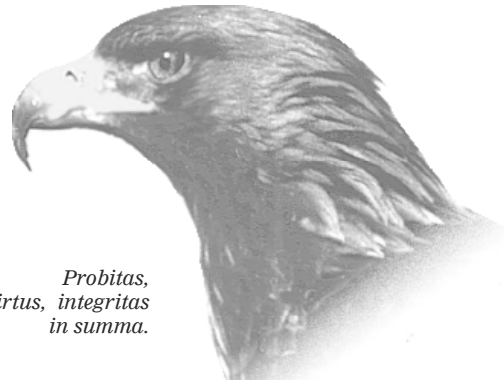


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City talks land acquisition for airport expansion

Project will capture swath of federal funds, recent grants announced

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Work continues in preparation for a major upgrade and lengthening to the Garnett Industrial Airport, with talks underway for land acquisitions involving nearby neighbors and word received recently of a Federal Aviation Administration grant for existing facility upgrades. Airport manager Pat Schettler told city commissioners in a weekly memo he had been fielding contacts

from neighbors about proposed land acquisitions for the plan, which will require additional easements and the vacation of a portion of NE 1700 Road just south of the airstrip. The project will widen the runway from its present 45 feet to 75 feet, and grade out the "crown" in the strip - a hill that prevents traffic on either end of runway from being completely visible from the other end. Schettler said the plan - estimated to take \$4 million to \$6 million to complete - would be 90 percent paid by federal dollars with three quarters of the city's remaining 10 percent tab to be paid by a Kansas Department of Commerce grant. The city got word last week the airport had received a KDOT grant

of \$90,000 for the replacement of its refueling system with \$15,300 made available for renovations to the facility's office and terminal. The funds were part of \$11 million in grants announced by KDOT from the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program to airports in Kansas. Cities receiving grants pay five percent of their project costs along with awarded grant funds. A press release from KDOT said Garnett's was one of 66 projects funded by this year's round of Kansas Airport Improvement Program grants out of 153 applications.



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Mrs. Fangman's 2nd grade class at Central Heights Elementary got into the Chiefs spirit during the lead up to Super Bowl 57 with Chiefs art projects. Front from left: Brody Kratzberg, Emery Jamescupp. Second row: Kate

Carter, Calan Dunbar, Mrs. Fangman, Ava Elsasser, Harley White. Third row: Noah Rubick, Ledger Kwiatkowski, Wyatt Bachelor, Finley Herald. Back row: Ryleigh Bently, Ari Wuertz, Abigail Rusk, Owen Ferguson, Dayton Romero.

Man who skipped sentencing back in court

Garland White picked up in Franklin County, will face more charges for going on the run

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - The Garnett man who skipped his felony sentencing hearing last fall and went on the lam was due in Anderson County District Court today on new charges - and being held in the county jail to make sure he shows up this time.

Garland White was picked up last week in Franklin County. Anderson County Undersheriff Wes McClain said Friday he didn't know the specifics of White's apprehension, but that White was being held in Anderson County Jail in preparation for today's court appearance.



White

White was arrested in April 2020 on multiple counts including unlawful distribution of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alprazolam (Xanax) but due to Covid delays wasn't charged until the following August. He bonded out of jail and pled

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At war with wind

Ottawa program will coach opponents on how to halt wind farm efforts

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

OTTAWA - Recent defeats for wind turbine field developers in east central Kansas have bolstered the morale of project opponents, and leaders of regional opposition hope a program this week in Ottawa by the "white knight" of wind farm opposition in Kansas will help spread important information to those engaged in the fight against them.



Thompson

Kansas State Senator and former Kansas City TV weatherman Mike Thompson will present his program "At War With Wind: A resident's guide to stopping industrial renewables" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at Ottawa Municipal Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Franklin County and Anderson County Republican parties and by Mike and Eileen Burns of Garnett.

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BETO plant means impact for region

Semiconductor plant planned for sprawling acreage near junction

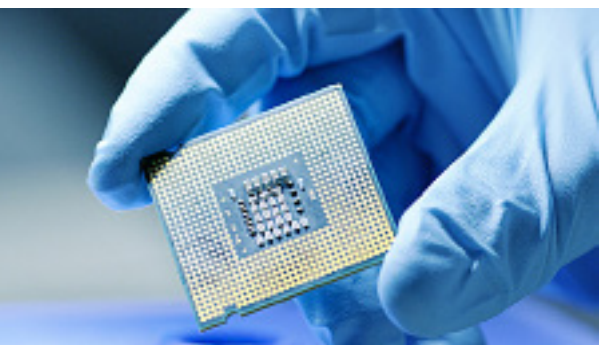
BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

BETO JUNCTION - The announcement yesterday of a huge microchip manufacturing facility in Coffey County has Eastern Kansas abuzz, with communities anticipating its positive impacts and at least one nearby college already planning training programs for prospective employees.

The plan by Wichita's Integra Technologies will locate a semiconductor plant on some 200 acres near the junction of U.S. Highways 75 and I-35, backed by \$304 mil-

lion in taxpayer-funded incentives and additional federal dollars committed in order to help bolster domestic production of microchips in the face of increasing instability among global exporters.

An article in last Thursday's *Iola Register* quoted Bruce Moses, president of Allen Community College, in comments to the Allen Board of Trustees as he detailed



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plans to develop the training program to instruct students in robotics, CNC milling operations and welding. Allen and Flint Hills

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Bill: No income tax on Social Security payments

BY PATRICK RICHARDSON THE SENTINEL

TOPEKA - A bill recently passed out of the Kansas Senate Tax Committee would be a significant boon to retirees on a fixed income.

Senate Bill 33, the first piece of major legislation to pass out of committee this session, would exempt all Social Security payments from the state income tax.

Current state law exempts federally-taxable Social Security benefits for those making under \$75,000 a year. However, even \$1

above that and all Social Security benefits are taxed. There is some consensus that income tax on Social Security needs to be addressed, but the approaches are considerably different. While the bill authored by the Senate tax committee exempts Social Security entirely, Democrat Governor Laura Kelly's proposal would raise the threshold for taxation to \$100,000. The bill passed out of committee would save taxpayers about

\$113 million this year and \$363.7 million over the next three years, while Kelly's proposal would be a more modest \$52 million savings over three years.

Kansas is one of only 13 states that tax Social Security benefits in any form while sitting on about \$2.3 billion in surplus for the current fiscal year, and it is expected to grow to closer to \$3 billion in the following fiscal year. Another 28 states and the District of Columbia do not tax benefits at all, and nine

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Briggs bound over for trial on criminal threat

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - A former Republican candidate for governor from Kincaid is set for arraignment March 20 after a preliminary hearing on his felony criminal threat charges last week found evidence for the formal charge.

Anderson County Attorney Elizabeth Oliver amended George Arlyn Briggs' previous charges to two felony criminal threat counts and a single misdemeanor count of unlawful request for emergency service assistance.

The charges were filed in June 2022 and stem from a running feud between Briggs and the Anderson County Sheriff's Department that culminated in record



Briggs

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NEWS IN BRIEF

"AT WAR WITH WIND" TO BE PRESENTED FEB. 23

Kansas State Senator and former Kansas City-area weatherman Mike Thompson will present "At War With Wind: A Resident's Guide To Stopping Industrial Renewables" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at Ottawa Municipal Auditorium in Ottawa, Kan. The event is free to the public and is sponsored by The Anderson County and Franklin County Republican parties and by Mike and Eileen Burns.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Pieces and Patches Quilt Guild and Garnett BPW are accepting applications for scholarships. Applications are due back by March 5th. Contact Janay Blome at ACHS for forms or Call Helen at 785-448-8745.

AMERICAN LEGION BINGO

Bingo at American Legion Post 48 Garnett will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

UNPLANNED PREGNANCY

Advice & Aid Pregnancy Center in Overland Park helps women and their families make an educated decision about an unplanned pregnancy by providing evidence-based, medical information about parenting, adoption and abortion. Call (913) 962-0200 or visit www.adviceandaid.com.

LAND TRANSFERS

Sid A Hobbs and Melissa J Hobbs to Emily R Coleman: North 70' lot 7 & north 70' of w2 lot 8 blk 34 City of Colony & south 70' lot 7 & south 70' of w2 lot 8 blk 34 City of Colony.

RH Investment LLC to Dominic J Skinner: A tract of land in se4 30-19-21 described as follows: Beg at pt where the east line of Mary Street intersects with south line of Brown Avenue, Greeley, Kansas, thence south 0°04'46" east 48.32 feet along said east line of Mary's Street to true pob of tract to be herein described; thence north 89°26'57" east 181.68 feet (measured) 180.00 feet (deed), thence south 0°04'46" east 182.40 feet (measured) 175.0 feet (deed), thence north 89°28'43" west 181.68 feet (measured) 180.0 feet (deed) to east line of Mary Street; thence along said east line of mary street north 0°04'46" west 179.00 feet (measured) 175.00 feet (deed) to true pob.

Marvin Leroy Teter, Marvin L Teter A/K/A and Zella M Teter to JDC Remodeling LLC: Tract 1: East 42' lot 16 & west 4' lot 17 blk 7 Chapman's Addition to City of Garnett, including all rights to vacated alley adjacent to said property. Tract 2: East 33' lot 15 & west 2' lot 16 along with vacated alley between lots 15 & 16 blk 7 Chapman's Addition to City of Garnett.

Randall S Stinnett to Vicki L Stinnet to Blake Thompson and Hannah Thompson: Lots 7 & 8 blk 14 City of Kincaid.

CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479

February 13th, 2023
Board Meeting Minutes

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, February 13th, 2023. 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, and Kevin Nilges.

Others – Superintendent Shane Walter and Board Clerk Lynette Prasko.

Approval of Agenda – After Prom was added as E. 4. to the Items of Business. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to approve the agenda as amended. Vote: 5-0

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 January 9th regular board meeting, bills in the amount of \$317,434.99, Enrollment Report and Budget Status Ledger report. Vote: 5-0

Information Items

ANW Special Education Minutes – The minutes of the January 11th, 2023 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

Superintendent/Principal Report – Mr. Walter reported the March 3rd Teacher in-service will include reviewing curriculum and KESA data (accreditation). On March 4th there will be an Alumni 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at the gym and on March 31st there will be a CTE Fish Fry Fundraiser/Open House for the Career and Technical Education programs.

Items of Business

Building Needs Assessment/Phillip Jordan, Alloy Architecture – Mr. Walter introduced Phillip Jordan from Alloy Architecture to present the Facilities Assessment Report and discuss mechanical, electrical and plumbing maintenance needs for all buildings.

At 7:37 p.m. Principal Travis Hermreck arrived to the meeting.

The board and Mr. Walter asked Mr. Jordan about the Bond process and options for facility financing.

Chronic Absenteeism – Mr. Walter reviewed the state's data for chronic absenteeism by defining the criteria as missing 10% of school days (or

about 16 days for our district). Crest students had 31% chronic absenteeism for the previous year due largely to COVID quarantines, so it is expected to be lower for the current year.

Senior Trip – Mr. Walter presented the itinerary and budget for the senior trip to Grand Lake, Oklahoma for March 24-26. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to approve the senior trip as presented. Vote: 5-0

After Prom – Mr. Walter discussed the plans being finalized by the parents for After Prom activities at Iola. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black for the school to provide bus and fuel to Iola and After Prom will be responsible for the driver expense. Vote: 5-0

Preschool – Mr. Walter discussed options for preschool including splitting into two classes, possibly adding 3-year olds and related transportation needs.

KESA – Mr. Walter discussed accreditation progress previously and chronic absenteeism correlation.

Strategic Plan – Mr. Walter demonstrated the location of the Strategic Plan on the school website.

2023-2024 School Calendar – Mr. Walter presented 2023-2024 calendar option. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to adopt the Crest USD 479 2023-2024 District Calendar as presented. Vote: 4-1 (Nilges)

Hunter Safety Training – Mr. Walter discussed option of March 17th-18th Hunter Safety Training in Garnett for grades 6-12 and possible school competition with March 20th sign-up deadline.

Property/District Insurance – It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to approve the property and district insurance renewal from Personal Service Insurance as presented in the amount of \$57,147.00. Vote: 4-1 (Jason Beckmon)

Personnel – Executive Session – It was moved by Mr. Travis Church

and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing district staffing. The reason for the session was the non-elected personnel exemption under KOMA. The meeting was to resume in the board room at 9:18 p.m. Mr. Walter and Mr. Hermreck were invited to attend. Vote: 5-0

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 9:18 p.m.

At 9:19 p.m. Mr. Nathan Beckmon exited the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to hire Tara Nicholas as High School Assistant Track Coach. Vote: 4-0

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to hire Dakotah Sporing as Middle School Assistant Track Coach. Vote: 4-0

At 9:21 p.m. Mr. Nathan Beckmon re-entered the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to extend the contract for Lynette Prasko until April 30, 2025. Vote: 5-0

Adjournment – It was moved by Mr. Jason Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m. Vote: 5-0

ANDERSON COUNTY LIMITED LIABILITY CASES FILED

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC has filed suit against Brogun Jahn in the amount of \$3,532.99 for unpaid goods and/or services.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC has filed suit against Heather Farmer in the amount of \$919.11 for unpaid goods and/or services.

American Express National Bank filed suit against Sarah Fentress in the amount of \$9,943.29 for unpaid goods and/or services.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Joshua John Means was charged with speeding 86 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$222.

CRIMINAL CASES FILED

William N Rogers was charged with unlawful distribution of methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful acts involving proceeds derived from a drug transaction and interference with law enforcement.

Wesley Rietcheck was charged with domestic battery.

Cory Chase Payne was charged with non-residential burglary.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

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

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

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.

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

Darin Duane Rowden was booked into jail on December 21, 2022.

Steven Salazar was booked into jail on December 31, 2022.

Christopher Howey was booked into jail on January 10, 2023.

Kody Wright was booked into jail on January 11, 2023.

Jordan Jackman was booked into jail on January 26, 2023.

Christopher Kanawyer was booked into jail on January 31, 2023.

Chester Casida was booked into jail on February 1, 2023.

Kelly Morrison was booked into jail on February 1, 2023.

ANDERSON COUNTY FARM-INS

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

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

Austin Phillips was booked into jail on January 13, 2023.

Dakota Mandina was booked into jail on January 13, 2023.

Laverne Biggoose was booked into jail on January 17, 2023.

WAR...

FROM PAGE 1

Thompson's presentation follows recent moves by several counties in Eastern Kansas to halt or hamstring proposed wind farm construction. Earlier this month Franklin County Commissioners voted to deny a special use permit for a wind research tower in northwest Franklin County, a precursor to a possible project that would bridge into southwest Douglas County and has been supported by Douglas County Commissioners.

Many opponents cite possible health effects from the massive turbines as a reason for opposing the developments, as well as the threat to birds and bats and what they fear could be a negative impact on their home values where they have built financial equi-

ty for decades. Others resent the billions of dollars in federal tax subsidies granted to wind developers – funds they say sustain the industry which couldn't survive on its own in the market. Still others resent what they call the blight on otherwise beautiful rural landscapes by the turbine fields which can cover tens of thousands of acres.

Linn County Commissioners have extended a moratorium on wind farm development from 2021. Osage County officials halted the Auburn Harvest Wind Farm last October which would have covered some 30,000 acres on the recommendation of the county planning commission after public outcry. Anderson County opponents convinced county commission-

ers to increase setback requirements for turbine placements in the county's zoning regulations, effectively killing a project here that would have swept down the eastern third of the county.

"So much of the chance to prevent these projects comes down to having a zoning plan that can be amended to protect homeowners and landowners," said Mike Burns, who helped lead the Anderson County opposition in 2015. "If you live in a county that doesn't already have an existing zoning plan, you're at a huge risk because these companies target those counties."

Burns said wind farm developers typically begin non-committal discussions with landowners about offers of money for property leases before they're certain a project is via-

ble, hoping to use that leverage against zoning boards and county commissioners who hold the key to approval or denial.

"It's important opponents lobby those officials and organize themselves," Burns said. "They need to talk individually to landowners. They need to put up signs to show the community opposes it."

As a state senator from the 10th District in Johnson County, Thompson tried unsuccessfully to mass a bevy of bills in the last legislative session that together would have all but banned wind farms in the state of Kansas. Those bills lacked support among other Republicans to make it out of committee. An analysis of campaign finance reports from July 2020 by American Energy Action Kansas showed

\$180,000 in donations to 21 candidates running for re-election to Kansas House and Senate seats.

AIRPORT...

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The Garnett airport was constructed in 1949. An airport master plan commissioned in 2018 at a cost of some \$180,000, 90 percent funded by the FAA, laid out changes to be made to meet those modern specifications. Presently the runway is 2,600 - 3,400 feet.

Even if completed Garnett's airstrip would be among the shortest in the region. Ottawa's airport runway is 4,500 feet, and Burlington and Iola are both 5,500 feet. A preliminary timetable for the Garnett project would see it start construction in 2024.



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Notice of Public Hearings

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State law requires the KCC to conduct a public hearing on siting applications. The KCC will be conducting two public hearings so that landowners and members of the public can attend the hearing most convenient to their respective property. The second of the two public hearings will include an option to participate remotely in the formal portion of the hearing. The date, time, and location of the public hearings are listed below. Landowners and members of the public are welcome to attend either or both hearings.

March 1, 2023

Iola Senior High School
300 E. Jackson Ave.
Iola, Kansas 66749

March 2, 2023

Girard Public Library
128 W. Prairie Ave.
Girard, Kansas 66743
or
Virtually via ZOOM

Each public hearing will take place in two parts. First, an open house period beginning at 3:00 P.M. on each of the respective dates will allow the public to ask NEET Southwest representatives and Commission Staff questions pertaining to the project. During the open house period, detailed maps of the proposed route location will be available.

After the open house period, beginning at 6:00 PM, there will be a general question and answer period and the public will be allowed to make formal statements to members of the Commission. At the Girard hearing, those who wish to participate virtually may do so via ZOOM. To participate via ZOOM, participants must register prior to the event, by 5:00 p.m. on March 1. The registration page can be found at <https://kcc.ks.gov/your-opinion-matters>.

The Commission will also broadcast both hearings live on YouTube for those unable to attend available here: <https://www.youtube.com/@kansascorporationcommission>. The hearings will also be recorded and available for later viewing.

Any person requiring special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act must give notice to the Commission at least 10 days before the scheduled hearing by calling 785-271-3140 or 1-800-662-0027.

If you have questions for NEET Southwest, please submit them via email to neetsw@nexteraenergy.com or by calling (620) 205-2051.

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RIBLETT

AUGUST 26, 1944 - FEBRUARY 16, 2023

Oscar Gene Riblett, 78, of Wichita, Kansas passed away on Thursday, February 16, 2023. Oscar was born on August 26, 1944, the youngest of three children to Lawrence Wayne and Alta Ann Riblett of Greeley, Kansas. After Oscar graduated from Greeley High School in 1962, he went on to study Industrial Arts at The Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia, Kansas and was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1967. After graduating, Oscar started his first job at Dale Electronics in Columbus, Nebraska. He also worked at Gulf & Western in Osawatomie, designed furniture at the Garnett Church Furnishings company, became a journeyman nuclear pipefitter at WCNO, and being a lifelong aviation enthusiast; finally



Riblett

landed his dream job as an engineer for Boeing in Wichita, Kansas. When Oscar retired, he enjoyed watching basketball and football and hanging out at the Oaklawn Community Center cutting up. His favorite songs were "On the Wings of a Snow White Dove" by Ferlin Husky and "North to Alaska" by Johnny Horton. Oscar was predeceased by his mother and father, his sister, Thelma Kraztberg, and his son Timothy Riblett. He is survived by his brother Loren Riblett and his family, his son Mike and his family, his daughter Paula Webb and her family, granddaughter Jamie Henderson, grandson Kyle Riblett, his dear friend and companion: Carla Hand, as well as many extended family members. Per Oscar's request, there will be no services. The family would like to extend a thank you to the staff at Life Care Center of Wichita and Good Shepherd Hospice for their care during this time.

MOYER

OCTOBER 13, 1946 - FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Robert Michael Moyer Sr. age 76, passed away Sunday February 12, 2023 at Louisburg Healthcare in Louisburg, Kansas. Robert was born October 13, 1946, to Conrad and Pauline (Burns) Moyer. Robert was united in mar-

riage to Virginia "Kay" (Bowen) on August 25, 1966. Kay preceded him in death on November 2, 2007. Robert married Donna Beets on October 15, 2022. Graveside services were February 25, 2023 at the Garnett Cemetery.

FEUERBORN

DECEMBER 14, 1928 - FEBRUARY 11, 2023

Patricia A. (Nolan) Feuerborn, age 94, of Greeley, Kansas passed away on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at Parkview Heights in Garnett, Kansas. Pat was born on December 14, 1928, in Winterset, Iowa. She was the only child born to Leo F. (Rusty) and Opal A. (Thurman) Nolan. After her parents passed in 1942, she moved to Greeley, Kansas to live with her loving Aunt Ellen and Uncle George Miller, blending right in with her new sibling-cousins. She graduated from Greeley High School in 1946 and then earned her teaching certificate from Ursuline Academy in Paola, Kansas. After a short teaching career at a Hillsdale rural school, Pat was united in marriage to Clifford C. Feuerborn, November 26, 1947, at St. John's Church in Greeley. This union was blessed with eleven children, giving Pat the large family she always wanted. Besides being a wife, mother, Altar Society member, campfire girl and cub scout leader, 4-H, and PTA throughout the years, she also opened the Greeley Ceramic Shop with her sister-in-law Lucille Feuerborn in the 70's. She ran a successful



Feuerborn

business due to her exceptional artistic and creative abilities, expanding to Porcelain Dolls and taught classes for many years. Pat was preceded in death by her husband; parents; aunt and uncle; two brothers, George and Chuck Miller; her son, Dan E. Feuerborn; sons-in-law, Mac Akins and Mark Stevenson and her granddaughter, Brittney G. Feuerborn. She is survived by her sisters, Mary and Marcella Miller; her children and their spouses, Patty (Rick Davis) of Pocatello, Idaho, Richard (Valez Byrd) of Boise, Idaho, Beth Akins of Ottawa, Kansas, Chris (Terri) of Louisburg, Kansas, Rusty of Topeka, Kansas, Becky (Scott) Cook of Shawnee, Kansas, Laurie Stevenson of Garnett, Kansas, Marci (Brian) Stevens of Lenexa, Kansas, Cliff (Karen) of Greeley, Kansas, Shawn (Diana) of Lane, Kansas; daughter-in-law Geralyn Feuerborn of Greeley, Kansas; 33 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Mass of Christian Burial was February 17, 2023, at the St. Boniface Catholic Church at Scipio, Kansas. Burial followed in the St. Boniface Cemetery at Scipio. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Catholic School and left in care of Feuerborn Family Funeral Service. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.feuerbornfuneral.com

FOSTER

JUNE 20, 1946 - FEBRUARY 11, 2023

Sharon Kathleen Foster, Kimberling City, MO, daughter of John and Kathleen (Lutz) Edwards, was born June 20, 1946, in Lawrence, KS, and departed this life on February 11, 2023, at the age of 76. Sharon had been a resident of the area for twenty years, moving here from Eudora, KS. She was a bookkeeper. And was a member of the Ozark Mountain Assembly of God Church Kimberling City, MO. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include: her husband, Phill Foster of Kimberling City, MO; three sons, Michael



Foster

Foster of Perry, KS, Philip Foster of Eudora, KS and Jay Foster of Hutchinson, KS; three daughters, Vickie Peck and husband, Rick of Emporia, KS, Carma Stanley and husband, Don of Georgetown, KY and Debbie Baer and husband, Mark of Maumell, AR; four sisters, Sandy Kraus of Kansas City, MO, Louise Ballard of Paola, KS, Marilyn McKibbin of Kimberling City, MO and Connie Cooper and husband, Kenneth of Lipan, TX; eighteen grandchildren; ten great grandchildren and a host of other family and friends. Memorial service will be held at a later date for Sharon. Memorials in Sharon's memory may be made to Ozark Mountain Assembly Church Kimberling City, MO. Cremation was under the direction of Stumpff Funeral Home Kimberling City, MO.



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KCC, Big Wind is grooming your kids

The telegraph station we built out of paper milk cartons, wire-wrapped nails and flashlight batteries in my 6th grade science class back in 1975 taught us about principles of electricity and communication – not about fleecing taxpayers with politically-charged corporate welfare.

But that's the youth indoctrination effort pitched each year by the Kansas Corporation Commission as a big-time sponsor of the "KidWind Challenge." This nationwide propaganda program is sponsored by all the heavy hitters of green energy, which the KCC dutifully promotes to public schools across the state in an effort to help Big Green make unquestioning Greta-Thunberg-esque lackies out of Kansas school children.

The KCC is listed under the \$50,000 donors roster of the KidWind challenge, in the company of mega-buck federal tax credit addicts like EDP Renewables and Dominion Energy. With publicly-funded tuition making little green soldiers out of Kansas school kids for the Renewable Energy Industry, just think of it as your tax dollars going to an indoctrination tuition program.

So while KCC and these other green energy pimps sugar coat wind energy like the Victory Gardens that will defeat fossil fuel tyranny, the other half of Kansas which opposes this government funded, equity destroying, energy security threatening and landscape ravaging debacle are left with less tax money and a whole class of youth that will need deprogramming.

The basics of KidWind are pretty simple but it's the irony of the "challenge" that makes it as silly as the actually industry it coddles. In a nutshell, kids make a toy wind turbine and they test it to see how well it does – in a wind tunnel... a wind tunnel that itself is powered by... wait for it... fossil fuel produced electricity from whatever gas or coal plant that services the local electrical grid.

That's a point that's not brought up during the challenge – presumably because it might raise too many challenging questions.

And those questions abound. KidWind's rules and operational plans don't discuss the political division wind farms bring to rural communities that value the pristine landscapes and skylines that really put the "country" in "the country." Nor do they discuss how a scheme of federal tax credits to Big Business

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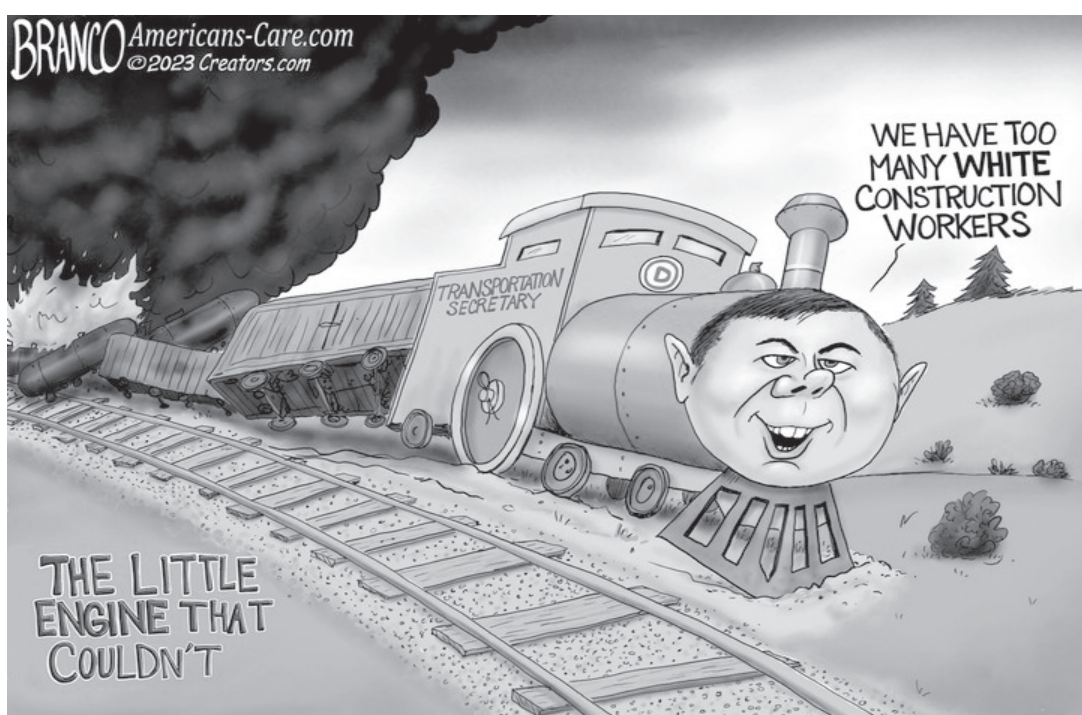
operations that promote wind are really the only reasons wind farms exist to begin with.

Also forgotten are the basics of the wind farm fairy tale – that somehow we can replace always-on electrical generation powered by nuke, coal or natural gas with sometimes-on wind farms that only produce power when the wind blows. The practical effect? That any wind power we might depend on better be backed up by dependable production – unless you're willing to tolerate a power system that only works when the wind blows.

That pulse on, pulse off nature of wind turbine fields connected to the regional power grid is also a real treat for the engineers and technicians who are trying to run that grid with the idea of keeping it consistent across broad segments of the country.

The parents of the KidWinders might have a different perspective from the KCC and the big money wind companies. All across Eastern Kansas and in some other counties as well, adults who are a little less starry-eyed about socially popular causes are stopping wind farm developments in their tracks. It happened here in Anderson County, Linn County, most recently in Franklin and Osage counties and even out in Reno County. People who live in the country because they love it don't want to live in the middle of a 30,000 acre power plant that only works when there's a blowing wind and a federal tax subsidy – and literally has to be plugged in to outside electricity in order to operate. Those are facts KidWind ignores.

The KCC won't tell your kids the truth – it's going to be up to you. ###



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How does Governor Sanders of Arkansas have the nerve to give a speech like that after what we all observed during the attack on our nation's capital that was instigated by her buddy Trump? You Republicans keep burying your heads in the sand and we'll end up with that idiot back in office, and then we really will be in trouble. Sanders said the choice is between normal and crazy and I think we have all witnessd the crazy one you keep bragging about. We don't need that back in the White House. Use your head people.

Raquel Welch is gone. Slowly but surely the stately, classy and beautiful stars of yesteryear are passing away. Behind them, we get to watch hacks like Rihanna smell themselves during the Super Bowl halftime show. Please, someone just shoot me now.

I'm just curious. It's Black month. When do

Native Americans get their month?

Integrity is what you do and who you are when no one is watching.

Don't listen to anyone who uses terms like disinformation or misinformation. What they actually mean is opinions that run contrary to mine which I should be allowed to supress.

Happy President's Day to Donald Trump, the true and legitimate president of the United States, and the best president the country has every had. Thank you.

Has anybody noticed that there's no big protests or anything going on for the environment over in Ohio where the train derailed and let loose all those chemicals on that town? No Al Gore, no Greta Thunberg, no Bill Gates? None of the environmentalists are out hunting scalps on this the way they've always done in the past. Do they only care about global warming now and have no care about companies and railroads and government not doing their jobs? When did all this change?

Dane, I hope you took a picture of the corner of Park and Maple the way it used to look and will publish it next to the new look that corner is going to have when the two new buildings are built. The parking lots and everything look so nice and clean. A plus for our town. Thank you.

Race-baiting Disney says slaves built this country

During the Super Bowl on Sunday, the Walt Disney Company aired a commercial celebrating the company's 100-year anniversary. Notably, it didn't feature any of the company's recently released, highly political and divisive content and instead highlighted the company's seemingly nonpolitical and more unifying aspects.

Nevertheless, Disney continues to churn out highly divisive, political content. The once-great corporation that was universally admired in the 1950s and 1960s is today deliberately working to help fuel racism among our most innocent citizens: young children.

A recent production of Disney's "The Proud Family" put forth yet another false narrative about our nation's history – that only black slaves "built this nation" and that blacks today deserve reparations "for every moment we spend submerged in this systemic prejudice, racism, and white supremacy that America was founded with and still has not atoned for." To illustrate this last point, the cartoon showcases a picture of a young black man with his palms turned up and the words "Hands Up, Don't Shoot" written on them.

The cartoon features predominately black girls angrily denouncing the Founding Fathers and, at one point, shows the presidential images on Mount Rushmore being replaced with the likes of Harriett Tubman, Nat Turner, and Frederick Douglass – the "real" champions of freedom. Lincoln is deliberately snubbed as the girls proclaim, "we can only free ourselves

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... emancipation was not freedom." No context, of course, is supplied for these outlandish charges, thus exposing the cartoon for the racist propaganda that it is.

Disney has certainly declined from the company that virtually every home was tuned in to watch in television's formative years. In earlier times, Disney regularly featured wholesome, patriotic portrayals of America's past that influenced generations of children. Recently, however, it has worked diligently to promote the leftist goal to "fundamentally change America."

One executive producer has admitted she deliberately infused gay-lifestyle themes into as many productions as possible. Disney's diversity and inclusion manager, Vivian Ware, led the effort to ditch the words ladies,

gentlemen, boys, and girls in its theme parks in order not to alienate transgender children.

The company has already pulled or posted warning labels to old movie favorites such as "Dumbo," "Peter Pan," "Aristocats," "Swiss Family Robinson," and "Song of the South" for their being deemed offensive to minorities. It fired the conservative star of "Mandalorian," Gina Carano, for posting to a social media site her criticism of attacks upon Republicans. Secretly recorded critical race theory trainings for Disney staff have blamed all whites for systemic racism and instructed them to never "question or debate black colleagues' lived experience."

Disney's white employees were also asked to complete a "white privilege checklist" with such qualifiers as "I am a man," "I still identify as the gender I was born in," and "I have never been raped." Upon discovering this, Chris Rufo rightly argued that "the Magic Kingdom is a house of lies" because it has used slave and child labor, filmed "Mulan" near China's Uyghur concentration camps, and censored content for the Chinese Communist Party.

But it's much worse than this. Disney's latest attempt to fundamentally change America shows the company's diabolical nature. "The Proud Family" episode deliberately distorts our nation's history. The fact that slavery was universal among cultures is ignored. There is

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Help Putin out by cutting out support for Ukraine

More and more Republicans are beginning to see the wisdom of John Lennon, and think we need to give peace a chance in Ukraine.

Donald Trump is offering himself as the peace candidate and says he could broker a Ukraine-Russia deal.

The populist and realist right are banging the drums for a negotiated end to the war, and they aren't wrong. The conflict comes with an enormous humanitarian and economic price and is profoundly destabilizing.

So, by all means, let's hope for a deal. The secret to unlocking a potential agreement, though, isn't leaving Ukraine in the lurch and hoping that Vladimir Putin -- just as he begins to make gains -- decides to prudently and modestly stand down because dominating Ukraine isn't so important to him after all.

The only way there will eventually be a (flawed, unsatisfactory, and probably temporary) bargain is if Putin realizes that he has no hope of getting what he wants out of the war.

There are a number of objections and arguments that populist and realist opponents make against current levels of aid to Ukraine: We've ended up in a proxy war with Russia. True enough. Yet, this is not the situation we sought out. It's not as though we encouraged Latvia to invade Russia, and then began lavishly supplying and training its forces.

The advantage of this proxy war is that the Russians are direct participants, and paying a heavy price, while our role is limited and indirect. We are in the role comparable to the Russians during the Vietnam War or the U.S.

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RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate

during the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan -- supporting a highly motivated indigenous force that is doing all the fighting against a bitter geopolitical adversary.

The war is expensive and drawing down our stocks of weapons. This, too, is true. By any measure, the roughly \$30 billion, and counting, that we've spent on Ukraine is real money. It is a fraction of a fraction of the defense budget, though.

The drawdown of weapons has created shortages in U.S. stocks, but this is more exposing a vulnerability than creating one. If we are strained merely arming Ukraine, we'd quickly reach a breaking point in a direct conflict with China. The answer is to build up our defense industrial base in a way that'd be necessary one way or the other.

NATO expansion provoked the Russians. Everyone knew that Ukraine wasn't going to actually join NATO anytime soon (or proba-

bly ever), and Russia didn't rationally have anything to fear from the alliance -- when Russia invaded Ukraine the first time in 2014, the U.S. had brought home all its tanks from Germany. Putin has made it clear that his ideological and geopolitical goal is to reestablish a version of the Russian empire. This is a deeply held ambition that would very likely be the same if NATO had never expanded and if all the Baltic and Eastern and Central European states were blandly neutral and entirely disarmed.

Putin is only pursuing a traditional Russian foreign policy. Well, yes. But just because Russia occupied Poland for 100 years or so or gobbled up various nations of Europe during World War II, doesn't mean similar projects today would have any legitimacy. Yes, Russia has always been concerned with securing and maintaining access to the Black Sea. It should be noted, however, that it already had an agreement with Ukraine to base its Black Sea Fleet at Sevastopol. For good measure, in 2014, Russia grabbed all of Crimea. Invading Ukraine and trying to take Kyiv is oversaucing the goose and isn't about the Black Sea but destroying a model of (imperfect) democracy on its border.

In short, cutting off the Ukrainians in the hopes of jump-starting negotiations would be folly and only benefit a Vladimir Putin who, if he had his druthers, would bring a bloody-minded peace of repression and vastation to Ukraine.

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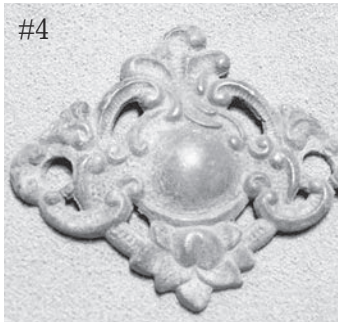
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#3 - Donnie was the wife of Lewis Sommer. K.C. Mo. was the induction site.
#4 - A real ornate furniture brass decorative artifact.

Respectfully submitted by:
Henry Roeckers. 13Feb2023

Some days are a lot more productive finding neat artifacts than others. These four photos show real good evidence of that.

#1 - This ring is made from a 1942 coin. Great Britain United Kingdom King George VI Silver 2 Shilling—Referred to as Vintage Antique WWII Trench Art. The gentleman that once lived at this site served in WWII. Lewis Sommers.

#2 - This bracelet was once worn by a WWII VETERAN LEWIS Sommer U.S. Army

BRIGGS...

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ed messages in which Briggs allegedly threatened officers and dispatch staff, and at one point allegedly made a bogus 911 call trying to lure responding officers to his property.

Those charges were compounded after Briggs was subsequently charged with violating a protective order issued for one of the sheriff's deputies, resulting in a second arrest while he was bonded out on the initial charges. The issues allegedly stemmed from Briggs's support of a Colony acquain-

tance he believed was being unfairly harassed by sheriff's department investigations.

Briggs ran unsuccessfully in the Republican primary for governor against then-Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt in August 2022, and garnered some 80,000 Republican votes in the statewide contest.

Criminal threat is listed in Kansas statutes as a severity level 9 person felony, punishable by 5 months to 17 months in prison and fines up to \$100,000. Briggs is presently free on bond.

WHITE...

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not guilty in June of 2021 and was arraigned on charges following a June 28, 2021 preliminary hearing. He posted bond in October.

White was jailed in Johnson county when he failed to appear at an initial jury trial in Anderson County in January 2022, and was subsequently re-arrested in April under a bench warrant issued from the court. He was again granted bond before his August 2022 conviction on the charges, then no-showed his sentencing which was set for October 12 of last year.

100 years ago...High school student killed in wreck

100 years ago...

Miss Vera May Goe of the Glenwood neighborhood lost her life in an auto accident near Merve Beissel's place, between Mont Ida and Westphalia. Vera May was a student at Westphalia High School.

40 years ago...

Authorities have been called to aid in the search for a 13-month-old child following a water incident. The child's mother had been southbound on a gravel road when the vehicle came to a low-water bridge with about two feet of water running across it. The car was unable to be stopped before entering the water and stalled. While attempting to alert help via the truck's horn and lights, the water rose and swept the vehicle from the bridge. A diligent crew from the local Garnett Memorial VFW has been a mainstay at local military funerals since the group's inception in 1946. The squad of 13-14 men stand in crisp uniform and caps to honor the deceased at no charge to the family. If not retained by the family, the flag is flown during the "Parade of Flags" at the cemetery on Memorial Day. Squad Commander Chub Hughes said, "I think it's a great privilege to give one of these flags."

30 years ago...

In response to the growing problems concerning landfill operations, after new federally mandated regulation took effect in October of 1993, Anderson County Commission formed a solid waste management committee for the county. According to Commission Chairman Dudley Feuerborn,

THAT WAS THEN



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the commission has discussed the issue two or three times in recent weeks and is looking for volunteers from throughout the county to serve on the committee. USD 288 is a year ahead of a state-wide mandate in which school districts throughout Kansas will offer a morning breakfast program next year. The program is part of a bill that was put into action during the 1992 legislative session. In the development of the breakfast program, schools recognize that they have taken a broader social mission and the growing challenge of providing a wide range of academic courses.

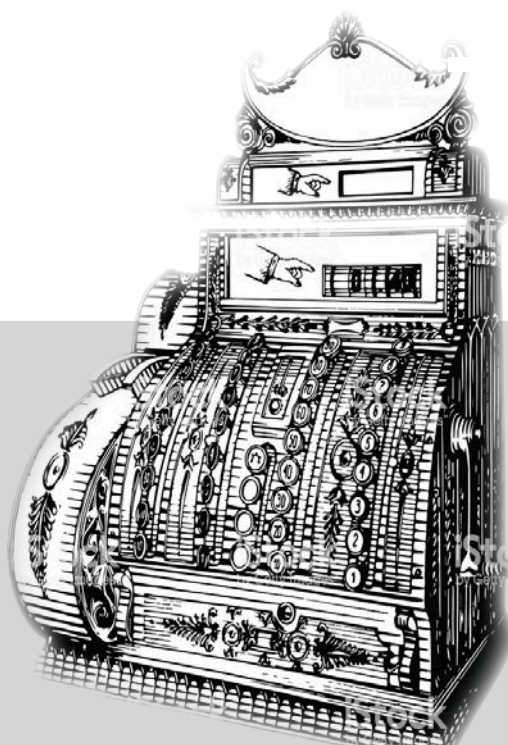
20 years ago...

An accident reconstruction report from the Kansas Highway Patrol is due to be sent this week following the fatal crash that occurred on May 19, 2002. County Attorney Fred Campbell said Friday that contact with the KHP noted that the report was in its final stages as of late last week and should be forwarded to Campbell's office sometime during the week of Feb 17. In addition, the City of Garnett heard complaints about the "chemically" taste and smell of municipal system water from a resident. City Manager

Rick Doran said that city staff had been out to check the resident's water, and all testing came back favorable, but that other factors could affect the taste and smell of the water. Doran said that Garnett uses treated surface water from the city lakes, which collects from runoff, for its water supply and that the taste and smell of the water can be affected even after treatment due to seasonal changes in the lakes the amount of organic and mineral content.

10 years ago...

Customer service will improve, a promise any customer loathes to hear; improving that service was the biggest concern for Garnett city commissioner when they met with a representative from the city's cable service provider to discuss a change in local cable ownership. Allegiance Communications, recently purchased by BCI Broadband, has been the service provider for the City of Garnett since 2004. The sale could be finalized in March or April, pending the FCC approval. After that sale, the company plans on making a systems upgrade that could result in faster internet speeds and a variety of higher-definition channels. Commissioners pressed the BCI representative for details on how the customer service would be improved, adding that Allegiance lost customers primarily because of poor customer service at its call center and with its technicians. In addition, despite being the city's franchise cable provider with no competition, Allegiance garnered only 20 percent of possible customers.



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You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 20th day of March, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Guardianship of

ANDREW SCOTT SUTTON, JR. and SERENITY JO MALONE, both minor children

Case #AN-2023-PR-000003

In the interim, petitioners have been granted temporary custody of said minor children. Craig E. Cole, attorney in Garnett, Kansas, has been appointed to represent said minor children.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Dean C. Sutton and Robyn L. Sutton for appointment of a guardian for both Andrew Scott Sutton, Jr., and Serenity Jo Malone (minor children).

BOVEE..

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no mention of the fact that North African and Ottoman Muslims enslaved millions of white Europeans for over 1,000 years.

Children are intentionally left with the notion that only black slaves "built this country." Children are not informed that both Hinton Helper and Alexis de Tocqueville offered plenty of evidence that slavery — far from being responsible for all the nation's wealth — actually retarded the South's economic progress and development.

There is no mention of the exploitation of Irish immigrants in the nation's coal mines and in the construction of our railroads and canals. Apparently, the white farm girls who worked 13 hours daily in the Lowell Mills, the Chinese "coolie" laborers who built the Central Pacific Railroad, the immigrant miners who worked 364 days a year in our mines, the striking workers who were machine-gunned in 1914 at Ludlow, Colorado, and countless other examples of exploited non-black victims who helped build this nation played no role in creating our nation's prosperity.

Nor can we forgive Disney for helping to inflame the racial hatred and violence that currently engulfs America. The cartoon's attempt to reaffirm the lie surrounding the Michael Brown case by promoting the phrase "Hands Up, Don't Shoot" in the cartoon is unpardonable.

Far from succeeding in its goal of indoctrinating America's children to the necessity of imposing racial reparations on the nation, Disney has only succeeded in showing how its militant cartoon characters are ignorant of real history. Disney intentionally promotes the falsehood that black men are routinely shot down by police while trying to surrender with the cartoon's "hands up" scene.

Meanwhile, the cartoon's promotion of Nat Turner — a murderer who slew his master and his wife while they were sleeping in their bed at night and ordered their infant child to be slaughtered in his crib — is a sad commentary of what passes today as acceptable viewing for children. Disney's producers apparently didn't know that Turner's men decapitated the infant in its crib and threw its body into the fireplace. Nor that two other children were later beheaded. Nor that almost all of Turner's victims were defenseless, unarmed women and children. And according to Disney, this is the man who should be depicted on Mount Rushmore?

Let's not give Disney the benefit of the doubt here. The company has a litany of researchers and historians at its disposal who could give caution to its deliberate dissemination of racial bias and falsehood. These deliberate distortions of history and racial animus — far from bringing us closer together as a people — only serve to further divide us into ethnic and racial tribes. These falsehoods lead to the assassination of police officers, an increase in racially inspired hate crimes, and countless break-ins and robberies of businesses throughout the nation as "oppressed" individuals seek the "reparations" they now think they deserve.

Disney should apologize for its promotion of a murderer of children to an audience of kids in the vague hope that we'll somehow have better race relations in the future.

Jack Bovee has been a social studies educator, founder of Rho Kappa-the National Social Studies Honor Society-former Elementary School Principal of the Year in Lee County, Florida. He may be reached at: jsbovee@aol.com. This piece first appeared in The Federalist.

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Ordinance amending code regulating camping fees

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, February 21, 2023)

June 1, 2023.

A complete copy of this ordinance is available free of charge at www.garnettks.net (available for at least one week following the publication of this summary notice) or at City Hall, 131 W. Fifth Avenue, during regular business hours.

This summary is certified by Terry J. Solander, City Attorney, in compliance with K.S.A. 12-3007.

CITY ATTORNEY'S SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE #4244

On February 14, 2023, the governing body of the City of Garnett Kansas, passed Ordinance #4244 which amends Title 9, Chapter 5, Section 21(C) of the Municipal Code regulating the fees for camping in city parks, with such changes becoming effective

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Notice of filing application by Donald Kittle dba Kittle Oil

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Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why granting the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

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Notice of hearing - Helman Estate

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whosoever situated, if any, as was or may have been owned by said decedent at the time of his death be assigned in accordance with the laws of intestate succession, subject to any lawful disposition thereof heretofore made.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

DONALD L. HELMAN, Deceased

Case #AN-2023-PR-000001

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 20th day of March, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the District Court, Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

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THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Mark Hunziger, one of the owners by purchase of the real estate which is the subject of this action, praying that descent be determined of decedent, Donald L. Helman, and that title to his interest in certain real estate situated in Anderson County, Kansas, particularly described in said petition, and all other Kansas real estate and all personal property

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Tuesday, February 21
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime For Preschoolers
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting
 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. - Planning Commission Meeting
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

Wednesday, February 22
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge

Thursday, February 23
 2:00 p.m. - Emergency Food Assistance Program(Harvesters)
 3:00 p.m. - TOPS Meeting
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - 13-Point Pitch & Snacks
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday, February 24
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga

Monday, February 27
 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, February 28
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime For Preschoolers
 12:00 p.m. - Rotary International Club Meeting
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - City Commission Meeting
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

Wednesday, March 1
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge
 5:30 p.m. - ACHS Booster Club Meeting
 5:30 p.m. - Garnett Elementary Site Council
 6:00 p.m. - GES PTO Meeting



The Kansas Volleyball Association Academic Awards came out today. The Crest Lady Lancers received the KVA Team Academic Award for the 2022-2023 season. The varsity volleyball team had a combined GPA of 3.87. Four players received KVA All-Academic First Team Honors with a 4.0 GPA. The students were Junior Liliana Blaufuss, Junior Kayla Hermreck, Sophomore Delaney Ramsey, and Freshman Kinley Edgerton. Five players, and one manager, received KVA All-Academic Honorable Mention with a GPA of 3.75 or higher. The players are Senior McKenna Hammond, Senior Kamryn Luedke, Junior Brooklynn Jones, Freshman Aylee Beckmon, freshman Kaelin Nilges, and manager senior Brinley McGhee. Crest head coach Abigail Hermreck said, "I am very proud of our team for their hard work and dedication to carry from the court to the classroom. The skills they are learning to balance both sports and academics will continue to contribute to future success."

Princeton 4-H club met in February

The monthly meeting of Princeton Goal Busters 4-H club was held February 13, 2023 at the Princeton Community Building. The meeting was called to order by president, Karlie Stinebaugh, by saying the Flag Salute and the 4-H Motto. Roll call was answered by, What project do you love the most?

During the meeting we discussed District Club Days which will be held February 18 at Central Heights School. In unfinished business we discussed signing up for times we can work the concession stand during our county fair. In new business we discussed the yearly Princeton Easter Egg Hunt. We voted on helping out with the Easter Egg Hunt which will be held April 8, 2023.

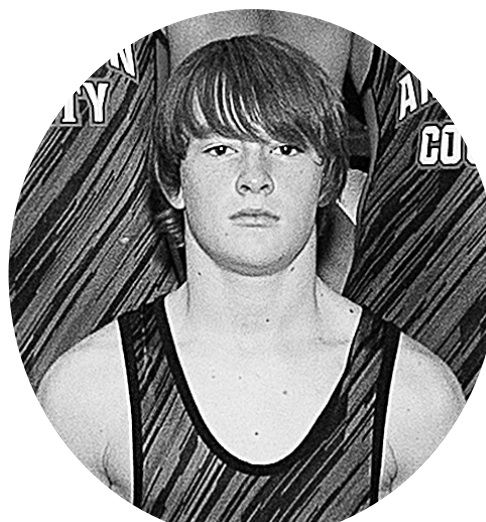
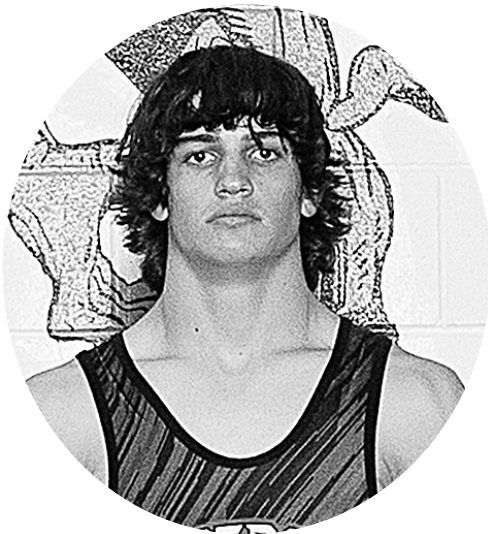
We had two programs, the first one was How to Build a Nesting Box for Rabbits by Whyatt and Tyler Oberly, and the second project was No Bake Raspberry Cheesecake Bites by Karlie Stinebaugh.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting will be held on March 27th. The club members helped by putting up chairs.

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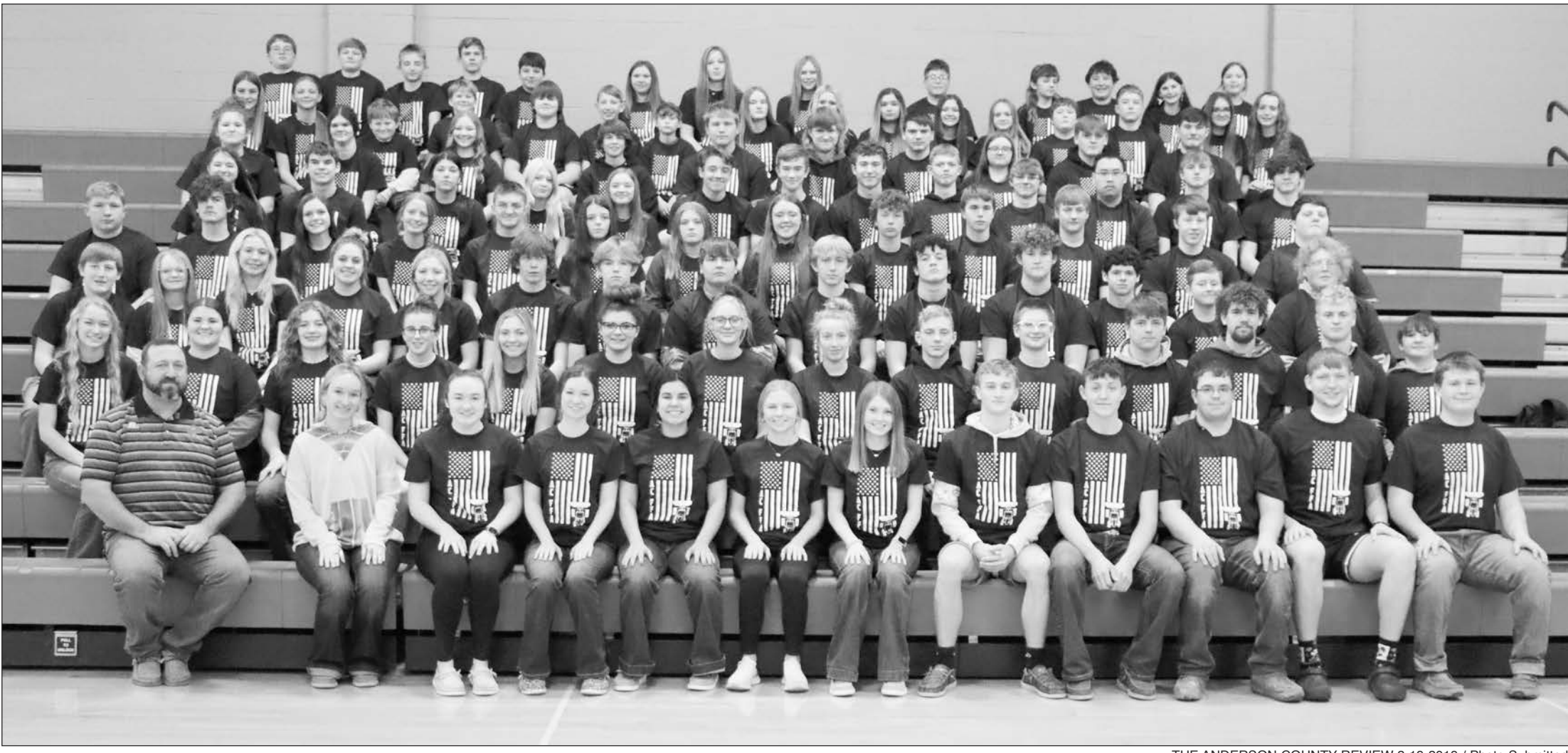
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Area schools celebrate National FFA Week



February 18-25

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Crane, Jedidiah Tkaczyk, Chase Turpen. Fifth row, from left: Obree Barnes, Landon Schillig, Morgan Leach, Bryar Self, Elsie Stout, Jaden Teter, Atley Davison, Rhett Davison, Brody Barnes, Tyler Mucklow, Brandon Kiatoukaysy, Eli Peterson, Trey Clark. Sixth row, from left: Adrian Hess, Addy Kueser, Kallie Feuerborn, Matthew Moyer, Wyatt King, Tristan Ewert, Brendan Fagg, Emma Sanborn, Tyler Browning, Carter Blome. Seventh row, from left: Emma Harvey, Kamrie Feuerborn, Holden Firestone, Landry Hedrick, Cowen Wittman, Braden Gillespie, Aksel Smith, Brooklyn Kellerman, Kierstyn Jones, Aspyr Richardson, Bristol Barnes, Lyndsay Hughes, Tateum Stevens, Trowtt Webber, Averie Keith, Alice Tucker. Back row, from left: Huck Young, Coleson Foltz, Cayden Davis, Truett Vermillion, Kemper Hollon.

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The Kansas FFA Association is experiencing exciting growth, a surge of new opportunities for its members, and increasing support from the community and former members. Kansas FFA was chartered by the National FFA Organization in 1928. Since 1928, our membership has grown to over 10,000 members in more than 220 chapters across the state. There are FFA chapters in 225 high school agriculture education departments, in 216 unified school districts. Kansas

FFA members can be found in 103 of the 105 counties across Kansas, including both rural and urban areas. Our membership strives to create a sense of inclusivity while celebrating our unique backgrounds, stories, and experiences within the agriculture industry.

The association is led by a state officer team dedicated to forming the next generation into future agriculturists. The team is filled with six students who are freshman and sophomores in college serving as pres-

ident, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and sentinel. In addition, adult guidance and leadership is provided by the state advisor and executive secretary. The Kansas FFA Association is run by the voices of its members. Therefore, chapter members from across the state serve as delegates at state convention, elect the state officers, and conduct official business of the association.

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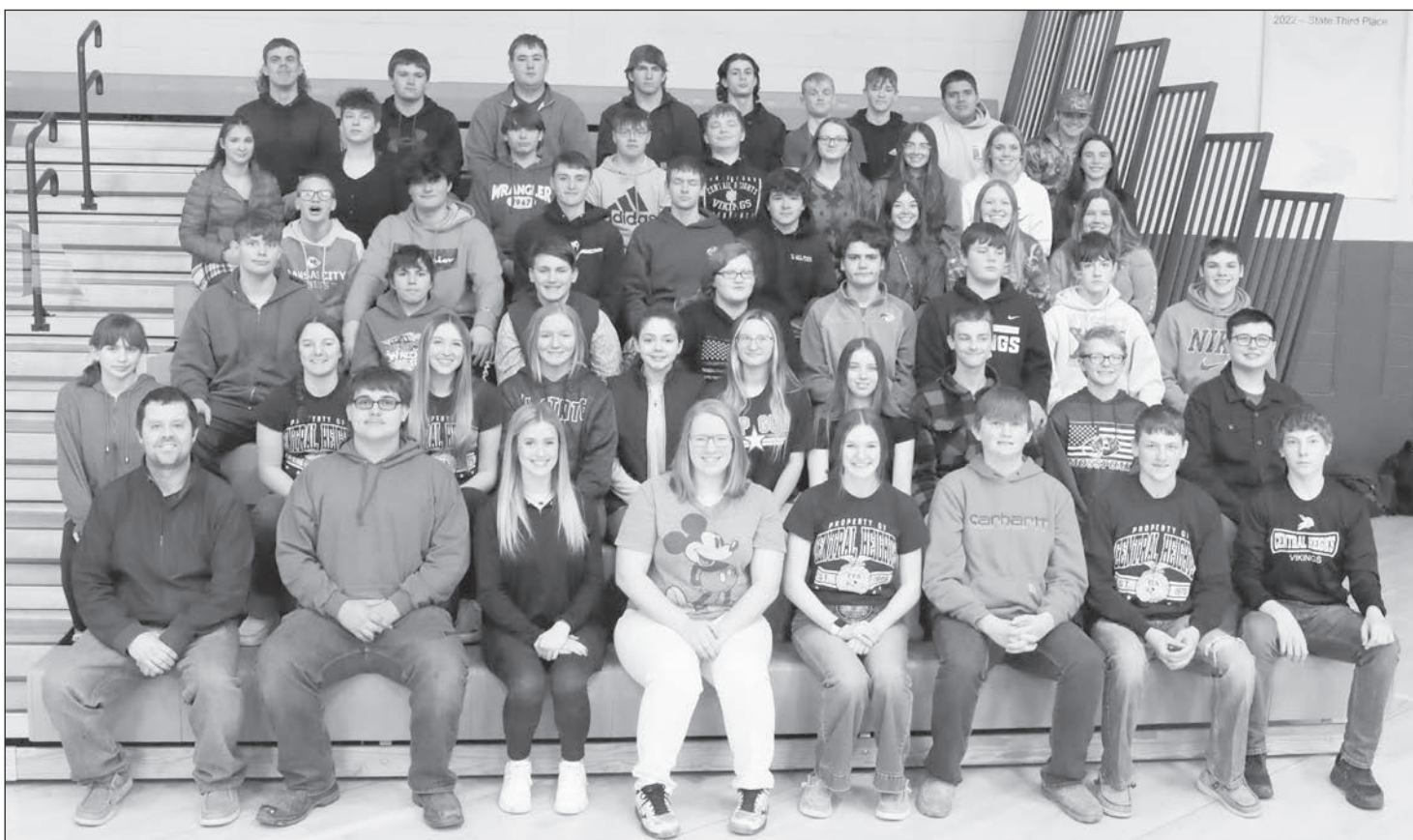
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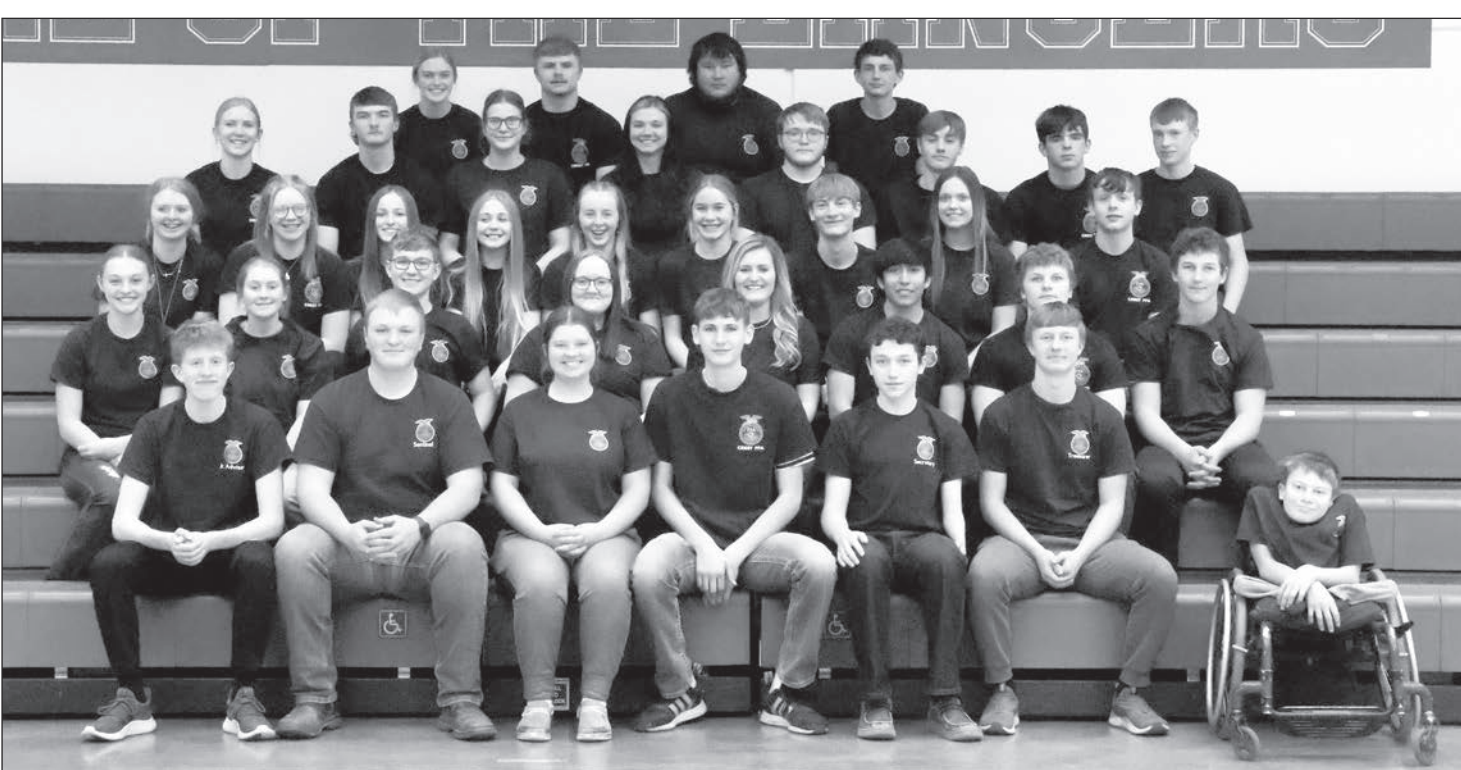
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Tire trouble: potholes and worn tread can prove dangerous and costly

WICHITA, Kan. – Feb. 17, 2023 – It's that time of year, when potholes litter our roadways and, in many cases, hit our wallets hard. Americans spend billions of dollars every year to repair damages caused by potholes, with an average price tag of almost \$600 per repair.

"In 2022, there were more than 2,000 AAA members, just in Kansas, whose tire troubles required a tow because they did not have a useable spare," said Jon Burgett, Roadside Service fleet manager for AAA Kansas. "While drivers can't always avoid a pothole, having a useable spare may help them avoid additional inconvenience and expense."

While the desire for any call is always a quick fix at the roadside, AAA Emergency Rescue data indicates that last year, almost 30% of all tire-related calls in Kansas resulted in the need for a tow – mostly because there was no useable spare. Had there been a spare available, thousands of tows could have been avoided, saving drivers both time and money.

Many new cars do not come with spare tires, so it is critical that drivers check to make sure they have the additional

road-ready tire before they find themselves in need. Why don't most new cars come with a spare tire? Read more at AAA.com/TheExtraMile.

Is Your Tow and the Damage Caused by Potholes Covered by Insurance? Maybe. Maybe not. Typically, a flat tire is not covered by insurance because it is considered basic wear and tear. But, a blowout caused by a pothole, the tow and additional damages to your vehicle may be covered...depending on your level of coverage.

"This is a costly lesson learned too late by many motorists," said Gary Tomes, Regional Manager for the Insurance Agency at AAA. "Drivers who opt for minimum coverage may find themselves paying a steep price when it comes to potholes."

A 2021 AAA survey found that 1 in 10 drivers sustained vehicle damage significant enough to warrant a repair after hitting a pothole. In addition to tires, damage caused by potholes may include dented rims, damaged wheels, dislodged wheel weights, displaced struts, dislocated shock absorbers, damaged exhaust systems, misaligned steering

systems and ruptured ball joints.

AAA urges all vehicle owners to talk to their insurance advisors in advance of a pothole problem to ensure they are adequately covered, should the need arise.

Avoiding Potholes
Of course, the best way to prevent pothole damage or tire troubles that might require a tow is to avoid potholes altogether.

AAA Kansas offers the following tips for avoiding potholes/minimizing damage:
Beware of Puddles – Puddles are often potholes in disguise.
Look Ahead – Make a point of scanning the road ahead for potholes. An alert driver is more likely to have time to avoid a pothole.
Increase Following Distance – This will give you additional time to avoid potholes otherwise hidden by the vehicle in front of you.
Limit Distractions – Avoiding a pothole is much easier if you are paying attention to the road ahead.
Slow Down – Slowing down will increase the chance of avoiding a pothole, and if a pothole cannot be avoided, reduced speed will likely mean reduced dam-

age.

Inspect Tires – Make sure tires are properly inflated and have a healthy tread. Tires that are not road-ready are at greater risk of a blowout or flat.
Take Care of Your Spare – Check your trunk. Many newer cars do not have spare tires or the spare is unusable, causing greater inconvenience to drivers and their passengers in the event of a flat.
Don't Ignore Noises/Vibrations – A hard pothole impact can dislodge wheel weights, damage the tire or wheel and even break suspension components. Any unusual noises after a pothole hit should be inspected immediately. Find the nearest AAA Approved Auto Repair facility here.

Tread Tribulations
As we head into President's Day weekend, and with spring showers ahead, now is the time to let George Washington check your tires to minimize risk in wet weather.tires (002).png

Previous research from AAA reveals that driving on relatively worn tires at highway speeds in wet conditions can increase average stopping distances by a staggering 43%, or an additional 87 feet – more than the length of a semi-trailer truck – when compared to new tires. With nearly 800,000 crashes occurring on wet roads each year and Americans now holding on to their cars longer than ever before, this is cause for concern.

"Tires are what keep a car

connected to the road," said Shawn Steward, AAA Kansas spokesman. "Even the most advanced safety systems rely on a tire's basic ability to maintain traction to avoid a crash."

AAA's research indicated that not only do worn tires increase stopping distance, but they also reduce handling ability by about 30%.

AAA urges drivers to check tread depth and replace tires proactively.

Let George Washington Help – Here's a test that's tried and true. Slip an upside-down quarter between your tire grooves and look at Washington's head – if you can see all of it, it's time to start shopping for new tires.

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Technical College in Emporia will be focal points for local training for the plant, with the idea of training and delivering a pool of skilled workers quickly.

Integra will receive a 10-year package of tax breaks and expense reimbursements. The \$1.8 billion plant is expected to cover 1 million square feet, employ 2,000 workers and create some 3,000 additional jobs among suppliers and other businesses both locally and in the region.

BETO, which stands for the towns of Burlington, Emporia, Topeka and Ottawa that can be accessed via the highways that converge there, is about 40-45 minutes from Garnett.

Microchips are a staple of modern electronic devices, and development of the domestic semiconductor industry has been a rare point of bipartisan support on which most all the parties in the country's divergent political spectrum can agree. Both the Trump and Biden Administrations made domestic production incentives a priority in the face of global production leader Taiwan's precipitous position with regard

to Communist China.

Those efforts culminated in congressional action last year to provide more than \$52 billion in federal assistance to the industry, a portion of which is expected to be utilized in the BETO plant.

Governor Laura Kelly told reporters during a news conference in Topeka earlier this month Kansas' own incentives are crucial to attracting the federal funds and "making Kansas an essential part of our country's national security efforts."

Integra CEO Brett Robinson said there was "no commercially viable way" to do the project without the federal funds. Other states were rumored to be competing for the plant as well.

A Fortune Magazine article noted Integra, founded in 1983, has about 500 employees in Wichita and Silicon Valley and describes itself as the largest U.S. provider of the last two major assembly and testing steps in the chip manufacturing process. The BETO factory is expected to pay an average annual wage of \$51,000, about 46% higher than Kansas'

average of roughly \$35,000. The Fortune article said for Integra to receive its incentives, it must invest at least \$1.5 billion in the new factory in the next five years and consistently provide the equivalent of 1,600 full-time jobs for 10 consecutive years.

Kansas legislators signed off last year on an economic development plan that massed up to \$1 billion in incentives to a single company each in 2022 and 2023. Last year Panasonic Corporation announced plans to build a mega factory in DeSoto to produce electric vehicle batteries. Panasonic's incentives are Kansas' largest on record – worth some \$829 million over 10 years – plus reducing the state's corporate income tax rates by half a percentage point for each of the major projects.

TAX...

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benefits at all, and nine have no income tax at all. Taxing Social Security is one of the reasons that Kiplinger ranks Kansas as the third-worst state for retirees on taxes.

Senate Bill 30 eliminates the inflation tax

A second piece of major legislation – Senate Bill 30 – which also passed out of the Senate Tax Committee, would raise the state's standard income tax deduction each year based on the cost of living and eliminate the inflation tax.

Kansas and other states have experienced large revenue gains recently, and a large portion of that is simply caused by inflation, as demonstrated in the tables below, according to testimony on SB 30 provided by The Sentinel's parent company, Kansas Policy Institute.

"Let's say inflation was a little below 2%, as it had been for several years prior to 2021, and a married couple with two children taking the standard deduction had a 2% pay increase in 2022. Their federal income tax would have increased by \$71 or just 1.3% because federal standard deductions and tax brackets are indexed for inflation. That couple's state income

tax increased by \$79, or 3.3%. They have a larger increase in state tax because the standard deduction and tax brackets are not increased for inflation.

"But if that couple got a 7% increase to offset inflation, their state tax bill would jump by 12.1%. Their federal tax would increase by 9% by comparison because the federal deduction and tax brackets were indexed for 3% inflation in 2022. Their purchasing power didn't change because of inflation, but the State of Kansas got a 12% boost instead of 3%."

The standard deductions are currently set at \$3,500 for single filers, \$8,000 for married couples, and \$6,000 for those filing as head of household.

Under the bill being sent to the full Senate, by fiscal year 2026, it is projected that the standard tax deduction would increase to \$4,016 for single filers, \$9,178 for married couples, and \$6,884 for the head of household.

The bill would save taxpayers about \$99 million over three years. Collectively, SB 30 and SB 33 save taxpayers \$113 million this year and \$463 million over the next three years.

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Trio of Bulldog grapplers heading to State

FORT SCOTT – Half of the six competitors for Anderson County qualified for the state tournament on Saturday in Fort Scott.

Finishing in 3rd place and qualifying for state were both Zach Schaffer (120) and John Wright (157).

Z. Schaffer opened with a quarterfinal win over Tristan McGlothlin of Field Kindley by fall (1:04). Following a semifinal defeat to Cash Wilderman of Frontenac by fall (3:42), Z. Schaffer downed Jase Tarter of Chanute by fall (1:00) and Kaden Berry of Parsons by decision (10-4) in the 3rd place match.

Wright opened with a bye before knocking off Jovani Caudill of Osawatomie by fall (1:17) in the quarterfinal round. Ty Leedy of Chanute knocked Wright off in the semifinals by fall (0:36). Wright won his next match over Kayden Cox of Columbus by fall (2:46) and finished up with a win over

Lennox Vann of Fort Scott by decision (10-5) in the 3rd place match.

Also qualifying for State was AJ Schaffer (138) with a 4th place finish. AJ Schaffer opened with a bye and then knocked off Lathan Lundberg of Frontenac in the quarterfinals by fall (1:31). After dropping the semifinal match, he won his consolation semifinal match before dropping the third place match to Josh Lawrie of Independence by decision (6-4).

Other wrestlers that competed but failed to qualify are Owen Thompson, Colten Wittman and Porter Foltz. Thompson (113) won in the quarterfinals over Kayden Chance of Frontenac by decision (7-2) to open things up. He then went on to drop both the semifinal match and consolation semifinal to end his afternoon.

Wittman (150) opened up with wins in both the champi-

onship round and quarterfinal. Wittman downed by Maisen Gilmore of Girard by fall (1:59) and then Nick Little of Labette County by fall (5:47). Wittman unfortunately went on to lose his next two matches, coming up shy of a state appearance.

Foltz (175) lost both of his matches on the afternoon, ending his hopes early. The first match was to Dominic Ricciardi of Frontenac by major decision (14-2) and the second to Sabian Mann of Burlington by fall (2:23).

The Class 4A state tournament will be in Salina at the Tony's Pizza Events Center on February 24th and 25th.

Z. Schaffer (33-7) opens up with Lucas Batz (26-7) of Holton. Wright's (38-6) first match will be against Jonah Meyer (24-11) of Andale and AJ Schaffer (31-8) opens up against Kaven Bartlett of Louisburg (36-4).

AC girls dominant in win

WELLSVILLE – The Anderson County Lady Bulldogs hit the road last Tuesday night and controlled the game from the opening tip in a commanding 55-21 win over Wellsville.

AC led 19-3 after the first quarter and stretched their advantage out to 34-9 at halftime.

Wellsville couldn't get any closer in the second half either. The Bulldogs outpaced Wellsville 15-8 in the third quarter and closed the game out with a slim 6-4 advantage in the fourth.

Anderson County shot 48% from the field on the night, limiting Wellsville to just 19%.

Kylie Disbrow led AC with 23 points, 14 rebounds and tallied 7 blocks.

Caitlyn Foltz added 13 points, 9 rebounds and 2 steals on the evening.

Addie Fudge chipped in with 3 points but led the team with 7 assists and 5 steals as well.

PV downs AC girls in offensive struggle

LACYGNE – Despite struggling all night on the offensive end, the Anderson County Bulldogs were within striking distance in the fourth quarter before eventually falling to Prairie View on the road 32-27.

It was an inauspicious start for the Bulldogs as they dug themselves an early 9-4 hole after the first quarter.

Both teams tallied 7 points

in the second quarter to make the score 16-11 heading into halftime.

The AC girls rallied in the third quarter, pulling even with Prairie View before the host team gained a little separation heading into the fourth with a slim 22-20 lead.

Once again in the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs were able to knot the score up about

midway through, but Prairie View would hold on down the stretch with a 10-7 fourth quarter advantage to close out the victory.

Both teams struggled from the field, each shooting just 16% overall.

Kylie Disbrow led the team with 11 points, 12 rebounds and 14 blocks to notch yet another triple double on the season.

Windfall or money owed? K-State financial expert urges taxpayers to make a plan

By Pat Melgares, K-State Research and Extension news service

MANHATTAN, Kan. – For some taxpayers, income tax season is a time to look forward to an anticipated windfall. For others, it's the sign of a big bill coming due.

But whether you are expecting a refund from the IRS or will owe money, Kansas State University family resource management specialist Elizabeth Kiss says you should have a plan well ahead of this year's April 18 filing deadline.

"If you're getting a tax refund, there are a couple things to think about," Kiss said "One is what to do with the money, in which case you can think of that as windfall income. But the other thing to think about is that if you're getting a refund, that's essentially a loan that you've given to the government to use until you get it back."

Kiss said consumers should plan for how to use the extra boost of cash, which may include paying off outstanding debt, catching up on bills, or boosting savings accounts. But she also said it's okay to think about having a little fun.

As an example, she suggests portioning the money between several goals.

"Let's say you're getting \$1,000 back. If you put 30% toward paying outstanding debt or bills, that's \$300. And if

you put 40% toward your needs and wants – having some fun – that's another \$400. And then you can put 30% to establish or build up your savings, that would be \$300."

Kiss adds: "I'm a big proponent of thinking about your plan once you've filed your taxes and you know how much you're going to get back. While it's great to have it come back by direct deposit to a savings or checking account, having a plan is even more important. Otherwise, it can just get frittered away if you don't have a plan for it."

Kiss said taxpayers who receive a large refund may want to re-think their income withholding options. Rather than letting the government keep your money for most of the year, consider keeping a little more of that money to yourself on each paycheck.

"That way, you'll have a little more on which to live on a regular basis," she said. "If you have the money upfront, you can plan for how to use it. Even if you're saving it, you may not be saving the same 30% of a lump sum all at once, but you may be saving smaller amounts on a regular basis, which in the end you are saving the same amount over 12 months...and taking advantage of the time value of money in the form of interest."

For those who anticipate owing money to the IRS, Kiss

suggests completing your return early.

"The earlier that you can know how much you actually owe, the sooner you can figure out what your situation is," she said. "Then, you can make plans for paying back that money. You don't need to file or pay the money until the deadline, so you will have some time to plan ahead."

Kiss said the IRS offers payment plans for those who can't pay their tax debt right away. The web address for more information is irs.gov/payments. This year's deadline is April 18 because of the weekend and the District of Columbia's Emancipation Day holiday, which falls on April 17.

Also, free tax help is available across Kansas and the U.S. through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. From the IRS website, search for free tax help and enter your zip code to find free help in your area.

Whether getting a refund or paying now, "we all have to pay our tax obligation," Kiss said. "So, the earlier you can complete your return, the better so that you can begin to plan for how you will use the return or how you will accumulate the funds to pay for what you owe."

Viking wrestler heading to State

SABETHA – Central Heights most consistent wrestler this season stamped a ticket to the state tournament this coming weekend in Hays after Baker Moore finished in 3rd place in the 113 weight class at Saturday's 3-2-1A Regional in Sabetha.

To kick off the day, Moore (113) won his quarterfinal match over Daityn Meek of Osage City by fall (2:27). In the semifinal match, Moore was defeated by fall (2:18) by Dennis Mortorff of Sabetha. One defeat from elimination, Moore responded by winning his final two matches. The first was the consolation semifinal over Curt Shannon of Humboldt by fall (2:49) and then he won the 3rd place match over Andrew

Stewart of Pleasant Ridge by fall (2:46).

Jotham Meyer (106) received an opening round bye before dropping his quarterfinal match to Landon Petitjean of Osage City and then following another bye Meyer lost in the consolation round 3 to Scotty Leandro of Burlingame to end his afternoon.

Owen Miller (144) lost his opening round match and then had a bye in the consolation round 1 match. Miller then downed Preston Warbritton of Oskaloosa by fall (2:53) before bowing out in his consolation round 3 match with a loss to Joe Siess of Nemaha Central by fall (0:43).

Gavin Peine (150) had his second match bye sandwiched

with losses to Josh King of Riverside by fall (1:37) and to Drystan Long of Osage City by fall (4:56).

Rounding out the competitors for the day was Brody Rouleett (157). He lost both of his matches. The first to Jonathan Renyer of Sabetha by fall (3:05) and the second to Erich Woodruff of West Franklin by decision (9-6).

The 3-2-1A State Championships will take place on February 24th and 25th in Hays at Fort Hays State University in Gross Memorial Coliseum.

Moore (24-13) will square off with Chase Johnson (35-2) to open up action on Friday.

Crest pulls away for easy win

UNIONTOWN – The Crest Lancers clamped down defensively in the first, holding Uniontown scoreless in last Tuesday's road contest, but struggles of their own kept the game close early on as they eventually knocked off Uniontown 47-34.

Uniontown was blanked over the first 8 minutes, but faced a slim 4-0 deficit due to

Crest's offensive woes of their own.

The home squad lit it up in the second quarter with 16 points to take a slim 16-13 lead into halftime.

The second half was all Crest as the Lancers outscored Uniontown 14-9 in the third and put the game away with a 20-9 advantage in the fourth quarter.

Karter Miller led the way offensively with 12 points and pulled down 6 rebounds while dishing out 3 assists.

Ryan Golden chipped in with 11 points, also tallied 4 rebounds and had 3 steals.

Jack White was just a point shy of a double double as he scored 9 points and recorded 10 rebounds on the night.

Crest notches another road win

YATES CENTER – Crest traveled to Yates Center on Friday night and after a back and forth first half, the Lancers pulled away for a comfortable 53-34 victory.

Early on, Yates Center kept within striking distance. Crest led 16-12 after the first quarter

and doubled their lead at halftime, 25-17.

Following intermission, the Lancers quickly erased any hopes at a comeback. Crest outscored the home team 18-7 during the third and put the game away in the fourth as both teams tallied 10 points

each. Ryan Golden paced the Lancers with 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Joining him in double figures were Ethan Godderz with 13 points and Karter Miller with 11.

Talk and action

Greg Doering, Kansas Farm Bureau

If it isn't cliché yet, asking farmers and ranchers to tell their story ought to be by now since it's often prescribed as a panacea that will fix anything wrong in agriculture. I don't mean to diminish the impact storytelling has in shaping the minds of consumers and legislators. But I do think there's another aspect that's been taken for granted for too long.

Telling the story of agriculture is both personal and important. What's even more vital though is being able to back up any story you tell with action. Arguing for policies of self-policing and industry-led solutions are certainly preferable to dealing with rules and regulations handed down from politicians. The only downside is if you don't follow through, the bureaucrats will catch on eventually.

Those of us near farmers and ranchers often encourage them to tell their stories while neglecting to mention anything about action. This is equal parts oversight and proximity. We neglect to mention follow through because it never occurs to us it wouldn't happen. We've observed countless times how a farmer's word is as valuable as a signature. In short, encouraging storytelling has missed the real story.

It was just a few years ago when so-called "alternative protein" companies seemed to spring up overnight. Some

slick storytelling generated a line of investors pledging billions of dollars to disrupt the business of growing beef, pork and chicken. The simple and straightforward pitch went something like this: Very soon, plants will replace animals as a primary source of protein because we've created technology that makes eating a salad seem like biting into a cheeseburger.

I apologize for taking a few liberties there, but that's the gist of the marketing campaign that prompted a lot of well-founded fear in the production agriculture world. The storytelling was excellent and there was an actual product that kind of resembled meat. The stuff even made its way on to restaurant menus and was slotted next to the real thing at grocery stores.

Curious customers sampled the imitators in sufficient quantities that several of these companies went public, selling stock to anyone who wanted it. As the headlines rolled in about the quality and taste of this scientific amalgamation, so did the cash.

Imitation may be a sincere form of flattery, but it doesn't seem that way when part of the imitation is based on putting you out of business. While technology and apparent alchemy was part of the storytelling behind turning plants into palatable protein, so was a more sinister message: eating animals is wrong.

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