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Covid-19 claims new victim: Cornstock 2020 music event

Organizers fear influx of fans
might bring more than just fun
and ticket sales to Lake Garnett

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT – Fears over Covid-19 claimed another victim last week locally— Garnett's Cornstock Concert on the Hill, formerly planned for September 26.

Organizers had booked Granger Smith, Sawyer Brown and the Read Southhall Band for the event. The announcement came yesterday morning, the day before advance ticket prices for the event went from the early-bird admission of \$30 to \$40. Gate prices would have been \$50.

Board member Beth Mersman said organizers made the move because of the crowd draw for the event, which brings thousands of music fans into the relatively confined

outdoor concert area every year, and the possibility they might bring the virus with them. Anderson County to date has logged only three cases of Covid-19, all of which have recovered according to county health authorities.

“There are people that travel here from other states and other countries even,” Mersman said. “We had several guys here from Iceland a couple years ago.”

The statement said organizers had been following the Covid-19 story and its possi-



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Crest valedictorian Gregory Hardwick delivers his commencement speech to a gathering Saturday at the CHS football field. The event was rescheduled from May due to concerns over Covid-19 and moved to an outdoor venue to help socially distance the

students and audience. INSET: Audience members chose to sit in their groups either in the football field bleachers or on the perimeter, instead in the socially-distanced audience chairs set up at the event.

Pool opening in peril due to problems finding workers

Press to open Garnett pool
this summer complicated by
problems finding lifeguards

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT – Contrary to the hopes of city commissioners, the city's swimming pool may not be able to open this year because not enough people want to work there.

Garnett Recreation Director Phil Bures told commissioners last week the pool had only one lifeguard application in the two weeks since commissioners opted to proceed with opening for the remainder of the summer.

“I've had one application turned in to lifeguard, and I've not had any for pool manager,” Bures said. He said the city had advertised in the newspaper, on the city's website and its social media. City manager Chris Weiner said a handful of people had expressed interest but hadn't actually applied yet.

“It's not looking all that well so far,”

Weiner said.

Commissioners pressed Bures and city staff to proceed with opening the pool at the city's meeting earlier in June, after a sometimes heated discussion with Bures over pool safety in the Covid-19 environment, staffing and cost issues relating to additional equipment needed during the pandemic. Commissioners however were resolute in their desire to see the pool open, and offered to pay the lifeguard certification fee as an incentive to new hires. Commissioner Greg Gwin suggested if adequate full-time staff can't be hired, the pool might be able to operate on some limited hours or limited days.

Bures said at last week's meeting a staffing shortage presented a number of additional complications, not just in pool operation but also safety and labor law restrictions that limit how many hours per week teenagers can work. Most of the lifeguards typically hired by the pool in the summer are under 21. Bures said a number of staff with prior experience hadn't been

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Back then, July 4 was summer's really, really big deal

Tighter, more populace
towns 'put on the dog' for
July 4's of old

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT – Maybe we got too used to air conditioning.

Whatever the reason, the July 4 celebrations in Anderson County today pale in comparison to those in years gone by. Now relegated mostly to some private fireworks shows and gatherings of family and friends and a single big display in Lake Garnett Park, the Independence Day celebration in Anderson County today, as they say, “ain't what they used to be.”

One of the reasons was simple numbers of citizens – rural depopulation didn't start in force locally until after the turn of the century. Between 1870 and 1890 the county's population nearly tripled from around 5,000 to over 14,000. Even tiny communities like Lone Elm, Mont Ida and Bush City thrived with respectable populations and their own local business communities. And keep in mind...

prior to 1876, America's republic wasn't even 100 years old yet.

Society was different too. Without the impact of mass media and expansive state and federal governments, communities were more self-sustaining – closer-knit in their cultures, ideologies and religious views and less influenced by national and world news. There was no Social Security, no Medicare, no unemployment insurance, no welfare. News travelled more slowly, especially in the days before radio. Newspapers – today's communication dinosaurs now diminished amid modern social media immediacy – were the main source of some-



THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW 6-30-2020 / Anderson County Historical Society
An early 1900s July 4th event in downtown Garnett packed Oak Street on the west side of the town square. Note the bare handful of vehicles and the dirt streets at Oak and Fifth.

what reliable news. That, of course, and good old-fashioned visiting and gossip.

Because folks were more connected to the communities they lived

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Democrats, Republicans struggle to fill county political party positions

GARNETT – Politics may be raging across nightly newscasts, Twitter feeds, in daily newspapers and Facebook arguments, but in Anderson County not many people give a whit.

Or so it would seem from the filings – or the lack of them – for county precinct positions in both the Democrat and Republican parties in the county.

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Crest preps for new school year with host of building improvements

CREST – School board members in Crest USD 479 reviewed a number of building improvement projects earlier this month in preparation for the beginning of school in August.

Crest superintendent Shane Walter said improvement projects this summer included new flooring, updates to the district's VoAg shop through a

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NEWS IN BRIEF

SENIOR CENTER BREAKFAST

The July 4th breakfast at the Senior Center has been cancelled.

AMERICAN LEGION BINGO

American Legion Bingo is back! We will begin our bingo again on Tuesday July 7. Bingo will be each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the VFW/American Legion post hall. Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun.

H, I LICENSE TAGS DUE

License plate renewals for all individuals whose last name begins with H and I are due by Tuesday, June 30, at the Anderson County Treasurer's Office.

COURTHOUSE CLOSED

The courthouse will be closed on Friday, July 3rd, in observance of Independence Day.

COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The Anderson County Historical Society will meet at the museum on July 9, 6:30 p.m. for a potluck dinner meeting. The recently finished medical room will be available for touring. All are welcome to attend.

FREE ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

The 2020-2021 athletic season will be here soon. Physical Packets are now available at the Board of Education (305 N. Oak). All student-athletes planning to participate next school year will need a new physical dated May 1, 2020 or later prior to being allowed to participate in practice. FREE Physicals are being offered by the Anderson County Hospital - Family Care Center on select dates. Call the Family Care Center at 448-2674 and request a "sports physical only" appointment.

SUICIDE AWARENESS GROUP MEETINGS SET

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.

ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION JUNE 22, 2020

Chairman Jerry Howarter called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on June 22, 2020 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 meetings were approved as presented.

Road & Bridge

Lester Welsh, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. Lester has checked on 1000 Rd since it has been open for detour traffic and said that many people are not using it but dust control is working.

Anderson County Hospital

Vicki Mills, Stephanie Smith, and Tanya Ewert with the Anderson County Hospital met with the commission via zoom to present the Ambulance and Board of Directors budgets. The only increase requested was for the CPI index percentage which is taken into account every year. The requested amount is \$589,286, which includes both budgets.

Solid Waste/City of Garnett

Scott Garrett, Solid Waste Director, and Chris Weiner, Garnett City Manager, met with the commission. Discussion was held on where the additional waste and trash is coming from and how to incorporate a time for free dumping. The Commissioners would like to see a fee increase for out of county commercial trash services to dump. Anderson County is one of the lowest fee rates within the surrounding counties. The Commissioners would also like for Scott to work on doing a free dump time which could be a shortened week.

Abatements

Abatements B20-192 through B20-194 were approved as presented.

Adjourn

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

ANDERSON COUNTY COURT DOCKET

Jude Kevin Kimball

June 30, 2020

8:00 a.m.

Miami County Medical Center Inc. vs. Stephanie A Katzer
Olathe Medical Center Inc. vs. Nathaniel Robinson, et al.
Allen County Hospital vs. Blake T Stewart, et al.
Midland Credit Management Inc vs. Julie Vanfleet
Olathe Medical Center Inc vs. Johnnie L Cook, et al.
Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Matthew Elder

9:00 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Earnest Charles Ferguson
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State of Kansas vs. Richard G Mooney Jr
State of Kansas vs. Rosanna M Bauman

9:05 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Jesse J Guerrero

9:10 a.m.

SEALED

9:15 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Nicholas William Harland

9:20 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Michael A Murphy

9:35 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Dustin P Thurman

9:40 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Devyn K Scott

9:45 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Chad Matthew

Church

9:50 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Lane Awstyn Palmer

9:55 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. David A Myers

10:00 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. James Allen Gibson

State of Kansas vs. William Scott Shaffer

State of Kansas vs. Aidyn Michelle Filley

State of Kansas vs. Kelly A Rouse

State of Kansas vs. Tyler J Schmitz

State of Kansas vs. Kassandra C Hernandez

10:10 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Tony Wayne Ashcraft

10:15 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Blake A Geiler

10:20 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Maxwell Tennyson Williams

10:30 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Jeffrey D Tummons

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10:45 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Joshua Lee Edward Skinner

State of Kansas vs. Joshua L E Skinner

10:50 a.m.

State of Kansas vs. Jamie M Olsen

State of Kansas vs. Jamie M Olsen

11:00 a.m.

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11:45 a.m.

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In The Matter of vs. Andria M Bailey

Jude Eric W Godder

July 1, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Tye Goodwin, Petitioner vs. Hannah Goodwin, Respondent

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

9:15 a.m.

Robbie Eugene Parker, Petitioner vs. April Ruth Parker, Respondent

9:30 a.m.

David E Hiner, Petitioner vs. Melissa M Hiner, Respondent

Tara M Garner, Petitioner vs. Justin T Mitchell, Respondent

10:00 a.m.

Aaron Keith Buehne, Petitioner vs. Stacy Renee Stone, Respondent

Pretrial Conference

10:30 a.m.

Kyle E Kirkland, Petitioner vs. Renee Box, Respondent

ANDERSON COUNTY DOMESTIC CASES FILED

Kylee Sharp, Lawrence, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Scott Sharp, Lawrence.

Douglas Holm, Chapman, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Meggan Holm, Chapman.

Fred Helm, Paola, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Marie Helm, Paola.

Susan Esau, Lawrence, has filed a Petition for Divorce against John Esau, Lawrence.

Lauren Hugel, Garnett, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Joshua Mundell, Garnett.

Ashley Owens, Garnett, has filed a Petition to Determine Percentage, Custody, Parenting Time and Support of Minor Child against Nathan Roth.

Eric Reed, Chanute, has filed a Petition for Divorce against Melinda

Reed, Chanute.

ANDERSON COUNTY LIMITED ACTION CASES FILED

Saint Luke's Health System has filed Statement of Lien against Amanda Lopez in the amount of \$6,918.52 for unpaid services.

The Kansas Department of Revenue has filed a tax warrant against Lesley Holman and Gwynn Holman in the amount of \$407.61 for unpaid 2017 Individual Income Taxes. LVNV Funding LLC, has filed suit against Scott Schulte in the amount of \$1,128.63 for unpaid goods and/or services.

LVNV Funding LLC, has filed suit against Scott Schulte in the amount of \$787.66 for unpaid goods and/or services.

Miami County Medical Center Inc., has filed suit against Jonathan Jarred and Carrie Jarred in the amount of \$770.09 for unpaid goods and/or services.

Midland Credit Management Inc., has filed suit against Samantha Evans in the amount of \$1,270.24 for unpaid goods and/or services.

Olathe Medical Center Inc., has filed suit against Esther Garcia in the amount of \$1,860.11 for unpaid goods and/or services.

CDL Training Services of Missouri LLC. has filed suit against Daniel Finney in the amount of \$3,880.13 plus interest and fees for unpaid goods and/or services.

ANDERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Tyson Adams has been charged with aggravated domestic battery, domestic battery and criminal damage to property.

Kadyn Utley has been charged with purchase or consumption of alcoholic beverage by a minor.

Jamie Olsen has been charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Chad Flinn has been charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sebastian Weaver has been charged with aggravated assault, endangering a child and purchase or consumption of alcoholic beverage by a minor.

Annamarie M. Culler has been charged with domestic battery and criminal damage to property.

Richard Mooney, Jr. has been charged with interference with law enforcement, criminal damage to property and criminal trespass.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Dallas Klein has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$153.

Juan Rodriguez Estrada has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Ali Mohamadi Nasr has been charged with Official traffic control devices; required obedience, \$258.

James Klemek has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Jean Dubisson has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Stephanie McClain has been charged with Official traffic control devices; required obedience, \$258.

Denver Welsh has been charged with speeding 50 mph in a 40 mph zone, \$153.

Traeh Armstrong has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Jacob Eliss has been charged with

speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$183.

Lavinn Lawson has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Elisabeth Wolf has been charged with speeding 92 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$408.

Ryan Gettler has been charged with speeding 81 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$189.

Mounir Elmarrakchi has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

John Graves has been charged with Official traffic control devices; required obedience, \$258.

Matthew Dieker has been charged with failure to yield at stop or yield sign.

Anthony Tombin has been charged with driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked.

Alicia Andres has been charged with vehicle liability insurance required, violation of restrictions on driver's license or permit and for operating a vehicle without registration or w/expired tag.

Benison Ocan has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Rashad Moore has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Perez Chavez has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Thomas Varney has been charged with Municipal/County violation; Traffic offense; class C misdemeanor, \$183.

Randy Shown has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$153.

Jacob Eliss has been charged with failure to stop at accident.

Stacy Dietrich has been charged with vehicle liability insurance required, operating a vehicle without registration and license to be carried and exhibited upon demand.

Karen Williams has been charged with failure to wear seatbelt, ignition interlock device; tamper to render inaccurate, one-way glass or sun screen device; side windows, failure to yield to emergency vehicle and license to be carried and exhibited upon demand.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS FILED

On May 28, a vehicle driven by Audrea Wheeler was traveling southbound on Highway 169 when a deer jumped from the north ditch, striking the vehicle.

On June 2, a vehicle driven by Andy Miller was traveling west on K-31 Highway when a deer came from the south side of the highway, hitting the front of his vehicle.

On June 8, a vehicle driven by Derek Stahnke was traveling westbound on 2200 Road when a deer crossed from the ditch, being struck by the vehicle.

On June 11, a semi driven by Sadak Aden was turning north from US 169 Highway on to NW Missouri Road when his trailer entered the south ditch of Highway 169 and became hung up on the bridge pushing over a yellow and black bridge marker which was able to stand back up.

On June 13, a vehicle driven by Regine Hurlock was traveling eastbound on 1700 Road .25 miles east

of Utah Road when the vehicle struck a bobcat that entered the roadway.

On June 13, a vehicle driven by Bruce Rockers was traveling northbound on Highway 169 when it crossed into the opposite lane and struck a vehicle driven by Elizabeth Reynolds.

On June 24, a vehicle driven by Stacy True was traveling north on Highway 169 when they struck a coyote.

ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

On June 18, Dixie Collins, Pleasanton, was booked into jail as a hold for Linn County Sheriff Department as she was arrested for unlawfully obtain prescription-only drug and cultivate/distribute with intent.

On June 20, Sebastian Weaver, Greeley, was arrested for aggravated endangering a child, criminal threat, liquor; purchase by a minor, aggravated assault.

On June 22, Joshua Skinner, Garnett, was arrested for two counts of failure to appear.

On June 23, Benjamin Watson, Parsons, was arrested for failure to appear.

On June 24, Andre Bowman, Kansas City, Missouri, was arrested for a probation violation.

On June 24, Tony Ashcraft, Kansas City, was arrested for driving while a habitual violator.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

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

Zachery Mitchell was booked into jail on December 12, 2019.

Barry Weber was booked into jail on February 15, 2020.

Jacob Joeckel was booked into jail on April 23, 2020.

David McAfee was booked into jail on May 16, 2020.

Maxwell Williams was booked into jail on June 10, 2020.

Jeffery Stifter was booked into jail on June 16, 2020.

Jeffery Tummons was booked into jail on June 17, 2020.

Chad Flinn was booked into jail on June 17, 2020.

Jamie Olsen was booked into jail on June 17, 2020.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS ROSTER

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

Rodney Lindsey was booked into jail on March 18, 2020.

Katie Cheek was booked into jail on May 19, 2020.

Daniel Hernandez was booked into jail on June 3, 2020.

Selena Singletary was booked into jail on June 3, 2020.

Jennifer Cady was booked into jail on June 3, 2020.

Patrick Stoneking was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Brandon Burton was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Trent Robbins was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Cager Spates was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Noah Falk was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Dalton Bobek was booked into jail on June 12, 2020.

Dixie Collins was booked into jail on June 18, 2020.

City of Garnett seeks volunteer Tourism Board & Steering Committee members

GARNETT - The Governing Body of the City of Garnett invites you to think about contributing your knowledge and skill by serving on one of Garnett's advisory boards or committees. Volunteers serving in this capacity meet monthly or as needed. The City of Garnett strives to assure equality of opportunity, full-participation, independent living and economic self-sufficiency for all of its citizens regardless of race, sex, color, age, national origin, ancestry or disability. In order to gain input from diverse citizen perspectives, we encourage

interested persons to make application at City Hall, 131 W. Fifth Avenue, or download the Statement of Interest to Serve available at www.SimplyGarnett.com.

Openings exist for positions on the following advisory committees:

Garnett Tourism Advisory Board

This board currently has one open position. The term for this position will expire on 12/31/2020 but would be eligible for the consideration of term renewal. This advisory committee currently meets on the first Wednesday of each

month at 4:30 p.m. It consists of seven members who serve three year terms. They are directly responsible for overseeing the tourism promotion and marketing activities for the City of Garnett.

Steering Committee

This board currently has two open positions. The Steering Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. It consists of fifteen members who are directly responsible for creating and implementing a creative strategic plan for Garnett.

Persons interested in the positions as described are wel-

come to contact City Manager Christopher Weiner at Garnett City Hall, 785.504.4302 or email advisory@garnettks.net, with any questions they might have or to submit their application for consideration. Names of applicants will be provided to the Governing Body for consideration at the city commission meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

CORNSTOCK...

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ble impacts on the event ever since the virus became apparent in mid-March.

"Our Cornstock board of directors have watched closely as the coronavirus has spread throughout the world impacting people from all walks of life including our friends, family, neighbors and entertainers alike," the statement read. "We looked forward to seeing all of our Cornstock fans, friends and family at the end of this horrible crisis and celebrating the end of the pandemic at our festival."

"We are saddened to announce that we must cancel the 2020 Cornstock Music Festival. This is not the future that any of us hoped to confront, but our focus remains the well-being of our sponsors,

fans, volunteers, artists, vendors and everyone who has made our festival successful."

The statement said vendors fees, sponsor donations and advanced ticket sales would all be refunded. Organizers said planning was underway for the 2021 festival, hopefully under better circumstances.

Cornstock's 2019 festival was cancelled due to a relentless rainy summer and fall and no ticket refunds were made, a decision that prompted criticism over the organizations refund policy.

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POOL...

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able to commit this late in the season because of other plans with family or other activities re-emerging for the summer.

"It all comes down to we haven't necessarily got schedules from the kids

ROCKERS, JR.

FEBRUARY 9, 1952 - JUNE 19, 2020

Frank J. Rockers, Jr. age 68, of Emporia, Kansas, passed away on Friday, June 19, 2020, at Melvern, Kansas.

He was born on February 9, 1952, in Garnett, Kansas, the son of Frank Joseph Rockers and Mary Jane (Powelson) French. Frank graduated from Garnett High School with the Class of 1970. Later that summer, he began doing quality control for the quarry industry for the State Of Kansas. He spent the rest of his career working in different aspects of the quarry industry. His most current position was with Harshman Construction which began on September 6, 2016. His primary roles were Quality Control for all crushing operations at all locations and also served as the New Mine Site Development Administrator.



Rockers

On May 25, 1973, he married Janet Brown and this union was blessed with three children. They were married for 32 years. He later married

Gayleen Miller on May 14, 2011. Frank was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Scott Augustine Rockers.

He is survived by one son, Eric Rockers and wife Holly of Garden Plain, Kansas; two daughters, Jessica Wettstein and husband Jake of Garnett, Kansas; Anna Lansbury and husband Brian of Lawrence, Kansas; five grandchildren, Tanner Rockers, Kade Rockers, Trent Wettstein, Ava Lansbury and Emma Lansbury; one brother, Richard Rockers and wife Ginger of Maryville, Tennessee; six sisters, Jane Johnson of Lenexa, Kansas, Catherine Clauder of Kansas City, Kansas, Faye Leitch and husband David of Garnett, Kansas, Loretta Coltrane and husband Daniel of Scipio, Kansas, Regina Rockers of Kansas City, Kansas, and Monica Sobba of Richmond, Kansas; many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Memorial services were June 29, 2020, at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Scipio, Kansas. Inurnment followed in the St. Boniface Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hope and Love of the Laity Fund (H.A.L.L. Fund).

JONES

JUNE 13, 2020

Jeffery Anthony Jones 54 of Beaufort, SC formally from Garnett, Ks passed away on June 13, 2020 from complications of Kidney Disease. He was born to Jeffie Thurman Jones and Amanda



Jones

Francis Jones. He is survived by his older sisters Marleen Stifter and Dorothy Thompson and older brother Lee K Jones. He recently retired from working as a underground line locator In Beaufort and Hilton Head S.C.

He was an avid outdoorsman. He loved to go hunting and deep seas fishing. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

your children and focus on them, make them feel loved. Proverbs tells us to discipline your children. "The Lord corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights." When Absalom planned to overthrow his father, King David, and did evil by him, David still mourned greatly after his son was killed. You'll make mistakes, but you are called to stand in the gap to protect your children from the evil one. God provides the example for you to follow; so be strong, and be the leaders he intended you to be. (Ref: Luke 1:18-20 & 63; Proverbs 3:11-12; Ezekiel 22:30; 1 John 2:12-14; 1 Kings 2:2-4; Joel 1:3-4)

**Colony Christian Church
June 22 sermon- "Fatherhood starts in an unsure way"**

Larry Wittmer gave the Communion Meditation over Psalm 37. This chapter reminds us to trust in the Lord and do good, to commit everything that we do to the Lord. We must be still in the presence of the Lord and wait patiently for him to act. Turn from your anger and don't lose your temper. The Lord takes care of the innocent, and they will receive an inheritance that lasts forever. If you follow along his path and put your hope in him, you will be honored.

Pastor Chase Riebel gave the sermon on how Fatherhood starts in an unsure way. When Zechariah was unsure when the angel told him his wife would have a son, he got his voice taken away. Men, you must claim fatherhood, claim your children and who they are meant to be in God! You know that God has a plan for your child. Spend time with

Will we see the need?

In Psalm 50:21, God says. "These things you have done and I have kept silent; you thought I was altogether like you.. But I will rebuke you and accuse you to your face." I believe many times we as humans believe God is like us. This view point is altogether wrong. We cannot attach human attributes to God. God is our creator and we were created in his image but God also allowed us the power of choice. We can choose to do right or we can choose to do wrong. In 2nd Corinthians 5:21, we read. "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" So now it is apparent God does not compromise his righteousness and meet us halfway so that we can stay in our same sinful state.

Now God says, "these things you have done and I have kept silent." At times God appears to be silent. But by his silence he is not condoning sin, nor is he indifferent to it. Instead, he is withholding deserved punishment, giving time for people to repent. But his silence does not last forever and a time of punishment will come. We can see this plainly in the captivity of the Hebrews in Egypt as well as the Babylonian captivity. Each time these people went into captivity they did so because they disobeyed God. In Psalm 137 we read the following lament. "By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion. There on the poplars we hung our harps, for there our cap-

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

tors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy: they said, 'Sing us one of the songs of Zion.'"

It is very difficult to imagine us ever losing any of our freedom. After all we have a strong national defense and we live in the bread basket of the world. I don't believe we will ever be conquered in any area like this. But Rome was never conquered either. It decayed from within. Rome fell due to the undermining of the dignity of the home. Higher and higher taxes. A mad craze for pleasure. Becoming more brutal and immoral and the decay of religion.

I believe once a nation starts down this path only the intervention of God, not man will save it. Each time the Israelite's repented and got right with God he brought them out of captivity. The question we have to answer is do we see the need to repent or will it be necessary for God to show us?

Ministry on the Holiness of God.

Author of the book, "On the Other Side of the Door" Like David Bilderback on FB

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K-State should fire athletes

Kansas State University should learn from the University of Missouri's debacle and fire the student athletes on its football team, women's basketball team, and any others who refuse to play their sports as directed for any reason.

Two reasons: First, the university is and should be in charge of its athletic and for that matter its academic programs, not the students.

"I condemned George Floyd's life of violent crime and Twitter gave me a 12 hour suspension for 'glorifying violence.'"

— Jaden McNeil

long, long time ago. Ever hear of a place called the University of Missouri?

Let me recap the story of how my dear ole' alma mater lost the faith and confidence of the parents of Missouri college-students-to-be as well as that of donating alumni from the Black Lives Matter disaster of 2015-2016.

In a nutshell, racial unrest on campus around the time of the Ferguson riots led to the Mizzou football team stomping its feet and going on "strike" until former University President Tim Wolfe was fired or resigned due to racial stress on campus. Head coach Gary Pinkel backed his players. Pinkel and the players should have been fired for insubordination and the Tigers taken the field that season with the C and D teamers or forfeited their games. Then Wolfe should have been fired because of his ongoing incompetence. To Mizzou's ill fate, none of that happened.

Instead, university management let the whole thing blow up in their faces. In the ensuing years black and white enrollment both dropped at Mizzou. Some 4,500 students - 13 percent of enrollment and a number that translated to hundreds of millions of dollars in tuition, housing and beer sales - left Columbia. Also lost were donations from alumni for all manner

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DANE HICKS, Publisher

of university causes. Dorms closed; faculty cut; the university's famed agricultural and medical research went undone or was set back. The hemorrhaging of dollars only ceased recently with recovering enrollment.

K-State, you don't want to go there. Much better to assert control of your university now and show the world the adults are in charge. Better to make the hard decisions and suffer the immediate consequences now rather than capitulate to students who will throw away the honor of a D1 athletic slot because someone said something that offended them.

Jaden McNeil's tweet that started the K-State trouble: "Congratulations to George Floyd on being drug free for an entire month!" was an off color joke, but only because of the bogus pre-election inflammation cooked up by the Black Lives Matter movement. Sure it's inappropriate - lots of humor is. But certainly no worse than the old Saturday Night Live breaking news joke: "Generalissimo Francisco Franco is still dead."

McNeil made a salient point in his own defense: "I condemned George Floyd's life of violent crime and Twitter gave me a 12 hour suspension for 'glorifying violence.'"

That kind of logic, even if you don't agree with it, is lost on these modern purveyors of Cancel Culture. Offend me, this new cultural phenomena says, and the mob will force my will on you - or else.

It's a spooky place for America to be, and it's incumbent upon heretofore sensible universities like K-State to draw the line. If it caves in, the costs - both financial and in basic right and wrong - may be devastating. ###



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Ha ha you sound desperate man. You getting nervous? The sheriff went to see the gentleman who passed the week before he passed, and the detective made two pans of lasagna and brought it to the family himself. What's the matter? Somebody getting too close to your meth lab?

All of this chaos; the BLM noise, tearing down statues, white liberals on their knees begging forgiveness for something they never did, even the Dems blocking the police reform bill Wednesday, all of it shows Leftists more interested in symbolism than substance. Dems don't want solutions like keeping black families together, improving schools with School Choice, and reforming police, they want a political issue and Whitey as the boogeyman.

It's my understanding that posting signs in the public right of way is against city ordinance. I wish Garnett would do something to enforce

that. The yard sale signs and real estate signs are up all the time, but now that we have political campaigns going on there are several places that you cannot see oncoming traffic when you're trying to cross the street because they have huge political signs for various political candidates posted right next to the street. I wish Garnett would do something about it instead of allowing it to continue.

If they practice social distancing, are nudists required to wear masks?

To the name calling person who wishes someone to get sick because they say they will not wear a face mask: you must be so hate-filled to wish someone to get sick because they disagree with you about masks. How hypocritical of you to wish illness on someone. As a responsible, independent person no one pays for my medical but myself, and I ask no one to take care of me if I get sick. Maybe you should not make judgments about someone you do not know.

I saw in the paper where they're not going to have a city wide clean up this fall because of the pipeline dumping a lot of trash down there and Ottawa Sanitation bringing their trash down here. We pay a lot of property taxes in this town and if we can't have a cleanup day twice a year what are we supposed to do, throw it out on the street and you pick it up from the street? I don't care I can do that.

I am calling about the article about the sheriff and detective not being at a funeral. I happen to be a relative and I happen to know the sheriff was here at his house a few days before he passed and as far as the detective, I don't know if you're talking about the undersheriff, but he made food himself and brought it out to the family and so did the chief deputy. So please don't be hating on Blue Lives. Right now that's not what we need and John would not like that at all. Let it be. Thank you.

I see the city has new criteria for getting permits for these food trucks that want to come to town and compete with the restaurants that pay taxes here and support the community here. I think at the very least one of these criteria to grant a permit or not should be whether the food truck company does a play on words that's clearly innuendo for vulgarity. This has no business on our streets. I'm speaking about the barbeque place north of Garnett on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you.

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The question: to mask or not to mask

Much has been made about wearing, or not wearing, a face mask when around other people as things open up during the latest stage of the grand corona-virus drama.

How stupid. Rational people will make their decision on the basis of fact and science, one eyebrow cocked with the knowledge that the latest science is often outdated by next month. So, what is the "latest science" we should be looking to?

Let's start a little farther back. Early in this drama, people started wearing masks to protect themselves from the virus. At first, public-health authorities encouraged this. Then, after some studies, they discovered that wearing a mask did little to protect the wearer.

At that point, the authorities spread the word that a mask, outside of a hospital setting, wasn't particularly helpful.

Some doctors said because the masks might collect virus particles which then could spread to the wearer when handled, wearing a mask might be more dangerous than not wearing one. As of April, however, "the latest studies"

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showed that wearing a mask could prevent a person infected with the virus from spreading it willy-nilly. (See the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website, "Recommendation Regarding the Use of Cloth Face Coverings.") The centers cite seven recent studies.

The experts then began recommending we wear face masks when out around other people, as we increasingly are. The most dangerous places seem to be big chain hardware, grocery and discount

stores and uncontrolled crowds at recreational sites.

But let's make this clear. The mask isn't to protect you. It's to protect everyone else from you, should you chance to become infected. Wearing a mask says to other shoppers, and especially to store employees, that you are thinking about their health. It says, "I care about you."

This is important for store employees, since as shoppers, we're seldom there for long and perhaps run little risk of being infected. Employees have to be there all day, wearing their masks. They stand a much better chance of getting sick.

Not wearing a mask says, simply, that you don't care. About the employees, other shoppers, anyone else.

If that's your political statement, so be it. This newspaper is known as solidly Republican, conservatively leaning, but we're not antimask. Most of us are learning to wear one when in stores and offices, because we do care.

We commend it to everyone. It's not about politics. It's not about not spreading this virus.

It's about caring about others, being polite.

— Steve Haynes is president of Nor'West Newspapers in Oberlin, Kan.

Thomas Jefferson: Who he was must stand

They're coming for Thomas Jefferson. Protestors in Portland, Oregon used axes and ropes to topple a statue of President Thomas Jefferson. The New York City Council is agitating to remove a statue of the author of the Declaration of Independence from its chambers.

At this rate, the Sage of Monticello will be lucky if the Jefferson Memorial isn't bulldozed and if he isn't effaced from the nickel.

Jefferson is, to use the argot of the day, the most "problematic" of the Founders. The Virginian was a slave owner who, despite his high ideals, never jettisoned an attachment to the slave system that was a hideous injustice and, in the fullness of time, nearly destroyed the country.

But that's not what we honor him for. Jefferson isn't memorialized on the Mall in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere around the country because of the racist things he wrote in Notes on the State of Virginia.

American history because of his (now widely accepted by historians) sexual relationship with one of his slaves, Sally Hemings, who was with his late-sister of his late wife.

He isn't held up as among our most exalted Founders because of his fear of slave revolts and his ever-closer association with the slave South as he grew older.

No, Jefferson is on a pedestal for achievements that still define the country today, and

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for the better. He wrote the ringing lines in the preamble of the Declaration that eventually took on world-historical importance and were used as a rhetorical and philosophical cudgel against the slave system and white supremacy by the likes of Abraham Lincoln and Martin Luther King.

He was a theorist, champion and able practitioner of what we know as Jeffersonian democracy, "government of the people, by the people, for the people," as Lincoln famously put it at Gettysburg.

He wrote the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom that became a model for the First

Amendment, and he worked to abolish feudal relics such as entail and primogeniture.

As president, he doubled the size of the country in a stroke with the Louisiana Purchase.

He was a man of the Enlightenment, with incredibly wide-ranging interests from architecture to natural history and - in addition to serving as president, secretary of state and governor - founded the University of Virginia. All of this speaks to his greatness, but none of it is to deny his miserable human failures and his woeful hypocrisy.

That Jefferson was deeply compromised by the slave system and yet rose above his own sectional and selfish interests to enunciate timeless principles should be considered an accomplishment, not a reason to relegate him to the ash heap. He always maintained that slavery was unjust and early in his career, tried to abolish slavery in Virginia and prohibit the introduction of slavery in new Western lands.

The woke philistines who are targeting him are incapable of thought or discernment and want to jettison much of the country's heritage. A historian once said, "If Jefferson was wrong, America is wrong." Those who want to grind his memory to dust clearly accept both parts of that formulation - and indict not just Jefferson, but the America he helped define.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

June 1920 - Harris banked robbed

June 2010

The fires of 1978 were devastating for Garnett, Rose Wilper remembers. She remembers because they were devastating for dispatchers too. Wilper, who began working as an emergency services dispatcher in October 1978, remembers working when the fire destroyed much of the west side of the downtown Garnett square. Fires are so consuming because so many people are doing so much, especially for the fires that last for several days, according to Wilper, who will be retiring after 31 years as a dispatcher.



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banded together to purchase a gravestone inscribed "Known Only To God - A Mother's Son."

June 1990

When a money problem occurs, any action taken to further reduce income can be a disaster. But the shutting off of Medicaid funds from the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services to the Anderson County Hospital will not be a devastating blow according to Administrator Jim Johnson. The SRS suspended Medicaid payments to Kansas hospitals last week due to a shortage of funds in the coffers at the end of the 1989-90 operating year. The suspension would cut the hospital out of about \$8,000 per month based on a monthly revenue of \$270,000.

June 1980

Seven horses have been found recently and the Anderson County Sheriff's Office is wondering who might have lost them. No one has reported any missing horses. In a report made to the Sheriff's Office, Maurice Lickteig, Greeley, said he found an eight or nine-year old Appaloosa stallion. So far he has been unable to find the owner of the horse. Tuesday, Keith Harvey, Lone Elm, said he found six horses. He told the sheriff's department that there were three Appaloosas, two quarter horses, and one foal. He has also been unable to find the owner of the horses.

June 1920

Harris was thrown into a spasm of excitement Tuesday about noon, when it was learned that two men had entered the bank, put Roy Jones, assistant cashier, in the vault, and had taken all the money in sight, together with several thousand dollars in bond. Then, they left in an Oakland Six, going toward Williamsburg. As soon as it was recognized what had happened, Harry Chitwood and D.H. Stiles, of Garnett, and some Harris men, jumped into a car and followed the robbers, but how far they went has not been learned at this office.

Princeton's store served the area for many years



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I recently became the owner of a book containing nothing but pictures of old postcards. As I looked thru it, I came upon this very interesting picture and it brought many memories back to me. Through all my research, I don't think I ever read about our early towns not having a General Merchandise Store. Even the smallest of towns. Many of which are now ghost towns. I realize Princeton is not in Anderson County, but it is still a part of Kansas history.

The Smith Family of Princeton, KS. ran a general store for many years. Their two-story building was photographed for this postcard in 1908. It was just one of

several stores serving the countryside south of Ottawa. Their store carried a variety of items from ready-made clothing to grocery items, nuts and bolts to cosmetics. Requested items not in stock could generally be obtained. Just inside the doors of

the business, a friendly checker game was an ongoing contest. Ohio City, a railroad stop for the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad, began the early history of Princeton in Franklin County. When a new townsite was platted closer to the tracks, most families moved their belongings and a few residential buildings to initiate the new city of Princeton, KS.

Does anyone remember anything about this store or the Smith Family?

Respectfully submitted by:
Henry Roeckers 23June2020

Greeley United Methodist Church - 160 years

by Nancy Rockers

The Greeley United Methodist Church officially closed its doors on December 31, 2019. The tiny congregation held a service to disband on Sunday, December 29, 2019. It was with great sadness that Pastor Bill Driver read the order of disbanding saying, "It was God's gift for a season."

The church had a long and rich history reaching back to westward migration and the settling of the town of Greeley before statehood. The Greeley United Brethren in Christ Church was founded June of 1859. The small but stalwart German speaking congregation quickly worked to build a sanctuary. The local people did the labor. Trees from along the Pottawatomie river were felled. The wood posts and planks to construct the building were sawn at the saw mill on the banks of the river. The United Brethren in Christ congregations in Ohio donated money to help with the construction. They also sent doorknobs and hardware for the new church. That material was shipped up the Missouri river by steamboat to Leavenworth, then transported overland by wagon the roughly 75 miles from Leavenworth to Greeley.

The sanctuary took several years to completely finish, but services were held in the building in 1860. The church was described as orthodox, meaning it conformed to the



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The original Greeley United Brethren in Christ which was built in 1860, the church was founded in 1859.

Christian faith as formulated in the early ecumenical creeds and confessions. The UB in Christ members opened their doors as the gathering place for all denominations. From 1864-1869, the church building was used as the Greeley public school.

Around 1896, there was an interesting split in the congregation. The issue was over membership in "secret societies". The "old school", "conservative", "radical" United Brethren believed secret societies existed to protect disreputable business people from their illegal dealings. The

"liberal" UB members believed secular organizations outside of the church could work for good in a community. The disagreement came to a head during the oppressive 100 degree heat of the summer. The "liberals" wanted to take down the 1860 church which was located on Main Street, south of Brown Street, and build a larger church sanctuary. The "old schoolers" got their Winchesters and holed up in the sanctuary for at least 24 hours. The sheriff of Anderson County and his deputy traveled by train from Garnett to Greeley to calm and bring compromise to the situation. The "liberals" acquired lots north of the city park on which to build their new sanctuary. The "old schoolers" continued worshipping in the 1860 sanctuary until 1915. At that time the congregation became too elderly and too small to continue and

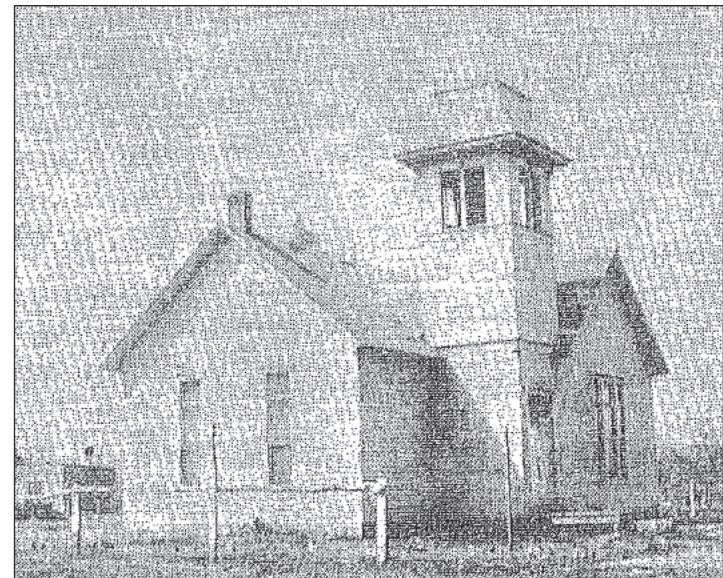
the old 1860 church closed.

In 1897, the "liberal" UB members built a new sanctuary north of the city park and dedicated it in November. The congregation was younger, larger and more active than the "old schoolers". Through the first one-third of the twentieth century, the Greeley United Brethren in Christ Church was in a charge that shared a minister with Judy UB in Christ and Eureka UB in Christ churches.

It should be noted that by the 1890's when Greeley reached a peak population of 700+, there were five active churches in the community; Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, a Presbyterian Church, a Methodist Episcopal Church, the "old school" United Brethren in Christ Church and the "liberal" United Brethren in Christ Church.

In 1944, the disbanded Bethel congregation of the Berea Presbyterian Church located on a ridge above the Pottawatomie Valley between Greeley and Richmond sold their empty church building to the Greeley UB members to be used as a Greeley fellowship hall. Approval for the sale of this building took some time as the sale had to be considered and sanctioned by a Presbyterian board in Scotland. The building was moved from its site across the Pottawatomie river to settle on a lot west of the church building. Improvements were made and the old Berea Presbyterian church continues today to be used as a community hall.

In 1946, the United Brethren in Christ church and the Evangelical Association church combined to form the Evangelical United Brethren (EUB) church. These two groups had been German



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This Greeley United Brethren in Christ Church was built in 1897, photo circa 1910.

speaking, Brethren in tradition and Wesleyan in theology. They were successful on the western frontier because of the many German immigrants who settled in Kansas and because they were strongly antislavery.

By 1968, the now English speaking EUB church and the Methodist church, being both Wesleyan in theology and episcopacy, merged to form the United Methodist Church. Starting in the early 1960's, the church members began modernizing the sanctuary. By 1972, the project was completed when modern, comfortable pews were purchased and installed from the Garnett church furniture factory.

Since 2015, membership has declined. The work of the church became difficult due to the age of the members and the shrinking size of the congregation. The small congregation heard these words in the orders of disbandment: "It has

accomplished its purpose... But Christ's holy church is of God and will be preserved to the end of time, for the conduct of worship and the due administration of God's Word and Sacraments, the maintenance of Christian fellowship and discipline, the edification of believers and the conversion of the world. We remain part of Christ's ongoing Church."

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Out of 34 positions on the county central committees of both the Democrats and Republicans (each voting precinct or township has a precinct man and a precinct woman position on the committee) only six Republicans filed for election to their party committee. On the Democrat side, no one filed at all.

That presents special problems if a sitting elected official in Anderson County has to be replaced. State law designates the party of which an office holder is a member to fill that vacancy should he or she die, resign or be removed from office. Presently three elected county officials - county commissioners Jerry Howarter and Dave Pracht and Register of Deeds Sandy Baugher - are Democrats. The other four

elected offices- county clerk, county treasurer, county sheriff and one county commissioner - are currently held by Republicans.

While filling such a vacancy is the primary job of a county party committee, those groups of precinct members also make up the "grassroots" county network to help other candidates of their parties get elected, both locally, on a state basis and nationally. Campaign workers in state legislative races as well as races for U.S. Senate and Congress hope to rely on those county committees to field interested workers willing to schedule appearances, put up signs and sometimes go door-to-door in their counties for candidates they support.

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THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW 6-30-2020

Richmond Museum opens over July 4-5 weekend

The Richmond Community Museum will open for its 13th year over the July 4-5th weekend, said Mary Tooley, president. It will continue to be open each Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., with no admission charge. The opening was delayed from Memorial Day weekend for obvious reasons.

Visitors are asked to practice social distancing and wear masks. The building is air-conditioned and bottled water is available. Pat Vining

and Dennis Peters will be hosts on opening weekend, so bring your questions, and come visit!

There are some new "things" to see, said Tooley, including several items from the late Dorothy May (Horstick) Stumpe, sister of the late Ed Horstick. She is the girl in the large framed picture with her 1934 American Royal grand championship steer in the 4-H display.

Although it won't be noticed by visitors, progress is being

made as Sarah Ben-Ezra and Hannah Jemet photograph and record each artifact, and continue to scan the archival materials so the Museum has a better record of its collections.

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Con't - The Skinning Tree – A novel by G. Dane Hicks

Due to "social distancing" directives in view of the present Covid19 emergency and the fact that many Review readers are sequestering to varying degrees in their homes and looking for reading materials among ways to pass the time, we are publishing segments of Review publisher Dane Hicks' 2003 novel "The Skinning Tree" (Began March 24) over the course of the next several weeks.

Chapter 7 Con't

*picking up from where left on from June 23rd edition

"I want you to start talking to people down there. Find out who found the body, who reported it. Talk to the folks at Margie's – someone over there's going to have some scuttlebutt. As soon as I'm done here, I'll head to the sheriff's office, and I'm sure they're not gonna have squat to tell me, which is why I want you to get something from anybody down there who seems to know anything. We're not going to have much time." McKane held the phone tight to his ear, and watched as two more officers joined the crew milling by the body, apparently waiting for someone to give an order.

"Okay, I-I got it." Wendell's voice was a little unsure. "What – What are they doing in there exactly?"

McKane glanced back down toward the debris-strewn floor of the old building. "They've got a body. Covered up with some kind of plastic. It's back toward the back of the building close to where I am." One of the officers pulled a camera from a little black bag, and another pulled away the sheet. McKane felt a twinge of emotion race through him as the nude, limp corpse of the woman was revealed from the covering. He looked away for a second. Nobody deserved to go like this, he thought to himself. Naked and defenseless, with people standing around gawking, taking pictures. That thought brought the guilt, which took a solid bite out of him for a split second, but he forced his gaze back to the scene and reached again for the camera.

"God, Mac. Do they know you're up there?"

"Get busy Wendell. I'll be down in a little bit." He clipped the phone shut with a beep.

The telephoto lens would produce pictures McKane knew he could never publish, but he knew having them to look over might reveal some information which the cops wouldn't cough up. The scene through the lens expanded in size and came to focus on the graying flesh of the woman as the cop pulled the sheet away so the other officer's pictures would show the surrounding scene. McKane fired a couple of frames of the larger scene, then zoomed in on the corpse, whose graying skin nearly matched the color of the chalky debris on which the body lay. Her right arm was tucked underneath her back,

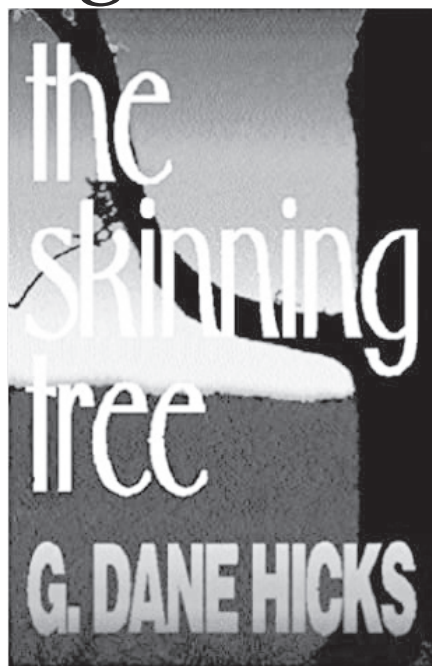
the other bent and pointed slightly outward with the hand near the woman's head. A long mass of black hair billowed to the left and over the top of the head, partially obscuring the face on one side. McKane's mind raced to place the face, but nothing came to mind. He zoomed in tighter on the face of the corpse and snapped a frame.

Think, he told himself. Think. He widened the frame up from the close-up and slowly scanned the area around the body. The debris field made it hard to be certain, but McKane didn't see anything that looked like evidence – no spent shell casings indicating a shooting, no knife, no loose boards that might have been used as a club. He moved back to the body and scanned the form. It was relatively clean – no blood spatters, no big bruises that he could see.

He lowered the camera, adjusted his position at the parapet to give his now protesting knees some relief, and watched the cops. The two paramedics were heading back out to the street now, content their skills at lifesaving wouldn't be needed. There was a slight call of attention from the cop who minutes ago had pulled the sheeting away as he knelt at the woman's head, and the subtle but direct response from Bookman and the other officer caught McKane's eye. The three men knelt toward the face of the corpse, and as McKane zoomed in the lens to the face as he viewed it over Bookman's shoulder, the undersheriff pulled a mass of the hair back with a rubber-gloved finger and smoothed the shining black strands back from her face.

The woman's head was turned so that most of one side was hidden, her pale, grayish lips open slightly to partially expose her teeth, and the visible eye not completely closed. McKane broke his gaze through the lens and watched as Bookman motioned for the cop with the camera to move into position as the senior officer pointed toward the woman's mouth. Now through the lens, McKane watched as Bookman pointed to a small flat object protruding from the mouth of the corpse. McKane couldn't hear the conversation, but the tone and the direction of the senior cop was that he wanted a close-up. The other man hesitated a little, then knelt closer to the body as he raised his camera to his face, and McKane zoomed in even tighter on the woman's mouth and the object stuck against her lower lip.

The optics in the digital camera were vivid and incredibly clear for this tight a frame from better than sixty feet away.



Large and deep red in color, the base of the object gathered at one end to form the tiny green stem of a beautiful, lush rose petal.

Bookman's call to the Kansas Bureau of Investigation office in Topeka had opened a floodgate of response at the agency, enough to overwhelm the undersheriff and make him leery of all the sudden attention from law officers who knew one hell of a lot more about this sort of thing than he did. Now someone was calling either the sheriff's office or his cell phone every few minutes with questions or instructions, and with each call Bookman's gut ached with dread and uncertainty; the emotion seemed to press up around his throat as the conversations whizzed over the telephones to him with suffocating speed, only portions of which could he decipher and understand. The sensation was almost like drowning.

Special Agents Garman and Fromme were enroute from Wichita and Garden City respectively within ten minutes of Bookman's call, and wouldn't be able to check the scene in the daylight until tomorrow morning. Fromme had called Bookman back via cell phone to double check that photos were taken and specifics of the crime scene noted by the local officers for later evaluation.

The decision to send Garman and Fromme to Henrysville was made at the KBI's highest level and with director Lloyd Koster

involved, since the two made up Kansas' best special crimes team and had just attended that high-priced training in Los Angeles. The two had actually been between assignments when the first woman's body was discovered in Pod Tucker's well, and the preliminary medical examiner's report led them to head there straightaway when otherwise the agency might not have responded so quickly. News of the discovery of the second body so soon after the first and its particulars spread like wildfire through the KBIs command structure. Three non-specialized KBI agents were already in town acting on instructions from Fromme and Garman for evidence gathering and site inspection. Fresh information was critical, and neither Fromme nor Garman wanted to wait until tomorrow to start gathering. Nor did they want to fully rely on local cops who they knew didn't have an agent's level of training. From the sounds of it, Kansas now had its own serial killer holed up in some little backwater town, and the fact that the second body was recovered in a place so public and so soon after the first rose petal victim was found, led Garman and Fromme to believe the killer was desperate to make his presence known. Desperation in such a mind was the last thing the KBI wanted.

Bookman tried to follow and understand the requests for information from the agents, but most of it was beyond him. He understood why the back entrance to the old building was important, since that was probably the means of entry and exit which the killer used to dump the body. Indeed a couple of footprints were found on some soft ground near the alley where an old piece of sign board had recently been removed. Other than that, it would take an eye far better trained than Bookman's to decipher whatever clues were hidden at the scene.

It was nearly nine o'clock, and he sat at his desk taking a bite out of the roast beef sandwich his wife had brought him earlier in the day. The KBI men had him post officers at the front and rear of the scene for security as they waited for Garman and Fromme, but beyond giving county attorney Josh Rudman the run-down so far, Bookman couldn't think

of anything else to do but finally go home. Voices in the front office broke through his tired thoughts, and Rudman's signature fast-paced walk became apparent as he headed down the hall toward Bookman's office.

"Got your message. So they found another one, huh?" said Rudman as he slumped into an old wood chair opposite Bookman.

Bookman glanced up from the sandwich. "Yeah. Same deal. Jess Simmons opened that work site down at the old clothing store this afternoon after his boys finished hauling a load of material to another job and found her. That cute little Mexican waitress from the Dinner Bell."

"Just down the street?"

"Yep. Gross says same deal. Rose petals in the mouth. Raped and strangled just like before." Bookman set the sandwich aside, leaned forward and looked earnestly at Rudman, his glassy eyes full of concern. "Josh, he's right here in town. He ain't some guy passing through. He's here."

The county attorney nodded, his face solemn.

"KBI guys are playing it all pretty close to their vest," Bookman continued, "but I know if you've got two of the same kind of killings this close together, the guy's begging to get caught. Hell, he dumped her in downtown Henrysville, for Christ's sake."

Suddenly a commotion up the hallway broke up the somber evening quiet of the office. Bo Walker's booming voice whooped in delight, and his heavy boot steps creaked the old wooden floor of the hallway as he approached the sheriff's office, accompanied by his boisterous bellow of jubilation. He turned the corner of the office, his right biceps bulging as he curled his clenched fist into a victory thrust and flopped an evidence file on Bookman's desk, spilling its contents of papers slightly as it landed.

He grinned wide, his hands resting on the sides of his service belt, his muscled chest and shoulders inhaled into an almost Roman pose. Rudman's eyes flashed into a surprised smile at the sight of the performance, and flashed his glance at Bookman.

"What?" Bookman growled, aggravated at the interruption. Walker moved a stack of folders from an oak office chair onto the

floor as he invited himself to sit down, scooting the chair across to the wall so he could lean back in it.

"We got him."

Rudman stood and moved behind Bookman's chair to read over his shoulder. Walker rattled on as both the other mens' eyes scanned across the documents.

"Couple of counties in the Napa Valley in California picked up the info off NCIC. They had six murders there nine years ago, happened over four months, and all of them done just exactly the same way ours was. Girls raped, necks broke or strangled and roses in their mouths. Same exact thing. Papers out there started calling him the Rose Petal Killer."

"Jesus." Rudman said under his breath as he scanned the papers.

"And lookie at that list of folks who were questioned during the investigation. Look at that."

Rudman motioned toward the page Bookman held as though he was startled by it. "Is that the florist guy out on the highway? My wife's out at his place all the time."

"Edward Raske," Bo blurted out, nodding his head with gusto. "Don't worry Josh, from what I hear she's safe. He's already got him a boyfriend," Big, thick white teeth gleamed from Walker's mouth as he grinned.

"I'll be darn," Bookman said to himself. "KBI got this?"

Walker's voice boiled with indignation. "I dunno if they got it or not. What difference does it make? We don't need KBI on this now. Let's go pick him up."

"Wait-a-minute," Rudman's protest was quick and direct.

"Wait for what?" Bo bolted to his feet, his arms outstretched for the question.

"You're gonna arrest him because he's a florist from California?" Rudman mocked.

"He was a suspect in the same kind of murders we got here," Walker's voice pitched high in defense. "How much evidence do we need?" Rudman laughed.

"You're gonna need a heck of a lot more than this gives you."

"Josh," Bookman edged in. "It does seem like one heck of a coincidence." Walker stood fuming, his hands on his belt.

Rudman moved back to his

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Brylee Zook won the Kansas Junior High Rodeo Association State Championship in Breakaway Roping. She placed 1st with a score of 89, the next closest competitor was Parker Penny with 75.5 points. Brylee is just 14 and will be a freshman this coming year at Anderson County High School. She beat kids from all over the state as well as some surrounding states. She placed in both rounds and won the average for the weekend as well as winning the short-go, which propelled her to the championship. Brylee would have been going to Nationals but the COVID-19 epidemic cancelled them for the first time in its history. She also competes in Team Roping and Team Ribbon Roping. Brylee has a younger sister, Brekyn, that also competed, placing 5th in the state in Ribbon Roping with her partner Creed Shannon from Humboldt.

SKINNING...

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chair, sat down, and squirmed a little. "Yeah, it is. And it's something to check into, but we can't just tell the judge we want to search a guy's property 'cause he's a florist and he helped the cops in a murder investigation in California," he shook his head, amazed that he needed to explain. "You're gonna have to get a little more than that," he glanced down and rubbed a hand along the sole of his shoe, which rested on his knee. Walker's jaw jutted angrily forward, his mouth open and his eyes wide with disdain.

"You need to start by bringing the guy in first and just talking with him," Rudman said. "Find out what he knows, and see if he gives anything up."

"And that tips him off, and pretty soon he's gone," Bookman snorted. Walker nodded his head in agreement and glared at Rudman.

"Todd, relax," Rudman said, holding his hands up in semi-defense. "This thing is going to go crazy fast enough once the word gets out. What we don't want to do is fan the flames and screw up the case we make against whoever we eventually make it against. I know the heat's gonna come down, but we've got to stay cool about it." He leaned forward with his hands on his knees.

"Did you talk to Art?"

Walker rolled his eyes and released a sigh he intended to be noticed. Of course he talked to Art, he thought. Bookman don't take a crap 'less he asks Art first.

"I was out there with him the other day after the first one," Bookman shook his head, his voice drifting. "But, he's real sick, and he don't need to be worrying with this. He said work the local and let KBI do the rest. So that's what I'm trying to do. Work the local."

Walker looked at the floor. A slight smile began to edge at the corners of his mouth.

There was a silence between them. Bo crossed his arms, his gaze drifting up the wall to Art's big stuffed bass on the wall, the plumage of the spinner lure still concealing its secret. Finally Rudman took a breath, his voice low and level.

"Make sure KBI gets this if they don't already have it," he said to Walker before turning to Bookman. "And start with Raske. Bring him in and talk to him."

McKane knew there wasn't a chance in hell he'd get a call back from the KBI tonight, but he'd parked himself in the front office, working on the story at Sandy's computer just in case the phone rang. The main line didn't ring on his office phone or on the phone in the backshop, and if he got lucky enough to get a call before he finally gave up and filed the story for tomorrow's nine o'clock deadline, he sure didn't want to miss it.

His eyes itched from fatigue, and the red coffee mug on the table was cool to his lips as he sipped at the now stale, heatless beverage. In front of him sat a notebook with his own writing, a computer print-out of Wendell's

notes from his conversations on the street this afternoon outside the murder scene, and several black and white laser printer copies of McKane's photos of both the scenes. On top was the close-up of Hanetta Sanchez's mouth, lit nearly perfectly with the position of her body by the subdued afternoon sunlight, the rubber-gloved hand of an officer pressing her chin down, exposing the rose petal in full view. Near the pictures was the photocopied preliminary examiner's report signed by Dr. Clark Gross. McKane stared at the signature.

It was the real thing. McKane had checked his copy of Gross's penmanship against copies of another report filed as part of another murder case two years ago up in Penland County, which the editor of the paper there had been good enough to scan and e-mail to the Sentinel this morning upon McKane's request. The signatures matched, as did the layout of the statistical report form inside. McKane finally caught Gross at home about an hour ago, and the pause that preceded the "no comment" to McKane's question about the "wide public speculation that the bodies were found with rose petals in their mouths" told McKane that he had struck a nerve. He had the report, anyway, and it was signed.

He clicked back to the Internet browser screen on the monitor to a paper authored by a Dr. Daniel Peertek at the University of Colorado from five years ago, which compared similarities among three separate serial killers from across the country over a period of years. A man in Oregon back in 1955 who killed six younger men over two years, each body blindfolded when found; another string of eleven deaths of young women with their breasts mutilated, found over a three-year period roughly in a line between New Orleans and Columbia, S.C. A third in New York in the early 1970s in which four people were killed, each body containing numerous punctures from an office stapler.

"While some serial killers can murder in obscurity for years, some choose a unique and purposeful signature to their deeds," a section of Peertek's report read, "some by virtue of their standard method of capturing, transporting or killing, and some simply because they hope to show a certain style to their crimes. Style killers are the most unstable and dangerous, because psychologically they enjoy not just the brutality of the act of murder, but also the fear and notoriety they inspire through their deeds which increases their own feelings of power and control. The more public the illustration, the closer the killer tends to be toward announcing himself and finally realizing his full glory, sometimes with a simple declaration to law enforcement, and sometimes through some sort of violent finale."

***To be continued next week beginning where Chapter 7 left off this week.

Senior Citizens encouraged to apply to receive checks to buy from local farmer's markets

OTTAWA - Kansas seniors may be eligible for a program that provides checks to purchase fresh, unprocessed fruits and vegetables and honey at farmers markets in selected counties throughout the state.

The Kansas Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (KSFMNP) is providing seniors who meet age and income requirements with \$30 in checks to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey from authorized farmers at local participating farmers markets July 1-November 1. Checks are available in \$5 increments.

To be eligible to receive KSFMNP checks, the following

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 - Frontier Extension District

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The Senior Farmers Market Program is a project of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Services (FSN). The program is coordinated by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), which is collaborating with local partners to identify and distribute checks to eligible seniors.

FOURTH...

FROM PAGE 1

in and had more in common and had in recent years fought the Civil War to forcibly unite the nation and abolish slavery - patriotism was a big deal. Nothing stirred nostalgia for the founding of the county and its much celebrated values more than the 4th of July.

Anderson County Histories, the county's primary historical text drawn from gleanings from numerous county newspapers since the late 1860s, devotes ample space to descriptions of July 4th gatherings and the passions kindled on these patriotic days. Among those collected stories, there's really no equal to the festivities enjoyed on the Fourth of July.

1872 - "The Glorious Fourth! A Great Multitude! The Fourth of July celebration was held on Judge Wm. Spriggs' land, one mile south of town. The Rev. J. N. Smith opened the exercises with prayer, after which the Garnett band played a patriotic air and the Union choir sang. David W. Lindsay read the Declaration of Independence, and the Hon. E. S. Nicolls delivered an oration of thirty minutes duration in which he defined the causes that prompted our forefathers to forever sever all allegiance to the British crown. The Rev. A. K. Johnson also delivered an oration. During the afternoon the Sunday schools sang, the M. E. Sunday School of Garnett under the leadership of R. T. Stokes, and the Mt. Zion group of 100 pupils from Rich Township with Mr. Miller as superintendent. The latter organization had a large banner bearing the inscription, "In God We Trust." It was probably the largest gathering ever held in the county. There were no accidents, no fights, no drunks, no disorder. The refreshment stand, managed by the band boys, took in over \$150."

Perhaps no celebration ever rivaled that of 1876 however. The centennial event of the nation's founding demanded a blow-out celebration:

1876 - "How It Was Celebrated at Garnett. A Grand Success. Five thousand people

attended the centennial celebration. The Methodist bell was rung at midnight, and at daybreak all the bells in town were rung. A salute of 100 shots was fired by Dan Lindensmith and John Pritchard to a musical accompaniment. (The salute was given by explosions of powder under anvils, and by firing guns.)

By seven o'clock the wagons began to come into town from all directions. Among the first to arrive was Captain C. C. Leach of Indian Creek, a distance of more than twenty miles. By 9 o'clock the streets were literally packed with vehicles of all descriptions. Professor Frank Hayden and his band discoursed excellent music. At 10:30 a. m. the procession formed on Oak Street, headed by the band (all towns had community bands in those days) Col. W. A. Johnson was chief marshal of the parade and was assisted by J. P. Crane, J. E. White of Walker Township, Thomas Gowdy of Jackson, Miller of Rich, and Col. J.J. Hoffman. After the band came the Garnett lodge, I.O.O.F., led by C. E. Dewey, noble grand.

Maj. L. M. Earnest and Capt. E. Denny were in charge respectively of the white and colored old soldiers from Monroe Township. Also from this township came wagons trimmed with evergreens and flags to represent the thirteen original states. Next came a wagon nicely decorated, containing thirteen girls from Jackson Township. Then came the carriages in which the orators and chaplain rode, and the cavalry under the command of Colonel Hoffman. Next in line were the wagons and the delegations from the townships. There were fifteen wagons from Rich Township, forty from Jackson and fifty-five from Walker of which four were drawn by four-horse teams.

The procession was over two miles in length and the leaders had entered the timber at South Fork before the last teams had left town. On reaching the timber it was found that thousands had come from the south ahead of the pro-

cession, while hundreds had come from Garnett. During the program Dr. Delos Walker of Greeley read the Declaration of Independence. The Rev. A. K. Johnson of Reeder Township was the important speaker of the day. Other speakers were H. K. Robinson, Judge M. A. Page, Colonel Hoffman, and R. F. Bronston. G. A. Cook, Esq., was president of the celebration. A dance was held that night at Vreeland's Hall, where about forty couples "whiled away the hours till nearly daylight."

The local history book recounts that on July 4, 1932, a county celebration was held in Garnett at which time a parade, representative of the one held on this Centennial Fourth, was staged, but few old wagons and buggies could be found to participate in this recent procession.

One of the biggest issues of those early days was the campaign against vices like gambling and drunkenness, and the topic found its way into both the celebrations and the newspaper coverage of them. Whether or not they actually took place at the festivities, the view on the subjects was certainly defined:

1915- "Two balloon ascensions were given at the Fourth of July celebration at Garnett. Company K and the Garnett band with numerous other attractions put on a parade. Richmond won the ball game. Ancil Hatten of Westphalia delivered a good address, and a moving picture show was given with the aid of a canvas stretched against the courthouse wall. There were no shell games and no drunks."

1879- "The committee for the North Reeder Fourth of July picnic wants it distinctly understood that there will be NO beer sold on the grounds, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding."

Sometimes, it rained:

1899 - "It rained most of the day on the 4th and the streets were a sea of mud. The parade was formed near the furniture factory and after coming uptown dragging the heavy floats, the horses were fagged

out."

1895 - "At Lone Elm, the largest crowd we have ever seen was congregated at Smith's Grove, two miles east of Colony, at the Fourth of July celebration. Senator Metcalf and the Hon. E.H.Funston spoke during the program. Funston twisted the British lions tail. That night between four and five inches of rain fell and Lone Elm was full of people who were unable to go home."

In later years, the festivities were a time to show off a little by bringing your auto to town.

1922- "The Fourth of July picnic arranged by the sixteen Farmers' Union and Grange associations of the county was a big success. It was held at the grounds on Cedar Creek, midway between Welda and Mont Ida, and furnished the biggest collection of autos ever seen in this county. Col. H. F. Seafers made an unusually good presiding officer. The principal address was given by B. Needham of Lane, the master of the State Grange. The baseball game between Blue Mound and Colony was won by the latter with a score of 1 to 0."

That same year, in Bush City: "More than 1,000 people celebrated the Fourth of July at Bush City. The Rev. V. E. Davis of Garnett was the principal speaker."

Though July 4ths were typically big celebrations the event of 1902 was bittersweet. On the same day the Anderson County Courthouse was dedicated on July 4th 1902, the city also marked the passing of L.K. Kirk, one of the town's earliest celebrities, bankers and and Garnett's first Mayor. Kirk volunteered with the 100th Pennsylvania Regiment in the Civil War, and later served the Kansas Legislature as both a senator and representative. Kirk was the father of Sennett Kirk, who continued the family's local banking tradition and built "The Kirk House" which still stands at the corner of Fourth and Walnut in Garnett.

L.K. Kirk died from complications of a bullet wound sustained in the Civil War at the age of 61.

CREST...

FROM PAGE 1

Goppert Foundation grant, new linear panel in the shop, new doors and windows and major enhancements to tools and CTE equipment in the shop.

Other upgrades included air conditioning and new bleachers in the gymnasium, new playground equipment and painting of the gym's interior, with plans to paint the exterior of the buildings in coming weeks.

Walter said board members had not nailed down an opening plan for the beginning school next month, but those discussions are underway with consideration to opening recommendations from the Kansas Department of Education when those plans are released.

In other business at the recent board meeting:

- Superintendent Walter noted a STEM grant application by Mrs. Bailey Lee was selected to be a finalist with the results to be received in August. Walter also noted he's been in contact with the Anderson County Emergency Management Department and the state department of education regarding guidelines for the reopening of school in the fall, and will have more information at the July meeting.
- Board members approved

the bid by Thompson Brothers for Vo-Ag shop equipment and tools in the amount of \$46,822.87, and to accept a bid from Midland Thermal for gym pipe insulation for \$7,658.

- Board members approved leaving the coming year's student lunch prices the same, but to increase adult breakfasts to \$2.25 and adult lunch to \$4.25.
- Board members discussed

the Local Option Budget mill levy for the coming school year.

- gym bleachers were designated surplus property and a bid for removal for \$200 by Seth Black was approved.
- a floor scrubber was approved for purchase at a cost of \$6,659.64.
- Board members conducted two executive sessions, one

City of Westphalia budget hearing

(Published in the Anderson County Review on June 30, 2020)

2021

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of City of Westphalia will meet on August 11, 2020 at 6:30 PM at City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY
Proposed Budget 2021 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2020 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2021 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2019		Current Year Estimate for 2020		Proposed Budget for 2021		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2020 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate*
General	29,584	21.948	44,500	21.819	51,595	14,600	22.451
Special Highway	26,900				3,766		
Sewer	31,384		36,430		73,516		
Non-Budgeted Funds							
Totals	87,868	21.948	80,930	21.819	128,877	14,600	22.451
Less: Transfers	0		7,500		0		
Net Expenditure	87,868		73,430		128,877		
Total Tax Levied	14,041		14,320		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	639,742		656,322		650,292		

	2018	2019	2020
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1,			
G.O. Bonds	129,200	125,100	120,900
Lease Purchase Principal	0	0	0
Total	129,200	125,100	120,900

Esther Ludolph
City Official Title: Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Notice to Creditors of Mader Estate

(First published in the Anderson County Review on June 30, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GREGORY EUGENE MADER, DECEASED Case No. 20 PR 14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on May 13, 2020, a Petition For Letters of Administration was filed in this Court by Mary T. Milner, a sister of Gregory Eugene Mader, deceased.

All creditors of the above named decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Mary T. Milner, Petitioner

SUBMITTED BY:

THOMAS F. ROBRAHN SUPREME COURT #14964 206 N. 3rd St. P.O. Box 44 Burlington, Kansas 66839 Telephone (620) 364-5409 robrahnlawoffice@terraworld.net

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ANDERSON, KANSAS

Plaintiff, vs. MAURICE LINDBERG, et fil. Defendants. Case No. 2019 CV 000021

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 60 AND 79 OF KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me out of the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas, in the above-entitled action, I will on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. on said day, in the County Extension Office of Anderson County, Kansas, offer at public sale, and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, all of the following described real estate situated in

Anderson County, Kansas, to-wit: Page#9 1-00203360 EL CONCEPT LLC Complete Description: Lot Nineteen (19) and the West Half (W/2) of Lot Twenty (20) in Block One (1) in Smith's Addition to the City of Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas. Per Diem: 1.43 Tax: 2433.04 Specials: 3116.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 695.03 Total Due: \$6244.07

Page#17 1-00210580 KELLY FORBES-JONES & GEORGE BURTON WADDLE Complete Description: West 3 feet of the East 100 feet of Lot Thirteen (13) in Block Two (2) in Whiteford Addition to the City of Garnett, Kansas. Per Diem: 0.00 Tax: 36.57 Specials: 0.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 51.97 Total Due: \$88.54

Page#26 1-00214460 DENISE G LAW Complete Description: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot Two (2) in Block Fifty-five (55) in the City of Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, thence South 140 feet, thence West 37 feet 3 inches, thence North 40 feet, thence East 9 inches, thence North 100 feet, thence East 36 feet 6 inches to the place of beginning. Per Diem: 3.77 Tax: 14336.72

Specials: 0.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 3959.82 Total Due: \$18296.54 Page#37 1-00500260 LOUIS NUNEZ JR Complete Description: Lots Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14) and Fifteen (15), in Block Nineteen (19), in the City of Kincaid, Anderson County, Kansas. Per Diem: 0.03 Tax: 140.99 Specials: 0.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 98.06 Total Due: \$239.05

Page#49 1-00701560 GILES BOUSE (DECEASED) Complete Description: A parcel of land 20 feet by 50 feet in Lot Four (4), Block Eleven (11), in the town of Westphalia described as follows: Beginning 77 feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot Four (4), thence South 50 feet, thence West 20 feet, thence North 50 feet, thence East 20 feet to the place of beginning. The North 10 feet of said land be dedicated to public use as a public alley. Per Diem: 0.03 Tax: 87.22 Specials: 0.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 187.61 Total Due: \$274.83

Page#56 1-08000720 NANCY AG

KEMP NICH Complete Description: Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9) in Block Twenty-five (25) in Railroad Addition to the Town of Welda, Anderson County, Kansas. Per Diem: 0.08 Tax: 359.54 Specials: 0.00 Interest and Fees to 1/12/2018: 97.28 Total Due: \$456.82

*Abstracting, publishing, postage and costs as well as interest on the principal from and after January 12, 2018 will be added to the Total Due.

The above described real estate is taken as property of the respective defendants designated herein as the owner thereof and is to be sold and will be sold without appraisal to satisfy said Order of Sale and the respective adjudged liens thereon.

WITNESS my hand at Garnett, Kansas, this 12th day of June, 2020. /s/Vernon L. Valentine, Sheriff of Anderson County, Kansas

ATTEST: /s/Julie Heck Wettstein, Clerk of Anderson County, Kansas /s/JAMES R. CAMPBELL - S.C. # 14631 Anderson County Counsel, Anderson County, Kansas

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Notice of hearing - Kent Estate

(First published in the Anderson County Review on June 30, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN A. KENT, JR., Deceased Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59

Case No. 2020-PR-000017

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Robert E. Kent, brother and one of the heirs of John A. Kent, Jr., deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Anderson County, Kansas:

Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Sixty-one (61) to the City of Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, except the following: Commencing 21 feet and 4 inches south of the northeast corner of Lot One (1) in said Block Sixty-one (61), thence North 21 feet and 4 inches, thence West 18 feet and 4 inches, thence in an easterly angling course to the point of beginning.

and

Lots Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7) and Eight (8) in Block Sixty-one (61) to the City of Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas.

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before August 5, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the city of Garnett in Anderson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Robert E. Kent, Petitioner

Gibson Watson Marino LLC G. Andrew Marino, #21716 301 North Main, Suite 1300 Wichita, Kansas 67202 (316) 264-7321 Attorneys for Petitioner

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2020 Primary Election Certificate of Candidacy

(First Published in Anderson County Review, June 23, 2020)

2020 Primary Election Certificate of Candidacy

The following is a list of names of persons who have qualified as candidates for the different offices, National, State, County, and Township in Anderson County, Kansas at the Primary Election, Tuesday, August 4, 2020. The polls will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and close at 7 o'clock p.m. at the designated voting place for each precinct.

Polling Location by Precinct		
VOTING PRECINCT	VOTING LOCATION	ADDRESS
Garnett Precinct I	Anderson County Community Bldg	1 Fairgrounds, Garnett
Garnett Precinct II	Anderson County Community Bldg	1 Fairgrounds, Garnett
Garnett Precinct III	Anderson County Annex	411 S Oak, Garnett
Garnett Precinct IV	Anderson County Annex	411 S Oak, Garnett
Indian Creek Township	Colony City Hall	339 Cherry St, Colony
Jackson Township	Anderson County Community Bldg	1 Fairgrounds, Garnett
Lincoln Township	Welda Community Bldg	18959 SW Tioga St, Welda
Lone Elm Township	Salma/Kincaid United Methodist Church	709 5th Ave, Kincaid
Monroe Township	Anderson County Community Bldg	1 Fairgrounds, Garnett
Ozark Township	Colony City Hall	339 Cherry St, Colony
Putnam Township	St. John's Hall	406 Prairie, Greeley
Reeder Township	St. Teresa's Church	404 Garrison Ave, Westphalia
Rich Township	Salma/Kincaid United Methodist Church	709 5th Ave, Kincaid
Walker Township	St. John's Hall	406 Prairie, Greeley
Washington Township	Welda Community Bldg	18959 SW Tioga St, Welda
Westphalia Township	Welda Community Bldg	18959 SW Tioga St, Welda
Westphalia Township	St. Teresa's Church	404 Garrison Ave, Westphalia

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CANDIDATES		
Position	Candidate Name	Address
United States Senate	Barbara Bolliver	6910 Overhill Rd, Mission Hills, KS 66208
United States Senate	Robert Leon Tillman	2802 Beacon Hill, Wichita, KS 67220
U.S. House of Representatives District 2	Michelle De La Isla	3250 SW Briarwood Dr, Topeka, KS 66611
U.S. House of Representatives District 2	James K. Windholz	1320 Massachusetts St, Lawrence, KS 66044
Kansas Senate District 12	Mike Bruner	1002 Pecan St, Humboldt, KS 66748
State Representative - District 4	Bill Meyer	14 Golfview Dr, Fort Scott, KS 66701
State Representative - District 5	Roger Sims	22760 Earnest Dr, Parker, KS 66072
County Commissioner - District 2	Jerry Howarter	26238 NE 1750 Rd, Garnett, KS 66032
County Commissioner - District 3	David Pracht	24684 NW Barton Rd, Westphalia, KS 66093
County Register of Deeds	Sandra Baugher	27914 NE 2250 Rd, Greeley, KS 66033
Township Treasurer - Indian Creek	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Jackson	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Lincoln	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Lone Elm	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Monroe	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Ozark	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Putnam	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Reeder	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Rich	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Walker	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Washington	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Welda	No Candidate	
Township Treasurer - Westphalia	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Indian Creek	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Jackson	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Lincoln	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Lone Elm	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Monroe	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Ozark	No Candidate	
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Township Trustee - Reeder	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Rich	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Walker	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Washington	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Welda	No Candidate	
Township Trustee - Westphalia	No Candidate	
Precinct Committeeman - Garnett I	No Candidate	
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Precinct Committeeman - Garnett II	No Candidate	
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Precinct Committeeman - Westphalia	No Candidate	
Precinct Committeewoman - Westphalia	No Candidate	

I, the undersigned County Election Officer of the County of Anderson, have received a certified list of candidates for the various nominations to be made by the Republican Party and Democratic Party of this state, and in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 25-209, I hereby publish so much thereof as is applicable to this County and have added thereto candidates for nominations by the parties as the same appears on file in the County Clerk's office.

/s/ Julie Wettstein Anderson County Election Officer



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HAPPY ADS

Happiness is... buying elk meat at Garnett Farmers Market every Thursday, 4:30pm-7pm. Downtown Garnett. jn16t4*

Happiness is... All Anderson County Republicans invited to meet and hear their candidates for local, state and national office at Stumps & Serenades, Thursday, July 16, at the Kirk House at 145 W. 4th in Garnett. Social with piano/vocals begins at 5:30 p.m., candidate presentations begin 7pm. This is an indoor/outdoor event to allow social distancing. Contact county chairman Dane Hicks at ancogop@garnett-ks.com for more info or to volunteer to help with this event. jn23tf

Happiness is... Voting for Mark Powls on August 4th. He is a 22 year veteran and former public school teacher, Garnett resident, Pro-Life, supports 2nd Amendment, will reform property taxes, free the market to grow jobs, fight to lower utility rates. Pd. political advertising by Amanda Gray. jn30t1*



The family of John R. Hawes would like to thank everyone for their calls, prayers, food and offering of help and support during his illness and passing. Special thanks to our extended family at Welda Lake. He enjoyed his visits with each and everyone. A very special thanks to the staff at Anderson County Hospital for making it easier for him by coming to the car for lab draws. To the Anderson County Sheriff's Office for your support, calls, visits and food. Thank you to Dr. Kimball & Staff for your care, help and understanding of him. Also to Dr. Raza and staff at St. Luke's Cancer Institute for his care. And to St. Luke's Home Health & Hospice South and to Feueborn Family Funeral Service.

Thank You,
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That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; - That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. - Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. - He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. - He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. - He has called together legislative Bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. - He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people. - He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of Invasion from without, and convulsions within. - He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States, for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. - He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers. - He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries. - He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their substance. - He has kept among us, in times of Peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our Legislatures. - He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the civil power. - He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation: - For Quartersing large bodies of armed troops among us: - For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States: - For calling our Trade with all parts of the world: - For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent: - For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury: - For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences: - For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies: - For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments: - For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever. - He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us. - He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our People. - He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation. - He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands. - He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free People. Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native Justice and Magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of Justice and of Consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

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