie Gassmann, Johnathan & Harley Gassmann, William & Taylor Gassmann and family, Alice & Matt Berens, Hays; Maggie James and Caleb Kats, Phillipsburg, Don & Louise Hatfield, and Jackie Wright of Lenora.  
Family coming to the home of Randy & Beth Gassmann on Christmas Day were Abbie Gassmann Johnathan and Harley Gassmann, William & Taylor Gassmann and family.  
Gary & Bertsie Bruinekool celebrated Christmas with Kirk & Renee Persinger and boys, and Ceena & Robert Lund and Franklin Owens, Hays.  
Family coming to the home of Tom & Gayle James on Christmas were Wesley & Lindsey James and family, Ellis; Kaden & Kasen Solorlo, Hutchinson; Maggie James and Caleb Kats, Phillipsburg; Caitlin & Olivier Beal and family, Stockton; and Mark Adams, Colby.  
Jeremy & Missy Rumbach celebrated Christmas with their family on New Year's Day with Avery & Nicole Torrey and Kollyns, Riley, Jaelyn Rumbach and fiancé, Cooper Bailey, Manhattan, and Savana. The next day they all went to the home of Ron & Paula Rumbach, Oakley, to celebrate Christmas.  
On January 3, Russ & Marcia Aumiller had their Christmas with Missy & Jeremy Rumbach family, and the Josh & Alexsis Vahling family. Jeff & Kathleen had gone to Minnesota to see their new grandson.  
Family coming to the home of Alfred & Betty Otter in December were Mark Otter, Ulysses, Jolene, and Jim Moss, Smith Center; Tom Otter, De Soto; and Tina & Will Ritter, Olathe.



**Reminder:**  
Pet licenses are now due.  
Please stop by the City Office to tag your pets if you haven't already done so. The cost of dog and cat licenses per year is \$5.00 for spayed or neutered dog or cat, and \$10.00 for unspayed or unneutered dog or cat.  
Proof of rabies vaccination is required.  
Please be aware that it is unlawful to harbor or keep any dog or cat six months old or older within the City of Hoxie without having obtained a license.

**Loud Don't Mean Real**  
Listen up...  
You ever notice the loudest talkers usually got the weakest truth?  
Yeah — I said it.  
We're living in a world where EVERYBODY'S talking...  
News. Podcasts. TikTok. Facebook. YouTube.  
Opinions stacked on opinions  
'til the words don't even MEAN anything anymore.  
Just noise.  
Static.  
Empty air.  
And here's the part that hurts...  
A LOT of Christians do the same thing.  
We talk "faith."  
We talk "blessing."  
We talk "Jesus."  
We talk like we're holy warriors...  
But deep down?  
Most of us ain't moving a single inch for the Father.  
Because talking ABOUT God ain't the same as living FOR Him.  
The Bible already warned us about this.  
It says, "Don't just listen to God's word. Do what it says. Otherwise, you're only fooling yourselves."  
And that hits hard — because a lot of us aren't fooling God... we're fooling ourselves.  
See — God don't need louder mouths.  
He needs cleaner hearts.  
Straighter spines.  
People who say LESS... but LIVE MORE.  
Your tongue was never meant to be a noise machine.  
It was meant to carry TRUTH.  
Truth with backbone.  
Truth with love.  
Truth with compassion and conviction.  
And yeah — it won't always make you popular.  
Some folks won't clap.  
Some folks won't like you.  
Some folks may leave.  
So what?  
Jesus already told us that not everybody shouting His name is really walking with Him.  
He said, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven — but only those who actually do the will of my Father."  
That means volume don't impress Heaven.  
Obedience does.  
So check your heart.  
Check your words.  
Check your walk.  
Because if your voice is loud...  
...but your obedience is quiet...  
You already got your answer.  
JAMES 1:22 and MATTHEW 7:21



**Birthdays & Anniversaries**  
January 9: Evelyn Wahl, Lindsey Wahl  
January 10: Kiezer Carman, Melanie Schultz Ruoff, Randi Stevenson Smith  
January 11: Emma Halbert, Shad Putnam  
January 12: Joe Bainter, Parker Christensen  
January 13: Sherry Carman, Harold Sulzman, Carl Ochs  
January 14: Bernie Ritter, Steve Hirsch  
January 15: Dave Wachendorfer  
January 16: Trenton Preston, Dennis Urban  
January 17: Steve Peterson  
January 19: Bodie Sauvage, Michele Peterson  
January 20: Janell Anholz, Jessica Shaw Cronin  
January 22: Shirley Emigh  
The Selden Seniors have not met for a couple of weeks due to the holidays but with the new year comes new officers for the group. Betty Hickert will be the new President, Pat Vessel will be the new Vice President, Boyd Wilson will remain the Treasurer and Jacque Boultinghouse will be the new Secretary. The group started up again on January 8, with lunch at 11:30 prepared by Gloria Goscha of Midway Cafe followed by an afternoon of Pinochle.

**CLOSED**  
**City of Hoxie**  
**Monday, January 19**  
in observance of  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**  
We will resume regular trash pickup on  
**Tuesday, January 20**

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**Quarter 2 Honor Roll**

Superintendent Honor Roll  
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7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Brookelynn Vahling  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Allen Mendoza, Bailey Spresser

**Principal Honor Roll**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Blake Horobik, Jaxon Juenemann, Emma Kier, Gene-sis Rios-Mendoza, Cameron Sweigart  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Isabel Bieker, Michael Cline, Jr., Treighton Roach, Emma Zeisler  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Dominic Benavidez, Josiah Cline, Benton Dible, Ry-der Hynek, Dylan Lugo-Martinez, Morgan Stevens, Paige Sweigart

**Semester 1 Honor Roll**

**Superintendent Honor Roll**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: MaKenlea Focke Makynslee Vargas, Liam Wright  
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6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Dominic Benavidez, Josiah Cline, Benton Dible, Ryder Hynek, Dylan Lugo-Martinez, Morgan Stevens, Paige Sweigart, Cort Ziegelmeier

### GPMS Honor Roll

**Quarter 2 Honor Roll**

**Superintendent Honor Roll**

Seniors: Dylan Wark  
Juniors: Kathryn Carter, Brielle Karnes, Janessa Leija, Marisol Perez, Kadalen Unrein, Estella Vargas, Kailee Wessel  
Sophomores: Takoda Cline, Brenlynn Rath, Elizabeth Weiner  
Freshmen: Ruxin Arnberger, Kasch Buehler, Brandon Karnes

**Principal Honor Roll**

Seniors: Tanner Black, Anais Cepeda, Ezekiel Weiner  
Juniors: Amia Durham, Wendy Garcia Machado, Conner Kier, Jose Rios-Mendoza, Adaline Wessel  
Sophomores: Searee Bruggeman, Kelby Buehler, Madison Fo-cke, Cristian Garcia, Kaytlin Kennedy, Adilyn Meier, Tannor Todd, Lakin Wark  
Freshmen: Kaydence Cregger, Jadrien Dible, Molly Ritter, Eliz-abeth Romero, Koen Schaben, Parker Vahling


**First Semester Honor Roll**

**Superintendent Honor Roll**

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Juniors: Kathryn Carter, Brielle Karnes, Janessa Leija, Kadalen Unrein, Estella Vargas, Kailee Wessel  
Sophomores: Kelby Buehler, Takoda Cline, Brenlynn Rath, Eliz-abeth Weiner  
Freshmen: Ruxin Arnberger, Kasch Buehler, Brandon Karnes, Elizabeth Romero

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Juniors: Amia Durham, Wendy Garcia Machado, Conner Kier, Marisol Perez, Jose Rios-Mendoza, Javier Romero, Adaline Wes-sel  
Sophomores: Searee Bruggeman, Madison Focke, Cristian Gar-cia, Kaytlin Kennedy, Benja-min Masoner, Adilyn Meier, Tannor Todd, Lakin Wark  
Freshmen: Kaydence Creg-ger, Jadrien Dible, Molly Ritter, Koen Schaben, Parker Vahling



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### Bulldogs Return to the Court

*By Judy Rogers*

The Golden Plains Bulldog basketball team returned to the court to host their first game of the season against the Wichita County Indians from Leoti on January 6. The Dogs continue to show improvement but fell to the Indians 38-61.

"I felt we could tell it was our first game of the new year," said senior Diego Perez. "A lot of guys missed practices over the break, and we could tell that on the court. We made a lot of errors in the first half but started to correct that in the second half."

The Bulldogs opened the game with a basket from Perez. The Indians answered but Perez hit again before the Indians took the lead. Another basket from senior Dylan Wark put the Dogs at 6-12 for a first quarter Indian lead.

The second quarter continued to see Bulldog shots from Perez and Wark and a late quarter free throw from Cristian Garcia as the Indians pulled ahead 27-15 by the half.

The Dogs doubled their score by adding another 15 in the third quarter with all the shots coming from the two seniors. The Indians fought hard and added 19 to extend their lead 46-30.

The final quarter was a battle as both teams worked hard to get to the basket. The Dogs added 8 while the Indians put in another 15 for the 61-38 win.

Perez finished the game with a career-high 23 points for the Bulldogs. Wark added 12, Javier Romero 2, and Garcia 1. Perez and Romero each had 7 rebounds, Garcia 4, Wark 3, Kasch Buehler 3, and Kelby Buehler 4. Wark had 2 assists and Perez had 2 steals.

"We definitely can win more games and improve on last year's record," added Perez. "We need to build team chemistry and run our offense." The Dogs will travel to Ransom on January 9 to play the Western Plains Bobcats.



Golden Plains senior Diego Perez looks for the pass in the Bulldogs first game of the new year against the Wichita County Indians in Rexford on January 6. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

SHERIDAN CO. HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MICKEY'S MUSEUM

ANNUAL MEETING


Sunday - January 25, 2026 2:00- 4:00pm

The Hoxie Community Center- 820 Main Str.

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LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE MEETING.

### MS Boys Score Against the Falcons



Golden Plains 8th grader Liam Wright shoots the ball against the Christian Family Educator Falcons in Rexford on January 5. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

*By Marisol Perez*

The Golden Plains Middle School boys' basketball team played against the CFE Falcons on January 5 in Rexford. The Bulldogs scored the most points they have so far this season but lost to the Falcons 9-31.

The boys started off their first quarter hustling and playing hard. The Falcons jumped to a 7-0 lead to start the game. Jaxon Juenemann hit a basket near the end of the quarter to put the Dogs on the board.

Juenemann hit a free throw to start the second quarter. The Falcons added another 9 to lead 16-3 at the half. Liam Wright made the only basket for the Bulldogs in the third as the defense held the Falcons to an additional 7. The Dogs didn't give up as finished the fourth with an additional 4 from Wright and Blake Horobik. The Falcons finished with the win 31-9.

Wright finished the game with 4 points, Juenemann 3, and Horobik 2. "I think we played good," said Juenemann. "We worked better as a team. This is the most points scored so far this season. It helped that we had a lot of practice over break. Our goal is to get better under pressure and to keep trying our best." The middle school will continue to play on January 8 in McDonald against Cheylin.

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**The Hoxie Democrat  
January 16, 1891**

The conspiracy has culminated.  
Now is the time to buy a road cart. McConchie has them.

The boys who were snow bound this week in the city had a good time.

H. L. Korb desires to say that he still runs the livery barn on Sheridan avenue, near the blacksmith shop, and that he or his agents can always be found at the barn and not on the streets soliciting trade. He guarantees to furnish the best teams, buggies and robes of any in the city and at the lowest rates. Give him a chance and if not satisfied money refunded.

\$50.00 reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the man who stole sheriff Korb's inkstand.

R. M. Herren has moved into the city and relieved sup't Loughlen of paying board.

A communication of Lucerne is crowded out this week but will appear in our next.

Alva Freeman has our thanks for a fine dinner of jack rabbit. Come again Alva when the weather is right.

Uncle Sam always pays the fiddler when the Indians dance.

The new county officers are all in are all in position and ready to transact business.

Jumbo Leaton receives a carload of corn this week.

We have just passed through one of the largest storms of the county. The snow having fallen 12 inches on the level. Stock has not suffered and there has been no loss of life, for which all are truly thankful.

The prize fight between Dempsey the champion middle weight and Fitzsimmons the Australian, was decided Wednesday at New Orleans in favor of the Australian, he clearly out matching the American and whipping him from the start.

**Skelton Letter**

School began Monday with P. S. Stout at the helm.

Victor Prout of Atkin, and Bertha Benton of the district south, are attending school.

Several persons of town attended the lyceum at Rabbit Ridge last Tuesday night. They report having a good time.

Mr. Haynes did not go to Colorado, as was his intention.

Xerxes

**125 Years Ago  
January 17, 1901**

Ed Lupton has a lot of nice, clean alfalfa seed for sale.

Grover Walker took the train at Selden Saturday night for the east on business.

The Hopkins contest case is billed to come up before the state senate January 28.

Mrs. M. C. Zeigler and the children are expected home from Nebraska today.

Tuesday was a typical March day. From early morn to late at night did the wind blow.

The three Shoemakers, John, Gunt, and Luther, of Lucerne, were Hoxie visitors Tuesday.

Walter Foreman was in town Monday, the first time since he was taken sick. His many friends will rejoice to learn that he is steadily improving.

W. S. Quisenberry's office has been the centre of attraction the past few days. He has opened up his stock of dry goods and is closing it out at figures way yonder below cost of production.

J. M. Deupree visited Oberlin, the first of the week.

Davy Wiggins is laid up with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mrs. Charley Dallam visited her parents at Colby, the first of the week.

Ed Lupton shipped twenty bushels of alfalfa seed to Stockton parties last week.

Jack Clark, who resides on the Fundle ranch in Bow Creek township, is picking up a bunch of horses to ship east.

B. C. Decker sent in his petitions to the legislature to establish state-salt and oil plants. For the salt plant he had 227 signatures and for the oil plant 307.

Will Doubleday and wife, of Bloomfield township, visited Hoxie Saturday, the first time since they were married. Will was passing the cigars around but through an oversight, no doubt, missed the editor of the best paper ever published in Sheridan county.

**Elliott Clippings**

White Hall held school Saturday.  
D. N. Barber butchered two cows last week.  
Frank Phillips went to Dresden Saturday.  
Miss Jennie Townsend has been sick the past week.

Katie Dyd

**Valley Items**

Dick Lynam is on the sick list.  
Fent Pratt, F. C. Turtle, M. D. Gallagly and Jimmie Foster have all their ice houses filled with ice.

Studley and Moreland will soon be connected by telephone, Mr. Stober having the instruments now.

The merchants of Studley would take stock in a telephone line if it connected with Hoxie or Hill City.

Reporter

**Bloomfield Items**

C. C. Ingersol has been on the sick list lately.  
S. E. McKinney will soon begin to handle coal at Menlo.

Harry Moore has been having a light attack of the gripe.

W. J. Gilchrist bought a load of corn at Rexford last week.

A Farmer

**Bow Creek Items**

Mr. Miles was kicked by a vicious cow.  
Mr. Shaefer marketed hogs last week.  
Bert Davis has missed one week of school on account of sickness.

Miss Vera Woods visited at the home of Mr. Toothacre's Saturday and Sunday.

Incognito

**100 Years Ago**

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DAVE GILCHRIST, Manager

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

**January 14, 1926**

**Surprise Party**

Mr. and Mrs. Art Smith were cleverly surprised Saturday evening, January 9, by the H. C. members, their families and friends. The evening was spent at card playing and visiting. A very good time was had by those present. At a late hour lunch was served by ladies of the club, assisted by Opal Davis, Edna Baird and Edna Fox. The lunch consisted of sandwiches, pickles and all kinds of cake and coffee.

**Local News**

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beers will leave this week for San Antonio, Texas. They may stay for three months if they like it there.

The basket ball game played at the high school auditorium Friday night by Menlo vs. Hoxie resulted in favor of Menlo, score 10 to 15.

Rev. C. Almon went to Hill City the first of the week where he had his tonsils removed and is reported as getting along nicely.

Mrs. M. I. Woods entertained Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Toothaker, Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Almon and daughter, Ingrid Fay, Mrs. Jones and Dorothy Currier to dinner Sunday. All present spent a splendid day.

Joe Getz, of Salline township, was a Hoxie business visitor Friday. Joe was wearing his usual smile and reported things going along nicely down his way.

E. B. Mickey returned home Monday from Gaullee, Washington, where he attended the golden wedding anniversary of his parents.

Lee Clark and Will Cheney were over from Selden on business Saturday. They boys are writing insurance.

Walter Brantley and a Mr. LeRue, from north of Selden, were attending to business matters in Hoxie last Thursday. Walter used to attend our school at Selden years ago and we had a pleasant chat with him.

**White Dove News**

A telephone meeting was held in the White Dove school house Monday afternoon.

Robert Moss and Theodore Fairchild spent Sunday with Marion Perrin.

Miss Anna Campbell, of Leoville, visited Saturday at the John Campbell home.

Fred Weaver and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Launchbaugh.

**Midway**

The Midway Community club met with Mrs. Horner last Thursday. On account of sickness and cold weather, many members were unable to attend. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ray Russell January 21.

Mrs. P. S. Turner has been quite ill the past week, but is somewhat better now.

Mrs. J. H. Cline-Smith and Mrs. H. A. Trask called on Mrs. B. R. Deibert Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. E. Steinshouer spent last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. P. S. Turner.

**Northfork News**

Mrs. Carl Aumiller enjoyed a visit with her sister from Colorado one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Zodrow and son visited with relatives near Angelus Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Aumiller and family returned home from Sharon Springs last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Knopp and family were guests at Guy Godfrey's Thursday.

**75 Years Ago  
January 18, 1951**

**Lose to Hill City**

The Hoxie Indians traveled to Hill City Tuesday night for a session with the east end lads and came home with the short end score of both games. The first team lost 30-33, and the seconds lost 29-32. Sickness on the part of the Indians kept several regulars from suiting up, both in the first and second strings. The loss of these regulars and the inability to operate smoothly had a

lot to do with the outcome of the games.

**Selden B. B. Notes**

Last Tuesday Selden went down to defeat before a strong Jennings five by a score of 63-45. Myrystik was outstanding for Jennings with a total of 21 points. Bill Helus continued on his scoring spree to help Selden's cause by scoring 19 points.

**Kil Kare Klub Notes**

Club met on Jan. 11 with Doris Pope. All members and six children were present. Mrs. Kenneth Rogers, Mrs. Lyle Emigh, and Mrs. Bill Collins were voted in as new members.

Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Wagner and Connie took supper with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hedge Monday evening.

Alan and Susan Scott are spending this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hedge, while their parents are in Kansas City.

**Allison News**

Mr. and Mrs. John Standfast called on the Wagoners Thursday evening.

Betty and Galen Randolph went skating at Oberlin Sunday evening.

Grandma Mauck is visiting her son, Henry, and Mrs. Mauck.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Randolph spent the week end in Danbury visiting her sister and family.

**Broadway News**

Johnny Morgan spent the week end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morgan.

Oscar Berger underwent surgery at the Gove County hospital last Thursday morning. He is doing all right and expects to come home this week.

Mrs. Cecil O'Dell and Mrs. Albert Smith made a business trip to WaKeeney Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sample, Leo and Leon, spent Sunday afternoon at H. M. Eplers.

**Lucerne Items**

Ace Small visited with Mrs. Don Kemper on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Washford spent Thursday evening at the Frank Scott home. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kemp and the Mowry Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kemper spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Slipke.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mauck received a letter recently from "Duffie". He reports that he is fine.

**Kenneth Homemakers**

The Kenneth Homemakers met last Friday afternoon with Mrs. W. W. Cooper with twelve members present. Mrs. L. A. Wade was a guest. Mrs. Alva Goff gave the lesson "The Tax You Pay". A white elephant sale was also a part of the afternoon's program. Refreshments were served by the hostess at the close of the afternoon's activities. The next meeting will be held Feb. 13 with Mrs. Howard Reed.

**50 Years Ago  
January 15, 1976**

**Hoxie Debaters Are State Bound**

The Hoxie debate team qualified for state competition by placing second at the 2A-1A regional debate tournament held at LaCrosse last week end.

Yoland Rosell and Janelle Karnes won 8 and lost only one round; they debated on the affirmative side of the question. Their only loss was to LaCrosse, the first place team with a 15-2 record.

Bryan Smith and Dave Eland won 7 and lost 3; they debated on the negative side. Their losses were to Medicine Lodge and LaCrosse.

**Sheridan County Historical Society Incorporates**

The Sheridan County Historical Society recently received Articles of Incorporation from the Secretary of State. Under the leadership of the committee appointed by the PRIDE organization, efforts are now underway to complete the necessary steps to make this an active agency in

**Sheridan County**

**Leoville News**

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Schieferecke went to Scott City Sunday morning and spent the day with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Radnor and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Herl left by plane from Denver Sunday for California and will go to Mexico where Mr. Herl will consult his doctor.

CYO had play practice Sunday afternoon. Their play will be presented Sunday afternoon, Jan. 18 in the Leoville High School auditorium.

**McGraw News**

The Victory Club met with Mrs. Sadie Smit of Oberlin on Thursday afternoon with eight members present.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cornett of Colby were Saturday guests of Mrs. Della Elshire and Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schroeder and son of Colby were Sunday guests.

Mrs. George Launchbaugh and Steve went to Topeka Friday to see Carol Lee. They returned home Sunday. Alvin Leist spent the weekend with George Launchbaugh.

**Studley Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Knox and family left Jan. 2 for their home in Cape Girardeau, Mo., after spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Twell.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reidel and Mr. and Mrs. Don Ross spent New Year's Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Covalt.

Mrs. Flavel Twell helped as a Gray Lady at the Hoxie LTCU Monday afternoon, Jan. 5.

**Broadway News**

The Dave Popp family visited vacation week at Dr. Sharners in Illinois.

Mrs. Nella Simon spent Monday at Jr. Wagoners.

Mrs. Edith Breeden attended a shower for Mr. and Mrs. Willard Perrin near Allison Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Simon attended a meeting and shopped in Hoxie Wednesday.

**Hi-Plains 4-H Club**

"What is your nickname?" The answers were many and varied at the Hi-Plains 4-H Club meeting when nine members answered roll call Oct. 6.

Nancy Richter led us in group singing. Darlene, Tina and Kim Carver were voted in as members. The Club noted to help with the Golden Age dinner in November.

Tim Coulter had a demonstration on wood-working. Gail Meitl gave a project talk on International Foods. Cindy Meitl had other program. The Edwila Coulters served refreshments. - Tim Meitl, Reporter

**25 Years Ago**

**January 11, 1901**

**Peoples State Bank Opens Doors**

The face of the banking business is changing in Hoxie with the addition of a third bank here.

Peoples State Bank, a Kansas banking corporation, officially opened for business in Hoxie last week.

**Carver Named Miss SW Kansas**

Kelsey Carver was named Miss Southwest Kansas in Ulysses on Jan. 6.

Carver, the daughter of Ronda White, Hoxie, and Dave Carver, Almena, is currently a student at Fort Hays State University majoring in social work.

A seasoned competitor in scholarship pageants, Carver took home a \$1,000 scholarship, a crown, bouquet, and gift basket as her award.

**Ochs, Tremblay Attain Eagle Scout Status**

An Eagle Court of Honor was held Dec. 31 at the Bowen Scout House in Hoxie to present Mitchell Ochs and Bret Tremblay with the Eagle Scout Awards. This is the highest honor that can be earned in the scouting organization.

**Jennings-Allison**

Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jennings were Brian Jennings and Westley, Solomon; Brett Jennings, Mrs. Nadean Stoney, and Mr. and Mrs. James Jennings, Oberlin, Bruce Carlton, Bakerfield, Calif., was an afternoon guest.

The Leoville Knights of Columbus donated \$283.51 to the Special Education Resource Room. The money was raised from their annual Tootsie Roll Drive.

Russel Miller and Lori Vahlung, seniors at Prairie Heights School at Jennings, have been nominated for the seventh annual Wendy's High School Heisman Award. Miller was among 10 boys selected as one of the 1,020 state finalists and will be named a state winner and receive a silver medal. The 10 state finalists will compete in New York City for the Wendy's High School Heisman Weekend in December at the Downtown Athletic Club.

**Rexford**

Lawrence and Zula Horinek's guests for Christmas were Patty Ann Casey of Dodge City, and Larry Horinek and Gary Delzeit of Colby.

Guests of Clada Moeder for Christmas and New Years weekend were Robert and Marsha Moeder and Chris of Hutchinson, and Tim and Shelly Moeder, Taylor and Peyton of Colby.

Rick and Chris Roth came on Sunday and Dan Roth and family of Dodge City came Christmas day to have Christmas with Vesta Roth. They had a very special day. On Tuesday, Rick went to Smith Cneter to get his other two boys and they had Christmas again.

**Broadway**

Dave and Lynn Popp have received word that their daughter and family, Bob and Corrine Talbott, will be coming home from Mozambique for a visit. They will arrive on Feb. 3 in Denver and will spend part time in Minnesota going back around March 12.

Esther Mader called on Velda Transue Tuesday afternoon. Lisa Popp called Wednesday evening. Don McWilliams came home from the hospital Wednesday.

Alma Maude Smith spent Thursday in Hays shopping and visiting Wilma Teel. She took Wilma out to dinner at the Centennial Center.

Drew Bell, Bachelor of Science in Technology Studies  
Ayden Campbell, Bachelor of Science in Technology Studies  
Parker Jones, Master of Science, Biology

Registration is required to participate in virtual job fairs, regardless of previous participation. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/49BKJ18>.

For more information about the initiative, contact Kerri Falletti at [Kerri.Falletti@ks.gov](mailto:Kerri.Falletti@ks.gov).

For more information about the SIGNS grant program, including updated guidelines and application materials, visit the webpage here. Interested parties can also contact Sara Bloom, Quality Places Director, at (785) 506-9278 or [sara.bloom@ks.gov](mailto:sara.bloom@ks.gov).

If accommodations are needed for a person with disabilities, please notify the Kansas Water Office at 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 404, Topeka, KS 66611-1249 or call (785) 296-3185 at least five working days prior to the meeting.

Organizations interested in participating should complete the

free online registration by February 9. For more information, contact Amanda Hart at (785) 460-5462 or [amanda.hart@colbycc.edu](mailto:amanda.hart@colbycc.edu).

Kansas currently lacks a consistent regulatory framework for the siting and development of large-scale wind, solar and battery storage, creating uncertainty for landowners, local governments and rural communities. As the demand for renewable energy and electric transmission lines grows, the pressure on landowners will continue to increase. Our priority for the upcoming session is to establish clear, responsible statewide guidelines that protect private property rights, provide coordinated local and state oversight and ensure communities have a meaningful voice in decision-making. Our intent is to bring predictability to the process while preserving local control and balancing energy development with long-term impacts on agriculture, natural resources and rural Kansas.

Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) policy supports the basic tenets of Kansas water law found in the Kansas Water Conservation Act, the Kansas Water Appropriation Act (KWAA) and the Groundwater Management District Act. Knowing, understanding and implementing the principles within these bodies of law allows KFB members to plan, invest and defend their private property rights. This year, KFB policy was clarified so that these tenets apply to Local Enhanced Management Areas (LEMAs) and therefore any LEMA-mandated reductions should be based upon priority and not preferential use. KFB policy also supports funding for the Kansas Water Plan through the state general fund or dedicated statewide revenue sources. Protecting the integrity and core principles of the KWAA is fundamental and essential as the state contemplates achieving water goals and enhanced

Everyone is invited to attend this meeting. Please see the GMD 4 website for VOTER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS and other information at [www.gmd4.org](http://www.gmd4.org) or by contacting the district office at 1290 West Fourth Street, Colby, Kansas, 785-462-3915 or e-mailing Shannon Kenvon at [skenvon@gmd4.org](mailto:skenvon@gmd4.org).

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  - EQIP and Conservation Practices
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**Thomas County Real Estate**

# Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026

**Starting Time: 10 a.m.**

**Sale Location: 4-H Building in Hoxie, KS**

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**Selling will be 800 (+/-) acres of Thomas County, KS Cropland & Grass Pasture.**

**Manner of Sale:** This real estate will be offered in 5 tracts only. Auction procedure and increments of bidding are at the discretion of the auction company.

**Terms:** 10% down day of sale, with balance to be paid on or before March 13th, 2026 or upon such terms as may be acceptable to the sellers. Personal and corporate checks are acceptable for the down payment with the final payment to be made in certified funds. All funds will be held by an identified title escrow company. Bidding is not contingent upon financing. Financing, if necessary, needs to be arranged and approved prior to the auction.

**Announcements made on the date of sale take precedence over printed material and previously made oral statements.**

**Crops:** There are no growing crops.

**FSA Information:** Any future FSA payments will follow the crop and will be paid pursuant to FSA regulations.

**Miscellaneous Rights:** All of the seller's interest will transfer to the buyer(s) at closing.

**Possession:** Date of Closing

**Closing:** Closing will be on or before March 13th, 2026.

**Real Estate Taxes:** Taxes for 2026 will be prorated to the date of closing.

**Statements:** While not guaranteed are from reliable sources.

**Acceptance of Bids:** The successful bidder will be required to enter into a purchase contract immediately following the auction. Copies of contracts will be available prior to the sale.

**Acreages:** Acreage figures are considered to be approximate and are from reliable sources based on (USDA) FSA figures. All FSA information is subject to change, including but not limited to the number of cropland acres, grass acres, base acreages and yield. FSA acres may not be the same as deeded acres or county acreages. The number of acres is not guaranteed by the title insurance.

**Evidence of Title:** Seller will provide title insurance to the buyer(s) in the amount of the purchase price with the premium to be paid one-half by the buyer and one-half by the seller. Title evidence will be provided on sale day.

**Inspection:** Each potential bidder is responsible for conduction of their own independent inspections and due diligence concerning pertinent facts about the property. Neither Seller or Midway Realty Inc., its agents or representatives, are making any warranties about the property, either expressed or implied.

**Easements:** This sale is subject to all rights-of-way and easements, whether recorded or not, and to oil and gas leases of record, if any.

**Agency:** Midway Realty Inc., its agents and representatives, are the exclusive agents of the Seller.

**Sale will be conducted by Weimer Auction Service/Midway Realty Inc.  
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Bidding can be done in person, online, or by phone.

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**Tract 1**

**Legals:** SW ¼ of Section 7-8-31 Thomas Co., KS

**Farmland acres =** 139.05

**Cropland acres =** 139.36

**2025 Taxes =** \$1,210.28

Buyer will owe the Tenant \$501.11 for herbicide application

**Soil Legend:**

1619 Keith Silt Loam 0 to 1 percent slope 79.8%

1623 Keith Silt Loam 1 to 3 percent slope 20.2%

**Located:** County Road 32 and O Road, go 1/2 mile west to the SE corner of property in Thomas Co., KS

**Tract 2**

**Legals:** NE ¼ of Section 29-8-31 Thomas Co., KS

**Cropland acres =** 158.85

**Bases:** Wheat Grain Sorg. Soybeans Corn

54.53    5.96    29.47    6.38

**Yield:** 46    114    38    133

**2025 Taxes =** \$1,305.68

**Soil Legend:**

1619 Keith Silt Loam 0 to 1 percent slope 47.4%

1623 Keith Silt Loam 1 to 3 percent slope 36.9%

1960 Buffalo Park Silt Loam 3 to 6 percent slope 11.7%

1857 Ulysses Silt Loam 1 to 3 percent slope 4.0%

**Located:** County Road 33 and O Road to the NE corner of property in Thomas Co., KS

**Tract 3**

**Legals:** NE ¼ of Section 28-8-31 Thomas Co., KS

**SW 3/8 acres of cropland**

**96.78 acres of grass pasture**

**Bases:** Wheat Grain Sorghum

28.50    11.30

**2025 Taxes =** \$800.00(+) check with County Treasurer

**Soil Legend:**

1619 Keith Silt Loam 0 to 1 percent slope 43.7%

1960 Buffalo Park Silt Loam 3 to 6 percent slope 20.9%

1623 Keith Silt Loam 1 to 3 percent slope 18.7%

1580 Colby Silt Loam 6 to 15 percent slope 16.7%

**Located:** Co. Road 34 and O Road to the NE corner of property in Thomas Co., KS

**Tract 4**

**Legals:** SW ¼ of Section 22-8-31 Thomas Co., KS

**Cropland acres =** 155.69

**Bases:** Wheat Grain Sorghum

77.30    30.70

**Yield:** 49    48

**2025 Taxes =** \$1,328.22

**Soil Legend:**

1623 Keith Silt Loam 1 to 3 percent slope 64.4%

1619 Keith Silt Loam 0 to 1 percent slope 26.9%

1960 Richfield City Clay Loam 0 to 1 percent slope 8.7%

**Located:** County Road 34 and O Road to the SW corner of property in Thomas Co., KS

**Tract 5**

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in each row, column, and 3x3 square so that each row, column, and 3x3 square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

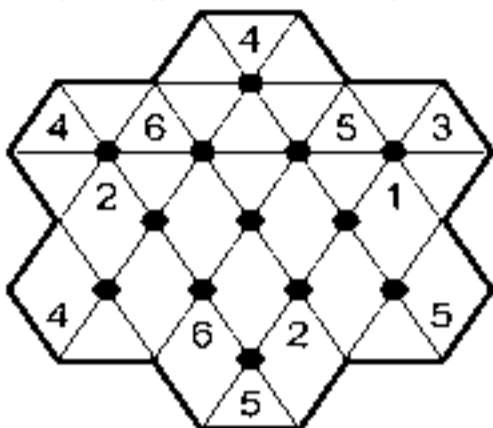
**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

## Super Crossword

### BASEBALL BATTY

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTON

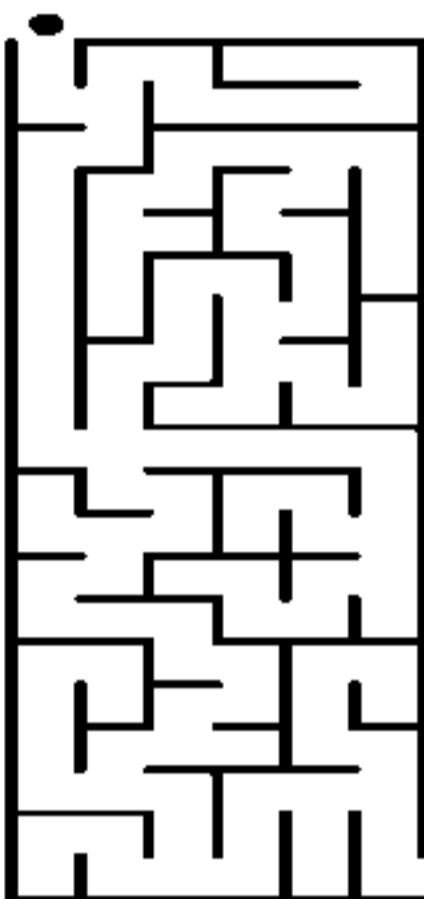


Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

## Kids' Maze



## CryptoQuip

This is a word 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: S equals T

MFUO XBY MOFDJ SMFS SMO  
UFKJFGH JOHSDBXOJ DBFJ HQTKH.  
NYGGQKT BYS FGG SMO HSBNH?

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## GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY:** ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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## Fun Page Solutions

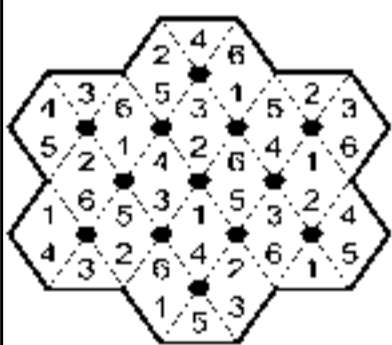
### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

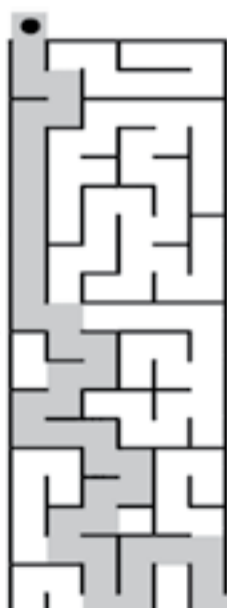
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### SNOWFLAKES

solution



## Kids' Maze Solution



### Go Figure!

Answers

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### CryptoQuip

answer

Have you heard that the vandals destroyed road signs, pulling out all the stops?

### Super Crossword

Answers

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**City Minutes**  
**12/8/25**

The Governing Body of the City of Hoxie, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the City Office. Present were Dawn Elliott, Mayor, Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner, Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner, Janet Bainter, City Clerk, Justin Armknecht, City Superintendent, Paul Wisinger, Chief of Police, and Harry Joe Pratt, City Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dawn Elliott at 6:00 p.m.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2025, were read and approved on a motion made by Mayor Elliott and a second by Schoendaler. Motion carried 3-0

The Warrants and Overtime for the month of November were reviewed, approved, and signed by the Board.

An application for General Laborer was reviewed. It was decided that the City was not looking to hire anyone at this time.

The Board reviewed and approved the Cereal Malt Beverage Applications as presented.

On a motion by Mayor Elliott and a second by Schoendaler, the Board approved the following transfers:

Water to Employee Benefits \$17,500  
Water to Capital Improvement \$10,000  
Refuse to Equipment Reserve \$15,000  
Sewer Maintenance to Equipment Reserve \$20,000  
Sewer Maintenance to Bond & Interest \$99,693  
MIH to Bond & Interest \$32,268  
Motion carried 3-0.  
Bainter informed the Commission that the BCBS renewal was not ready yet.

Mayor Elliott made a motion to appoint Kevin Schoendaler to the Hoxie City/Sheridan County Airport Board. Erwin seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

On a motion by Erwin, the First State Bank, Equity Bank, and Outdoor Bank were named as the City Depositories. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

The City Office will close at noon on Christmas Eve and at 1:00 p.m. with no lunch break on New Year's Eve.

Pratt updated the Commission on the Airport Project.

Chief Wisinger updated the Commission on stolen vehicles and property clean ups.

Armknecht informed the Commission that both the International truck and the Ford truck were broke down and needed repaired. He also discussed getting a snowplow for the front of the Dodge Ram pickup.

Schoendaler made a motion, seconded by Mayor Elliott to purchase grass seed for Sheridan Ave. at an approximate cost of \$940.00.

Armknecht also informed the Commission that the sewer issue on Utah Ave. between 11th and 12th Streets was not a water leak, it's a sewer leak.

At 6:45 p.m. on a motion made by Erwin and a second by Schoendaler, the Commissioners entered into executive session for a period of 10 minutes to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel. Present were the Board, Janet Bainter, and Chief Wisinger. The Board exited at 6:50 p.m. with no motions being made.

Erwin made a motion to approve employee pay increases for 2026. A pay increase of 5% was approved for Justin Armknecht, Janet Bainter, and Paul Wisinger. A 4% increase was approved for Dajuen Chapman, Jeremy Farber, Brian King, Beau Mishler, and Kandi Washburn. Schoendaler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

With no further business, Schoendaler made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Elliott seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

Janet Bainter, City Clerk  
Dawn Elliott, Mayor  
Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner  
Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

(First published in The Sheridan Sentinel January 15, 2026)

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
SHERIDAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

To all qualified electors residing within the boundaries of the Sheridan County Conservation District, notice is hereby given that pursuant to K.S.A. 2-1907, as Amended, on the 27th day of January, 2026 at 12:00 noon, the annual Meeting of the Sheridan County Conservation District will be held at the Impact Center in Hoxie, KS.

The meeting agenda shall include the following business items:

**ONE:**

The supervisors of the Sheridan County Conservation District shall make full and due report of their activities and financial affairs since the last annual meeting.

**TWO:**

They shall conduct an election by secret ballot of qualified electors, there present, of two supervisors to serve for a term of three years from date of said meeting.

The terms of Darrin Herl and Rick Johnson have expired.

All in the County of Sheridan in the State of Kansas.

By: Daniel Schultz  
Chairperson  
Sheridan County Conservation District

**Attest**  
**DeeAnn Schamberger**  
Sheridan County Conservation District Manager

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**Commission  
Minutes**  
**1/6/26**

Now on this 6th day of January 2026, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Kyle Emigh, David Stithem, Steve Hirsch, County Attorney, and County Clerk, Heather Bracht.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader 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 advised the Board that Sheridan County is first on the list for the signage work, which should start in early spring.

The work on the bridge in the southeast part of the County should start on January 15. The seeding on Sheridan Ave. and 10W should happen in the next week or two.

There was discussion about several roads and the work being done on them, dragging, and employees.

The Board was advised that bales are again being pushed too close to the wall of the new recycling building. Cost information was received from Grainfield Supply for pipe that would be put in the ground a foot or two in front of the walls to protect them. After discussion Mader made a motion to approve purchasing 15 sticks of 2 7/8" x 30' at a cost of \$2.25/ft. Emigh seconded. Carried 3-0

Hirsch discussed fencing in a certain area. Herskowitz will have a conversation with the landowner to try and get the issue resolved.

Hirsch advised the Board the tax foreclosure documents had been filed on January 1, 2026.

The Settlement Agreement

and Release was approved and signed by the Board.

Sheriff Brandon Carver came to the table. Carver advised the Board that he had received a resignation letter from Deputy Adam Babcock on December 30, 2025, and the resignation was accepted. A full-time deputy position will be advertised for. Another sheriff's office is interested in purchasing Roco.

Carver discussed briefly the mutual aid assistance provided to Graham County over the weekend.

Carver gave an update on the Sheridan Lake project. Sporer is working on rerouting the pilot channel.

Carver advised the Board he would be attending the Sheriff's Conference.

Appraiser Mindy Harting came to the table and discussed a new plan that is trying to be approved to be placed on the ballot this year. It is called the Cap Assessed Value Protection (CAP) Amendment. There was a brief discussion about it.

Harting advised the Board that ag land valuation is going down by approximately \$500,000.

Emigh made a motion to name Stithem as Chairman of the Board and Mader as Vice-Chair. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Various other Resolutions for 2026 were approved and signed by the Board.

On a motion by Mader and second from Stithem the December 29, 2025 Minutes were approved as presented. Carried 3-0

At 10:14 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Emigh. Carried 3-0. The next Regular Meeting will be Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room.

Attest: Heather Bracht, County Clerk, Mike "Buck" Mader, Chairman

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