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## St. Lukes, BJC target finalized deal January 1

**New entity will operate two distinct but related networks in St. Louis, KC areas**

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

KANSAS CITY - St. Luke's Health System drew nearer to its planned merger with Barnes Jewish Christian Health Care of St. Louis last week, with the announcement that the entities approved a formal partnership agreement after engaging a letter of intent to merge last May.

A press release from St. Luke's said the merger is expected to be completed January 1, 2024.

Saint Luke's operates Anderson County's county-owned hospital on a 10-year lease agreement, a several-decade relationship the most recent of which began when the newly-constructed Garnett facility opened in 2015. St. Luke's negotiated a similar lease agreement with Allen County Regional Medical Center in 2020 and manages both hospitals under one administrator.

As a combined system of approximately \$10 billion in revenue with 28 hospitals and hundreds of clinics and service centers, the statement said BJC and Saint Luke's will extend their shared commitment to deliver

high-quality, affordable patient care to the communities they serve across Missouri, southern Illinois and eastern Kansas.

At the time of closing, Saint Luke's will officially join BJC, and together operate as a single integrated health care organization that serves two regions with a distinct brand in each: BJC HealthCare in the St. Louis region and Saint Luke's in the Kansas City region. BJC President and CEO Richard Liekweg will continue to serve as CEO of the integrated health system. Saint Luke's CEO Melinda Estes has announced plans to retire at the end of the year after delaying her planned 2021 departure to see Saint Luke's, its patients, and teams through the pandemic.

Though it's not immediately known what impact the merger will have on Anderson County Hospital, the move is part of a general gameplan among mid-sized healthcare organizations that "bigger is better," according to industry analysts at Fierce Healthcare. While engaged as a means of cutting costs, combining resources and

expanding market share just like in other industries, an April story posted at Fierce's website said such mergers and health system consolidation have led to increased scrutiny from regulators and lawmakers, who have worried



that mergers can harm competition. The Fierce article said to date, however, efforts to block announced deals have been limited to situations where the parties are operating in the same geographic markets.

Fierce said larger, cross-market deals like BJC and Saint Luke's have become more common in the past year, potentially due to the opportunity to distribute operational risks with limited regulatory scrutiny, analysts have noted. Multiple health policy researchers have warned that these deals are

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## Sheriff's candidates announce at Thursday county GOP meeting

**Republican gathering serves as primer for upcoming election contest**

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Last week's monthly meeting of the Anderson County



THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW 12-5-2021 /BARB HICKS  
 12th District Senator Caryn Tyson addressed past and present tax policy with the audience.

Republican Party turned into an impromptu campaign announcement for two members of the local GOP followed by a third a few days later, all announcing plans to run for Anderson County Sheriff in 2024.

Garnett City Commissioner and current Anderson County Emergency Preparedness Director Mark Locke made his announcement during a comments period at the meeting, which was originally scheduled as part of the local GOP's monthly meeting schedule. Locke's announcement was followed immediately by that of present undersheriff Wes McClain, who has been rumored to be a prospective candidate for much of the past year.

"Well, I saw Wes come in and I figured I knew why he was here," Locke told some 27 local GOP members in attendance. "So I figured I might as well make it official."

A Pittsburg native, Locke had a 20-plus year career in law enforcement before switching to the insurance industry in the early 2000s.

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## Coming Kansas highway projects on commuters' radar

**Bids for new road work of interest with 45% of local workforce commuting**

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Area commuters driving to and from work and shopping from the Anderson County area to the region's larger shopping areas in coming months will deal with tens of millions of dollars in highway construction, per a round of highway bids announced by the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Census data says about 1,500 Anderson County residents over the age of 16 leave the county daily for their jobs - about 45.5 percent of the county's estimated workforce. The data shows 21 percent of those workers travel 45 minutes or more one way.

Projects most likely to affect local drivers include:

Johnson County - U.S. 69, from West 56th Street north to West 52nd Street, milling and overlay, 0.8 mile, Superior Bowen Asphalt Company LLC, Kansas City, Missouri, \$1,358,849.61. Also Bridge #242, on West 83rd Street over K-7 located 2.50 miles north of the K-7/K-10 junction in Shawnee, bridge repair, PCI Roads, LLC, Saint Michael, Minnesota, \$987,232.25.

Johnson/Douglas counties - U.S. 56; from the Douglas/Johnson county line east to the west city limits of Gardner in Johnson County, and from Baldwin City east to the Johnson/Douglas county line in Douglas County, milling, and overlay, 12.2 miles, Bettis Asphalt & Construction Inc., Topeka, Kansas, \$6,911,545.81.

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THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW 12-5-2023 /DANE HICKS/EAGLE EYE DRONE  
 An aerial photo shows the recently completed spillway work at the far end of the dam at Cedar Valley Reservoir. The spillway was damaged by torrential rains in 2019, and prior to that was repaired in 2008 after floods in 2007. The base of the structure was rebuilt and shored up to handle advanced water flow. The city received assistance and funding for the project from FEMA.

## State courts say they'll be back online by the end of this month

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

TOPEKA - Officials in the Kansas judicial system say they should have the state's electronic court records system back up and running at month's end, after a cyberattack scuttled the system and sent every county courthouse back to hard copy paper filing and handling of cases in October.

The shutdown affected Anderson County as well, and stopped Internet users all over the state from accessing online court records.

Spokeswoman for the Kansas Judicial Branch Lisa Taylor said the state court system tentatively plans to restore most information systems used by district courts in 104 Kansas counties by the end of the year, including systems used to process cases and receive electronically filed documents.

The system was shut down October 12, but the Judicial Branch acknowledged the failure was due to a cyber attack only mid November. But the plan's still subject to change, Taylor said in a press release.

"The recovery plan announced today follows best practices for safely restoring and managing

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## Kansas schools holding record amounts of cash

**KDOE figures show how much unspent money is left in various school funds**

BY DAVE TRABERT THE KANSAS POLICY INSTITUTE

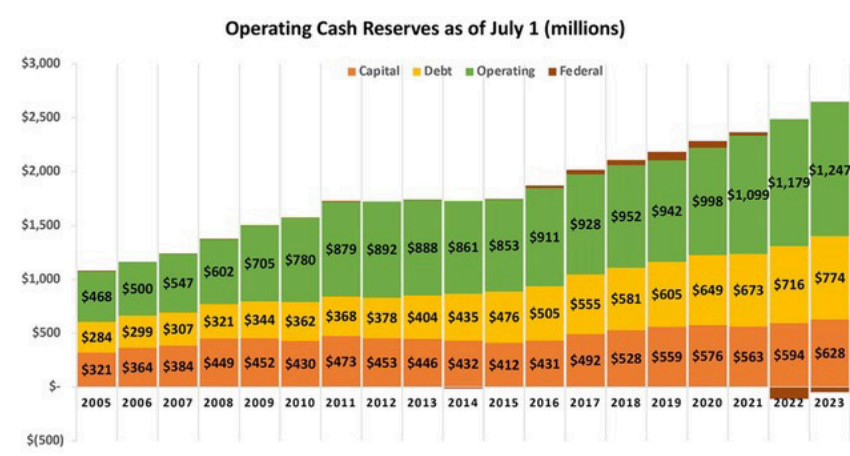
TOPEKA - New data from the Kansas Department of Education show school districts collectively added \$68 million to their operating cash reserves in the last school year, bringing the total to \$1.25 billion.

Operating cash reserves exclude balances in Capital Outlay, Federal, and Bond & Interest. Funds operate like checking accounts; the ending balance increases if more money goes in than is spent. Taken collectively, the increase in operating cash reserves indicates that school districts did not spend all of the state and local tax dollars provided last year.

Some fund balances, including Supplemental General and Contingency, have no restrictions. The balances in some funds, like At-Risk, Special Education, and Food Service cannot be spent on anything else, but districts can tap into the money by not transferring General Fund money to them and spending down the balance.

Some of the largest increases include Blue Valley (\$9.4 million), Wichita (\$9.3 million), Shawnee Mission (\$9.2 million), Lawrence (\$8 million), Emporia (\$3.7 million), and Salina and Olathe each added \$3.5 million.

**Special Education, included in operating cash reserves, increased by \$8 million**  
 Some superintendents and the state school board association



have made a big deal about not getting even aid for special education. Yet even the special education fund grew by more than \$12 million. Special Education Co-Op funds declined by \$4 million, leaving a net increase of \$8 million.

State law calls for the Legislature to reimburse districts for 92% of their 'excess costs' after allowing for federal aid and state aid provided for the regular education of special education students. The reported reimbursement percentages have been below 92%, but the calculation does not count all of

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## TOYS FOR TOTS

The Review has partnered this year with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve as a drop location for Toys For Tots. Please drop off new unopened toys, donations accepted through Dec. 6. Donation boxes are located at Garnett Publishing, Inc., 112 W. 6th Ave.

## CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE

Hope Anthem Garnett presents 'Christmas on the Square' on Wednesday, December 6th from 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. It is a community focused, Christ centered evening of Praise and Worship.

## MODEL T FORD CLUB TO MEET

The East Central Kansas Model T Ford Club will meet at 11:00 a.m. December 9th in the conference room of the Burlington Library. The Library is located on Hwy 75 in Burlington KS. The Club will provide the dinner meat, potatoes, vegetable, rolls and drinks, please bring a dessert to share with the meal which will be eaten before the meeting. Members are invited to dress in vintage attire. For additional information call Bud Redding at 785-733-2124.

## GCC MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

Join Garnett Country Club for 2024 with \$100 down payment and receive the rest of 2023 for free! Additionally, new members receive 20% off their first year. Membership forms may be obtained at the clubhouse or online at www.golfgarnett.com.

## 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.

## ROADS...

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Miami/Johnson counties - U.S. 169; from the Miami/Johnson county line north to the 175th Street/U.S. 169 junction in Johnson County, and from 1.416 miles south of the Miami/Johnson county line north to the Miami/Johnson county line in Miami County, ultra-thin bonded asphalt surfacing, 6.9 miles, Bettis Asphalt & Construction Inc., Topeka, Kansas, \$2,258,615.83.

Douglas County - U.S. 56, from the U.S. 59/U.S. 56 junction, east to Baldwin City, sealing, 3.4 miles, Vance Brothers Inc. And Subsidiary, Kansas City, Missouri, \$255,442.76.

Linn County - K-52; from the K-31/K-52 junction east to the K-7/K-52 south junction, from the K-7/K-52 north junction east to the U.S. 69/K-52 south junction, and from the U.S. 69/K-52 north junction east to the Kansas/Missouri state line, milling and overlay, 14.0 miles, Bettis Asphalt & Construction Inc., Topeka, Kansas, \$3,226,370.34.

## ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION NOVEMBER 27, 2023

Chairman Leslie McGhee called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on November 27, 2023 at the Anderson County Commission Room. Attendance: Leslie McGhee, Present: David Pracht, Present: Anthony Mersman, Present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

### Road & Bridge

Ethan Lickteig, Road Supervisor, met with the commission. He asked the Commissioners if they had an update on the road permit for Craw-Kan. Discussion was held on the tractors in the department with their hours and age. The Commissioners asked Ethan to make a list of equipment that could be replaced soon.

### Planning & Zoning

Tom Young, Zoning Director, met with the commission. He presented zoning resolution to approve special use permit #SUP2023-05 (Turney). Commissioner Pracht moved and Commissioner Mersman seconded to approve resolution 2023-29 approving special use permit #SUP2023-05 (Turney) to place a second home on his 5-acre tract for his daughter. All voted yes.

### Adjourn

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

### LAND TRANSFERS

Michael Alexander and Kayla Francis to Mike Terrill: E2 ne4 nw4 8-22-21.

Roger A Shilling and Heather N Shilling to Wyan A Bowman and Joanne M Bowman: A tract of land located in sw4 12-21-17 described as follows: Com at nwcw said sw4 of said section 12, thence south along west line of said sw4 on a record bearing of south 00°03'59" east a distance of 660.00 feet to pob; thence continuing south 00°03'59" east along said line a distance of 240.27 feet; thence north 88°29'57" east a distance of 703.93 feet; thence north 00°03'59" west a distance of 894.84 feet to north line of sw4; thence south 88°56'28" west along said line a distance of 43.82 feet; thence south 00°03'59" east a distance of 660.00 feet; thence south 88°56'28" west a distance of 660.00 feet to pob; said tract contains 4.50 acres, more or less; subject to all easements & restrictions of record.

Gary R Kratzberg, Cathy Kratzberg, Leon A Kratzberg and Nancy A Kratzberg to Carl J Kratzberg and Cheryl L Kratzberg: An undivided 3/4 interest in: Lot 9 in nwcw nw4 19-19-21, com at nwcw said quarter section, thence east 70 rods to center Pottawatomie Creek; thence up center of said Pottawatomie Creek to west line of said quarter section, thence north 80 rods on said west line to pob; containing 17 1/2 acres more or less; & an undivided 3/4 interest in: s2 sw4 & west 15 acres of s2 se4 all in 28-19-21; & an undivided 3/4 interest in: n2 ne4 17-20-21.

ECS Holdings Inc to William Lee Pittman Trust and William Lee Pittman Living Trust Dated 5-17-2000: Ne4 24-19-18 less west 110' of north 351.5' of said ne4.

Penny Austin and Michael E Austin to John D Wolf and Emily S Wolf: Lot 8 in block 39 in the City of Garnett.

Wanda L Folsom to Margaret Ann Sinclair and Rachel S Sinclair: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 blk 10 Mandovi Addition to City of Garnett.

Joe Eugen Collins and Kari Ann Collins to Brian R Weller: Lots 5, 6 & 7 in block 19 to the City of Garnett.

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Henderson A/K/A and Barbara Spencer Attyfnact to Jesse Bettinger: Lot 19 & w2 lot 20 blk 16 City of Garnett.

Kristina Marie Traxson, Kristina Marie Sommer F/K/A to Bryant Traxson to Ronald E Sommer: Lots 3, 4, 5 & 6 blk 47 City of Greeley.

Ryan Schweer to Marrie Jo Pitera Trust and Merrie Jo Pitera Living Trust Dated 9-24-2009: W2 sw4 2-20-21 & beg at swcor e2 sw4 22-20-21, thence east 1 rods, thence north along hedge 9-24-2009 fence 16 rods, thence west to nwcw of above described land, thence south to pob.

Thomas R Young to John J Watters and Tanya Watters: Com at stone in swcor nefr4 2-21-17, thence 41.5 rods, thence east 20 rods, thence south 18 rods to Pottawatomie Creek, thence west along said creek to mouth of Brush Creek, thence up center of said creek to south line of tract of land formerly bought by D F Kellerman of J L Hill, thence west 10 rods to pob.

Frank T Porrett and Karen K Porrett to Spencer Pond and Megan Pond: Lot 13 Prairie Links Subdivision, a subdivision of Anderson County.

Joseph Malone and Kari R Malone to the City of Garnett: Beg at 30' south of necor se4 29-20-20, thence running south 800', thence west 200', thence north 800', thence east 200' to pob.

### ANDERSON COUNTY ACCIDENT REPORTS FILED

On November 7, a vehicle driven by Julie Lynn Overton, Lane, was traveling west on 2350 Road, east of 59 Highway, striking a deer.

On November 14, a vehicle driven by Jeannette Sue McAuley, Garnett, was traveling northbound on 59 Highway when the vehicle struck a deer.

On November 17, a vehicle driven by Tracy A Brown, Westphalia, was traveling on 1300 Road when a buck came from the ditch striking the right side fender and pushing it in slightly and breaking the front spoiler.

On November 17, a vehicle driven by Adam Lo Kub Kiatoukaysy, Greeley, was northbound on US 169 Highway when a deer entered the roadway and was struck.

On November 18, a vehicle driven by Russell Melvin Pullman, Gardner, was traveling south on 59 Highway when the driver turned his turn signal on while pulling a combine header on a trailer. As the vehicle started to turn, a vehicle driven by Franklin L Borrer, Lawrence, which was also traveling south, started to pass causing a collision which proceeded to push both vehicles onto the northbound shoulder.

On November 21, a vehicle driven by George Lucas Foltz, Garnett, was eastbound on 1900 Road and did not see a group of black cows on the roadway until he was too close to stop, killing 3 and injuring 1.

On November 21, a vehicle driven by Jeffrey Ervin Russell, Garnett, was traveling west on NW 1700 Road when he struck a deer that entered the roadway, causing functional damage to the front bumper/grill area.

On November 21, a vehicle driven by Alyssia Marie Factor, Lawrence, was southbound on 59 Highway when she began passing in a no passing zone and struck a vehicle driven by Andrea Emily Wiesner, Garnett.

On November 24, a vehicle driven by Mary Elizabeth Bell, Garnett, was traveling west on NW 1650 Road when she struck a deer that entered the roadway.

On November 27, a vehicle driven by David Richard Kline III, La Cygne, was northbound on 169 Highway, near 1700 Road, when a deer entered the roadway and was struck causing dis-

abling damage to the vehicle.

### ANDERSON COUNTY ARRESTS FILED

On November 22, Teela Cheyenne Meinke-Summer, Garnett, was arrested for cultivate/distributing drugs, use of communications in a drug sale and two counts for failure to appear.

On November 22, Richard Clayton Owens, Maryville, Missouri, was arrested for two counts of failure to appear.

On November 23, Benjamin Ashley Page, Garnett, was arrested for domestic battery.

On November 24, Edwin Joseph Braciszewski, Kincaid, was arrested to serve a court ordered sentence.

On November 26, Tyler Blake Julich, Humboldt, was arrested for battery and criminal damage to property.

On November 27, Billy Ray Foulke, Lawrence, was arrested for failure to appear, assault and disorderly conduct.

On November 27, Roy Eugene Helton-Ball, St. Joseph, Missouri, was arrested for DUI, possession of drug paraphernalia, two counts of possession of drugs and trafficking contraband in correctional care facility.

On November 27, Kenneth Wayne Soap, was booked as a hold for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for sexual exploit of a child.

On November 27, Malique Taji Khadeem Crenshaw, Lawrence, was booked as a hold for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office as he was arrested for murder in the 2nd degree.

### ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

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

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

Eric Howell was booked into jail on April 20, 2023.

Joseph Wilper was booked into jail on October 20, 2023.

Juan Velez was booked into jail on October 23, 2023.

### ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS

Tanner Vansickle was booked into jail on July 13, 2023.

Patrick Stoneking was booked into jail on July 13, 2023.

Robert Alcher was booked into jail on August 25, 2023.

Andrew Shubert was booked into jail on September 5, 2023.

James Waggoner was booked into jail on September 5, 2023.

Andrew Jamison was booked into jail on September 5, 2023.

Ronnie Masoner was booked into jail on September 5, 2023.

Michael Shaw was booked into jail on September 8, 2023.

Austin Hutchison was booked into jail on September 20, 2023.

Brandon Norris was booked into jail on September 21, 2023.

Javier Romero was booked into jail on October 4, 2023.

Benjamin Mims was booked into jail on October 20, 2023.



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A Christmas Elf refurbished these two bicycles that were presented to Karessa Johnson at ECKAN by the Friends of the Prairie Spirit Rail Trail.

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**CARPENTER**

JUNE 22, 1969 - NOVEMBER 24, 2023

Michael L. Carpenter, age 54, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Friday, November 24, 2023.



Carpenter

Michael was born to Harold and Karen (Lierz) Carpenter on June 22, 1969, in Kansas City, Kansas. During his youth years, his parents moved to Iola, Kansas, where he attended school and graduated from Iola High. After high school, he began working as a dispatcher, which sparked his passion for law enforcement. He then went to the Police Academy and received his certification. Mike dedicated over twenty years to being a Police Sergeant, before having to take early retirement, where dispatching found him again. He was a dispatcher for Anderson County for the last two years of his life.

During his law enforcement career, he met the love of his life, Marie-Eve St. Pierre, while she was working as a bail bondsman. What started as a professional interaction developed into a romantic relationship. Shortly after Mike purchased his first home, they moved in together and then a year later he proposed on

Christmas 2013. On October 11, 2014, they were united in marriage with a 1940's USO wedding theme.

In his spare time, Mike was a big movie buff, some of his favorites included WWII and Godzilla movies. Cooking was a great passion of his, he loved trying new recipes often. One night eight years ago, Mike was patrolling and got a call for a stray kitten that was injured. With his caring heart, he took the kitten into his care, and he became the family cat, which they named George.

Mike dedicated many years of his life to his community. He was very respected and trusted by all that interacted with him. He will be remembered for his calmness and compassionate heart.

Mike preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife Marie-Eve Carpenter, of the home; and step-son, Xavier St. Pierre; along with many other friends.

A Celebration of Mike's Life took place at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 30, 2023, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel in Garnett, Kansas. Memorial contributions may be made to Prairie Paws and left in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.feuerbornfuneral.com](http://www.feuerbornfuneral.com)

Don Wayne Miller of Livingston, Texas, died Saturday November 25, 2023, at his home. Services were December 1,

2023, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel. He was laid to rest at the Kincaid Cemetery, Kansas.

**MILLER**

MARCH 19, 1953 - NOVEMBER 25, 2023

**Notice approving special use permit**

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, October 17, 2023)

**RESOLUTION No. 2023-29**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIAL USE PERMIT #SUP2023-05 (TURNERY) TO PLACE A SECOND HOME ON HIS 5-ACRE TRACT FOR HIS DAUGHTER.

WHEREAS, Anderson County, Kansas is a county municipal government with the authority to adopt zoning regulations and create zoning district boundaries as provided in Section 15-753 K.S.A.; and

WHEREAS, the County did adopt Resolution NO. 00, 0911.1 in September 2000, establishing zoning regulations for the unincorporated areas of Anderson County; and

WHEREAS, the Anderson County Planning Commission did hold a Public hearing on November 20, 2023 to consider Special Use Permit #SUP2023-05(Turney) to place a second home on his property for his daughter.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission, after reviewing and considering all written and oral testimony, did unanimously approve said amendment request, and recommends that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the Special Use Permit #SUP2023-05(Turney); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, after duly reviewing the recommendation of the Planning Commission and considering all comments for and against said amendment, finds that the Special Use Permit is in substantial compliance with the intent of the County Comprehensive Plan and the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Anderson County Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve Special Use Permit #SUP2023-05(Turney), said property is located at 29896 NW Chase RD, Garnett KS in the in Section 7, Township 20 South, Range 18 East, all in Anderson County, Kansas.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023.

This action shall take effect upon publication in the official County newspaper.

/s/Leslie D. McGhee, Chairman  
/s/David Pracht, Commissioner  
/s/Anthony C. Mersman, Commissioner

ATTEST:  
/s/Julie Wettstein, Clerk

**The road we take will make a difference**

**WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL**



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

In Matthew 7:13-14 Jesus speaking to the people says, "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life and only a few find it." Jesus is talking about the two ways we can live our life. One will lead us to life, that is eternal life with God and the other will lead us to destruction, that is life away from the presence of God.

Even if we are not willing to confront the way we live, we need to be honest with ourselves, we are mere mortals destined at some time to pass from this world. Our destination will depended solely on how we have chosen to live our life. God has given us small glimpses of what and where the small gate and the narrow road lead to. We are told in Revelation 21 that in heaven God will wipe away every tear from our eyes and that there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain. In 2 Corinthians 12 the Apostle Paul says he was caught up to paradise and he could only say he saw inexpressible things.

The other night my son and I saw a beautiful sunset and

as I have reflected on that it occurred to me the vast majority of my life is behind me. The sun is setting. When your or my life is over what will be the sum total? What road will we have taken? Will we be like the rich fool? (Luke 12:18) "The man's field produced a good crop, beyond what he could store so he decided he needed to tear his barns down and build bigger ones. He did just that and decided to take life easy. But God said to him you fool, this very night your life will be demanded of you." This is how it is with anyone who stores up only for himself and is not rich toward God. Or will we hear as the servant who multiplied the talents his master gave to him while he went on a journey. "Well done, good and faithful servant." (Matthew 25:21) All depends on the road we have taken.

**FINKENBINDER**

JUNE 5, 1920 - NOVEMBER 21, 2023

Mary Adams Finkenbinder, age 103, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away Tuesday, November 21, 2023. Services for Mary were

held November 27, 2023 at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel, Garnett. Burial followed in the Garnett Cemetery.

**JENNINGS**

MAY 31, 1951 - NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Larry Carl Jennings, age 72, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Sunday, November 26, 2023, at his home, under hospice care.

A funeral service will be at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at Hafer Funeral Home in Elkview, WV. Visitation will be from 12:00pm-1:00pm on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at Hafer Funeral Home. He will be laid to rest in the Jennings Family Cemetery.

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relatively understudied and, according to some prior analyses, very rarely translate to the quality and consumer cost savings often touted by health systems.

The move comes at a time when competition among local primary care provid-

ers has ramped up, with the recent affiliation of former ACH Family Care Center physician Ross Kimball with the Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas, which has grown to include a number of clinics and providers in the Southeast Kansas region.

**Garnett BPW Holiday Boutique winners announced**

Garnett BPW Holiday Boutique held on Sunday, December 3rd at the Kirk House was a very successful event.

- The winners are as follows:
- Major Popcorn - Denise Scheibmeir
  - Rosalee Bures Crafts - Chris Rockers
  - Color Street Nails - Kris Adell
  - Pampered Chef - Connie Meyers
  - Joyful Z Designs - Tina

- Mary Kay (Robin Farrar) - Chris Rockers
  - Kris Adell Homemade Jams - Tamera Wilson
  - Sandi Otipoby/Barnes Sisters Goat Soap - Jamie Porter
  - Elsie Stout Earrings - Susan Stanton & Connie Hatch
  - Christian Crafters - Ronda Rogers
- Congratulations goes out to the winners.

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# How to fix our local EcoDevo mess

Some elements of “deep state” government are entrenched all the way down to your local city hall, and in the end it’s nearly as choking for the citizenry there as it is in the federal and state bureaucracies. That’s at least part of the problem that’s led to the kerfuffle in the Garnett/Anderson County economic development office. The face-off between the former and just-hired economic development heads in recent weeks may well be a personality conflict or turf battle or motivated by any of several other conflicts, but it highlights key deficiencies in the way we pursue “economic development” in our county and why, from a governmental standpoint, we’re failing at it.

I submit three lightning bolt revelations:  
**It’s the tax base, stupid:** Slice and dice the term “economic development” any way you like, but for Anderson County the top priority is expansion of our property tax base. Our overall property valuation provides the core of funding for new streets, sewer lines, electrical infrastructure, road graders, payrolls, etc. – the hard assets of the city and county that provide for our survival and growth and are very, very expensive to build and maintain. And as we see from the present economy (thanks, Joe Biden), those costs are frequently if not always on the rise.

That tax base expansion, at least under the present tax finance system used in Kansas, is better developed by attracting industry and taxing its property and assets than by taxing citizens – whose biggest asset is usually their land and homes. Industries also employ workers and provide vitality to a town in other ways, but the primary goal should be hard assets. “Virtual” companies where people work from home don’t provide those hard assets – our objective should be attracting traditional, capital-intensive industries just like the ones we’ve lost over the years. EcoDevo types have scoffed at “chasing smokestacks” for years – all the while small towns lost those industries and their assets and populations fled closer to the cities where “smokestacks” located.

If we don’t chase smokestacks, the tax burden falls more and more on landowners and homeowners. Lean too hard on homeowners, and they’ll fly the coop for somewhere else. Past decades have proven how as Anderson County lost industries – Warners Manufacturing, United Telephone, Garnett Church Furnishings, Astro Truck Cappers and others, our population has slowly and steadily drained away.

If our EcoDevo effort’s target isn’t tax expansion, we’re kidding ourselves that it’s really doing much good over the long haul.

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**DANE HICKS, Publisher**

**All the losers are doing what we’re doing:** Being the economic development director of a rural community is by far the hardest job in all of local government, because attracting an industry to your community is 90 percent luck and 10 percent persistence. The Kansas Department of Commerce occasionally sends out Request For Proposals to rural development agencies; the state bureaucracy gets a nibble from an industry looking to locate and goes looking for the best match among its communities. What happens is obvious: Anderson County’s RFP gets stacked with 104 other county applications, and we almost always lose. Need proof? How many manufacturers have you seen open locally in the last 10 years with assets substantial enough to really impact our tax base?

We can wait for the RFPs we always lose out on, or we can go at tax base expansion the same way companies go after growth – by staffing a sales force to go out and find business. Our EcoDevo director’s primary job should be cold-calling industries in our region and all over the nation to see if they’d consider moving their operations to Anderson County. Humboldt, Ks., has a lot of cool things going on there primarily due to a trailer manufacturer – we should call him and chat. How about Reyco-Granning Suspensions in Mt. Vernon, Mo.? NewStream Enterprises in Springfield? Behlen Technology & Manufacturing in Omaha?

Five cold calls in the morning, five in the afternoon. We’ll get days, weeks, months of ‘NO.’ Messages won’t be returned. But eventu-

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But I hope Harrison wins that money against the city. The city needs to get rid of turnip seed. She’s been nothing but problems since she’s been there. I bet weather. They need to get rid of her and I hope Harrison teaches the city of lesson. And Ted nugent, that was funny, but I wouldn’t vote for Ted Nugent for dog catcher.

The once respected Anti-Defamation League was taken over by Democrat activists turning it into a partisan arm of the Democrat party, Ironically embracing critical race Theory which is based on the Nazi framework just expanding the racial escape goat occupancy from Jews to all whites. A poorly worded tweet about this was liked by musk, this was then used as the pretext to boycott Twitter by Democrat corpora-

tions led by Disney and comcast, which owns MSNBC, which gives a show to Al Sharpton who’s inflammatory anti-semitic rants incited a black mob that went on a rampage attacking Jews and Crown Heights New York and lynched a Jewish man, Yankel Rosenbaum and later inside it another black mob outside a Jewish business, Freddy’s Fashion Mart, in Harlem which was attacked and seven people murdered. Democrat corporations have no problem with that.

The parents of the defamed 9 year-old Chiefs fan are now threatening to sue Dead Spin. Deadspin smeared Holden Armenta with defamatory accusations of racism and black-face. The firm representing the boy won \$787 million against Fox early this year. See more at [newsnationnow.com](https://www.newsnationnow.com).

Sure would be nice if Governor Kelly would give Kansas taxpayers back some of the money she’s rat-holing so we could pay our taxes at the end of the year, which incidentally comes right around Christmas every year. When is enough enough?

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# It’s bad, but here’s what YOU can do about it...

With crackdowns on speech and religious exercise, and brazen indictments against a past president and likely presidential nominee — by powers that previously tried to frame him for conspiring with a hostile foreign power but which have, themselves, colluded with the enemy — ordinary Americans watch helplessly as they see their republic slipping away before their eyes.

But they’re not helpless. Not at all. “What can I do?” a young relative recently asked me as we grieved the goings-on.

Plenty, I discovered on reflection. Here’s just a partial list of what we concerned citizens can do to rescue and revive the republic:

Educate yourself — which today means finding alternate sources of news and information, particularly with the odd ebb of Fox News as a reliable counterweight to the ubiquitous liberal media. (You may want to start with sites such as this.)

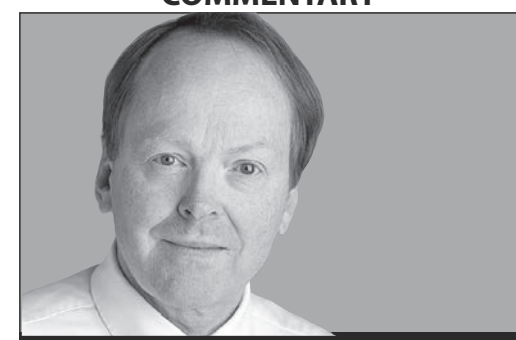
Become a tireless advocate for truth, justice, and government accountability.

Be vocal on social media and among acquaintances about your beliefs and what needs to happen.

Back up those beliefs with solid evidence. Run for office.

Support only candidates who pursue policies that uphold the Constitution, rule of law, national security, prosperity, public safety, healthy choices, and orderly society. (It’s not healthy, civil or compassionate, for instance, to allow or even encourage people to destroy themselves with drugs on public sidewalks or

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public parks.) Agree on a written set of personal and family values, then act on them every day.

Support alternatives to public education failure and indoctrination. (See American Federation for Children, EdChoice, and more.) Have the courage to stand up to a misguided mob pushing policies and values you know to be harmful.

Monitor what your elected officials at every level are doing, and hold them accountable.

Join with other people in like-minded organizations to safeguard civil society, individual freedom, and the constitutional republic (Moms For Liberty, Parents Defending Education, and more).

Support public-interest nonprofits and law firms that protect freedom of speech, religion, and other liberties enshrined in the Bill of

Rights (Alliance Defending Freedom, First Liberty Institute, and more).

Work to create and preserve election integrity (voter ID, no ballot-harvesting, no drop boxes, no mass mailings of ballots or ballot applications).

Sign up to be a poll worker or a poll observer.

Don’t be fooled by ad hominem, unsupported, irrelevant personal attacks against political rivals (“they’re a danger to democracy,” etc.).

Don’t get fooled into thinking elections or the republic’s future is about personalities instead of policies

“The nation needs dedicated volunteers to run the polls, and officials frequently report sometimes critical shortages of poll workers,” says Jason Snead, executive director of the Honest Elections Project.

The opportunities to get involved in preserving the republic are nearly endless.

However fashionable or comforting it used to be to live above the fray, you can no longer afford the luxury. Neither can your country afford your indifference. You have no choice but to be political, perhaps for the first time in your life but certainly for the rest of your life. You must become relentless in the pursuit of your deeply held beliefs in the public square.

– Michael Ryan is a Kansas City native and Executive Editor of *The Heartlander* with more than 40 years in Midwest journalism. See this column in full at [heartlandernews.com](http://heartlandernews.com)

# Death of Great Man Theory takes film “Napoleon” down with it

The figure of Napoleon has long been an object of fascination, but the new Ridley Scott biopic makes one wonder why.

The film, perhaps inadvertently, partakes of the spirit of the times. The so-called Great Man theory of history -- that it is exceptionally talented men who bend events to their will -- is out of favor. Accordingly, the movie renders the stereotypical great man, Napoleon, as doltish and uninteresting.

No man is a hero to his valet, goes the old saying. But can’t he at least be a hero, or a compelling persona, to the director of a \$200 million movie about him?

Apparently not. Napoleon can be considered a proto-fascist dictator, or an enlightened reformer, or some of both, but he could never be considered dull, at least not until portrayed by a stolid Joaquin Phoenix, seemingly unaware that the general was a sparkling personality, a hugely energetic reformer and an inspiring leader of men.

As the Wall Street Journal critic Kyle Smith puts it, “Mr. Phoenix’s Napoleon could never have commanded so much as a squadron of the Salvation Army.” The Great Man theory is now considered simplistic and even dangerous, and has about it the stale stench of dead white males. Academic historians tend to obsess with broad economic and social forces or with minutiae, while the largest impersonal force of all, the climate, occupies an outsized place

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**RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate**

in the political debate of advanced countries.

We don’t have to swoon like the philosopher Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel, who enthused after catching sight of Napoleon in Jena about “this world-soul, riding out of the city on reconnaissance.”

But the general and emperor demonstrates that great men matter -- not that they are virtuous or good, or that they can overcome every obstacle put in their way by themselves or others, or that large-scale factors don’t count, but that individual leaders take a hand in shaping events, sometimes decisively.

Would any Macedonian other than Alexander the Great have toppled the Persian empire and marched on India? Would any Frenchman besides Charlemagne have united much of Europe under his rule and brought about an intellectual and cultural renaissance? Would any Russian other than Peter the Great have modernized the Russian empire, defeated the Turks and Swedes, and built St. Petersburg? How different the 20th century would have

looked without Hitler, Stalin and Mao.

By the same token, only Napoleon -- who rose to power in France only six years after fleeing his native Corsica with almost nothing -- would have undertaken his historic campaign of institution-building in France and conquest in Europe. Many of his changes in France proved worthy and enduring, while his ambitions in Europe were rightly resisted by other powers, England foremost among them.

At the end of the day, he was a captain of war who knew one thing above all -- the offensive to seek and destroy the enemy army. He had speed on his side, a feel for topography and the flow of battle, and innovative tactics. These enabled him to destroy enemy armies and pick apart coalitions arrayed against him for years, as his legend grew.

As always happens, though, his rivals learned from him, and his military advantages slipped away. He lost a long battle of attrition, in masses of broken men, horses and weapons. His operational prowess, synonymous with great victories at Ulm and Austerlitz, didn’t translate into success in the ultimate geopolitical war. It all ended in ashes and exile, twice. Napoleon was unforgivably careless with the blood and treasure of France, and that of the rest of Europe that struggled so mightily to stop him.

It’s not a story that should occasion hero worship, or romantic images like the famous Jacques-Louis David painting of Napoleon crossing the Alps. But it’s not a story devoid of interest, or featuring a slightly ridiculous dullard at its center. Hollywood, in a rank distortion, somehow has made it so. Rich Lowry is editor of *The National Review*.

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Part 2 of Branson Christmas 2023 tour

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Day 3: 15Nov'23

After a good night's rest and a hearty breakfast we were all ready to sit back and enjoy the Doug Gabriel Ultimate Variety Show. His show is one of Branson's most popular morning shows. It is a "High Energy" show, with incredible music and hilarious comedy.

Next we enjoyed a nice lunch at the Uptown Cafe. After lunch we attended one of the favorite Branson shows, the Daniel O'Donnell show. His show features Danny singing many Christmas, country, Irish and favorites over the years. It was a terrific show. Danny's show is on TV Channel RFD every Saturday night from 8-9 p.m.

As we left his show I counted 33 buses lined up in the parking lot. I was told the attendance at his show was 2,836. Time to go eat once again. Dinner (Supper) was at McFarlain's Restaurant. Our last show of this tour, was enjoying the fantastic singing of the Oak Ridge Boys. They've always been known for their country and gospel music. Their famous two songs "Elvira" and "Bobbie Sue" hit the pop music charts. They've definitely earned the right to be called country music legends.

Day 4: 16Nov'23.

This morning we had to have our luggage out by 8:15 and ready to roll back to Kansas at 9:00, saying goodbye to Branson. We stopped around 10:45 in Joplin, Mo. for

a short tour of their beautiful city hall.

We were told the story of the shootout of Bonnie & Clyde in Joplin and saw many beautiful murals painted by Andy Thomas, a famous artist. There was also a short walking tour of MURAL PARK. Our next stop was the last on this tour. We stopped at 12:00 at Granny Shaffer's Restaurant on the outskirts of Joplin. A really great lunch.

At 2:00 p.m. we arrived in Parsons. It was time to say our goodbyes once again.

After picking up our car, we headed for home, however our car is programmed to stop at Wally World (Wal-Mart) and that's exactly what we did, before actually heading for Garnett.

Arriving home at 4:30 p.m. after a wonderful trip and making a lot of new friends.

I will be back to sharing some photos of my finds next week.

Please note a correction from my article last week. The buses were white and blue, not red and white.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Henry Roeckers. 27Nov2023



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Circa November 1979 - Lela Ball became the first gal to win the "Bulldog Runner of the Year Award." Lela, shown here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ball and cross country coach, Jerry Howarter, who is presenting the plaque.

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ing and managing information systems following this type of security incident," Taylor said Tuesday. "The timeline, which projects work to be accomplished over the next several weeks, is also subject to change."

Court records for 2019, the last year so far compiled statewide in Kansas, show the Fourth Judicial District that included Anderson, Osage, Coffey and Franklin counties handled about 20 percent fewer cases overall from 2010 to 2019, and about 27 percent less volume when traffic cases were included.

Though Kansas officials have remained guarded as to the source of the issue and haven't acknowledge it was a ransomware attack, an Associated Press story published after the October breach quoted a cyber security firm that said ransomware groups had targeted 18 state, city or municipal court systems since 2019. A firm representative said

state-focused attacks had been less frequent and so far haven't rivaled what's happened in Kansas. Allan Liska of the firm Recorded Future said attacks had been launched with varying amounts of damage in recent years against court operations in Georgia, Alaska and Texas. Details about the Kansas breach have been sparse, and a risk assessment of the state's system issued last year is "permanently confidential" under state law.

In early November, the Office of Judicial Administration opened two service centers in the Kansas Judicial Center in Topeka. One is a public access service center people visit in person by appointment to search district court case information. The other fills district court information needs until the Kansas eCourt case management system is restored in district courts. Johnson County handles far greater case volumes and has its own stand alone system which was not affected by the breach, but will join the state's other counties in the common statewide system in January.

The Kansas District Court Public Access Portal provides access to public district court case information online. It's also used to pay fines, fees, and other costs online. It will be brought back online after the Kansas eCourt case management system and Kansas Courts eFiling system are restored in district courts.

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of the money related to special education. Counting all funds provided, school districts receive more than 92% reimbursement.

Ironically, some of the state's most vocal critics of state funding increased their special education balances and their overall operating cash reserves, including Blue Valley, Shawnee Mission, Olathe, and Wichita.

Parents and legislators are told that underfunding of special education forces districts to take money away from services for other students, but the changes in operating cash reserves invalidates such claims.

If any regular education services are diminished, it is by the choice of superintendents and local school boards by virtue of having so much unspent aid in prior years.

The chart on page 1 shows operating cash reserves increased by \$779 million since 2005. Even while district officials were in court claiming to be underfunded, they didn't spend all of the state and local tax dollars provided. Most of that money is either immediately available to spend or can be accessed with good cash management practices.

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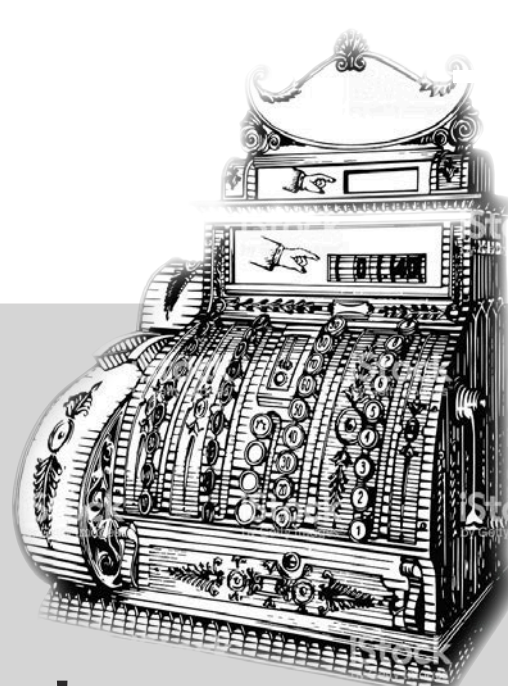
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# HICKS...

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ally a door will open. Nobody's completely happy where they are - maybe we can offer some industry a solution? Start the conversation.

We should make the most of other towns' misfortunes. In Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, where the homeless are defecating on the sidewalks and violent crime skyrocketing, we should be running an ad in the local paper (if there still is one) or on Facebook touting our near crime-free Midwest lifestyle, great logistics, ample water supply, etc. Somebody out there who's finally had enough might just bite.

The person we hire for this post will need to be emotionally bullet proof. Lots of rejection and tons of failure - almost every single day. Someone who finds success in executing the plan, and who realizes panning for gold means mostly not finding any. But when gold comes - when this individual manages a 'kill' - there should be a substantial bonus; \$25,000 minimum once the ribbon is cut and the appraisal is done. We should treat success like it's important and incentivize it, because the value will pay

the community for years to come. **Command and control:** Somebody has to be in charge. That means dropping the ACDA committee and making the EcoDevo position a direct report to the Garnett City Manager with a continued subsidy from the county to fund the post. It's hard enough to work for a committee anyway, and ACDA has had trouble finding people willing to commit and to stick with a regular, productive meeting schedule. Take the committee out of the mix and move toward a simpler and smoother operation that still briefs the city

**We should treat success like it's important and incentivize it, because the value will pay the community for years to come.**

and county commissioners periodically. Unless a committee is really a working committee, it's a waste of everyone's time and mostly a venue for politics. Defining duties and assessing accountability will end scrapping over who does what among EcoDevo, Chamber of Commerce and Community Development. Making EcoDevo purely a kill it, skin it and eat it position means everything else is split between Community Development and the Chamber. "Development" of what's already here - training for existing businesses, promotion of loan assistance programs, down-

town restoration - all that goes to Community Development. Marketing, public relations and all-important social engagement and networking goes to the Chamber - Christmas parades, promoting the county fair and other events, directing tourism marketing, honoring and recognizing businesses at an annual event, planning social events and selling the county's feel-good stories - that's Chamber of Commerce meat and potatoes. Like every subscription service out there these days, businesses who pay a chamber membership should get premium services with real value and a recognized voice - those who don't want to pay a membership just get to be along for the ride.

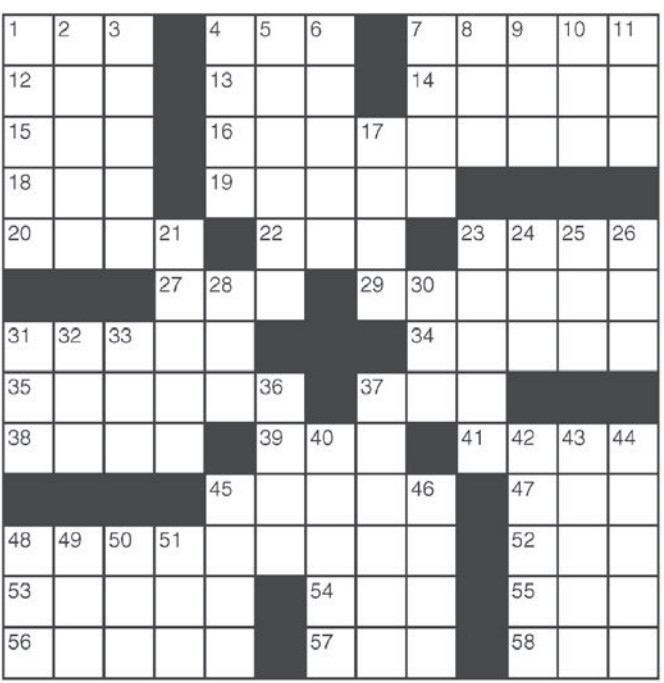
That leaves the community's vast array of civic and service groups - 4H groups, WINGS, Rotary, Lions, BPW, etc., free to do their amazing work and to know who to ask for help with resources. With proper command and control everybody stays in their lanes and things get done with a minimum of strife.

And unfortunately strife's been inherent in these efforts for years in Anderson County, and it's a testament to the hard work of lots of people that so many successes have been achieved in spite of it. With change in the air once again, this is a chance to recalibrate, change some unproductive governmental habits, and get some things fixed. ###

# King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 "Kapow!"
- 4 British ref. work
- 7 Holler
- 12 Director Spike
- 13 Chemical suffix
- 14 Fall sign
- 15 Nest egg acronym
- 16 Large, luxurious car
- 18 Brooch
- 19 Range
- 20 Collections
- 22 - tear (ragging)
- 23 First lady of scat
- 27 Earth Day mo.
- 29 Transparent
- 31 Dolphins' home
- 34 Traces of smoke
- 35 Agile
- 37 Obtained
- 38 Bygone Peruvian
- 39 Flamenco cheer
- 41 Vacillate
- 45 Quick trip
- 47 Shoe width
- 48 Pungent cheese
- 52 Aachen article



- 53 Sports figures?
- 54 Zsa Zsa's sister
- 55 Speck
- 56 Dunkable treat
- 57 River blocker
- 58 Actor Brynner

- 7 Pivot
- 8 That guy's
- 9 Kimono sash
- 10 Samovar
- 11 - kwon do
- 17 Ellipse
- 21 Ballroom dance
- 23 Radiates
- 24 Vinyl records
- 25 Back talk
- 26 Billboards
- 28 Picnic dessert
- 30 - Jima
- 31 Roman 1051
- 32 "There's no - team!"
- 33 "Better Call Saul" network

- 36 Bellow
- 37 Swiss metropolis
- 40 Sledged in the Winter Olympics
- 42 Like a neglected garden
- 43 Vowel group
- 44 Streisand title role
- 45 Equitable
- 46 Streetcar
- 48 Leary's drug
- 49 Jurist Lance
- 50 Fortify
- 51 A/C meas.

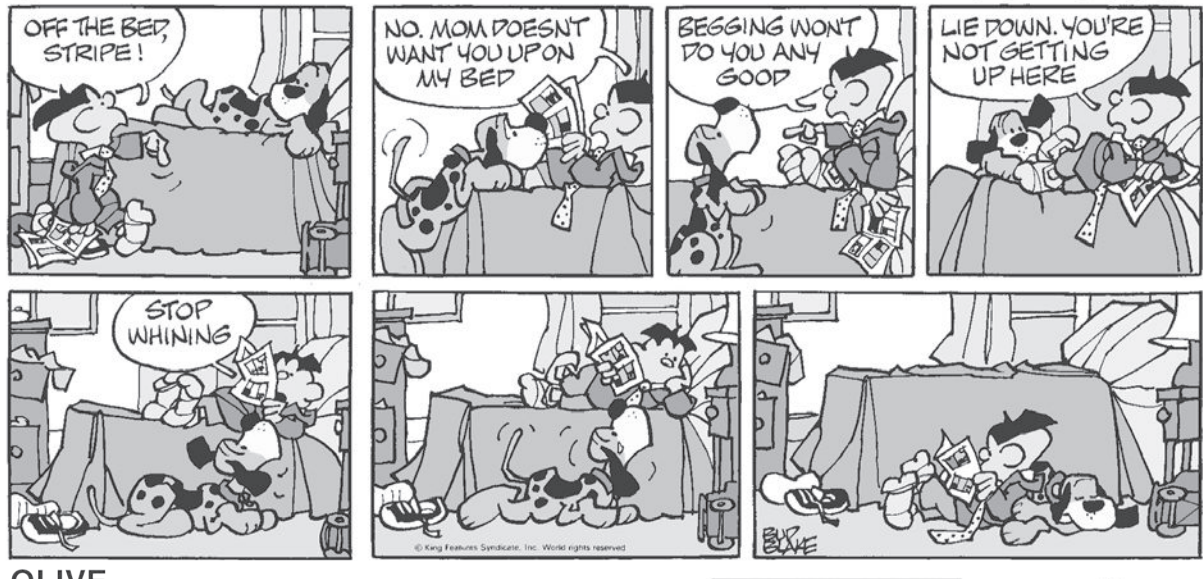
### DOWN

- 1 Radar dots
- 2 High nest
- 3 Signified
- 4 Fixes a squeak
- 5 Newspaper chief
- 6 Fiend

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## TIGER

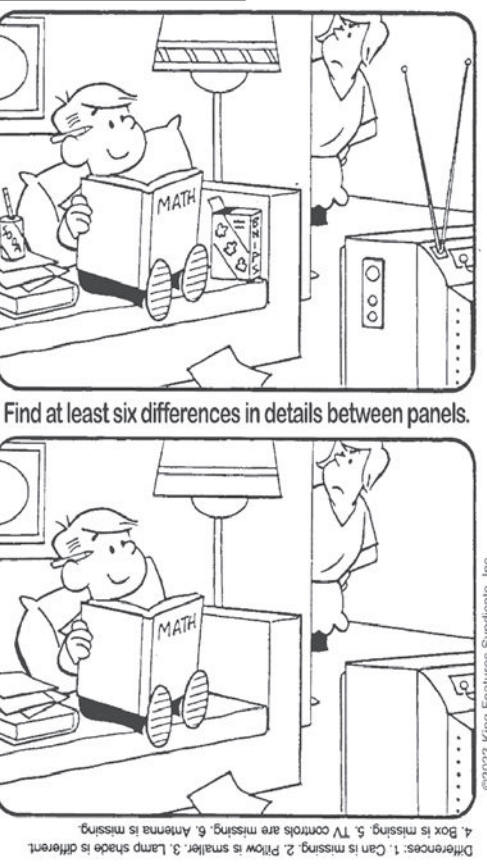
by BUD BLAKE



## OLIVE

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTING



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



### 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: Z equals H

IZC RN QZT EYZDAEQDYQF NL D  
 GTKQDEY FNWQZTDFQ DFEDY  
 EFM DYR DMIDCF FTTS FN  
 LTDK LWM? ATGDWFT QZTC'KT  
 QESNK-NWF.

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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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## WORD LADDERS

Can you go from STORE to AMONG in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

STORE

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\_\_\_\_\_

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AMONG

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## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: Which Disney animated movie features the song "Whistle While You Work"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which two oceans are on Russia's shores?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented in the condition called euphoria?
- TELEVISION: What is "The Simpsons" home address?
- GAMES: How many dimples are on a golf ball?
- ASTRONOMY: Earth's place in the solar system is how many planets from the Sun?
- LANGUAGE: What is the only country in South America whose official language is Dutch?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is a sweetbread?
- LITERATURE: In which century was "The Canterbury Tales" written?
- SCIENCE: Who is considered the father of modern astronomy?

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- "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."
- Arctic and Pacific.
- Fear of good news.
- 4, 742 Evergreen Terrace.
- Generally between 300-500.
- Third.
- Surname.
- Internal organs of a young animal.
- Late 14th century.
- Copernicus.

**SCRAMBLERS**

1. Least 2. Escort  
 3. Raise 4. Great  
 Today's Word

WORD LADDER  
 Answer  
 STORE, STONE, ATONE, ALONE, ALONG, AMONG

Answer

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

Weekly SUDOKU



Solution time: 26 mins.

### Answers

## King Crossword

**CryptoQuip**

Why do the inhabitants of a certain Southeast Asian island always seem so fearful? Because they're Timor-ous.

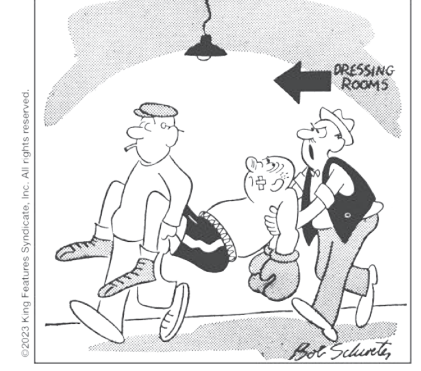
## SCRAMBLERS

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!

- Fewest: STEAL
- Companion: SECTOR
- Lift: ARISE
- Vast: GATER

**TODAY'S WORD**

\_\_\_\_\_



"When I said give him everything you've got - I didn't mean your \_\_\_\_\_!"

## CALENDAR

**Tuesday, December 5**  
 10:00 a.m.- Storytime For Preschoolers  
 12:00 p.m.- Rotary International Club Meeting  
 5:30 p.m.- Garnett Community Foundation Board Meeting  
 5:30 p.m.- P.M. Yoga  
 6:30 p.m.- American Legion Bingo  
 7:00 p.m.- Alcoholics Anonymous  
 7:00 p.m.- Garnett Senior Center Board Meeting

**Wednesday, December 6**  
 1:00 p.m.- Duplicate Bridge  
 3:30 p.m.- Tinkering & Tech Grades 5th-8th  
 5:30 p.m.- Christmas on the Square  
 5:30 p.m.- ACHS Booster Club Meeting  
 5:30 p.m.- Garnett Elementary Site Council  
 6:00 p.m.- GES PTO Meeting  
 7:00 p.m.- Colony Lions Club Meeting  
 7:00 p.m.- Kincaid Lions Club Meeting

**Thursday, December 7**  
 5:30 p.m.- P.M. Yoga  
 6:00 p.m.- 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 6:30 p.m.- USD 365 Endowment Association  
 7:00 p.m.- Alcoholics Anonymous  
 7:00 p.m.- USD 365 Board of Education Meeting

**Friday, December 8**  
 4:00 p.m.- Airport Advisory Board Meeting

**Saturday, December 9**  
 5:00 p.m.- Kincaid Christmas Parade

**Monday, December 11**  
 9:00 a.m.- Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 9:30 a.m.- American Legion Auxiliary Meeting  
 12:00 p.m.- GACC Board Meeting  
 5:30 p.m.- Hot Yoga  
 5:30 p.m.- TOPS Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.- Celebrate Recovery  
 7:00 p.m.- American Legion Meeting  
 7:00 p.m.- Garnett Housing Authority Advisory Board Mtg

**Tuesday, December 12**  
 10:00 a.m.- Storytime For Preschoolers  
 12:00 p.m.- Rotary International Club Meeting  
 1:30 p.m.- Ministerial Alliance  
 5:30 p.m.- P.M. Yoga  
 6:00 p.m.- City Commission Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.- Library Board Meeting  
 6:30 p.m.- American Legion Bingo  
 7:00 p.m.- Alcoholics Anonymous

**Wednesday, December 13**  
 10:00 a.m.- Remember When Wednesday  
 1:00 p.m.- Duplicate Bridge  
 4:30 p.m.- Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.- VFW Auxiliary Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.- VFW Post 6397 Meeting  
 7:00 p.m.- Friends of the PSRT Meeting

**Thursday, December 14**  
 8:00 a.m.- Morning Mingle  
 5:30 p.m.- P.M. Yoga  
 6:00 p.m.- 13-Point Pitch & Snacks  
 7:00 p.m.- Alcoholics Anonymous  
 7:30 p.m.- Delphian Masonic Lodge No. 44 Meeting

**Sunday, December 17**  
 9:00 a.m.- VFW Breakfast

**Monday, December 18**  
 9:00 a.m.- Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 5:30 p.m.- Hot Yoga  
 5:30 p.m.- TOPS Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.- Celebrate Recovery  
 6:00 p.m.- Garnett Lions Club Mtg



Top picture, from right: Front row: Mrs. Emilee Quigley, Kindergarten teacher; Bennett Amore, Simon Sullivan, Chevy Brecheisen, Lukas May, Liam Shaffer, and Kora Harkins. Second row, from left: Markus Hunter, Traeson Collins, Camden May, Nick Kern, Breighlynn Miller, Oliver Moody, Tim Modlin. Third row, from left: Brinnley Callahan, Dylan Dozier, Kendra Jackson, Breckyn Kueser, Chisum Modlin, Brenton Moody, Colton Nelson, and Jude Carver. Back row, from left: Mia Cooley, Kylah Carey, Ben Gochenour, Aubrey Jones; Angie Wittman, volunteer, Stephanie Moore, 3rd/4th grade teacher, and Kelcee Finn, para.



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Top, right photo: Greeley students gather in the Anderson Co. Hospital lobby to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Greeley Elementary visit residents for Veteran's Day

On Friday, November 10, 2023, the students at Greeley Elementary brought their Veterans Day recognition ceremony to residents at Parkview Heights Care Center and Anderson County Residential Living Center. The ceremony began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Students and staff sang, "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and "Thank A Vet". The poem, "In Flanders Field" was recited by fourth grader, Brenton Moody and the history

of Flanders Field and the red poppy was read by Mrs. Tami Carver, fifth/sixth grade teacher at Greeley. Each resident was given a poppy before the group of students paraded the halls, waving flags and singing "You're a Grand Old Flag." The visit and program concluded in the lobby of the Anderson County Hospital. Many residents, visitors, and staff gathered to enjoy the songs and patriotism at each stop.

## Senior Center Nov. pitch results

We've had a good turnout for 13-point pitch during the month of November but can always add more players. Here are the results of those games.

November 9th: Don Smith took the top spot winning eight of 10 games; Dorothy Spencer won the least games; Glenda Stanley won the 50/50 and Wayne Stanley won the most perfect hands with three.

November 16th: Carla Ewert took the top spot winning eight of 10 games; John Walter won the least games; Paula Walter won the 50/50 and Karen Register had the most perfect hands with seven.

November 30th: Jackie Waddle took the top spot winning eight of 10 games; Pat Uhlenhake won the least games; John Walter won the 50/50 and Ray Wards had the most perfect hands with five.

Come join us promptly at six

o'clock at the Senior Center for ten games of 13-point pitch. We have a lot of fun and even more conversation.

*Jan Wards reporting.*

## Princeton 4-H club met in October & November

The Princeton Goal Busters 4-H Club met on October 9 at the Princeton Community Building.

At the October meeting we did the Project Fair. It is where you show something you want to share to the club kind of like a show and tell. We elected a new officer slate for the new 4-H year.

The Princeton Goal Busters 4-H Club met on November 13 at the Princeton Community Building. The county had an Achievement Night on October 18th. Our club acted as hosts

and we got many awards. Our club helped with the Princeton trunk or treat on Halloween.

We are serving chili at the Princeton Christmas Party on December 2nd. We are going to ring the Salvation Army bell and go angel tree shopping in December. We are also helping with the chili supper for the Richmond Library at the Princeton Community Building on December 9th. For refreshments Karlie Stinebaugh brought cookies.

*Elizabeth Meyer*

## Holiday Home Tour a success

The Friends of the Library wants to thank our homeowners that opened their homes for the tour and fundraiser. Many thanks to Wayne and Mary Hodgson, Rich and Denise Weber and Casey and Julie Smith. A big thank you to Church of the Nazarene for their beautiful music and scrip-

ture.


Thank you to the Sheryl Urquhart and the Josh and Sarah Ford family for their beautiful music performance at the library. A beautiful day for all the support we received from the community and out of towners. Many, many thanks for this great community.

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Pizza Hut advertisement for Triple Treat Box gift cards. Includes address: 405 N. Maple • Garnett, phone: 785-448-3465, and website: pizzahut.com.

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GSSB advertisement for limited time special offer. Shows interest rates of 4.56% APY for 7 month CD and 5.17% APY for 18 month CD.

D&M Mini-Barns advertisement for mini-structures. Text: 'Adorable kids play houses! Purchase a mini-structure and your receipt is worth 250 tickets in the drawing!'.

Garnett Home Center & Rental advertisement for a 2023 Great Christmas Giveaway. Lists various gift items like aprons, gloves, and holiday decorations.

6th Ave Boutique & Western Wear advertisement for gift certificates. Text: 'Let them decide... Gift Certificates always fit everybody!'.

Country Mart advertisement for holiday festivities. Text: 'Get Everything you need for your holiday festivities at Country Mart. Merry Christmas from all of us at COUNTRY MART'.

La-Z-Boy Comfort Studio advertisement for furniture. Lists various seating options like sofas, recliners, and fireplaces with sale prices.

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# Chapter Y P.E.O. tour Walker Art Collection

The Mary Bridget McAuliffe Walker Art Collection was the meeting place for members of Chapter Y P.E.O. on October 16, 2023. The collection started with seven paintings on April 19, 1951 presented by Maynard Walker in memory of his mother. Over the years more pieces of art have been added to make it "one of the most outstanding collections in Kansas".

Jean Baptiste Corot, Luigi Livonia, and John Stewart were artists of some of the original pieces. During the years since 1951 art from Thomas Hart Benton, Edouard Manet, Dale Chihuly, and Grant Wood have found a place in the local art collection. Connie Fagg was our guide during the tour and shared her experi-

ence as a child seeing paintings like Walt Kuhn's "Girl in Red Tights" hanging in the Library.

Rita Boydston, president, presided over the business meeting held in the Archer Room of the Garnett Library. Denise Weber read from Proverbs 2:7 for devotions and led members in prayer.

Nineteen members shared a time of fellowship and seasonal refreshments hosted by Michelle Miller and Becky King.

Our next meeting will be November 20 in the Archer Room with our hostesses Betts Abraham and Marilyn Benjamin. Plans are being made for the Christmas meeting.

# Chapter Y P.E.O. learned benefits of shopping locally

Val Foltz was guest speaker at the P.E.O. Chapter Y meeting held at the Garnett Public Library on October 2, 2023. Val shared the "Love What's Local" educational campaign that encourages our community to shop locally. Keeping tax dollars in our community, building unique businesses, opportunities for local high school students to work at local businesses and better service because businesses know you are all reasons to shop locally. When buying online there is no benefit to our community. She explained the different levels of sponsorship that allows for added community participa-

tion like Concerts in the Park. The Garnett Revitalization this year included the planting of overgreen bushes, sweet potato vines and petunias in the planters outside all Garnett businesses.

The business meeting was conducted by President Dorothy Miller and Denise Weber shared devotions from Proverbs 24:3-4 concluding with prayer.

Hostesses Lynda Feuerborn and Lucille Holderman served refreshments to sixteen members.

Next meeting will be held at the Garnett Public Library on October 16, 2023.

# Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild minutes for November

The Pieces and Patches Quilt Guild was called to order by President Connie Hatch on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held at Kansas State Extension Office Conference Room. There were 24 members in attendance. There was one guest, Margaret Keen. Connie introduced Phyllis Stewart, our "Doll Quilts" program presenter for today.

Minutes of the October 26th, 2023 minutes were approved as published.

Helen Norman gave the treasurer's report for November 16th, 2023.

**Committee Reports**  
 Programs: Program chair, Jeannette Gadelman reported that today's program is Doll Quilts. The January program will be on Paper Piecing, with an afternoon workshop, to be given by Terrie Gifford. December 21st, 2023 is our annual guild Christmas luncheon. Bring the following items: \$3.00, card for the secret sister reveal with optional small gift, wrapped fat quarter for a game and optional donations of male or female hygiene products such as soap, deodorant, shampoo, female hygiene items. Lunch will be provided by the committee.

**Quilter's Hugs quilts:** Ruth Theis has 6 quilts and Lori Hoyt has one. Brenda Futrell

made and donated several walker bags. Ruth will accept any donated quilts from today's program and offer them to Guest Home Estates.

**Opportunity Quilt:** The 2024 "Kansas Two-Step" quilt is quilted and Connie wants signatures in pencil on a label that she will then embroider. Connie read off the names of those who helped and got a confirmation that she wasn't missing any names. The 2025 quilt top is on the frame and there has been one 3-hour hand quilting session, 3-hours being the longest our fingers can handle. The next scheduled session is Thursday, December 7 at 9AM at Connie's.

**Member Morale:** Brenda and Lori sent out cards.

**BOM:** Joyce introduced our November block of the month project, a quilted box. However, she forgot to bring her work with her. She described it and promised to send out the instructions to the membership.

**Challenge:** Today is the day to show our finished projects that began with all participants exchanging signature blocks. The finished project could be any size you choose. The following projects were displayed: Connie Hatch- Large quilt with 16-patches on point highlighting the signature blocks; Judy Stuke - Wall hanging; Terrie

Gifford -Table runner with additional memorial signature patches; Brenda Futrell - Large quilt with a unique border; Rhonda Tiemeyer - Large and brightly colored quilt; Sharon Rich -Wall hanging; Lynn Wawrzewski - Wall hanging; Donna Sutton - Large quilt; Joyce Buckley: Large quilt with signature blocks emanating from a center Dresden plate and incorporating quarter dresden plates in the border. Connie and Lori then had us all vote for our favorite Challenge project to receive prizes. First place went to Joyce Buckley, Second place to Terrie Gifford and Third place to Brenda Futrell.

**New Business**  
 President Connie Hatch asked for volunteers to review the bylaws. Bonnie will be the chair of the committee and the review will be done sometime in January.

**Secret Sister Gifts**  
 Terrie Gifford received fabric, chocolate, an October Angel and a notepad.

**Show and Tell**  
 Jeanette led a workshop on strip quilts and there were several resulting quilts displayed by Lori Hoyt, Bonnie Deiter, Jeanette Gadelman, Sharon Rich, Judy Stuke, Brenda Futrell, Helen Norman, Connie Hatch and Terrie Gifford. Eileen Browning showed an

applique Jazz Quilt she made for her mother. Lori Hoyt showed an Irish Chain with Stars in Ukrainian colors which she is sending to Ukraine, a Big Smiley Face quilt for her eldest daughter done with the flip and stitch technique and a Quilt of Valor (QOV) with a center Eagle panel. Jeanette Gadelman showed a Star pattern table runner from a pattern she bought at Country Fabrics. Lynn Wawrzewski showed a Block of the Month leftover biscuits quilt and a gingerbread wall hanging. Marlene Cook showed a red and blue quilt she made for her grandson. Brenda Futrell showed a Christmas strip quilt with trucks and a K-state baby quilt. Connie showed her completed Triple Feathered Star and a Nurse themed quilt called "Nurses Call the Shots" for her daughter who is graduating as an RN.

The meeting was adjourned. Connie welcomed our guest speaker, Phyllis Stewart, who is a collector and maker of Doll Quilts. She brought a lot of quilts that only represent a portion of her collection. Some of the quilts are very old. They all had some amazingly tiny detail.

Minutes recorded by Terrie Gifford.

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## After strong start, Bulldogs fall to Iola

GARNETT - Anderson County couldn't have predicted a better start to their season in their home opener against Iola, jumping out to a 15-0 lead, before falling in heartbreaking fashion 43-41.

Iola was held scoreless until there was just 1:40 remaining in the first quarter and were staring at a seemingly daunting 15-0 deficit on the road.

Iola would tally the final 4 points of the first quarter and cut the deficit down to 15-4.

That would just be the start of their first half rally. In fact, after the 15 point deficit, Iola would go on a 18-3 run to knot the score at 18.

ACHS appeared to withstand the rally, scoring the final 5 points of the first half and take a little of the momentum back with a 23-18 lead at halftime.

Following intermission it was a back and forth affair the rest of the way but the Bulldogs still didn't trail at any point during the first 3 quarters.

With the game knotted at 32, senior Preston Kueser was fouled shooting a half court three-pointer at the 3rd quarter buzzer. Kueser missed 2 of 3 to keep the Bulldogs hanging onto a slim 33-32 lead heading into the fourth.

With AC still clinging to a 41-38 lead with under 3 minutes remaining, Iola got a steal and was fouled on the ensuing layup. After Iola converted the free throw, the two teams were tied at 41 which was the 4th tie of the game.

After both teams missed an opportunity to take the lead, Iola finally took their first lead



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Anderson County Bulldog senior Preston Kueser and the rest of the Bulldogs started hot in their opener on Friday before Iola mounted a double digit comeback in a 43-41 loss at home for AC.

of the night with just 30 seconds left, 43-41, which would wind up being the final score.

Obviously the Bulldogs head coach Daniel Ray is disappointed with the outcome but he also knows his team is young.

"We will have some growing pains this year as we have only one starter returning from last year, Ray stated.

Struggles at the free throw line cost the Bulldogs as they connected on just 6 of 16 attempts for (38%).

Brayden Wheat led Anderson County with 13 points. Noah Porter had 9, Eli Martin and Jack Dykes added 7 and Kueser finished the game with 5.

## Lady Bulldogs start fast in win over Iola

GARNETT - The Anderson County Lady Bulldogs started quickly and never looked back in their opening game 39-17 win over Iola.

In fact, AC matched Iola's game total in the first quarter as they jumped on top early 17-4 after the first 8 minutes.

The Lady Bulldogs scored 7 in the second and just 4 in the third quarter but limited Iola to just 3 points in each period to be on top 28-10 heading into the final quarter.

The Bulldogs picked up the pace again, scoring 11 compared to 7 for Iola to close out the win.

Both teams struggled with their shooting all night. ACHS shot just 9 of 42 (21%) from 2-point range but did knock down 6 of 12 three-pointers on the night.

Iola connected on just 5 of 39 attempts inside the arc for 11% and failed to connect on any of their 6 three-point attempts.

Caitlyn Foltz led the

Bulldogs with 13 points and was the only one in double figures. Foltz also pulled down 13 rebounds and had 4 assists.

Addie Fudge chipped in with 9 points and 6 assists. Kylie Disbrow was limited to 7 points but did have 11 blocks, 10 rebounds and 3 steals.

Also scoring for the Lady Bulldogs was Alexis Overstreet with 5, Brooklyn Kellerman with 3 and Rilyn Sommer with 2.

## SHERIFF...

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He was hired to the post of county emergency preparedness directory shortly before being elected to the Garnett City Commission last year.

McClain, a 12-year veteran of the ACSO who became undersheriff and the department's lead investigator, told the gathering he'd appreciated his time in the post but that he believed some changes were needed in the department to improve service and law enforcement in the county.

Rob Smith, another Republican presently serving as a deputy in the sheriff's department, told the Review Saturday he planned to relocate to Anderson County from his present home near Pomona and file for the office by the June 1 deadline.

"I was going to wait until probably February to make an announcement," Smith said. "But since the other two guys did I decided I'd go ahead and let people know."

Smith has 14 years in law enforcement, previously with the Elk County Sheriff's Department and City of Lyndon. He's been on the Anderson County department for 4 years and previously worked farming and driving over-the-road trucks. He's a law enforcement canine handler as well. He will have to relocate to Anderson County and file on the local voter rolls to qualify for the office.

Sheriff Vern Valentine spent 20 years in military service and moved into law enforcement in 2006 before winning three

local terms in the post. He spoke publicly after his election in 2020 that the current term would likely be his last - information which set other possible candidacies in motion.

"I am done," Valentine told the Review Friday. "I have run three terms, so I will have been sheriff for 12 years. I believe there has only been one person who has held the Office of Sheriff in Anderson County longer than I."

Local GOP members attending the meeting discussed holding a party forum at some point before the 2024 election so party members could learn more about the candidates and their positions and plans.

The official filing deadline for the office is June 1, 2024, either by gaining petition signatures or by paying a filing fee. So far no candidates have officially filed for the office.

## Crest wallops SCC to open season

LE ROY - The Crest Lancers boy's team completely overwhelmed Southern Coffey County in last week's opener on the road, winning 80-7.

Crest started fast and didn't let up until the fourth quarter, leading 22-2 after the first quarter and then went on to blank the home team in the second quarter, 21-0, for a 43-2 at intermission.

Crest scored a game high 26 points in the third quarter for a 69-5 lead heading into the fourth quarter, in which the Lancers scored just 11 points with a heavy dose of reserves in the game.

A trio of Lancers hit for double figures in scoring on

the night. Ryan Golden led the way with 14 points, connecting on 7 of 19 attempts, adding 10 rebounds and a pair of blocks.

Levi Prasko connected on just 6 of 8 shots, scoring 13 points and also adding 4 steals in the contest.

Jacob Zimmerman was 5-10 on field goals in the game, scoring 10 points and also tallying 5 steals and 4 rebounds.

In total, eleven Lancers scored on the night. Also entering the scoring column were Drake Wier and Brody Hobbs with 8 points each, Henry White scored 7, Rogan Wier had 6 and the trio of Denton Ramsey, Lane Yocham and Brayden Goodell all had 4

and Gentry McGhee chipped in with 2 points.

The Lancers had an incredible 35 steals in the game, led by Hobbs with 8 and Wier with 6. SCC turned the ball over 42 times in all, compared to just 12 turnovers for the Lancers.

Crest also won the rebound battle with a 37-14 advantage.

SCC just struggled all night handling the ball which led to very few attempts at the basket at all for the home team. They connected on just 3 of 21 shots in the entire game, which is just two more attempts than Golden had himself in the game.

## Lady Lancers kick season off with a win

LE ROY - A balanced attack by the Crest Lady Lancers led them to a season opening win over Southern Coffey County, 48-31.

The game was very much in doubt early on though as the host team jumped out to a 17-13 lead after the first quarter behind a strong opening period for junior Karley Ohl. Ohl scored 12 of her game high 20 points in the first quarter and also added 8 rebounds on the

night.

Kinley Edgerton led a rally for the Lancers in the second quarter scoring 10 of her 12 points in the quarter as Crest outscored SCC 19-4 to take a 33-21 lead into the halftime break.

Crest continued to pour it on in the third quarter with a 12-4 advantage of the next 8 minutes to lead 45-25 heading into the fourth quarter.

The pace slowed significant-

ly with SCC holding a slight 6-4 advantage over the final quarter.

Joining Edgerton to lead the team in scoring was Kaelin Nilges with 12 points.

Kayla Hermreck and Aylee Beckmon scored 10 and 9 points respectively.

Also scoring was Cursten Allen with 3 points and Brooklyn Jones tallied the only bench points on the evening with 2.

## Several Viking make All-District football

The Central Heights football team was well represented on the All-District teams that were released recently.

Making 1st Team All-District were running back Brycean Velez, a unanimous selection, offensive lineman Colton Caswell, defensive lineman Gavin Peine, linebackers Brody Roulett and Max Chrisjohn and defensive back Baker Moore.

Players earning honorable mention were wide receiver Baker Moore, offensive lineman Caden Newell and defensive back Dustin Smith.

## Offense sputters, Lady Vikings drop opener

RICHMOND - Chase County jumped up early and buried the Central Heights Lady Vikings in an early hole they just didn't have the firepower to recover from in their home opening loss 43-25.

Chase County led 17-9 after the opening quarter and 28-14 at halftime.

Chase County would go on to outscore the Vikings 20-11 in the second half as well to account for the final score.

The Vikings were led by M. Cubit as she scored 19.


Chipping in A. Ouellette with 3, S. Evans with 2 and M. Chrisjohn with 1.

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