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Local tragedy brings focus to pond safety

Boy's drowning directs attention to ways to kid-proof bodies of water

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

COLONY - The community is reeling from the tragic drowning of a five year-old boy at a rural farm pond near Colony.

Anderson County Sheriff's Department officers responded to a report of a missing child about 6:20 p.m. Sunday, March 30. Ruger Petersilie was found in a farm pond nearby. Lifesaving efforts began immediately on the scene and were continued while ambulance staffers transported him to Anderson County Hospital. After extensive efforts at the hospital, medical teams were unable to revive him.

The tragedy has placed a focus on farm pond safety in the local area where hundreds of small ponds and lakes - always magnets for kids who want to play in them or nearby - dot the countryside. The Centers for Disease Control says drownings at such water features between 2018-2022 were the second leading cause of death for children ages 5-14, and more children age 1-4 die from drowning than any other cause of death. Some 4,000 unintentional drownings deaths happen each year.

A Pennsylvania State University Extension Service article posted in July 2024 notes most drowning victims do not reside on the site where the incident occurs. Besides



Farm pond safety experts recommend flotation and retrieval line items be mounted by ponds and lakes that might be frequented by children.

strict supervision when children are around water, property owners and others should eliminate all physical hazards at a pond site where children may be present, like fencing, grading slopes for easy entrance, dragging shallow areas for dangerous objects and roping unsafe areas. Markers and signs can also be used to alert hazards, and flotation devices with rescue lines can be staged nearby.

The Penn State article details another danger to those swimming in a pond or lake: contamination from fertilizers, pesticides, or algae growth. If the water is cloudy, has a foul odor, or is covered with algae, it should not be used for swimming because of possible human pathogens like E. coli. Any pond where swimming occurs should be regularly tested for E. coli bacteria.

- If possible, install a fence with a

locked gate around the pond with the posting of NO TRESPASSING signs,

- Insert a stable yellow rescue post in close proximity to the pond's edge. Outfit the rescue post with the attachments described below.
- Obtain a nylon rope as long as the width of the pond. Secure one end of the rope to a wooden block and

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Hunt Furniture story spurs former local man's memories

Family connection to former business recalled as condemnation clock ticks

BY GARY ROCKERS SPECIAL TO THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

I was somewhat dismayed when I recently read in The Anderson County Review (March 13, 2025) that the Historic downtown building, The Hunt Furniture Store located at 511 South Oak street in downtown Garnett, was judged to be unsafe and set for condemnation. As a youth growing up in Garnett, I had many fond memories of the Hunt Furniture Building.

My father, Louis J. Rockers was the "furniture salesman" for the Hunt Furniture Store from, 1949 until April 10, 1980 (when he and my mother Evelyn Rockers were involved in a horrific car wreck that killed my mother and two other people and left Dad crippled). Dad was working at the Hunt Furniture store when he met my Mom. Mom was working at the

Drug Store across the street. They were married in 1951.

I spent many hours at the Hunt Furniture Store when I was growing up. Kenneth Crippin was the owner of the store and I remember he spent many hours in the café next door, drinking coffee. In the summertime on Saturdays, I would go down to the Hunt Furniture Store and watch the baseball "The Game of the Week", on the "color" TV at the store.

When I was older, I would help Dad deliver furniture to residences in town and in the country on

some evenings and Saturday. The Hunt furniture deliveries were such great adventures to me as a youth. We would deliver furniture to some of the most elegant "older" houses in town, deliver to new and old houses and to farm houses in the county-side.

The Hunt Furniture Store had a full basement, where dinette tables and chairs were set up on display. The old hardwood floor construction on the 1st floor had numerous sofas, recliners and sofa chairs on display. All were lined in rows for easy access and viewing. The mezzanine above the 1st floor had numerous displays



Louis J. Rockers, furniture salesman at Hunt Furniture for some three decades.



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 The former Hunt Furniture Building in downtown Garnett.

of lamps, side tables and accessories. The spacious 2nd floor had full bedroom displays with mattresses, box springs, dressers and chest of drawers arranged in order for viewing. The two large window displays were always fun to set up and organize.

I went to college at PSU and then

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Can night vision hunting solve coyote problems in Kansas? Majority support expanding it

BY CALEN MOORE KANSAS NEWS SERVICE

MEADE COUNTY, Kansas — Hours after the sun has set for the day, it's pitch black in the middle of Meade County. As David Hampton stands invisible in a southwest Kansas field scanning the landscape for coyotes, the only sounds are the crunch of dry grass underfoot and calls of coyotes in the distance.

He has a handheld night vision monocular. He also has a night vision scope on his gun. He spins in a circle quietly in the darkness waiting for coyotes to pop up.

"My dad used to drop me off when I was 10 years old in the sticks to go deer hunting," Hampton said. "One thing I am not is afraid of the dark."

Strapped around his neck he has the remote to an electronic calling device. It can mimic coyote howls or the sounds of coyote prey in distress.

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Hampton is an experienced

"Rev Dr. Kev" sentenced to 18 years as repeat sex offender

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - A repeat sex offender from Kincaid who operated a ministry for ex-convicts via social media was sentenced to 18 years in prison in Anderson County District Court Monday.

Kevin LaBelle was sentenced to 216 months on a single count of felony criminal sodomy, the result of a plea deal negotiated

with former county attorney Elizabeth Oliver before she left office in January. He was originally charged with five child sodomy counts and a marijuana charge in connection with allegations he engaged in sex acts with a 15 year-old boy and photographed the acts to possess or distribute.

Newly-seated county attorney Steve Wilson said details

in a pre-sentence evaluation of LaBelle's criminal history negated a longer sentence originally expected in the case. That report showed LaBelle with numerous forgery and theft charges in Segwick County in the early 1990s as well as a previous adjudication as a sex offender as a juvenile in 1988 for indecent liberties with a child and a subsequent

conviction in 2017 that resulted in his placement on the Kansas Sex Offender Registry.

In 2008 LaBelle won a partial appeal of his sentencing as a persistent sex offender in a 2005 conviction for sexual exploitation of a child, after arguing his juvenile adjudication was prohibited when court

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Illegal immigrant charged with assault set for June 30 trial

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - The illegal Mexican national accused of assault in Anderson County who brought the national issue of the country's open southern

border to the local doorstep has been set for trial on June 30.

Porfirio DeLa Cruz-Cantu was arraigned Monday on charges of battery, criminal restraint and mistreatment of an elderly person in connection with the

October 24 incident in which a 64-year-old bicyclist said Cantu clotheslined her while she was biking on the Prairie Spirit Trail near Scipio, knocking her from her bike before setting upon her in what she called

an attempt to sexually assault her. Cantu allegedly stuffed the woman's mouth with leaves in an attempt to muffle her screams. She escaped him by

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When trust goes bad

\$3.7 million judgment accepted in Tennessee; analysts say there are few protections in cattle business

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - With his \$3.7 million civil court judgement against a notorious cattle scammer now executable in Tennessee, Ron Ratliff wants to make it clear the series of cattle sales he made to notorious cattle scammer Bert Smith IV are separate from Ron Ratliff Cattle Buying Station still operating in Garnett.

"They're a completely separate deal," Ratliff told the Review Tuesday. "One's got nothing to do with the other whatsoever." The Review mistakenly referred to the buying station as the principal in the case in an article last week.

And though industry experts say such scams are a statistical aberration in the multi-billion U.S. cattle industry, the impacts when they happen to individual businesses can be devastating.

Ratliff said the civil judgement had been successfully "registered" or "domesticated" from Anderson County where it was rendered to Tennessee, and is now in the process of being executed against Smith, who lives in Lewisburg. The "registering" of a judgment rendered in one state to give it "teeth" in another state requires the receiving state court to authorize it and for the details to be recorded in the new state's property records, and allows it to be pursued there as it would be in the home state - with collection via garnishments, asset seizure, etc. Ratliff said an out-of-area financial institution failed to notify him promptly that Smith's checks were being returned insufficient funds, which set the scam in motion.

The \$3.7 million court judgment is in addition to 10 felony counts of theft, 6 counts of passing a worthless check and a single count of abuse of an elderly person Smith faces in Anderson County, stemming from a series of checks he wrote Ron Ratliff Cattle Company beginning in October 2022. The criminal case - totaling \$1.8 million in bad checks - falls short of the actual exposure he had to Smith's crookery, Ratliff says, upon which the civil judgement was based. Smith was arrested on an Anderson County warrant by Livestock Brand Commission agents of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry in September of last year.

Internet searches and Kansas court records are peppered with numerous similar cases involving Smith dating back decades - all the way back to 2002 according to Tim Niedecken of the American Livestock Markets and Dealers Association. In a Texas case in 2012, Smith's mother paid restitution to the Sulphur Springs Livestock Auction for 59 head of cattle valued at some \$66,000 which Smith failed to pay for after they were refused by the destination feed yard in Nebraska. Smith operated along with his father in some instances, under the names B4 Cattle Company and Rowdy Livestock LLC. Niedecken said the word-of-mouth network among cattle purchasers and buyers is about

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Ratliff

NEWS IN BRIEF

GREELEY PRESCHOOL SCREENINGS

Preschool Screenings: Monday, April 21, 2025 at Greeley Elementary School. Child must be at least 3 yrs old by 9/20/25. Screenings are for special needs and peer model students for the 2025-26 school year. Appointment is required. Call (785) 867-3460 to schedule.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

The Pottawatomie Township Ruritans are having a community breakfast on Saturday, April 12, from 7 a.m. - 9 a.m. at the Lane Community Building. Proceeds to go community service. Pancakes, biscuits & gravy, french toast, scrambled eggs & sausage patties will be served.

WALKING CLUB TO KICK OFF APRIL 9

Reminder! The Friends of the Prairie Spirit Trail Walking Club will kickoff at the Garnett Rec Center on April 9, 5:30 PM. Guest Speakers: Brian Davis, Parks & Rec Director, Jenelle Klehammer, Yoga Instructor. Health check-in stations by Anderson County Hospital.

GARNETT SENIOR CENTER EVENT

Swing into Spring! April 12th at Garnett Senior Center, 128 W. 5th Ave. Meal served at 5 p.m. - \$12 per person. Tickets available at the Senior Center or Reserve a meal ticket by contacting Cheri Peine @ 785-304-2669. 6 p.m. Odds & Ends Band will be performing a variety of music (No reservation or cost to come and listen to the music!). Come join the fun!

EASTER SERVICES

The Good Friday service will be held on April 18 from 12:10-12:50 at the Nazarene Church located at 258 W. Park Road. The Easter morning sunrise service is at 6:30am at the North Lake east shelter house on April 20. Pastor Chris Goetz from the First Christian Church will be planning the service and delivering the message. In case of inclement weather, the service will be moved to the Nazarene Church. These events are sponsored by the local Garnett Area Ministerial Alliance and everyone is invited to attend.

GARNETT SQUARE FAIR

Garnett BPW is looking for workers to help with setup and take down at Square Fair on Saturday, May 10th. Great event that needs workers and anyone needing Community Service hours. Please call Helen at 785-448-8745 to sign up or any questions.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENTS

Every Thursday their will be a cornhole tournament at the Garnett VFW, 1507 S. Elm St. It is a family friendly event open to everyone. Registration begins at 6 p.m., tournament begins at 6:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$15.

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 for information.

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the other end to a buoy. (You can make a buoy by filling a gallon milk jug with approximately one pint of water.) Hang the rope and buoy on the rescue post.

- Mount a thin, lightweight PVC to 14-ft. pole (aluminum or PVC) on the rescue post. This pole can be used as a rescue pole for floundering victims.
- Secure a sign at the rescue post that displays pond rules and emergency contact information, including information for calling 911.
- Using these pond safety tools can provide a safer space for those enjoying the pond and allow them to create a fun time without worries.

The family has planned memorial services for 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Financial donations are being accepted to assist with arrangements. Ruger's obituary can be found in today's Review on Page 3.

ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MARCH 24, 2025

Chairman Leslie McGhee called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on March 24, 2025 at the Anderson County Commission Room. Attendance: Leslie McGhee, Present: Michael Blaufuss, Present: Anthony Mersman, Present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

KNRC

Commissioner Blaufuss moved and Commissioner Mersman seconded to pay an annual due of \$5,000 to KNRC to be paid out of the courthouse general fund. All voted yes.

Zoning

Tom Young, Zoning Director, met with the commission. He presented a resolution for a zoning change. Commissioner Mersman moved and Commissioner seconded to approve resolution 2025-14 approving zone change application #ZC2025-01 (Hobert) to split off and rezone 6.64 acres from A-1 agriculture district to R-E residential estate district. All voted yes.

Road & Bridge

Ethan Lickteig, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. He presented an agreement for a tractor rental for the season. A representative from John Deere will be at the next meeting to describe the process. Ethan presented bids for a new motor grader. Bids were from Caterpillar, John Deere, and Komatsu. The Caterpillar and John Deere machines have a sealed circle and joystick the Komatsu does not. The Caterpillar bid \$368,610, John Deere bid \$350,258, Komatsu bid \$337,290.41. The sealed circle is a cost-effective product. Commissioner Mersman moved and Commissioner Blaufuss seconded to purchase a John Deere 670G motor grader for \$350,258 to be paid out of the special equipment fund. All voted yes. Cruz Gillespie entered the meeting to discuss housing a motor grader at the Colony Fire Station. The firefighters at the station do not want the grader there. After looking at the property, there isn't enough room so the commissioners will do research to find a different place to house the grader.

Rural Fire

Cruz Gillespie, Rural Fire Coordinator, met with the commission. The new compressor at the Welda Fire Station is installed and needs power ran to it then it will be functional. The Garnett Station's SEBA compressor needs replaced as well. Cruz received bids for a 6,000 psi SEBA compressor from Danko Emergency Equipment for \$17,200, MES for \$51,907, and Conrad Fire Equipment for \$32,673. Commissioner Mersman moved and Commissioner Blaufuss seconded to purchase a 6,000 psi SEBA compressor for the Garnett Fire Station from Danko Emergency Equipment for \$17,200 to be paid out of the Rural Fire Improvement fund. All voted yes. Cruz gave an update on the trainings that he has been to as well as the firefighters.

Executive Session

Commissioner Mersman moved and Commissioner Blaufuss seconded to enter into executive session for 15 minutes for attorney-client privilege. All voted yes. Commissioner; James Campbell, County Counselor; Julie Wettstein, County Clerk were present. Commissioner Mersman moved and Commissioner Blaufuss seconded to re-enter into open meeting. All voted yes. No action taken.

Adjourn

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

CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479

March 10th, 2025

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, March 10th, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Travis Church.

Roll Call

Board Members Present – Nathan Beckmon, Seth Black, Travis Church, Jamie Henderson, Kevin Nilges, Lance Ramsey and Laura Schmidt. No Board Members Absent

Others Present – Superintendent Shane Walter, Elementary Principal Stephanie Edgerton and Board Clerk Lynette Prasko.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: 7-0

Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the February 10th regular board meeting, bills in the amount of \$351,013.75, Enrollment Report and Budget Expenditure Report. Vote: 7-0

Information Items

ANW Special Education Minutes – The minutes of the February 12th, 2025 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

Superintendent/Principal Report – Mr. Walter reported the March 14th in-service will be used to make up the cancelled Professional Development. He stated the Spring Music Concert for Grades 6-12 is April 25th and spring sports have all started practices. He also discussed the Cardiac Emergency Response Plan, Capacity for Open Enrollment, and that summer school, if needed, may be offered at a different location.

Items of Business

Facility Improvements – Mr. Walter discussed school facilities and reviewed the benefits of P1 Service boiler maintenance agreement.

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to approve the agreement quoted from P1 Service, LLC for boiler maintenance in the amount of \$5,052.00. Vote: 7-0

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to approve the quote from Track Renovations, Inc. for track surveying and specifications in the amount of \$10,000.00. Vote: 7-0

It was moved by Mr. Lance Ramsey and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to approve the GMP Change Order for renovations to classrooms from Loyd Builders for the amount of \$192,444.00. Vote: 7-0

Mr. Travis Church opened the parking lot excavation/pad prep bids and the board discussed. It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to approve the quote from Jaro Excavation for parking lot pad project in the amount of \$44,625.00. Vote: 5-2 (Henderson and Beckmon abstained)

Transportation – Mr. Walter dis-

cussed the new van bids.

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to approve the quote from Lawrence Kia for the Kia Carnival LXS red van in the amount of \$37,863.99. Vote: 7-0

CPA Audit

It was moved by Mrs. Jamie Henderson and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to approve the 2023-2024 CPA audit prepared by Diehl, Banwart, Bolton, CPAs, P.A. as presented. Vote: 7-0

Snow Days/Make Up Days

Snow days/make up days and KSDE required attendance hours were reviewed by the board. It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to not add days for missed snow days. Vote: 7-0

After Prom

Mr. Walter discussed the plans for the after-prom activities being finalized by the parents. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson for the school to provide buses to go to Ottawa, Kansas and after-prom will be responsible for the drivers' expenses and fuel. Vote: 7-0

Curriculum Discussion

Mr. Walter discussed the curriculum with the board that will be kept (elementary reading/English language arts) and curriculum that may need replaced (elementary math and MS/HS English language arts).

Concurrent Credit

Mr. Walter discussed concurrent credit options relating to vo-tech programs and WorkKeys testing.

Resignations

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Seth Black to accept the resignation of Craig Frazell as MS Science Teacher. Vote: 7-0

Negotiations – Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to enter into an executive session to discuss board/teacher negotiation items pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, the open meeting was to resume in the board room at 8:21 p.m. Mr. Walter and Mrs. Prasko were invited to attend. Vote: 7-0

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 8:21 p.m. and Mr. Nathan Beckmon and Mr. Seth Black volunteered to represent the board for upcoming negotiations with Mr. Lance Ramsey as an alternate.

Personnel – Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges 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 8:40 p.m. Mr. Walter and Mrs. Edgerton were invited to attend. Vote: 7-0

At 8:40 p.m., the open meeting resumed in the board room, and it was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and

seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to extend the executive session until 8:45 p.m. with Mr. Walter and Mrs. Edgerton reentering the executive session. Vote: 7-0

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 8:45 p.m. and it was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to hire Jay Applegate as Driver Education teacher. Vote: 7-0

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Seth Black and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Vote: 7-0

ANDERSON COUNTY LAND TRANSFERS FILED

Donald J Gilbert to Sam C Gallaher and Genna Gallaher: Lot 8 blk 23 City of Garnett.

Larry R Johnson to Russell Rohr and Christy Pendleton: Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 5 in the Town of Reeve, commonly called Lone Elm, and the e/2 of block 5, less the south 85 feet thereof, in the Town of Reeve, commonly called Lone Elm.

Travis Persinger and Amy K Persinger to Amber Gilbert: The north 95' of lot 3 and the north 95 feet of the w/2 of lot 2, block 32, City of Garnett.

Gary L Minckley and Sharon K Minckley to Lester Cress and Brenda Cress: E2 ne4 ne4 9-23-19.

Gary L Minckley and Sharon K Minckley to Wayne B Minckley and Paula L Minckley: Com at swcor sw4 3-23-19, thence north on section line to north bank of Deer Creek, thence east 7 rods, thence south to half section line, thence west to pob; & com at necor se4 4-23-19, thence north 300' to large red oak tree on south bank of Deer Creek thence sw along south bank of Deer Creek 169' to burr oak tree, thence west 383' to stone on west bank of Deer Creek marked ml thence sw along west bank of Deer Creek 325' to stone on west bank of said creek marked ml; thence east 756' to pob; & also com at necor se4 4-23-19, thence south 10 1/2⁰⁰ east 32 rods 6 links to stone, thence south 79 1/2⁰⁰ west 56 rods 22 links to stone on east bank of Deer Creek, thence along said creek to stone in channel; thence 79 1/2⁰⁰ east 42 1/2 rods to half-mile corner to pob.

Janet L Blaufuss, Janet L McDougal F/K/A and Robert Leo Blaufuss to Robert Leo Blaufuss and Janet L Blaufuss: Lots 8, 9 & 10 blk 19 Mandovi Addition to City of Garnett.

Terri E Olson to Terry Olson and Casey O'Neal Hopkins: Beg at nwcor se4 25-20-19, thence east 186', thence south 224', thence west 186', thence north 224' to pob.

Tommuy L Emerson Sr and Sally M Emerson to Justin Mersman and Kayla Choate: All of lots 10, 11 & 12 blk 3 New Orchard Park Addition to City of Garnett.

ANDERSON COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSE FILED

Moriah Jordyn Brumitt, Garnett, and Blake Anthony Nunes, Garnett, filed out an application for a Marriage License.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Eric Steven Westervelt has been charged with speeding 84 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Brando Herrera has been charged with speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Charles Joseph Townsel has been charged with speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone and for driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked.

David J Hostetler has been charged with driving a vehicle without registration.

Andre Wink Tourinho has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Ivan Rodriguez has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone and for operating a motor vehicle without a valid license.

Jackson Eli Lowe has been charged with failure to wear a seatbelt.

Cameron Jessie Macias has been charged with speeding 80 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Brayden Dean Pfeffer has been charged with speeding 85 mph in a 65 mph zone.

ANDERSON COUNTY CIVIL CASES FILED

Discover Bank has filed suit against Stephen Puthoff in the amount of \$1,776.87 for unpaid credit card bill.

Millsap & Singer, LLC has filed a Petition for Mortgage Foreclosure against David Dewayne Dell Jr, Theresa M Kettler, Rural Housing Service, John Norris Foundation Specialists LLC and the unknown heirs, executors, et al in the amount of \$141,155.76 as the defendants have failed, neglected or refused to make the payments due under the note and mortgage from November 1, 2024.

ANDERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Cindy Lou Brandon has been charged with criminal threat.

Christopher McDaniel has been charged with domestic battery and criminal damage to property.

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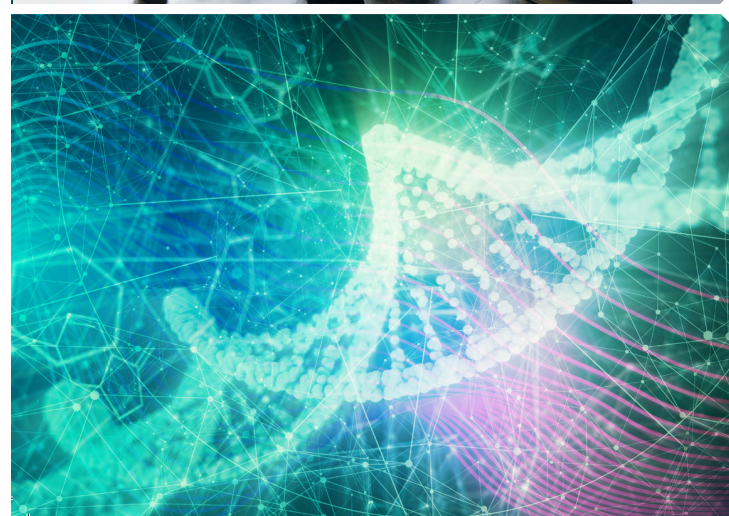
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PETERSILIE

FEBRUARY 24, 2020 — MARCH 30, 2025

Ruger Petersilie, age 5, of Kincaid, Kansas passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2025.

Ruger Arthur Wayne Petersilie was born on February 24, 2020, in Ottawa, Kansas, the son of Randy and Sarah (Gill) Petersilie. Ruger loved attending Pre-K school at Crest in Colony, Kansas. He loved all things outdoors, fishing, gardening, and riding his tractor were some of his favorite things to do. Ruger enjoyed attending church with his family at the High Point Cowboy Church. He was his dad's shadow, and he was very "gifted" at tearing things apart while helping his dad work on things. When Ruger would spend time inside, he loved



Petersilie

watching Paw Patrol. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Kenneth Petersilie and his maternal grandmother, Debbie Slavik. Ruger is survived by his parents, Randy and Sarah Petersilie, sister, Lydia, and brother, Tracy; grandmother, Karen Petersilie; and his grandfather, Rick Slavik; aunt Stephany Millington and husband, Don, and cousin, Rose; and many other family who loved him. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at the First Christian Church in Garnett, Kansas. Ruger's family will greet friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday evening at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel in Garnett, Kansas. Memorial contributions may be made to Ruger Petersilie Memorial Fund and may be made online.

DRENNAN

MARCH 28, 1943 — MARCH 26, 2025

Elmer J. Drennan, age 81, of Kincaid, Kansas passed away on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at his home, with his loved ones at his side. Elmer's family will greet friends from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Friday, April 25, 2025 at Feuerborn Family Funeral

Service, 219 S. Oak Street, Garnett, Kansas 66032. A monument will be placed in the Drennan family plot at Staggs Cemetery in Calico Rock, Arkansas and his cremated remains will be spread across his Grandma Drennan's and his Dad's graves.

MCMILLAN

OCTOBER 13, 1935 — MARCH 29, 2025

Kenneth McMillan, age 89, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Saturday, March 29, 2025, at the Anderson County Hospital in Garnett. Funeral services will be held

at 10:30 A.M., Thursday, April 3, 2025 at the First Christian Church, Garnett, Kansas. Burial will follow in the Springfield Cemetery, Garnett, Kansas.

Colony Christian Church - "Looking Forward to the Kingdom"

Brinley McGhee led worship service with the songs "I'll Fly Away," "Abide," "Be Thou My Vision" and "The Blessing." Mike and Isla Billings accompanied, with Ben and Ethan Prasko on keyboard and percussion. Darren McGhee's communion meditation was "How Bright Are You?" from 1John 1:5-10. God is light and in Him there is no darkness. A cave is dark and lonely until it is filled with light, then it is no longer dark but beautiful. It is the same with us when we walk in the light of Christ. Pastor Chase Riebel continued his resurrection series with "Looking Forward to the Kingdom" from John 18:36. Christ said His kingdom was

not of this world, we can only imagine what His Kingdom will be like. Pastor Riebel spoke about some fascinating verses that were recorded in the front of a very old German Bible inherited by Danny Mattheis. Two of the verses were Judges 19:17 and Genesis 16:8. Both were referring to situations where people were questioned about where they had come from and where they were going. Also, two interesting dates were recorded. One was May 19, 1780 when New England experienced a "Dark Day" causing some to speculate that the world was ending. The other recorded date was Nov 13, 1833. This date was another speculation on end times due to a spectacular meteor shower.

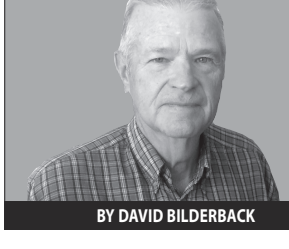
Smith wins Senior Center pitch

The 27th of March brought 16 players together for 10 games of 13-point pitch. The results of that night are as follows: Don Smith took top honors winning seven of 10 games; Karen Register won the 50/50; Glenda Stanley won the least number of games and Jan Wards had

the most perfect hands of 13 with three. Come join us on Thursdays at 6 o'clock at the Senior Center. Snacks are furnished by the players. Always room for one more. Jan Wards reporting

Trusting God is the path to faith

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

When we trust rather than worry we grow in our faith. There is a tension that exists between these two words. The behavior we exhibit when we trust in God versus when we worry about something bears the existence of this tension out. When we trust in God we enlist the help of the all knowing, ever present, all powerful God of the universe. In Psalm 56:3-4 the Psalmist says, "When I am afraid, I will trust you (God). In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I will not be afraid." Worry is nothing more than fear that the outcome of a certain event will not be in our favor. Perhaps the greatest example of trust ever exhibited was Jesus trusting that the Father would raise him from the dead. Jesus had to experience death because he had to face everything in his life that man faced. Jesus came face to face with this in Mat. 26:39, when he says to the Father, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will." Jesus was at a point where he had to choose to trust or worry. Jesus' faith was unquestioned. If we have made Jesus the Lord of our life we find it much easier to trust than to worry. If you have not made Jesus the Lord

of your life worry will follow you like a shadow. In Jesus teaching on the Sermon on the Mount he tells us in Mat. 6:27, "Who by worrying can add a single hour to his life?" Letting go of worry and replacing it with trust is not easy. But it is part of our sanctification, becoming more like Christ. If you begin to trust God with your life your faith will begin to grow. Jesus never leaves us without a path forward to him. His simple explanation of worry is this. Mat. 6:34, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Jesus here gives us an invitation to trust rather than worry. Ministry on the Holiness of God. Author of the book, "On the Other Side of the Door" Like David Bilderback

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The Prince of Darkness can't spell for squat

The devil apparently won't be in the running to win next year's Kansas State Spelling Bee, but with the scuffle that broke out at the Kansas Statehouse last Friday, he no doubt got the publicity he wanted in the face of opposition from Christian activists.

His minion's hopes were to summon darkness, but it's unclear if the devil actually heard the growling incantations from tattooed moron Michael Stewart, who attempted a "black mass" in the statehouse Friday in violation of facility rules while employing his pretty much incomprehensible '71 Buick Electra-in-need-of-a-muffler voice. No one could understand what he was saying until he got hauled off to the hoosegow, but what was abundantly clear was that he was there to mock Christianity and rub Kansans' noses in the First Amendment – plus get free publicity for his Satanic Grotto's new line of Dylan Mulvaney action figures.

Two things were apparent from the rally on the south steps of the statehouse, where the devil's dupes faced off against what appeared to be mostly Catholic counter-protesters separated by a security line: 1) Stewart's Grotto needs to invest in a decent portable P.A. system; 2) his followers need to cut back on the carbs.

And what was abundantly clear from Stewart's Facebook posts as reported in a story by The Lion was that this flunkie for the dark lord spent way more time getting his skull inked than he did paying attention to his 5th grade spelling and phonics teacher.

"Between 10 am and 2pm, we expect there to be a dominating Catholic presence of (sic) the south steps of the capitol building," it reads, per The Lion's story. "We will be counter protesting this group! this is where we want your support. Our fire and brimstone team is fierce and viscous (sic). We will make that crowd uncomfortable and we will drowned (sic) out their prayers. As a bonus we will hand out 'mini black mass' kits that be (sic) used anywhere any time! instructions included. They can stop one black mass but they cant stop us all."

Stop the black mass 'they' did. Making good on a previous declarations to the media that they'd enter the statehouse and conduct their ceremony, capitol rules be damned (pun intended), Stewart punched Wisconsin Christian activist Marcus Schroeder twice in the face after Schroeder tried to snatch Stewart's Cliff's Notes for the sinister ceremony from his hands.

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DANE HICKS, Publisher

Apparently the devil's not real strict about a commitment to memorization of the dark rites, but refuses to pony up for a teleprompter.

Channeling the dark forces of the underworld turns out to be no match for a Kansas Highway Patrolman's single leg takedown, however. Seconds after the assault on Shroeder, Stewart was sprawled on the polished granite of the statehouse rotunda under several uniformed officers, squealing a now very clear and discernible "I'm not resisting, I'm not resisting" before the gaggle of reporters and cameramen, some of whom it was clear had just soiled themselves at witnessing their first-ever actual physical confrontation, breathlessly followed cops and their prisoner down the stairs and out the visitors entry doors.

"Hail Satan!" Stewart repeated, walking in handcuffs to the paddy wagon.

Whatever, dude. Of course Schroeder did the good guys no favors in his childish assault on Stewart's personal property, rancid as it was. Whether it's snatching someone's dopey devil speech or burning their Tesla, zealots have a tendency to brandish the First Amendment and the rule of law then throw it all out when it doesn't suit them. Gotta resist the temptations of the dark side, Luke. And if you're gonna pick fights, you better learn how to block a punch.

Even though Stewart was in obvious violation of the statehouse rules (keep your protest on the steps and out of the hallways) now the poor disenfranchised pawns of evil get to be martyrs for free expression and the hypocri-

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I want to spread some awareness on a criminal moving onto West Second Street in Garnett, awareness for all parents with children that are minors.

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the soon to be renamed United States of Trump. I suggest you

set your watches back 150 years.

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When told the earth was round, Trump dismissed the statement as fake news.

I really wish they would come up with another solution for parents waiting to pick up their kids out back of the grade school. At times there are cars waiting for 30 minutes and they start parking around North Lake Road, which doesn't have any shoulders, so cars can't get out of the way. I have seen a couple of close calls with regard to accidents. It could be avoided if they would just move the barricade further up into the drive heading to the grade school. That would give cars that are waiting more room to line up. Don't wait until after an accident happens to make the change. It isn't that difficult.

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KSDE obscures achievement crisis with gobbledy words

Which of the following provides a clear understanding of student achievement in Kansas: 33% of Kansas students are below grade level in math, or 33% of students have Identified Needs?

Obviously, 'below grade level' has more meaning, so why would the Kansas Department of Education (KSDE) not use performance level descriptors that are easy to understand? The answer is that KSDE does not want parents to know that one in three students are below grade level because the public would demand change, and the adults in charge of public education resist change.

They want kids to do better, but not if it means the adults must change their behavior.

KSDE recently disclosed new performance level descriptors for the State Board of Education to approve, which seem designed to conceal complete comprehension of outcomes: Exceeds Expectations, Meets Expectations, Working Toward Expectations, and Identified Need.

Nothing else has been disclosed about the proposed performance level descriptors, but several apparent issues exist with those consciously vague labels.

"Meeting Expectations" is a meaningless label. What does KSDE mean by expectations, and are they high, low, or somewhere in between?

"Working Towards Expectations" is something less than Meeting Expectations, but to what degree? To put this in report card terms, is 70 to 80 a "C," or is the range from 50 to 80?

"Identified Need" is the most damaging to improving student achievement because it deliberately obscures the achievement crisis.

Parents want to believe all students are doing well, so saying some students have identified

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needs doesn't sound bad at all. If parents aren't alarmed by a term like "Identified Need," they are much less likely to pressure school districts for improvement – and that is precisely why it is being proposed.

A pattern of deception with performance level descriptors
When the current performance level descriptors were first introduced, Levels 2-4 were defined as being at or above grade level. There was no description for Level 1 in the adjacent graphic that KSDE shared with the Legislature in 2015, but it obviously is below grade level since everything above it is at or above grade level.

Original performance level descriptors of the current state assessment Level 2 is at grade level, but unlike the students in Levels 3 and 4, those students do not have "the academic preparation, cognitive preparation, technical skills, employability skills and civic engagement to be successful in postsecondary education, in the attainment of an industry-recognized certifica-

tion or in the workforce, without the need for remediation." Hence, students in Level 2 are at grade level but need some degree of remediation.

KSDE subsequently told the U.S. Department of Education that students in Levels 3 and 4 are proficient, and we use that label in our reporting for brevity and clarity.

As awareness grew that many students were below grade level, KSDE scrubbed 'grade level' from the descriptors. Nothing else changed; KSDE simply reworded the PLDs in a pathetically weak attempt to conceal reality. KSDE now says it is inaccurate to say any students are below grade level because the state assessment only measures grade-level performance. All students are now magically at grade level in KSDE Commissioner Randy Watson's world, but one-third have limited ability to read and do math.

In baseball terms, it's like saying everyone is a Hall of Fame hitter, even though most of them hit below .200 (one hit for every five attempts).

Be honest about the achievement crisis and fix the problem
Here's a novel idea. Instead of approving a new charade to hide the problem, the State School Board should tell Commissioner Randy Watson to present a plan to fix it with realistic, time-bound goals like going from 32% below grade level to 10% below grade level by a specific date.

The plan's first step is already identified and waiting to be implemented: require school districts to spend their At-Risk funding on students who are academically at risk of failing as required in state law (see the 2019 and 2023 state audits) or lose accreditation.

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Wu: Illegal immigrant criminals just part of the Boston family

The Mayor of Boston wants everyone to know that her city is all about the fundamentally American value of protecting lawbreakers.

Michelle Wu, a first-term Democrat, is a fierce defender of Boston's sanctuary city policies that seek to frustrate federal immigration enforcement.

She sees a direct connection between King George and President Donald Trump. The British monarch imposed the Intolerable Acts of 1774, which closed Boston Harbor and restricted self-government in Massachusetts; the president of the United States sent his border czar to arrest criminal aliens.

Separated by 250 years, these two actions both supposedly raise the question: Just how much tyranny can the Cradle of Liberty tolerate?

Wu declared in her State of the City address last week: "No one tells Boston how to take care of our own. Not kings, and not presidents who think they are kings. Boston was born facing down bullies."

It is a strange reversal of values when the government agency that wants to remove people who have broken laws is the "bully," and the people who committed the crimes are the victims.

The Boston mayor exemplifies the perverse morality of a Left that pushed Joe Biden to create a de facto open border, and then defended his cataclysmic handiwork to the last. Now, with Trump delivering on his enforcement promises and benefiting in the polls, progressives like Wu still can't give up their near-theological commitment to illegal immigration.

For much of the Left, illegal immigration isn't so much about gaining additional voters in the

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future -- although that's a consideration -- than triumphing over the artificial constraint of a border that shouldn't separate us.

"We may not always agree or see eye to eye," Wu said of her fellow Bostonians in her address, "but at the end of the day, we are a family. If you come for one of us, you will get all of us."

This is a banal sentiment that plays on natural feelings; no one is against family togetherness. But there is a distinction between a law-abiding, civically engaged member of Boston's community and someone from Honduras who crossed the southern border illegally twice, traveled to Boston because it was a cheap bus ticket, and got jailed on a drunk-driving rap.

That Wu can't tell the difference isn't a symptom of her generosity but of her ideologically besotted vision.

In a sweep intended to highlight the danger of sanctuary policies, ICE in Boston last week arrested 370 illegal aliens. More than 200 of the

arrestees reportedly had significant criminal convictions or charges, including for homicide, rape and manslaughter. Just members of the Boston family, right, Mayor Wu?

Boston's sanctuary law allows the police to cooperate with immigration authorities regarding offenders charged with offenses like sex and drug trafficking, but otherwise is meant to obstruct the deportation of illegal immigrants.

According to the Center for Immigration Studies, during the Biden years, sanctuary jurisdictions released roughly 22,000 immigrants from jail that ICE was seeking for deportation. At the very least, this makes ICE's job more difficult; at the worst, it results in entirely avoidable tragedies.

Last year in New York City, an illegal immigrant released into the country by the Biden administration in 2022 brutally raped a woman when the city refused to hand him over to ICE after a prior arrest. The New York Times headlined its story, "How a Migrant Accused of Rape Was Freed and Charged with Rape Again." And yet sanctuary supporters like Wu dare to assume a posture of great righteousness.

There is a sign that some Democrats realize their error. Asked on "This Week with George Stephanopoulos" if there's anything that he likes about Trump's second term, Senator Bernie Sanders cited the president's work at the border and acknowledged Joe Biden should have done more. In other words, Biden's abdication was too much even for the socialist.

It's Wu, though, who still speaks for much of the party, in a voice that is resolutely clueless.

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Preparing for 2025 KATP

The week of February 17-18 I spent two days preparing for participation for attending the 2025 KATP (Kansas Archeology Training Program Field School).

On Monday, 17 February, I signed my required documents for attendance and mailed them and my registration fee to the Kansas Historical Society.

All participants when registering, regardless of being a KAA member, KSHS member or a non-member, must sign a Legal Release (Liability and Photo), Attendance Agreement and the KAA Code of Ethics.

Also all participants must pay a registration fee to help cover the field school expenses. For an old man like me the fee is \$25 for nine days.

For all new or returning participants they must attend, on their first morning from 8-11:30, the Orientation and Principles of Archaeology Class.

On Tuesday, 18 February,

DIGGING UP THE PAST



Henry Roeckers
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Kay and I drove up to Lawrence for me to find a motel and make reservations for the upcoming KATP. When I looked back over the past few years attendance, I thought it was a good idea to reserve a room early. I tried several times to make reservations by phone, but to no avail, so I decided to just drive up and make them in person. Besides it gave both of us a chance to get out and enjoy a nice day together.

Respectfully submitted by:
Henry Roeckers. 24Feb2025

25 years ago - A former wilderness resort gets new life

That Was Then

Historical gleanings from past newspapers.

1870 - 155 years ago

J. R. Foster and Company, bankers, will open for business in a few days in the building formerly occupied by Mr. Monsch on Fifth Avenue. Mr. Foster is here, and just as soon as the carpenters can get the room property fixed and his safe arrives from Cincinnati, the institution will go into operation.

The editor of the Plaindealer refers to the city park as the county calf pasture.

The Fifteenth Amendment. At the city election last Monday our colored citizens for the first time took advantage of their newly acquired right to vote, and fully nine-tenths of them voted the straight "Temperance Ticket".

1870 - 155 years ago

The Plaindealer office has been moved from west Fifth Avenue to the rear room over the bank, on the corner of Fifth and Oak Streets.

1910 - 115 years ago

With this issue Miles Keeton becomes owner of half-interest of the Daily News and the Garnett Journal, having purchased Paul Kirk's share.

1915 - 110 years ago

Marshal Hempstead informs us that the hotel at the city hall is now closed. He had 538 lodgers in March.

1920 - 105 years ago

New oil wells are coming in and a number are yet to be drilled.

The new Farmers' State Bank will be located in I.G. Simmons' building on south Oak Street.

Easter Sunday was the coldest Easter in history. The snow did much good to the wheat, but the early fruit is killed and oats are damaged.

J. B Farris received a new hearse which is electrically lighted. It may safely be used at night.

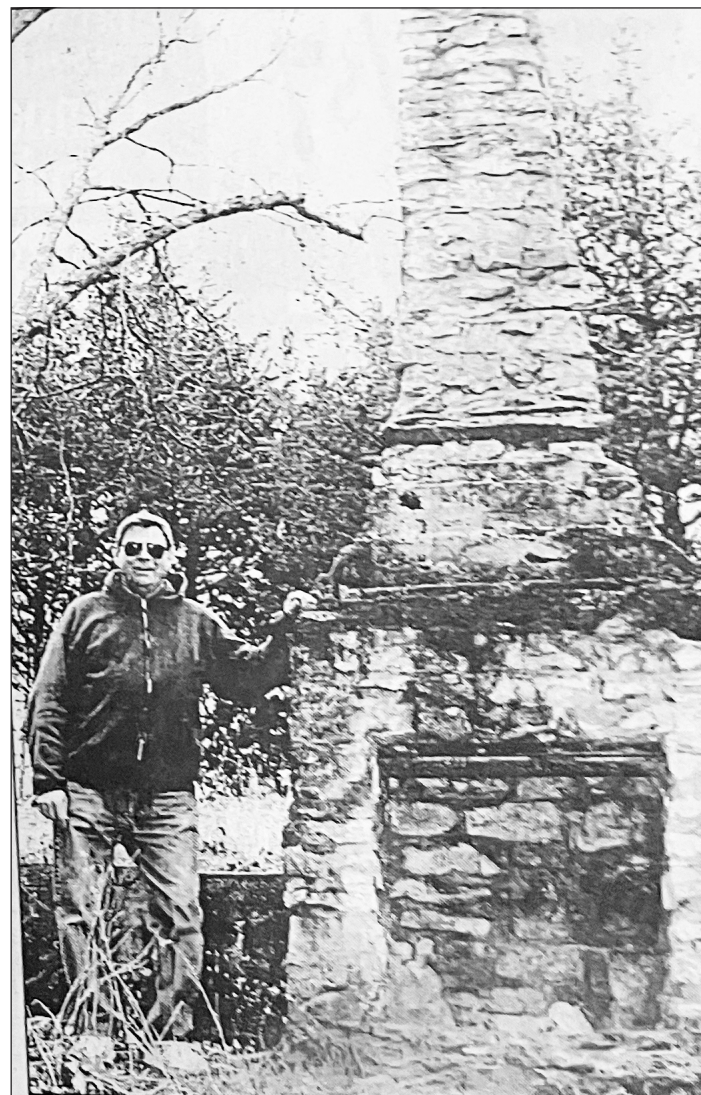
1995 - 30 years ago

Two Garnett women, Michelle Ward and Donna Robinson are planning to open a candy store at 509 S. Oak called Aunt Donna's Candy Cottage. It will feature a wide assortment of bulk candy, crafts and gifts.

Greg and Lynette McHenry, owners of Garnett Video, 115 S. Maple, have purchased Variety Video located in downtown Garnett. Both stores will remain open Lynette said. Garnett Video was originally located on the north side of the Square when it was founded by Jere White in the mid-1980s.

2000 - 25 years ago

Idylewild a wilderness resort for northern Anderson County's elite in the late 1920s and early 1930s gets a new life from owner Richard Brummel. Brummel purchased the land in 1978. Brummel's renovations efforts since his purchase have included clearing the original road paths that led to the cabins, discovering three different levels on the



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Circa 2000 - Richard Brummel stands next to a fireplace which was housed in the cabin of Idylewild's owner, Sam Weidner.

hillside that once housed two rows of cabins each. Sam Weidner was the original Idylewild owner.

Garnett Housing Authority officials are offering incentives totaling \$800 hoping to

entice new renters to sign contracts for apartments in the Park Plaza North retirement complex. At the end of March only 50 percent of the 26-unit complex is rented.

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sy of Christians who embrace the Constitution as long as it doesn't affront them. Tell it to the judge, demon spawn - we can debate that all in court, like Americans do.

The real story is the whole ordeal illustrated the benefits of good 'ole political compromise on the nearly-hallowed grounds of Kansas government. The devil and his ilk got the publicity they wanted; Christians got to counter evil and pray for the redemption of lost souls by affirming the love of the Savior - even these derelicts can be saved, after all.

The rest of us got to watch an obnoxious slab of rotting meat get his clock cleaned and plopped at least temporarily in the local slammer, and Shawnee County will probably make a little cash in fines and court costs.

See? Not such a dark day after all.

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The Pieces and Patches Quilt Guild ladies made 92 pillow cases for CASA to help with their 4 county area youth programs. Some of the material used in the pillowcases was from the fabrics given by the family of Joleata Kent, a former guild member. Pictured front row, from left: Brenda Futrell, Ruth Theis, Sharon Rich, Marlene Cook, Donna Sutton, Mary Cubit. Middle row, from left: Terrie Gifford, Janet Truelove, Lynn Wawrewski, Joyce Buckley, Margaret Keen. Back row, from left: Lynda Feuerborn, Connie Hatch, Terri Couture.

Princeton Goal Busters met in March

On March 10, 2025 president Branson Saylor of the Princeton Goal Busters called the meeting to order. The meeting was held at the Princeton Community Center on Saturday, April 19th. The Flag Salute was led by Winnie Dunbar. Roll call was taken and February minutes were read and approved. The business meeting was conducted. Treasurer's report was given by Tyler Oberly. Parliamentary Finley Herald reviewed the top five benefits of using parliamentary procedure in conducting a business meeting. Karlie Stinebaugh gave the 4-H council report. For community service the club will be helping with the Princeton com-

munity Easter event. Cheryl Connor will gather more details before the next meeting. The Egg hunt will be held at the Princeton Community Center on Saturday, April 19th. New business included voting on color for new club shirts. Green carried the vote with orders due by April 14th. The club voted to approve a donation of \$50 to the Franklin County Fair Awards fund. Max Herald gave a program on the wood working project. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held on April 14th.

Reporter: Riley Herald

Cherry Mound met on February 9

The February 9, meeting was called to order by President Chance Witherspoon. Roll Call was, "Fun fact about your parents?" Four members and one leader answered this. Secretary Myah Martin read last month's minutes, and it was approved as written. Reporter Myah Martin reported that the report was sent to the paper and already was in it. The treasurer report was given by leader Gina Witherspoon and there were

no changes to the account. Gina Witherspoon gave the leader's report. She handed out 4h Ads and reminded club Blue and Gold was due beginning of the month in March. No 4H Council report, the next meeting is March 10th. There was no new or old business. The program was turned over to Vice President Hank Newton. Program was demonstration/illustration talk given by Katherine Ludolph. She

showed the club how to make a quilt. Gina Witherspoon gave a project talk. She talked about how to make old lamps into solar lights. Recreation was by Jody Newton, we played Parliamentary Escape. The agenda for March was read by Hank and the program was turned back over to Chance. The meeting was adjourned, and refreshments were provided by the Newton Family.

Reporter Myah Martin



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Garnett Flower & Gifts had their ribbon cutting ceremony back in February celebrating their new owners. Pictured from left are: Kevin Prouty, Marcy Prouty, Allyssa King, Chance Brennan.

Workshop to promote healthy soils for garden produce, encourage safe food preservation methods

LYNDON - On May 6th, the Frontier Extension District will host KSRE specialists to discuss two important spring topics: promoting healthy garden soils to increase production and methods to preserve produce safely. The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. at the Lyndon Community Center at 205 W. 10th St. in Lyndon. Cary Rivard, director of the K-State Olathe Horticulture Center, will focus his remarks on the most important thing we manage while producing crops: soil. He is excited to share how gardeners can start from the ground up to produce greater yields of high-quality fruits and vegetables in their own backyards. Rivard currently manages research projects covering all aspects of fruit and vegetable production. One recent research project investigated using grafted tomatoes for both organic and conventional production.

To assist gardeners, Karen Blakeslee, food science specialist, will dive into research-based food preservation techniques. Blakeslee's responsibilities at K-State include coordinator of the Rapid Response Center and co-director of the Kansas Value Added Foods Lab. In these roles, Blakeslee provides extension agents with up-to-date, accurate food safety information for the public, and she also directly impacts the lives of smaller-scale producers by checking their products and labeling. It is especially important to use research-based canning methods when preserving foods at home to prevent foodborne illness. Botulism is most commonly associated with improperly canned foods and can be linked to, for example, not pressure canning low acid foods, recognizing signs of spoilage, or following research-based canning recipes. Karen will share reliable resources, as well as food preservation practices, that individuals can use to safely can and freeze foods at home.

According to the Kansas Garden Guide, the state's home gardeners produce \$20-25 million worth of vegetables each year. Whether these are consumed by the producer, donated, or shared with others, the striking number reveals how greatly home gardeners impact the economy and overall health and nutrition. However, nationwide, 80.6 million tons of food is wasted every year, and about 20% of that waste is produce. By learning how to preserve food safely, home food preservationists can help reduce this waste and make the most of the hard work of gardening. Whether you are already producing fruits and vegetables and successfully preserving them or have never cared for a plant and don't know where to start when canning or freezing, join us! It will be an evening to dive into production and preservation, learn something new, and ask questions of incredible specialists who are excited to share their extensive knowledge with you.

Mark your calendars: 4:00 pm on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at the Lyndon Community Center. For questions or to pre-register, contact Chelsea Richmond in the Frontier Extension District Garnett office at 785-448-6826.

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CANTU...

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kicking herself down the trail embankment and running to a nearby house for help. If found guilty and not sentenced to incarceration, Cantu is expected to be deported due to a "hold" placed on his case by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, which will also

take custody of him if he is exonerated of the charges and released. Cantu is a non-English speaker and requires an interpreter for court proceedings. The case brought a local angle on one of the most compelling issues that resulted in the election of President Donald Trump in the November 2024. Advanced border enforcement,

apprehensions of illegal aliens and mass deportation efforts, often opposed by members of the federal judiciary "judge shopped" by opponent special interests, have drastically reduced border crossings. ABC News recently quoted U.S. Border Patrol as saying southwest border apprehensions had dropped 85 percent from Jan. 21 through Jan. 31 of this year.

LABELL...

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included them in considering extending his sentence on a separate 1991 exploitation conviction. He claimed a pastoral degree

and marketed himself as "The Rev Dr. Kev" on social media, ministering to formerly incarcerated individuals seeking help readjusting to the outside world after serving their sentences, although

the Kansas City-area seminary correspondence school he attended said he never earned his degree because he didn't return course materials per agreement with the school.

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- Thursday, April 3, 2025**
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - 13 Point Pitch & Snacks at Garnett Senior Center
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Friday, April 4, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Saturday, April 5, 2025**
 Spring City Wide Garage Sales
 6:00 p.m. - Spring Demolition Derby
- Monday, April 7, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle
- Tuesday, April 8, 2025**
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime For Preschoolers
 12:00 p.m. - GACC Board Meeting
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - City Commission Mtg
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
 7:00 p.m. - Garnett Optimist Club
- Wednesday, April 9, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga
 10:00 a.m. - Remember When
 Wednesday - Garnett Library
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge
 4:30 p.m. - Tourism Advisory Committee
 5:30 p.m. - Walking Club @ Rec Center
 6:00 p.m. - Friends of the PSRT
 6:30 p.m. - Awana
- Thursday, April 10, 2025**
 2:00 p.m. - Classic Matinee Movie Day - Garnett Public Library
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - 13 Point Pitch & Snacks at Garnett Senior Center
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Friday, April 11, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Saturday, April 12, 2025**
 7:00 a.m. - Pottawatomie Breakfast - Lane Community Building
 10:00 a.m. - Egg Drop at Garnett Airport
 5:00 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center Spring Event
- Monday, April 14, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle
 6:00 p.m. - Library Board Meeting
- Tuesday, April 15, 2025**
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime For Preschoolers
 3:00 p.m. - Bricks & Books - Grades 3-8 @ Garnett Public Library
 5:00 p.m. - ADCA Advisory Board
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - City Commission Mtg
 6:00 p.m. - Planning Commission
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Wednesday, April 16, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga
 10:00 a.m. - Remember When
 Wednesday - Garnett Library
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge
 6:30 p.m. - Awana
- Thursday, April 17, 2025**
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:00 p.m. - 13 Point Pitch & Snacks at Garnett Senior Center
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Friday, April 18, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Monday, April 21, 2025**
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle



Rick Feuerborn and Roger Montgomery were honored at a retirement party on Thursday, March 27th as they have devoted so many years to local fire services. Roger has served on Garnett and Garnett rural for 45 years. Rick has served on Garnett and Garnett rural for 30 years.

Presentation exploring letter writing through the years coming April 12

Four Winds Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will host Celia Daniels for an in person presentation and discussion of "You've Got Mail: Exploring Letter-Writing Through Time," on Saturday, April 12, 2025 at the Garnett Public Library, 125 W 4th Ave. at 10:30 a.m.

Members of the community are invited to attend this free

program! For more information contact Donna Roberts, 913-271-4230 or droberts398@gmail.com. The program is made possible by Humanities Kansas.

At one time, daily letter-writing bound us together. Today, emails, texts, and social media messages challenge this time-honored tradition. This talk weaves together a

historical look at letter-writing from the pharaohs of Ancient Egypt and historical figures like Abigail Adams and Jane Austen to the intimate, everyday shared experiences between sweethearts, friends, and family members. Is letter-writing a tradition lost? Or will a renewed interest take hold again?

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Richmond Community Museum to host presentation exploring the history of baseball in Kansas

The Richmond Community Museum will have a double-header when it has a program about The Kansas City Monarchs and opens more display space called the School Room on Sunday, April 13th, at 2 p.m. All are invited to hear Phil S. Dixon, baseball historian and author, talk about the Kansas City Monarchs and America's National Pastime. The program is made possible by Humanities Kansas.

The K. C. Monarchs barnstormed across the area playing more than 400 games against local teams between 1920 and 1957. Dixon will talk about a local connection as he describes the Monarchs team and its record. In 2020 the Negro Leagues and Major League Baseball merged statistics of the two groups which revealed many interesting sto-

ries. As one of the co-founders of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City and author of nine books about baseball, Dixon is the ultimate voice to tell the Monarchs' story.

The Museum's new space is small but will include materials about schools through the years including a limited number of items from Central Heights for the first time.

Humanities Kansas is an independent nonprofit leading with ideas to empower and strengthen people and their communities. Its goal is to inspire Kansans to learn from history and other topics to enrich their lives.

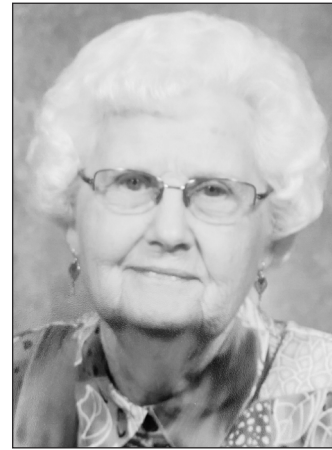
The Museum will open at 1 p.m. so visitors can browse the displays, especially the new School Room. Though this is a small museum, there are numerous special and unique items.

Go to the Museum's Facebook page for more information and to read great stories posted by Dennis Peters.



Dixon

Hicks 105th birthday



Doris Hicks is turning 105 years young! She was born April 16, 1920 on a farm 5 miles southwest of Richmond to Valentine and Johanna (Hastert) Bures. She was the 11th of 13 children.

Doris attended a 1-room rural school called Junction.

She was married to Fred P Hicks Jr 1940-1983 and blessed with two children, James Hicks and Marcia Meury. She was then married to Floyd Williams 1991-2005.

Doris was a wonderful cook and made many meals for harvest workers. She always took pride in her large vegetable

and flower gardens.

She loved fishing, playing cards, and travel. Branson was a yearly trip but she also visited Europe, Singapore, and Australia.

Doris had been very active in the community including Adult leader for Lucky 13 4-H club, VFW, Altar Society at Holy Angels, county extension, Junction Ladies club, and the Senior Center.

A birthday card shower would be greatly appreciated.

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STORE...

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moved to Texas in the 1970's. However, when I periodically returned home over the years, I would always make it a point to drive by the Hunt Furniture Store and show my wife and sons the building where my Dad worked for so many years and where I

spent time as a youth. I still hold the hope that an entrepreneur will come forward and save/renovate the Hunt Furniture Building.

- Gary Rockers is a Review subscriber living in Burleson, Texas.

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General notice to control noxious weeds

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, March 20, 2025.)

GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS

The Kansas Noxious Weed Law K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq requires all persons who own or supervise land in Kansas to control and eradicate all weeds declared noxious by legislative action. The weeds declared noxious are: field bindweed, musk thistle, Johnson grass, bur ragweed, Canada thistle, sericea lespedeza, leafy spurge, hoary cress, quack grass, Russian knapweed, kudzu and pignut are County Option Noxious Weed/Weeds declared noxious by the Board of County commissioners of Anderson County. Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to every person who owns or supervises land in Anderson County that noxious weeds growing or found on such land shall be controlled and eradicated. Control is defined as preventing the production of viable seed and the vegetative spread of the plant.

of the noxious weeds within a minimum of five days. Failure to control the noxious weeds within the time period allowed may result in the county treating the noxious weeds at the landowners expense and placing a lien of the property if the bill is not paid within 30 days or, 2. Filing criminal charges for non-compliance. Conviction for non compliance may result in a fine of \$100 per day of non-compliance with a maximum fine of \$1500.

The public is also hereby notified that it is a violation of the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to barter, sell or give away infested nursery stock or livestock feed unless the feed is fed on the farm where grown or sold to a commercial processor that will destroy the viability of the noxious weed seed. Custom harvesting machines must be labeled with a label provided by the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture and must be free of all weed seed and litter when entering the State and when leaving a field infested with noxious weeds. Additional information may be obtained from the Anderson County Weed Department or by contacting the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture, 109 SW 9th, Topeka, KS 66612.

Failure to observe this notice may result in the County:

1. Serving a legal notice requiring control

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City of Garnett summary of ordinance defining term "trucks"

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, April 3, 2025.)

CITY ATTORNEY'S SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE #4273

On March 25, 2025, the governing body of the City of Garnett Kansas, passed Ordinance #4273 amending Chapter 14, Article 6, Section 14-602 of the Municipal Code of Garnett, Kansas (Ed. Of 2023), defining the term "trucks"; repealing existing chapter, article and section of the Municipal Code.

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.

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Notice of filing application to commence injection of saltwater

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, April 3, 2025.)

Before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas

NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomever concerned.

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ALL persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

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Notice of hearing for name change

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, March 20, 2025)

IN THE 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Robbin Christine Warren

To Change Her Name to: Robbin Christine Lomberk

Case No. AN-2025-CV-000006

PURSUANT TO K.S.A. CHAPTER 60

NOTICE OF HEARING – PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that Robbin Christine Warren, filed a Petition in the above court on the 13th day of February, 2025, requesting a

judgment and order changing her name from Robbin Christine Warren to Robbin Christine Lomberk.

The petition will be heard in Anderson County District Court, 100 E. 4th Ave, #2, Garnett, Kansas on the 14th day of April, 2025, at 11:45 a.m.

If you have any objection to the requested name change, you are required to file a responsive pleading on or before April 14, 2025 in this court or appear at the hearing and object to the requested name change. If you fail to act, judgment and order will be entered upon the Petition as required by Petitioner.

Robbin Christine Warren
Petitioner, Pro Se
Robbin Christine Warren
227 East 3rd Ave.
Garnett, KS 66032
816-780-7285

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Notice of suit - Skinner

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, April 3, 2025.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Dominic J. Skinner; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Dominic J. Skinner; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant),
Defendants.

Case No. AN-2025-CV-000004

Court Number:

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

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Kansas, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the East line of Mary Street intersects with the 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 the true point of beginning of the 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 the 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 the true point of beginning, commonly known as 113 S Mary, Greeley, KS 66033 (the "Property")

and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 14th day of May, 2025, in the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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Notice of sale - Skaggs Estate

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, March 27, 2025.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS Probate Division

In the Matter of the Estate of James Howard Skaggs, Sr., Deceased (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. AN 23 PR 19

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are notified that James H. Skaggs, Jr., Administrator of the above entitled Estate, will offer for sale through an online public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate situated in Anderson County, Kansas:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Section Three (3), Township Twenty-three (23) South, Range Twenty-one (21) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas,

thence West 450 feet, thence South 968 feet, thence East 450 feet, thence North 968 feet to the place of beginning.

Bidding will begin on April 21, 2025 and close beginning on May 6, 2025. Interested parties must register at Bid.genkc.com and meet all requirements for bidding. Detailed terms and instructions for qualifying, viewing the property, and bidding are available online or interested parties may call Kevin Borger, Agent/Auctioneer at Generations Real Estate, at 913.940.5494. All parties should take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

/s/James H. Skaggs, Jr.
Administrator

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Notice to creditors - Poss Estate

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, March 27, 2025.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEPHEN C. POSS, DECEASED

Case No. AN-2025-PR-000003

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

The State Of Kansas To All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on March 4, 2025, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Emily R. Benedict, as the Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Stephen C. Poss, deceased, praying that

the Last Will and Testament filed with the Petition be admitted to probate and record, that Emily R. Benedict be appointed as Executor, without bond, and that she be granted Letters Testamentary.

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

Emily R. Benedict, Petitioner

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Notice of hearing - Beachy Estate

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, April 3, 2025.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of MARTHA BEACHY, Deceased.
Case #AN-2025-PR-000004

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Viola Beachy, named in decedent's last will and testament as executor, said will being dated August 21, 2024, praying that the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; that petitioner be appointed executor without bond and petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary.

said petition on or before April 30, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the district court in Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas, at which time and place cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, in due course upon the said petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the above-captioned estate within the later of either (i) four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law or (ii) thirty days after actual notice was given as provided by law to those creditors whose identity is known or reasonably ascertainable; and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

VIOLA BEACHY
Petitioner

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The Battle for Moral Truth - Speaking Truth by Clint Decker

CLAY CENTER – A university student once listened to his professor give an unplanned lecture on why God does not exist, then afterwards he asked the students to write a paper on the question, "Does God exist?" The Christian student felt if he wrote a dissenting viewpoint, it could cost him a good grade.

An employee was working late one night when he witnessed his manager swipe some cash from the company safe. The manager spotted him, then instructed him to keep quiet about it. The next morning when the owner discovered the cash was missing, he told employees to come forward with any information. The employee wrestled with what to do, feeling he could not betray his boss who had been so good to him.

A young woman was asked out for a date by a charming and handsome young man. As the evening progressed, she felt such a connection with him, feeling like he was the perfect guy. While they were having conversation during dinner though, she noticed how he asked their server for his third beer. She knew about the dangers of alcohol all too well, as she had dealt with alcohol abuse in her family.

A pastor was once asked to share a message on what the Bible says about abortion. However, he knew there were at least two women in the congregation who had abortions and was concerned how they might feel about such a message.

The battle for moral truth is a war zone, and it becomes intensified when the truth conflicts with our feelings for others. The battles are fact versus feeling, reality versus idealism and truth versus lies. These struggles are the grounds for building a life of courage or ruining a life because of cowardice.

Jesus is our prime example for learning how to courageously stand for truth under fire.

Once some religious leaders approached Jesus to ask Him an accusatory question, "Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They don't wash their hands before they eat!" (Matthew 15:2) To which Jesus immediately turned the tables and asked them, "And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition?" (Matt. 15:3) It was more of a rhetorical question, as Jesus did not give them an opportunity to answer.

Instead, He publicly charged them in a bold rebuke saying, "...you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition. You hypocrites!" (Matt. 15:6,7)

It was such a startling and concerning exchange that the disciples approached Jesus privately and asked, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this?" (Matt. 15:12) How did Jesus respond to the concerns of His disciples? He did not back down or apologize at all. Rather he stated, "Leave them; they are blind guides." (Matt. 15:14)

The charge the disciples made toward Jesus was serious. They were saying He was being a spiritual stumbling block to the religious leader's relationship with God. Their question revealed how they had a greater concern for the Pharisees than for the truth of Jesus. This is the problem with our culture. We have equated feelings to the same level as truth, and if the truth is offensive to others we might go so far as to reinterpret the Bible to our liking, or just ignore it all together.

When we are not honest with

people and dance around the truth, it is the greatest disservice we could ever do toward someone. Even though we may have avoided conflict, we have put their life and soul in jeopardy.

Conversely, when we speak the truth, it is the most kind, gracious, humble, loving and compassionate thing you could ever do for someone in the eyes of God, regardless of their response and regardless of what happens to you.

Jesus once said, "Blessed is the one who is not offended by me." (Luke 7:23)

A prayer for you – Lord God, I pray you will help us to be more concerned about the souls of others, than the feelings of others. Help us to never fear speaking your holy truth. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Clint Decker is President of Great Awakenings. Please share your comment at cdecker@greatawakenings.org and follow his blog at clintdecker.blogspot.com.



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April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month: Keep your eyes on the road

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and the Kansas Department of Transportation reminds drivers to stay focused, ditch the distractions and just drive.

Distractions come in many forms. Visual distractions take the driver's eyes off the road, cognitive distractions take the driver's mind off driving and manual distractions take the driver's hands off the wheel.

Distracted driving can be dangerous. Preliminary 2024 Kansas data shows that 70 people were killed and more than 350 people were injured in crashes involving distracted driving.

"Distractions affect your ability to focus on driving," said KDOT Behavioral Safety Manager Gary Herman. "Activities such as eating, applying makeup, reaching for objects, looking at scenery, daydreaming and quite often, texting, take your attention off the road and put the

lives of other motorists, your passengers and you at risk for injury or death."

Drivers are encouraged to develop safe driving habits and always:

- Put the phone away and out of reach
 - Activate the phone's "Do Not Disturb" feature
 - Have passengers handle navigation, texting or phone calls
 - Pull over to a safe location off of the roadway to make a call, adjust the radio or do other things that take your hands off the wheel and your eyes off the road
 - Don't text or call someone you know is driving, it can wait
- Passengers are encouraged to speak up if the driver is not paying attention and to avoid riding with that driver in the future. It's important everyone takes charge of their safety whenever possible, Herman said.

Statehouse reporting budget for Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Discount Hunting Licenses

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources passed House Bill 2028, which would require the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks to offer a discounted hunting and fishing license to Kansas residents who are 65 years old or older. The bill would also remove the expiration date for Kansas kids' lifetime hunting and fishing licenses.

School Property

Senate Sub for House Bill 2164, a substitute for the former Senate Bill 288 restricting registered sex offenders from being on school property and at school activities, was adopted by the Senate last week as

part of a conference committee report.

Immigration Rhetoric

The term "illegal alien" has controversially dominated immigration conversations since President Donald Trump issued emergency action on immigration upon entering office. The Trump administration's efforts to restrict immigration has shaped immigration sentiment on the local, state and national levels, including in Kansas. The state has seen multiple proposed immigration laws circulating in the Legislature this session, sparking concern amount constituents on the bills' dehumanizing language.

Community National Bank & Trust announces merger

Community National Bank & Trust announces the merger of Prairie Bank of Kansas and Farmer National Bancshares, Inc. with Community National and Community Bancorp, Inc.

"We look forward to working with the excellent management team, officers, staff and fine customers at Prairie Bank of Kansas. We believe that combining the resources of these two strong and well-respected Community Banks will ensure an excellent commitment to the great communities that Prairie Bank of Kansas has serviced so well for over 135 years," said Dan Mildfelt, President, CEO and Chairman of Community National Bank & Trust, Chanute, Kansas.

James Richardson, CEO of Prairie Bank of Kansas, and Dan Mildfelt, have signed an agreement whereby Community Bancorp, Inc. will acquire all the stock of Farmers National Bancshares, Inc. and thereby acquire Prairie Bank of Kansas, which will be merged into Community National Bank & Trust. The acquisition is expected to be completed early in the third quarter of 2025 and is subject to regulatory approval.

Prairie Bank of Kansas is headquartered in Stafford, Kansas with branch offices in Buhler, Inman and Hutchinson, Kansas. Prairie Bank of Kansas was established in 1886, became a national bank in 1909, and then in 2013 became a state-chartered bank. Prairie Bank of Kansas

(f/k/a Farmers National Bank) acquired Buhler State Bank in 1993, United Bank of Inman in 1997 and opened a branch in Hutchinson in 2009. Prairie Bank of Kansas expects to complete the second quarter of 2025 with total assets exceeding \$135 million and loans exceeding \$83 million.

James Richardson, CEO of Prairie Bank, stated, "Both banks are excited about the acquisition. Prairie Bank is pleased to associate with a bank that is very community oriented and will continue to provide that one-on-one service to which our customers are accustomed."

In recent years, the Comptroller of the Currency's Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) examination reflects an "Outstanding Rating" in Community Development. "We look forward to merging with Prairie Bank of Kansas and continuing to provide exceptional banking service to each community," said Dan Mildfelt. Community National Bank & Trust offers a wide array of unique checking account products, internet and mobile banking, commercial treasury management, diversified lending in residential, agriculture, commercial, consumer, leasing and Trust / Brokerage to meet all of your financial needs. Community National Bank & Trust is a \$2.2 Billion asset Community Bank with local ownership in 42 banking locations in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.

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Saturday, April 5th - 8am-5pm. Nice women's clothing L-XXL, size 10 shoes, coats, furniture, some antiques, dog crate, mattress, ceiling fans, 15cf chest freezer, kitchen, bath linens, luggage, new toilet, bi-fold door, CD's, much misc. 238 N. Pine. ap3t1*

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April 5th - 8am-2pm. 68 Leewood Lane, little bit of this and a little bit of that. Setter. ap3t1*
Bauman's Carpet and Furniture - 805 North Maple. ap3t1*
Huge Sale!!! 521 West 3rd Ave., adult and kids/toddler clothes, wall art, home furnishings, hardware, fishing, toys, lots and lots more stuff!! ap3t1*

GARAGE SALES

506 West 6th Ave. - Friday & Saturday, 8-2. ap3t1*

107 South Grant, Rues - Saturday 8-1. Mens/womens clothing, shoes, kitchen items, hutch, elliptical, home decor, clothes XS-XL, jewelry and boxes of baseball cards. ap3t1*
Saturday, April 5th - 8am, 124 South Cleveland. New 12x15 area rug, coffee table, lamp, Fiesta dishes, glassware, fancy work large mirror, wall pictures, 2 tv's, tools, etc. ap3t1*

128 West 3rd - Saturday & Sunday 9am-7. 1974 Honda CB360 custom Bobber. misc., X-Box 360 and games, household. ap3t1*
Multi-family - garage sale, 1004 Park Road. Friday noon-6 and Saturday 8-1. Furniture, toys, clothes, home decor, something for everyone. Foltz, Ratliff, Parks. ap3t1*

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523 West 4th - Saturday, 8-4. Toddler, women's clothes, toys, kitchen items, powertools, household goods and custom pet items. Items starting at 50¢. ap3t1*
52 Lakeshore Drive - Multi-family, Saturday 7:30am-noon. Household items, mens, womens, kids clothes, toys, furniture and more. ap3t1*

GARAGE SALES

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Saturday, April 5th - 145 East 3rd Ave., 8am-?Heinz collectibles, camper, leathers, portable AC, fishing poles, Pokemon cards, odds and ends. ap3t1*

110 North Cleveland - April 5, 7-? Vintage items, clothes, Christmas and home decor, lots of misc stuff! ap3t1*

Saturday, April 5th - 344 East 4th Ave., lots of baby stuff. ap3t1*
Huge Sale - 311 East 6th Avenue. Lots of furniture, misc., massage chair, sailboard, outdoor lights, clothes, dog crates, Jeep, tools, TV. ap3t1*
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GARAGE SALES

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Viking boys finish runner-ups at Uniontown Invite

UNIONTOWN - Coach Troy Prosser's track & field team kicks off 2025 with 6 simple words from their coach, "And we're off to the races!" he stated.

According to their coach, the Vikings season couldn't have started much better.

"We took to Uniontown and had some incredible performances to start the season on a perfect spring day," Coach Prosser stated.

Twenty-three personal records were set and we also had 17 season best efforts.

Max Chrisjohn led the way in the field events with medals in the discus and shot put, where he had a huge PR by four feet, and seven of the eight entries also set all-time bests. Senior Paige Powell set two new personal marks for the girls throwers.

In the running events, we have several new and familiar faces on the high school team.

Without their full complement of runners on the boy's side, Aidan Howland, Jotham Meyer, Cash Miller, Josiah Meyer and Ben Wuertz led a charge in everything from the 400m up while Aydan and Mathew Dunbar took over in the sprints. Not to be outdone by her brothers, Arabella Dunbar stormed through the

200 meter run and set two personal bests on the day while Lily Burkdoll took down some of the best talent in the State for small classifications in both the 800m and 1600m.

Both girls and boys 4x800 relays completed the sweep and the girls are already sitting right at their State qualifying time from a year ago. Next up is the Shawnee Mission South Relays where our top runners will compete against many of the best from the KC Metro area and the entire State of Kansas.

BOYS RESULTS

100m
3rd - Aydan Dunbar (12.22)
4th - Mathew Dunbar (12.40)
9th - Matthew Wilt (12.95)

200m
2nd - Aydan Dunbar (25.05)
7th - Mathew Dunbar (25.89)

400m
1st - Aidan Howland (59.33)
11th - Graham Higbie (1:13.53)

800m
1st - Jotham Meyer (2:19.18)
3rd - Ben Wuertz (2:24.48)
5th - Cash Miller (2:30.79)

1600m
1st - Josiah Meyer (5:07.83)
4th - Ben Wuertz (5:28.52)
9th - Russell Reed (5:48.57)

3200m
1st - Jotham Meyer (11:03.59)
5th - Cash Miller (11:57.71)

4x800 Relay

1st - A. Howland, J. Meyer, C. Miller, J. Meyer (9:21.87)

Discus

3rd - Max Chrisjohn (102-05)
9th - Ethan Rhoades (93-05)
13th - Riley Sprinkle (84-07)

Javelin

17th - Riley Sprinkle (87-04)
29th - Drake Holst (49-8.50)

Shot Put

2nd - Max Chrisjohn (37-10)
8th - Ethan Rhoades (34-06)
17th - Graham Higbie (30-4.50)

GIRLS RESULTS

100m

6th - Arabella Dunbar (14.25)
16th - Maya Acebron (15.44)

200m

2nd - Arabella Dunbar (30.40)
4th - Ebony Hughes (30.66)

400m

2nd - Ebony Hughes (1:10.42)

800m

1st - Lily Burkdoll (2:41.64)
4th - Caitlynn Detwiler (3:02.29)

1600m

1st - Lily Burkdoll (6:02.32)

4x800 Relay

1st - E. Hughes, L. Burkdoll, C. Detwiler, M. Acebron (11:25.41)

Discus

15th - Ava Bergen (54-07)
17th - Hannah Matile (50-08)
24th - Paige Powell (37-05)

Javelin

15th - Ava Bergen (55-00)

16th - Paige Powell (50-04)

Shot Put

19th - Hannah Matile (20-06)
25th - Ava Bergen (17-05)

RECORDS...

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Nicholas Robert Barlow has been charged with endangering a child, criminal restraint, driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol; 2nd conviction, driving while suspended, intimidation of witness or victim and domestic battery.

ANDERSON COUNTY INCIDENT REPORTS

Gina Schaffer was the victim of theft of a green Great Plains Drill valued at \$10,000.

ANDERSON COUNTY ACCIDENT REPORTS

On March 14, a vehicle driven by Jonathan Lee Burkdoll, Garnett, was exiting the parking lot of 7th Street Grocery on NW 1700 Road when he failed to notice a vehicle being driven by Ian Comfort, St. Francis, Minnesota, and drove into the passenger side of the vehicle causing the rear of the vehicle to strike a third vehicle driven by Rose Mary Ellis, Westphalia.

ANDERSON COUNTY ARRESTS FILED

On March 13, Scott Eugene Black, Kincaid, was arrested for two counts of aggravated indecent liberties w/ child and contribute to child misconduct.

On March 13, Mason L Offutt, Topeka, was arrested for a probation violation.

HUNTERS...

FROM PAGE 1

life out here and newborn calves are an easy target," Zerr said. "This is my livelihood. I can't lose money on predators if I can help it."

A cattle rancher could lose \$750 to \$1000 per newborn calf to coyotes, and that can be a big impact on ranchers with smaller herds.

This has led the state to advocate for hunting to control their populations. And hunters see even more success at night.

"At night I had some hunters turn on their callers near my cattle and seven coyotes came running," Zerr said. "You don't really see that during the day."

To try and give hunters an upper hand, Kansas allows night vision and thermal vision that helps hunters see coyotes before being spotted by the animals. This equipment is expensive. Getting started could cost hunters thousands of dollars.

Hunters also need a night vision equipment permit which costs \$2.50.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife held meetings around the state last month to gather opinions on the night season.

From the rancher's perspective, coyotes are pest animals that threaten their livelihoods.

Andrew Enfield, a hunter from Norton, Kansas, spoke in favor of expanding the night season to control predators during the late spring when newborn calves are vulnerable.

"I have several landowners, cattle farmers, that call myself and others when they are calving and having issues with coyotes," Enfield said.

Enfield would like to see the night season expanded further into the spring to help better protect livestock herds. Others want it expanded year-round.

Geoff Nemnich is a professional coyote hunter in the Midwest. He hosts a Youtube series called "The Last Stand" where he teaches hunting tips.

"At night, there's less traffic, less people out so the coyotes move around a lot more," Nemnich said. "As a hunter, you can usually have a little more success, because the coyotes are just naturally up running around."

On March 14, Jessica Michelle Stephenson, Denver, Colorado, was booked as a hold for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office as she was arrested for criminal trespass.

On March 14, Joshua Allen Strutton, Garnett, was arrested for possession of drugs and a DUI.

On March 16, Ashton Gene Wallace, Colony, was arrested for battery of a law enforcement officer, DUI; 3rd conviction in less than 10 years, duty of driver to report accident to unattended vehicle and reckless driving.

On March 19, Cornelius Terrell Jeffers, Houston, Texas, was arrested for burglary, criminal damage to property and two counts of theft of property/services.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER (as of March 5, 2025)

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

Kevin Labelle was booked into jail on April 25, 2024.

Jason Boothe was booked into jail on June 26, 2024.

William Vandenberg was booked into jail on July 25, 2024.

Porfirio De La Cruz-Cantu was booked into jail on October 10, 2024.

Erika Bond was booked into jail on October 31, 2024.

Korine Hollon was booked into jail on December 17, 2024.

Kanden Robb was booked into jail on January 1, 2025.

Tyler Hoke was booked into jail on

February 20, 2025.

Shawn Weers was booked into jail on February 20, 2025.

Lily Johnson was booked into jail on March 2, 2025.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS (as of January 22, 2025)

Christomer Hassell was booked into jail on September 12, 2024.

Doyle Stryker was booked into jail on September 14, 2024.

Jesse King was booked into jail on September 30, 2024.

Joshua Franks was booked into jail on December 12, 2024.

Margo Doty was booked into jail on December 17, 2024.

Brandon Sage was booked into jail on January 4, 2025.

Joey Davis was booked into jail on January 4, 2025.

Tony Bass was booked into jail on January 4, 2025.

Michael Bradley was booked into jail on February 11, 2025.

Riley Ballinger was booked into jail on February 18, 2025.

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Kristofer Vanlerberg was booked into jail on February 18, 2025.

Marissa Murdock was booked into jail on February 19, 2025.

Jessica Stephenson was booked into jail on February 19, 2025.

Governor Kelly proclaims April 21-27 'Outside for Five Week' in Kansas

The National 'Outside for 5' Campaign Urges Educators to Embrace Outdoor Learning

Manhattan, Kansas, March 27, 2025 - As a part of the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) Affiliate Network, the Kansas Association for Conservation and Environmental Education (KACEE) has recommitted to supporting teachers, administrators, non-formal educators, youth development leaders, and parents in Kansas to engage students and children in outdoor learning for at least five minutes a day, five days a week, or any meaningful amount of time.

Governor Laura Kelly proclaimed April 21-27 as Outside For Five Week in Kansas in support of these efforts.

The Outside for 5 campaign was first developed in 2022 in response to the pandemic-related decline in youth mental health and the associated impact on classroom educators who have faced increased levels of burnout. Today many students and teachers continue to face difficult issues in their communities related to climate change, social barriers, and more. Strategies for supporting our students and teachers are just as important today. This campaign is focused on engaging communities in outdoor learning as a way to provide a more enriching and healthy learning environment.

"Today's students are juggling many stressors that affect their mental health and productivity in the classroom," said Laura Donwey, Executive Director of the Kansas

Association for Conservation and Environmental Education. "By incorporating outdoor learning into school curriculum, educators can provide an outlet for students to release stress and increase focus for learning."

There is a large and compelling body of evidence-based research that demonstrates the benefits of outdoor learning for mental health and well-being, stress and anxiety reduction, physical health, student engagement, and academic success. Outdoor educational experiences also offer schools an opportunity to ignite learning, which addresses both social and emotional well-being as well as learning loss.

"Our goal with this campaign is to inspire educators to think outside the box when it comes to enhancing the social-emotional

wellness of their students, each other, and their entire school community," said Sarah Bodor, NAAEE's Director of Policy & Affiliate Relations. "We want kids to get outside and experience the benefits of nature's classroom."

KACEE invites school administrators and educators of all grade levels to sign up at www.outsidefor5.com to receive free resources and inspiration to help them spend at least 5 minutes a day outside with their students. Whether that means teaching a classroom lesson outside, studying the local ecosystem, or taking a short walk across the school campus, everyone can benefit from going Outside for 5.

To sign the join the movement and learn more about the Outside for 5 campaign, visit www.outsidefor5.com.





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AC girls swept by Osage City

OSAGE CITY - On Monday night, the Anderson County Bulldogs softball squad lost a pair of games to Osage City on the road.

In the opening game, the two teams were scoreless through 5 ½ innings before Osage City scored the game's lone run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Osage City opened with a single and advanced to second on an error. They then sacrificed the runner to third with just one out.

The home squad would score the winning run on another Bulldog error. The inning would end abruptly as the Bulldogs gunned down Osage

City at second base trying to steal and then a fly ball to end the threat.

Both teams tallied just three hits in the game, the difference ended up being the 2 errors in the sixth inning. They were the only errors by the Lady Bulldogs in the contest.

Maura Rockers pitched a complete game going 6 innings, allowing 3 hits, 1 unearned run and struck out 3.

The three hits were recorded by Ava Mills, Lydsie Carey and Brooklyn Kellerman.

In the second game, Osage City ran away with a 10-0 shut-out win.

Osage City scored 4 runs in

the first, 3 runs in the second, 2 runs in the third before adding a lone run in the fifth to end the game via the 10-run rule.

Anderson County tallied 5 hits in the game. Brylie Kohlmeier doubled and singles by Addy Kueser, Kohlmeier, Carey and Bree Schafer.

Khloe McCarty was charged with the loss, pitching 2 innings, allowing 6 hits and 7 runs, although just 3 of them were earned.

Rockers pitched the game's final 2 2/3 innings allowing 5 hits, 3 runs, 1 earned run and struck out 2 batters.

Bulldogs manhandle Baldwin

GARNETT - Last Thursday, March 27, the Anderson County Bulldogs squared off against Baldwin at home and weren't gracious hosts as they swept the games by a combined score of 24-9.

In the opening game, Anderson County rolled to an 8-1 victory.

Both teams scored a lone run in the first and the game was still close, 2-1, heading into the bottom of the fifth inning.

The Bulldogs plated 4 runs in the fifth and 2 more in the sixth to win going away.

Anderson County's Michael Mains broke the game open with a 3-run blast in the fifth inning that scored Brayden Wheat and Aiden Steele to give them a 6-1 lead.

Mains would finish the game with just the one hit in 2 official at-bats, scored twice

and also walked once.

Wheat would lead Anderson County with 3 hits in the game, scored twice and drove in another run.

Brylan Sommer would earn the victory on the mound pitching 6 innings. He allowed just 5 hits, 1 unearned run and struck out 5 Baldwin batters.

Jack Dykes pitched a perfect seventh innings. He threw just 7 pitches in the innings, striking out the first batter he faced and then forced 2 ground outs to finish things out.

The second game saw much more scoring as both teams scored 3 runs in the first before Anderson County took control and won 16-8.

AC pulled away with 3 runs in the second, 4 in the third, 3 in the fourth and then 4 more in the bottom of the sixth.

The Bulldogs scored their 16 runs on just 10 hits and 3

Baldwin errors.

Steele picked up hits in 3 of his 4 at-bats, driving in an impressive 7 runs on the process.

Zach Schaffer was just 1 for 1 in the game but walked 3 times, leading to 4 runs scored from the leadoff position.

Wheat was the only other Bulldog with multiple hits, finishing the game 2 for 3, scored 2 runs and drove in 2 more.

Schaffer picked up the win pitching the game's first 3 innings, allowed 4 hits and 4 earned runs as he struggled with his control as he walked 5 hitters.

Alex Smith, Steele and Dykes closed the game out. Smith allowed 4 runs, 3 of them earned, over 1 innings. Steele pitched 1 scoreless innings and Dykes picked up the final out without allowing a hit.

Vikings upend Lady Bulldogs at home

GARNETT - In a late schedule change, the Central Heights Vikings traveled to Garnett on Tuesday afternoon for just one game of varsity softball against the Anderson County Bulldogs which saw the Vikings come out on top 6-4.

The Bulldogs struck first with a run in the bottom of the first but the Vikings answered with a run in the top of the second and three more in the third to take a 4-1 lead.

The Bulldogs would cut the

deficit down to 4-3 but that is as close as they would get the rest of the way.

Melaney Chrisjohn led the Vikings offensively with 3 hits in 4 at bats, scored 3 times and also drove in a run.

Cely Crump was the only other Central Heights player with more than one hit as she was 2-4 on the day with 1 run scored and 1 run driven in.

For the Bulldogs, leadoff hitter Ava Mills was the only player with a multi-hit game as she

went 2 for 3 with 1 run scored and 1 run driven in.

Chrisjohn pitched 5 innings for the Vikings, allowing just 3 hits, 2 earned runs and struck out 7. Crump closed the game out pitching the final 2 innings, striking out 5 Bulldogs.

Maura Rockers pitched a complete game as she went 7 innings, allowed 9 hits, 6 runs, 3 earned runs and struck out 6.

Vikings split with Jayhawk-Linn

MOUND CITY - Central Heights dropped the opening game of the doubleheader but rebounded to win game 2 to earn a split against Jayhawk-Linn.

In the opener, the Viking bats were silent in a 9-1 defeat.

Jayhawk-Linn outthit the Vikings 12-6 en route to the easy win. They opened the game with 4 runs in the first before adding 3 more in the

fourth and then put the game away with a pair of runs in the sixth.

Cely Crump pitched a complete game going 6 innings and striking out 12 hitters but also allowed Jayhawk-Linn to tally 12 hits and 8 earned runs against her.

In the second game, Central Heights jumped out to a 5-0 lead, aided greatly by 3 runs in

the top of the fourth. They held on to win the game 6-4.

Crump and Melaney Chrisjohn each had 3 hits in the game. Crump added 3 runs driven in while Chrisjohn scored 3 times and also drove in a run.

Crump earned the win on the mound pitching all 7 innings, allowing 7 hits and 4 earned runs.

Vikings manhandle St. Paul

ST. PAUL - The Central Heights Vikings baseball team remained undefeated as they moved to 4-0 as the shutout St. Paul twice last Thursday, March 27 to win both games of a doubleheader.

In the opening contest, the Vikings cruised 20-0.

The game only last three innings as the Vikings scored 3 in the first, 6 in the second and then put the game away with 11 runs in the third.

Leadoff hitter Ethan Kraft sparked the offense with 4 hits in 4 at bats, scored 4 times and drove in a pair of runs.

Kreg Garrett picked up 3

hits in 3 at bats and Stetson Miller also had 2 hits in 2 at bats. They both also scored 4 runs and drove in 2.

Aydan Dunbar picked up 1 hit in 2 at bats, also leading the team with 4 runs driven in.

On the mound, the Vikings combined to pitch a 3-inning no-hitter.

Stetson Miller pitched the game's first two innings, striking out 5 batters and Roarke Brock pitched the third inning, striking out 2 of the 3 hitters he faced.

It was much of the same in the second game as the Vikings cruised 16-0.

It was another 3-inning affair as the Vikings tallied 5 runs in the first and second inning and 6 more in the third.

Garrett picked up 2 hits in 3 at bats, drove in 3 runs and scored twice to lead the way for Central Heights.

Three Viking pitchers pitched in the game, each recording one inning.

Kreg Garrett earned the start. He allowed one hit in his inning. Kraft pitched the second inning without allowing a hit and striking out 2. Knox Cannady pitched the third inning as he allowed 1 hit and struck out 2 as well.

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Lady Lancers win Uniontown Invitational

UNIONTOWN - It was a solid all-around effort for the Crest Lancers to open the track & field season as the girls finished 1st at Uniontown and the boys earned a 4th place finish overall.

The girls won a pair of golds, one by Peyton Schmidt in the 3200 meter run (14:00) and the other was Kinley Edgerton in the javelin (97' 4").

Schmidt also finished 2nd in the 800 meter run (2:46.92).

Three relay teams, the 4x100 (58.69), 4x400 (5:15.61) and 4x800 (12:01.32), all finished in second place for the Lady Lancers.

Other point earners on the day were Hanna Schmidt in

the 100 meter dash (2nd, 13.92), 100 meter hurdles (2nd, 17.68) and long jump (2nd, 14' 4.5").

Adayrean West in the 400 meter dash (6th, 1:20.98), Josie Walter 3rd in the 800 meter run (2:46.92) and 2nd in the 1600 meter run (6:12.73).

Finishing behind Schmidt's gold in the 3200 meter run was Kallei Robb in 2nd place (14:44.50) and Aubrey Allen (15:00.42) in third to earn a sweep of the top 3 finishers.

In field events, Summer Valentine earned a 4th place finish in discus (80' 5") and 5th in shot put (28' 2.5").

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Vikings 6-0 after sweep of Jayhawk-Linn

MOUND CITY - On Monday, Central Heights continued their early season domination with another sweep, this time over Jayhawk-Linn on the road.

The Vikings are off to a perfect 6-0 start, outscoring their opponents by 85 runs over those 6 contests.

In game 1, the Vikings won easily 16-1.

Kreig Garrett led the attack offensively with 2 hits in 3 at bats. Garrett drove in a game high 4 runs and scored 3 runs as well.

Aydan Dunbar was a perfect 3-3 on the afternoon, scoring 1 run and driving in 2.

Stetson Miller picked up the win on the mound by pitching 3 innings, allowed 2 hits, 1 earned run and struck out 4.

Ethan Kraft pitched the 4th inning, allowing no hits.

The second game got off to a much more competitive start as Jayhawk-Linn trailed 6-0 before tallying a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth to get within striking distance.

The Viking bats exploded in the top of the seventh, scoring an unbelievable 18 runs in the inning as they won the contest in lopsided fashion, 24-2.

Garrett again led the attack offensively with 3 hits in 5 at bats, driving in 5 runs and scoring 3 times.

On the mound Garrett was effective as well pitching 4 2/3 shutout innings, allowing just 3 hits and striking out 7.

Aydan Dunbar would allow 2 runs in the 6th inning before giving way to Roarke Brock in the seventh. Brock struck out the side to close out the game.

Lancers sweep Pleasanton

PLEASANTON - The Crest Lancers baseball team swept Pleasanton last Thursday, winning the 2 games by a combined score of 34-8.

In game one, Crest rolled to a 17-1 victory.

The Lancers plated 8 runs in the first and never looked back as they pounded out 14 hits and were also aided by 6 errors by the Pleasanton defense.

Kole Walter and Kade Nilges led the Lancers with 3 hits apiece. Nilges accounted for 6 runs as he drove in 3 and also scored 3 times.

Drake Weir earned the win by pitching 3 innings, allowing just 1 hit and striking out 6.

Jensen Barker pitched the fourth inning. He allowed 1 hit, 1 unearned run and struck out 2.

In the second game, Crest jumped out to a 17-0 lead before winning the game 17-7 in just 5

innings.

Weir tallied 2 hits in 3 at bats, scored 4 runs and drove in 3 to account for 7 of the teams 17 runs.

Roy Gordon added 3 hits in 4 at bats and drove in a game high 5 runs.

Nilges started the second game on the mound and pitched just 2 innings, allowing 0 hits, 0 runs, walked 2 and struck out 3.

Kole Walter pitched the third inning and struck out 2 without allowing a hit.

Henry White ran into some trouble in the fourth inning as Jayhawk-Linn broke through for 7 runs off of him, 6 earned, off 4 hits as White pitched just 2/3 of an inning.

Roy Gordon would finish out the fourth and then pitch the fifth inning to close out the game. Gordon didn't allow a hit and struck out 3.

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In boy's action, they were led by the 4x100 meter relay (47.58) team that finished with a gold.

The 4x800 meter relay (9:55.87) finished 2nd and the 4x400 (4:16.71) finished 4th.

Gentry McGhee finished second in the 100 meter dash (12.17), Xander Fuller was 3rd in the 200 meter dash

(25.33) and Kole Walter finished 2nd (2:22.33) in the 800 meter run. Gunner Ellington placed in both the 1600 meter run (5:35.23) and the 3200 meter run (11:37.52) finished 5th and 4th respectively.

Ryan West won bronze in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 19.74.

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