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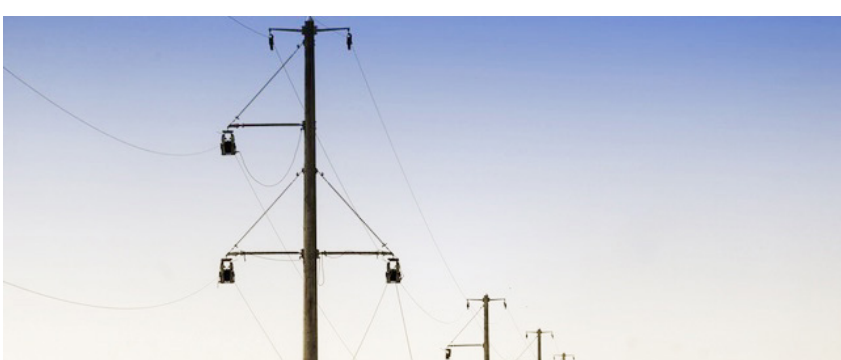
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County commissioners from counties targeted for the NextEra Wolf Creek/Blackberry, Mo., powerline project are trying to determine if their zoning authority can extend to the state-endorsed project.

## Multi-county work session canned after public shows up

**Officials still don't know**  
 if counties can regulate  
 94-mile long powerline

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

IOLA — A meeting of regional county commissioners called to discuss zoning setbacks for a 94-mile electric transmission line last week fell into disarray and was canceled after members of the public showed up to protest.

Consequently, the issue of whether or not those counties have authority to regulate the construction of that power line by virtue of their own local zoning laws remains up in the air.

What Anderson County Commissioners earlier described as a planned work session with commissioners and county staff from Coffey and Allen counties was to have addressed options to implement setback requirements through the respective county zoning departments to regulate the placement of transmission lines by NextEra Transmission. The project, which is granted an automatic 10-year tax abatement, is planned to run from Wolf Creek

Nuclear Generating Station across Coffey, Anderson, Allen, Bourbon and Crawford counties to a location at Blackberry, Mo.

But the meeting appeared to lack leadership or control, and it quickly descended into a flurry of protests by about a dozen rural residents aimed primarily at two attorneys for the Polsenelli law firm, which represents NextEra. Anderson County counselor James Campbell eventually called an early end to the meeting when it became clear the gathering wouldn't be conducive to a work session. NextEra was certified by the Kansas Corporation Commission in recent weeks with authorization as a public utility with regard to the project. Though the KCC has not approved a formal site plan for the project, a basic map of the line's route has been publicized and landowners at the Monday meeting said NextEra representatives had been meeting with property owners who would be affected for easement agreements.

When the site plan is approved, the company will seek those agreements for a one-time cash payment to those landowners. Lacking such an agree-

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## Crest Lancers set a new school record with 26 wins

BY KEVIN GAINES THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

COLONY — With their wins last Tuesday against Southeast and Yates Center, the Crest Lady Lancer volleyball team current sits at 26 wins on the season with more games still to play. The 2022 team is now in sole possession of the most wins in a season in school history.

The previous mark of 24 wins was set in 1988 when current assistant coach Tisha Hug was head coach. That team from 1988 went 24-6.

With a spotty history of season records from that season to 2012, which was current head coach Abigail Hermreck's first year leading the squad, it is hard to tell how well things went during that 24 year stretch.

But what we do know that is in Coach Hermreck's first season, the Lancers finished a woeful 0-35. The win totals for the next 5 years improved but still fell short of the .500 mark.

Crest won a combined 14 games from 2013-2015.

In 2016 the program started showing more positive signs finishing 12-21 before dipping back to 8-28 in 2017.

Crest broke even in 2018 with a n18-18 record but lost a solid senior class which led to a drop off in 2019 to just 7 wins.

That 2019 season was the current senior class's freshman year. Four freshman earned letters that season. They were Sydney Stephens, McKenna Hammond, Haylee Beckmon and Brinley McGhee.

As that core of players were sophomores, they quickly used their experience gained to improve to 13-11 in 2020. That season had an abbreviated schedule due to the COVID pandemic.

In 2021, Allyssa Adams and Kamryn Luedke were mentioned as needing to be contributors among this year's senior class.

Coach Hermreck also points out Kayla Hermreck, Brooklyn Jones and Karlee Boots as girls that will help turn things around.

That 2021 squad went 18-17, including a 9-2 record in league.

Now as that core group from 2019 are seniors, the wins are starting to come in bunches. The Lancers are



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Karlee Boots goes for the spike as teammates wait for a possible block. Crest knocked off Southeast last Tuesday's action.

led by Hermreck, a junior that was all-league last year and all-state honorable mention.

This record comes even with a pair of losses due to injury as both Stephens and McGee have not been able to play this year. They both have lettered since their freshman seasons.

Despite the setback, Crest opened the season winning their first 4 matches and 7 of their first 8. Their best stretch was from September 13-October 4 when they went on to win 13 of 14 games.

Coach Hermreck said when asked if she saw a season like this on the horizon, "I knew with everyone I

had returning that the potential was there to come up with more wins."

Team chemistry is a huge part of their success. "I could see confidence and determination building," Hermreck said.

Hermreck acknowledged that she is in new exciting territory with this group. Success is often a learned behavior but she is hoping that she can help the team stick to the team goals they set before the season began and not let the pressure get to them.

"This team has all the tools in place to do well in Sub-State this coming Saturday, the mental part of the game is the trickiest," Hermreck concluded.

## Music event highlights fall fun at Garnett's Pumpkin Patch

GARNETT — The First Annual Great Pumpkin Bash is coming to Garnett October 22, located just south of the south lake at 1662 S. Maple (where TLC Auto Salvage used to be), this event is sure to be a good time featuring Travis Marvin with special guest Clevermax. Plus food trucks like KC Deyas, The Snack Shack and Sweet

Kernels Popcorn, wine slushies and samples from Blue Dog Winery, beer trucks, corn hole, and of course, pumpkins. Gates open at 12.30 p.m. show starts at 1 p.m. and will go until 8 p.m. "We wanted to do something fun that the community near and far could come over and enjoy. What better than a big concert?" Josh Mundell, owner of Mundell's Pumpkin Patch says.

Mundell said the event merges two

ideas: music and fall season fun.

"My motivations for the event are pretty simple, I want to give people the opportunity to experience something fun and different this fall. Travis Marvin is an excellent performer and I know he and Clevermax will make this event entertaining and memorable." Mundell says, "I just wanted to bring people to Garnett and put Garnett on the map."

Mundell's Pumpkin Patch was started this year and located at the same place The Bash will be taking place,



Marvin

1662 S. Maple Street. It's a family affair with his mother Jenelle Klehammer managing the patch and her husband Chris, a horticulturalist, growing and maintaining all the pumpkins in so many different shapes, sizes, colors, and textures. The pumpkin patch is full of fun activities for people of all ages with an inflatable fun zone, hayrack rides, corn maze, tire park, corn box, five instagramable photo opportunities, corn hole, and other games. It's free to enter the patch, pumpkins are sold by the size and shape starting at \$1. Inflatables are \$5 for 8 and under, \$10 for 9 and up and include unlimited hayrack rides. Adult unlimited hayrack rides are \$5.

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## Amendment would keep sheriff as elected office

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

TOPEKA — Voters in Anderson County and across Kansas will decide an amendment to the Kansas Constitution in the November election that if successful will make electing the county sheriff — at least in counties that elected that office as of January of this year — a constitutional given.

The amendment passed the Kansas House and Senate with a majority vote in order to be placed on the ballot, and is aimed at halting what may eventually be efforts in some counties to cease electing their sheriff and instead have county commissioners appoint the position, similar to the way most cities in Kansas hire a city police chief.

"I don't know that it's going to be a thing for most counties," said Anderson County Sheriff Vern Valentine. "Most places probably go with it as a tradition to have a sheriff that's elected. But that's not everywhere."

A "yes" vote would preserve the

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Brinley McGhee and Stetson Setter were crowned Crest High School Homecoming King and Queen at Friday night's football game. Crest won the game over Marias des Cygnes Valley 64-0.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

## GARNETT CITYWIDE BRUSH CLEANUP WEEK

The City of Garnett will hold a free of charge brush only pick-up service for all City of Garnett refuse customers the week of October 24-28, 2022. Brush to be accepted includes tree limbs, yard and garden debris only. No refuse, trash or household items will be allowed to be mixed in with brush. If such items are bagged or piled together with brush, then all contents provided for pick-up will not be removed. The City will dispose of the brush at the city-owned burn site specifically for tree limbs, yard and garden debris.

## GARNETT CITYWIDE FALL CLEANUP WEEK

The Garnett City Commission has designated October 31 through November 4, 2022 as Fall Clean-Up Week for residential areas only. More information on page 7 of this week's paper regarding requirements.

## BPW SETS OCTOBER 20 POLITICAL FORUM

Anderson County Farm Bureau, Garnett Rotary and Garnett Business and Professional will host a political forum at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2022, at Town Hall Center, 135 W 5th St, in Garnett, for local, state and national candidates. The event is open to the public and will feature questions from the audience.

## LIONS CLUB CHILI SUPPER

Today is the Garnett Lions Club Chili & Soup Supper at the United Methodist Church. They are serving lunch from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and then supper from 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Adults are \$8, Kids 10 & Under are \$6. Carry out is \$9.

## SESSION...

ment, the KCC certification gives NextEra the authority to use eminent domain to gain access to the property, which involves a district court action to determine the value of the property and forces the landowner into a paid transaction with the company.

NextEra's attorneys sparked a response from the landowners present when they told those in attendance that counties don't have authority to affect the project through their local zoning regulations, and that those matters will be determined by the KCC's line siting process via public meeting which will be held as part of the process. Rustin Kimmel, an attorney for Rochelle Smart's family whose property near Westphalia will be affected, took issue with that assertion.

"When they say the county commissioners don't have authority to provide regulations, I think KSA 660-1182, does provide for that regulation," Kimmel said. "There's a Kansas Supreme Court case that allows that to happen."

Campbell, the attorney representing Anderson County, said the working group had met a couple of times and that last week's meeting was not intended to be a public hearing. None of the counties were represented by a quorum of their commissions, so open meetings laws didn't apply.

Campbell said he invited attorneys representing NextEra when the group learned Smart planned to attend with her counsel. He said word apparently spread via the grapevine about the meeting and resulted in the group's attendance. Campbell explained to those in attendance what the aim of the meeting was, and then ended the meeting shortly afterwards, saying the group was not going to be able to pursue its objective with interjections from members of the public.

"I just decided it was best to pull the plug," Campbell said in a followup interview with the Review. He said determining the counties' authority as to any degree of regulation was still an unknown.

"I have no formal opinion on that yet," Campbell said. "I think there's more gray area there than we know so far."

## LAND TRANSFERS

Roger Kent and Joleata Kent to Shane A Franey and Jazmin Franey: Beg at pt 200 feet west & 200 feet north of pt of intersection of west side of us Hwy 169 & south line of 35-21-19, thence north 120 feet, thence east 650 feet to us Hwy 169, thence west to pob; & also all the land lying south and east of us Hwy 169 in w2 se4 35-21-19 except all that part for existing hwy.

Stanley R Smith to Devin M Davidson and Tiffany Ann Jackman Davidson: Tract 1: beg at swcor lot 3, thence east 37 1/2 feet, thence north 140 feet, thence west 37 1/2 feet, thence south 140 feet to pob; & also lots 4, 5 & 6 blk 47 except 50 feet off north end of lots 5 & 6 in town of colony; & tract 2: bounded by a line com at nwcor lot 6 blk 47 and running thence south 40 feet on east side of maple street, thence east 100 feet, thence north on east side of lot 9 40 feet to fourth street, thence west 100 feet to pob; being 40 feet of north end of lots 5 & 6 blk 47 town of divide (now called colony), according to recorded plat of said town; & south 10 feet of north 50 feet lots 5 & 6 blk 47 City of Colony

## CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479 Board Meeting Minutes, October 10th, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Crest Unified School District #479 was held at the Crest Board Office, Colony, on Monday, October 10th, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Travis Church.

### Roll Call

#### Board Members Present

Jason Beckmon, Nathan Beckmon, Seth Black, Travis Church, Kevin Nilges, and Laura Schmidt.

Others - Superintendent Shane Walter, Principal Travis Hermreck and Board Clerk Lynette Prasko.

#### Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: 6-0

#### Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the September 12th RNR Hearing, Budget Hearing and regular board meeting, bills in the amount of \$330,551.52, Enrollment Report and Budget Status Ledger

report. Vote: 6-0

### Information Items

**ANW Special Education Minutes**  
The minutes of the September 14th, 2022 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

**Superintendent/Principal Report**  
Mr. Walter reported the greenhouse is full of growing plants including vegetables for a salsa project. The newsletter will be returning to a printed format and the first one for the school year will be mailed this week. There will be teachers' in-service on Oct. 17th, Parent-Teacher Conferences Oct. 18th and 20th and the after-school teaching curriculum has also started. Elementary curriculum is being reviewed for next year.

Mr. Hermreck discussed evening activities happening.

### Items of Business

#### Facility Improvements

Mr. Walter updated the board on results of the school facilities survey. He also discussed scheduling site council and community discussion meetings.

#### Transportation Fleet Status

Mr. Walter updated the board on the mileage and condition of the transportation fleet and the need to replace vans and a bus in the future.

#### KESA

Mr. Walter discussed status of KESA 5-year accreditation plan and February 23rd outside visitation team meeting.

#### Calendar / Scheduling

Mr. Walter discussed the calendar and Mr. Hermreck discussed time of Graduation with the board.

#### Board Policy Review

Mr. Walter provided the board with current and new Board Policy Books on a USB drive for their review.

#### Graduation Requirements/Course Offering Discussion

Mr. Walter discussed graduation credits required and courses offered including job-shadowing possibilities in correlation with the 5-year plan.

#### Hunter Safety Training

Mr. Walter discussed the possibility of offering Hunter Safety Training for students with the board.

#### Surplus Property

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to approve the disposal of inoperable bench grinder, drill press, and chop saw per Superintendent Walter's discretion. Vote: 6-0

#### Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Seth Black and

seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Vote: 6-0

## ANDERSON COUNTY LIMITED LIABILITY CASES FILED

Anderson County has filed a Delinquent Personal Property Tax Warrant against Sauder West Farms, LLC in the amount of \$89 for unpaid taxes.

Anderson County has filed a Delinquent Personal Property Tax Warrant against Advanced Micromagnetic Inc in the amount of \$121.13 for unpaid taxes.

The Kansas Department of Revenue has filed a State Tax Warrant against Linda A Norris and Charles J Norris in the amount of \$103.50 for withholding tax from March of 2022.

The Kansas Department of Revenue has filed a State Tax Warrant against BS CVF Inc. in the amount of \$103.50 for withholding tax from March of 2022.

## ANDERSON COUNTY LIMITED LIABILITY CASES FILED

Christine Michelle Hernandez has been charged with speeding and driving with a cancelled or suspended license.

C Edwin Brink has been charged with speeding 74 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Dean Michael Davied has been charged with speeding 70 mph in a 60 mph zone.

## ANDERSON COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSE FILED

Alisha Nicole Kettler and Brandon Scott Parks have filed for a Marriage License.

## ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ARRESTS

On October 5, Jason Allen Pettford, Welda, was arrested for a DUI.

On October 6, Audric Anthony Fontelroy, Lawrence, was arrested for unknown charges.

On October 7, Jessica Lynn Koopman, LeHarpe, was arrested for 4 counts of failure to appear.

On October 7, Koti Ray Garber, Quenemo, was arrested to serve a court ordered sentence.

On October 7, Bobby Lee Jones, Garnett, was arrested to serve a court ordered sentence.

On October 7, Joshua Ray Jones, Iola, was arrested for failure to appear.

On October 7, Jeffrey Scott Wright,

Osawatomie, was arrested for failure to appear.

On October 7, Bryan Adam McCurdy, Garnett, was arrested to serve a court ordered sentence.

On October 10, Brandon Demetri Santana, Lawrence, was booked as a hold for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for failure to appear.

On October 10, Jacob Wayne Heubach, Garnett, was booked as a hold for the Allen County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for two outstanding warrants.

On October 11, Mary Jessica Jennings, Garnett, was arrested for 3 counts of endangering a child and a DUI.

On October 12, John Randall Penner, Ottawa, was arrested to serve a court ordered sentence.

On October 12, Todd Allen Banfield, Garnett, was booked as a hold for the Miami County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

On October 13, Anthony Loren-Jermill Conner, Ottawa, was booked as a hold for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for burglary.

On October 13, Danny Joe Berry, Garnett, was arrested for failure to appear.

On October 13, Melissa Sue Elston, Lane, was arrested for driving while suspended and a defective mirror.

## ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

Giovanni Rodriguez was booked into jail on March 3, 2021.

Sabre Suire was booked into jail on November 12, 2021.

Tyler Rhodes was booked into jail on April 30, 2022.

Noe Fuentz was booked into jail on May 5, 2022.

Jeffrey Gregg was booked into jail on July 19, 2022.

Isidro Madrid was booked into jail on August 12, 2022.

Sean Williams was booked into jail on August 22, 2022.

Andrew Ryan Keuchel was booked into jail on September 20, 2022.

Jessica Lynn Koopman was booked into jail on October 7, 2022.

John Randall Penner was booked into jail on October 12, 2022.

Matthew Wesley Stark was booked into jail on October 15, 2022.

## ANDERSON COUNTY FARM-INS

Kevin Grob was booked into jail on June 13, 2022.

Charles Rogers was booked into jail on July 25, 2022.

Andrew Jessip was booked into jail on September 8, 2022.

Markcus Sanders was booked into jail on September 9, 2022.

Jordan Lee Morris was booked into jail on September 19, 2022.

Jonathan Kyle Luna was booked into jail on October 3, 2022.

Ryan Joseph Stellwagen was booked into jail on October 3, 2022.

Devontae Deshona Rae Torres was booked into jail on October 3, 2022.

Brandon Demetri Santana was booked into jail on October 10, 2022.

Anthony Loren-Jermill Conner was booked into jail on October 13, 2022.

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## BINGAMON

MARCH 4, 1921 - OCTOBER 10, 2022

Helen Darlene Bingamon, age 101, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away October 10, 2022, at Silvercrest at Deer Creek, Overland Park, Kansas. Helen was born March 4, 1921, in Welda, Kansas, to Harry G. Bloom and Minnie (Carnes) Bloom.



Bingamon

Helen was the youngest of eleven children. She graduated in 1938 from Welda High School, Welda, Kansas. After high school, Helen was employed in Garnett until she moved to Wichita, Kansas, where she was the first female to walk on the assembly floor and begin her work as an aircraft riveter for Beechcraft during all four years of WWII.

Helen and William (Bill) Bingamon were married June 21, 1946, in Drumright, Oklahoma. They moved to Garnett in 1950, where they raised their daughter, Sherry. Helen drove a school bus during the 1960s to early 1970s, where she made a lot of friends with her riders.

She loved dogs and attending public auctions to buy antiques, researching antiques, and refinishing and selling

antiques. Helen was an avid KU Men's Basketball fan. Jeff and Jennifer were the light of her life. They visited often and she was involved in their activities. Helen was a self-taught wizard of stock market trading, making a name for herself among nationwide stockbrokers.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; three brothers; and seven sisters.

Helen is survived by her daughter, Sherry (Larry) Angell, Overland Park, Kansas; grandson, Jeffrey (Lisa) Benus, Maysville, Missouri; granddaughter, Jennifer (Dennis) Runyan, Garnett, Kansas; great-grandchildren, Kristin (Kollin) Black, Kyle (Emily) Cox, Jason Benus, Miranda (Adam) Gade, Hannah Draper, Haylee Draper; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday, October 14, 2022, at Feuerborn Family Funeral Service, Garnett, Kansas. Interment was in Welda Cemetery, Welda, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care, which may be left with Feuerborn Family Funeral Service.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.feuerborn-funeral.com.

# What does a pastor want for his congregation? Who should we follow?

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

What does a Pastor want for His congregation? Paul revealed this to us in his letter to the Colossians (Col 1:1-14) by describing what he prays for them.

First, he thanks God for their faith in Jesus and their love for one another. Faith and love are tied together as Jesus points out in John 13:35, that our faith in him will be proven to the world by our love for one another. Secondly, Paul asks God to fill these believers complete knowledge of His will and Spiritual wisdom and understanding. It may seem impossible to know God's will, which is why Paul couples this with Spiritual wisdom and understanding. We are told in 1 Tim 2:2-4 God wants everyone to be saved and have eternal life and in John 17:3 that the way to eternal life is to know Jesus. Paul is praying that Christians will not just know of Jesus, but to know Him so personally that He lives in you. When Christ lives in you, His Spirit then provides spiritual wisdom and understanding necessary to guide you to carry

out God's will in your life, just as He did through Jesus' life on earth. As Paul puts it in Colossians 1:10, being filled with complete knowledge and spiritual wisdom and understanding is what enables you to live a life that honors and pleases God. But even with knowledge and wisdom, Paul understands that living this kind of life is hard so he prays for God to give them strength to endure and be patient as they work out the process of sanctification. Finally, he prays that they would be filled with joy and thankfulness for their redemption by the forgiveness of their sins through Christ.

A Pastor's biggest influence for your spiritual wellbeing is his prayers for you. You can also make an impact in others' lives by praying that they place their faith in Jesus, love others, know and understand God's purpose in their life, and know that they be strengthened to endure the struggles and trials life presents while maintaining their joy and thankfulness for what God has done for them.

In Acts 5 we read the account of the apostles appearing before the Sanhedrin after they are arrested for teaching the people. They had been warned not to teach in the name of Jesus Christ. Peter and the rest of the apostles replied to the men. "We must obey God rather than man." We cannot help but wonder what inspired the apostles in the face of imprisonment and persecution to speak so boldly about Christ. Certainly the apostles had seen everything that Jesus did as well as all that happened to him. But Jesus was not with them now.

I believe we get a key verse from Jesus in John 5:19 that must have made an impression on the apostles when he says. "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees the Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does." This is just one example of the praise, reverence and admiration Jesus displayed for the Father. The apostles witnessed how obedient and submissive Jesus was to the Father. He showed the apostles they must learn how to trust the Father instead of

themselves.

Paul says in Romans 5:19, "For just as through the disobedience of the one man (Adam) the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man, (Jesus) the many will be made righteous." Jesus obedience and submission to the Father was the direct result of his love for the Father. The degree of love we have for Jesus is in direct proportion to the extent we have separated ourselves from the distractions this world affords us. Where does Jesus fit into our life? I believe a good rule of thumb would be we should follow the apostles example. "We must obey God rather than men."

-David Bilderback, Ministry on the Holiness of God.

## CAMERON

APRIL 11, 1956 - OCTOBER 11, 2022

Dorothy Louise Cameron, age 66, of Westphalia, Kansas, passed away on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at Garnett, Kansas.

Dorothy was born to David and Mary Sherman on April 11, 1956, in Denver, Colorado.

Dorothy met Kenneth Porter in Fresno and they married in 1983. They later divorced.

Funeral services were October 17, 2022, at Mont Ida Church. Burial followed in the Mont Ida Cemetery.

ets-392043351217, at Mundell's Pumpkin Patch, or day of at the gate. No food or alcohol allowed in. 21+ to drink. Guests are encouraged to bring their own chairs.

## Library installs seating and solar charges for Wi-Fi use

The Garnett Public Library received an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant. This allowed us to help our community respond directly and immediately to the pandemic by providing new ways for people to access our Wi-Fi with their personal devices.

Some of the funds were used to create window seating in the west front windows of the library. Adjacent to these windows are two solar chargers that patrons can use to charge their devices when using the Wi-Fi outside of the library building. A pavilion was built on the southwest corner of the building. This area is also a great place to access our Wi-Fi, as well as read, visit with friends, or just rest as you are walking by. There are plans for additional lighting and electricity in this area as well. In addition, battery operated plugs have been added to the tables in the library, that allow patrons to sit comfortably at a table with their personal devices plugged into power, no more hunting down an elusive outlet! The ARPA grant also made it possible to purchase a television in the Archer Room that can be used for presentations.



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The Garnett Public Library has created window seating outside the library so that patrons can access Wi-Fi and also have installed solar charges that can be used to charge electronic devices.

## Frontier Extension District is hosting an Estate Planning Series

The Frontier Extension District is hosting a series of meetings this fall to help families start the estate planning process. Creating an estate plan gives you control of your legacy and is the key to ensuring your heirs inherit the assets you want them to receive. The three meetings are scheduled for November 7, November 30, and December 5, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of the Franklin County Annex, 1418 S. Main Street, Ottawa. If you are interested in attending, please register by calling your local Frontier Extension District Office - Garnett at 785.448.6826; Ottawa at 785.229.3520 and Lyndon at 785.828.4438 or by visiting the Frontier District website at frontierdistrict.k-state.edu.

The first meeting of the series (Nov. 7th) will highlight the importance of COMMUNICATION and will include sessions on generational differences and family communication. Rebecca McFarland, Frontier Extension District Director, will start the series by discussing the characteristics of each generation and how generational differences brings diverse perspectives, insights and strengths. The second speaker of the evening will be Ashlee Westerhold, Director of the Farm and Ranch Transition Office at Kansas State University. She will focus on ways to "Start the Family Talking".

The second meeting of the series (Nov. 30) will focus on working with professionals to assist with the process. Ashlee Westerhold, Director of the Farm and Ranch Transition Office, will return and talk about "Picking your Professional Team". Jeanie Schainost, an Estate and Business Planning Attorney

from Garnett, will follow and discuss options for "Dealing with Heirs that are away from the Farm or Business".

Jeanie Schainost will present the final session (December 5th) on "Estate Planning Tools and Tax Implications". She will also set some time aside to help answer questions.

Each of the sessions will build on the previous session and at the completion of the series, participants will be prepared to discuss estate

planning with their lawyer. REMEMBER, creating an estate plan gives you control of your legacy. No matter the size of your estate, having a plan is key to ensuring your heirs inherit the assets you want them to receive.

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# Osage County boots wind farm tax dodge

The ugly, tax dodging, overpriced lie that is wind power ran headlong into a brick wall of common sense and community resolve at an Osage County Planning Commission meeting recently, when the commission voted unanimously to ban construction of wind turbines in Osage County.

The recommendation from the planning commission now goes to a meeting of the county commissioners on October 24. Those commissioners should embrace that recommendation as a statement against tax-dodging Big Government and in favor of logical, dependable electrical production that actually works.

The deceit inherent in wind turbine field proposals is even thicker than the rainbows and butterflies names with which developers christen these earth-scarring disasters. The "Auburn Harvest" project sounds more like a new pumpkin spice latte from Starbucks than it does a massive industrial expanse of 56 gigantic spinning monoliths blighting thousands and thousands of acres of Kansas scenery. But the only 'harvesting' being done is the picking clean of the taxpayers - the whole she-bang powered as much by costs in Joe Biden's "Inflation Reduction Act" as by Kansas winds.

Like the rest of Joe Biden's governmental genius to date, the Inflation Reduction Act's massive spending generates more inflation rather than curtailing it, and in the context of wind power restores a 100 percent production tax credit (PTC) tax dodge to new wind power projects after those phased down tax credits were to have expired altogether for projects built after 2021. This full realization of tax credits has driven hundreds of wind power projects across the country back into primary development after declining federal tax credits tarnished their luster among developers hungry to dodge their taxes while you pay your full load - and theirs.

Of course all of this works to fulfill one of the Radical Left's two primary goals: the destruction of fossil fuel energy production in the United States. (The other goal is the promotion of socialism and cultural shift under the guise of "diversity, equity and inclusion," but that's a topic for another day.)

To pursue goal number one and make the development of turbine fields even more enticing, the IRA allows for the first time the opportunity to sell those PTCs to a third party for cash. So now, a turbine field owner can either dodge his initial taxes or, if his or his parent company doesn't need the tax relief itself, sell those tax credits to some other individual or corporation

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so they can dodge their taxes. The ruse is a simple one - you poor working fops out there with a home mortgage and a family pay the taxes, while the hot shots pushing wind farms on the countryside or those who can cut a deal with them get out of paying their own.

Auburn Harvest's website touts an Easter Basket of goodies for Osage County that they term economic development, even though wind farms famously pay zero property taxes in Kansas - a gift from state legislators who became enamored with them years ago at the expense, again, of local taxpayers. To their credit, members of the Osage County Planning Commission compared those promises against the costs of the potential health risks, the overall threat Big Wind poses to U.S. energy security and the raw, irredeemable devastation turbine fields bring to the natural beauty of the landscape - and flatly said "no."

Massively expensive, government subsidy dependent, operationally challenged and only effective half the time - the perfect Joe Biden project.

Because many counties in Kansas have never adopted rural zoning, they're sitting ducks for turbine field developers who move in and gain a foothold before the public can respond in protest. Every county in every rural area that doesn't have a zoning plan should start the ball rolling to adopt one ASAP.

Osage County had the foresight to see the need for that authority. Charged with protecting the populace and the countryside from unscrupulous developers, its planning board has done its job. Hopefully county commissioners there will adopt their planning commission's recommendation and have the good judgment to tell Auburn Harvest "no." ###



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Every Republican ad should feature that infamous photo of Sharice Davids proudly wearing her "All My Heroes Killed Colonizers" t-shirt, that being a racist hate slur referring to so-called white people, just to remind folks how extremist Davids is, voting 100 percent for Democrat massive money printing and war on fossil fuels, giving us hyperinflation, wiping out retirees' life savings and fixed incomes.

When someone does something wrong in this town I don't know how any of us can point a finger at that person when you yourself are doing something wrong. There are things going on in this town that you wouldn't want your children doing yet you're doing it. We should take a look and see what we're doing before we point fingers at others.

Just to set the record straight on the electrical billing issue that one of your Phone Forum commenters had an issue with, the company has always paid its electric bills on time. There were two meters on the building; one was being read, one wasn't. There's no way the company could go out and read the meter themselves. They were paying the bill they got in the mail. It's the city's fault, pure and simple.

Halloween decorated yards with re-elect Kelly and Sharice Davids signs in them. Scariest yard award for sure.

It's sad that we can't have our own opinions on topics today without someone bashing you about it. If you don't approve of a certain book that over half of us had no clue what it was about until your brought attention to it. Don't worry about who I'm voting for and don't get mad at me about it because I don't agree with you. Thank you.

Don't be fooled. A 'yes' vote on the legislative oversight amendment takes the voting rights of Kansas away. It would put all the power in the hands of the Kansas Legislature, who seldom represent the majority of Kansans. Think long and hard before you give up your right to vote on many issues in the future. Vote 'no.'

# Election integrity on the line in 2022

Remember the hubbub in Georgia when Major League Baseball pulled the All Star Game from Atlanta because of the changes to the voting laws?

For the record, I've yet to watch a Major League game since that move, and I will not visit an MLB Web site or even the MLB section of any other Web site despite being a lifelong Chicago Cubs fan.

But those legal changes have not resulted in lower voter turnout.

Quite the opposite. According to the Georgia Secretary of State's Web site, Georgia had 326,351 early in-person voters in 2020.

In 2022, after the new laws were in effect, Georgia's early in-person voters ballooned to 795,567, or more than twice as many.

Similar changes have taken place in other states, particularly states that had questions during the 2020 presidential election.

Wisconsin's Supreme Court ruled that drop boxes are not legal while Pennsylvania's Supreme Court said they could be used. Arizona has had revisions to their rules as well.

All in all, the 2022 midterm election will give us a glimpse at how these states conduct their elections.

Recently, a Pennsylvania case sent a man

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to jail who was working with the Democratic Party to stuff ballot boxes.

Michael "Ozzie" Myers, 79, will serve a 30-month sentence, and he is a former U.S. Representative.

But it seems many of the last-second changes that were part of the 2020 election and attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic have been curtailed.

No, I'm not mentioning these as part of a conspiracy about the last election. People either trust the results, don't believe the results or believe there were some shady events but can never know with any certainty

if they affected the outcome.

Place me in the latter. Like the results or not, we have to live with the numbers that are certified by the county elections boards and the state officials.

Cases can be made in court, but once that process is over, the election is over.

Still, when we have questions about the voting process, the entire democratic system is at stake.

Stacey Abrams has yet to concede her loss in the last Georgia gubernatorial election, and even after the numbers for early voting doubled and more and more people are voting in the Peach State, she claims that increased voting has nothing to do with voter suppression.

After being presented with the massive increase in Georgians turning out to vote after the new laws were in effect, failed governor candidate Abrams said, "Voter suppression is not about turnout. It's about the barriers and obstacles to access. And that's one of the other confections I think it's very important that we distinguish. Voter suppression exists when there is difficulty registering, staying on the rolls, being able to cast a ballot and having that ballot counted."

Beyond the ridiculous that voter turnout

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# High-speed rail: The true progressive fantasy

California progressives tried to build a European-style high-speed rail network and alienated the French in the process.

A big New York Times piece on the rail project reports that the French, who wanted to work with California, decided the state was simply too dysfunctional and departed to help complete a high-speed line in Morocco instead.

The ongoing unraveling of California's rail plan is an object lesson in how infrastructure as eschatology is a bad idea. If transportation is conceived as a way to save the planet and fulfill a deep-seated, quasi-religious fixation rather than a means to move people around more efficiently, it is bound to fail. Throw on top California's politicized decision-making and regulatory and legal obstacles to building, and it's a formula for a boondoggle for the ages.

No matter how high California has estimated the cost of the project, it hasn't been enough, even as almost nothing has been built. It started out at \$33 billion in 2008. Now, it's \$113 billion, with no one knowing where the funding is going to come from.

Not that the California experience will diminish the progressive ardor for high-speed rail. As far as its enthusiasts are concerned, it is like socialism - never failed, just never truly tried.

President Barack Obama proposed an 8,600-mile high-speed rail system, and Transportation secretary Pete Buttigieg wants the U.S. to be the "global leader" in high-speed rail. Progressives think of bullet trains like windmills on rails, a symbol of enlightenment and modernity, a way to free

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ourselves from the selfish, small-minded tyranny of the automobile and adopt a sleeker, greener, more virtuous future.

Then, the wheel meets the rail. In California, it might have sounded appealing to build a high-speed rail link between Los Angeles and San Francisco - if you abstracted the project from all the topographical and other difficulties. For political reasons, a less direct, less economical route between the cities was selected. And the decision was made to start building between the two megalopolises, in the Central Valley, creating the possibility that California may end up with a bullet train to and from nowhere.

Of course, we already have cheap, high-speed transport between population centers. It is called air travel.

As Randal O'Toole of the Cato Institute points out, planes cruise at roughly 500 miles per hour. The Amtrak Acela, on the other hand, has a top speed of 150 miles per hour.

Yes, airplanes need infrastructure, but not expensive, complex new infrastructure all along their routes.

O'Toole notes that Japan's high-speed trains seemed like the future in the 1960's, when air travel was more expensive than rail. Also, Japan's high-speed trains had a ready-made customer base in the substantial proportion of the country's population that already traveled by train.

In the U.S. today, in contrast, the average cost per mile of traveling by air is cheaper than traveling by rail, and a minuscule 0.1% of all passenger travel is via Amtrak.

If we built the Interstate Highway System, why can't we build a comparable high-speed network? As O'Toole observes, the highway system basically paid for itself and accounts for a substantial 20% of the country's passenger-miles and a roughly comparable proportion of freight ton-miles.

High-speed rail could never be a match. Even if you put aside the endemic cost overruns, the inevitable construction delays, and the considerable maintainable costs, it can only carry passengers, not freight.

While progressives swoon over high-speed rail as the shiny future, some other genuinely futuristic technology is likely to emerge. If the age of self-driving cars ever arrives, people will be able to experience a car more like a personal train, except unlimited by rails.

California hasn't created a railroad to the future but a warning to the rest of the country to avoid its delusion and folly.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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# A new trio of my finds

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Rub,Rub,Dub,Tub! I found this plug (top right photo) to the old bath tub. It says "Tub Stopper" on it. By its size it's not been used in a modern bath tub by no means. I'm really not sure what year it may be from.

Isn't this a very ornate sterling silver hat pin (on right) or pretty pin? It had been lost and buried for several years and I was amazed at how nice it cleaned up.

Most of you will not recognize this metal button (bottom right photo). This button was manufactured by the A.J.Tower Company of Boston, Mass. It is known as a wire fastened Slicker Button. It will likely date from the 1870's until 1946.The Tower Company was known for their manufacture of the "Fish Brand" slickers worn by the Texas Cowboys on their long cattle drives of long ago. Often seen in the old western movies.

Respectfully submitted by: Henry Roeckers. 11Oct2022



# 20 years ago... Large business fear upcoming sales tax vote could send business to neighboring counties

**10 years ago...**  
Goppert State Service Bank (formerly known as Garnett State Savings Bank) through their connection to the Goppert Foundation has agreed to underwrite the cost of air conditioning the Gym and Weight Rooms at the Recreation Center. After receiving bids to install air conditioning, the City was contacted by the president of the bank in regard to funding the installation. The Goppert Foundation has been instrumental financially in the renovation of the former Kansas National Guard Building after the transfer of the ownership to the city. The Recreation Center has seen increased use since it was opened to the public in 2010, however attendance appeared to decline during the summer months. Susan Wettstein was recognized at the City Commission meeting for her recent award from the League of Kansas Municipalities at their conference in Topeka 8 October 2012. She was awarded the 2012 Nancy Crain Municipal Administrative Professional of the Year.

**20 years ago...**  
After a tragic accident left two teenage girls dead in May of 2002, a grieving mother delivered a critical attack on the handling of the wreck by Anderson County. The mother noted that the absence of a camera to document the wreck allowed the woman responsible for the wreck to elude any criminal



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charges in the case. Anderson County Sheriff Darin Dalsing points out that the investigation had been conducted and was awaiting the Kansas Highway Patrol's reconstruction report, and following that report, he could determine what, if any, charges could be filed. An increase in sales tax vote coming next month to fund a new county jail could impact local businesses and be far less painful as it has been portrayed. The increase could impact larger purchases like vehicles says Ray Beckman of Beckman Motors. Beckman Motors had the largest collection of sales tax in Anderson County, accounting for more than \$210,000 last year and a full third of the county's entire collection. This new tax would likely keep shoppers away from local business and force them to travel to neighboring counties to make these purchases to avoid paying the higher sales tax cost. An Ethanol Rally will be held as an opportunity to buy E-10 unleaded fuel, which is 10% ethanol and 90% unlead-

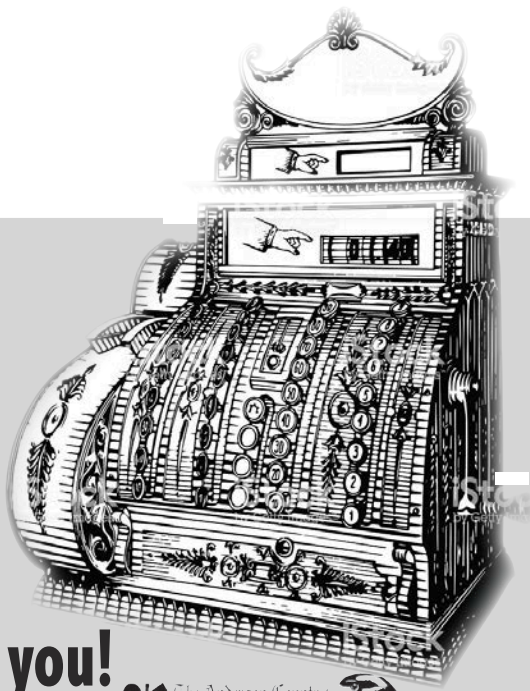
ed fuel at the Casey's General Store in Garnett. During this rally, customers will be able to purchase the full at a discount of \$0.10 per gallon. This will be held from 3-5:30 PM and is co-sponsored by Anderson County Farm Bureau, Kansas Corn Growers Association and the Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association.

**30 years ago...**  
Violent crime is on the rise in Anderson County. The county witnessed a 23% increase in all crime reports for the first half of 1992 as compared to the same time period in 1991. Though the increase in type 1 crimes increased dramatically, several of those crimes can be tied to three different attempts to execute the crime on a single party according to Sheriff Fred Litsch. The overall 195% increase was the largest increase recorded in the Southeast Kansas area. These high level type 1 crimes, or violent crimes include murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault. Franklin County likewise saw a 54% increase in the number of crimes reported during the first half of 1992, jumping from 210 incidents to 324 incidents. Garnett City officials report that the city lost its anti-trust case against Williams Natural Gas and would now be liable for some \$150,000 in fees for the case. City Attorney Terry Solander commented, "We did incur substantial fees but we saved our customers literally hundreds of thousands

of dollars in gas costs." He concluded that the company would likely deny the suit brought by Garnett and seven other cities had any impact on its decision to reopen its gas line, which is the only conventional gas transportation facility serving Garnett and the other communities involved in the case. The cities involved sued on the basis that in 1987, Williams closed access to its line and to any competitive gas producers, forming what the cities call a Supplier's monopoly in serving those municipalities.

**40 years ago...**  
The community of Westphalia came before the County Commissioners for assistance with roadwork to mend the Seventh Street Road to Westphalia. Citizens were concerned about the inaction to fix the road which is traveled frequently. Anderson County is also holding its own economically with the other counties in the Southeast Kansas area according to the Business and Economic Review issued by the Gladys A. Kelce School of Business at Pittsburg State University. Anderson County's unemployment rate in June was 6.3%, slightly above the lowest 4.6% reported in Woodson County and ranked second in the estimated increase. The First Christian Church is set to celebrate its 125th Anniversary this week. Founded in 1871, it is the third-oldest Christian Church in the State of Kansas.

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# ACHS Cheerleaders won many awards at UCA Cheer Camp



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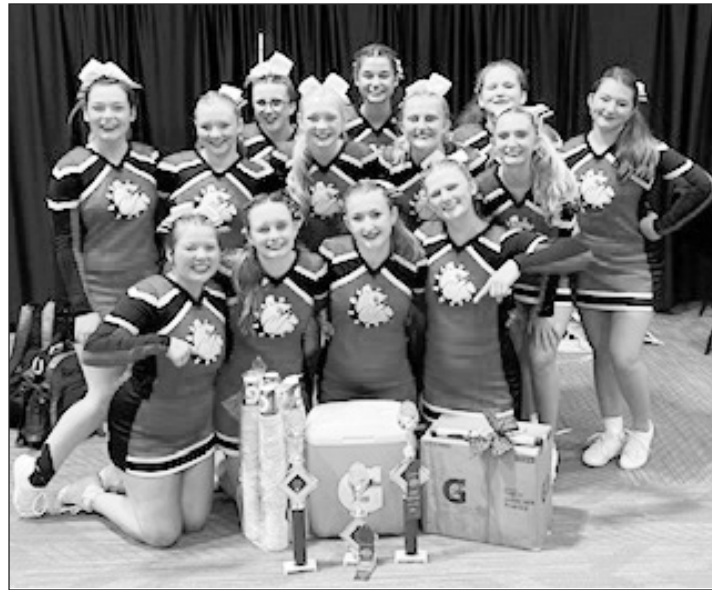
Morgan Sumner (left) and Bree Welsh (right) were awarded with the Pin It Forward award. This award is given to cheerleaders that the UCA Staff, and other cheerleaders at the camp believe show leadership and a positive attitude throughout the camp.

The Anderson County High School Cheerleaders attended the UCA Cheer Camp in Topeka this summer. These AC ladies did a great job at camp. All of the girls stepped up, worked hard, and came back from camp with many awards, trophies, and a camp experience they will always remember.

"These ladies did a wonderful job at camp coming home with all blues on all evaluations," Cheer Coach Trish Wittman stated.

They received 2nd place in Cheer/Sideline, 2nd place in Camp dance, 3rd place in the camp championships, two pin it forward recipients, spirit stick each day, and the "Respect" award, an award the UCA Staff has not given before, but our AC ladies were chosen to be the first to receive this award.

Wittman added, "As a coach I was most proud of the comments by the UCA staff and other coaches. I was constant-



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Front row, from left: Dakota Finney, Moe Sumner, Kami Modlin, Eva Bures. Second row, from left: Kallie Feuerborn, Emma Struttman, Bree Welsh, Breanna Finn Back Row row, from left: Brittney Hurt, Raelynn Morrison, Jordan Miller, Adrian Hess, Obree Barnes.

ly complimented by staff and other coaches on what an amazing group of young ladies I had."

Wittman added it didn't matter whether it was cheering on a team that was down, helping workers in the dining room, picking up after camp, helping with coolers that fell over, the

list goes on.

Wittman concluded, "These girls did anything I asked them to and jumped in to help even when they weren't asked! These ladies are wonderful to work with, and will be a fabulous representation for Anderson County! Looking forward to a fabulous year!"

# Shane birth announcement



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Douglas and Katelin Shane are ecstatic to announce the birth of their son, Walter Douglas Shane.

Walter was born at 5:15 P.M. on Thursday, August 15, 2022, at Advent Health in Merriam, KS. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches in length.

Walter has three siblings, Warren, age 5, Hattie, age 3,

and Iris, age 2. The maternal grandparents are Scott and Terri Cooper of Garnett, KS. The paternal grandparents are Scott and Beverly Shane of Louisburg, KS.

The great-grandparents are Jimmy Cooper of Garnett, KS, Patricia Kearnies of Independence, MO, and Janet Croy of Wellesley, MA

# Richmond UWF learns about Japan

A former Garnett resident and Garnett High School grad ('74), Diann (Cox) Hough, of Paola, told about her experiences visiting Japan at a recent Richmond United Women in Faith meeting.

This group is the new name of United Methodist Women.

Diann is the daughter of Larry Cox of rural Richmond and the late Betty Strain. She has visited her son, Reid Johnson, and his family, who live near Nagoya six times and has traveled around the country in all directions.

Reid, who graduated from the University of Central Missouri, went to Japan to teach and has remained there. He married Tina and they have two daughters, Elena 4 1/2 and Selina 3.

Almost everyone in Japan speaks both Japanese and English, including these young girls. English is taught at all grade levels in the school curriculum, not as an elective.

"Reid teaches English in a middle school and tutors at the local YMCA," said Diann. He became interested in Japan at a young age, traveled there when in college, and made a decision to live there, explained his mother.

Diann made her most recent visit to Japan in August. Her husband, Dr. John Hough, has accompanied her twice. She's been there in the spring when the cherry blossoms are in bloom and in the fall when

the leaves are changing. The Japanese decorate and have festivals for the seasons and holidays, as we do, but none are based on religious events, as our Christmas and Easter, since they are primarily Buddhism religion.

At the UWF program, Diann wore a "half Kimono" which is shorter and has no long sash (see picture) but she had others displayed, as well as two tables filled with beautiful and meaningful ornaments, food products, fans, origami, bunny rabbits and butterflies of all kinds, and much more.

With Reid, and sometimes his family, she has visited some of the other major cities as Tokyo, Hiroshima, Nara, Kyoto, and Osaka, as well as many smaller places. She's been to numerous historic sites which the Japanese call castles, some of which have been rebuilt after being damaged in World War II.

Shopping is not a problem, especially with American stores as Costco, 7-11, KFC, McDonald's, plus IKEA, and others mixed with Japanese stores.

Meals at the Johnson home are a combination of Japanese and American, similar to how the two languages are blended. There is a wide range of restaurants to choose from, including choices of traditional or American, plus restaurants which feature food from other countries. At almost all places of employment, men wear



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Diann (Cox) Hough recently visited Japan and shared some of what she learned of their culture.

black pants and white shirts, and women wear shades of black, brown and gray. Bright colors are saved to be worn at festivals.

Diann and John love to travel and have been to England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, and Brazil and hope to go to other countries.

Diann is a retired registered nurse (RN) and is certified in physical rehabilitation. Her husband, John, is co-owner of Benyshek and Hough Consulting Services who do data analysis of registered beef herds.

# WATT...

FROM PAGE 4

and suppression are not related, let's look at what Abrams says leads to voter suppression.

"It's about the barriers and obstacles to access."

Is your signature a barrier? Abrams says it is. Is limiting unmanned and unguarded drop boxes a barrier to access? Abrams says it is.

Once you set the standard that suppression is and every rule and regulation for voting, you can claim suppression for anything. Having to register is a barrier. Having to be a certain age is a barrier.

Let's look at what barriers do. Perhaps on a dangerous highway when a guard rail is placed by a curve with a steep drop-off, that guard rail is a barrier. Abrams would say that it suppresses drivers.

And she isn't wrong. But we all want that barrier nonetheless.

"Voter suppression exists when there is difficulty registering, staying on the rolls, being able to cast a ballot and having that ballot counted."

Requiring a person to provide identification when registering would be voter suppression to Abrams. If you miss two national elections, and nine years later your name is removed from the voter rolls, that would be voter suppression to Abrams.

If you failed to register by the deadline and show up on election day to vote and want

your vote counted, and it isn't because you are not registered to vote, that would be suppression to Abrams.

All of those are correct. They all prevent a vote from being cast.

But they also protect the integrity of the election. They make sure that voters who followed the rules are counted, and they are very low bars.

But any bar is too much for Abrams.

I'm sure she already has a speech ready to be delivered about how voter suppression kept her from becoming the governor of Georgia. Again.

Donald Trump's accusations about the last election were damaging to our trust in the system. But he also brought legitimate concerns, and states have made changes.

But Abrams and other Democrats have made their own claims about unfair elections from their point of view.

We have to have a set of elections in each of the 50 states that can be trusted by the people of that state. While I do not like the rules in Pennsylvania, I am powerless to change them. And that's the way it should be.

I certainly don't want Pennsylvanians or Californians trying to dictate Kansas elections.

Abrams made her case in court, and she lost. Trump made his case in court, and he lost.

New laws have been enacted,

the pandemic is no longer an excuse for last-second extensions of legal deadlines and machines won't be set to the lowest possible setting allowing any signature to count as legit.

These midterm elections will tell us if polls really matter. If the results are tight as

polls indicate, they may have credibility. If not but historic norms carry the day, trust remains. If the polls are wrong and historic norms are thrown out the window, large sections of America may lose faith in the system.

Earl Watt is the publisher of the *Leader & Times in Liberal, Kan.*

# Former local man will speak at Richmond UMC

Growing up in Richmond, attending the United Methodist Church since 2nd grade, and now returning to be

guest speaker at United Women in Faith Sunday, Oct. 23rd, will be a true homecoming for Tracy Smith. The worship service starts at 11 am but there is coffee in Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

After a long career in education, Tracy retired from the Uniontown school district in 2015 and before long became a licensed local pastor of the United Methodist Church. He now serves Bronson, Moran and Mildred UM Churches and this year was called back for a one year only stint as Uniontown High School principal when the position couldn't be filled.

He also still officiates at some athletic events and is the head referee at certain state track meets.

Smith's roots are deep in the Richmond community. His parents were Dick and Joyce Smith who everyone knew

lived in the big house on main street. His grandparents were Lola and French Booher and Virgil and Mary Smith. All six are now deceased, but all helped Tracy develop a sense of community and serving.

He is a 1975 graduate of Central Heights High School and then graduated from Ottawa University. His journey in education began as an art teacher but he soon moved to being an administrator. He and his wife, Teresa, live on the farm established by the Booher family in 1910.

They enjoy having eight grandchildren and keeping a busy schedule.

Richmond United Methodist Church is excited to have "one of its own" return to preach and have fellowship with a congregation he was a part of some years ago.



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**Tuesday, October 18**  
 11:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Lions Club Chili & Soup Supper  
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting  
 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Lions Club Chili & Soup Supper  
 5:00 p.m. - Anderson County Economic Development Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - BPW Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 6:00 p.m. - Planning Commission Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Wednesday, October 19**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 12:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge

**Thursday, October 20**  
 4:00 p.m. - Walker Art Committee Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Friday, October 21**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga

**Saturday, October 22**  
 Zombie Walk hosted by Masonfelt Comedy  
 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - The Great Pumpkin Bash - Mundell's Pumpkin Patch

**Monday, October 24**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 3:30 p.m. - TOPS Meeting @ Miracle House  
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery

**Tuesday, October 25**  
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 6:00 p.m. - City Commission Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Wednesday, October 26**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 12:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge

**Thursday, October 27**  
 2:00 p.m. - Emergency Food Assistance Program (Harvesters)  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

**Friday, October 28**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga

**Monday, October 31**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 3:30 p.m. - TOPS Meeting @ Miracle House  
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery  
 6:00 p.m. - Children's Haunted House - Friends of the PSRT  
 6:00 p.m. - Halloween Carnival  
 6:00 p.m. - Light the Night Trunk or Treat - FCC

**Tuesday, November 1**  
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting  
 4:30 p.m. - Tourism Advisory Board Meeting



The Garnett High School Class of 1977 recently held their reunion on Friday, September 30th and October 1st. Pictured, front row, from left: Rhonda Spencer McDonnell, Donna Burton Roberts, Helen Mader Norman, Debbie Sobba Thompson, Denise Gibson Cottenmyre, Phyllis Nolan Gettler, Jill Nesbitt Schlagel, Tami Colvin Heistand. Second row: Cathy Cooper Platt, Cathy Peterson Estes, Angie Katzer Daugharthy, Danny Roberts, Tim Young, Fred Kellerman, Jr., Doug Singer, Mary

Teter Garcia, Gail Miller Davis, Tracy Loewe. Third Row - Kenny Sommer, Chuck Gettler, Pat Weiderholt, Dr. Ellen Miller, Greg Drum, Becky Feuerborn Cook, Kendall Eichman, Joe Dougherty, Roger Brummel, Dale Hubler, Ruth Benjamin McDonald, Rex Lizer. Fourth Row: Steve Thomas, Andy Miller, Steve Ward, Russell Rockers, Ed Thompson, Joe Humbert, Jerry Gadelman, Mike Shields, Mark Ellis, Allen Modlin, John Cole, Tom Adams, Rex Lizer.

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## City of Garnett Brush only Clean-Up Week, Oct. 24-28

The City of Garnett will hold a free of charge brush only pick-up service for all City of Garnett refuse customers the week of October 24-28, 2022. Brush to be accepted includes tree limbs, yard and garden debris only. No refuse, trash or household items will be allowed to be mixed in with brush. If such items are bagged or piled together with brush, then all contents provided for pick-up will not be removed. The City will dispose of the brush at the city-owned burn site specifically for tree limbs, yard and garden debris.

Brush is to be piled near the alley or curbside near where weekly trash is picked up. City crews will begin on Monday, October 24th on the north side of the city, working their way

south until the entire town has been covered. They will not return to an area once they have been by. Please have your brush only items ready for pick up as early as possible (by 6:00 a.m.).

### Please Note:

All brush, tree limbs and garden waste will be picked up free of charge during "BRUSH ONLY CLEAN-UP WEEK". If these items are set out for removal during "Fall Clean-Up Week", they will NOT be picked up. If resident requests these a brush pick up the end of the month or a special pickup, a fee will be charged. So please, take the free opportunity provided through the "BRUSH ONLY CLEAN-UP WEEK", October 24-28, 2022.

## City of Garnett Fall Clean-Up Week, Oct. 31-Nov. 4

The Garnett City Commission has designated October 31 through November 4, 2022 as Fall Clean-Up Week for residential areas only. The City of Garnett has not had a Clean-Up Week since September of 2018.

The City-Wide Clean-Up Week allows city crews to pick up items left curbside, or alley, to dispose of at the county landfill at no charge to city refuse customers who participate by placing their unwanted items out for city crews to pick up. This annual clean-up program was established back in October of 1969. The annual, week-long event had become so popular with residents that a bi-annual program was offered both in the spring and fall to City of Garnett residential refuse customers until 2019.

In the past, the City of Garnett was not charged by Anderson County for disposal of Clean-Up Week items taken to the County Landfill. And likewise, Anderson County has allowed for a Free Dump Week to give all Anderson County residents the opportunity to discard unwanted items at the landfill at no charge.

**Note the following changes**  
 At this time, there will not be a Free Dump Week for Garnett/Anderson County residents. Anyone taking items to the landfill for disposal will be charged a fee.

The City of Garnett (municipality) will be charged by Anderson County for dumping fees for items picked up during Clean-Up Week, just like any other week. For this year (2022), this cost will not be passed on to our refuse customers.

During City-Wide Clean-Up Week, October 31 through November 4, city crews will start on the north side of town and proceed south until the entire town has been covered. CITY CREWS WILL NOT GO BACK once they have been through. Please be ready!

**The following items must be placed in separate piles:**  
 • Paper  
 • Metal (No car or vehicle

parts)  
 •Appliances  
 •Furniture  
 •Lumber  
 •Rock/Concrete  
 •Shingles  
 •Sheet Rock  
 If items are not placed in separate piles they will not be picked up.

The following items will NOT be accepted or taken by the City of Garnett: Any appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners containing freon; dilapidated buildings, batteries, electronics, computers, paint, or hazardous waste items.

The City of Garnett will be evaluating the program to determine if there will be a future City-Wide Clean-Up Week in 2023. Please watch the local newspaper and our social media for any updates that may occur.

## Hyatt Club met October 4th

Mary Ann Umbarger hosted Hyatt Club on October 4, 2022 for a noon potluck meal at her home in rural Garnett.

Eight Hyatt club members and one guest, Hilda Lankard's daughter, Janet Stocks, attended.

Members enjoyed a fun roll call telling of things that are no longer being used in our lives in day to day living. Examples were things that have now been replaced by electronics and many household items that are now replaced by something else.

Each member received small, colorful paper pump-

kins at their places at the table. Each pumpkin had an interesting, fun saying written on it. By receiving the special pumpkin, Becky King won the hostess gift, a fall themed placemat and tea towels.

Angela McSpadden was the winner of the mystery gift, a jar of assorted kinds of candy. She came closest in guessing the number of pieces of candy in the jar.

Receiving October birthday gifts from their mystery pals were Hilda Lankard and Shirley Benjamin.

Kathryn Allen and Sandra Hamilton will host the

November Hyatt club meeting. Members will be notified of details.

Each member and guest received a clever pumpkin made out of jar lids painted orange with a wood stem, created by Mary Ann and her husband, Curtis.

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## SHERIFF..

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election of the office of sheriff in every county that previously elected its sheriff as of January – which effectively means every county with the exception of Riley County – which partners with the City of Manhattan for a unified city/county law enforcement unit whose head is hired, not elected.

Similar rumblings had arisen in Johnson County over the past year as sheriff Calvin Hayden raised questions about the security of Johnson County's elections, generating static with both the Johnson County Attorney's office and drawing the attention of the American Civil Liberties Union. His recommendations for stricter security and increased monitoring of ballot boxes and their transportation has led to rumors Johnson County leadership might try to change the county's system of electing the sheriff to a hired post that would give them more control.

Elected sheriffs in Kansas however have been a legacy to separation of local powers in law enforcement and prosecution dating back to the original Kansas Territorial Statutes. The idea is that being publicly elected and answering directly to the electorate makes sheriffs more unbiased and even-handed in enforcing the law.

"If you don't have elected sheriffs, you don't have anybody in between the people who make the laws and the people themselves who are there to protect their constitutional rights," Valentine said. "There needs to be someone in between who does that."

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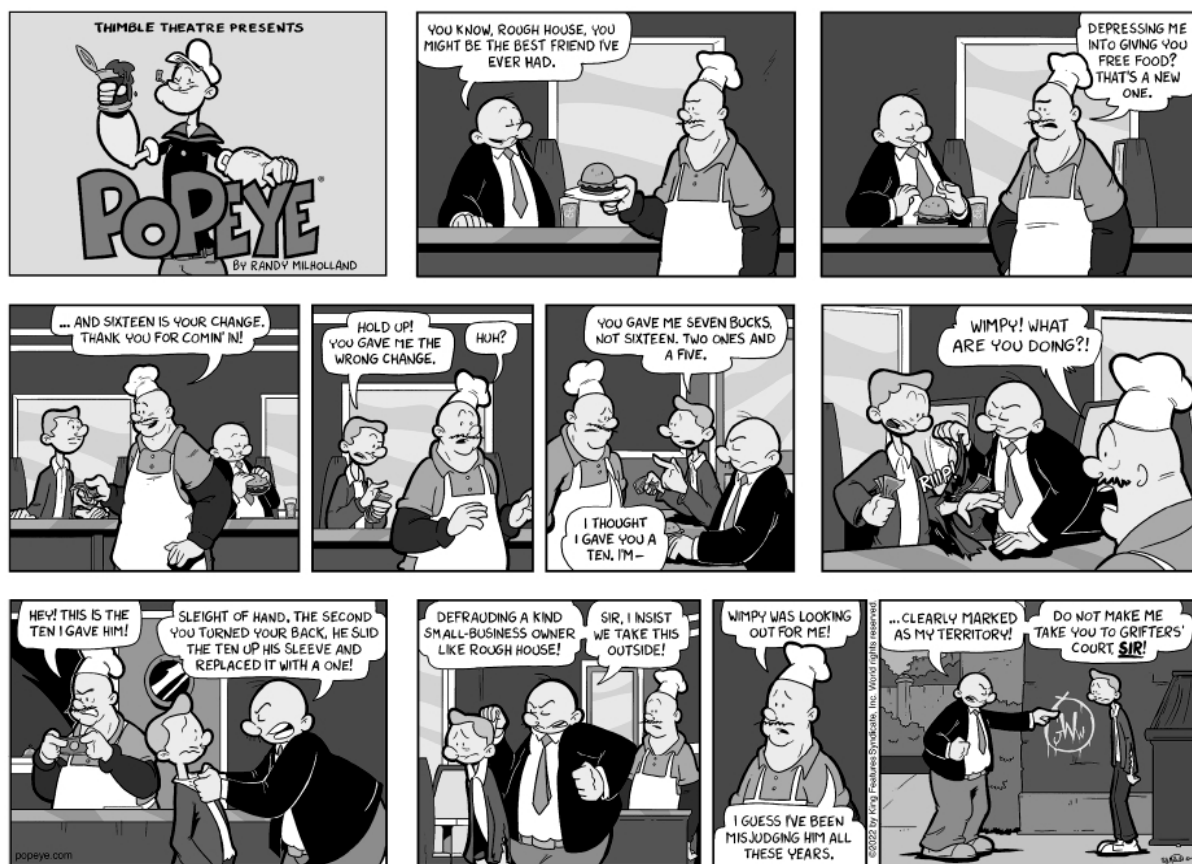


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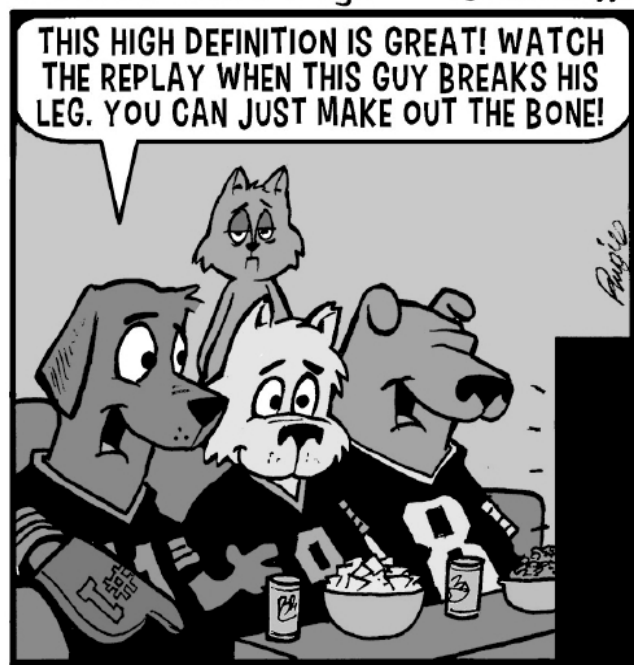


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by Dave T. Phipps



### LAFF-A-DAY



### SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Turn **TATORE** \_\_\_\_\_

Confirm **FIVERY** \_\_\_\_\_

Sniff **HEALIN** \_\_\_\_\_

Dainty **RENTED** \_\_\_\_\_

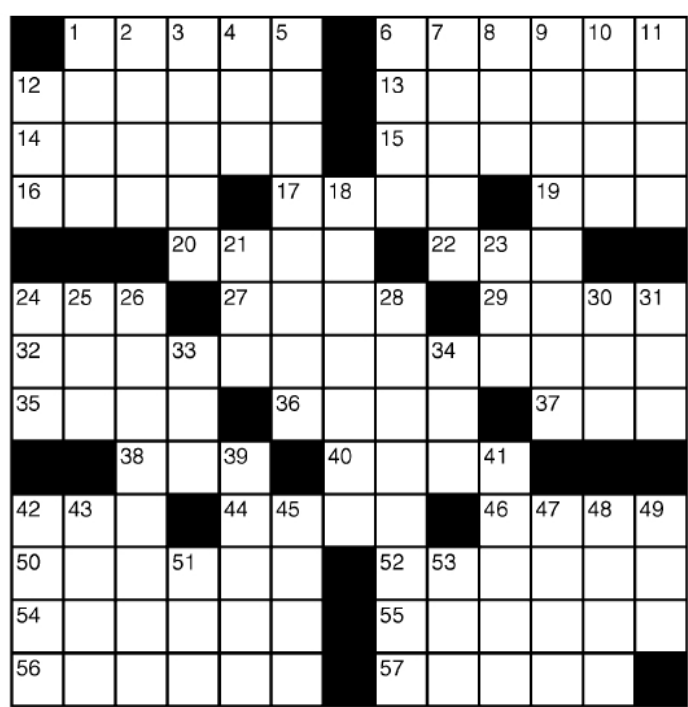
**TODAY'S WORD** \_\_\_\_\_



## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Summary
- 6 Barrel parts
- 12 Without exception
- 13 Salsa brand
- 14 Sweetheart
- 15 Try to rip open
- 16 Regarding
- 17 Chore
- 19 QB's stats
- 20 Scrooge's cries
- 22 Droop
- 24 Embassy VIP
- 27 Proboscis
- 29 AAA jobs
- 32 South Dakota monument
- 35 Comic strip possum
- 36 Curved lines
- 37 Decorate
- Easter eggs
- 38 Dhabi precedent
- 40 Comestibles
- 42 Flow out
- 44 Recipe meas.
- 46 Golden rule word
- 50 Ray of "Goodfellas"
- 52 Like some swimming pools
- 54 Attractive person
- 55 Veteran sailor



- 11 Pre-college exams
- 12 Rx overseer
- 18 Guarantees
- 21 Busy insect
- 23 \$ dispenser
- 24 Music booster
- 25 Cattle call
- 26 Objects of fear
- 28 Daydreamer
- 30 Like some humor
- 31 Observe
- 33 San Francisco's — Hill
- 34 FDR follower
- 39 Out-and-out neighbor
- 41 Egypt's
- 42 Jazzy
- 43 Fitzgerald
- 45 Homer's son
- 47 Protuberance
- 48 Horn sound
- 49 Assoc.
- 51 Ring decision
- 53 Born

### DOWN

- 1 Certain deer
- 2 Part of Q.E.D.
- 3 Ersatz chocolate
- 4 "The Greatest"
- 5 Overabundance
- 6 Lushes
- 7 Long journeys
- 8 — glance
- 9 "Impressive!"
- 10 "Zounds!"

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Lamp is smaller. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Badge is upside down. 4. Container is missing. 5. Ice cream is missing. 6. Cap is different.

**THIRTY**  
Today's Word

1. Rotate 2. Verify  
3. Inhaler 4. Tender

**SCRAMBLERS**

## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: R equals S

RXHFYTD FVIXBQPH IHVPA BEYQR  
ITCH QV SH BRHC SA TFQPHRR  
PHYC TEC RZTQHP DYXYERZY:  
QTPT SAQHR.

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## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the coldest ocean on Earth?
2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of animal is represented by the scientific order Proboscidea?
3. LANGUAGE: What does the Greek prefix "pan-" mean in English?
4. MEDICAL: What is the common name for Hansen's disease?
5. LITERATURE: Which 1970s non-fiction book begins with the line, "We were somewhere around Barstow on the edge of the desert when the drugs began to take hold"?
6. THEATER: Who wrote the Tony Award-winning play "The Heidi Chronicles"?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: The Empire State Building in New York has how many stories?
8. ACRONYMS: In photography, what does the acronym SLR stand for?
9. FOOD & DRINK: Which country produces a cheese called Manchego?
10. HISTORY: Who was the first House Speaker in U.S. history?

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1. The Arctic Ocean.
2. Elephants.
3. "All" (panorama, etc.).
4. Leprosy.
5. "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" (Hunter S. Thompson).
6. Wendy Wasserstein.
7. 102.
8. Single lens reflex.
9. Spain.
10. Fredrick Muhlenberg.



Solution time: 21 mins.

### King Crossword

Answers

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

### Weekly SUDOKU

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Tara Dyles.

Answer

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Notice of resolution to give a public hearing on advisability of creating community improvement district

(Published in the Anderson County Review on October 18, 2022 and October 25, 2022)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-13

A RESOLUTION CALLING AND PROVIDING FOR THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADVISABILITY OF CREATING A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS AND THE PROPOSED LEVY OF A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT SALES TAX WITHIN SUCH DISTRICT (GUFFEY CID).

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-6a26 et seq., as amended (the "Act"), the City of Garnett, Kansas (the "City") is authorized to create community improvement districts as a method of financing economic development related improvements in a defined area within the city; and

WHEREAS, the Act further authorizes the City, in order to pay the costs of eligible projects within a community improvement district, to impose a community improvement district sales tax on the selling of tangible personal property at retail or rendering or furnishing of taxable services within a community improvement district in any increment of .10% or .25% not to exceed 2% and to reimburse the costs of the such project pursuant to pay-as-you-go financing and/or the issuance of special obligation notes and bonds payable from such community improvement district sales tax; and

WHEREAS, a petition (the "Petition") has been filed with the City Clerk proposing the creation of the Guffey Community Improvement District (the "District") under the Act and the imposition of a community improvement district sales tax in the amount of 2.0% (the "CID Sales Tax") in order to pay the costs of the project described in the Petition (as more particularly described herein, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Petition was signed by the owners of one hundred percent (100%) of all land and all of the assessed value within the proposed District, other than land owned by the City for infrastructure purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby finds and determines it to be necessary to direct and order a public hearing on the advisability of creating the District, approving the Project set forth

in the Petition, and levying the CID Sales Tax, pursuant to the authority of the Act; and further to provide for giving of notice of said hearing in the manner required by the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS:

Section 1. Petition. The City Commission of the City (the "Governing Body") hereby finds and determines that the Petition meets the requirements of the Act.

Section 2. Public Hearing. It is hereby authorized, ordered, and directed that the Governing Body shall hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, on the advisability of creating the District, approving the Project set forth in the Petition, and imposing the CID Sales Tax in the amount of 2.0%, such public hearing to be held on November 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at City Hall, located at 131 West 5th Avenue, Garnett, Kansas, under the authority of the Act.

Section 3. Boundaries of the Proposed District. The proposed District is generally located northeast of the intersection of N01th Maple Street and West Park Road at 506 N. Maple Street within the City. The legal description of the property to be contained in the proposed District is set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein. A map generally outlining the boundaries of the proposed District is set forth on Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 4. Proposed Project. The general nature of the project consists of the construction of a single tenant retail facility and demolition of existing structures, surface parking, sidewalks, landscaping, site development, surface remediation and reclamation and associated infrastructure (the "Project"). The general components of the Project include but are not limited to such items as demolition, site preparation and development, construction of a building and tenant finish improvements, including FF&E, construction of infrastructure and surface parking; ongoing operation and maintenance costs and any other items or uses associated with the Project as authorized by the Act.

Section 5. Estimated Cost. The estimated

cost of the Project is \$1,505,000.

Section 6. Method of Financing. The costs of the Project will be financed on a "pay-as-you-go" basis from the revenue generated by the CID Sales Tax. No special assessments are proposed as prmt of the District.

Section 7. Notice of Public Hearing. The City Clerk is hereby authorized, ordered, and directed to give notice of said public hearing by publication of this Resolution in the official newspaper of the City at least once each week for two consecutive weeks. The second notice shall be published at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the public hearing. The City Clerk is hereby further ordered and directed to mail a copy of this Resolution, via certified mail, return receipt requested, to all property owners within such proposed District at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing.

Section 8. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED by Governing Body of the City of Garnett, Kansas on October 11, 2022 and SIGNED by the mayor.

/s/Greg Gwin Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Patricia Brewer City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Legal Description of Proposed District

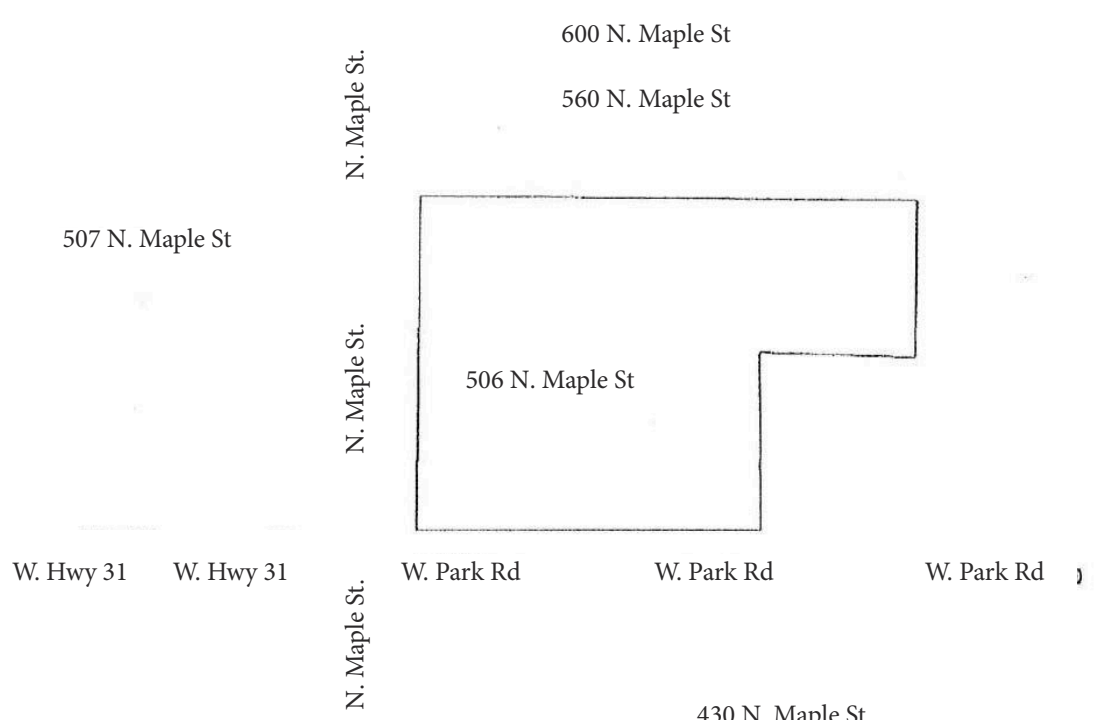
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Exhibit B

Map of Proposed District Boundaries



The Anderson County Review is the official newspaper of record for Anderson County, The City of Garnett, USD 365, and the other incorporated cities in Anderson County. Notices published here meet all required statutory legal parameters.

List of Personal Property tax warrants

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, October 11, 2022)

List of 2021 Personal Property tax warrants returned to the County Treasurer, October 3, 2022 by the Sheriff unpaid. The following list and warrants were given to the Clerk of the District Court, October 3, 2022 by the Anderson County Treasurer.

Table listing 170 personal property tax warrants with details including warrant number, owner name, address, and amount.

Table showing total tax, interest, and fees for October 17, 2022, totaling \$17,519.65.

Table listing amounts for various antique items, totaling \$605.00.

ANDERSON COUNTY TREASURER DENA McDANIEL

I, Dena M. McDaniel, Treasurer of the County of Anderson, Garnett, Kansas, do solemnly affirm that the above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Dena M. McDaniel

I, Julie Wettstein, Anderson County Clerk, certify that the foregoing statement was subscribed and affirmed to before me on the 3rd day of October, 2022

Signature of Julie Wettstein



Notice of ordinance for redevelopment project plan

(Published in the Anderson County Review on October 18, 2022)

ORDINANCE NO. 4241

AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN FOR THE GUFFEY PROPERTIES, LLC REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the City Commission (the "Governing Body") of the City of Garnett, Kansas (the "City") desires to promote, stimulate and develop the general and economic welfare of the City and the state of Kansas (the "State") and to assist in the development and redevelopment of eligible areas within the City, thereby promoting the general welfare of the citizens of the State and the City, by acquiring property and providing for the development and redevelopment thereof and the financing relating thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 12-1770, et seq., as amended (the "Act"), the City is authorized to establish redevelopment districts within eligible areas of the City, as said terms are defined in the Act, to approve redevelopment projects within such redevelopment project areas, and to finance all or a portion of redevelopment project costs from tax increment revenues and various fees collected within such redevelopment district, revenues derived from redevelopment projects, revenues derived from local sales taxes, other revenues described in the Act, or a combination thereof or from the proceeds of full faith and credit tax increment bonds of the City or special obligation tax increment bonds of the City payable from such described revenues; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 4238, passed June 14, 2022, and published June 21, 2022 (the "District Ordinance"), the City established a redevelopment district pursuant to the Act designated as the "Guffey Properties, LLC Redevelopment District" (the "District"), and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared a redevelopment project plan for the District (the "Project Plan") and is considering adoption of the Project Plan; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2022, the City of Garnett, Kansas Planning Commission reviewed the proposed Project Plan and adopted a resolution finding that the Project Plan is consistent with the comprehensive plan for the development of the City; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Project Plan has been delivered by the City to the Board of County Commissioners of Anderson County, Kansas and to the Board of Education of U.S.D. No. 365, Anderson County, Kansas (Garnett); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the Act and Resolution No. 2022-10, adopted August 23, 2022, the Governing Body set a public hearing to consider the adoption of the Project Plan on September 27, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter could be heard, at City Hall, located at 131 West 5th Avenue, Garnett, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, notice of such public hearing was provided as required by the Act; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2022, the public hearing was opened, public comment was

600246.20000ORDINANCE - PROJ PLAN v.2 received by the Governing Body and the public hearing was closed; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is authorized to adopt the Project Plan by ordinance passed by not less than two-thirds vote of the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, a Development Agreement (the "Development Agreement") between the City and Guffey Properties, LLC (the "Developer") has been presented to the Governing Body for consideration in connection with the Project Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Project Plan Approval. The Project Plan for the redevelopment of the District, together with all attachments and exhibits thereto, which is on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby adopted.

Section 2. Development Agreement Approval. The Development Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form presented to the Governing Body with such alterations, changes or additions as may be approved by the City Manager, subject to the establishment of a community improvement district related to the District. Upon establishment of a community improvement district related to the District, the Mayor or Vice Mayor of the City is authorized and directed to execute the Development Agreement and such other documents, statements, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance and as described in the Development Agreement, in such final form as are approved by the City Manager, or designate, and the execution or taking of such actions shall be conclusive evidence of such form, necessity or advisability. The City Clerk or any Deputy City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to and affix the seal of the City to the Development Agreement and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Further Action. The Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk, City Attorney and other officials, agents and employees of the City, including Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, are hereby further authorized and directed to take such other actions as may be appropriate or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage by the Governing Body of the City and publication one time in the official City newspaper.

PASSED by not less than two-thirds vote the City Council of the City on October 11, 2022 and SIGNED by the Mayor.

/s/Greg Gwin Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Patricia Brewer City Clerk

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# Vikings do well at league, will host regionals

OSAGE CITY - The always tough Flint Hills League meet was exactly that again this year as it is full of great runners and teams.

"Although this is the last time we will see many of our league competitors this season, it's always incredibly helpful to be put to this level of a test the week before the Regional meet," Coach Troy Prosser stated.

Emma Cubit and Melaney Chrisjohn both improved from recent weeks to finish in the top 10 as well as many of their teammates to help take 3rd place in the team standings on the girl's side.

"Having only run as a varsity group this one time is pretty impressive to see them that high in the standings in a

league stacked with standout runners," Prosser said.

The boys, despite several injuries and complications this season, still put together a strong enough effort led by Cody Hammond, Connor Burkdoll and Christian McCord to become the League Runner-up.

Hammonds run was a personal record and he was followed up by some tough running and a string of highly competitive teammates in Aydan (Dunbar), Bryan (Sommer), Aidan (Howland) and Nick (Schultze).

"With a longer week to fine tune and heal up, the good news is that hosting the Regional meet will give our fans an even better opportunity to come out and show their support for

these incredible runners on October 22nd with several middle schoolers running in the Jr. High State meet in Emporia on October 23rd," Prosser added.

### Varsity Boys 5K (2nd place)

- 5th - Cody Hammond
- 7th - Connor Burkdoll
- 10th - Christian McCord
- 21st - Aydan Dunbar
- 23rd - Brylan Sommer
- 30th - Aidan Howland
- 38th - Nicholas Schultze

### Varsity Girls 5K (3rd place)

- 4th - Emma Cubit
- 9th - Melaney Chrisjohn
- 25th - Arabella Dunbar
- 26th - Skylar Dyerson-Fritchman
- 33rd - Lilie Johnson
- 35th - Lillian Coulson

### JV Boys 5K

- 1st - Alex Skeet
- 11th - Adam Mell-Tomberlin

### Middle School Boys 2 Mile (1st place)

- 2nd - Stetson Miller (8)
- 3rd - Hunter Johnson (8)
- 5th - Josiah Meyer (7)
- 8th - Mathew Dunbar (7)
- 14th - Caleb Detwiler (7)
- 15th - Judd King (6)
- 16th - Ben Wuertz (7)
- 26th - Cash Miller (8)
- 25th - Presten Holstine (7)
- 43rd - Brooks Hamilton (7)

### Middle School Girls 2 Mile (2nd place)

- 2nd - Lily Burkdoll (7)
- 4th - Mackenzie Moon (7)
- 5th - Caitlynn Detwiler (7)
- 23rd - Grace Tooley (7)

# Pair of AC golfers heading to State

SILVER LAKE - Reagan Witherspoon and Reese Witherspoon are both heading to the Class 3-1A state championships in Hutchinson at Carey Park starting yesterday and concluding today.

Reagan finished in 9th place with a score of 98, 20 strokes behind Ison Greta (78) of St. Mary's Colgan. St. Mary's

swept the top 5 spots and easily won the regional.

Reese finished in a tie for 17th place with a score of 105.

Lexi Overstreet finished just 2 strokes from being inside the top 20. She finished with a 109, good for 25th place.

Aislyn Smith (113) finished in 30th and Bethanie Cooper (148) in 55th place.

# ACHS boys finish 4th, girls 5th at league CC

OSAWATOMIE - The Anderson County boys cross country team finished in 4th place at the Pioneer League Championships last week with a score of 59, just 6 points behind second place Iola and 17 points behind league winner Iola.

The girls finished in 5th with a score of 96, just two points behind 4th place Osawatome, but well behind League Champion Prairie View (36 points).

The top finisher for the boys was Tucker Nelson (3rd place) and Landon Kraft (8th).

Also finishing in the top 30 were Brody Barnes (13th), Brodie Wiesner (17th), Easton Wettstein (22nd) and Hershyl

Corley (29th).

Also running for the boys were Ty Hedrick (31st), Dylan Kiatoukaysys (33rd), Levi Corley (35th) and Zykin Velvick (42nd).

For the girls, Addie Fudge finished inside the top 10 in 7th place. They also had two more top 20 finishers in Kassie Mains (14th) and Orra Lutz (18th).

Rachel Godwin (30th) and Emma Bauman (39th) close out the runners for ACHS on the day.

Next up for the Bulldogs is 3A regionals at Council Grove. The girls will run at 11 a.m., followed by the boys at 11:40 a.m.

# Crest girls win league CC title

The Crest Lancers finished first just 2 points ahead of Jayhawk Linn for the league title last week in cross country.

Crest finished with 20 total points, Jayhawk had 22 points. In third place was Southeast with 44.

Pacing the way for the

Lancers was Josie Walter, with a time of 20:25. Finishing behind her teammate in 2nd place was Peyton Schmidt with a time of 22:08.

Aubrey Allen snuck into the top 5 in 5th place with a time of 22:21 and Kyree Puckett rounds out the Crest runners with a time of 25:41.

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5014

A PROPOSITION to amend article 1 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a new section thereto, concerning oversight by the legislature of certain executive branch actions.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Article 1 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

### § 17. Legislative oversight of administrative rules and regulations.

Whenever the legislature by law has authorized any officer or agency within the executive branch of government to adopt rules and regulations that have the force and effect of law, the legislature may provide by law for the revocation or suspension of any such rule and regulation, or any portion thereof, upon a vote of a majority of the members then elected or appointed and qualified in each house."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:


"Explanatory statement. The purpose of this amendment is to provide the legislature with oversight of state executive branch agencies and officials by providing the legislature authority to establish procedures to revoke or suspend rules and regulations.

"A vote for this proposition would allow the legislature to establish procedures to revoke or suspend rules and regulations that are adopted by state executive branch agencies and officials that have the force and effect of law.

"A vote against this proposition would allow state executive branch agencies and officials to continue adopting rules and regulations that have the force and effect of law without any opportunity for the legislature to directly revoke or suspend such rules and regulations."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in the year 2022, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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## Lancers volleyball close regular season with a loss

COLONY – Despite a record breaking season, the Crest Lancers (26-7) closed their regular season with a disappointing loss to Southern Coffey County (25-7, 25-20, 25-17). SCC closed out their regular season with an impressive 28-7 record themselves.

“We came out playing tight and could not get our offense going. Passing was not going well. SCC was composed and on the attack.” Coach Abigail Hermreck stated regarding the overwhelming loss in set 1.

The Lady Lancers settled in and played more relaxed in the second and third sets.

“Our passing was still a little

off and made it tricky for our setters to get the sets where they needed to be. I was proud of how the girls pulled together and competed. A win would have obviously been nice, but it was an excellent opportunity for us to compete and continue to prepare for Sub-State,” Hermreck added.

Crest will spend the week preparing for Sub-State competition this coming Saturday at Madison. Crest will be the top-seeded team. Other top contenders appear to be Marmaton Valley (20-12) and Olpe (21-15) and Marais Des Cygnes Valley (14-11).

## Vikings lose all 3 in league tournament, playoffs next

COUNCIL GROVE – The Central Heights Viking volleyball team dropped to 5-25 following a trio of losses last Saturday at their league tournament.

The lost to Mission Valley (25-18, 25-7), a hard fought battle with Lyndon (25-22, 25-22) and lost another match with

West Franklin (25-15, 25-11).

Next up is substate on Saturday, October 22nd at Erie High School. Other teams that will be competing are Arma-Northeast, Cherokee-Southeast, Erie, Mound City, Jayhawk-Linn, St. Mary's Colgan, Pleasanton and Uniontown.

## Pleasanton wins defensive battle over Vikings

RICHMOND – Offense was at a premium on Friday night in the battle between Pleasanton

(5-2) and Central Heights (3-4), Pleasanton would prevail 12-6, breaking a tie with a fourth

## Bulldogs finish 2nd at AC Invitational

GARNETT – Friday was a busy day for the ACHS girl's volleyball squad as they hosted the 2022 AC Invitational, finishing the day (4-1) after dropping the Championship Match to McPherson to finish in 2nd place.

Anderson County opened pool play with a win over Prairie View (25-16, 25-19). They improved to 2-0 in pool play with dominating win over Oskaloosa (25-8, 25-19) and finished off pool play perfect with a 3 set win over Labette County (25-13, 26-28, 25-20).

In the semifinal round, AC knocked off Burlington (25-13,

25-11) before dropping both sets to McPherson in the final by the same score of 25-20.

The All-Tournament team consisted of the Bulldogs Caitlin Foltz, Brooke Galey and Rilyn Sommer. They were joined by McPherson's Haely Hagemann and Alex Romero as well as Shelbi Wilson from Labette County.

Anderson County (16-13) has now won 9 of their last 11 games after opening the season 7-11. They will open postseason play on Saturday, October 22nd with Sub-State play at Eureka High School.

## Crest blows past MDCV

COLONY – It was another short night as the Crest Lancers made easy work of Marais des Cygnes Valley on homecoming night last Friday, winning 64-0 as the game came to an end at halftime due to the 45 point mercy rule.

The win moves Crest to (6-1) on the season and (4-0) in district play. They will finish their regular season finale with a road contest against Lebo (5-2), who is also (4-0) in district

play so the winner will finish the season with the top seed in the district.

Both teams won their 4 district games by an average of 51 points per game. Lebo has outscored their 4 district opponents by an average total of 56-5 and the Lancers are outscoring the same 4 teams 61-10.

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5022

A PROPOSITION to amend sections 2 and 5 of article 9 of the constitution of the state of Kansas to require that a sheriff be elected in each county for a term of four years.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein: Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Sections 2 and 5 of article 9 of the constitution of the state of Kansas are hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 2. County and township officers. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), each county shall elect a sheriff for a term of four years by a majority of the qualified electors of the county voting thereon at the time of voting designated for such office pursuant to law in effect on January 11, 2022, and every four years thereafter.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to a county that abolished the office of sheriff prior to January 11, 2022. Such county may restore the office of sheriff as provided by law and such restoration shall be irrevocable. A county that restores the office of sheriff shall elect a sheriff by a majority of the qualified electors of the county voting thereon for a term of four years. Such sheriff shall have such qualifications and duties as provided by law. The time of voting for the office of sheriff may be provided for by the legislature pursuant to section 18 of article 2 of this constitution.

(c) The filling of vacancies and the qualifications and duties of the office of sheriff shall be as provided by law.

(d) The legislature shall provide for such other county and township officers as may be necessary.”

“§ 5. Removal of officers. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), all county and township officers may be removed from office, in such manner and for such cause, as shall be prescribed by law.

(b) A county sheriff only may be involuntarily removed from office by recall election pursuant to section 3 of article 4 of this constitution or a writ of quo warranto initiated by the attorney general.”

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

“Explanatory statement. This amendment would preserve the right of citizens of each county that elected a county sheriff as of January 11, 2022, to continue electing the county sheriff. The amendment would also provide that a county sheriff only may be involuntarily removed from office pursuant to either a recall election or a writ of quo warranto initiated by the attorney general.

“A vote for this proposition would preserve the right of citizens of each county that elected a county sheriff as of January 11, 2022, to continue electing the county sheriff via popular vote. The amendment would also direct that a county sheriff only may be involuntarily removed from office pursuant to either a recall election or a writ of quo warranto initiated by the attorney general.”

“A vote against this proposition would not make any changes to the constitution and would retain current law concerning the election of a sheriff and the procedures for involuntary removal of a sheriff from office.

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2022, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

quarter touchdown.

Pleasanton would open the scoring in the second quarter to take a 6-0 lead, which would hold up until halftime.

Following intermission, the Vikings knotted things up at 6 with a 40 yard touchdown pass to Brycean Velez from Jose Velez.

J. Velez completed only one other pass on the night, on 11 attempts, for 51 yards and also threw a pair of interceptions. J. Velez failed to find any running lanes all evening on the ground either as he carried the ball 17 times for just 14 yards.

On the ground the Vikings were stymied most of the evening as well as they garnered just 110 yards on 35 carries.

Carson Wood, 9 carries for 51 yards, and Ben Teegarden, 7 carries for 51 yards, led the way.

Wood led the Vikings on defense with 9 stops, with three of them being tackles for loss.

Baker Moore and Kennedy Thao each chipped in with 7 tackles on the night.

Next up for the Vikings is a trip to Olpe (5-2). Last Friday Olpe destroyed Jayhawk Linn 49-0.

## Girard manhandles Bulldogs

GIRARD – Undeafated Girard (7-0) rolled past Anderson County (2-5) 47-7 at home last Friday night.

Girard has steamrolled through the season after opening the campaign with a narrow win over Columbus 20-15. In their last 6 games they have won by an average score of 41-8.

Girard opened the game leading 13-0 after the first quarter and doubling that advantage to 26-0 at intermission.

The Bulldogs didn't have an answer in the third quarter either getting outscored 21-0 to fall into a 47-0 hole heading into the fourth quarter before scoring their lone touchdown of the night in mop up duty.

Next up for the Bulldogs is their regular season finale against Prairie View (3-4). Prairie View won handily over Iola on Friday 32-13 to have some momentum entering the contest.



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# New programs can help with the stress of high energy bills

(BPT) - Soaring energy prices equate to rising energy bills for households nationwide. This is a burden in particular for low-income people on a tight budget. No one should have to go without the energy necessary to heat and power their home, and now, thanks to numerous programs and incentives, there are more options to keep costs down for those that need it most.

This fall, you can make a change for yourself and others on ENERGY STAR Day, an annual celebration of the benefits of energy efficiency, including saving energy, money and protecting the planet. Consider these opportunities to make energy efficiency upgrades and help lower your energy bills and save money. Learn about these and other ways to save energy and money at [energystar.gov/SaveForGood](http://energystar.gov/SaveForGood).

### Rebates and tax incentives

Through rebates and tax incentives, ENERGY STAR certified products like heat pump water heaters, clean heating and cooling, and household appliances are becoming more affordable while enabling customers to save on their monthly energy bills. For example, ENERGY STAR certified heat pumps are eligible for a \$300 federal income tax credit for residential energy efficiency, plus rebates and incentives from local utilities in many areas.

### Ultra-efficient upgrades

When upgrading heating and cooling elements of the home, look for options with superior efficiency. Heat pumps, for instance, are more efficient than furnaces or boilers and serve double duty with heating and cooling, making them usable year-round. Combine



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There are various areas a family can seek assistance if they are needing help with utility bills.

heat pumps with other high-impact energy-efficiency improvements for an ENERGY STAR Home Upgrade to achieve significant energy and cost savings while transitioning from fossil fuels to a cleaner, healthier, more comfortable home.

### Support from local utilities

Local utilities may offer energy efficiency upgrade support for low-income customers. When available, these programs typically include a home energy assessment accompanied by direct install of energy-saving devices including ENERGY STAR certified smart thermostats. Eligibility is usually based on household size and income in relation to a percentage threshold above the Federal Poverty Level or Area Medium Income (AMI). Depending on where you live, these programs may be working with state agencies who provide low-income ser-

vices more broadly.

### Weatherization assistance programs

Each U.S. state offers a Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) available for households that qualify (such as those that already qualify for Supplemental Security Income, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and other income eligibility criteria). This program includes a home energy assessment and help with weatherization upgrades, like attic insulation, and fixing or replacing old

water heaters.

### Low-income assistance programs

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) offers help with home repairs and upgrades based on household size and income. For example, a four-person household with an annual income of \$39,750 would qualify for LIHEAP and could get a replacement for a broken heating and cooling system through this program.

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# Fall into fitness to improve balance and mobility

(BPT) - Falling is a common concern among seniors, particularly as a fall has the potential to be more devastating for an older adult than the small scrape or bruise many might expect. While Fall Prevention Awareness Month is in September, it's always a good time to learn more about these very real risks and ways to reduce them. A simple step like joining a senior fitness program can significantly reduce the impact of falls or even prevent them entirely. Not only are these programs effective, but as members will tell you, they're lots of fun, and you may already be eligible to participate. SilverSneakers, the nation's leading fitness program for older adults, is available to more than 18 million Americans through select Medicare plans.

## The gravity of falls

Falls have been a fact of life for each of us, ever since we took our first steps as infants. While often embarrassing and sometimes painful, as we get older, they may become more frequent with more serious consequences, including broken bones and hospitalization. More than one in three people aged 65 years or older falls each year, according to the National Institutes of Health's National Institute on Aging. Falls are the second leading cause of unintentional injury deaths worldwide.

Many factors increase fall risk. Some may be obvious such as poor vision, unsupportive footwear and hazards in the home including stairs or surfaces that easily become slippery. But other factors may seem

unrelated or change so slowly that we don't notice the danger. These include difficulty hearing, single or combined medications that cause dizziness, and decreased lower body strength and ankle mobility.

Some of these issues are best addressed by a medical professional, but exercise can dramatically reduce the risk of falls and the consequences. By engaging in activities that improve balance and build strength, you can become less vulnerable to falls. Fortunately, senior fitness programs prioritize those very things.

## Developing stronger seniors

While anyone can begin exercising at any time, it can be difficult to know where or how to start. Which activities are best? How do you know if you're performing them correctly?

Fitness programs are a great solution because they offer a variety of ways to get active, but senior fitness programs offer the guidance that you need - the right activities at the right pace to maintain interest and prevent injury, where, when and how you want. As seniors, you have a unique set of physical and emotional needs, making activities that are offered in convenient community locations or from the comfort of home especially appealing. For older adults, the social component is often just as important and beneficial as the physical.

SilverSneakers offers members a network of up to 23,000 fitness locations across the nation as well as live online fitness classes and on-demand workouts that can be joined virtually. The program features classes and

exercises that focus on improving balance and building the strength necessary to prevent falls, including yoga, bodyweight exercises, Pilates and more. Tai Chi has been shown to help with balance and flexibility, making it a popular option among seniors. Mild weight-bearing activities, such as walking or climbing stairs, also build strength and may even slow bone loss from osteoporosis.

"The activities a program like SilverSneakers offers are designed with one demographic in mind - seniors," explained Maria Granzotti, Chief Medical Officer at Tivity Health. "As a result, they prioritize areas that become vulnerable with age, often without us even realizing it until something happens, like a fall. SilverSneakers instructors ensure

these programs are appealing, accessible, safe and fun, increasing the likelihood members will participate and helping them to improve strength and balance, which decreases the risk of falls."

SilverSneakers' offerings target the unique needs of seniors, but they are also designed based on member feedback. The program regularly surveys its members to ensure it is offering members the activities they enjoy in the ways that work best for them. And if proof was ever needed that these are the activities seniors want, on Aug. 31, it was provided. In honor of its 30th Anniversary, SilverSneakers set a Guinness World Records™ title for the most viewers of a dance fitness live

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# 5 tips for getting your home feeling refreshed and cozy for fall

(BPT) - As autumn gets underway, leaves change colors, temperatures cool down and days get shorter. During this time of change, your home and wardrobe go through a transition as well. This is the time of year you get sweaters and jackets out of storage bins or the back of your closet, and blankets come out to warm up beds and provide comfy spots on your favorite pieces of furniture. Unfortunately, if you don't take steps to freshen up your garments and fabrics, your home may end up feeling more stuffy than cozy, and create more sneezing than cuddling.

Here are tips to help refresh your home, so you can better enjoy everything the season has to offer.

## 1. Air out items that were in storage

From winter coats to blankets, any items that have been stored for several months are bound to smell musty. Take garments and other items out of storage well ahead of when you want to use them to wash them, if possible, then air them out - then assess what shape they're in before using them.

## 2. Consider a steam closet to refresh garments, blankets and more

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## 3. Be allergy conscious

It's not recommended to air bedding, clothing and other items outdoors if someone in your household suffers from allergies or asthma, or you'll just be bringing all that fall pollen indoors. That's another advantage of using LG Styler to refresh and sanitize everything from bedding and pillows to clothing and stuffed animals, as it is certified asthma and allergy friendly by the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA) for reducing 99.9% of the allergens, germs and bacteria from multiple fabrics. Once you've refreshed your items, bring on the seasonal throw blankets and decorative pillows to create cozy

spaces to hang out, read or play games during long autumn evenings.

## 4. Give floors a deep clean

Before the colder temperatures of winter set in, it's a great time to do a deep clean of your home's flooring, including having any large area rugs sent out for cleaning. If you don't have the equipment to thoroughly clean any carpeted areas, you could consider hiring a cleaning service for a good fall cleaning.

One great option to help clean your floors is the LG CordZero™ All in One Auto Empty Cordless Stick VacuumEndFragment -->. It not only tackles tough jobs, but makes the job easier by charging, storing tools and automatically emptying the dust bin in one sleek docking station.

## 5. Shed a little light on the subject

As days get shorter, there are things

you can do to make your home brighter and more cheerful. For example, have your fireplace cleaned and maintained so you can use it as a warm focal point, and upgrade a few lighting options - even your choice of bulb makes a difference - to keep darkness at bay. If you're up for a project, consider repainting a dark room in a brighter color, or swap out heavy window treatments with lighter, more translucent options that let more natural light in, to help make the most of daylight hours.

With these tips, you can be sure everything will feel fresh and clean, from the clothes you wear to your bedding and all the decorative touches that make your home comfy and cozy.

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# 3 ways to keep your pet safe this fall

(BPT) - Fall is approaching quickly, bringing a flurry of activities and preparations for the changing of the seasons. However, this season can also bring some unexpected dangers for your four-legged family member.

## 1. Pet allergies need a quick response

Just like their pet parents, dogs and cats are prone to seasonal allergies. MetLife's data from last fall (Sept. - Nov. 2021) found atopy, commonly known as pet environmental allergies, was the most common pet insurance claim during this season - implying heightened veterinary visits and prescriptions needed.

Prevention is key. Look out for common, fast-emerging allergy symptoms such as sneezing, watery nose or eyes, skin irritation and inflammation. On the surface, these symptoms may not

seem like a big deal. But when left untreated, they can easily lead to larger issues such as inflamed and irritated skin, hot spots (for dogs) or even hair loss and bleeding in more severe cases. If your dog or cat has allergies, try to identify allergy triggers and visit a veterinarian for proper treatment.

## 2. Dress for success

As the weather shifts to cooler temperatures and you start bringing out your sweaters, it's a good time to take stock of what clothing your pet may also need. This is especially important if you live in a cold climate or your furry friend shivers outdoors. Check your local pet stores for jackets, rain jackets or sweaters for your dog or cat to wear to keep them warm during the colder months.

Halloween is also quickly approach-

ing. When picking out your pet's cute costume this year, make sure it's also cozy and safe! Look for costumes and outfits that fit properly and don't restrict their movement, hearing or breathing. Make sure to steer clear of dangling pieces or extra parts, which can pose a choking hazard or cause a throat blockage if ingested.

## 3. Prevent accidental escapes

Fall is a busy season, between children heading back to school and the holiday season just around the corner. People are constantly coming in and out of the house as a result, so it's particularly important to keep a close eye on your pet's whereabouts to prevent an accidental escape and injury. Some key spots to consider are your front door, garage door and backyard - especially if it isn't gated.

To ensure your pet isn't lingering

by an exit point as you and your guests come and go, designate a safe, comfortable play space for them to go to, along with some of their favorite toys for distraction. A pet or baby gate may also be helpful to prevent these accidental escapes. Additionally, don't forget to inform your guests about your pet so they can be more cautious when arriving and leaving.

While some of the preventative measures of protecting your pet this fall can be costly, you can consider taking measures to help offset some of the costs of health issues such as allergies or accidental injuries. Pet parents: if you want to invest in your pet's safety and health this fall and beyond, consider getting a pet insurance policy - to help keep you and your pet prepared. To learn more, visit [MetLifePetInsurance.com](http://MetLifePetInsurance.com).



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## 3 smart fall sweets swaps and tips

(BPT) - As the leaves begin to change color and the temperatures get a little cooler, it can be challenging to stay on track with your nutritional goals. Cooler months often come with less outdoor activity as you begin to hunker down indoors. But the change in seasons doesn't have to mean giving up on your wellness - or sacrificing a sweet treat you enjoy.

"There are many ways to follow a balanced lifestyle that allow you to live your best healthy life," said Colette Heimowitz, vice president of Nutrition and Education at Simply Good Foods Company. "All it takes is a little planning, and snack options without a ton of sugar - that still taste delicious and fit into your lifestyle."

Heimowitz offers a few easy and tasty ways to incorporate healthy habits into your lifestyle this fall.

### 1. Smart candy bowl swaps

As Halloween approaches, you may be looking for a little sweet indulgence while fighting the urge to eat the entire candy bowl. As an alternative, try swapping out candy with portion-controlled treats like Atkins Indulge Peanut Butter Cups and Milk Chocolate Caramel Squares, which have less carbs and sugar than traditional chocolate candy, serving as a delicious and smart solution that will still satisfy your sweet tooth.

### 2. Festive outdoor activities

While cooler weather and shorter days may tempt you to stay inside with a book or movie, there are still plenty of fun fall activities to get you moving this autumn. Fall leaves provide a beautiful backdrop to a variety of outings you can enjoy with friends and family, from taking a bike ride or nature walk to enjoying the fruits of the harvest. Stroll through a farmers market or visit a pick-your-own apple orchard or pumpkin patch to enjoy the best of what fall fruits have to offer - while getting plenty of exercise, sunshine and fresh air.

### 3. Fall-flavored recipes

When those seasonal pumpkin spice-flavored drinks and treats start appearing at every local coffee shop and grocery store, you know that fall has truly arrived. You can enjoy all the deliciousness of your favorite autumn flavors while staying on track with your wellness goals, by switching some of those traditional sugar-heavy drinks with this tasty pumpkin-flavored recipe instead.

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# 5 fall home maintenance tips: What you don't do can cost you

BPT) - While home maintenance may seem pricey, being proactive about home upkeep can save more money by preventing expensive repair or replacement costs in the future - not to mention safeguarding against damage to your home. The hard part is knowing how often and what type of maintenance to do, and where to start.



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Routine maintenance around the house can not only keep your family safer, it can often prevent expensive repairs.

According to State Farm, fall is the perfect time to take care of many jobs, whether by yourself or by hiring professionals. Here are some top maintenance tasks to help protect the largest investment you have - your home.

## 1. Check your smoke detectors

According to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), 96% of homes are now installed with smoke detectors. However, nearly 20% of them have non-working smoke alarms. The NIST estimates that if every home had working smoke alarms, deaths from U.S. residential fires could drop 36%. Why aren't these smoke detectors working? Primarily missing or dead batteries. Smoke detector batteries need to be replaced at least annually, not just when they chirp. The average claim from a home fire according to State Farm is \$57,000. So buy some batteries, and replace those old ones.

## 2. Trim your trees

Little known fact, you're responsible for the damage if a tree on your property falls on a neighbor's house. Or if a dead branch damages your home, it can result in a homeowner's insurance claim, meaning you have to pay the deductible. For peace of mind, trim the trees on your property every fall. Find tips on tree trimming at StateFarm.com/simple-insights/residence. If you prefer hiring a professional, contact your local State Farm agent and they can help you find an arborist with community roots.

## 3. Check washing machine hoses

Did you know a washing machine hose holds 70 pounds of pressure? If it fails, it can spray 650 gallons of water per hour into your home. So if

you're away for the weekend and a hose bursts, you may open the door to the equivalent of a 20-foot by 40-foot in-ground pool's worth of water, which can damage floors, drywall and personal items. Between June 2021 and June 2022, State Farm paid nearly \$36.7 million to help customers recover from damage due to washing machine hose bursts, with an average claim of over \$12,000. Hose maintenance is easy: Inspect the hot and cold washing machine supply lines monthly, looking for blisters, worn tubing, cracks or loose connections. It's best to replace supply hoses every 3-5 years.

## 4. Conduct a generator safety check

A portable generator is handy equipment for when the power goes out, and regular maintenance will ensure that it works when you need it. First, always unplug and turn off all power to the generator. Examine the AC wiring and alternator to clear dirt and debris. Inspect the air intake system and replace the air filter. Oil in your generator needs to be changed every 25 hours of running, or one year unused. When you're ready to use the generator, take it outside to a well-ventilated area before starting up. Generators produce carbon monoxide from the exhaust and can cause serious injury or death if used indoors, in a garage (including with open doors) or even on a porch.

## 5. Maintain your HVAC

One of the most critical items to maintain is your heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system. Regular maintenance helps keep the system in working order, extending the life of the system and saving on energy costs. According to HomeAdvisor,

replacing an HVAC system costs from \$5,000 to \$10,000. To save money and extend the life of your system:

- \* Change air filters regularly. Set a reminder every few months to replace filters. Dirty filters can impede airflow and make the HVAC system work harder, decreasing efficiency and

increasing energy costs.

- \* Schedule regular maintenance checks (spring/fall) from your local HVAC professional. Some HVAC companies and local utilities have service programs where you pay a monthly or annual fee and they will conduct semi-annual maintenance checks. Pros will check the thermostat, clean or replace filters, lubricate moving parts, check refrigerant levels, inspect the condenser and coils and investigate unusual noises. Reach out to your local State Farm agent for a list of reliable HVAC pros.

Take care of your home, so your home can shelter you and your family. These regular maintenance tasks will help reduce the likelihood of unpleasant surprises - and costs - to help give you peace of mind.

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# Mother of 5 offers tips to help kids have more fun outdoors this fall, even during allergy season

(BPT) - Fall is here, which means cooler weather and outdoor family activities like apple picking, youth sports and more. It can also mean pollen and allergens (like ragweed) are in the air. If your children suffer from seasonal allergies, it can be tough for them to enjoy spending time outside. Fortunately, parenting influencer Bethanie Garcia, ZYRTEC® partner and mom of five active kids, most of whom suffer from seasonal allergies, offers her tips to help parents and kids enjoy the fall weather as a family without allergy symptoms holding them back.

"When it comes to outdoor activities, I suggest balancing spontaneity with preparation for a winning combination," says Garcia. "Most of all, just let your kids be kids, try new things together and have fun! If your kids see you having fun, they'll have fun, too."

Here are Garcia's top five tips to have fun with the whole family this fall:

1. Set up an outdoor picnic for snacks or lunchtime - and if the kids are old enough, they can help prep the food, too! Stick to easy-to-assemble sandwiches, cut-up fruits and veggies or hard-boiled eggs - whatever your kids like, plus maybe one or two new things to try! In the fall, I like to bring apple cider donuts and apple cider as a treat for the kids. You can find a local park or just make your yard into a picnic hangout with a colorful blanket on the grass.

2. Always have an activity bag ready to go - Last minute plans always pop up



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Even with allergies the entire family can enjoy the outdoors if they take the right precautions.

and with five kids, I like to make sure I'm prepared for anything! I always like to keep a "go bag" by the front door packed with all our necessities including reusable water bottles, blankets, snacks and games. Plus, with most of my kids having seasonal allergies, I have new Children's ZYRTEC® Dye-Free Chewables on hand. We've used ZYRTEC® for years and the new chewable form is so easy for them to take on-the-go while providing 24-hours of relief from my children's worst allergy


symptoms.

3. Create an outdoor scavenger hunt - You can make a scavenger hunt ahead of time by hiding funny, unexpected items or toys around your yard, but you can also just use things you might see in your neighborhood for the hunt and turn it into a nature walk. With the leaves changing, can your kids find different colored leaves or acorns in the backyard? A pro tip - if you have kids with seasonal allergies, make sure to keep a basket outside the front door for your kids to leave their shoes. It helps to limit any pollen tracked inside the house and can really help to minimize symptoms.

4. If inclement weather is in play, create an indoor art studio - Fall weather can be unpredictable, so I like to have indoor activities ready just in case. We always keep art materials like paint, playdough or chalk on hand to create fun projects. To add some unique elements, I let the kids quickly run outside to grab leaves, sticks, acorns and more to incorporate into their art. Another pro allergy mom tip: make sure to have your kids wash their hands so any pollen or dust doesn't end up on their faces or carry into other parts of the house.

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# 3 back-to-school tips if your family is having a hard time adjusting

(BPT) - The back-to-school season can be overwhelming for the whole family. While there's excitement about reuniting with friends and starting a new school year, it can be challenging for parents and kids to get back into a solid routine.

To help busy parents prepare their children mentally and physically to return to the classroom, Registered Dietitian and Nutritionist Dalina Soto has provided the following three simple tips that you can easily incorporate into your fall routine.

## 1. Reestablish a sleep routine

Summers often consist of late nights and mornings, so it can be tough for parents and children to adjust to weekday school hours. Before school begins, establish firm sleep and wake

times for yourself and the kids.

You don't have to do it all at once. Ease into it by adjusting bedtime and the morning alarm to a half-hour earlier than your current routine. Once a week or every few days, keep moving it earlier until you have reestablished the school year sleep routine.

## 2. Double down on hydration

During the hot summer months at home, you can keep a close eye on your kids and ensure they drink plenty of water as they play outside. However, during the school year, you aren't able to remind them in between classes to grab a drink. Staying hydrated has its benefits. In addition to helping your child stay healthy, regular hydration can boost your child's mood, memory and attention, according to

HealthyChildren.org.

To encourage your kids to hydrate during the school week, add a reusable water bottle to your back-to-school shopping list. As you shop, help your child pick out a fun water bottle they can fill up at home and at school.

## 3. Start the day with a nutritious meal

One way to make your life easier and alleviate stress as you head into the busyness of the fall season is to have some simple, nutritious meals and snacks you can make in a pinch. Eggs are an easy, delicious and nourishing ingredient you can incorporate into any meal at any time of the day.

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# 3 easy ways to enjoy living color in your outdoor space this fall

(BPT) - As temperatures drop and seasons turn, that doesn't mean you have to give up on the vivid blooms you love so much in your yard. Strategically adding seasonal plants that can withstand cooler weather is a great way to bring color and dimension to outdoor spaces.

To educate and inspire, the plant and gardening experts at Ball Horticultural Company share simple tips, top trends and standout plants that are ideal for fall:

## Pollinator plants in traditional autumn hues

There's no easier way to add autumn atmosphere to your entryway, walkways and flower boxes than with the warm hues of rich yellows and sunny oranges. Blooms in these colors convey happiness and

warmth, making them beautifully eye-catching. Some plants in these tones are especially attractive to bees and butterflies, helping create pollinator-friendly spaces.

For example, award-winning Echinacea Artisan Yellow Ombre is a native-type prairie plant that attracts songbirds, bees and butterflies throughout fall, and into winter.

## Moody blues are trending for fall

While yellow and orange are quintessential fall colors, you can add an on-trend element to your outdoor space with Spreading Pansy Cool Wave Blue. The stunning dark, moody blue hue plays nicely when combined with a jewel-toned autumn palette. It is also a standout choice by itself, reflecting

the cooler weather, crisp air and clear night skies associated with the fall months.

The vibrant shade of solid blue is beautiful in planters and hanging baskets, as well as in landscaping and window boxes. This sun-loving variety is a spreading pansy, meaning it can serve as great groundcover, as well. You can enjoy this pansy in fall, and with superior overwintering hardiness, it's the earliest pansy to return in the spring.

## Create dimension through floral shapes

Color is one important aspect of landscape design, but to really elevate your outdoor appeal, consider dimension as well. Creating variables in plants through shape and texture adds visual interest, bring-

ing new depth to a space. To create this, mix florals with greenery and don't be afraid of nontraditional flower shapes.

The perfect example is Celosia, which features blooms in unique shapes such as plumes, spikes or wavy crests. You can create any outdoor aesthetic you desire with varieties available in yellow, orange, red and dark purple. Each adds texture and dimension, pairing well with mums and other popular autumn florals.

Whether it's containers, window boxes or several strategic places in your landscaping, you can update your home for the fall season and boost your curb appeal with fall flowers. A dash of color and texture will help your home be a standout on the block.



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5. Host an outdoor movie night - All you need is a projector, the side of your house or garage and a bedsheet, and voila! Get out beanbag chairs, pillows and blankets and pop some popcorn for a great family evening together. Make sure to dress for the occasion since fall nights can get a little chilly. I like to bring out extra flannels, hats and blankets to make the kids more comfortable. Since we usually set the movie up under a tree, the hats and blankets also help to protect the kids from any pollen that may fall from the trees.

When it comes to getting your fam-

ily outdoors, feel free to add your own twist and make it unique to your family's interests! Want to help your kids enjoy more outdoor play time? Try new Children's ZYRTEC® Dye-Free Chewables for kids 2 years old and up that are easy to take on the go for all your adventures. They are free of alcohol, dyes and sugar and available in-store at most mass retailers, drug and grocery stores in the allergy aisle, and online at Amazon.com. Plus, for any parents who are allergy sufferers, check out the new ZYRTEC® Chewables for adults.

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