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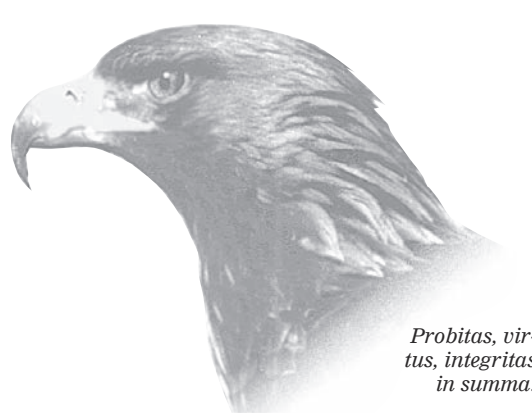


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Longtime educator and current Second District Anderson County Commissioner Jerry Howarter accepts the USD 365's Kellstadt Family Hall of Fame Award from namesake Kenny Kellstadt during Friday's basketball game with Iola. In its second year, the annual award is made to individuals in or from the local area who have made outstanding contributions to volunteer service and have succeeded at local regional or international endeavors.

## 'Person of interest' in 2018 home fire still evades investigators

**More than a year after arson fire, fire marshal can't find individual**

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT – State and local law enforcement have so far been unable to track down a person of interest in the November 2018 arson fire that damaged the home of Carl Maley east of Garnett.

Anderson County Sheriff Vern Valentine said last week both his department's efforts and those of the Kansas Fire Marshal's office had come up empty in trying to locate the individual for questioning. He said the formal state report on the incident was received last week.

Valentine said the lack of a direct connection between the individual and the incident made it problematic to proceed in a normal course with the investigation.

"When a person is just a person of interest, we are unable to get a (arrest) warrant in order to attempt to find or locate," Valentine said. "There is no real evidence that this person set a fire – just that he was in the area."

Valentine said the available information for probable cause in cases like this rarely convince judges to issue warrants.

County fire chief Mick Brinkmeyer listed the cause of the fire as incendiary and was contained to the kitchen and utility room with smoke and water damage to the rest of the home. There were no injuries.

The person of interest in the incident reportedly told family members he did not plan to stay in the area long, and was trying to find transportation north even before the blaze occurred, Valentine said.

A Kansas Bureau of Investigation report from last

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## Local impact of Southern Star project in the millions for area

**Project still awaiting federal approval, may get started in February**

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

WELDA – A gas pipeline replacement project that could bring as much as \$5 million in economic impact to Anderson County is still awaiting approval from federal regulators before it can break ground early in 2020.

Documents filed last year with the federal register and updated in September 2019 showed a projected environmental assessment authorization deadline of December 9 for the Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline project, which will install some 32 miles of new gas line from Welda to Ottawa and remove two existing lines. Tyler McClure, communications specialist with SSCGP, said last week the authorization from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission would likely take until January of next year.

"We're still waiting for approval," McClure told the

Anderson County - Most Affected Sectors	
Lodging	\$2,186,000
Restaurants	\$1,410,000
General Retail	\$185,700
Management Services	\$100,500
Fuel Retail	\$96,500
Hospitals	\$96,200

Kansas - Most Affected Sectors	
Construction	\$41,387,000
Lodging	\$4,485,000
Restaurants	\$3,537,000
Industrial machinery repair	\$1,628,000
Real estate	\$1,202,000
Hospitals	\$892,000
State Government	\$572,000
Retail	\$453,000

Economic impact study prepared by Kleinhenz & Associates.

Review in an email on Friday. "We hope to get FERC approval by mid-January, and begin construction in February."

The \$145 million project will have both temporary and lasting economic impacts on the area, according to economic projections provided by

Southern Star. Those projections show some \$2.1 million in estimated lodging business for local providers and about \$1.4 million in additional restaurant business from workers on the project.

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## USD 365 sees higher costs for proposed facility projects

GARNETT – USD 365 will take a slower approach to a number of planned facilities and equipment upgrades after reviewing cost estimates last week.

Superintendent Don Blome told board members estimates from architect and building firms had outpaced preliminary estimates he'd prepared previously, and that the dis-

trict would most likely have to scale back or stretch out the investment plan over more years.

"My estimates were based on previous discussions with architects," Blome said. "Nabholz's are based on what they are seeing in the region for present construction cost."

Preliminary estimates for

16 separate projects in the district spread out over three years were initially pegged at some \$2.8 million, but Nabholz Construction estimates for those jobs came in at around \$5.5 million, Blome told board members. Chief among those was a proposal to enclose the

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## You get an income tax credit; Businesses get help starting up

TOPEKA – Does the end of the year have you looking for donation options to ease your tax burden, and would you like to get a tax credit while helping build businesses in Kansas?

Anderson County Economic Development Executive Director Julie Turnipseed is reminding local residents in that position that donations to the Kansas Center for Entrepreneurship might just fit that bill.

Through a special state development program, those

looking for income tax credits can donate money to a special fund set up in the state to assist people starting commercial businesses.

"The money donated to the Kansas Center for Entrepreneurship will provide funding for entrepreneurship programs and matching loans," Turnipseed said in a press release.

Donors receive a 75% state income tax credit for their donation. A tax credit is a dollar-for-dollar credit against state income tax liability. This means that for

every \$1,000 donated, donors will receive \$750 credit off their state income tax liability.

Donors are also eligible to receive a federal and state tax deduction and should consult with their individual tax specialist to determine the amount of any deductions.

Those eligible to donate are individuals, financial institutions (banks and savings and loans) and corporations can donate to the Kansas Center for Entrepreneurship.

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Garnett Elementary 3rd and 4th graders held their winter concert. Pictured are 4th graders playing their flutes. Front row, from left: Braxton Williams, Aubree Ferguson, Kaylee Kummer, Landon Beddo. 2nd row, from left: Jaydie Combs, Julilah Felman, Maliah Brewer-Velvic, Michael Stewart. 3rd row, from left: Max Sims, Braden Gillespie, Malakai Goetz.

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## VFW BREAKFAST

VFW Post 6397 breakfast will be Sunday, December 15th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Biscuits and gravy, Belgian waffles, bacon, sausage & eggs will be served.

## HOLIDAY TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

The City of Garnett asks residents and businesses to be aware of the upcoming trash routing schedules for the next two holiday weeks. The week of Christmas: Monday and Tuesday, December 23 and 24 trash routes will run on normal schedule. Wednesday, December 25 trash route will receive service on Thursday. Thursday and Friday, December 26 and 27 routes will be picked up on Friday. The week of New Year's Day: Monday and Tuesday, December 30 and 31 trash routes will run on normal schedule. Wednesday, January 1 trash route will receive service on Thursday. Thursday and Friday, January 2 and 3 routes will be picked up on Friday.

## MODEL T FORD CLUB

The Kansas East Central Kansas Model T Ford Club, ECKT'S, a chapter of the National Model T Ford Club of America, will hold their last meeting of this year at noon, Saturday, December 14, at "Model-T Haven", home of the Freimillers" located at 2033 Nebraska Rd. Iola, Kansas. The main entrees will be catered. Members are asked to bring a salad, dessert or other side dish to compliment our Christmas meal. Please dress in period clothing for the occasion if you wish. After the meal a short meeting and election of officers for 2020 will be held. If you have not made your reservation, please call Karen Redding at 785-733-2124, for a head count for the caterer. Remember, you're always welcome to bring a friend.

## SENIOR CENTER IN SEARCH OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

The Garnett Senior Center is seeking donations of used medical equipment such as: walkers, wheelchairs, scooters, beds, shower chairs, etc. You may drop off at the center from 9:30-1:30, Mon-Fri or call 448-6996 for the item to be picked up.

## SUICIDE AWARENESS GROUP 1ST TUESDAYS

SAM - Suicide Awareness Members, a division of SASS-MoKan - meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 at the Anderson County Hospital Conference Room A&B located at 421 S. Maple in Garnett. The facilitator is Lu Ann Nichols, who may be reached at lu.ann.nichols.1956@gmail.com.

## KS-VINE AVAILABLE

Kansas VINE: Victim Information & Notification Everyday (KS-VINE), is an automated victim notification service. Kansas VINE is free and anonymous and provides victims of crime and the general public the ability to search for an offender housed in a county jail and receive notifications.

## PROJECTS...

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courtyard area at Anderson County Junior-Senior High School and turn it into useable classroom or facility space. Blome told board members he'd initially estimated the cost at about \$1 million, but Nabholz estimates for the project came back at some \$3.2 million.

Other projects included HVAC replacement and win-

## ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION DECEMBER 2, 2019

Chairman Jerry Howarter called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on December 2, 2019 at the County Commission Room. Attendance: Jerry Howarter, Present; David Pracht, Present; Leslie McGhee, Present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

### Road & Bridge

Lester Welsh, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. He is interviewing applicants for the truck driver position this week. Discussion was held on county roads and what is on their schedule for maintenance.

### County Appraiser

Adam Wilson, County Appraiser, met with the commission. He would like to hire Equitable Solutions, Emporia, in 2020 to look at all commercial and exempt properties for valuation. The model that the company uses is in line with how the State of Kansas Property of Valuation Division is looking to move towards in the future. They take a more regional approach for valuation of properties due to the fact that Anderson County does not have that many properties to compare values to. The one time cost for the valuation of all 570 commercial and exempt parcels is \$12,000. The department has the funds available to cover the cost. The commissioners are in agreement with making sure all parcels are valued correctly and how they are valued is the same. Adam will meet with the commission in 2020 for final approval before he begins the project.

### Resolutions

Commissioner Pracht moved and Commissioner McGhee seconded to approve resolution 19-22 transferring additional 2019 funds to Special Highway Improvement fund. All voted yes. Commissioner Pracht moved and Commissioner McGhee seconded to approve resolution 19-23 transferring additional 2019 funds to Special Machinery fund. All voted yes. Commissioner Pracht moved and Commissioner McGhee seconded to approve resolution 19-24 transferring 2019 monies to the Equipment Reserve and Ambulance Reserve funds for Anderson County, Kansas. All voted yes. Commissioner McGhee moved and Commissioner Pracht seconded to approve resolution 19-25 transferring additional 2019 funds to a Multi-Year Capital Improvement fund. All voted yes. Commissioner McGhee moved and Commissioner Pracht seconded to approve resolution 19-26 transferring additional jail and sheriff year-end funds to a Jail/Sheriff Reserve fund. All voted yes. Commissioner McGhee moved and Commissioner Pracht seconded to approve resolution 19-27 authorizing the establishment of a reserve fund to account for monies designated for Dispatch services. All

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The project overall will generate around \$2.2 million in sales tax, company officials say, with a projected property tax payment increase to the county of a million per year.

Similar impacts were expected in Franklin County as well. Statewide, company officials estimated some \$45 million in benefits from the cost of the project.

The project was at least one of the motivations behind a spike in the development of RV parks locally, with two area developers adding RV parking spaces on land they already owned in Welda and Garnett, and one major park developer utilizing the former industrial site south of Garnett that housed the local branch

## FIRE...

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year noted arson overall was down in 2018 some 13.8 percent from the 10-year average, but up by 4.2 percent over 2017.

dow replacement at ACHS, remodeling of various classrooms, replacement of lighting and floor tile, removal of the trophy case and expansion of the lunchroom serving line, two new buses, building repairs, roofing repairs and work on the ACHS driveway. The projects were assigned by priority over the next three years, with the window replacement leading the list in 2020-2021.

voted yes.

### Add & Abatements

Add A20-102 and abatements B20-116 through B20-121 were approved as presented.

### Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM due to no further business.

## ANDERSON COUNTY COURT DOCKET December 10, 2019

### Judge Kevin Kimball 8:30 a.m.

Security Credit Services LLC vs. Chelsea J Squires, et al.  
Cooks Plumbing Inc, et al. vs. Timothy Scott, et al.  
Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. vs. Amos J Miller

Olathe Medical Center Inc vs. Janelle May, et al.

### 9:00 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Richard G Mooney Jr

### 10:00 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Curry Lee Henson  
State of Kansas vs. Tammie Tippie  
State of Kansas vs. Janette I Avritt  
State of Kansas vs. Autumn B Trahan

State of Kansas vs. Justin W T Scheckel

State of Kansas vs. Lane Morrison

### 11:00 a.m.

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### 11:30 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Robert L Cain

### December 11, 2019

### Judge Eric W Godderz

### 9:00 a.m.

In the Matter of the Estate of Nona E Miller

### 10:00 a.m.

Natasha Sioux Howard, Petitioner vs. Joshua Shane Howard, Respondent

### December 12, 2019

### Judge Eric W Godderz

### 9:00 a.m.

Diane Lynne Coates vs. Robert Calcott

### December 16, 2019

### Judge Eric W Godderz

### 9:00 a.m.

Katherine Martin, Petitioner vs. Stanley Martin, Respondent

State of Kansas vs. Brian Scott Gedrose

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Ashley J Nelson, Petitioner vs. David W Nelson, Respondent

Midland Funding LLC vs. Lashonda Brewer

Wayne Lagalle vs. Scott Schulte, et al.

Lisa K VanNorman, Petitioner vs. Kariton VanNorman, Respondent

State of Kansas vs. Joseph Theodore Daulton III

State of Kansas vs. Jake Alexander Magner

State of Kansas vs. Jeffery Glenn Gaines

State of Kansas vs. Brian Scott Gedrose

of Taylor Forge Engineered Systems.

The gas service corridor that transports natural gas from the Welda storage fields to the company's markets in Kansas City and beyond has been active in one form or another for over a century. The new pipeline will replace two existing pipelines with a 36-inch higher capacity line. In 2021, several smaller lateral connecting pipelines will be installed.

Southern Star has operated for decades locally to pump natural gas along pipelines to customers around the region. A previous station operated in the early 1900s at Scipio, until the Kansas Natural Gas Company moved the facility to Oklahoma in 1912.

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Laura Marie Sittler, Petitioner vs. Michael Louis Sittler, Respondent  
**11:00 a.m.**

Zachary Arrick, Petitioner vs. Blake Mackenzie Erick, Respondent  
**LAND TRANSFERS**

Lois J Miller to Robert Clark: Lot 7 & E2 lot 8 block 24 Chapman's Addition to City of Garnett.

Gary F Rommelfanger and Kathleen M Rommelfanger to Gerald Lewis: Tract "Q" in NE4 34-20-19 described as follows: Beg at NECOR NE4-34-20-19, thence south 00°00'00" east for a distance of 2055.00 feet along east line of said quarter section of true pob; thence south 00°00'00" east for a distance of 605.03 feet along east line of said quarter section to SECOR said quarter section, thence south 89°52'05" west for a distance of 667.25 feet along south line of said quarter section, thence north 00°03'09" east for a distance of 603.63 feet, thence north 89°44'51" east for a distance of 66.70 feet to true pob.

Laura A Lewis and James R Lewis to Richard D Felt II: N2 lot 3, all lots 4 & 5 blk 11 Parkview Addition to City of Garnett.

Adina Rubi Ratzlaff to Robert D Ratzlaff: Lots 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 24 blk 3 Highberger's Addition to Town of Westphalia; & south 230' blk 9 and all blk 4 Highberger's Addition to Town of Westphalia.

Robert D Ratzlaff to Dirk Beaty and Kristen Beaty: Lots 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 24 blk 3 Highberger's Addition to Town of Westphalia; & south 230' blk 9 and all blk 4 Highberger's Addition to Town of Westphalia.

### DOMESTIC CASES FILED

Cody Sellers, Wichita has filed a Petition for Divorce against Alyssa Sellers, Wichita.

Stephen Kauffman, Garnett, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Angelica Kaufman, Lenexa.

Diana Axaymac, Ft. Riley, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Dwai Axaymac, Freeport, NY.

### ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS

#### ACCIDENT REPORTS FILED

On November 22 a vehicle driven by Matthew Beeson was southbound on S. Oak St. in Colony and failed to yield to another vehicle driven by Shaney Dietrich which was traveling eastbound on E. 6th Ave. After the incident Beeson fled the scene but was located later the same day.

On November 27, a vehicle driven by Moshood Adeniji was traveling westbound on US 59 when he failed to stop at a stop sign and went through a T intersection and hit ditch and fence.

On November 28, a vehicle driven by Cade Goodman was traveling northbound on Arkansas Road when the driver lost control and drove into the ditch.

On November 30, a vehicle driven by Brice Haney was traveling south on Georgia Road when he struck a deer.

## ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS INCIDENT REPORTS FILED

On September 9, Elizabeth and Roger Young were the victims of aggravated burglary and theft of property/services exceeding \$500.

### ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Gregory Ard was charged with not wearing a seatbelt and operating a motor vehicle without a license, \$198. Jacob Dusang was charged with speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$183.

Jameson Steed was charged with speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$183.

Catherine Cook was charged with speeding 85 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$213.

Ronelle Ward was charged with speeding 83 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$201.

John Wilson was charged with not wearing a seatbelt, \$30.

Kristy Lloyd was charged with not wearing a seatbelt, \$30.

Nathan Ross was charged with speeding 83 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$201.

Jordan Lee was charged with speeding 84 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$207.

Kevin Xivir was charged with speeding 101 mph in a 65 mph zone and with operating a motor vehicle without a license, \$463.

### ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

On November 21, Janette Avritt, Eureka, was booked into jail for failure to appear.

On November 22, Joshua Skinner, Garnett, was booked into jail to serve a court ordered sentence.

On November 22, Alan Young, Garnett, was booked into jail to serve a court ordered sentence.

On November 22, Megan Zogg, Boone, Iowa, was booked into jail for failure to appear.

On November 23, Richard Mooney, Lane, was booked into jail for failure to appear.

On November 25, David Sheaffer, Linn Valley, was booked into jail as a hold for Linn County as he was arrested for a probation violation.

On November 25, Jason Jackson, Pleasanton, was booked into jail as a hold for Linn County as he was arrested for criminal possession of a firearm by a felon.

On November 25, Shawn Cox, Mound City, was booked into jail as a hold for Linn County as he was arrested for failure to appear.

On November 26, Anthony Perry, Lawrence, was booked into jail as a hold for Linn County as he was arrested for theft by deception and burglary.

On November 27, Samuel Carter, Raytown, Missouri, was arrested for battery.

On November 27, Melody Washam, Garnett, was arrested for not having vehicle liability insurance.

On November 27, Brandon Mills, Garnett, was arrested for violation of offender registration act.

### ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

Jon Leatherman was booked into jail on February 21, 2019.

Joseph Daulton was booked into jail on April 24, 2019.

Gary Henning was booked into jail on April 25, 2019.

Jake Magner was booked into jail on May 10, 2019.

Stephanie Knavel was booked into jail on June 22, 2019.

Darren Dizenzo was booked into jail on July 22, 2019.

Jessica Orange was booked into jail on July 28, 2019.

Brian Gedrose was booked into jail on September 6, 2019.

David Osler was booked into jail on September 22, 2019.

Alonza Baray was booked into jail on October 13, 2019.

Roy Teal was booked into jail on October 19, 2019.

Russell Prater was booked into jail on October 29, 2019.

Justin Jackson was booked into jail on November 12, 2019.

Jamie Olsen was booked into jail on November 20, 2019.

### ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS ROSTER

Christopher Conner was booked into jail on April 24, 2019.

Steven Vickrey was booked into jail on May 10, 2019.

Shawn Maxwell was booked into jail on May 15, 2019.

Paige Flanery was booked into jail on June 10, 2019.

Vaughn Burns was booked into jail on July 10, 2019.

Robert Brierley was booked into jail on June 21, 2019.

Seth Daniels was booked into jail on August 21, 2019.

Kevin Kimbrough was booked into jail on August 28, 2019.

Riley Wolfe was booked into jail on September 24, 2019.

Charles Eslick was booked into jail on September 24, 2019.

Jerome Provanca was booked into jail on September 25, 2019.

William Patterson was booked into jail on October 3, 2019.

James Vidmer was booked into jail on October 11, 2019.

James Normandin was booked into jail on October 29, 2019.

Michael Trevers was booked into jail on October 29, 2019.

Brooke Phillips was booked into jail on November 13, 2019.

Timothy Moody was booked into jail on November 14, 2019.

Howard Levite was booked into jail on November 14, 2019.

David Shaefer was booked into jail on November 25, 2019.

Jason Jackson was booked into jail on November 25, 2019.

Anthony Pery was booked into jail on November 26, 2019.

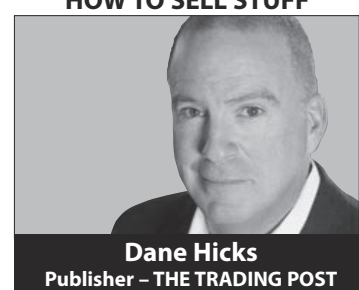
## Know thy competitor, know thyself

Knowing your competitor provides a lot of keys to help you sell stuff.

Lots of small businesses don't give their competition enough credit. Whether it's denial, jealousy or flat out ignorance, some of us never consider the pluses our competitors have that keeps them in business and - in the end - helps them gain and retain customers that could be doing business with us.

When customers are looking for us to solve their problem (which is why they're doing business with us in the first place) they have a couple of defined criteria by which they'll make the selection. These are the things relating to our product or service which are the most important to them. It may be price; it may be convenience; it may be trust in a referral they got from a friend; it may be approachability or speed or

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even our location on their regular route of travel. Whatever it is, these are the make or break criteria by which they award their business to someone.

So we need to commit to an assessment of what our defined advantages are, and make those central to our marketing efforts. Are we the fastest? Are we the cheapest? Do we have the most experience? What is our competitor's defined advantage, and how does he/she use

it to market his/her company?

As you define and assess your advantages, you have to do a realistic comparison against your competitor. If he's faster, should you adapt to try to be faster, or should you focus on your own defined advantage and forget trying to compete for speed? Your analysis has to determine 1) how close you are to becoming fastest; 2) how practical it is to try to convince your customers you're fastest; and 3) how important speed is to your customers in the first place.

Align your defined advantages with the wants and needs of your customers and market that message to them, and you'll definitely sell stuff!

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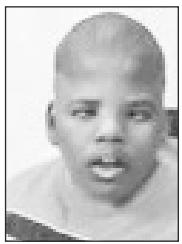
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**BROCKINGTON**

JUNE 17, 1994 - DECEMBER 1, 2019

DaVon'te Brockington, age 25, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Sunday, December 1, 2019, at the Anderson County Hospital, Garnett.



**Brockington**

He was born June 17, 1994, in Wyandotte County, Kansas, the son of Kevin and Tammy (Hermreck) Matney. DaVon'te attended Lake Mary Center in Paola, Kansas and graduated from Trojan Special Education Center in Osawatimie, Kansas.

DaVon'te was preceded in death by one brother, Brian Lee Hermreck; grandparents, Jess and Shirley Toon; Jack and Velma Hermreck; great grandparents, Vernon and Ruby Croan; Hazel Crouch; and Lewis

Hermreck.

He is survived by his parents, Kevin and Tammy Matney of Bush City, Kansas; two sisters, Cassie Williams of the home, Sierra Drimmel of Ottawa, Kansas; two brothers, Hunter Matney of Garnett, Kansas, Dakota Matney of Baldwin, Kansas; grandmother, Kathleen Stewart of Ottawa, Kansas; grandfather, Dave Matney of Parsons, Kansas; one Aunt, Debi Tummons of Garnett; six Uncles, Jim Hermreck, Vernon Hermreck, Carl Hermreck, Randy Hermreck, all of Garnett, Brett Matney of Gardner, Kansas, and Brian Matney of Olathe, Kansas.

Funeral services were December 4, 2019, at Feuerborn Family Funeral Service, Garnett. Burial followed in the Holy Angels Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the DaVon'te Brockington Memorial Fund.

**BROOKS**

NOVEMBER 18, 1954 - DECEMBER 6, 2019

Debra Lee Brooks, age 65, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Friday, December 6, 2019, at the Anderson County Hospital, Garnett.

She was born November 18, 1954, in Colony, Kansas, the daughter of Donald and Frances (Miller) Nickelson. Debra married Bob Brooks on April 22, 1994 in Wichita, Kansas.

**REEBLE MONUMENTS**

**Iola Location:** 202 S. State St. Iola, KS 66749 620-363-5005

**Emporia Location:** 1 S Commercial St. Emporia, KS 66801 620-342-5573

**Ottawa Location:** 233 W 23rd St. Ottawa, KS 66067 785-229-0684

**HYDE**

JANUARY 3, 1934 - DECEMBER 2, 2019

Mildred Hyde, age 85, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Monday, December 2, 2019, at Residential Living Center, Garnett.

She was born January 3, 1934, in McKinney, Texas, the youngest of eleven children, born to Andrew Carl and Emma Elizabeth (Wardlow) Pair. Mildred married Kenneth Hyde

September 1, 1954 in Denton, Texas.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel, Garnett, burial to follow in the Garnett Cemetery. The family will greet friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service at 10:00 a.m.

**BEAUCHAMP**

SEPTEMBER 14, 1937 - DECEMBER 4, 2019

Gary Beauchamp, age 82, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, at the Anderson County Hospital, Garnett, Kansas.

Gary was born on September 14, 1937, at Garnett, Kansas. He was the only child of Champ Claron Beauchamp and Grace

Evelyna (Eames) Beauchamp.

On April 21, 1957, Gary was united in marriage to Bonnie Mae Peters in the First United Methodist Church, Garnett.

A Celebration of Life Service was December 7, 2019, at the Church of the Nazarene, Garnett, Kansas.

**STEPHENS**

APRIL 18, 1945 - DECEMBER 7, 2019

Charles William "Charlie" Stephens, age 74, passed away on Saturday, December 7, 2019, at Allen County Regional Hospital, Iola, Kansas.

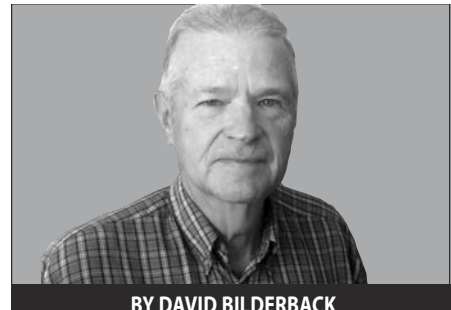
Charlie was born to Lloyd and Jewel (Shannon) Stephens. He was born on April 18, 1945, in Wynne, Arkansas.

He married Betsy Eagle on June 10, 1966.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at Feuerborn Family Funeral Service, Iola, Kansas. Burial will follow in the Colony Cemetery. The family will greet friends from 6:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, in The Venue at the funeral home.

**The blind man received God's mercy**

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDEBACK

In the 9th chapter of John we read about a man who was born blind. It was the Sabbath and when Jesus came upon this man the disciples ask him if this man's blindness was caused by his or his parents' sinning? Jesus answered neither and proceeded to restore the man's sight by spitting on the ground and making some mud which he put on the man's eyes. He then sent him to wash in the pool of Siloam. So the man went and washed and came back seeing.

It is interesting to see this man's life change not only because he could see but because he came to a saving knowledge of Christ. This man went from being physically blind to being spiritually enlightened. He faced surprise and skepticism from his neighbors who thought he only looked like the blind man. They ask him how his eyes were opened and he told them how Jesus had put the mud on his eyes and how he went and washed in the Pool of Siloam and then he could see. When they ask him where the man was that restored his sight he said, "I don't know."

The neighbors then took the man to the Pharisees who questioned him some more. The man related the same story to them concerning the mud and the Pool of Siloam. When the Pharisees ask him "What have you to say about the man who opened your eyes?" The man replied, "He is a prophet." The Jews still did not believe so they sent for the man's parents who confirmed he had been blind. They sent for the man again

and told him to give the glory for his sight to God not this man because he was a sinner. The man replied, "Whether he is a sinner or not I don't know. One thing I do know I was blind and now I see!" At this they threw him out. Jesus heard they had thrown him out and when he found him he asked, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" The man asked Jesus, "who is he sir? Tell me so I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You have now seen him, in fact he is the one speaking to you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

Today many people have sight but they are blind to the things of God. Each of us has to ask ourselves, do we see the holiness of God, do we understand that God as our creator has the right to demand that we live our life in obedience to him. If you are blind to the things of God you will receive God's justice. If you have spiritual understanding you will receive God's mercy. What will it be for you justice or mercy?

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# Watkins bombs Pearl Harbor – sort of

The liberals in charge of the Kansas City Star editorial board got a life raft last week amid the recent woeful, choking tsunami that's fast enveloping the country's socialists and other haters of conservatives.

It was a gaffe from one of their favorite Republican targets, 2nd District Congressman Steve Watkins.

But why are liberals so glum in the first place to be making such ado about nothing? Start with the wacky cartoon impeachment hearings turning into a great big political goose egg for Democrats; then add in President Trump's approval ratings surge following economic gains and some overdue nose-thumbing at entitled NATO leaders; now ice the cake with the ominous Darth Vader Imperial March tuning up in the background for the arrival of the Horowitz and Durham reports on alleged FBI conspiracy against the Trump campaign. For "woke" America, it's getting hard to tell the ship from the iceberg.

Liberals in our region drowning in that sea of dismal news got a break last week when it was discovered Watkins put his mailing address on the residence line of his Shawnee County voter registration form.

*Life preservers away!*  
The story garnered near JAPS BOMB PEARL HARBOR headline status on the front page of Thursday's Star as well as a half page editorial calling for Watkins to be neutered, drawn and quartered for his transgression.

For the Star's notorious lefties, it was a perfect opportunity to revisit an old favorite among the paper's list of Republican punching bags – former Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach – for his historic gall in pursuing voter fraud in the state. At the same time the Star got to lament poor, vanquished and forgotten but "honorable" Democrat Paul "Strip Bar" Davis who lost to Watkins, a former U.S. Army captain and political newcomer, in 2018. And, what a chance to run through Watkins' list of political novice errors, including spending so much money to win his election that he now sleeps on a cot in his congressional office to avoid paying Washington, D.C., rent, in hopes of someday making a down payment on a house in Topeka.

Such ta-do over putting his UPS office mailing address on the residency line of his voter registration instead of the apartment he rents in Topeka. This intolerable offense obviously was savvy cover for Watkins' vote in the wrong Topeka City Council election – granted a tight outcome at a 13-vote margin. The biggest effect to come out of the 'scandal' is that now people outside the Topeka city limits have actually seen city council candidates Spencer Duncan and Jeff Coen's names in print.

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**DANE HICKS, Publisher**

What price will Watkins pay for this abominable heresy? Pshaw. He'd have been worse off to double park behind a Dodge Neon in the metered parking area down at the statehouse.

But no doubt the dalliance has been a welcome distraction for the Star's left-leaning editorialists and reporters in these hefty hand-wringing days for their compatriot socialists; all of them so bent on tearing down Trumpian America and replacing it with drive-thru abortion, free college tuition, free healthcare for illegal immigrants, et al. Recent news has added to this cinnamon challenge for Democrats: 266,000 jobs created in November, jobless rate of 3.5 percent and a record low unemployment for blacks and Hispanics. But the news that brightens the country "triggers" the haters.

The Star and its ilk, and even stuffed shirt Deep Sunflower Staters, in his own party put a target on Watkins' back ever since he won a bruising primary and general election last year. Watkins has been a solid conservative vote in favor of Trump's policies on Capitol Hill. That's a sin the Star hopes to fervently rectify by unseating him in favor of placing another Democrat in the House and more importantly spiking the football in an "in-your-face" at Kansas Republicans.

How the Star and Kansas City's traditional Democrat political machine yearn to elect another liberal darling like Johnson County's Sharice Davids, whose biggest accomplishment in her 3rd District seat so far has been her ability to stay absolutely invisible, lest she rile the JOCO GOP latte sippers who helped her get elected.

Alas, a new week has dawned and the realities that so contern the Kansas City Star and the American Left return to haunt their tortured psyches like a blunder in a trapeze act. Much is gnawing at liberals and the Democrats in Congress right now, and it can't be cloaked by a tempest in a Kansas teapot. ###



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The people of Garnett are constantly encouraged to shop locally and not to go out of town. Then why, concerning the Garnett Christmas Parade, was there someone from out of town selling popcorn when we have a very local talented person who sells popcorn as well? The question is why?

I think someone in Garnett needs to read the driving book one more time. Yes, it's yield to the vehicle on the right at an unmarked intersection, but that is only when two vehicles arrive at the same time. Otherwise the vehicle in the intersection first has the right of way. So if you

nearly drove into somebody else, that would imply they were there before you and you should have yielded to them. Thank you.

## KSU rape lawsuit made valid point

Two young women have dropped their federal lawsuit against Kansas State University, and in a limited sense that makes complete sense to us. Their case — which alleged that K-State should bear some of the blame for rapes that happened off-campus — never really added up, in legal terms.

But that doesn't mean K-State can simply let the issue drop. Because in a broader sense, the women had a valid point....

The women, Tessa Farmer and Sara Weckhorst, had sued K-State in 2016 for violating Title IX, the federal law that bans discrimination in higher education on the basis of sex....

The university can't divorce itself from fraternities, and it shouldn't. It simply needs to do everything it can to enforce standards of acceptable behavior, and it needs to make certain there are appropriate channels for handling complaints. We're confident that's happening now, and we're confident that it will get better as a result of this experience.

For that, we need to thank the two young women who had the guts to sue.

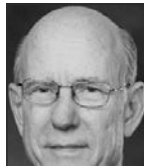
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# KASB minimizes bad NAEP scores in Kansas

In a recent response to the precipitous decline in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) scores, the Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB) has spun the results to:

- > minimize the importance of NAEP,
- > identify spurious excuses, and
- > ultimately point the finger of blame at... you guessed it, not enough money.

KASB trivialized NAEP to make the results seem both insignificant and suspect by stating that NAEP "tests a small sample of students," implying that the scores don't mean much and that the results can't actually be extrapolated to the general population. Despite how KASB portrays NAEP, KSDE calls it the "gold standard" of assessments.

The report also plays fast and loose with trends in NAEP data, including making a patently false statement. The claim is "Kansas results peaked around 2009 and 2011 and have generally declined since. Translated: Scores were highest when there was more money pursuant to Montoy and they declined because funding went down after the Great Recession. The only problem with their printed words is that is simply not true. As the table indicates, there has been no 'peak periods' in NAEP performance. To wit:

- > 4th-grade math: the scores were relatively stable from 2005 to 2013 before a sharp

## KANSAS COMMENTARY



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drop-off in 2015 that has continued in 2017 and 2019 – now below 2003 levels.

- > 4th-grade reading: the results were steady from 2007-13, scores dropped in 2015 and are now also below 2003 scores.
- > 8th-grade math: results were similar from 2007 to 2017 but now are barely above 2003 levels.
- > 8th-grade reading: scores were remarkably consistent from 2003 to 2017 but now are lowest ever.

KASB and the rest of the education establishment have consistently tried to make the public believe that money is the driving force behind test scores. This remains evi-

dent in the Gannon saga and will remain so despite our present Gannon reprieve. Those lobbying for more money to public education pointed to the rise in test scores during the No Child Left Behind years after court-ordered Montoy money went into school coffers. Going back two decades as NAEP began widespread adoption, it is clear that increasing spending does not impact student achievement. The only objective statement is that spending has far outpaced inflation and NAEP achievement is stubbornly flat.

In light of this evidence, KASB seem to be humming a different tune when it comes to the impact of court-ordered money pursuant to Gannon. Now, according to KASB, "it will take time for improvements to follow the funding." I don't recall hearing that argument during the Gannon trial. Maybe money really does make a difference – a difference in how excuses are formed for explaining sagging assessment results.

KASB unabashedly admits the money has been used to make up for lost time for such expenses as increasing teacher salaries – KASB is quick to point out that "educator salaries fell behind inflation" – increasing building principals, assistant principals and support staff. The report details other expendi-

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# Our economy is cool; our society? Not so much

The economy is in robust good health, but our social fabric isn't.

By two basic measures of social vitality, births and deaths, American society is faltering. Both the fertility rate and life expectancy are declining, in a sign that people feel less secure and, in some cases, have no hope at all.

We are attuned to headline-grabbing economic statistics – GDP growth, the unemployment rate, wages – as monthly and quarterly metrics of American well-being, but they aren't as telling as these more fundamental indicators.

To put it bluntly, contemporary America is characterized by less pro-creation and more self-destruction. This suggests something is profoundly wrong with the state of the union, although it doesn't receive the attention and the debate it deserves.

The fertility rate in 2018 dropped for the fourth straight year. It has hit a record low, and has fallen 15% since 2007. With the recovery after the Great Recession, the rate bumped up a little in 2014 before receding again.

Part of the story is a steep drop over the years in teenage pregnancy, a welcome and long-sought development. Women in their 20s have also been having fewer children, though. The trend is toward women delaying having children and having fewer of them.

As demographer Lyman Stone notes, the survey data tends to show that women still

## NATIONAL COMMENTARY



**RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate**

want kids, in fact perhaps more children than before. But later-in-life childbearing is inherently more difficult, and student debt, high housing costs and intense parental investment in children make having kids more burdensome (or at least feel that way).

While we now have fewer births, the death rate is increasing. A new study published in JAMA notes that after stalling out in 2010, life expectancy in the country has been declining since 2014, down from 78.9 years to 78.6 in 2017. The U.S. has been losing ground to other countries in life expectancy since the 1980s. According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, it now has the lowest life expectancy among comparable advanced nations.

The decline isn't hitting older Americans, who are still making improvements, but is cutting down people in the prime of their life, ages 25-64. "The odds," Lyman Stone writes, "that a 32-year-old will die in a given year rose by almost 25% between 2012-14 and 2015-17. American adulthood has suddenly become more lethal than it has been in decades."

Drug overdoses are a major driver (midlife mortality from drug overdoses has increased almost 400% over the past 20 years), with liver disease and suicide also contributing.

In 2017, an astonishing 150,000 Americans died from drug or alcohol abuse and suicide, more than U.S. combat deaths in World War I, the Korean War and the Vietnam War combined. Evidence suggests that the increased mortality is concentrated among persons with lower levels of educations and income.

If we can get a handle on the opioid crisis, it will make an enormous difference, but the trends in life expectancy and fertility ought to occasion soul-searching. How is it that a society as technologically advanced and affluent as ours can't provide a more inviting environment for childbearing or the supports to keep people from doing themselves grievous harm? Even if there are no ready policy answers, the question must be asked.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review*

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# Dec. 2009: 'Secret Santa' gives out cash to unsuspecting residents

December 2009

Several area residents, mostly in the Kincaid area, received a surprise gift this Christmas when a local man knocked on the door to hand them each a \$100 bill. A veteran of the Vietnam War, the man says he didn't do it for publicity, but to rekindle the spirits of the recipients. The Secret Santa, who requested to remain anonymous, said that he had recently had a brush with death due to health problems, and that experience brought him to the place in life he is today. He says God told him that he couldn't take his money with him and that he needed to spread it around, so he's doing just that.

December 1999

Greeley city council members recently set in motion a process to fulfill the wishes of two longtime residents to bring a community library to Greeley. Plans for the library began in 1995 between Lorene Rockers and Lonna Hill. Last February, the city purchased a building in downtown Greeley that formerly housed a garage run by Leonard Katzer. It is in need of extensive remodeling and the grant requested would provide \$36,000 to assist in the remodeling costs. The build-

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ing would contain the library, meeting room, and community center. Volunteer labor would be used to install flooring, wiring, heating, and cooling.

December 1989

Vandals continue to create problems in keeping the Kansas Department of Transportation rest area west of Colony open due to the expense incurred to replace broken or missing items. Vandals have taken such a toll on the stop that it has been temporarily closed until a decision can be made. Division panels in the restrooms were kicked in, plumbing fixtures shattered, light bulbs removed or broken, and fences between the rest area and adjacent landowners have been destroyed.

December 1979

Mrs. Edna Penland received a Christmas gift from her niece in Arizona that is most unusual. She received three wise-men statues that were made in Indonesia. They are not made of ceramic and are very lifelike. Their faces may even be carved. The jewel like gifts and cloth robes appear to be made of actual cloth and jewelry. They look heavy, but are feather weight for their size. She welcomes anyone to her home that knows about art and could explain how the statues are made.

December 1919

The Review has learned from Harry Bernard, manager for the Church Furniture Company, that he has sold the old DeWolf factory, which has been operated by the Church Furniture Company the past few years, to parties who will deal, at wholesale, in school furniture and supplies. The new company will probably employ, at the beginning, not less than a dozen workmen, which means the addition of a number of families to Garnett's population. The number of men will be increased as the business grows. The new company has ample capital to conduct the business.

# A look into the history of the Christian flag

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The U.S. Flag. We as American's honor it in so many different ways. We recite the pledge of Allegiance, salute it, stand at attention, uncover, place hands over our hearts, etc.

Those of us who proclaim to be Christians, do we honor the Christian flag in some way? I would almost be willing to bet there is one placed somewhere in almost every church in Anderson County. Are they being honored or simply a part of the church decor?

What do we know about the Christian Flag. The Christian Flag was first conceived on Sept. 26 1897, at Brighton Chapel on Coney Island in Brooklyn, N.Y. In 1907 Charles C. Overton and Ralph

Diffendorfer, Secretary of the Methodist Young People's Missionary Movement, designed and began promoting the flag. The National Council of Churches & Christian Churches, together adopted the flag on 23 Jan 1942. Main line Protestant denominations in the U.S. accepted the flag first and by 1980 many other institutions had accepted it.

The Symbolism of the Christian Flag. The ground is white, representing peace, purity and innocence. In the upper corner is a blue square, the color of the unclouded sky, emblematic of heaven, the home of the Christians, also a symbol of faith and trust. In the center of the blue is the Cross, the ensign and chosen symbol of Christianity, the cross in red, typical of Christ's blood.

Did you know that there is a "Pledge of allegiance or affirmation of loyalty to the Christian Flag? A matter of fact there have been three different pledges written over the years.

I pledge allegiance to the

Christian Flag and to the Saviour for whose kingdom it stands; one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and in love.

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag, and to the Saviour for whose Kingdom it stands, one Saviour crucified, risen, and coming again, with life and Liberty for all who believe.

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag, and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands, one brotherhood uniting all (true) Christians, in service and in love.

It is customary for the Christian Flag to be displayed opposite the U.S. Flag.

The Christian Flag is not patented and therefore, anyone may manufacture it and it may be used on all proper occasions.

Note: the two different spellings of the word Saviour and Savior. It's not an error by me.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Henry Roeckers 25Nov2019

# Colony Christian Church - Pastor Reibel shared about trip to Israel

Bruce Symes gave the Communion Meditation over Psalm 100. Shout with joy to the Lord! Do not enter God's presence with pride, but with thankfulness. Our very existence is not ours. He created us. We owe ALL to the one who gave us life, gave us our abilities, and even judges us righteously. Always divert attention away from ourselves, and give it to Him.

Pastor Chase Reibel gave us an overview of the trip that

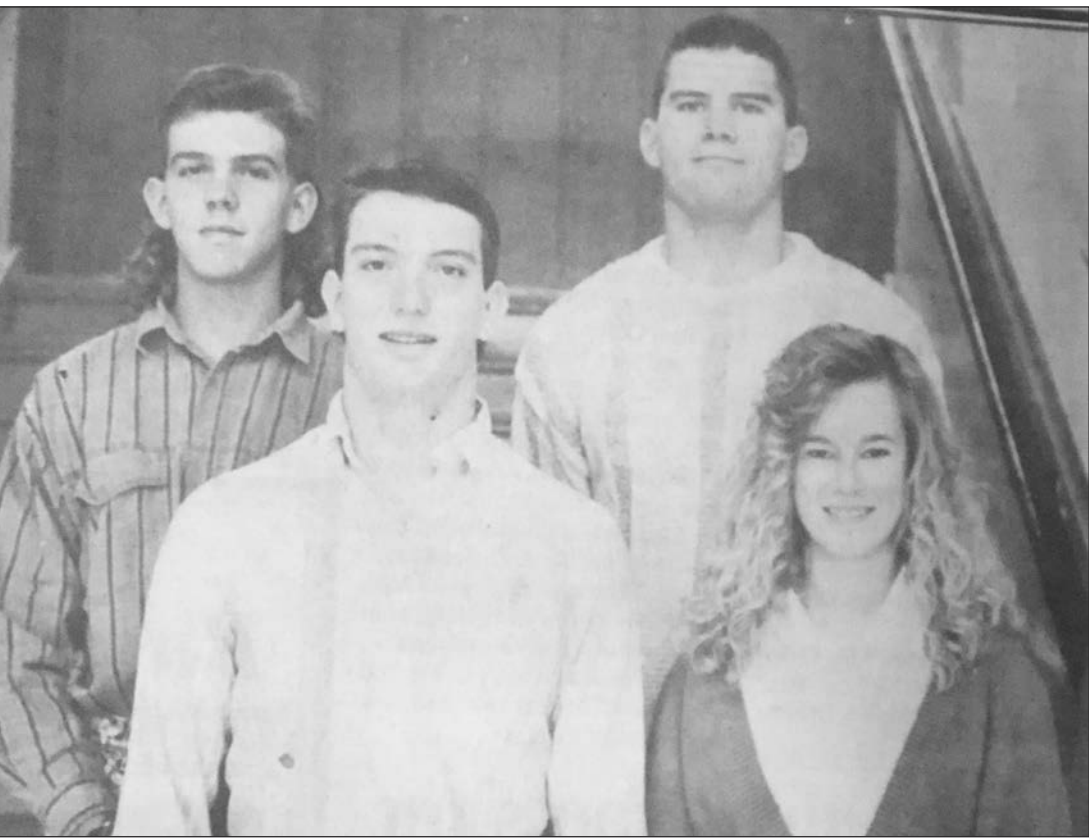
he, Jessica and Bruce took to Israel. With his presentation were pictures from the Holy Land that corresponded with locations we see in the Bible. They saw "Abraham's Gate", olive presses, ceremonial baths, and Golgotha., They believe they know the location where David fought Goliath, Peter's house, and possibly the tomb that Jesus was buried. They saw firsthand just how large a millstone truly is; saw a 2000 year old boat similar

to what Peter, James & John would have used to fish in; and the Jordan river where John the Baptist baptized Jesus. Pastor Chase even gave a sermon on the Sea of Galilee and baptized several people. What an AMAZING experience! (Ref: Genesis 14; Exodus 16:1-4; Luke 17:2; John 4:10, 19:16-17, 20:1-10; 1 Samuel 24:4 & 17:3; Mark 1:4-12 & 7:15; Acts 2:41 & 19:29; Romans 8:10-11, Galatians 2:20)



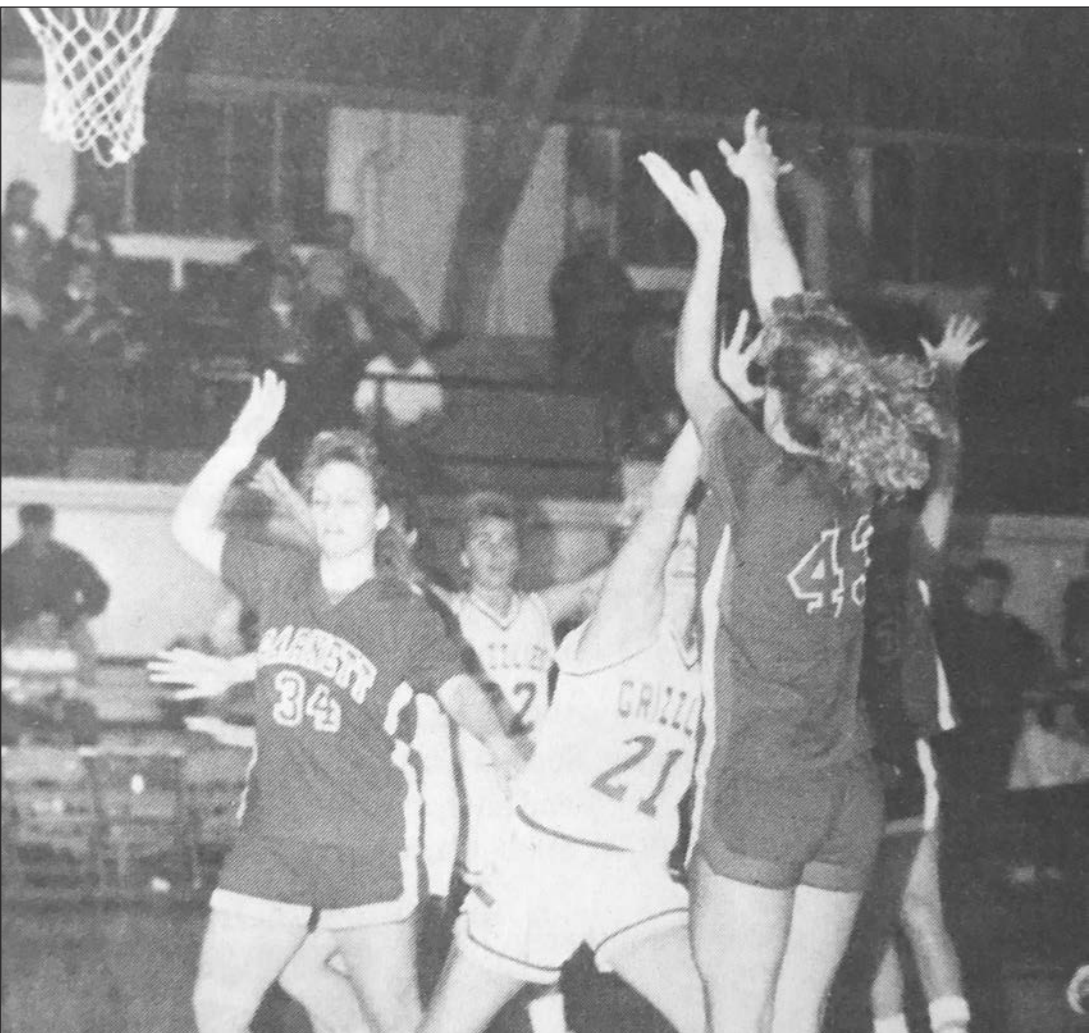
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Members from Anderson County joined more than 800 Farm Bureau members of Kansas during Kansas Farm Bureau's 2019 Annual Meeting in Manhattan Dec. 1-3. Pictured here are, from left: Jacob Strobel, John Pracht, Debbie Kueser and Gail Kueser. They wrapped up important business for their farm organization after debating and adopting policy statements for 2020. These policies will now become the road map for the organization during the upcoming legislative session.



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Circa Dec. 1990 - Pictured are a group that was elected to become members of the Garnett High School's National Honor Society. Front row, from left: J.J. Peine and Nicole Davison. Back row, from left: Eric Miller and Stan Robinson.



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Circa Dec. 1990 - Donna Peine is shown taking a shot in a game against LCHS Grizzlies. Denise McCarty looks to get position underneath to secure a rebound.



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## Lady Bulldogs roll over Iola to open season

GARNETT - Anderson County started off in a dogfight against Iola before pulling away in the second half for a commanding 54-37 victory.

It was a back and forth battle early on as the score was tied at 5 with 3:20 remaining in the first quarter.

As the quarter was winding down and the score knotted at 7, Rayna Jasper hit a buzzer beater from three-point range to close out the first quarter and put the Bulldogs up 10-7 heading into the second.

Anderson County would ride that momentum early on in the second and lead 14-7 midway through the second period.

Iola would close the half on a 7-2 run to cut the deficit to 16-14 at intermission.

The third quarter would be much of the same early on as the Bulldogs were clinging to a slim 23-21 lead with 4:07 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

The Bulldogs would put a couple of key runs together late though to distance themselves.

Anderson County would go on a 14-5 run to lead 37-26 just a minute into the fourth quarter and would have another 10-2 spurt over the next 3 minutes to take control 47-28.

Cali Foltz led the way with 22 points, 8 rebounds and 3 steals on the evening. Jasper chipped in with 15 points, 5 assists and 4 steals and Marah Lutz knocked down 6 of 9 shots on the night for 12 points.

### Box Score

Iola 7 7 12 11 - 37  
ACHS 10 6 17 21 - 54

### Individual Scoring

Iola - Gardner 3, Morrison 12, Lampe 3, Holloway 4, Kunkler 3, Taylor 2, Richards 10  
Anderson County - Foltz 22, Kurtz 1, Schmit 4, Lutz 12, Jasper 15



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Anderson County's Rayna Jasper applies the defense to Iola's McKenna Orear while Lauryn Holloway of Iola attempts to gain position underneath against Lady Bulldog Marah Lutz. Anderson County outscored Iola by 15 points in the second half to pull away for an easy victory.

## Lady Lancers fend off SCC for narrow win

LEROY - It was a battle all night and fortunately for the Crest Lady Lancers they came out with a 47-44 victory.

Crest led 12-9 after the first quarter and stretched their lead out to 5 at intermission, 33-28.

As well as both teams played offensively in the first half, no one could have imagined the offensive struggle that the third quarter would be as each team would only muster 3 points.

SCC would chip a couple more points off the Crest lead in the fourth but it would be too little, too late.

The three-headed mon-

ster of Holloran, Godderz and Beckmon combined to score 44 of the 47 points for Crest. Holloran and Godderz scored 15 and Beckmon scored 14 points.

Beckmon added 5 rebounds, 5 assists and 3 steals. In addition to her 15 points, Holloran pulled down 10 rebounds, tallied 3 assists and 2 blocks.

### Box Score

Crest 12 21 3 11 - 47  
SCC 9 19 3 13 - 44

### Individual Scoring

Crest - Noah 3, Holloran 15, Beckmon 14, Godderz 15  
SCC - Waiters 2, Copeland 13, Weers 2, Ohl 9, Szambecki 14

## Viking boys drop opener to Council Grove in OT

RICHMOND - After a back and forth battle throughout, the Central Heights Vikings went cold in overtime on their way to a gut-wrenching 55-49 defeat to the hands of Council Grove to open the season on Friday night at home.

The Vikings jumped out to a 4-point halftime advantage, 21-17, after leading after the first quarter 11-8.

Council Grove chipped a point off their deficit in the third before outscoring the Vikings in the fourth quarter 13-10 to knot the game at 46 at the end of intermission.

The Vikings struggled in overtime as their only score of the period was a three-pointer by Jared Crawford.

Crawford along with Alex Cannady led the way for the Vikings with 11 points each on

the night.

Central Heights lived outside the three-point line on the evening. The Vikings knocked down 11 three-pointers, three each by Crawford, Cannady and Bralen Bowker.

On the flip side this led to the Vikings just being 0-2 on free throws on the evening. Council Grove connected on just 5-13 (38%) attempts, including 2-7 (29%) in overtime.

### Box Score

Council Grove 8 9 16 13 9 - 55  
Central Hghts 11 10 15 10 3 - 49

### Individual Scoring

Council Grove - Hula 12, Braun 7, Marshal 10, Heath 19, Tischeruser 7  
Central Heights - Crawford 11, Cannady 11, Bowker 9, Burson 4, Smith 4, Coffman 7, Bones 3

## Bulldogs let halftime lead slip away in disappointing loss

GARNETT - It was a wrenching loss in head coach Daniel Ray's debut leading the Anderson County Bulldog boy's team as they dropped a 46-40 decision to Iola, but no doubt an experience they will learn from moving forward in the season.

Anderson County kicked the season off well by bolting out to an early 7-2 lead midway through the first period. Iola would cut slightly into that deficit in the final half of the first quarter to cut the Bulldogs lead down to 17-13.

AC's defense was key in the second quarter, limiting Iola to just 7 points in the second

quarter but due to struggles of their own only added to their lead slightly heading into intermission leading 26-20.

Iola picked up the pace in the third quarter and turned their 6-point deficit into a 3-point advantage with a dominating 17-8 advantage in the period.

The Bulldogs got the lead down to as little as 3 points late, 43-40 with just under 24 seconds remaining, but just couldn't get the stop late that they desperately needed.

Sophomore Derek Rockers led Anderson County with 13 points in the game.

## Hot shooting Crest rolls past Southern Coffey Co.

LEROY - The Crest Lancers used an impressive first quarter to propel them to a dominating 71-36 victory over Southern Coffey County to open play for the season.

Crest raced out to a 28-7 lead after the first quarter and kept steadily adding to their advantage through the final three periods.

Southern Coffey County trailed 40-15 at halftime and despite playing better in the second half, the Lancers still

outscored SCC by 10 over the final two quarters.

Crest knocked down 10-23 shots (43%) from three-point range on the night. Conversely SCC connected on just 1 of 19 (5%).

Amazingly enough that wasn't even the most impressive shooting stat line on the evening. Crest missed just 4 shots from inside the three-point line on the night. They connected on 81% (17-21) of their 2-point attempts on the

night and also knocked down 4 of 5 free throw attempts.

Kobey Miller led 11 different Lancers scorers with 25 points. Miller connected on 5 of 12 three-pointers on the night and 5-7 from inside the arc to pace the Lancers. Miller also led the Lancers with 9 rebounds.

Zach Beckmon and Tyson Hermreck scored 11 and 10 points respectively to join Miller as the only players to reach double figures on the night.

Hermreck added 5 rebounds and 6 blocks. Jacquez Coleman led all Lancers with 7 assists.

### Box Score

Crest 28 12 16 15 - 71  
SCC 7 8 12 9 - 36

### Individual Scoring

Crest - Hermreck 10, Beckmon 11, Miller 25, Coleman 2, E. Prasko 4, Godderz 3, Ryberg 4, Setter 3, Davis 3, Miller 3, Yochar 3  
SCC - No individual scoring available

## Offensive struggles doom Lady Vikings in loss to Council Grove

RICHMOND - An opening season scoring drought that lasted more than a quarter was far too much to overcome for the Central Heights Lady Vikings in a lopsided 46-23 loss to Council Grove in the season opener for both teams.

Behind a solid defensive effort and some struggles that were self-inflicted, the Vikings trailed 10-0 after the first quarter but rebounded nicely in the second quarter to cut the halftime deficit to 16-9.

Council Grove would come out of halftime hitting on all cylinders. They tacked four more points back onto the lead

in the third quarter before a decisive 17-8 advantage in the fourth put the game away.

Despite the loss, head coach Doug North thought execution was good at times but not consistent enough to be competitive and sees things that are correctable.

"We executed our offense pretty well at times," North said, "but we either missed layups or had passes deflected that would have led to layups. If we capitalize on those opportunities it could have been a much closer game."

North added, "The good thing is that those are things

we can get better at and fix."

Next up is the annual Ike Cearfoss Tournament. Central Heights played last night against KC Christian to open the first round.

### Box Score

Council Grove 10 6 12 17 - 46  
Central Heights 0 9 6 8 - 23

### Individual Scoring

Council Grove - Boatwright 12, Armstrong 7, Julian 2, Butler 12, Allen 2, King 2, Honas 3, Jones 4, Cannon 1  
Central Heights - Riemer 2, Brown 3, Roehl 3, Meyer 2, Brockus 2, Compton 4, Froggatte 3, Peel 4

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## CALENDAR

**Tuesday, December 10**  
 5:30 a.m. - Spin Class  
 10 a.m. - GACC Ribbon Cutting at Good Shepherd Hospice  
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime for Preschoolers  
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting  
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center - Dominoes, cards and pool table  
 5:00 p.m. - Spin Class  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 6:00 p.m. - City Commission Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. - Alzheimer's Support Group  
 6:30 p.m. - Golden Prairie Beekeepers Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Wednesday, December 11**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 10:00 a.m. - Remember When Wednesdays  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge  
 5:30 p.m. - Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - VFW Post 6397 Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Friends of the PSRT Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Garnett Optimist Club Mtg

**Thursday, December 12**  
 5:30 a.m. - Spin Class  
 9:00 a.m. - TOPS Meeting  
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center - Dominoes, cards and pool table  
 5:00 p.m. - Spin Class  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Friday, December 13**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 4:00 p.m. - Airport Advisory Board Mtg

**Sunday, December 15**  
 9:00 a.m. - VFW Breakfast Buffet

**Monday, December 16**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery  
 6:00 p.m. - Garnett Lions Club Meeting

**Tuesday, December 17**  
 5:30 a.m. - Spin Class  
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime for Preschoolers  
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting  
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center - Dominoes, cards and pool table  
 5:00 p.m. - Spin Class  
 5:00 p.m. - Anderson County Economic Development Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 6:00 p.m. - Garnett Planning Commission  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Wednesday, December 18**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga

**Thursday, December 19**  
 5:30 a.m. - Spin Class  
 8:00 a.m. - Morning Mingle  
 9:00 a.m. - TOPS Meeting  
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center - Dominoes, cards and pool table  
 4:00 p.m. - Walker Art Committee Mtg.  
 5:00 p.m. - PM Spin Class.  
 5:30 p.m. - Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 6:00 p.m. Steering Committee Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous



Above local senior citizens are enjoying a holiday meal provided to them by Central Heights. The school provided the senior citizens the meal last Wednesday, December 4th.



The Zwiener family recently got together to celebrate Thanksgiving and they took the opportunity to take a picture of 5 generations of Zwieners. Pictured from left: Taylor and Mike from Raymore, Missouri, Dwight is in the middle with Harold sitting next to him, both from Garnett, holding his great-grandson Cayden Michael Kole of Raymore, Missouri.

## Happy Birthday, Kansas! Student photo contest now accepting entries

Third grader Katherine Bartel of Wichita photographed James in the Pasture last year. Her photo showed a boy peering over a fence while cattle operations were in progress, the vivid blue sky with puffy clouds overhead. She received first place in her category in the Happy Birthday, Kansas! Student Photo Contest and won an iPad for her work. Katherine's was one of 402 contest entries and she was among 24 students to receive awards.

Students are once again

invited to enter their photographs in the Happy Birthday, Kansas! photo contest, and will be eligible for special prizes. This year's theme is Going to School in Kansas. First place winners in each grade from first to 12th will receive iPads; second place awards in each grade are Kindles. These photographs from students across the state contribute to the pictorial history of Kansas. They will be preserved by the Kansas Historical Society.

L. W. Halbe was an early 20th century student photog-

rapher who made a similar impact in his community. With a small box camera, the 15-year-old captured photos of Dorrance in Russell County and left a remarkable history, that continues to be preserved at the Kansas Historical Society. Today's young photographers can make similar contributions by photographing people and places in their lives.

The contest deadline, for first through 12th grade students, is 5 p.m. Friday, December 20, 2019. Winners will be announced as part

of the state's 159th birthday commemoration at the Kansas State Capitol at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29, 2020. Find more information and a complete list of contest rules at happybirthdays.org.

The contest is sponsored by the Kansas legislative spouses in conjunction with the Kansas Historical Society.

Find photographs from the Halbe collection online in Kansas Memory: <https://www.kansasmemory.org/locate.php?categories=4652>

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year's winners online at KSHS.ORG: <https://www.kshs.org/p/student-photo-contest-2018/20162>

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## REPORT...

FROM PAGE 4A

ditions districts have made with the additional funding - "to stabilize and repair the challenges created during this eight-year period," as they refer to it. There is nary a mention of targeting at-risk students, which was supposed to be the focus of the additional money. Apparently, these additional hundreds of millions of dollars shouldn't count toward improved results because it is basically 'make-up' money for all those years of being "underfunded" as the education establishment likes to call it.

I watched the Gannon deliberations pretty closely over the years and I don't recall once the plaintiff lawyers telling the Supreme Court that the schools needed more money to

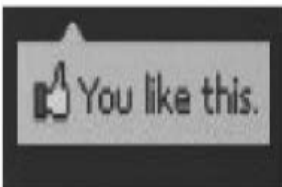
increase salaries or administrative staff. As I recall, the Supreme Court made its decision to force the Legislature into providing more money to education based on targeting that money to those who were not being adequately educated, to paraphrase the justices.

KASB's report is yet another example of the disconnect between how the Supreme Court bases its decisions and how the school districts, where actual spending decisions are made, choose to spend the money. It's time to put the onus for educating students where it belongs - with local school districts and administrators.

- David Dorsey is a researcher and columnist for the Kansas Policy Institute,

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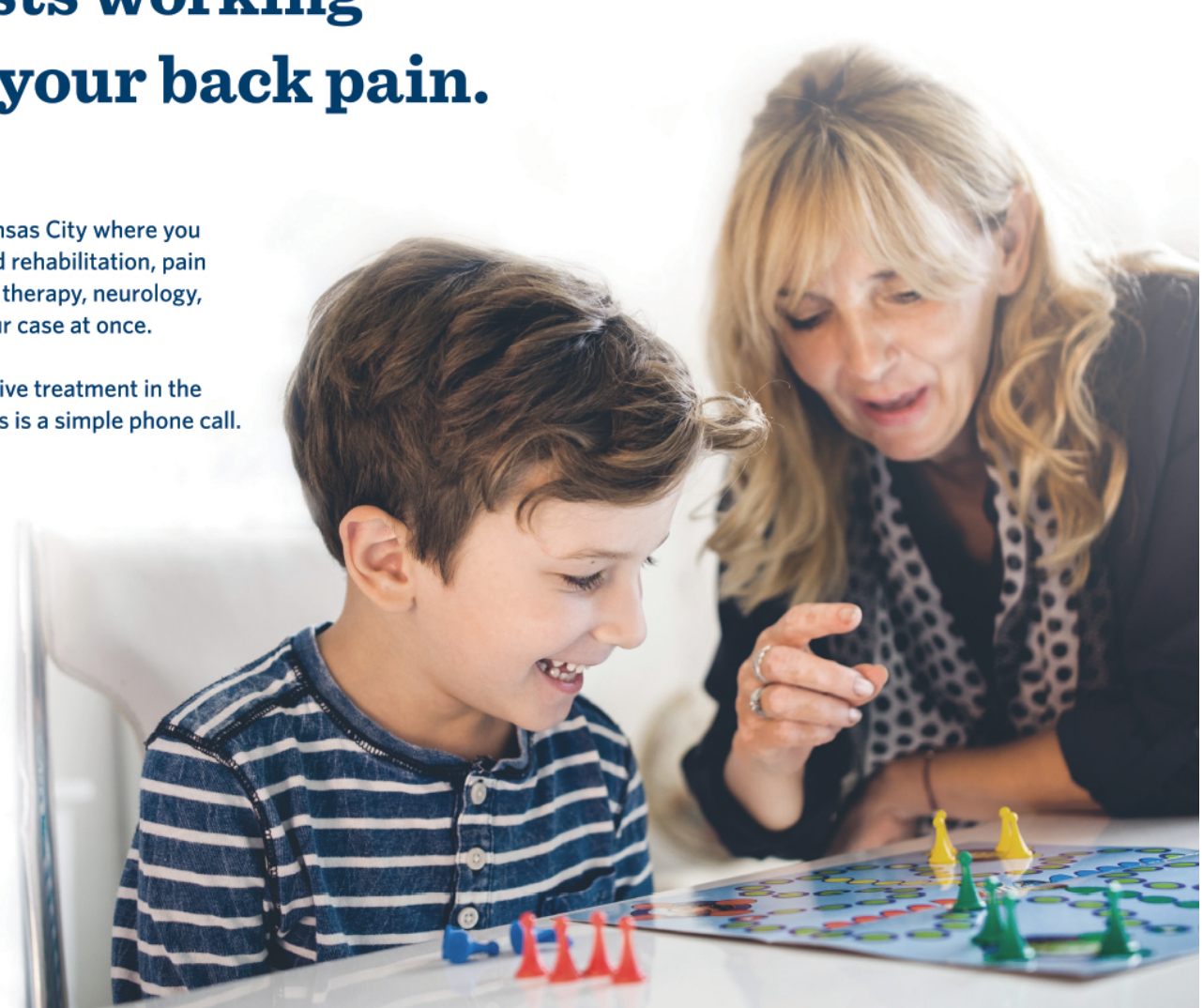
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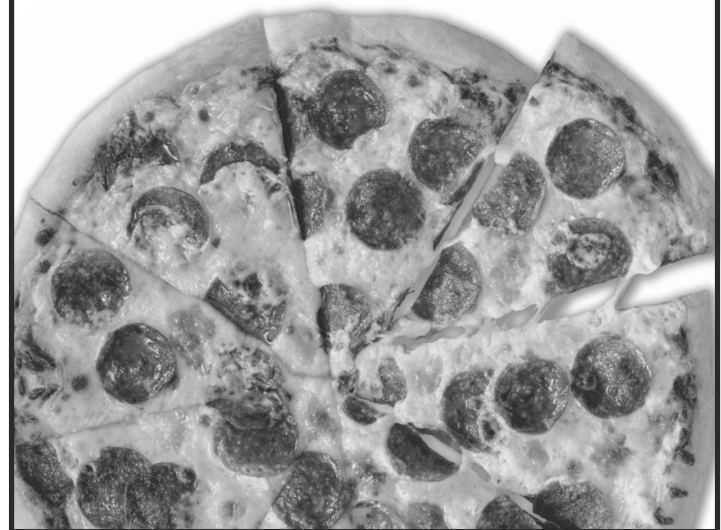
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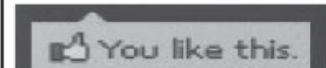
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## AAA: Safely secure Christmas trees for transport home

It's that time of year when many Kansans set out in search of the perfect real Christmas tree, then haphazardly 'tie one on' - a dangerous practice for those who don't know the ropes, warns AAA Kansas. Ensuring safety while transporting the tree should be at the top of this year's Christmas to-do list.

Data from a AAA survey indicates that approximately 20 million Americans who purchased a live Christmas tree did not properly secure it to their vehicle on the way home, increasing the risk of a crash and serious vehicle damage caused by dangerous road debris. Christmas trees that are not properly secured are a safety hazard for others traveling our roadways.

"It is important that families take the proper precaution to secure their tree to the vehicle prior to returning home," said Shawn Steward, AAA Kansas spokesman. "Twine that is wrapped around trees and looped through door jams or open windows can cause serious vehicle damage such as scratched paint, torn door seals and distorted window frames - damage that could cost up to \$1,500 to repair. Drivers should never secure a Christmas tree to the top of a vehicle without a roof rack."

B-Roll video showing

the proper and wrong ways to secure and transport a tree on top of a vehicle: <https://vimeo.com/aaapublicaffairs/review/375671729/42b5a19c97>

In addition to the vehicle damage, Christmas trees that are not properly secured are a safety hazard for other drivers.

"Throwing a tree on a vehicle and not securing it or carelessly tying it on could present a serious road danger if it comes loose and flies off into traffic," AAA Kansas' Steward said.

According to research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, road debris (such as a Christmas tree flying off a car) was responsible for more than 200,000 crashes nationwide that resulted in 39,000 injuries and 500 deaths over a four-year period. And, about two-thirds of debris-related crashes are the result of improperly secured items falling from a vehicle.

In Kansas, there are about 150 "unsecured load crashes" each year, resulting in an average of one or two fatalities. In 2017 in Kansas, there were more than 350 crashes attributed to "road debris or obstruction."

Fortunately, Christmas trees can be safely transported, AAA Kansas says, by taking the following steps:

•Use the right vehicle. It's best to transport a Christmas

tree on top of a vehicle equipped with a roof rack. However, if you do not have a roof rack, use the bed of a pickup truck or an SUV, van or minivan that can fit the tree inside with all doors closed.

•Bring proper tools. Bring strong rope or nylon ratchet straps to secure the tree to your vehicle's roof rack. Avoid the lightweight twine offered by many tree lots. Bring an old blanket and gloves.

•Protect the tree - and your vehicle. Have the tree wrapped in netting before loading it. If netting is unavailable, secure loose branches with rope or twine. Use an old blanket to prevent paint scratches and protect the vehicle finish.

•Point the trunk towards the front. Always place the tree on a roof rack or in a pickup bed with the bottom of the trunk facing the front of the vehicle.

•Tie it down. Secure the tree at its bottom, center and top. At the bottom, use fixed vehicle tie-down points and loop around the trunk above a lower branch, to prevent any side-to-side or front-to-rear movement. The center and top tie downs should be installed in a similar manner.

•Give it the tug test. Before you leave the lot, give the tree several strong tugs from

various directions to make sure it is secured in place and will not blow away.

•Drive slowly and easily. Take the back roads, if possible. Higher speeds create significant airflow that can damage your Christmas tree and challenge even the best tie-down methods.

"In addition to the roadway hazards and vehicle damage that can result from improperly securing a Christmas tree when transporting it, drivers can also face a traffic ticket and hefty fine for an unsecured load," AAA Kansas' Steward added.

Kansas traffic statute 8-1906(c) states that "No person shall operate on any highway any vehicle with any load unless such load and any covering thereon is securely fastened so as to prevent the covering or load from becoming loose, detached or in any manner a hazard to other users of the highway." Violation of this law is a misdemeanor, with fine amounts determined by the courts, likely \$75 plus court costs.

"Drivers can prevent injuries and vehicle damage, and avoid penalties by properly securing their Christmas trees to prevent them from falling off their vehicles," said AAA Kansas' Steward.

## Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild Christmas brunch to be Dec. 19

The Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild was called to by President Mary Parrott on November 21, 2019 at 9:30 am at the Anderson County Extension office. Roll call was answered by 24 members. There were two guests, Sharon Bowman and JoAnn Richardt.

Meeting was adjourned for our trunk show by Nancy Giltner, Studio 180 instructor, assisted by Vanise and Debby, all of whom traveled from Derby, Ks this morning. All of her quilts were made using one of the Tucker Trimmer Tools.

Meeting continued with the showing of the 2019 completed Challenge Panels for the enjoyment of Nancy, Vanise and Debby. Showing their completed projects were Shirley Allen, Joyce Buckley, Carolyn Crupper, Bonnie Deiter, Jeanette Gadelman, Terrie Gifford, Violet Holt, Sandra Moffatt, Mary Parrott, Sharon Rich and Judy Stukeky.

There was an approved amendment to the October minutes to say that the time to turn in Quilt of Valor Challenge blocks will be at the December meeting.

Lynda Feuerborn gave the treasurer's report. Lynda had membership cards for those who were not at the October meeting.

### Committee Reports Programs

Jackie Gardner had no further information other than what she reported last month.

Block of the Month: Due

in December is "All Wrapped Up" and/or "Peppermint Spin Runner." Terrie Gifford showed her October Patchwork Pumpkin runner.

### Old business

Jeanette Gadelman reported there is still room at the February retreat. Get your \$25 made out to Pieces and Patches to Jeanette.

### New business

Connie Hatch reported that there is a new Quilt of Valor (QOV) group forming in Yates Center led by Connie Schmidt. Connie Schmidt would be glad for anyone who wanted to participate in that QOV group. Also, Connie Schmidt is taking Veterans families requests for recipients of a QOV.

### Secret Sister Gifts

Connie Hatch and Terrie Gifford received Secret Sister gifts.

### Show & Tell

Nine members showed more than 30 quilted items. There were lots of Christmas items.

Members are reminded the Christmas brunch is December 19. All food and table setting will be provided so bring \$3. Also remember a Christmas card reveal for your Secret Sister, a wrapped fat quarter for a game and any donations of sanitary items you wish to donate to ECKAN.

The meeting was adjourned by Mary Parrott.

Minutes recorded by Terrie Gifford

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