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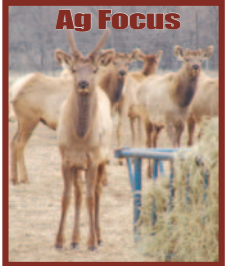
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How much is your vote worth?

Uncontested election unlikely to spark much voter interest

BY VICKIE MOSS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - In theater, they say, "The show must go on." In the political world, elections must go on - even when the outcome is pretty much already in the bag.

Next week, Garnett voters will have the opportunity to head to the polls to vote for a city commissioner. But with an incumbent running unchallenged in the only race on the ballot April 1, it's likely

few people will take the time to vote. County clerk Phyllis Gettler estimates only about 7 percent of registered voters will cast a vote in the coming election, based on the turnout in previous unchallenged, one-issue contests.

Despite the expected low turnout, counties and cities must give voters the opportunity to perform their civic duty. If every registered voter in the county is eligible to vote in an election, the county pays for the costs of the balloting. In city elections like the coming April 1 election, the jurisdiction that requires the election

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Blackie proud to add prayer, pledge at city

Commissioner doesn't face challenger in April 1 election

BY VICKIE MOSS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Unless someone launches a last-minute write-in campaign, it's likely Garnett City Commissioner Gordon Blackie will retain his seat after next week's spring election Tuesday, April 1.

Blackie is running unopposed, and there are no other races on the ballot. Election experts predict a low turnout for the election. Even with what seems to be a predictable outcome, the election offers voters

an opportunity to get reacquainted with Blackie and evaluate the success of his time in office.

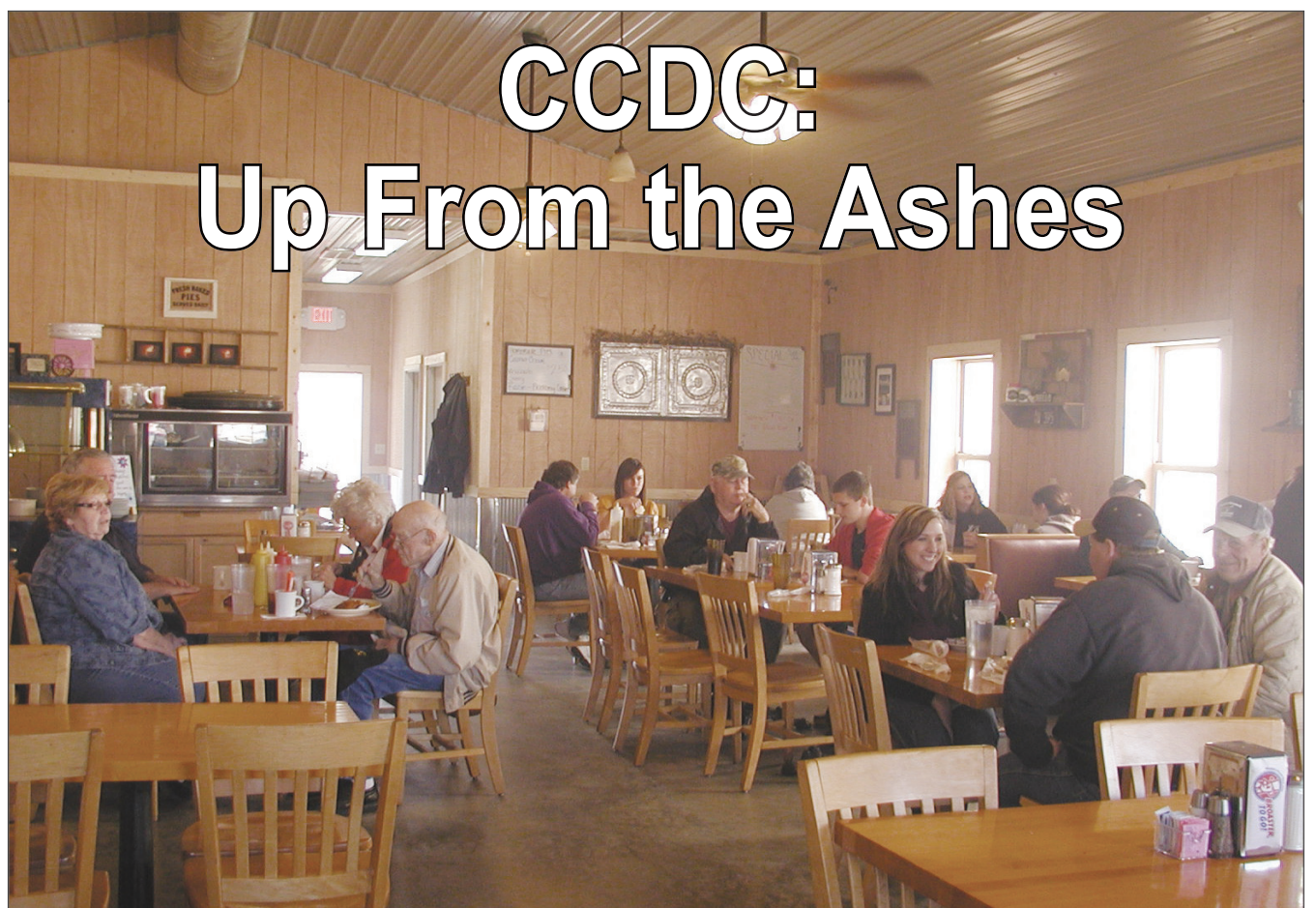
Blackie was appointed to the position in late 2012 to fill the unexpired term of Dan Morgan, who moved to Texas. If elected, this will be his first full term.

Blackie moved to Garnett in 2000. He has been married 43 years and has four children and five grandchildren. Blackie has pursued two career paths, and

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Blackie



CCDC: Up From the Ashes

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Customers were eager to return to the Colony Community Diner and Convenience store at Colony after the previous building was destroyed by fire Dec. 4. Manager Brenda Dowling said business was very good the first week after reopening, despite a few problems with equipment.

Colony diner returns despite a few hiccups

Customers say they're happy to see diner return after fire destroyed businesses

BY VICKIE MOSS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

COLONY - After fire destroyed two Colony businesses, Colony Community Diner and Convenience manager Brenda Dowling made a promise to the community: The diner would be back up and running within 90 days.

It was an ambitious goal that required starting the business from

scratch. The former downtown building and neighboring Colony Foods building were destroyed by the Dec. 4 fire, which meant CCDC needed a new building and all-new equipment. A new building for Colony Foods, a separate business owned by Jeannie Ray, also is currently under construction.

Those 90 days Dowling promised came and went. She postponed the opening a second and then a third time. The new promise: A March 18 opening, just in time to give Colony students a place to hang out during spring break.

By March 18, the state had cleared the business to open. And it did, despite

some remaining work to be done. Less than a week after opening, Dowling was frustrated and said she wished she had waited another week to address issues with the electrical system and the grill.

Some customers noticed. They complained about 30-minute wait times, undercooked eggs and too much flour on their biscuits.

But many customers simply were grateful to have the business back, despite a few hiccups along the way.

Sheila Wilson, Garnett, and her

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Supreme Court sides with school district

Diebolts appealed jury decision in eminent domain over land

BY VICKIE MOSS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - The Kansas Supreme Court sided with USD 365 in a ruling issued Friday over an eminent domain dispute related to construction of a new elementary school in Garnett.

The Supreme Court affirmed

a district court decision to exclude testimony from previous property owners Donald D. and Susan H. Diebolt about the property's value. The school district between late 2010 and 2011 used eminent domain to take the Diebolt's property in order to build Garnett Elementary School after sale negotiations broke down. The school district initially paid the Diebolts \$278,800, but the Diebolts appealed, claiming the property was worth \$432,000.

A jury rendered a verdict of \$249,000, which was less than the school district originally paid after a panel of local realtors analyzed the tract for the local district court.

In arguments in front of the Supreme Court in November 2013 at Pittsburg State University, the Diebolts said the judge had unfairly and incorrectly limited their testimony. Their attorney argued Diebolt

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Wakefield: Race is about meeting in middle

Woman challenges Lynn Jenkins for 2nd Congressional seat

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

LAWRENCE - Family law practitioner Margie Wakefield, the Democrat hoping to uproot Republican Lynn Jenkins from her 2nd District Congressional

seat, thinks her skills as a divorce negotiator can help bring warring parties in the U.S. Congress together.

"I think what's been going on - the

finger pointing, the gamesmanship - just has to stop," Wakefield said. "How do you figure out how to bring people to the middle to best work out a solution? - I think I can bring those skills."

The St. Joseph, Mo., native graduated in 1980 from the University of Missouri with a degree in journalism before

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Wakefield



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Nick Lybarger and Piper Mills work to build a battery-powered, gear-operated vehicle shown in front during a robotics day camp offered during spring break last week by Anderson County Extension.

City looks for new rec coordinator

DUI conviction likely played a role in departure; city mum

BY VICKIE MOSS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - City leaders are interviewing candidates for the recreation coordinator position after the former coordinator was arrested for driving under the influence in November 2013 and recently picked up for driving while suspended.

City manager Joyce Martin said she could not comment on the departure of recreation coordinator Brad Yeubanks, although she confirmed he is no longer employed by the city. However, after Yeubanks was arrested in November, Martin said city officials would wait

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NEWS IN BRIEF

B TAGS DUE

License plate renewals for all individuals whose last name begins with B are due by Monday, March 31, at the Anderson County Treasurer's Office.

BENEFIT SUPPER

A benefit chili and soup supper with cinnamon rolls and homemade ice cream will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, March 28, at Mont Ida Church of the Brethren. Proceeds go to Ivan and Dorothy Keim, Marcus and Irene Miller, and Galen and Regina Yoder.

LIVE DRAMA AT CHURCH

Garnett Church of the Nazarene will present "Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames," a live drama presentation. Performances will be 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 6, and 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, April 7 and 8, at the church at 258 W. Park Road, Garnett. Admission is free. Children's ministry provided; parental discretion advised. For more information, call (785) 448-3208.

TRINITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Trinity Lutheran Church, 430 N. Grant St., Garnett, has posted its Lenten and Easter schedule. On each of the following days, the church will have a light meal at 5:45 p.m. followed by a worship at 7 p.m.: April 2, 9, and 17. The church will have special worship at 10 a.m. for Palm Sunday, April 13, and at 7 p.m. for Good Friday. On Easter, April 20, the church will have breakfast at 8 a.m. and worship at 10 a.m.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

The emergency food assistance program distribution will be 4 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at the Anderson County Fairgrounds Quonset Hut building.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Anderson County Historical Society Banquet will be held on Thursday, March 27th at 6:30 p.m. at the high school commons area. Glenn & Ruth Lee Hastert were chosen to receive the 2014 Outstanding Citizen award. They were chosen for this recognition for their dedication and hard work for the Anderson County Historical Society. The program will be provided by Mike and Eileen Burns on the history of the Kirk House, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the construction of the home.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Kindergarten Round-Up is approaching for schools in USD 365. Children who turn 5 on or before August 31, 2014, are eligible to attend kindergarten next fall. Call for information & appointments. Westphalia Grade School will have Round-Up March 25. Contact Donna Dieker at (785) 489-2511. Garnett Elementary School Round-Up will be 12:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. March 26. Contact Lynnette Suderman at (785) 448-3177. Greeley Grade School Round-Up will be March 27. Contact Lori Rockers at (785) 867-3460.

ANDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER MARCH 10

Chairman James K. Johnson called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 10 at the County Commission Room. Attendance: James K. Johnson, Present: Eugene Highberger, Present: Jerry Howarter, Present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Road and Bridge

Lester Welsh, Road Supervisor, met with the commission. He reported there were quite a few people at the meeting in Welda last week for the upcoming road work and by pass. He has a meeting with the state this week on the project. This week the mowers will be mowing the ditch back farther east of Garnett as requested last week.

Abatements and Escaped Tax

Abatements B14-186 and B14-187 and Escaped Tax E14-107 through E14-109 were presented and approved.

Courthouse

Dan Harden and Clint Hibbs, BG Consultants, met with the commission. They talked to the commission about the courthouse air issues. New heating and air will need to be installed in the courthouse in the near future as the current system is not keeping up with the need. Clint reported that even though the windows were repaired several years ago there is still air infiltration through the current windows. He recommends that weather stripping and storm windows be installed. The major point of air infiltration is around the window air conditioner units. Discussion was held on the benefits and drawbacks on making the windows fixed and not operable. There would be benefit to add insulation to the attic. A new HVAC system will have to be installed before it is feasible to do any work on the windows.

Appraiser

Steve Markham, Assistant Appraiser, met with the commission. He presented bids on replacing the computers in their office. Quotes were presented from New Egg, Microcenter, and Best Buy. Commissioner Howarter moved to approve the quote from Newegg for computers and monitors at a cost of \$5,305.86 out of the Equipment Reserve Fund-Reappraisal Line. Commissioner Highberger seconded. Approved 3-0.

Inmate Health Care

Keith Finney, Head Jailer, and Art Rose, Advanced Correctional Health Care, met with the commission. Art informed the commission how his company monitors and evaluates the health needs of inmates and provides the care that the inmates are needing. They currently provide health care for several county jails in Kansas. United Health Care provides the doctors and nurses and covers the liability for the care. The charge for care is on an average of inmates over a 90 day period. They are also possible to provide office supplies at a reduced cost which would be accessible to any department within the county. Vicki Mills, Anderson County Hospital, and Denny Hachenberg, Hospital Administrator, presented a proposal for inmate care. Vicki explained to the commission how the hospital would provide care to the prisoners in house once a week and emergency room back-up by phone or a triage nurse on site as needed. Sheriff Valentine was present and explained the need for creating a formal plan for care and also training of jailers in the handling of medicines.

Hospital

Vicki Mills, Anderson County Hospital Financial Director, met with the commission. She informed the commission there are several items at the old hospital that will not be taken to the new hospital. There is a couple new roof top air units, a generator, and several other items that would be available to other entities if needed.

Health Walk

Commissioner Howarter moved to fund two teams from the county for the Anderson County Hospital Healing for Health Walk at \$100 per team. Commissioner Highberger seconded. Approved 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. due to no further business.

LAND TRANSFERS

Joseph J. Peine and Barbara J. Peine to Christopher E. Peine and Lisa Jo Peine, W2 S2 SE4 21-19-19 and E2 S2 SE4 21-19-19 less beginning at SE corner SE4 21-19-19, thence running North 290.5', thence West 1029.6', thence South 290.5', thence East 1029.6' to POB.

Donald L. Millington to Scott W. Cooper and Terri B. Cooper, Lots 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, Block 56, in the City of Garnett.

Vernon Miller and Rebecca J. Miller to Marvin Yoder and Katie K. Yoder, a tract of land in SW4 5-20-19 as follows: beginning at SE corner SW4 5-20-19, being marked with a 1/2" iron bar; thence South 88°31'43" West 1136.76' on South line of SW4 of said quarter section to 1/2" iron bar; thence North 00°19'17" West 2597.03' to North line of SW4, thence North 87°34'48" East 1137.30' to NE corner SW4; thence South 00°19'17" East 2615.86' to POB; containing 68.01 acres, including road r/w; except point: beginning at SE corner N2 SW4 5-20-19, thence West to center of Pottawatomie Creek, thence northerly along center of creek to point due West of point 433' North of POB, thence East 529.5', thence South 433' to POB.

James H. Fairbrother to Benjamin Nasser, Lots 6, 7, 8, and 20' off the North side of Lot 9 in Block 6 in Supplement to Merrill's Addition to the City of Westphalia.

Donna Diebolt to Larry Redman, Lots 4, 5, and 6 in Block 25 in Railroad Addition to the Town of Welda.

Delores Arlene Luedke, Keith D. Luedke, Marilyn Yvonne Veteto and Jeffery J. Veteto, Jr. to Garret W. Strickler and Shelly A. Strickler, an undivided 1/2 interest of the NW/4 and the W/2 of the W/2 of the W/2 of the NE/4 of 1-23-18, containing 180 acres, more or less.

Dwyane C. Foltz and Barbara Foltz to Stanley Z. Martin and Katherine J. Martin, Lot 9, Block 3, Chapman's Addition to City of Garnett, and beginning at SE corner of said Lot 9, thence East 5'4", thence North to North side of said Block 3, thence West 5'4", thence South to POB.

Dwyane C. Foltz and Barbara A. Foltz to Stanley Z. Martin and Katherine J. Martin, West 13', Lot 2 and all Lots 3 and 4, Block 64, City of Garnett.

CIVIL CASES FILED

State Farm Bank, FSB vs. Jennifer Jo Morrow, John Doe, and Jane Doe, asking \$150,263.07.

City of Garnett vs. Jerry Tate and HSBC Bank USA, asking \$3,000.

DOMESTIC CASES FILED

Tiffanee A. Wittman vs. Eric E. Wittman, petition for divorce.

DOMESTIC CASES RESOLVED

Samantha J. Guiler vs. Kevin Guiler, dismissed.

LIMITED ACTION FILED

Central National Bank vs. Robert Dewayne King and Rochelle Lee King, asking \$583.90.

Bob's Supersaver d/b/a County Mart Garnett vs. Amy L. Widga, returned check for \$92.17, asking \$668.68.

Bob's Supersaver d/b/a County Mart Garnett vs. Jilissa Hoffman, returned check for \$20.79, asking \$420.79.

Great Southern Bank vs. Sarah E. Brown, asking \$874.20.

LIMITED ACTION RESOLVED

City of Garnett vs. Lacy R. Lutes, \$785.05 plus interest and costs.

James Mowat vs. Jerry Tate, \$923.57 plus interest and costs.

CRIMINAL CASES RESOLVED

Speeding violations:

Joshawa C. Hetherington, \$141 fine.

Trent L. Upshaw, \$165 fine.

Juan Alcides Borque, \$147 fine.

Sherri L. Nelson, \$159 fine.

Roberta M. Vink, \$201 fine.

David D. Moore, \$141 fine.

David E. Feuerborn, \$189 fine.

Rios Ramiro, Jr., \$171 fine, failure to wear seatbelt, \$174 fine.

Kora Danae McGee, \$321 fine

Seat belt violations:

Jack P. Graves, \$10 fine.

Henry Lawrence Womelsdorf, \$10 fine.

Telia Benton Dunn, child passenger safety restraining systems and seatbelts, \$141 fine.

James Walter Howard, IV, \$10 fine.

Other:

Jerry O. Johnson, II, driving on left in no-passing zone, \$171 fine.

GARNETT POLICE REPORT

Incidents

A report was made on February 27 of criminal damage to property to a 1998 Ford Windstar valued at \$500 and occurred on East 1st Avenue.

A report was made on March 18 of interference with LEO and disorderly conduct and occurred on South Maple Street.

A report was made on March 18 of theft of a Bed, Bath and Beyond gift card, a green and white Camilla Adams, a Target gift card, a Capital One credit card, and a T.J. Maxx credit card, all valued at \$69 and occurred on North Maple Street.

Arrests

Milburn Kelley, Garnett, March 14, domestic battery.

Angela Aguilar, Garnett, March 14, interference with LEO and disorderly conduct.

Anderson County Sheriff's Report

Accidents

An accident was reported on February

24 when a vehicle driven by Margo L. Williams, 59, Iola, was traveling southbound on U-169 Highway at m.m. 92 when a deer entered the roadway. The vehicle struck the deer causing damage.

An accident was reported on March 13 when a vehicle driven by Bonnie Sue Kubacka, 49, Garnett, was traveling eastbound on 1750 Road at Smith Road when a deer an in front of the vehicle.

An accident was reported on March 13 when a vehicle driven by Kendra Lynn Goddard, 24, Iola, was traveling southbound on U-169 Highway at 1100 Road when her vehicle struck a deer.

JAIL LOG

Brian Kerry Willis, 33, Garnett, March 13, failure to appear, bond set at \$275.

Shannon Kay Hicks, 34, Wyandotte, Oklahoma, March 13, theft of property, no bond set.

Thomas Richard Desjardin, 35, Chanute, March 13, DWS, no liability insurance, operate vehicle with no registration, and defective motorcycle tail lamp, bond set at \$500.

Joseph Michael Neal, 49, Iola, March 14, DUI, no bond set.

Milburn Frederick Kelley, 31, Garnett, March 14, domestic battery, bond set at \$500.

Melissa Dawn Hermreck, 25, Garnett, March 14, 48 hour writ.

Zauri Phirtskhalashvili, 22, Ottawa, March 15, arrest by LEO, probable cause of warrant, bond set at \$250.

John Christopher Glukowsky, 53, Centerville, March 17, giving a worthless check, bond set at \$607.11.

Robert Lee Brady, 20, Garnett, March 18, domestic battery, bond set at \$1,500.

Stephen Samuel Lowery, 36, Garnett, March 18, failure to appear, bond set at \$1,000.

Angela Ann Aquilar, 45, Garnett, March 18, interference with LEO, and disorderly conduct, bond set at \$1,000.

Andrew Samuel Bettinger, 30, Garnett, March 20, operate vehicle with no registration, bond set at \$850.

JAIL ROSTER

James Justice was booked into jail on November 16, 2013 for Anderson County, bond set at \$10,000 x2.

Scott Berry was booked into jail on February 20 for Anderson County, bond set at \$7,500 x2.

Jordan Vender was booked into jail on January 13 for Anderson County, hold for docket.

Andrew Bettinger was booked into jail on January 20 for a 30 day writ x2. (60 days)

Jeremy Thomas was booked into jail on December 9, 2013 for 6 months with 21 days credit.

Jason Hermreck was booked into jail on March 5 for Anderson County for 180 days-time served.

David Ashley was booked into jail on March 10 for Anderson County, bond set at \$5,000.

Michael Roberts was booked into jail on March 11 for Anderson County, bond set at \$5,000 x3.

Shannon Hicks was booked into jail on March 13 for Garnett Police Department, no bond set.

Patricia Croan was booked into jail on March 10 for Anderson County, bond set at \$5,000.

Aaron Stevenson was booked into jail on January 6 for Anderson County, bond set at \$5,000.

Jason Boeck was booked into jail on February 22 for Anderson County, bond set at \$20,000.

Jesse Hunter was booked into jail on August 13, 2013 for Anderson County, bond set at \$75,000 with conditions.

James Atkisson was booked into jail on January 14 for Anderson County, bond set at \$100,000.

FARM-INS

William Wiest was booked into jail on March 14 for Miami County.

Shawn Cummings was booked into jail on March 14 for Miami County.

Andrew Crabtree was booked into jail on March 12 for Miami County.

Shaun Diaz was booked into jail on March 12 for Miami County.

Rusty Roberts was booked into jail on March 12 for Miami County.

Brady Booton was booked into jail on February 21 for Miami County.

Brian Romero was booked into jail on February 21 for Miami County.

John Simon was booked into jail on February 24 for Linn County.

Shawn Weers was booked into jail on February 24 for Linn County.

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Barbara A. Bell, age 76, of Kansas City, Kansas, passed away on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at Richmond Healthcare and Rehab in Richmond, Kansas.

She was born December 1, 1937, in Kansas City, Kansas, the daughter of Fred and Mary (Charlton) Clark. Barbara married Ulis E. Tucker Jr. on September 9, 1953 in Yuma, Arizona. This union was blessed with two children. They later divorced. Barbara married Kenneth Bell of Kansas City, Missouri, and they later divorced.

Barbara worked at E.R. Squibb in Mission, Kansas for many years as a secretary. She enjoyed volunteer work at K.U. Medical Center at the Oncology Unit; she enjoyed knitting and spending time with her grandchildren. Barbara also loved to socialize at McDonald's

and Burger King and watching the children play.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Mary Clark; and one brother, Jim Clark.

Barbara is survived by her daughter, Debra (Tucker) Brewer of Garnett, Kansas; her son, Clark Tucker of Welda, Kansas; four grandchildren, Ilea Lauber; Abby Tucker, Garrett Tucker; and Alice Tucker; and one great granddaughter, Jazzmin Matchette; one sister, Doris Caenen and husband John of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Funeral services were Monday, March 24, 2014, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel, Garnett, with burial at the Johnson County Memorial Garden, in Overland Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

You may send your condolences to the family at www.feuerbornfuneral.com

Notice of Colony sewer improvements

(Published in The Anderson County Review on March 25, 2014)

ORDINANCE NO. 423

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLONY, KANSAS, AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MAIN SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS THEREOF.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-618 provides, in part, that the governing body of any city having a population of less than 80,000 shall have power to provide for one or more systems of sewerage, or drainage, or both, for such city, or for any part thereof, with one or more main sewers or drains and sewer or drains outlets, and to build, construct or purchase pumping stations, sewers, sewer service lines and drains by districts or otherwise, as the governing body may determine; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-619 provides, in part, that if the estimated cost of the main sewer or drain of said system now or hereafter constructed shall be relatively large as compared with the estimated cost of the lateral sewers or drains tributary thereto, or if the said main sewer or drain shall be so located that it will or may receive the sewage or drainage from two or more districts, the governing body shall have power to pass an ordinance providing that the cost of such main sewer or drain below a certain designated point shall be borne by the city and paid in the manner provided in K.S.A. 12-624 for the payment of the cost of main sewers and drains now or hereafter constructed beyond the corporate limits of the city; provided, that the said ordinance shall state the point in the line of the main sewer or drain below which the provisions of this section shall apply, shall describe the proposed location of the said main sewer or drain from the said point to the outlet of the same or to the city limits, and shall state the manner of payment of the cost of the said main sewer or drain; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-624 provides, in part, that all costs and expenses occasioned by the acquisition of a right-of-way and by the construction of sewers and drains and disposal works beyond the corporate limits of said city shall be borne by the city as a whole and shall be paid out of the general revenue fund or by the issuance of improvement bonds of the city as the governing body may determine, that bonds to pay said costs may be issued in addition to the \$100,000 authorized by K.S.A. 12-621 for the construction of disposal works and that such additional bonds may be issued in addition to the limit of bonded indebtedness of such cities as defined by statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colony, Kansas (the "City") has a population of approximately 400; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-618 et seq. (the "Act"), the governing body of the City hereby finds and determines it to be necessary to construct main sewer improvements in the City, including rehabilitating portions of the wastewater collection system and wastewater treatment lagoon and rehabilitating approximately 13,250 linear feet of 8" sewer line, replacing approximately 200 linear feet of 8" sewer main, making approximately 30 point repairs to 8" sewer main, replacing approximately 50 service taps, and making all other improvements appurtenant thereto (collectively the "Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City has heretofore passed an ordinance authorizing the execution of Loan Agreement No. C20 1939 01, effective as of January 26, 2012, with the Kansas Department of Health

and Environment to provide initial financing for a portion of the costs of the Improvements in the original principal amount of \$274,725, and such loan was subsequently amended, effective March 7, 2014, to increase the principal amount of the initial financing to \$561,125 (the "Loan"); and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City hereby finds and determines that the costs of constructing the Improvements will be relatively large as compared to the estimated cost of possible future sewer lateral lines or drains tributary thereto, or that said Improvements may receive in the future sewage or drainage from two or more districts, and that the costs of constructing said Improvements should be chargeable to the city at large and paid by the issuance of general obligation bonds of the City in the manner provided by K.S.A. 12-624 for the costs of main sewer improvements and drains now or hereafter constructed beyond the corporate limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City hereby further finds and determines it to be necessary to authorize and provide for the construction of the Improvements in the City and to make provision for the payment of the costs thereof and the retirement of the Loan by the issuance of general obligation bonds of the City.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLONY, KANSAS:

Section 1. Authorization of Improvements. It is hereby authorized, ordered and directed that the Improvements be constructed as a part of the sewer system of the City, as provided by the Act, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor, which have been prepared or approved by the City Engineer and placed on file in the office of the Clerk.

Section 2. Designated Points. The proposed location and costs of the Improvements from the beginning points of such Improvements to the outlets of the same or to the City limits shall be borne by the City at large, and shall be paid in the manner provided in K.S.A. 12-624, for the costs of main sewers and drains now or hereafter constructed beyond the corporate limits of the City.

Section 3. Bond Authorization. The estimated costs of the Improvements are \$1,277,000. A portion of the costs of the Improvements, interest on interim financing and the Loan, and associated financing costs shall be payable from the proceeds of general obligation bonds of the City issued under authority of the Act (the "Bonds") in an amount not to exceed \$777,000, with the balance of said estimated costs to be paid from a Community Development Block Grant and a USDA Rural Development Grant.

Section 4. Reimbursement. Any Bonds issued under the authority of this Ordinance may be used to reimburse expenditures made on or after the date that is 60 days before the date of passage of this Ordinance pursuant to U.S. Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage, approval and publication once in the official City newspaper.

PASSED by the governing body of the City on March 17, 2014, and APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor.

(SEAL)
/s/ Neal Wallace
Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ LaNell Knoll
Clerk
mr2511

DINER...

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aunt, Dottie Lickteig, from Greeley and Kansas City, said they like to travel to restaurants throughout the area. They noted that community diners in the local area have had a tough couple of years, with the loss of similar businesses to fires in Greeley and Richmond as well as Colony. They said the success of the Colony diner's rebuild is encouraging to other efforts, such as the current remodeling at the former Greeley Caf .

"I'm amazed they have gotten it together so quickly," Lickteig said.

Over the course of a busy lunch hour Saturday, a steady stream of customers filled most of the five booths, three large-party tables and five smaller tables. Two waitresses scur-

ried about, filling orders and chatting with customers. The smiles on their faces didn't reflect problems in the kitchen, where Dowling and one of the CCDC owners, Roger Young, fought a temperamental refurbished grill that refused to hold a consistent temperature. An electrician was working to fix some last-minute problems, and the business closed at 2 p.m. Saturday to install more equipment.

Miranda Golden, a freshman at Crest who has worked at CCDC for about a year and a half, said she was happy to have the diner back.

"It's busy, but I wouldn't want it any other way," she said.

Some of the "regulars" at the diner Saturday included Bonnie Rook and Joan Boots,

who said they were impressed with the new building. The metal structure featured wood paneling inside with a concrete floor and numerous windows along the front and west side of the building. The west half of the building is devoted to seating for the diner, with the convenience store in the east section of the front half of the building.

"It's very nice. It's lighter, with all the windows," Rook said.

"It's very uptown," Boots said.

Although some of the electrical delays meant the diner was not yet able to serve steak, the reopening gave CCDC an opportunity to expand an already-extensive menu. Rook said she enjoyed the broasted chicken, a new menu item.

Colony residents accounted for about half of the customers who visited the newly reopened diner last week, Dowling estimated. That meant about half were from out-of-town, and Dowling said she hopes those people will come back in a couple of weeks once all the kinks have been worked out. She is concerned that in her haste to reopen, some customers might not be as forgiving as those who have witnessed the rebuilding along the way. She said Saturday she wished she had postponed the opening yet again, but she didn't want to let the community down.

"My Colony people understand," she said. "They're the reason we're here. I wanted this so much for the community. I wanted to give them back the love they gave us."

COST...

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must pay for it. An election brings expenses like legal publications, ballots and supplies as well as wages.

The cost of an election varies, but recent elections in the City of Garnett have cost a little more than \$2,000 each. The 2012 election for city commissioner cost \$2,102.96 and brought out 502 voters, a turnout of 22 percent.

In 2010, a City of Garnett election cost \$2,288.02 with 442 voters and 19 percent turnout.

An analysis of the per-vote cost shows the 2012 election cost \$4.76 per vote, while the 2010 election, which had a less-

er turnout, cost \$5.12 per vote.

Gettler said she didn't have costs readily available for a 2006 City of Garnett election, which is the last time a city commissioner ran unchallenged. However, based on the 7 percent turnout in that election, she estimates it likely cost the city about \$20 per vote. She expects this year's election will be similar, unless someone launches a last-minute write-in campaign to challenge incumbent Gordon Blackie.

Although registered city voters can cast a ballot at the polls April 1, the people who are most likely to vote are the ones who can't make it to the polls, Gettler said. Before an elec-

tion, she mails advance ballots to people who are registered as permanent advance voters. They include those voters who are disabled or who have a permanent illness. She expects a large portion of the final votes in this election will come from those voters.

Although Blackie is running unopposed, Gettler and her staff expect to see a variety of interesting results when ballots are cast next week. Uncontested races tend to result in more write-in votes, but typically none of the write-ins end up with more than a handful of votes. Some of the write-in candidates aren't exactly eligible to serve, should they actually win

an election.

"We always end up with Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Bozo the Clown," Gettler said. "I always wonder why those people bothered to vote."

Although rare, it's possible that someone could launch a successful write-in campaign. Bill Dick did it in Garnett in 1999, winning an election over unchallenged incumbent Sandi Peine. But he publicly campaigned for the position during an impassioned controversy surrounding closure of the city's gun range. It would be difficult for a write-in to win without some sort of organized campaign.

BLACKIE...

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said he devotes equal time to each. He graduated as an electrical engineer from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa., and is a licensed engineer and licensed master electrician in Garnett and Nova Scotia, Canada. He owns Lighthouse Electric in Garnett.

He's also a commercial pilot, certified flight instructor and aviation mechanic with inspection authorization. He's known for his involvement with Midwest Missionair, an independent Christian service organization that provides

short-term mission work and disaster relief.

Not long after Blackie joined the city commission, he asked his fellow commissioners to begin each meeting by saying the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. He cites that as his greatest accomplishment as a commissioner. He said he feels city leaders have done a good job of running the city in a business-like manner and the city is in a good financial position, but he is concerned that a "bottom-line" focus will lead to a loss in the quality of life.

"The deterioration will continue until we return to higher values and incorporate them

into our daily business dealings," Blackie said. "These few minutes spent with the pledge and with prayer have helped focus on these higher values at the beginning of each meeting."

In his next term, Blackie would like to see continued progress on tourism promotions to attract both visitors and new residents.

"I would like to see 'outsiders' be made welcome and converted to 'insiders,'" he said. "Whether these new 'insiders' become permanent residents or repeat visitors, they will be the lifeblood of our future."

In recent months, Blackie

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was not allowed to explain why he believed his property was worth \$432,000. Information about a topographical survey and a site plan were excluded from the trial.

But USD 365's attorney, Lee Tetwiler, said Diebolt did not have any evidence to support his opinion.

The Supreme Court justices said Diebolt's personal beliefs were not relevant.

"I understand he made an investment, and he didn't get to use it. It's not a question for the jury. The question is what would a theoretical willing buyer be willing to pay for this property? I don't know why he took the preparations he did, or why that would affect the

sale. Why would that impact what I pay for that?" Justice Johnson said during those November arguments, according to a news article published in the Pittsburg Morning Sun in November 2013.

Diebolt maintained he had invested large sums of money in the tract with plans to develop a retail center there, and that none of his market research of site planning was compensated under the school district's Eminent Domain lawsuit.

The Supreme Court typically issues its opinions several weeks or even months after hearing arguments. The decision in this case was released Friday, March 21. The full decision can be found at <http://www.kscourts.org/Cases-and-Opinions/opinions/SupCt/2014/20140321/109018.pdf>

EMPLOYEE...

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until the result of his criminal case before making any decision about his job. She said at that time city leaders are concerned any time an employee is convicted of a DUI, but they are especially concerned when the employee works with children. Yeubanks' position required working closely with the public, especially children, organizing youth events like biddy basketball, soccer and other city rec activities..

Yeubanks, 27, was arrested on suspicion of a second DUI

in November 2013, and was convicted and ordered to pay a fine in February while a related charge of speeding was dismissed. On March 10, he was arrested on suspicion of driving while suspended.

Yeubanks had worked for the city for about two years. He replaced Josh Elliott, who also was arrested and charged with a DUI but his job was terminated for other reasons before the court procedures were completed, Martin said.

Martin said city staff would be interviewing candidates for the position this week.

WAKEFIELD...

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attending law school at the University of Kansas. She worked briefly in constituent services for Kansas Senator Bob Dole before starting law school, and opened her practice in Lawrence where she now lives.

A self-described moderate, she's endorsed by the Pro Choice women's political advocacy group Emily's List and says that while Obamacare has been a disappointment and a blunder in its implementation, to leave it means going back to a system she says excluded too many people and cost too much. Oil companies, other industries and large energy consumers have to be tied to some kind of financial accountability for climate change through a national energy policy, she told the Review last week, although the definition of "cap and trade," may vary. She said she believes the development of wind and solar energy presents a real opportunity for the 2nd District.

"I think we're really missing the boat here if we don't pay attention to how we grow renewable energy here," Wakefield said. "We can build the infrastructure to export it out - build that grid, build those systems, here, export the energy and import the cash," she said.

Wakefield said the 2nd District's historical swing back and forth between Republican and Democrat representatives and the inclusion of the remainder of Douglas County after 2012 redistricting gives her campaign a chance in what is generally thought of as a heavily Republican district. She also said she's looking for Republicans disgruntled with the party politics that shut down the federal government months ago and alienated by a party that's not the one they grew up with.

But with a recent Gallup

has voiced concern about the way the city's police department is perceived by the public, but has not revealed any specific complaints. He said he will continue to increase the professionalism of the police department.

He also said he encourages people to attend city commission meetings the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Time is set aside at the beginning of each meeting to hear from people in the community.

"Please help your commissioners help you," he said.

Poll showing only 9 percent of Americans approve of the job Congress is doing - a 39-year low - Wakefield said anyone pursuing a congressional seat in 2014 has to put emphasis on meeting in the middle. Wakefield said as she campaigns around the district, the major topic among people is that they're sick of congressional bitterness and game playing.

"What we need are statesmen - and stateswomen," she said. "Like the way it worked between Dole and McGovern when they originally fashioned the farm bill in the 70s. That's the kind of understanding of what's best for all."

Neither Wakefield nor Jenkins have a primary challenge and both will be on their parties' ballots unopposed in the August primary. They'll face off in the general election in November 2014.

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Kansas goes Kremlin with arrests, secrecy

You and your spouse are sitting in your living room watching Laverne & Shirley re-runs some night when all of a sudden you hear a window break and something that looks like a jelly jar lands on the floor nearby.

Before you can get up to see what happened, the stun grenade detonates – the flash blinding you for a few seconds and the ringing in your ears has you completely disoriented. In a little more than one second you and your wife are face down on the carpet with a SWAT team member's knees on the back of your neck, handcuffed and arrested.

Hours later when the mess is sorted out, they let you out of jail with an apology. Ooops. Sorry. You weren't who we were looking for. Just a big misunderstanding. You're free to go.

Like most people, you want to know "why?" What in the world made the cops think you were a dangerous criminal drug suspect? What information led them to treat you like this and where did it come from?

The answer – the information the police and prosecutor submitted to the judge to base your arrest warrant – is listed in a court document called a "probable cause affidavit." In any other state in the union, you can make a public records request, get a copy of that affidavit, and find out just why you were arrested.

But not in Kansas. Our Legislature keeps it secret.

Think I'm kidding? The scenario above is pretty close to what happened to Robert and Adelyn Harte in Johnson County. After a year in court and \$25,000 of their own money paid in legal fees to unseal an affidavit, these two former CIA agents with security clearances found out Robert's trip to a hydroponics store for his tomato garden and some tea leaves Adelyn threw out in the trash were all cops and prosecutors needed to send a SWAT team to their front door early one morning. They didn't find an indoor marijuana growing operation or any other drugs. For the Hartes to get answers, not to mention the humiliation, was expensive indeed.

A bill that came out of the Kansas House this session would have changed that, but thanks to the Senate Judiciary Committee headed by Republican Senator Jeff King from Independence, it got gutted and the important

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DANE HICKS, Publisher

provisions regarding arrests deleted. King even seconded the motion on the neutered bill when no one else on his committee would. As of this writing and unless the bill is put back into its original form, Kansans can still be deprived of their freedom, treated like criminals, and never know the reasoning of the cops and prosecutor and judge who did it to them.

How can Republicans like Jeff King – stalwarts of the party that supposedly will fall on its sword for open government and individual rights – still hold to a policy that seems more like it came from the Kremlin than the Sunflower State? That's a question Sen. King and his cohorts should answer. Funny how, when they're campaigning, politicians can't say enough about how much they believe in open government. But elect them and we see how things change when the rubber meets the road.

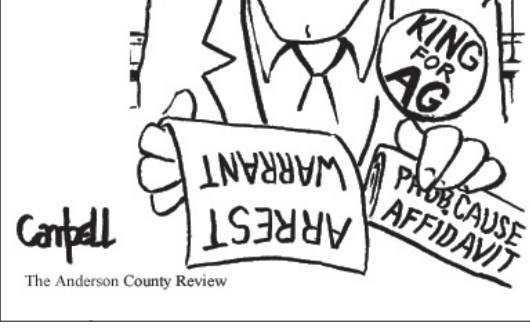
Opponents say they fear too much pre-trial publicity will taint a case if too much of that information is available. But the fact is that no criminal conviction in Kansas has ever been overturned due to pre-trial publicity. They may have been overturned because, cops, prosecutors or judges are later found to have screwed up – but never because a newspaper or TV station ran a news story.

The public should be able to see those affidavits. The work of cops, prosecutors and judges should be subject to the same public scrutiny as the work of any other public official, especially when it can deprive Kansans of their freedom and the sanctity of their homes.

Kansas deserves better than this.

Meanwhile, at the Kansas Senate Judiciary Committee meeting...

"I'm sure you're wondering what evidence the police had to kick in your grandma's front door, lob in a stun grenade, wrestle her to the ground, cuff her and arrest her, even though she turned out to be innocent. Our reasons "why" are here in this probable cause affidavit, which is public record in almost every state."



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It sure would be nice if your neighbors for once in their lives would clean up their own leaves instead of us always having to do it.

Hey Hicks, I'd pay \$1 just for the Phone Forum.

I think it is truly amazing how much time some individuals have on their hands to pick at every little thing as if their opinion makes a difference, not to mention how those individuals never seem to know the correct story. The situation that happened with that city employee who was driving with a suspended license is pretty unbelievable and if anybody was being harassed I think it would have to be that employee. It seems

that watching and waiting for someone to leave their office to do their job to make the citizens of the town capable of having a nicer recreation and sports facility is a little overboard not to mention extremely creepy. I personally wish I had that much time on my hands and getting paid taxpayer dollars to do so. I also believe if I had such a job I would have plenty of time to read the handbook provided for my job to make sure I do my job is its full description. Considering that person did not do such a thing, I would thing rewarding bad behavior will lead to bad karma.

Years and years ago I looked you in the face and I said I didn't believe your paper was worth anything to read in the first place. Today I read the Phone Forum. They don't think your paper is worth a dollar. But then I've been reading your editorials and I will pay full price, because it's worth it. You have great editorials and I like your paper and I will pay full price for your paper from now on. Thank you.

This summer I have some out-of-town guest coming in and I've been thinking about what we could do this summer. Thanks to the article in the paper about the last commissioners meeting where our city manager suggested we paint some buildings downtown so that people can go down there and linger, well I thought we could go downtown and sit around and watch the paint dry. I just hope they don't pick us up for loitering.

Yes, I have an idea. Why don't we quit hiring all the party boys for the rec director job in Garnett and hiring somebody like (name deleted) who knows sports and has a few more years on him and has a family here and is a little more mature? How much more bad publicity does the city want? Thank you.

Dumbing down the SAT

It turns out that SAT words were too abstruse.

The College Board is updating its iconic test yet again in ways that are indistinguishable from dumbing it down. The old vocabulary words are out, the math is easier, guessing is no longer punished in the scoring – and we're supposed to believe that the test is better than ever.

The SAT, relied on heavily in college admissions, has long been attacked for not producing sufficiently egalitarian results. The multiple-choice test has been accused of everything from racism to classism. It is almost certainly the most hated exam in America, and the easiest way to placate the critics is simply to make it less exacting.

The last round of changes 10 years ago eliminated the analogies (e.g., zenith : nadir :: pinnacle : valley) and instituted an essay. This was supposed to be an upgrade, but the mandatory essay is now being discarded. Peter Wood of the National Association of Scholars describes it as "a decade-long experiment in awarding points for sloppy writing graded by mindless formulae."

The new SAT will move away from what a reporter in The New York Times calls -- obviously relying on his readers' knowledge of old SAT vocabulary -- "esoteric" words. Instead, the test will emphasize "evidence-based reading." The head of the College Board says an example would be an excerpt

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RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate

from an old speech by Rep. Barbara Jordan in which she said that the impeachment of Richard Nixon would divide people into two parties. Students taking the test would then have several choices for what Jordan meant by the word "party." (Students answering "a gathering to celebrate an occasion," or "to drink with friends," will presumably get no credit.)

The SAT is called an instrument of privilege because students from higher-income families perform better. But parental educational attainment tracks with parental income, and highly educated parents will inevitably pass along their advantages to their kids. It is not in the power of the SAT to change this. As Robert VerBruggen of the website RealClearPolicy writes, "Income

gaps are evident on basically every academic measure we have."

The SAT is hardly perfect. It isn't strictly an aptitude test: The more you read and the more math you know, the better you are going to do. Maybe we should go all the way and use achievement tests instead? But that has its own problems, as Howard Wainer of the University of Pennsylvania pointed out in his book "Uneducated Guesses." How much does proficiency in one subject area weigh against another? And this doesn't help if a student is in a rotten school that teaches nothing.

The SAT aims to predict first-year performance in college, with only modest success. But with its broader, more general approach, the SAT provides different information about students than either GPA or achievement tests. It is a useful tool.

At the end of the day, the problem isn't the SAT, it's ourselves. We have to do a better job raising and educating kids. That is much harder than complaining about the SAT, and the College Board can't do them for us.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

Medical malpractice bill heads to Senate

Interesting discussion during that House floor debate on the medical malpractice bill last week.

The bill, of course, is that idea of the Kansas Medical Society to raise the noneconomic damage cap slowly, from the current \$250,000 to an eventual \$350,000 for damages which, frankly, are just hard to put a pricetag on.

The case was that of a woman whose surgeon removed the wrong ovary, meaning that as a result of the malpractice, she can't have children. What's the pricetag for that noneconomic loss? The court said the \$250,000 cap on damages is legal, but doesn't feel right, and ought to be moved upwards.

Well, that was the basis for the bill, and there wasn't a lot of opposition to raising the cap.

But a sidelight of that bill was language that would allow juries to hear that the victim of damages in any sort of lawsuit had "collateral sources" or some other source of compensation for the damages caused by someone else.

The result? Possibly a jury could determine that if an injured party in any sort of action—say, a car wreck with a drunk or texting driver—has insurance, he or she would be made whole by their insurance, so the person who caused that accident shouldn't have to pay the full cost of the damages. Juries now don't have that collateral

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MARTIN HAWVER, At The Rail

source information.

Rep. Lance Kinzer, R-Olathe, convinced the House that it shouldn't matter whether the victim of someone else's negligence or mistake has other sources of compensation: You cause the damage, you pay for all of it. It's a personal responsibility deal. You break it, you buy it.

Kinzer told the House that it shouldn't matter whether your house is insured or not if someone sets fire to it. The person who started the fire should pay for the whole house. Or, if you are injured in a car crash and have insurance to cover your medical bills, well, the person who caused that accident should pay the full cost of those bills.

There's no suggestion in the bill that the jury in a case would reduce damages based

on those collateral source..just it should know that the injured party has been taken care of.

Sounds like it would probably make it cheaper to crash into a rich person's car than a poor person's car, if the victim's insurance is going to take care of the damages, doesn't it? A jury could factor in that the rich or well-insured victim will get a new car anyway, while the poor person will become a pedestrian, so the well-insured victim doesn't need a much in damages.

This isn't just car crashes. It's mistaken legal advice that puts a client's investments at risk, or the apartment owner whose stairway is rotted.

The collateral source rule might just pare damage payments for those at fault—or their insurers—in an accident. Or not. But it would be floating around there in the jury room where it probably shouldn't.

We'll see how that amendment fares in the Senate, which had passed the bill which included the now-removed collateral source language.

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Aging agency offers 'New to Medicare' trainings

OTTAWA- The East Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging (ECKAAA) will be hosting quarterly trainings in 2014 for people new to the Medicare system who are turning 65 or receive benefits due to disability and for business staff who help transition employees into Medicare from employer based insurance. Trainings in 2014 will be held April 9, July 9, and October 8th. All trainings will be held at the ECKAAA office in Ottawa at 117 S. Main Street. The trainings will be conducted by Leslea Rockers, Special Projects Coordinator, and Lenora Brecheisen, ECKAAA Medicare Volunteer.

Accessing and using Medicare benefits can be a complicated process for individuals to use or to explain. Retirees need to understand how Medicare will coordinate with their employee insurance, what they need with Medicare if they are losing their employee coverage and employers need to understand what questions retirees should be asking before making a decision regarding Medicare and their current insurance benefits.

The trainings will be held

from 10 a.m. to noon and are free of charge. Attendees will receive packets of information to take with them and anyone needing further assistance or a follow-up appointment will be able to make an appointment with ECKAAA staff. Seating is limited so all attendees must pre-register. Registration can be done by email to Rockers at leslea@eckaaa.org or by calling the agency at 785-242-7200.

Issues covered include:

- What makes someone Medicare eligible
- Medicare benefits (A, B, C, D)
- Medicare vs. Social Security
- Medicare enrollment process and timelines
- What to do if you are 65 and still working
- Coordination of benefits when using Medicare and employer or retiree insurance
- Medicare supplements
- Questions to ask when considering your options
- Resources that may be of help

To get more information or to register for a training contact Leslea Rockers at 785-242-7200 or 1-800-633-5621.

Area team takes first at KU Engineering Expo

The University of Kansas Engineering Expo is an annual student-organized event which is held during National Engineers' week. Since 1911, EXPO has strived to create excitement and interest in the fields of math, science, and engineering. During the three-day event, over 2000 students from elementary through high school participate in design competitions, examine engineering organization displays, hear from an industry professional about engineering in the real world, and dive into interactive demonstrations.

In the Middle School Division, competing in the competition "Water Finder", The Central Heights team of Paige Stockard, Olivia Stockard, and Riley Roll took first place winning the gold medal.

The Water Source Challenge competition was organized by Engineers Without Borders (EWB), a national group focused on using engineering skills to solve problems for communities in need around the world. The KU Chapter has been working to improve life for the commu-

nity of Azacilo in the Bolivian Mountains. Currently, a new water source for the community is being designed by EWB to be implemented in the community in the next couple of years. The group presented a similar problem for students to research and solve.

The students looked up the coordinates, and decided that the area was near a village called Penos, and close to the Cordillera Real Mountain Range. After researching and eliminating other solutions, Paige, Olivia, and Riley decided on running a water pipeline from the snow capped mountains to the village and storing the water in above ground tanks.

The students competed in the tournament along with others from the Central Heights and Garnett School Districts Gifted Education Program taught by Amy Ray.

Competing in the Elementary School Division from the Garnett School District, taking home a 3rd Place Bronze medal in "Water Rocket", were the students Nick Lybarger, Jenna Schmit, and Paige Rupp.



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The Central Heights team of Paige Stockard, Olivia Stockard, and Riley Roll took first place winning the gold medal at the KU Engineering Expo.

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CALENDAR

- Tuesday, March 25**
- 9 a.m. - TOPS at Garnett Methodist Church basement, 2nd & Oak
 - Noon - Rotary International Club at Garnett Inn and Suites
 - 6 p.m. - City of Garnett at City Hall
 - 7 p.m. - Legion Bingo at VFW
- Wednesday, March 26**
- 6:30 p.m. - Garnett Optimist Club at Mr. D's Restaurant
 - 1 p.m. - Garnett Duplicate Bridge at the Garnett Inn
 - 7 p.m. - Garnett Saddle Club at the Garnett Riding Arena
- Thursday, March 27**
- 9:30 a.m. - Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild at the Anderson County Annex
 - 6:30 p.m. - Anderson County Historical Society banquet at ACHS commons area
- Friday, March 28**
- 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. - Benefit chili, soup supper at Mont Ida Church of the Brethren
 - 7 p.m. - ACHS spring play
- Saturday, March 29**
- 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. - Community breakfast at United Methodist Church, Garnett
- Tuesday, April 1**
- 9 a.m. - TOPS at Garnett Methodist Church basement, 2nd & Oak
 - Noon - Rotary International Club at Garnett Inn and Suites
 - 6:30 p.m. - Garnett Optimist Club at Mr. D's Pioneer Restaurant
 - 7 p.m. - Legion Bingo at VFW
- Wednesday, April 2**
- 1 p.m. - Garnett Duplicate Bridge at the Garnett Inn
 - 5:45 p.m. - Light meal at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Garnett, worship "One Another" at 7 p.m.
 - 7 p.m. - Garnett Saddle Club at the Garnett Riding Arena
 - 7 p.m. - Colony Lions Club at Colony Methodist Church
 - 7 p.m. - Kincaid Lions Club at Kincaid-Selma United Methodist Church
- Thursday, April 3**
- 6 p.m. - 13 Point Pitch and snacks at the Garnett Senior Center
 - 1:30 p.m. - Colony United Methodist Women at Colony United Methodist Church
 - 7 p.m. - USD 365 School Board
- Friday, April 4**
- Recycle Trailer at Colony until Monday
- Sunday, April 6**
- 1 p.m. - Boy Scouts (sixth grade and up) meeting
 - 6:30 p.m. - "Heaven's Gate's and Hell's Flames" at Garnett Church of the Nazarene
- Monday, April 7**
- Recycle Trailer at Kincaid until Thursday
 - 9 a.m. - Anderson County Commission at the Anderson County Annex

ACHS Theatre learns 'You Can't Beat the House'

"I've had trouble breaking into a house before but this is the first time I've had problems breaking OUT again!"

So moans Meryl (Eliza Sibley) to her partner, Heidi (Gwen Sibley). These two minor-league burglars have really met their match this time, it seems. They decided on a house only to find, after managing to get into the place, that it's up for sale. Before they can leave, Conrad (Asa Young) and Glenda (Remi Hedges), prospective buyers, show up. Meryl figures they have two choices -

either pretend to be real estate agents or beat it, making the buyers suspect them and call in the police. Meryl begins to show the house while Heidi ducks out to get the car. Now the REAL real estate agent (Austin Wickwire) shows up and Meryl has to juggle the couple and the agent. Finally, as Meryl gets rid of him and is about to show the door to Conrad and Glenda, Heidi arrives with the news that their car has been towed away. Suddenly a cop (Bryce Dieker) shows up, saying the police are looking for two sus-

picious characters in the neighborhood. Next in the parade of oddball characters is Conrad's secretary (Tana Benton), then Glenda's mother (Melissa Kropf), then her medium, Madame Zenobia (Bel Sibley), and finally the cop's mother (Kori Pitts). Oh, yeah! The place, it turns out, is haunted! This screwball comedy is one wisecrack after another and proves once again that "You Can't Beat the House."

You Can't Beat the House will run Friday, March 28 at 7:00 PM and Saturday,

March 29 at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. Tickets are available by calling (785)448-3115 or in the office at ACHS. They are also available at the door.

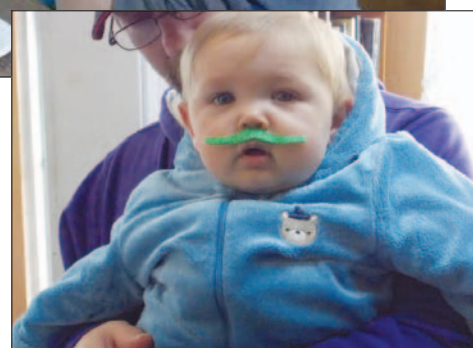
Friends of the Arts Dessert Bar at Intermission: The Friends of the Arts will host their annual dessert bar during intermission of the show Friday and Saturday. This will be a free will donation. Money earned goes towards assisting the various Arts Programs at ACHS.

Richmond Library Celebrates Spring Break



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The Richmond Library celebrated Spring Break starting with St. Patrick's day, as seen above, with crafts, chocolate and cake pops and Gummies and peeps, oh, and of course, the attack of the Green Mustaches! Monday on St. Patrick's Day the kids colored a Leprechaun picture and decorated a shamrock and for some reason everyone grew a Green Mustache, like Eli Rowland at right. Wednesday, March 19, the kids got to dip cake pops into chocolate. Thursday they made Peeps and Gummy worms, lips and bears. Up next, the library will have an Easter Craft in April for the adults and one for the kids.



Spanghewing or marketing? Which is which?

Probably more of you have an idea of what "marketing" is than know what "spanghewing" is - but I bet you don't know marketing as well as you think you do.

I admit I'm stealing this from one of my college textbooks - written back when hair was big and everybody knew Duran-Duran - but it's the best definition of the science of selling that I've ever seen, and reviewing it from time to time helps remind us folks in business that to do it right, we need to do it all.

"Marketing" is the act of communicating a sales message to a prospective buyer and includes four elements:

1) Promotion - Special events, games or activities based around a product or service. "Every customer today gets a free screwdriver while they last" - that type of thing. "Use your customer card and accrue purchase points for in-store merchandise." "Whoever can stack the most Oreos wins a store gift certificate."

2) Publicity - This means generating "buzz" about your business either in conventional media like newspapers, TV and radio or nowadays on social media - going "viral" as the kids say. You do it by sending out press releases when you make news and haunting blogs and Facebook pages where your customers hang out. Hint: Make sure your publicity release is really important or you'll smudge your reputation among the media and the blogs.

HOW TO SELL STUFF



Dane Hicks
Review Publisher

3) Personal Sales - This means you or your staff working directly with customers and

establishing a personal relationship that hopefully makes a long-term customer instead of a single buy. Probably the most important element in generating referrals to your company.

4) Advertising - Using a third party to convey your sales message in graphic terms. Ads in newspapers, magazines, newsletters; spots on radio or television; signage on your building, bumper stickers, printed pens & email signatures.

Now, think about each of

these elements and name something you did in your business yesterday to pursue that element. Then, call this newspaper and ask what "spanghew" means.

Dane Hicks is president of Garnett Publishing, Inc., and publisher of The Anderson County Review. Comments or questions may be directed to him at review@garnett-ks.com or (785) 448-3121.

Nutrition program to have annual trail ride

Mid-America Nutrition Program, Inc. will have its 13th Annual Trail Ride on Saturday, April 5th, 2014 "Rain or Shine". Location for the ride is at Cedar Park at Lake Pomona. Event sponsors are Beckman Motors, Garnett, Plaza Cinema, Ottawa and Madl Farm, Wellsville.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. with ride beginning promptly at 10 a.m. The registration donation is \$15 with lunch and 1 ticket for a drawing of a new saddle from R-Bar-B Saddle, Tack & Trailer in Topeka.

There are opportunities for riders to get sponsorships to cover their ride. The first \$25 sponsorship covers the ride, lunch and a drawing ticket for the saddle. Each additional \$25 equals additional entries in the saddle drawing. If a rider gets \$1000 in sponsorships, they will get a FREE saddle. Over \$1000 in prizes will be drawn after lunch.

Reservations for lunch and ride can be made by calling 800-223-6325 or 785-242-8341. You can also find them on Facebook under Meals on Wheels, Ottawa, Kansas.

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Rhonda OBannion, center, won the \$100 grand prize at the recent Women's Fair. Presenting the check is BPW President Helen Norman, right, and Farm Bureau Debbie Kueser, left.

1914: Big-footed burglar strikes

March 23, 2004

Anderson County has been without a county engineer since the departure of Hub Casper in January, but the county commission expects to hire a new one "within the next two meetings."

A man whose court case resulted in new sentencing guidelines on some drug cases was resentenced to 30 months for a crime for which he had previously received a sentence of 173 months.

More than twice the number of Anderson County High School students are going out for track this season, even though the school's controversial new track facility likely won't be completed for use in the 2004 season.

March 24, 1994

Improvements will be made at Irving Primary Center and Garnett Elementary School this summer to increase the efficiency of traffic patterns around the school, but steps will be taken to find out if both buildings might be abandoned in the near future and a new elementary school built in the district.

Stricter regulations by the Environmental Protection Agency will finally come home to roost for residents of Anderson County in higher



THAT WAS THEN

Vickie Moss
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trash collection fees, after the county begins operation of its solid waste transfer station at the county landfill after April 9.

March 22, 1984

Sheriff Tom Hermreck has announced his intention to run as a Democratic candidate for Anderson County Sheriff, and Undersheriff Jack Eden has also announced his intention to run as a Republican candidate for the position of sheriff.

Like the icicles that were left clinging to trees Tuesday, Old Man Winter refused to loosen its grasp on the area and give way to spring, which began Tuesday. Most residents in the area had darkened homes as a result of one of the worst ice storms to strike the area since 1973.

Recent ice damage has affected more than just power lines. Considerable tree damage has

been done in Garnett and the surrounding area.

March 24, 1914

The big-footed burglar has been here again. Three houses were visited last night, but he didn't make a very great haul. However, he fitted himself out with footwear, taking Irv Simmons' socks and garters and Mayor Acuff's shoes. He also took some change, \$11.35 at J.W. Archers, and about 93 cents at Irv Simmons, which belonged to Mrs. Simmons. Maybe Irv has learned a lesson from this experience. He's been getting pretty proud lately, and has been rather reckless in his expenditures for socks. If he hadn't been wearing the 25 cent kind, and had been satisfied with wearing "government socks" - the old speckled kind that cost 5 or 10 cents - he wouldn't have been robbed.

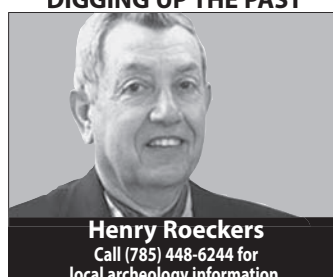


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These little bears were found more than 40 years ago in a dump. It is not known what material they were carved from, or what was their intended use.

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Lori and I spent many evenings and a few Saturdays digging at this site. We never went home empty handed. Our efforts produced hundreds of artifacts includ-

These little bears are 3/4 inch tall and are carved from an unknown material. They have no holes in them and no hooks or any evidence of ever being attached to anything. If anyone knows of how or what they were used for, please let me know.

If any of you have time on your hands and nothing to do and really want to have some fun, just find yourself an 1800-1920's dump site and start digging. (Watch those snakes). You might just find a few treasures like these two little bears.

ing: old, old bottles (many were handblown corks), cast iron toys, clay marbles, advertising tokens and coins, cast iron banks, etc. etc. and these two precious little bears.

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Four Winds club learns about Pueblo pottery

The Four Winds Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met on March 6, 2014 in Garnett with Clara Ann Kempnich as hostess. The Opening Ritual was led by Regent Alice Walker and Chaplin Agnes Carr, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the American's Creed. There were ten members present and one guest.

Agnes Carr read the President General's message. Judy Carr gave the National Defense Report about an Army officer who is also an Army wife and lawyer. She told of her three deployments to Iraq where she served as a legal advisor, judge advocate, and helped to rebuild the judicial system of Iraq.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved as read. The treasurer's report was given.

Correspondence was read from the library thanking the chapter for our participation in the "Kansas Reads to Preschoolers" Program.

"Minute" reports were read by various members on the Constitution, American Indians, Good Citizen, and Conservation. We heard about the Anti-Sharia Law; how three hundred official tribal members are taking advantage of the free college tuition and room and board; and how forty percent of food in America is thrown out. We learned the Good Citizen Award was won by Kourtney Kirkland from Garnett High School. The American History essay winners were announced and all are from Mont Ida School - Teresa F. Yoder (5th grade), Amanda Fern Miller (6th grade), and Samuel L. Yoder (8th grade).

Alice Walker was chosen as our delegate to the 123rd National Continental Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, D.C. on June 25-29, 2014.

The program was given by Alice Walker on Pueblo Pottery. Pottery making came to the United States in 200 BC and to

the four corners region in 400 AD. She had pieces of pottery that she made under the direction of Dora TsePe. In the class she learned the process of making pottery from the gathering of the clay to the tempering of the pieces. The process was quite detailed to form the pottery piece. The clay was worked until all the air was out and then from a pancake shape piece of clay they made a long rope like piece and coiled it into the shape they wanted. No potter's wheel is ever used on Pueblo Pottery. It is worked until it is smooth and all the air is out and then it is dried. They then used pieces of gourds and stones to smooth the piece before putting it in the fire pit. The piece is then totally covered by coals in the fire pit for the tempering process. The color is determined by the type of clay and the way it is fired. It was a very interesting process!

Then Juanita Kellerman introduced our good citizen award winner, Kortney Kirkland and her mother,

Steffanie Kirkland. She presented Kortney with the DAR Good Citizen pin, certificate, and award. Kortney read her essay to the group. A reception then followed and was enjoyed by everyone.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be April 3, 2014 in Garnett with Agnes and Judy Carr serving as hostesses. The program will be given by Iona Sweets.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, nonpolitical women's volunteer service organization dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education, and patriotism. Any woman over 18 years of age who can prove descent from a man or woman who gave military or civil service during the American Revolution is invited to join. If interested please contact the Chapter's Regent Alice Walker at (913) 756-2688; or one of the Chapter's Registrars Juanita Kellerman (785) 448-5881 or Iona Sweets (785) 448-3862.

McGhee, Smart engaged



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Rochelle Nicole McGhee of Westphalia and Jerald Dustin Smart of Iola have announced their engagement.

Their parents are Darren and Cindy McGhee of Westphalia and Jerald and Vickie Smart of Scipio.

Rochelle is a graduate of Anderson County High School in 2009, received her Associate Degree in animal science from Allen Community College and then attended Ft. Hays State

where she received a bachelor degree in General Ag. She is currently working for McGhee Farms as a bookkeeper and hired hand.

Dustin is a graduate of Iola High School in 2003, worked for SW Ag Farms for one year, then Stanley Farms for four years and has been with BNSF Railroad since 2007 in the track maintenance department.

They plan to be married June 7, 2014.

ECKAN to have 5K Walk/Run

ECKAN is having a 5K Walk/Run event on Saturday, April 26, 2014. The theme is "ECKAN Taking Action!" The goal of the event is to increase awareness of community action and support the vision of ECKAN, which is to eliminate the causes and conditions of poverty in ECKAN's service area through individual and organization dedication, collaboration and innovation.

ECKAN serves nine counties in East Central Kansas. There are two locations, Ottawa and Emporia for the 5K walk/run to make the event accessible to more community members. The event is taking place on April 26th as a kick-off for Community Action/Poverty Awareness Month in May. The 5K walk/run will be used to

promote other events taking place in the different counties throughout the month to spread awareness and educate people about community action and the affects of poverty on our communities.

We are seeking monetary sponsorships and participants to support our mission while having fun at the same time!

If you are interested in being a sponsor or would like to participate as a runner/walker, please contact Sherri @ the ECKAN central office, 1320 S. Ash, P. O. Box 40, Ottawa, KS 66067, 785-242-7450, ext 7100 or shescott@eckan.org.

There are several levels of sponsorship available for the event. A flyer and registration form are available at www.eckan.org.

Koontz to have 100th birthday

Fern Hodgson Hosley Koontz will be 100 years old on March 28, 2014.

She was born and raised on the family farm near LaCygne. She taught school and then married James Hosley of Moran.

She has two daughters, Sandra Sheffer, San Dimas, Calif.; and Karen Barrett, Littleton, Colo.; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

After Jim's death in 1961, she became a housemother at Kansas State University then was married to Arther Allen,

Topeka, for 25 years.

Fern had brothers, Owen, Warren, John, Emmett, Paul and Lee Hodgson, all deceased.

After moving to Littleton, Colo., she was reunited with her former high school sweetheart, Don Koontz, Garnett, and they were married. Fern was 89 and Don was 90. Don lived to be more than 100, dying in 2011.

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Notice to sell Lile property

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, March 25, 2014)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Anderson County, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

CitiMortgage, Inc. Plaintiff,

vs. Leon A. Lile, et al. Defendants,

Case No. 13CV53 Court No.

Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. § 60

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Anderson County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the west side entrance of the Anderson County Courthouse, Kansas, on April 16, 2014 at the time of 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

LOTS TEN (10) AND ELEVEN (11) IN BLOCK SEVENTY (70) IN THE CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS, ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS. EXCEPT THE EAST 4 1/2 FEET OF SAID LOT ELEVEN (11). BEING THE SAME PREMISES CONVEYED TO LEON LILE AND

KATHY M. LILE, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON, WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, FROM LINDA L. RIBLETT, A SINGLE PERSON, A WARRANTY DEED DATED 4/6/1987 AND RECORDED 5/5/1987 IN BOOK 139, PAGE 243 IN THE ANDERSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE.

Tax ID No. 1-00215240, Commonly known as 425 W 7th Ave., Garnett, KS 66032 ("the Property") MS151266

to satisfy the judgment in the above entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court.

Anderson County Sheriff MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC
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ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC AS ATTORNEYS FOR CitiMortgage, Inc. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

mr25t3

Notice of weed control

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, March 25, 2014)

GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS

The Kansas Noxious Weed Law K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq requires all persons who own or supervise land in Kansas to control and eradicate all weeds declared noxious by legislative action. The weeds declared noxious are: Field Bindweed, Musk Thistle, Sericea Lespedeza, Johnson Grass, Bur Ragweed, Canada Thistle Leafy Spurge, Hoary Cress, Quack Grass, Russian Knapweed, Kudzu and Pignut.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Kansas Noxious Weed Law to every person who owns or supervises land in Anderson County that noxious weeds growing or found on such land shall be controlled and eradicated. Control is defined as preventing the production of viable seed and the vegetative spread of the plant. Failure to observe this notice may result in the County:

1: Serving a legal notice requiring control of the noxious weeds within a minimum of

five days. Failure to control the noxious weeds within the time period allowed may result in the county treating the noxious weed at the landowners expense and placing a lien on the property if the bill is not paid within 30 days.

2: Filing criminal charges for non-compliance. Conviction for non-compliance may result in a fine of \$100 per day of non-compliance with a maximum fine of \$1500.

The public is also hereby notified that it is a violation of the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to barter, sell or give away infested nursery stock or livestock feed unless the feed is fed on the farm where grown or sold to a commercial processor that will destroy the viability of the noxious weed seed. Custom harvesting machines must be labeled with a label provided by the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture and must be free of all weed seed and litter when entering the State and when leaving a field infested with noxious weed. Additional information may be obtained from the Anderson County Noxious Weed Department or by contacting the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture, 109 SW 9th, Topeka, KS 66612

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Notice to settle Burcham estate

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, March 18, 2014)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPHINE CHLORALEE BURCHAM, a/k/a CHLORALEE D. BURCHAM, Deceased Case No. 14-PR-5

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Larry A Drake, nominated executor of what is alleged to be decedent's last will and testament, praying that the said will dated January 3, 2011, and an oral statement in the manner of a nuncupative will with respect to her memorial contributions and her Edward D. Jones account, both filed with the petition, be admitted to probate and record; and that petitioner be appointed executor without bond; and that petitioner be granted letters testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 9th day of April, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the District Court, Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the later of either (i) four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law or (ii) thirty days after actual notice was given as provided by law to those creditors whose identity is known or reasonably ascertainable; and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

LARRY A. DRAKE
Petitioner

Terry J. Solander #027280
503 So. Oak St. - P.O. Box 348
Garnett, KS 66032-0348
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Attorney for Petitioner

mr18t3

Notice to settle Stifter estate

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, March 11, 2014)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN L. STIFTER, Deceased. Case No. 14-PR4

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Roy A. Stifter, nominated executor of what is alleged to be decedent's last will and testament, praying that the said will dated December 23, 2013, filed with the petition, be admitted to probate and record; and that petitioner be appointed executor without bond; and that petitioner be granted letters testamentary.

defenses thereto on or before the 2nd day of April, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the District Court, Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the later of either (i) four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law or (ii) thirty days after actual notice was given as provided by law to those creditors whose identity is known or reasonably ascertainable; and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

ROY A. STIFTER
Petitioner

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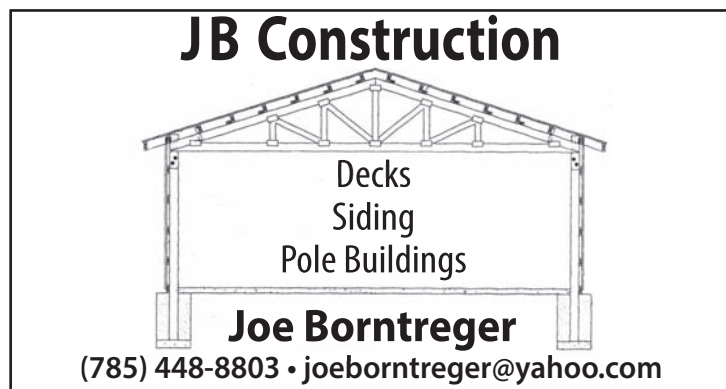
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Workers were busy Saturday, March 15, adding a ramp and steps onto the Anderson County Hospital Family Care Center trailer located west of Colony's GSSB bank on Pine Street. The clinic will open in the near future.

Crest board hears from parents

Calendar

April 2-Lions Club, United Methodist Church basement, 7 p.m.; fire meeting, fire barn, 7 p.m.

School Calendar

March 31-Middle School Scholar's Bowl at Crest, 4 p.m. (League)

Meal Site

March 28-hamburger or fish, potato wedges, sliced tomato, bun, pineapple; 31-smothered steak, pea salad, mashed potatoes, bread, pineapple tidbits. Phone 620-852-3450 for meal reservations. For Prescription Drug Program, phone Area Agency at Ottawa 800-633-5421.

Christian Church

Scripture presented March 16 was I Thessalonians 1. Pastor Mark McCoy's sermon "Refreshing the Vision". Church potluck dinner and meeting April 6, Men's Bible study, Tuesday mornings, 7 a.m. Cross Training classes for all ages, 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings.

WWCWC

The Working Wonders Christian Women's Council met March 12 with seven members attending.

Christy McGhee opened with prayer. Bev Wittmer served refreshments. Roll call was answered by naming their favorite dress. Danelle McGhee presented devotions by Julie Clinton, "Power of Perspective". The group discussed having a wedding shower for Dustin Smart and Rochelle McGhee. The theme from Ephesians 4:32 - "Planting Seed of Kindness" was selected for the May 5 Spring Banquet. Jobs were appointed for the banquet. Request for prayers were stated. Genna Gallaher closed with prayer.

COLONY NEWS



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Colony Diner

A grand opening was held Tuesday March 18 for the Colony Community Diner and Convenience. Tacos were served which will continue to be served each Tuesday. Daily they will offer broasted chicken and grandma's dinner will be served each Sunday as always.

Hours are - Monday thru Thursday 6 a.m. until 7 p.m.; Friday and Saturday- 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday 6 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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BOE

Sandra Hardwick was present at the March 10 meeting of the Crest board of education with some parent concerns. Resignations were accepted from Levi Arnett, Vo-Ag teacher and Chris Dvorak, English teacher to become effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. It was voted not to make up the two missed snow days. Two executive sessions were held for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Superintendent Jerry Turner congratulated the boys and girls' high school basketball teams for placing second at the sub-state tournament. He reported the gym floor would be refinished this summer for

a cost of \$1269. The high school forensics team has had some competitions. Elementary Principal Richard Burkdoll reported students will take state assessments in April and the PTO will provide snacks. Middle school scholar's bowl team has had one competition and Crest will host the league scholar's bowl meet on March 31. The staff had in-service on the new evaluation system - KEEP. The PTO sponsored an all school assembly on reptiles Feb. 27 and began their pizza fundraiser on March 14.

March 12 and 13 special meetings of the board of education were held for the purpose of executive sessions meeting with candidates applying for the superintendent's position. Jerry Turner resigned to take the Superintendent job at West Franklin in Pomona. He will leave in June.

April Celebrations

Anniversaries-April 3-Morris and Allene Luedke; 11-Robert and Charlotte Swift; 24-Maynard and Ila Belvoir. Birthdays-2-Jane Ward; 7-Rochelle McGhee; 9-Doris Moore; 11-Larry Ward; 13-Susan Luedke; 22-Christy McGhee; 14-Gabe Berry; 25-Noah Ashmore; 26-Maynard Belvoir; 28-Brant McGhee; Taylor Lane Davis; 29-Roger Oswald

Around Town

The lot of the late Robert and Ruth Luedke has been sold to Margaret Chambers and Judy Henderson.

The building of Jeanie Ray's Colony Foods is now under construction. Roof and sides are up. Inside to the left of the entrance she will have produce displayed, to the right the dining area and back left will be the kitchen.

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Elk business works for local families

BY VICKIE MOSS

THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT – The recovery of the elk industry has been good news for two Garnett area elk farms, and illustrates the diversity of the industry.

Valley View Elk Farm and Southfork Elk Ranch are two successful elk farmers in Anderson County, and both say there elk farmers need to take advantages of a variety of markets in order to make the business work.

Elk can provide business opportunities in a variety of ways, from selling breeding stock to selling trophy hunting animals. They're also known for the medicinal properties harvesting the velvet in elk antlers, believed to reduce inflammation caused by arthritis and other muscle ailments. And elk meat is known for its leanness, making it a very popular choice for people who enjoy eating red meat but don't want a lot of fat.

Rachelle Miller with Valley View Elk Farm, west of Garnett, said the business must take advantage of all the available markets.

"We had to diversify to make it all work," she said.

Valley View has about 130 elk on about 100 acres with multiple high-

fenced enclosures. The farm sells meat at farmers markets in Garnett and Ottawa, and said those sales have been very successful. They also sell the meat to a dealer who offers it for sale at Beto Junction.

"When we got into the elk business, it really wasn't for the meat. That has evolved so now we are doing quite a bit of meat selling," she said. "Elk meat is very low in fat so it's good for people who are looking for a healthier diet but still want red meat."

Southfork owner Kenny Lowe said his farm also sells elk meat to a wholesale dealer. The farm has about 20 animals with 91 acres of high-fenced land.

Both Valley View and Southfork are family businesses. Valley View started in 1996 with Everett Miller and his son, Rodney, and Rodney's wife, Rachelle. At Southfork, Kenny Lowe's father-in-law, Gerald Miller, (no relation to the other elk farmers) was one of the first elk breeders in Kansas, starting his elk farm in 1995. Lowe took over the business in 2008 after his father-in-law died.

"At first, we were just going to feed them and take care of them. The more we did it, the more I enjoyed it," Lowe



Valley View Elk Farm, west of Garnett just off K-31, is home to about 130 elk.



The elk industry has rebounded from a rough patch in the mid- to late-2000s, farm owner Kenny Lowe said. These elk hang out at his family's farm, Southfork Elk Ranch, about five miles south of Garnett.

said.

Farm-raised elk and deer is part of the cervid industry and contribute about \$4 billion in economic impact in the U.S., according to the Kansas Cervid Breeders Association. Domestic elk and deer have been raised in Kansas since 1985, and the Kansas Department of Agriculture has regulated the industry since 1993.

In addition to meat sales, many people are familiar with dietary supplements made with velvet from elk antlers. The velvet comes from new antlers; elk lose and regrow their antlers each year. The velvet is sold by the pound and used to make dietary supplements to ease inflammation caused by arthritis and similar ailments. Rachelle Miller said their farm sends the elk to a company that pools elk from across the U.S. and ships it to Asian countries like China. Valley View also sells dietary supplements made from elk velvet, but she purchases those supplements from

an Idaho company. The products are sold as capsules, liquids or lotions.

Both Valley View and Southfork also sell breeding stock, and they sell trophy bucks to companies that organize high-fenced, open hunting. Trophy hunting at elk ranches across the U.S. has become big business, Lowe said.

Although the cervid industry hit a rough patch economically in the mid-to late-2000s, the industry has recovered well, Lowe said.

"This is an exciting time to be an elk breeder," he said.

Although the elk business primarily consists of four major markets – meat, velvet, breeding and trophy hunting – Valley View also has capitalized on another, lesser known market: tourism. In the past couple of years, the farm has hosted numerous groups of tourists. That's another exciting aspect to the business, Rachelle Miller said.

"We just about have to do all of it to make it work," she said.

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Garden center offers rural shopping option

BY VICKIE MOSS

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KINCAID – Lisa Preston got tired of making 30-minute trips to the store just for something small, like gardening tools or seeds. After her small greenhouse was destroyed by wind, she saw the opportunity not only to rebuild but also to give others in her community a local shopping option for garden supplies.

Preston's Prairie Garden Center began last year after she had to replace her small greenhouse.

"When we looked at putting in a new one, it kind of snowballed," she said.

The business offers a variety of plants, trees and shrubs, but also provides seeds, chemicals, tools and landscaping supplies. Preston said she wanted to provide something that could meet the needs of Kincaid area residents, who typically must travel at least 30 miles in any direction to meet the bulk of their shopping needs.

The first year of the business was a learning experience, she said.

"I learned you can't make everybody happy, but you can try and have what they need," she said.

She credits area experts in business and agriculture for helping her learn and promote. Anderson County Extension, for example, provided education not only to help her with the business but also to help her customers.

Although she sees a variety of customers with a variety of needs, Preston notes that younger people are curious about gardening but typically don't have a lot of experience.

"I was raised around gardening, but a lot of people in my generation weren't," she said. "K-State Research and Extension was great at answering some of those questions that to me seem simple and basic, like how deep do you plant a bean seed."

Preston said her favorite time of year is Mother's Day because she enjoys watching dads bring their kids



Preston's Prairie Garden Center near Kincaid is in its second year of operation.

to the shop to pick out something for Mom. She also started a Mother's Day program with local churches. She helps the churches provide a small planted flower as a gift to moms at church.

She said she focuses on offering plants and trees that are grown in the area. Often, people order plants or flowers from a catalogue and are disappointed because they find out the plant doesn't grow well in the diverse weather conditions of Kansas.

"Even though we may live in the middle of nowhere, people still like to plant flowers," she said.

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K-State researchers developing wheat resistant to yield-robbing mites, diseases

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Sometimes the best defense is a good offense. Following that logic, researchers at Kansas State University are building a defense against pests and diseases that attack wheat by identifying plants that carry natural resistance to those pests and diseases with an eye toward developing varieties for Kansas that carry those resistance traits.

The wheat curl mite, known to scientists as *Aceria tosichella* Keifer, is a tiny, white pest, whose size belies its ability to wreak havoc through the diseases it carries into wheat fields.

Many wheat varieties are well suited to grow in Kansas in other ways, but none are resistant to the wheat curl mite and the diseases it vectors -- Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus, Triticum Mosaic Virus and Wheat Mosaic Virus, formerly known as High Plains Virus, said K-State entomology professor, Mike Smith. He and a team of researchers are studying wheat varieties grown in other areas that naturally resist the mite and the viruses it carries.

“We have identified plants with resistance to the wheat curl mite and two of the diseases it carries – wheat streak mosaic virus and High Plains virus and have now developed what’s called an advanced breeding line, that will result in a new variety of wheat that carries resistance to the mite and those two viruses,” said Smith, who is a lead researcher on the project.

“This is not GMO wheat,” he said, referring to the practice of taking genes from one species and incorporating them into another, resulting in a genetically-modified organism. “This is done with genes that already exist in wheat. There is nothing transgenic or GMO about this.”

By developing varieties that resist pests and diseases, scientists can protect Kansas wheat, reduce or eliminate the need for pesticides, and increase producer profits, he said.

The project is funded by the Kansas Wheat Commission and Kansas Wheat Alliance.

Other K-State lead researchers involved are Wen-Po Chuang, post-doctoral research associate in entomology; Anna Whitfield, associate professor of plant pathology; and wheat breeder Allan Fritz, professor of agronomy. Scientists at Oklahoma State University, the University of Nebraska, and Texas A&M University are cooperating on the project.

At stake in Kansas alone, is a crop with a cash value of \$2.9 billion (2012), according to Kansas Wheat. The cash value of Kansas wheat exports (sold outside the U.S.) was \$1.5 billion.

“There is no chemical control for

the curl mite or any of these viruses,” Smith said. “With no control, Kansas producers are losing \$20 million to \$30 million a year due to these mites and viruses.”

“There are lines in other states that have resistance to the mite or resistance to some of the viruses, but not both,” Smith said. “This is a unique line that we’re developing.”

“We are using the mite- and virus-resistant plants in crosses that will be submitted to HPI to make doubled haploids,” said Fritz, who added that doubled haploids involve a new technique that allows researchers to cut time for development of a variety from 11 years to six or seven years. He referred to Heartland Plant Innovations, a collaboration of Kansas Wheat, Kansas State University, the University of Kansas, and private investors, working to develop technologies for gene discovery, trait validation and crop improvement.

“That will allow us to rapidly combine the resistances with other traits, such as more durable resistance to the rust diseases. It’s an important step toward delivering varieties that protect producers from losses due to wheat streak,” Fritz said.

The K-State team will plant field

plots near Salina this year to make sure what they’re seeing in the greenhouse and lab holds true.

Another bit of good news for wheat growers is that preliminary data show that some Hessian fly resistance genes also have resistance to wheat curl mite damage.

The next step, Smith said, will be for Fritz’s group to determine the yield potential and quality of the grain in the new breeding line. That will likely take two to three years as the seed becomes available and is planted in various parts of the state.

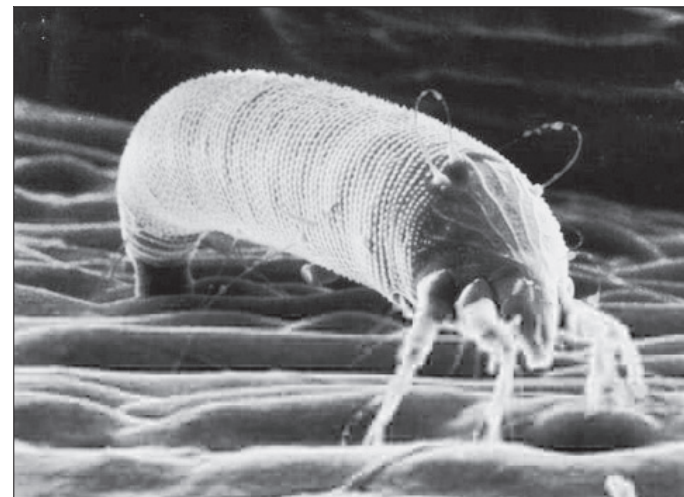
“There are 300 different soil types in Kansas alone,” he said, adding that soil type is just one of many variables that affects how a wheat variety performs. Planting date, moisture and temperature through the crop year are among the many other variables.

“Our next and final step is to nail down resistance to the Triticum mosaic

virus,” Smith said, adding that he’s optimistic the team will be successful, but that the odds of finding it in the lines with resistance to the mite and the other two viruses are reduced.

“It’s not unreasonable to think that in three or four years, we’ll have a new variety that is resistant to this mite and the diseases it carries,” Smith said.

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Kansas Farm Bureau President to retire in December

MANHATTAN – After serving on Kansas Farm Bureau’s board of directors for 17 years, Ottawa County farmer Steve Baccus has announced he will retire Dec. 3, 2014. Baccus served as vice president of the organization for five years and has served as president of the organization since 2002.

“Farm Bureau has been my life for a long time,” Baccus says. “There is nothing better than working for the farmers and ranchers of Kansas Farm Bureau. My wife, Pat, and I have had long conversations about this, and together we have decided now is the time.”

“Steve has been an outstanding president,” said KFB CEO and General Counsel Terry Holdren. “His leadership on behalf of our members can be seen in the strength and respect KFB enjoys across the state. The state of Kansas, and our farmers and ranchers, have benefited from his hard work.”

Baccus began his Farm Bureau leadership role as president of

Ottawa County Farm Bureau. He was the 1992 KFB District Leader of the Year and in 1996 Baccus and his family received the District Farm Family of the Year award. He is a past member of the KFB Natural and Environmental Resources Committee and a past member of the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) Wheat Advisory and Grain Quality Advisory committees.

In January 2004, Baccus was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation, where he has worked to set policy and direction for the leading agriculture advocacy organization in the nation.

Baccus also served as Chairman of the Board of Farm Bureau Mutual Holding Company, Farm Bureau Property and Casualty Insurance Company and Western Agricultural Insurance Company. He also served on the boards of the Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, its parent company, FBL Financial Group, The American Agricultural Insurance

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Steps to Improve Cow Herd Efficiency

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Business owners are often challenged to find time to sit down, analyze data, and strategize to make their business more profitable and successful. A beef cow/calf operation is one such business, and improving feed efficiency is a main profit-driver.

Bob Weaber, beef breeding, genetics and cow/calf specialist for K-State Research and Extension, said feed efficiency is converting pounds of feed resources, whether that is a concentrated diet in a feedlot or a diet of range and pasture forage, into pounds of calf gain.

“Feed costs are associated with about 60 to 70 percent of total beef production costs,” Weaber said. “A large chunk of those are realized in a feedlot, but it’s also important to think about feed efficiency on the cow side.”

Fed cattle only account for 30 percent of the total calories consumed in the entire beef sector, he said. Ignoring the cow/calf side of the beef production system, which consumes the remaining 70 percent of the total calories, means producers are missing a great opportunity to not only change feed costs, but also improve efficiency, sustainability and the impact of the beef production system on the environment.

Knowing inputs and outputs

Cattle in the commercial feedlot are easy to evaluate for feed efficiency, Weaber said. On a pen-wide basis, feedlot managers know how much feed the cattle consume, as every feed truck is weighed, and cattle owners



Improving feed efficiency is a main area of focus for beef cattle farmers and ranchers to become more profitable. Cow/calf efficiency is especially important, as cow/calf production accounts for 70 percent of the total calories consumed in the entire beef sector.

are billed accordingly.

“We know how much the cattle cost going into the feedlot and how much they weighed,” he said. “We know what the value is when they leave the feedlot in terms of grid value, carcass merit, live weight or other output measurement. That’s easy to capture.”

Understanding efficiency at the cow/calf level is a much more complicated issue, Weaber said.

“We don’t measure how much for-

age they consume,” he said. “We have a fixed land mass typically in owned or rented pasture that provides the bulk of calories our animals consume. We can only measure hay allocation and supplemental feed as addi-

tional inputs.”

To calculate efficiency in feedlots, managers often use the feed conversion ratio, a measure of an animal’s feed intake to gain, or its reciprocal,

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Sorghum research could extend water resources

The extreme heat and drought of 2011 and 2012 took a heavy toll on summer crops in most of Kansas. Just ask western Kansas producer Greg Graff from Wichita County.

The dryland crops produced nothing. Only irrigated sorghum came close to a normal yield.

“Nothing really worked on dryland acres around here in 2012, not even grain sorghum — which can usually withstand dry weather pretty well,” Graff said in early fall. “On irrigated ground, the grain sorghum looks relatively good, at least compared to corn.”

This is not surprising, Graff said. Compared to corn or soybeans, the other major summer row crops in the region, grain sorghum requires less water to produce a decent yield and handles stress better. No other crop makes such efficient use of available water and consistently generates income as a cash crop under such a wide range of soils and weather conditions, he said.

So why has grain sorghum acreage lagged behind corn and soybean acreage under full and limited irrigation in Kansas? Three big reasons, according to Graff: limited top-end yield potential, limited options for controlling summer annual grasses, and a price spread that favors corn over grain sorghum.

A strong K-State Research and Extension program in grain sorghum is vital, Graff said.

“Farmers in Kansas are relying on our K-State sorghum breeders, Ramasamy Perumal in Hays and Tesfaye Tesso in Manhattan, to continue emphasizing higher yields,” Graff said. “Right now, we can get maximum sorghum yields of about 170 to 180 bushels per acre on 12 to 14 inches of water. If we could get 220 bushels per acre on that same amount of water, that would make sorghum roughly as profitable as growing corn on 18 to 24 inches of water.”

After that, sorghum yields need to increase by 2 to 3 percent a year to keep pace with increases in corn yields, he added.

The goal is not to entirely replace irrigated corn with grain sorghum, but to make grain sorghum more of an equal partner with corn under irrigation.

“As a western Kansas farmer, I’d like to have a cropping system choice of corn, sorghum, and wheat under irrigation instead of just corn and

wheat, but wheat and sorghum currently are not as profitable as corn,” he explained. “That would allow us to extend the available water in the aquifer, make better use of planting and harvesting equipment through the season, and allow us to reduce our risk of crop failure because of weather extremes and stress.”

In addition to efforts to increase yields through plant breeding trials, K-State researchers have made

other important contributions recently to grain sorghum profitability, Graff added:

- Herbicide-resistant sorghum technology will help with in-season grass control in sorghum.
- Nitrogen fertilizer management research allows producers to reduce nitrogen use while maintaining yields.
- Improved stalk quality will support the weight of higher yields.

• Greater cold tolerance would allow sorghum producers to plant earlier and use longer season hybrids than they currently grow and increase yields.

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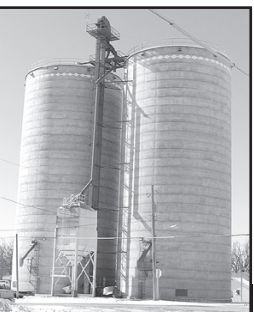


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gross feed efficiency, Weaber said. Cow/calf producers, on the other hand, should collect enough records to be able to calculate weaning weight per cow exposed to measure efficiency. This provides producers with the output of their cow herd relative to the calories that the cows exposed to a bull consumed. It shows producers how the cows are working not individually, but as a system.

"For most producers in Kansas and across the country who sell calves at weaning time, weaning weight is the targeted end point," he said. "The nice thing about weaning weight per cow exposed is that it captures all sensitive areas that have an impact on productivity in your cow/calf operation—fertility, conception rate and ability for cows to re-breed. It is a function of how many cows you turned out with bulls and the net effect the management decisions made to realize a marketable product."

Understanding feed efficiency tools and concepts

Weaber and several of his colleagues are working on a beef feed efficiency project and completed a nationwide survey of beef cow/calf producers, seedstock producers and feedlot operators in 2013, to gauge producers' understanding of a wide variety of feed efficiency and genetic concepts.

One of the most surprising things, Weaber said, was that only about one-third of the cow-calf producer respondents could correctly identify the proper definition of feed conversion ratio or the measure of feed efficiency.

Producers also answered questions about methods historically used by the beef industry to improve the feed efficiency of growing animals. Slightly more than 50 percent of cow/calf producers correctly identified increased growth rate or average daily gain (ADG) as the genetic tool used by the U.S. beef industry to improve feed efficiency of growing animals.

Slightly more than half of the respondents were not aware of any consequence to the cow herd resulting from selection for increased growth rate. About 13 percent responded that there were no harmful effects, and only about 10 percent correctly identified that selection for increased ADG results in potentially higher maintenance cows with larger mature weights and leaner body composition.

When asked about other measures of efficiency, only 16 percent of producers were familiar with residual, or net, feed intake (RFI), and 14 percent had heard of residual average daily gain (RADG).

"We have lots of work to do in the industry to help producers understand conventional measures of feed efficiency or transformation of data into measures of metabolic size, feed intake or growth rate, such as RFI or RADG," Weaber said. "We also need to help them understand how to use those tools in selection strategies."

Breed association national cattle evaluation programs are beginning to report efficiency-related expected progeny differences (EPDs) that producers can use in cattle selection. For a long time, the strong genetic association of feed intake and gain performance has been understood in the beef industry, he said, as it's somewhere around 0.75 or 0.80.

In addition to the RADG EPD published by the American Angus Association, other EPDs and value indexes are emerging to differentiate animals for growth efficiency. For determining maintenance efficiency on the cow side, \$EN (cow energy value) in Angus or the maintenance energy EPD in Red Angus are examples. These can help producers select sires of replacement females that represent lower maintenance energy costs and a more moderate mature size and lactation potential.

Matching animals to their environment

Along with knowing the genetic selection tools available for improving efficiency, producers should also understand the difference between

maintenance requirements versus maintenance efficiency in the cow herd.

"Maintenance efficiency in a cow perspective is how animals differ in their ability to use consumed nutrients, and right now in the beef sector we don't have a very good way to measure that on an individual animal basis," Weaber said. "So that means selection to change that would be difficult."

A more appropriate strategy, he said, is making sure maintenance requirements match a producer's forage environment. Cow size and milk production are both moderate to highly heritable traits, and EPDs can help producers select for cows that are more optimally matched to their production environment. For many producers, that will mean selecting lower milking cows with more moderate or smaller mature weights, as they will likely have fewer maintenance requirements.

"We can affect cow size and lactation potential in the next calf crop by using appropriate selection strategies," Weaber said. "If we think about the nutrient requirement between a 1,000-lb. cow and a 1,400-lb. cow for maintenance of bodyweight, there's about a 27 percent difference. If we look at the difference between a low milk, 10-lb. peak lactation cow versus a 30-lb. peak lactation cow, that's another 16 percent change in nutrient

requirements."

Together, that is more than a 40 percent difference in maintenance requirements between small, low-milk cows and large, high-milk cows. On a caloric basis, that's about a ton of corn equivalent per cow, he said.

"If you think about how energy-dense corn is, think about the required difference in nutrient consumption if you were feeding prairie hay," Weaber said. "The difference is massive."

Producers should strive to hit the optimum level of how many cows and calves they have relative to their access of native, standing forage, he said. Not having to feed a lot of harvested forage can really change the profitability of an operation.

Crossbreeding also helps improve cow herd efficiency by improving weaning weights of calves and especially traits with low heritability, such as fertility and longevity, Weaber said. System efficiency improvements across the whole cow herd inventory due to crossbreeding can be realized in three to five years depending on the replacement rate in the herd.

For more information on the effects of crossbreeding on production efficiency, production system constraints and breeding systems, Weaber recommends the National Beef Cattle Education Consortium's Beef Sire Selection Manual available online.

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How current issues affect cattle feed efficiency

With recent years of drought hopefully behind them, many beef cattle producers are focused on rebuilding herd numbers. Selection of replacement females and herd sires for efficiency could help producers' bottom line.

Bob Weaber, beef breeding, genetics and cow/calf specialist for K-State Research and Extension, said producers should consider separating their breeding decisions by selecting bulls to keep replacement females out of versus the bulls they are targeting for calves to go to the marketplace.

He calls this the "maternal-terminal decision point."

"I think for many commercial producers, it's becoming more and more difficult to find bulls that do everything great in terms of producing both replacement females and improving calf performance to a terminal endpoint," Weaber said. "If you are a moderate to large-sized producer, I think it will become more important and easier to start separating those breeding decisions."

Purchasing gender-sorted semen to target replacement female produc-

tion and using different semen for more terminally focused progeny is another solution, he said. This might help a producer be more competitive.

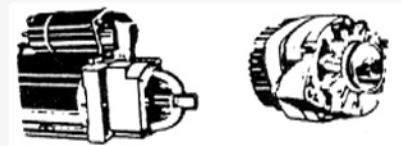
"Unfortunately, one of the downsides of being in a profitable phase of cow/calf production is producers take their eye off that ball," Weaber said. "We've had record high calf prices, and we probably will the next few years. So, their interest in dialing in their cost of production and changing those costs are maybe not quite as forefront in their minds as they were a couple of years ago when we had \$8 corn."

As beef supply goes down, he said, the price of beef products will go up in the marketplace, and the industry is hopeful that consumers will still want beef products. As the industry grows, pricing scenarios change.

"More competitive producers will survive, and those who aren't competitive won't," Weaber said. "Efficiency plays a big role in determining ranch or farm-level profitability."

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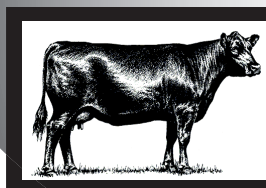
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Funds still available to improve Kansas windbreaks, streamside forests

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Kansas landowners now have until April 18 to apply for cost-share funds to restore or enhance windbreaks and streamside forests, also called riparian forests. The funding is available through the 2014 Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative (CCPI).

This newly-extended deadline means the \$684,000 earmarked for Kansas' 2014 projects is still available for qualified landowners, said Bob Atchison, rural forestry coordinator for the Kansas Forest Service.

"As a USDA initiative, the CCPI can address all kinds of natural resource needs associated with agricultural lands. Landowner participation is both voluntary and competitive. The projects also can be ambitious enough to take more than one funding year," Atchison said.

CCPI forestry funds can cover the

majority of costs for establishing riparian plantings and for improving or renovating windbreaks, forests and woodlands, he said. The costs can include using heavy equipment to remove unhealthy trees, planting quality trees and shrubs, controlling weeds, and installing protective fencing or a micro-drip irrigation system.

"For Kansas, the initiative couldn't come at a better time," Atchison said. "The state's needs are becoming critical, in terms of our having healthy, mature trees in place – not only to preserve our soil resources but also to protect our water resources. Increasing pressures on our natural resources have been leaving us in an increasingly vulnerable place."

The CCPI is part of the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). Landowners apply for CCPI-EQIP funds at the Natural

Resource Conservation Service office in their local U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center. NRCS offices can take applications at any time. Applications that miss a particular year's deadline simply go into the next fiscal year's selection pool.

More information about the forestry initiative is available at the Kansas Forest Service by clicking on Rural Forestry and then Financial Assistance Programs or by calling the Kansas Forest Service at 785-532-3310 or e-mailing atchison@ksu.edu.

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