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## Locals await lower prescription drug costs

### Trump says order will cut U.S. prescription costs in dramatic fashion

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

WASHINGTON - Area residents who take prescription drugs - and the Centers for Disease Control says 65% of all Americans over the age of 18 do - are expected to be the winners if a move by President Trump last week to lower the cost of nearly all prescription drugs in the country comes to fruition.

Though the details in Trump's executive order forcing a reduction in U.S. prescription prices aren't yet completely clear, the general order required pharmaceutical companies to lower their prices charged in the U.S. market and to abandon regulations that prevent customers from buying directly from manufacturers - a policy that brought about the controversial rise of Pharmacy Benefit Managers

(PBMs) that intercede as brokers between drug manufacturers and health providers.

If a deal can't be reached between Trump's Department of Health and Human Services negotiators and those pharmaceutical companies in 30 days, Trump says he'll invoke most favored nation status on drug prices, meaning legal pricing in the U.S. must be no higher than the lowest price charged in any foreign country.

Ideally, the move will force higher prices on foreign countries and lower costs in the U.S. Drug makers say the move will cripple the delivery of life-saving drugs to people who need them.

But Mike Burns of AuBurn



Trump

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Newly-minted graduates of Anderson County High School fire confetti cannons in celebration of their achievement Saturday at ceremonies at ACHS's football stadium. Above, Isak Porter gives his Valedictorian address to the audience.

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## KDOT adds another local project for summer '25

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GREELEY - The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) started a resurfacing project on U.S. 169 in Franklin and Miami counties on Monday, May 12. The mill and overlay project starts a mile north of Greeley and continues northeast for 9 miles to the south K-7 junction.

The route is a heavy commuter route for workers from Anderson County traveling to jobs and work projects in the Kansas City area. A press release from KDOT said flaggers and a pilot car will direct one-lane traffic through the work

zone during weekday daylight hours. Drivers can expect delays of no longer than 15 minutes. The work should be completed in one month, weather permitting.

The \$1.5 million construction contract was awarded to Bettis Asphalt & Construction Inc., of Topeka. People with questions may contact Construction Manager Ian Stringham, 785-433-6116, or Public Information Officer Priscilla Petersen, 620-902-6433.

The project precedes by a week a major expansion of the roundabout junction of U.S. 59/169 south of Garnett. That job will entail a shoofly detour around the con-

struction area and the rerouting of southbound traffic on U.S. 59 down 6th Avenue to its junction with U.S. 169. KDOT and local officials have held a series of planning meetings to discuss both traffic and logistical implications, as well as information for local drivers who hope to avoid likely traffic delays.

KDOT urges drivers to slow down and obey the posted signs in all work zones. For information on these projects and other construction activity on state highways in Kansas, visit [www.kandrive.gov](http://www.kandrive.gov) or call 5-1-1.



KDOT MAP

## Slyter gets 24 months probation after years long local theft case

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - A high-profile case alleging multiple thefts of farm equipment ended a near six-year run in Anderson County last week.

Marvin Slyter, 61 of Garnett, was sentenced to 24 months probation after pleading guilty on two felony theft counts on the day before his jury trial was set to begin on March 19. Anderson County Attorney Steve Wilson said Slyter's clean criminal record and the non-violent nature of the crimes placed him in the "presumptive probation" category of Kansas sentencing guidelines for the two guilty pleas. Slyter was arrested in 2022 after an investigation that began in November 2019, after numerous pieces of stolen farm equipment were found in his possession and on land in which he had an interest. Stolen items which



Slyter

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## Ethanol plant, local & state farmers, cattlemen look forward to benefits of Trump's UK trade deal

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

WASHINGTON - Farmers and ranchers in Anderson County and Kansas are likely to be among the winners in a trade deal with the United Kingdom announced last week by President Trump.

The deal follows what's become a familiar footprint in Trump's assault on what he says are unfair tariff and trade relationships between

the United States and various countries - Deals the president claims put the producers of U.S. products at a disadvantage in selling to foreign customers, while giving better deals to those producing goods overseas and selling them in the U.S.

The gist is to force other countries to lower their tariffs on American goods to make them more affordable in those foreign markets, using

higher tariffs by the U.S. against foreign products as leverage to make that happen. The net effect of the UK agreement, at least the outset, results in reduced tariffs on U.S. beef, AG products and ethanol, presumably opening the UK Market to sales for U.S. farmers and ranchers.

Bill Pracht, CEO of the East Kansas Agri Energy ethanol plant in Garnett,

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## Veteran banner recognition event kicks off Memorial Day Weekend

### Celebration includes music, recognition of local banner honorees, band from Oz

BY SUSAN WETTSTEIN THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Citizens and patriots of Garnett, along with the support of the City of Garnett and Anderson County, proudly present the 10th Annual Garnett Remembers Celebration of Service on Thursday, May 22nd, beginning at 6:00 p.m. near the Veterans Memorial on the Anderson County Courthouse Lawn. Everyone is invited to attend this special lawn chair event.

The celebration includes short stories spoken by local veterans, musical tributes, reading of the names and more. There will be special musical appearances by Burt Peterson, Sheryl Urquhart and the Osawatomie Community Band. Twelve individuals, including some current and former military servicemen and women, along with members of the Garnett City and Anderson County Commissions, will be facilitating the reading of the 320 patriotic banner honorees. Members of the Garnett American Legion Post 48 and Jeffrey

S. Mersman Memorial VFW Post 6397 will also be participating in the ceremony. United States flags will be on display courtesy of the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Garnett Fire Department and volunteers.

The Garnett Remembers banner honorees, their family, friends and the public are cordially invited to the event. Lawn chairs are encouraged. Local restaurants and some outdoor venues and food trucks, along with the Garnett Farmers' Market will be providing food to go so that event attendees can enjoy their dinner on the courthouse lawn. The Osawatomie Community Band will continue to play in concert after the conclusion of the ceremony.



Above, attendees at a previous COS event listen to a patriotic band performance prior to the construction of the Anderson County Veterans Memorial on the north courthouse lawn.

Complimentary programs, small US flags for waving and bottled water will be provided to attendees by citizen volunteers. Persons with military vehicles, motorcycles and classic cars

are invited to bring them for display. About the Celebration of Service,

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## Judge rules to allow charge of attempted rape in Cantu case

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - An illegal immigrant accused in the assault of a woman on the Prairie Spirit Trail last October will also face an attempted rape charge after a district court judge ruled on a prosecution amendment to charges yesterday.

District Judge Eric Godderz ruled to allow the amendment. Anderson County Attorney Steve Wilson filed last week in a Wednesday hearing on the prosecution's motion. A probable cause affidavit filed in Porfirio Cruz-Cantu's arrest specified the victim believed Cantu intended to rape her when he knocked her from her bicycle on the trail south of Scipio last fall. She told officers Cantu tried to stuff leaves her mouth as they struggled on the



Cantu

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## VFW BREAKFAST

VFW Post 6397 will have breakfast Sunday, May 18, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Biscuits and gravy, Belgian waffles, bacon, sausage & eggs will be served.

## COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

The Pottawatomie Township Ruritans are having a community breakfast on Saturday, May 17, from 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. at the Lane Community Building. Proceeds to go to Evan Pulliam to defray medical expenses. Pancakes, biscuits & gravy, french toast, scrambled eggs & sausage patties will be served. To offer donations call Becky Wise (785) 304-4865 or Darla Arnett (785) 869-2709.

## CORNSTOCK TICKETS

Cornstock ticket outlets in Anderson County are now selling early bird tickets. See Chris Janson, The Kentucky Headhunters, Kelsey Hart and Trevor Holman & the Haymakers 9/27 in Garnett.

## CELEBRATION OF SERVICE MAY 22

Mark your calendar for the 10-year anniversary Celebration of Service honoring Veterans, May 22nd, 6 pm, Anderson County Courthouse lawn, hosted by patriot citizens in partnership with the City of Garnett.

## CORNHOLE TOURNAMENTS

Every Thursday there 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.

## ANDERSON COUNTY LAND TRANSFERS

David D Hull Sr to Amanda J Yoder: S2 lot 24 blk 45 City of Garnett, including all their right, title and interest in an easement for purpose of constructing and maintaining a sewer over and through said tract of land in n2 said lot 24.

Glenn C Duvall and Rhonda S Duvall to Glenn C Duvall and Rhonda S Duvall: South 120 feet of what was formerly blk 7 Orchard Park Addition to City of Garnett, including that part of abutting streets or alleys that have been vacated, said tract being located in ne4 25-20-19.

BLSJD Farms LLC - Serier Kincaid Farm to William Voss, Luara Voss and Shelby Voss: W2 sw4 5-23-21 less 10 acres off south end thereof; & se4 6-23-21 less 10 acres off south end thereof; & less beg at pt 354' north & 845' west of secor w2 sw4 5-23-21, thence west 556' to pt on section line between sections 5 & 6 said township and range, thence 400', thence east 106' to fence, thence southeast along said fence line 620' to pob; & beg again at said pt on section line between sections 5 & 6, thence west 1320', thence north 826', thence east 370', thence in southeasterly direction 455', thence east 720' to section line, thence south 400' to pob; & less n2 se4 6-23-21; & swfr4 6-23-21 less the following described tract of land: beg 990' north of swcor sw4 6-23-21, thence north 990', thence east 990', thence south 990', thence west 990' to pob; & less beg at nwcor sw4, thence north 89°41'43" east to east line of w2 sw4; thence 00°01'33" west along east line of w2 sw4 said section 6 a distance of 472.04 feet; thence south 89°52'20" west a distance of 180.41 feet; thence south 00°01'33" west a distance of 195.70 feet; thence north 89°41'10" west a distance of 1119.44 feet to west line of said sw4; thence north 00°22'59" east a distance of 659.13 feet to pob; & s2 e2 ne4 6-23-21 & n2 se4 6-23-21.

Frank Knobel and Lisa Ann Knobel to Frank Knobel and Lisa Ann Knobel: Beg 462.36 feet east of swcor sw4 nw4 29-20-20, thence north 513', thence east 130', thence south 513', thence west 130' to pob; being also described as beg at pt 80' west of secor lot 2 blk 1 Eastgate Addition to City of Garnett, thence west 130', thence north 480', thence east 130', thence south 480' to pob.

Earl F Lizer Trustee, Ann Lizer Trustee and Earl F Lizer and Ann Lizer Trust Dtd 1/23/1991 to The Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas: (A) A tract of land in

the east half of the sw/4 of 14-20-18 described as follows: Beginning at the sse corner of said quarter section; first State of Kansas Course, thence on an assumed bearing of wouth 89 degrees 11 minutes 28 seconds west, 1315.42 feet along the south line of said quarter section to the sw corner of said east half therof: second course, thence north 00 degrees 02 minutes 36 seconds east, 33.00 feet along the west line of said east half to the northerly right of way line of existing K-31 Highway; third course, thence north 89 degrees 11 minutes 28 seconds east, 148.88 feet along said northerly right of way line; sixth course, thence north 82 degrees 35 minutes 48 seconds east, 302.00 feet; seventh course, thence north 89 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds east, 258/13 feet to the westerly right of way line of existing idaho road; tenth course, thence south 89 degrees 49 minutes 47 seconds east, 20.00 feet to the east line of said quarter section; eleventh course, thence south 00 degrees 10 minutes 13 seconds west, 74.27 feet along said east line to the pob. the above described tract contains 2.24 acres, which include 1.73 acres of existing right of way, resulting in an acquisition of 0.51 acre, more or less. (C) a tract of land in the se/4 of 14-20-18 described as follows: Beginning at the sw corner of said quarter section; first course, thence on an assumed bearing of north 00 degrees 10 minutes 13 seconds east, 324.98 feet along the west line of said quarter section; second course, thence south 89 degrees 49 minutes 47 seconds east, 20.00 feet to the easterly right of way line of existing Idaho Road; third course, thence south 26 degrees 36 minutes 11 seconds east, 94.81 feet; fourth course, thence south 00 degrees 04 minutes 07 seconds west, 155.00 feet; fifth course, thence north 89 degrees 42 minutes 40 seconds east, 372.47 feet; sixth course, thence south 82 degrees 50 minutes 14 seconds east, 357.81 feet to the northerly right of way line of an existing public road; seventh course, thence south 00 degrees 40 minutes 52 seconds east 33.00 feet to the south line of said quarter section; eighth course,

thence south 89 degrees 19 minutes 08 seconds west, 791.17 feet along said south line to the pob. the above described tract contains 1.61 acres, which includes 0.74 acre of existing right of way, resulting in an acquisition of 0.87 acre, more or less.

Earl F Lizer Trustee, Ann Lizer Trustee and Earl F Lizer and Ann Lizer Trust Dtd 1/23/1991 to The Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas: (A) A tract of land in the n/2 of the nw/4 of 24-20-18 described as follows: Commencing at the nw corner of said quarter section; thence on an assumed bearing of south 00 degrees 05 minutes 59 seconds east, 254.15 feet along the west line of said quarter section to the pob; first course, thence north 89 degrees 54 minutes 01 second east, 22.78 feet to the easterly right of way line of existing jackson road; second course, thence south 72 degrees 11 minutes 47 seconds east, 49.72 feet; third course, thence north 76 degrees 19 minutes 59 seconds east, 348.93 feet; fourth course, thence north 87 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds east, 101.98 feet to the northerly right of way line of existing K-31 Highway; fifth course, thence north 76 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds east, 295.80 feet along said northerly right of way line; sixth course, thence north 12 degrees 42 minutes 20 seconds west, 69.59 feet along said northerly right of way line to the southerly right of way line of an existing public road; seventh course, thence north 00 degrees 51 minutes 13 seconds east, 33.00 feet to the north line of said quarter section; eighth course, thence south 89 degrees 08 minutes 47 seconds east, 1871.59 feet along said north line to the ne corner of said quarter section; ninth course, thence south 00 degrees 13 minutes 28 seconds east, 60.03 feet along the east line of said quarter section to the southerly right of way line of existing K-31 Highway; tenth course, thence north 89 degrees 09 minutes 29 seconds west, 499.98 feet along said southerly highway right of way line; eleventh course, thence on a curve of 5669.65 feet radius to the left, an arc distance of 1438.98 feet along said southerly highway right of way line with a chord which bears south 83 degrees 34 minutes 15 seconds west, 1435.12 feet; twelfth course, thence south 76 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds west, 195.30 feet along said southerly highway right of way line; thirteenth course, thence south 59 degrees 36 minutes 02 seconds west, 104.40 feet; fourteenth course, thence south 76 degrees 33 minutes 58 seconds west, 461.71 feet to said

west ine of the nw/4 section; fifteenth course, thence north 00 degrees 05 minutes 59 seconds west, 205.15 feet along said west line to the pob. the above described tract contains 7.14 acres, which includes 6.62 acres of existing right of way, resulting in an acquisition of 0.51 acre, more or less.

Justin Metcalfe and Crystal Metcalfe to Allen A Brandes and Linda L Brandes: The w/2 of lot 10 and all of lots 11 and 12, block 57, less the Missouri Pacific Railroad right of way, Garnett.

Allen A Brandes and Linda L Brandes to Justin Metcalfe and Crystal Metcalfe: The w/2 of lot 10 and all of lots 11 and 12, block 57, less the Missouri Pacific Railroad right of way, Garnett.

John Les Dietrich and Rita Dietrich to Samantha Dietrich and Leslie D Dietrich: All of block 1 and lot 1, 2, 17, 18, 19 and 20 and all that part of lots 3 and 16 east of the Santa Fe Railroad right of way in block 2 in Mandovi Addition to the City of Garnett

## ANDERSON COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSE FILED

Tabitha Christy Summers, Garnett, and Ralph Lane Anderson, Garnett, have filled out an application for a Marriage License.

## ANDERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Rachel S Sinclair has been charged with interference with law enforcement.

Margaret Ann Sinclair has been charged with interference with law enforcement.

Blake A Geiler has been charged with aggravated assault, aggravated battery, criminal threat and domestic battery.

Tanisha L Miller has been charged with criminal damage to property; without consent value < \$1,000.

Margaret Ann Sinclair has been charged with domestic battery.

## ANDERSON COUNTY CIVIL CASES FILED

Joey Detar has filed suit against Kitten Goodrich and Farm Bureau Property & Casualty Insurance Company in an amount exceeding \$25,000 due to injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident involving a bicycle.

## ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Isabella Christina Wilson has been charged with speeding 81 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Jessica Lynae Jenkins has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone.

## ANDERSON COUNTY ACCIDENT REPORTS FILED

On May 6, a vehicle driven by Chad Dean Schroder, Olsburd, was east-bound on Mulberry when he became distracted with an item inside the vehicle causing it to strike the underpass on the passenger side.

## 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 March 5, 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.

Taylor Larsh was booked into jail on February 18, 2025.

Brenden Robbins was booked into jail on February 18, 2025.

Darrik States was booked into jail on February 18, 2025.

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.

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## Tractor safety structures improve safety for farmers

MANHATTAN - Ten years ago, Andrew Koukol nearly became a statistic.

Instead, the father of two preschoolers today crunches numbers for a Kansas City-based engineering firm.

In the summer of 2014, he was a 21-year-old college student with a summer job to mow roadsides for a Kansas City area suburb.

He was no stranger to operating a tractor. That's a skill he learned growing up on visits to his grandparents' farms.

"Another person and I were assigned to mow the median areas for the highway and off-ramps," Koukol said. Often, those areas contain obstacles or vegetation that conceal drainage ditches and sudden drop-offs, he added.

One Friday afternoon, Koukol's partner had the day off, and he was mowing alone.

"I was working in an area that was mostly flat," he recalls. As he tried to navigate around utility boxes in the median, the mower became high-centered. He wasn't able to maneuver without going down the steeper part of the hill.

That's when the ground gave away, and the tractor overturned.

"As the tractor rolled, I was thinking I needed to turn off the mower, but to keep the tractor running so the brakes wouldn't go out," he said.

Thanks to the Rollover Protection Structure (ROPS) of the tractor, Koukol escaped the mishap with a couple of stitches to close a gash on his right arm. He was also wearing a seat belt.

"I probably would have been thrown out if it hadn't been for the seatbelt," he said.

The US Bureau of Labor Statistics says 417 people died in tractor rollovers between 2011 and 2018 -- an average of 52 every year.

Like Koukol, most victims of tractor rollovers are familiar with heavy equipment. The Northeast Center for Occupational Health and Safety says the majority of persons who dies in tractor accidents are experienced equipment operators.

The NEC and the National Tractor Safety Coalition have worked for a decade to educate farmers and tractor owners about the need for ROPS.

Farmers are nearly eight times more likely to die on the job than the average American Worker, says the NEC. Tractor

overturns are the leading cause of death.

The numbers also show that most of those deaths are preventable. The ROPS includes a roll bar above the seat, supported by two or four posts, or a crush-proof cab.

When used with seatbelts, ROPS are 99% effective in preventing injury and death, according to the NEC.

Yet, an estimated 50% of tractors in use today aren't equipped with ROPS. In 1985, tractor manufacturers adopted a voluntary standard to include ROPS and seatbelts on all new tractors over 20 horsepower. Even rollovers of small lawn tractors or lawn mowers without ROPS can cause injury or death, says the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

But in many places where tractors are used, people continue to operate older model tractors or implements not equipped with ROPS.

"Andy is my nephew," said Ed Brokesh an assistant professor of biological and agricultural engineering at Kansas State University. "When this incident was related to me, I was struck by how relaxed my family was about the event. This means the ROPS did its' job really well. Had the tractor not had a ROPS, the event would have ended much differently.

Brokesh added: "When I was a kid, in the pre-ROPS days, a tractor rollover was an event that usually meant serious injury, or worse for the tractor operator. This incident involving my nephew wasn't a big deal, and it's all because of the ROPS".

The National Tractor Safety Coalition is currently working to reduce tractor overturn fatalities by expanding current state-based ROPS Rebate Programs into a National ROPS Rebate Program. The coalition hopes to raise sufficient funds for rebates through federal, state and private funds to provide an incentive to encourage

owners to retrofit tractors with ROPS.

The rebate program can help pay up to 70% of the cost to purchase and install the safety equipment.

K-State Research and Extension, through the Carl and Melinda Helwig Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering at Kansas State University, have collaborated with the National ROPS Rebate Program to research and gain support through public and private funding and partnerships to provide Kansas farmers with the rebate program.

The average cost of a ROPS is \$1,200, said Tawnie Larson, program manager for the K-State program. Larson says the estimated cost of a fatal overturn to a family and farm is more than \$750,000. Ten Kansas farmers have died, and another six sustained serious injury in tractor rollover accidents in the last eight years.

"Approximately 30,000 Kansas farms are operating without ROPS on at least one tractor," Larson said.

While Kansas does not currently have funding for a rebate program, Larson said K-State hopes the number of people who sign up for the wait list will show the need and interest to state and federal legislators.

Brokesh added, "When I think about his incident, I consider all the work that went into the development and adoption of the ROPS back in the 60's and 70's and how that work made a such a difference in my nephews' outcome."

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**DAVIS**

AUGUST 13, 1936 — MAY 1, 2025

Laura M. Davis, age 88, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Thursday, May 1, 2025, at AdventHealth Shawnee Mission.



Davis

She was born on August 13, 1936, in Garnett, Kansas, the second of four children born to Frank and Clara (Mader) Sobba. Laura attended school at Spring Branch Elementary, graduating from Garnett High School with the Class of 1954.

Laura was united in marriage to Bill Davis on June 2, 1956 in the Holy Angels Catholic Church, Garnett. They first made their home in Garnett before moving to Overland Park, Kansas in 1959. Laura dedicated 31 years to Electronic Research Corporation until retirement in 1994. In 1998, Laura and Bill made the move to the farmhouse west of Garnett that they had called their weekend home since 1974.

Laura had a deep love for cooking and baking, delighting family and friends with her homemade chocolate chip cookies, hearty chicken noodles, and delicious pies. Her talents extended beyond the kitchen—she found joy in sewing, quilting, and tending to her garden, each stitch and bloom a reflection of her care and creativity. Above all, she was a devoted partner, always supporting her husband's passion for the farm and the life they built together. She was a faithful member of Holy Angels Catholic Church. She was a dedicated fan of KU basketball, the Kansas City Chiefs and Royals. In her retirement years, Laura and Bill enjoyed many trips with friends from

his work, some of their most memorable trips were to Alaska, Europe, Hawaii. Laura loved spending time with her grandchildren and spoiling them before they returned home from Grammy's.

She is survived by their two children, Ron Davis and Tammy Reyes of Shawnee, Kansas, and Patti Woodward, along with her husband, Kenn, of Olathe, Kansas. Her legacy continues as a grandma to seven cherished grandchildren: Emily Beier, Kathryn Davis, Ryan Davis, John Davis, Davis Woodward, Robb Woodward, and Alden Woodward, as well as four delightful great-grandchildren, Moira, Henry, Genevieve, and Anna Beier; and sister, Doris Adkinson of Richmond, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her dear husband, Bill Davis; and two brothers, Carl and Marvin Sobba, who forever hold a special place in her heart.

Laura's life was marked by warmth, laughter, and a deep love for her family. She was dedicated to the life of being a farmer's wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She instilled in her loved ones the importance of kindness and togetherness, values that will echo through generations to come.

Let us gather together to celebrate Laura's remarkable life and the enduring love she shared so freely. May her memory be a blessing to all of us.

A Mass in Laura's honor took place May 10, 2025, at Holy Angels Catholic Church in Garnett, Kansas. Burial followed in the St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery, 32292 NE Norton Rd, Garnett, Kansas 66032. Memorial contributions in Laura's honor are suggested to Holy Angels Church and may be left in care of Feuerborn Family Funeral Service.

**HASTERT**

JANUARY 29, 1949 - MAY 3, 2025

Marvel L Hastert died peacefully at home on Saturday, May the 3rd, in Lawrence, KS at the age of 85 surrounded by her loved ones.



Hastert

Marvel was born on January 29th, 1949 to Harry Estle and Clea Mae (Bennett) Teter during a blizzard on her Grandmother's farm in Bush City. She graduated from Garnett High School in 1968 and married her husband Donald Hastert in August of the same year. Although the couple moved around in the early days of their marriage, they eventually settled in Lawrence to raise their family. Their union was blessed with four children, Marty, Mark, Carmen, and Karen.

Marvel was a loving, gener-

ous, and hardworking woman. Often she was seen working in her garden, her sewing machine, her kitchen, or anywhere else she was needed. Marvel gave all of herself to her friends, family, and community. Those in her presence received her care whether they were her patients when she was a CNA or the multitude of children she helped to raise. Marvel will be missed for her humor, dedication, and the fierce love she gave.

She was preceded in death by both of her parents, her husband, and two brothers. She is survived by 4 children, 9 grand-children and several great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Douglas County Visiting Nurses in Marvel's name. For more information or to post a condolence go to warrenmcelwain.com.

**ANDERSON**

JANUARY 29, 1936 - MAY 6, 2025

On January 29, 1936, Terry Joe Anderson was born at Ottawa, KS to Clarence Hobert Anderson and Erma Alberta Timberlake Anderson.

Terry passed from this world on Tuesday, May 6, 2025. Services are being planned for a later date.

**The church must made a decision!**

Isaiah was a prophet of God from 740-700 B.C. God informed the prophet that his ministry would be one of judgment. Even though the prophet would speak the truth the people would reject his words. His 40 years of preaching doom and promise did not turn the nation of Judah from its headlong rush toward destruction. According to Jewish tradition, Isaiah met his death by being sawn in half during the reign of the evil king Manasseh of Judah. Isaiah 59:14-15 reveals a sample of Isaiah's preaching concerning the sins of the people. "So justice is driven back and righteousness stands at a distance, truth has stumbled in the streets, honesty cannot enter. Truth is nowhere to be found, and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey. The LORD looked and was displeased that there was no justice."

It is hard to tell if the prophet was referring to then or prophesying concerning future times. What is revealed is very little has changed concerning a nation's path of sin. Perhaps the last verse of our text explains the situation as far as God is concerned. "The LORD looked and was displeased that there was no justice." We read this in Isaiah 30:18 as follows. "Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; he

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BY DAVID BILDERBACK

rises to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice." Then and now Biblical principles have been turned into political decisions, thereby eliminating God and Biblical principals from having a voice. Rather than standing against this the church has allowed the things referred to in Isaiah 59 to occur. Is it any wonder God was displeased with Judah and is displeased with us as well. We live on the other side of the resurrection and we face the same situation. Isaiah always offered a promise of hope at the end of the judgment that God's ultimate purpose of salvation would be realized in the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. That hope has been completed. When will the church become the church of Jesus Christ and not man?

Ministry on the Holiness of God.  
Author of the book, "On the Other Side of the Door" Like David Bilderback

**WARD**

OCTOBER 9, 1934 - MAY 10, 2025

Billy Ray Ward, age 90 of Warsaw, Missouri died Saturday, May 10, 2025 at St. Joseph Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri. He was born October 9, 1934 to Virgil Victor and Clea Thornbrugh Ward in Amsterdam, Missouri.

Billy is survived by his wife, Sue Ward of Warsaw, Missouri; three sons, Gregory Ward and wife Tara of Butler, Missouri, Jeffery Ward and wife Robin of Amoret, Missouri and Michael Ward and fiancé Tammy Hendren of Nevada, Missouri; one daughter, Stephanie Teagarden and husband Matt of Topeka, Kansas; three sis-

ters, Barbara Ward, Karen Brown and Sandy Curnette; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. Billy was preceded in death by his parents and one son, David Ward. Funeral services for Billy Ray Ward of Warsaw, Missouri will be 10 a.m. Saturday, May 17, 2025 at Schowengerdt Funeral Chapel (660-679-6555) in Butler, Missouri. Visitation prior to services 9 - 10 a.m. at the Schowengerdt Chapel. Burial in Scott Cemetery, Amsterdam, Missouri. Contributions to American Cancer Society. Online condolences www.schowengerdtchapel.com.

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# Democrats' bizarre affection for illegal immigrants

Why does Newark's Mayor Ras Baraka consider it a badge of honor to be arrested trying to barge into an ICE detention center in New Jersey? Similarly, why does Maryland Senator Chris Van Hollen think it advances his presidential ambitions to champion Abrego Garcia, an alleged MS-13 gang member, human trafficker and serial wife beater? And why are Democrat mayors so keen to oppose Trump's criminal deportations?

These are the mysteries of the untethered Democratic Party, which appears to have forgotten that illegal immigration was a driving force behind Donald Trump's astonishing political comeback.

President Trump was elected president last year by Americans furious that Joe Biden had allowed millions of people to storm across our border illegally. In several polls during the campaign, immigration surfaced as a top issue for voters, second only to the economy and high inflation. After the election, voters ranked solving the border crisis the president's most important priority.

The week Trump took office, an AP poll showed 83% of the country favored deporting illegal immigrants who have been convicted of a violent crime; 67% thought immigrant criminals living in the U.S. legally should be deported. These are astonishing numbers; it's hard to get such sizable majorities of Americans to agree on anything – and especially anything to do with immigration.

And yet, Democratic officials defiantly stand against Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), a division of Homeland Security that last year seized 1.6 million pounds of narcotics, 757,478 pounds of precursor chemicals used to make drugs including fentanyl, and identified or rescued 1,783 exploited children. These are the good guys.

Just this past week, progressive Nashville Mayor Freddie O'Connell sent a letter to his constituents railing against recent enforcement actions in Tennessee, which included ICE arrests of a convicted child sex predator, an alleged member of the violent Venezuelan gang Tren de Aragua, a person convicted of aggravated assault as well as several illegal aliens guilty of drug-related crimes.

Mayor O'Connell should welcome the removal of those people from his community, but instead wrote, "This type of federal enforcement action is not focused on making us safer and

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**LIZ PEEK, FOX NEWS COMMENTATOR**

leaves people in our community fearing any interaction with law enforcement when there is a crime occurring."

O'Connell joins Michelle Wu of Boston, Chicago's Brandon Johnson and other Democrat mayors who would rather protect immigrants – even those who have committed crimes – than cooperate with ICE. Not since the "defund the police" idiocy took hold of blue cities have we seen such a clear disregard for voter preferences and Americans' safety.

Democrats tell us that Trump is breaking the law by ignoring the right of illegal aliens being deported to "due process." But it was under President Barack Obama that the right to "due process" came to be largely ignored, even as he deported a record 5.3 million people. (Note that figure includes removals and returns at the border.) According to the ACLU, under Obama only one out of four "removals", who should have received individual hearings before a judge, actually did so.

In less than four months, President Trump has brought the southern border under control, as he promised he would. Last month, apprehensions at the U.S.-Mexico border plummeted 93% compared to last year. The administration also announced recently that only five illegal aliens were temporarily released into the U.S. during April, compared to 68,000 a year ago. What a difference a president can make.

Americans are compassionate, and the majority came to our country from other lands, making most tolerant of immigration. But we do not need to welcome people who will bring crime and violence. Those people should be sent packing, which is what the Trump administration is doing, and high time. ##



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Yeah, I'm not sure who painted the cool angel wings and the murals on the side of the building on the alley of the west side of the square, but we had Square Fair and people were taking their pictures with them, and none of them say Garnett or advertise for the town or anything like that. Great idea but we got to have better marketing. Got to have our name on it. Thank you.

Trumps tariffs are working. The new pope was manufactured right here in the good old USA.

After witnessing the county attorney's chaos this morning, I do believe our former county


attorney not only owes everybody an apology, but a whole lot of her pay. What a joke, that is. I'm glad we have a county attorney who's trying to sort it all out and get through all the cases that she left undone.

I guess Mr. Hicks thinks some comments in the Phone Forum don't get to be published. **Editor's note:** When calling the Phone Forum, please don't use voice altering software and minimize background noise. Please speak clearly and slowly, and hold your phone's microphone slightly away from your mouth. If we can't understand what you're saying, we can't publish your comments.

Beautiful day for the Garnett Square Fair but I have one complaint. The guy who was supposed to be the DJ never mentioned the booths or gave a pat on the back for the people who worked so hard to show up as vendors or those who do all the work putting on the event. It would have been nice to recognize them. And it would have been nice if he'd play some music. It only seemed like he played music at the end of the day after most of the crowd had left. We had fun, but we could have used a DJ who was a little more involved with the Square Fair. Thank you.

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# Who's behind funding the lawfare against fairer voting in Kansas?

Follow the money, so they say. And if you do, who is it that you find funding election lawfare in Kansas?

Three nonprofit groups filed a lawsuit last week to overturn a new Kansas law requiring mail ballots be returned by election day – this after the legislature passed Senate Bill 4, eliminating a 3-day grace period that was law since 2017.

"AN ACT concerning elections; relating to advance voting ballots; requiring the return of such ballots by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election..."

Gov. Laura Kelly vetoed the bill on March 24, but both houses of the Legislature overrode the veto and the bill became law to be implemented next year.

The remedy suggested in the recent lawsuit – if the law were overturned – was to extend the old 3-day grace period to 7 days – apparently making procrastinators some sort of protected legal class:

"This court should declare SB4 unconstitutional, enjoin its use, and order election officials to count all ballots that are postmarked by election day and received within even days after the election – the time Kansas's own election officials expect it will take a ballot to reach its office" the complaint says.

If timing were such a problem, why did plaintiffs not ask to have advance ballots mailed a week earlier but still require ballot arrival by election day? That would eliminate problems with missing postmarks since all ballots would be accepted on or before election day. But let's take a look a deeper look at the plaintiffs and their counsel in this case – Kansas Appleseed with its counsel and litigation directory Teresa Woody; Loud Light, Davis Hammet as President,

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and Disability Rights Center of Kansas, Mike Burgess, director of policy and outreach. Defendants are Kansas Secretary of State Scott Schwab and Douglas County Clerk Jamie Shew.

These plaintiffs seem to have a lawfare business of suing governments over election matters, which costs them very little when pro bono counsel is paid by unknown outside sources. The first two nonprofits above receive funding from "dark money" sources, George Soros' nonprofits, and other progressive nonprofits. The third receives almost all of its funding from the federal government. So, federal government money is involved in getting this case started in Kansas district court. Follow so far?

A Feb. 2023 Capital Research Center report said Kansas Appleseed Center "uses nutrition and public health as cover to push voter turnout campaigns and election 'reforms.' The group demands expanded use of absentee ballots and drop boxes to collect them, and it rails against allegations of election fraud."

Kansas Appleseed's largest donor is the

Kansas Health Foundation, which spent millions on "Integrated Voter Engagement" from 2017-2024. Kansas Appleseed received \$606,000 for IVE from KHF, but also received another \$135,000 from Kansas City area healthcare foundations for IVE.

Kansas Appleseed received \$50,000 directly from George Soros' Foundation to Promote Open Society nonprofit, as well as \$155,950 in "dark money" funds from the Tide Foundation. Kansas Appleseed in a report thanked the Kansas Health Foundation and the Movement Voter Project for supporting Appleseed's work to "increase civic participation and health in Kansas." The Movement Voter Project has received considerable funding from George Soros' Open Society Policy Center nonprofit.

And then there's Loud Light. Davis Hammet has been building Loud Light and the sister Loud Light Civic Action organizations in Kansas for several years. Loud Light says its mission "engages, educates, and empowers individuals from underrepresented populations to build community power that has an impact on decision makers."

Oddly, Loud Light cannot seem to actually find the largest underrepresented population in the state. Disability Rights Center historically has received about 98% of its funds from federal government grants – it's almost like being an extension of the federal government.

Male voters are underrepresented in Kansas: there are more males than females for age intervals under 60 years, but females have more voters than males in all age intervals except for the 18-19 interval.

Loud Light has received \$755,000 from

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# Journalists shocked at revelation the new Pope is a Catholic

Welcome back to Forgotten Fact Checks. This week, we look at the media reaction to Pope Leo's past comments on the "homosexual lifestyle," and cover more media misses.

The Guardian can't believe a pope would follow the teachings of the Catholic Church.

"Unearthed comments from new pope alarm LGBTQ+ Catholics," the outlet reported.

"Previous negative remarks by Pope Leo XIV about 'homosexual lifestyle' at odds with papacy of Pope Francis," a subheading read.

The Guardian reports that "After years of sympathetic and inclusive comments from Pope Francis, LGBTQ+ Catholics expressed concern . . . about hostile remarks made more than a decade ago by Father Robert Prevost, the new Pope Leo XIV."

The remarks in question were made during a 2012 address to the world synod of bishops.

"Western mass media is extraordinarily effective in fostering within the general public enormous sympathy for beliefs and practices that are at odds with the Gospel – for example abortion, homosexual lifestyle, euthanasia," he said at the time.

In fact, The Guardian effectively proved a point the now-pope made at the time; he said mass media has fostered so much "sympathy for anti-Christian lifestyles choices" that "when people hear the Christian message it often inevitably seems ideological and emotionally cruel."

"Catholic pastors who preach against the legalization of abortion or the redefinition of marriage are portrayed as being ideologically driven, severe and uncaring," he said.

## NATIONAL COMMENTARY



**BRITTANY BERNSTEIN – NATIONAL REVIEW**

The View co-host Sunny Hostin was on the same page as The Guardian, saying she is "concerned" for the LGBT community after seeing the pope's comments from 13 years ago.

"I'm a devout Catholic," Hostin said. "Look, I always think it's exciting, to watch the conclave and look for the white smoke and the black smoke and just the ceremony of it and, you know, during these very trying times in our country, we certainly need spiritual leadership, because of some of the things that we're experiencing. I'm a little concerned about this choice for the LGBTQ+ community."

"I think that Pope Francis certainly made great changes in terms of embracing the LGBTQ+ community and extending blessings to the community, and I hope that this pope doesn't roll back the" she said before she was

interrupted by her co-hosts who pointed out that the comments were made many years ago.

Pope Francis, who died last month at the age of 88, had softened the Vatican's stance on same-sex unions, issuing guidance that allows priests to bless same-sex couples, in an effort to broaden "the classical understanding" of pastoral blessings.

As long as homosexual individuals don't conflate a blessing with the ritual of marriage, "an exhaustive moral analysis should not be placed as a precondition for conferring" a blessing, the document says.

Still, marriage is an "exclusive, stable and indissoluble union between a man and a woman, naturally open to conceiving children." Francis wrote in a 2023 letter. "For this reason, the Church avoids all kinds of rites or sacramentals that could contradict this conviction and imply that it is recognizing as a marriage something that is not."


He did, however, insist upon demonstrating pastoral charity to all people.

"Defense of the objective truth is not the only expression of that charity, which is also made up of kindness, patience, understanding, tenderness, encouragement," the pope said. "For that reason, pastoral prudence must adequately discern whether there are forms of blessing, requested by one or several people, that do not transmit a mistaken conception of marriage."

Former House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, meanwhile, had her own liberal agenda for the new

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# Mystery tour continues...

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Leaving the harbor behind, we headed on out to international waters. It wasn't very long until we came upon the hulk of the WWI U.S. ship "SELMA" sticking out of the water. The Selma was built in 1919 and was one of the three ships made of concrete. Don't ask me how concrete stayed afloat? We circled the remains a couple of times so everyone could take photos and also get a good view that it actually was made of concrete.

On the way back into the harbor we passed by the "ELISSA", the 3rd largest sailing craft in the world in the process of being restored. A beautiful sight to see.

After boarding our bus, our next stop was at Lakings Confectionary for a free double dip of ice cream. Flavor of our choice. YUM!! After another couple of hours sight-seeing, we stopped at 5:30 p.m. at the Fisherman's Wharf for yet another delicious buffet. So this was the end of another day.

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Set our bags out at 7:00 a.m. Ate breakfast and at 8:30, we said our goodbyes to Galveston

## DIGGING UP THE PAST



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and were "Headin' Home." Our first stop of the day was at a Pilot Station at about 10:20. Nap and game time until we arrived at College Station, TX. Here we visited the George Bush Library and Museum. We watched a very interesting video of the life of G.W. Bush.

Lunch was at Daisy's Cafe. Traveled on to west Texas where we stopped at the Gerile's Ole Czech Bakery for a free treat. Then it was on to Burselson, Texas. At 5:30 p.m. we ate dinner at Babes Famous Chicken Restaurant. We were soon settled in at the Holiday Inn Express for a night's stay.

To be continued next week.

Respectfully submitted by: Henry Roeckers. 6May2025

# 140 years ago - New skating rink & billards hall demoralizing to society

## That Was Then

Historical gleanings from past newspapers.

### 1885 - 140 years ago

May 16 - It is with great regret we note the introduction into our city, of a skating rink and billiard halls, which under the deceptive guise of innocent amusement and recreation, all experience as well as the nature of these institutions show to be demoralizing to society and fraught with great physical and moral evil, and we earnestly entreat all Christians and the good people of our city, not only to withhold from these so called places of amusement of their patronage, but to use their influence against them in every honorable way. And we further regret and condemn the action of our city government in permitting the existence of these institutions so detrimental to the best interests of our city.

### 1895 - 130 years ago

May 17 - Some thief threw a stone through the front glass of H. N. Greene & Co., shoe store Wednesday night and reached in and took four pairs of ladies shoes and got away.

### 1905 - 120 years ago

May 19 - Westphalia is indulging in some more brick sidewalks. We are proud of our nice walks. Occasionally we hear of our Garnett neighbors roasting Westphalia about her "Joint money sidewalks." One observation is that Garnett has the joints and few good sidewalks. Westphalia the joints and the best sidewalks of any town in Kansas.

### 1915 - 110 years ago

May 21 - Talk about nerve! Yesterday, a man by the name of Buss, who lives seven miles from Selma, walked to the Selma railway station, came to Garnett on the noon train, went to Dr. Bryson's office and had twenty teeth pulled. He immediately returned on the train and walked the seven miles to his home again.

### 1925 - 100 years ago

May 21 - Howard McClure, who was appointed a cadet at the Annapolis naval school in March, recently passed the necessary mental examination, and will go to Annapolis the middle of June, and



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Circa May 2005 - SQUEALS GALORE - Kids were squealing more than pigs when the Anderson County High School Future Farmers of America hosted their annual Day on the Farm Friday. Scrambling for the pig from Irving Primary Center, L to R: Lilly Lacey, Julie Hartman, Stephen Callow, Jacob Trumbly, Abby Buie, and Hannah Mead. Supervising was FFA member Rachel Wiley, far right.

will take the final physical examination. Howard will take a four-year course in international law and other branches of study required of a cadet.

### 1945 - 80 years ago

May 17- Mrs. George Callow received a letter Tuesday from her husband, Lt. George B. Callow, in which he wrote that the prison camp in which he has been confined was liberated, and since April 29 has had the Stars and Stripes flying over it. He did not state which camp it was, but evidently it was Stalag 7, near Nuremburg. This is the first word received from him since last December while he was still at Stalag Luff No. e, at Saagan, near Silesia, Germany. In January, this camp was moved and no further word was received from Lt. Callow as to his location. In his letter this week he said he expects to be home soon.

### 1975 - 50 years ago

May 15 - An Avenue of Flags in the Garnett cemetery is planned by the Garnett Bi-Centennial Commission. The commission composed of Gwinn Shell, chairman, Jack Fisher, Juanita Kellerman, and Berneice Stith, agreed that this will probably be a major Bi-Centennial proj-

ect. The commission wishes to emphasize that the entire project is a community one in which help financial, and labor will be sought.

### 1985 - 40 years ago

May 16 - Garnett's Webster Jewelry Company celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary Saturday. The store conducted a drawing as part of its observance of the 50 years of service to the Community.

### 1995 - 30 years ago

May 15 - Members of the Cedar Creek congregation of the Old German Baptist Brethren Church are completing their final plans for the national conference that will take place 3 miles south and a mile west of here June 3-6. Several thousand members of the church from across the nation will gather on the Dwayne Filbrun Farm. The local congregation was organized in Anderson County in 1882. The present meeting house, located just east of the conference site, was erected in 1889. The last time an annual meeting took place in Anderson County was 1958 when it was conducted on the farm of Delmer Hirt, located about a mile northeast of the 1995 location.

# Senior Center pitch results - More players wanted

Happy to report this reporter is back in business. After 20 plus years the ole computer bit the dust. It took awhile but a very nice young man in Paola got me up to date with a modern machine. Hopefully reporting will be more timely now that I'm out of the floppy disk era.

On the 24th of April Don Smith won 7 of 10 games taking top honor. Karen Register won the 50/50. Glenda Stanley won the least number of games and Jan Wards had the most hands of 13 with 4.

The first of May Kyle Trendel and his mother (Jan Wards) each won 9 of 10 games. Don Smith won the 50/50. Mike Kilet won the least number of

games and Kyle Trendel had the most hands of 13 with 5.

May 8th John Walter won 6 of 10 games for top honor. Mike Kilet won the 50/50. Kyle Trendel had the most hands of 13 with five and Jan Wards won the least number of games.

We invite anyone who is interested in playing pitch to come to the Senior Center on Thursday evenings promptly at six o'clock for a fun time. More players are needed for this group to continue. If you've never played before or are just a little rusty come join us. Someone will teach you or help you get up to speed. Always room for one more or 10, just come join us.

Jan Wards reporting

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# Crest middle school competes at league meet at Uniontown

UNIONTOWN — On Monday, May 5, Crest Middle School made a strong showing at the league meet hosted in Uniontown, bringing home top finishes across multiple events and grade levels. The Lancers finished strong as the 6th and 7th grade girls and boys teams each earned 1st place overall. The 8th grade girls placed 3rd, and the 8th grade boys finished 5th.



Addy Stewart

**6th & 7th Grade Girls – 1st Place Team**  
 Lynnex Allen: 1st in 3200m (12:59.13), 1st in 1600m (6:14.47), 4th in 400m (1:12.79)  
 Jordan Allen: 4th in 3200m (15:53.95)  
 Mackenzie Carter: 3rd in 100m (14.57)  
 Aidynn Edgerton: 5th in Long Jump (12'2", PR), 4th in 800m (2:52.26, PR)  
 Aubrey Ellington: 5th in Turbo Jav (66-09, PR)  
 Klaire Nilges: 4th in 100m hurdles (20.62, PR)  
 Piper Schmidt: 3rd in 3200m (15:28.32), 6th in 100m hurdles (21.10, PR)

58.43)  
 4x200m: 1st (Ella Beebe, Aidynn Edgerton, Klaire Nilges, Mackenzie Carter – 2:09.61)  
 Medley Relay: 1st (Klaire Nilges, Lynnex Allen, Mackenzie Carter, Ella Beebe)  
**8th Grade Girls – 3rd Place Team**  
 Braylee Edgerton: 2nd in 100m hurdles (18.98), 6th in 200m (30.54, PR)  
 Heather Moyer: 6th in 400m (1:24.64)  
 Tatum Slyter: 3rd in 100m (14.15, PR), 2nd in 400m (1:10.82), 2nd in 200m (29.65), 3rd in Long Jump (13'1.25")  
 Jemma Womelsdorf: 2nd in 1600m (6:54.19)  
**Relays**  
 Medley Relay: 3rd (Heather Moyer, Brailey Valentine, Remi Womelsdorf, Jemma Womelsdorf)  
 4x200m: 4th (Remi Womelsdorf, Jemma Womelsdorf, Danielle Burnett, Braylee Edgerton)

**7th Grade Boys – 1st Place Team**  
 TJ Beckman: 2nd in 100m hurdles (18.00), 2nd in 200m (27.79), 2nd in 400m (1:02.92)  
 Isaac Francis: 4th in 3200m (15:27.46)  
 Lukas Taylor: 2nd in 3200m (13:40.27, PR), 5th in 800m (2:59.91, PR)  
 Kray Walter: 1st in 1600m (5:29.36, PR), 1st in 800m (2:32.06, PR)  
**Relays**  
 4x200m: 5th (Jeremiah Smelser, Lukas Taylor, Isaac Francis, Kray Walter – 2:13.02)  
 Medley Relay: 1st (Jeremiah Smelser, Lukas Taylor, Kray Walter, TJ Beckman – 2:07.06)  
**8th Grade Boys – 5th Place Team**  
 Lukas Blaufuss: 4th in 3200m  
 Dagon Denny: 2nd in 3200m (12:55.47), 5th in 1600m (6:06.46)  
 Andrew Donovan: 3rd in 100m hurdles (19.09, PR), 4th in 800m (2:32.63, PR)  
 Wyatt Francis: 3rd in 3200m (13:59.50), 5th in 100m hurdles  
 Bentley Hammond: 5th in Shot Put (36-05)



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Pictured from left: Tatum Slyter, (Tish Hug Center track coach), Sunny Brewer, and Lukas Blaufuss.

**Relays**  
 4x200m: 4th (Ty Coberly, Wyatt Francis, Bentley Hammond, Andrew Donovan)  
 Medley Relay: 6th (Ty Coberly, Wyatt Francis, Andrew Donovan, Dagon Denny)

# Vikings middle school competes at league

UNIONTOWN - The Central Heights Vikings track team delivered a strong performance at the league meet in Uniontown, earning numerous top-six finishes in both girls' and boys' events.

In girls action, standout Mackenzie Moon won both the 800m (2:42.88) and 3200m (12:54.71), while Sutton Crouch earned 2nd in the 200m (29.83) and 100m hurdles (19.20), and placed 6th in long jump (11-1). Alyssa Reed was 3rd in the 400m (1:13.88) and 6th in the 800m (3:00.85). Katelyn

Burkdoll took 3rd in the 800m (2:45.10), while Kamden Moon was 5th in the 800m, 5th in hurdles, and 3rd in pole vault (5-6). Emery Hughes placed 2nd in the 1600m (6:20.50). Elizabeth Meyer was 5th in the 1600m and 4th in pole vault (5-0). Natalie Hinrichs earned 4th in high jump (4-2), and Jencie Rubick placed 5th in hurdles. The girls also finished 3rd in the 4x100m, and 6th in both the 4x200m and sprint medley relays.

For the boys, Blake Bones swept the sprints, winning both the 100m (12.10) and 200m

(24.84). Ely Reynolds was 2nd in the 100m and long jump (14-9). Alex Lickteig finished 2nd in the 800m (2:27.21) and 5th in the 400m. Sawyer Lickteig, Josmar Alvarez, and Ramsey Moore all earned top-5 finishes in distance and hurdles. Field event standouts included Sawyer Thackary, 1st in shot put (40-9.5), 2nd in high jump, and 3rd in javelin. Willis Miller won discus (106-1) and placed in shot and javelin. Relay teams added several top-six finishes, including 1st in the 4x100m and 2nd in the sprint medley.

# Bulldog middle school league track meet results

CARBONDALE - The Anderson County Middle School Bulldogs posted an impressive slate of top finishes at the league track meet, highlighted by multiple victories and podium placements.

Girls placing among the top 6 were paced by Sarah Price as she won the 100m hurdles (23.22) and placed 1st in the 200m (33.13), while Remington Schroeder was close behind, 2nd in the 200m and 3rd in discus (54-4). Cambree Miller secured 2nd in the 400m

(1:20.79) and 100m hurdles, and was 3rd in the 800m. Samantha Mills earned 2nd in both the 800m and 1600m. Liz Roberts and Lilly Beaudry placed 4th and 6th respectively in the 400m, with Beaudry also taking 3rd in high jump (4-3). Kinley Ball finished 3rd in the hurdles. The 4x200m relay team came in 5th, and the sprint medley relay earned a strong 2nd. In field events, Kimber Keith dominated with a 1st-place finish in discus (62-0) and 3rd in shot put.

Boys earning top 6 finishes were paced by distance standout Trenton Young as he claimed 1st in the 3200m, 2nd in the 1600m, and 3rd in the 800m. Collin Corley finished 2nd in both the 800m and 1600m. Justin Whitehurst placed 4th in the 100m, 5th in the 400m, and 3rd in hurdles. Camden Bettinger earned 2nd in high jump (5-0) and 3rd in long jump (16-0). Sawyer Schaffer placed 3rd in pole vault, and Brody Clark took 6th in discus.

# AAA to help bring awareness to Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and AAA is reminding motorists to be aware and share the road safely with bikers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) motorcycle riders are overrepresented in fatal traffic crashes. Dating back to 2022, over 6,200 motorcyclists were killed, making up for 15% of traffic related fatalities — the highest number of motorcyclists killed since 1975.

"The number of motorcyclists killed continues to be troubling, especially with motorcyclists representing 15% of all traffic fatalities on our nation's roadways," said Rylie Fletcher, spokesperson for AAA in Oklahoma.

The number of registered motorcycles has increased to 14% over the past 10 years. AAA, NHTSA and other traffic safety advocates are strongly insisting both drivers and motorcyclists to take the extra precautions on the road and to stay alert.

"It is incumbent upon drivers, motorcyclists and pedestrians to avoid distractions when on the roadways," said Fletcher. "Motorcyclists are also reminded of their responsibility to keep themselves as safe as possible by following the rules of the road, wearing a DOT-compliant helmet, being visible to other drivers, and

never driving while impaired."

**A list of safety tips from AAA Oklahoma recommended for motorcyclists:**

- Make yourself visible. Choose protective gear that provides visibility and protection. This includes wearing bright colors. If riding at night, wear clothing with reflective materials.

- Allow space. Position your bike in the lane so that you can be seen. Allow additional space for emergency braking and room to maneuver. Avoid riding in a motorist's blind spot. Make lane changes gradually and use appropriate signaling.

- Never share a lane beside a car. A driver may be unaware of your presence. Most drivers are looking for larger vehicles, not motorcycles.

- Clearly signal your intentions. Use turn signals before changing lanes and never weave between lanes.

- Complete a motorcycle rider education and training course. The overwhelming majority of motorcyclists have had no formal training – they were self-taught or learned from family and friends. Get professional training on how to be a defensive driving motorcyclist.

**Wear protective gear.**

- Helmet – Always wear a U.S. DOT-approved helmet. Eye protection – Visibility is key to riding safely. Many motorcycles do not have wind-

shields. Riders should protect their eyes with goggles that can shield the face from wind and debris, both of which can cause tearing and, blurred vision.

- Body Protection – Jackets with long sleeves and trousers protect limbs from injury.

- Gloves – Durable gloves should be a non-slip type to permit a firm grip on controls.

- Footwear – Proper over-the-ankles footwear should be worn to help prevent injuries.

Motorcyclists wearing Department of Transportation (DOT) compliant helmets increased in 2022 with 66.5% of both riders and passengers abiding by proper helmet safety, according to National Occupant Protection Use Survey. This was a slight increase from the 64.9% of motorcyclists who wore DOT compliant helmets in 2021.

"The importance of motorcyclists and their passengers wearing a helmet cannot be overstated," said Fletcher. "Like seat belts, helmets are a simple and effective way to reduce the likelihood of injury or death during a crash."

# MidAmerica Nazarene University announces spring 2025 honor roll

OLATHE - MidAmerica Nazarene University announced its President's List, Dean's List and Honor Roll for the spring 2025 semester. A total of 425 students qualified for one of the honors.

Area student Amelia Cubit of Greeley made the President's List.

All students in traditional undergraduate programs carrying 12 semester hours or more with a term GPA from

3.2 to 4.0 may qualify for one of these academic honors. The President's List is a 4.0 grade point average for the semester; the Dean's List ranges from 3.5 to 3.99; and the Honor Roll is 3.2 to 3.49.

# Click It or Ticket campaign reminds Kansans to always buckle up

Memorial Day weekend is the unofficial start of summer and road trips. With that, the Kansas Department of Transportation, Kansas Highway Patrol and Kansas Turnpike Authority urge drivers and passengers to always buckle up in a motor vehicle.

"Making sure you and your passengers are buckled up should be your top priority before starting your vehicle," said Transportation Secretary Calvin Reed. "Not wearing a seat belt has potentially fatal consequences. Make sure everyone in your vehicle is properly restrained."

Drivers will see an increased law enforcement presence on Kansas roads during the national Click It or Ticket campaign which runs from May 18

to June 1.

"Memorial Day is one of the busiest travel holidays in the nation, and using a seat belt is one of the safest choices drivers and passengers can make," said Kansas Highway Patrol Colonel Erik Smith. "These few seconds could save your life, or the life of a loved one. Everyone has an important role to play in helping to keep Kansans safe on the roadways. Please make certain that all occupants are buckled up. Every trip. Every time."

Preliminary 2024 data shows that nearly 47 percent of people killed and 32 percent of those seriously injured in passenger motor vehicle crashes were

unbelted.

"While Click It or Ticket reminds travelers of the critical importance of seat belts, KTA is also focused on road design safety," said David Jacobson, KTA's Director of Engineering. "Our conversion to cashless tolling is a key part of that – it keeps traffic moving consistently, reducing the risk of crashes associated with fixed objects (toll booths) on the road. Also, using a KTAG offers seamless travel in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, and most of Colorado and Florida, and saves money. Travelers should plan ahead, buckle up, use a KTAG and enjoy their summer travels."

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- Thursday, May 15, 2025**  
 4:30 p.m. - Garnett Farmers Market  
 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, May 16, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Saturday, May 17, 2025**  
 Kart Sprint Track Races @ North Lake Park
- Sunday, May 18, 2025**  
 Kart Sprint Track Races @ North Lake Park  
 9:00 a.m. - VFW Breakfast
- Monday, May 19, 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, May 20, 2025**  
 5:00 p.m. - ACDA Advisory Board  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - Planning Commission  
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Wednesday, May 21, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge  
 4:00 p.m. - Walker Art Committee  
 6:30 p.m. - Awana
- Thursday, May 22, 2025**  
 2:00 p.m. - Emergency Food Assistance (Harvesters)  
 4:30 p.m. - Garnett Farmer's Market  
 5:30 p.m. - Garnett Remembers  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:00 p.m. - 13 Point Pitch & Snacks at Garnett Senior Center  
 6:00 p.m. - Anderson County Historical Society Annual Banquet  
 6:00 p.m. - Garnett Republican Party Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Friday, May 23, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Saturday, May 24, 2025**  
 11:00 a.m. - Stay and Play hosted by the Garnett Public Library
- Monday, May 26, 2025**  
*Memorial Day*  
 10:00 a.m. - Memorial Day Service @ Garnett Cemetery
- Tuesday, May 27, 2025**  
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime For Preschoolers  
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga  
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo  
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Wednesday, May 28, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge  
 6:30 p.m. - Awana  
 7:00 p.m. - Book Discussion @ Garnett Public Library
- Thursday, May 29, 2025**  
 4:30 p.m. - Garnett Farmer's Market  
 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, May 30, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
- Monday, June 2, 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



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The Garnett Lions Club recently awarded its 2025 scholarship winners. Pictured, from left: Jay Velvick, Elmon Velvick Technical Scholarship winner Zykin Velvick, Lions President Skip Landis, Lions Academic Scholarship Winner Alyssa Scott and Lions Club Secretary Chelsey D'Albini. Zykin will be attending Flint Hills Technical College in Emporia, majoring in Automotive Technology. Alyssa will study art history with a minor in Italian at the University of Kansas.



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Pictured is Aaron Mayo, a paramedic with Anderson County EMS, along with a few items pulled from the cabinets at the station. Many more non-perishable food and personal hygiene items are needed to 'fill the ambulance' on May 24, and fill the shelves at ECKAN's Anderson County community pantry.

## Anderson County EMS challenges community to "Fill the Ambulance" with food and supplies to support local pantry during National EMS Week

GARNETT, KS (May 7, 2025) Anderson County Hospital Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is collecting donations for ECKAN's Anderson County Food Pantry, and is challenging the community to give generously—enough non-perishable food and personal hygiene supplies to fill an entire ambulance.

A donation drop-off event will take place on Saturday, May 24 from 9 a.m.–noon in the parking lot at Anderson County Hospital, located at 421 S. Maple Street in Garnett.

An ambulance will be parked near the hospital's main entrance, making it easy to drive-thru and drop-off donations. Paramedics and EMTs will team up with ECKAN staff to greet participants and help load donated items into the ambulance.

"Our department already does a lot for the community," says Aaron Mayo, a paramedic with Anderson County EMS who is leading the effort, "but we wanted to do more, something that would directly benefit local families who struggle with the most basic everyday needs."

"I have family and friends who have needed extra help in the past, and I have too," he shared. "Helping others with food insecurity is something I'm passionate about, and challenging the community to fill an entire ambulance with donations is a great way to use our department resources and connections to make a big impact."

"It will be fun to watch the ambulance fill up," says Aaron. "We haven't done the math to estimate how many items will fit in there, but it's a lot, and it will all go to help a lot of Anderson County families."

As part of the drop-off event, several partnering agencies will be onsite to show their support and showcase other critical emergency response vehicles, including the Anderson County Fire Department, Garnett Fire Department, Anderson County Sheriff's Office, Garnett Police Department, and LifeSave 21 air medical transport from

Emporia. Everyone is invited to visit with first responders and explore the emergency equipment up close with no donation required.

"The Saturday morning drop-off event wraps up our National EMS Week celebration," Aaron says, "and it will be a great way to end the week."

## Free summer meals available to children in Garnett & Kincaid

The Kansas Food Bank partnered with the Garnett Church of the Nazrene in Garnett and the Kincaid Community Library in Kincaid will once again provide summer meals for children as part of the USDA Summer Food Service Program.

Meals will be distributed as a "Grab & Go" each week. Meals will be served at the following location and times.

**Garnett pickup information**  
 •Garnett Church of the Nazrene located at 258 W Park Rd. in Garnett from Noon – 1:00 p.m. The first pickup will be Tuesday, May 27 and then on Mondays from June 2 through August 4.

**Kincaid pickup information**  
 •Kincaid Community Library located at 500 5th Ave. in Kincaid from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. on Mondays from June 2 - August 4.

Each child will receive a pre-packaged distribution of meals for the week. Child must be present to receive a meal box.

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ground in an attempt to stifle her screams, but she was able to escape by kicking herself away from him and down the trail embankment and run for help to a nearby home.

Previous charges included assault and mistreatment of an elderly person. An additional charge of aggravated battery was also approved in the prosecution motion.

Assistant county attorney Dan Dunbar, working under then-county attorney Elizabeth Oliver, told the Review his decision not to file an initial attempted rape charge was based on his review of the information provided and the applicable law.

"However, with that being said, it is not uncommon for two people reviewing the same evidence to have a different opinion on what should or should not be charged in a criminal case," Dunbar said. "As the county attorney, Mr. Wilson should do his own independent review of any cases previously charged prior to taking office and make decisions that he feels are appropriate."

Cantu, a Mexican national in the country illegally, was previously set for trial on the initial charges June 30. The approved motion sets up a preliminary hearing on the additional charges for July 8, with a jury trial now scheduled to begin September 24.

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## Notice of suit - Mortgage foreclosure

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, May 1, 2025.)

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CIVIL DEPARTMENT

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
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Defendants

Case No. AN-2025-CV-000015  
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MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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## Craw-Kan statement of non-discrimination

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, May 15, 2025.)

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## Notice of hearing to amend USD 365 budget

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, May 15, 2025.)

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDING THE 2024-25 BUDGET

The governing body of Unified School District 365 will meet on the 5th day of June, 2025 at 6:45 PM, at 305 N Oak St, Garnett, KS, 66032 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds. Detailed budget information is available at district office and will be available at this hearing.

### SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Fund	Adopted Budget 2024-25			Proposed Amendment 2024-25 Budget
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax to be Levied	Expenditures & Transfers	Expenditures & Transfers
Bond & Interest #1	5.9140	695,639	1,555,813	1,670,540

*Jerome E. ...*  
Board Clerk

## BERNSTEIN...

FROM PAGE 4

pope. Pelosi said she hopes the new pontiff will be outspoken in opposing President Trump's mass deportations.

"This new pope is said to be acutely aware of conditions forcing migration, of the vulnerabilities of migrants," MSNBC's Chris Jansing said to Pelosi. "Do you think that at this moment, when so many people are looking to him, he could be impactful as a moral and ethical voice on that issue that we're dealing with, when so many people are being deported or fear it?" "I certainly hope so," Pelosi replied.

**Headline Fail of the Week**  
Vanity Fair has found an unlikely situation to add to the list of things for which MAGA is to blame: "Why Are Americans So Obsessed With Protein? Blame MAGA."

The magazine says the "manosphere" has contributed to the "protein mania" that has been building over the last several decades. President Trump, it goes on to add, is at the "helm"

of the "manosphere," thereby making MAGA responsible for Americans' desire to get more protein in their diets.

**Media Misses**  
The Atlantic contributing writer Jemele Hill compared public opinion on transgenerism to the one-time public skepticism of Martin Luther King Jr. and civil rights. After the Trump administration banned transgender-identifying individuals from serving in the military, Democratic strategist Julie Roginsky asked, "What if the president wakes up tomorrow and says, 'I don't want any Black people in the military?'" After conservative CNN panelists interjected to call out the false equivalency, Hill said, "It's bathrooms today, it's sports tomorrow, it's the military today," she said. CNN political commentator Scott Jennings replied, "It's also sports today, by the way. . . . 80 percent of Americans agree, by the way." "The majority sometimes is wrong," Hill said. "The majority used to believe that Dr. MLK Jr. was

somebody who was a threat and somebody who was not a good American. The majority of people used to be against civil rights. Were they right? No, they weren't."

MSNBC's Morning Joe was left to walk back a claim that FBI Director Kash Patel has been "visible at nightclubs far more than he has been on the seventh floor of the Hoover building." The claim was made by MSNBC national security and intelligence analyst Frank Figliuzzi. Jonathan Lemire later clarified, "At the end of that segment, Figliuzzi said that FBI Director Kash Patel has been more visible at nightclubs than the FBI headquarters. This was a misstatement. We have not verified that claim."

The View co-host Ana Navarro claimed President Biden doesn't "tell many lies," leading CNN senior political commentator Scott Jennings to burst out laughing. We can think of a few.

*Brittany Bernstein writes for the National Review*

## Colony Christian Church - Mother's Day message

Rochelle Smart led worship singing "Come As You Are," "Unclouded Day," "Who You Say I Am" and "At the Cross Love Ran Red." She was accompanied by Mike and Isla Billings and Ethan Prasko.

Bruce Symes gave the communion meditation reminding us to bring to mind and confess of sins before taking communion, then feed on Christ and

be refreshed. No one is worthy to take communion but Jesus makes us worthy.

Pastor Chase Riebel gave the message honoring mothers "A Mother's Influence." Some of the things a mother can do for her children are to praise the Lord with them on a daily basis. Also to teach them to put on the armor of God to fight the enemy instead of using world-

ly strategies. Confessing and repenting of sins should also be part of a normal routine.

Cole Mathes and Gentry McGhee were presented road trip baskets for senior graduation. They were encouraged with the scripture Joshua 1:9 to be strong and courageous ... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

## O'NEIL...

FROM PAGE 4

Alliance for Youth Organizing and Loud Light Civic Action has received \$267,000 from Alliance for Youth Action. These "Alliance for Youth" nonprofits are heavily funded directly by George Soros' nonprofits, and a number of "dark money" organizations, including Arabella Advisor funds and Tides Foundation/Tides Advocacy.

Disability Rights Center historically has received about 98% of its funds from federal government grants — it's almost an extension of the federal government. IRS990s show total amounts from government grants, but not the source of the money. USASpending.gov shows that during the approximate dates of the IRS 990s above, DRCK received \$13.7 million in funding from three federal agencies: the Dept. of Health and Human Services, \$8.57 million (63%); the Social Security Administration, \$2.64 million (19%); and the Department of Education, \$2.49 million (18%).

So, federal funds are being used to create a lawsuit against Kansas' state government?

Congress should require nonprofits that are substantially funded by the federal government to be subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, like other federal agencies, so the public can learn more about how tax dollars are spent. But that's not the case.

Then there's the "free" legal work from which these noble non-profit's benefit. In Aug. 2024 in a separate election legal matter involving Kansas Applesseed and Loud Light from 2021, Kansas Applesseed's litigation director, Teresa Woody, acknowledged being "grateful to our pro bono partners, The Elias Group and Irigonegaray, Turney, & Revenaugh, for their partnership."

Is it reasonable to assume Elias Law Group and Irigonegaray & Revenaugh are pro bono partners in this matter?

## Red Cross: Tips to stay safe during swimming season

Warmer weather is coming our way soon, and taking a dip in a pool or lake is a great way to cool off. The American Red Cross Kansas and Oklahoma Region wants to ensure everyone swims safely this season.

Drowning can happen quickly and silently. Unless rescued, it could take as little as 20 to 60 seconds for a drowning person to submerge. Be "water smart" build confidence in the water by learning to be safer, making good choices, learning to swim and knowing how to handle emergencies.

•Prevent unsupervised access to water, provide constant and active adult supervision, and know how to swim.

•Never swim alone – adults and teens as well as children. Never leave a young child unattended near water, and do not trust a child's life to another child. Swim in an area with lifeguards.

•Designate a "water watcher" whose sole responsibility is to keep a close eye and constant attention on everyone in and around the water until the next water watcher takes over.

•Don't just pack it, wear your life jacket — always on a boat and if you are in a situation beyond your skill level.

•Reach or throw, don't go! In the event of an emergency, reach or throw an object to the person in trouble and tell them to grab on to it. Don't go in! You could become a victim yourself.

**New Program Available**  
The Red Cross is also pleased to announce it has revamped and relaunched its Longfellow's WHALE Tales Water Safety for Children pro-

gram, all in Spanish. The free program, now transcated in Spanish, is designed to help children from all backgrounds in kindergarten through fifth grade learn vital water safety behaviors without having to be at a swimming pool.

Recent studies show that 45% of Hispanic/Latino children have few to no swimming skills, which significantly increases their risk of drowning. Through transcated Spanish content with a new cast of animated and live action characters, rhymes and songs, the Red Cross is working to increase water safety skills for children across the country.

### Deliver The Whale Tales Program

WHALE Tales are short, engaging and age-appropriate lessons that cover important water safety topics in different environments such as pools, waterparks, oceans, lakes and rivers. Each lesson centers on a memorable rhyming phrase to help children retain what they've learned. Anyone can use the WHALE Tales program.

If you're an educator or youth leader teaching a group,

the easy-access, free downloadable resources include lesson plans, course presentations and engaging materials such as videos and activity sheets. Visit [redcross.org/WHALETales](http://redcross.org/WHALETales) or [CruzRojAmerica.org/WHALE-tales-espanol](http://CruzRojAmerica.org/WHALE-tales-espanol).

If you're a parent or caregiver teaching your own children, visit [redcross.org/watersafetyforkids](http://redcross.org/watersafetyforkids). In addition to videos and activity sheets, resources also include a helpful discussion guide for water safety conversations.

The Red Cross WHALE Tales program – which stands for Water Habits Are Learned Early – is named in honor of Commodore Wilbert E. Longfellow who started the Red Cross Lifesaving Corps in 1914. The Red Cross created the first national water safety program in the U.S., helping millions of kids, teens and adults learn how to swim so the water can be a safer place for everyone – and today it's still the gold standard for aquatics training. In the last century, the Red Cross has helped to reduce accidental drownings by nearly 90% nationwide.

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# Tri-Ko Board announces new executive director

The Tri-Ko Board of Directors has announced Kathy Kay's appointment as the next Executive Director. Ms. Kay will succeed longtime Executive Director John Platt, who announced his retirement in January.



Kay

Kay's career includes extensive management experience in non-profit organizations for the past twenty years. She has a broad range of human service experience working with individuals with disabilities. Recently, she served as the Chief Executive Officer for The Whole Person in Kansas City, Missouri, and prior to that, was CEO of the League of Human Dignity in Lincoln, Nebraska. Her work with individuals with developmental disabilities grew from her experience with the Johnson County Board of Services in Warrensburg (MO) and expanded in Lincoln. Her career as a leader has empha-

sized her strengths and passion for working with the disabled community and their families, community partners, state agencies, and elected officials. Her communication and people skills will be an asset for Tri-Ko. She has lived and worked in small communities and understands the unique needs of working in a three-county region to deliver services.

Her agency leadership was tapped into, with appointments to statewide committees in Missouri and Nebraska. She even served as Chairperson for the Nebraska Statewide Independent Living Council. She holds a master's in speech communication from the University of Central Missouri.

According to Ms. Kay, "My passion and experience working with individuals who experience disabilities and their families makes me a good fit for Tri-Ko. I understand the challenges both professionally and personally".

Ms. Kay's appointment will begin May 19th and allow her to work with John Platt, the current Executive

Director, until his retirement in July.

According to Board President Jimmy Hay, the search process was very competitive, and it was clear that candidates viewed Tri-Ko as a stable, well-managed organization and the region as a great place to live. After an intensive interview process, resume screening, reference interviews, and an extensive background check, Ms. Kay was selected as the top candidate. "The Board was looking for someone with a passion for our mission and leadership and management skills to navigate public policy changes and sustain the high-quality services our customers enjoy and depend upon. The governing board unanimously selected Kathy Kay as our new Executive Director. She is a warm and positive person with a vision for the organization who works well with partners to make good things happen in organizations. The Board is grateful to John Platt, the current Executive Director, who has done an outstanding job for Tri-Ko for the past 18 years."

## DEAL...

FROM PAGE 1

"So far so good for Anderson County and agriculture as a whole," Pracht said. "Last year we exported 244 million gallons (ethanol) to the UK - the second largest importer of ethanol behind Canada. This will allow for up to 370 million tariff free gallons." Pracht said though EKAE typically sells to domestic markets, any additional foreign exports will take pressure off domestic demand, "which helps the entire ethanol industry," he said.

Pracht said he'd like to see the tariffs on Dried Distiller Grains - a byproduct of ethanol plants used for livestock feed - reduced as well in upcoming talks with China. He said DDGs are shipped to China and all of Southeast Asia.

"We have exported some through the intermodal in the past," Pracht said. "Reduced tariffs for DDGs would be a big help."

Cattlemen are likely to see benefits from the UK deal as well, and Pracht thinks they'd benefit even more if beef sales are worked into the framework

of a deal with China, a breakthrough announced Monday and with which quelled investor's recent nervousness and sent stocks soaring to recover recent losses.

Details of the UK deal include an easing of trade barriers on a set of U.S. products including ethanol, beef and machinery and others, according to an analysis by ABC News. The outlet said the additional market access should amount to some \$5 billion additional dollars in trade according to White House figures. In return the U.S. will adjust 25% tariffs on steel and aluminum and will lower auto tariffs from 25% to 10% on the first 100,000 British vehicles sent to the US, the president said. ABC said the deal called for the UK to also fast-track U.S. imports through customs inspections.

The deal was widely endorsed by American farm and business organizations, including the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, the Renewable Fuels Association and the National Corn Growers Association.

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## Planes of the Sky

by Gwen Wiehl  
GES - 6th Grade  
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And to these people I say  
"My fear is my fear to fear and  
you can fear yours"  
Because planes make me want  
to cry.

Planes scare me because when  
they crash it's horrible  
Planes just will fall from the  
sky  
They are just so dangerous  
But I have God  
So planes will make me cry  
But I remember I have God.



Planes of the sky  
They make me want to cry  
Sometimes I can't explain  
why.  
Flying doesn't scare me  
Just planes  
If I could fly with my own  
wings I would  
But flying on planes scares me  
They make me want to cry.

Planes crashes are deadly  
Planes are like serial killers  
They don't strike often  
But when they do it's horrible  
Accident or on purpose  
They make me want to cry.

Most people say that my fear  
is dumb  
Because and I quote  
"Planes help us and don't  
crash often"

## The Ghost in My Bedroom

by Ruby Thompson  
St. Rose - 5th Grade  
Norma Rockers

Hi, I'm Sarah. The creepiest thing happened last night. I was in my bedroom doing my homework when creak. My bedroom door was being opened. I turned around but no one was there. Then my room dropped like 20 degrees. I felt someone watching me. I got scared so I ran to my mom's bedroom when "ow." I hit something. But there was nothing in front of me. I tried again. I couldn't get through. So I just went back to my desk. I looked out the window at the starry night sky. I looked at two stars that were oddly close together. Then they disappeared for one second and then they were back. It did the same thing again. And again. I felt someone watching me again but when I turned around there was no one. I got up from my desk chair and then my door shut. By itself. I screamed so loud my window shattered into a million pieces. My mom came run-

ning into my room. When she came in, I was in a ball on the floor, crying. I was so scared. I told my mom what happened and she let me sleep on her bedroom floor. I had nightmares about it all night. I would toss and turn. When I woke up in the morning, sweat was dripping down my face. I told my friends all about it. They clung to each other while I was telling them my story. I felt someone watching me at my house again. But I wasn't scared any more. I am obsessed with ghosts now. Did you know that if a ghost visits you, it could be the person who used to live there before you, that died because someone murdered her?



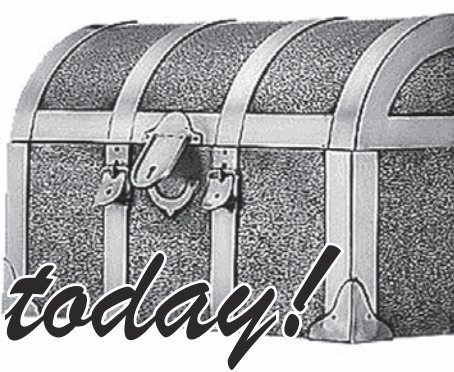
## My Dying Fear

by Alex Kurtz  
GES - 6th Grade  
Mrs. Kerns

I am afraid of dying  
Which almost leaves me crying  
Thinking about it makes me feel like I'm in  
a big pit  
I am afraid of dying.  
I feel like my heart's racing faster and faster  
I do not believe in the afterlife  
Not at all like a pastor  
Wonder if I just see black  
I wonder if I can take all the bad things I've  
done back  
I am afraid of dying.  
Will all my friend and family be sad I go  
I have no idea  
Do you know  
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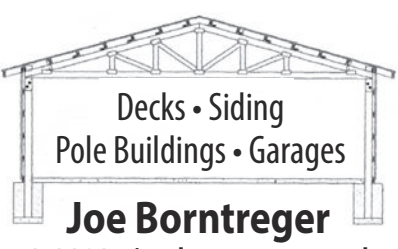
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# Central Heights Breaks Barriers at Shawnee Mission North Relays

OVERLAND PARK - On the eve of their graduation, the Central Heights boys' track team delivered a historic performance at the 2025 Shawnee Mission North Relays in Overland Park, KS—shattering three school records in one unforgettable night.

The highlight began with the 4x800 relay, where Cody Hammond, Owen Miller, Christian McCord, and Connor Burkdoll were determined to break the elusive 8-minute barrier. Cody led off with a blazing 1:53 split, followed by Owen's gritty 2:02. Christian held the pace against elite competition,

and Connor's calm, calculated anchor sealed it. When the scoreboard flashed 7:57.31, the crowd roared—school record broken.

Cody returned to the track less than two hours later in the 800 meters, facing a loaded field. With surgical pacing and an unmatched drive in the final 100 meters, he surged ahead to win in 1:52.57, dropping nearly two seconds off his PR and posting the fastest time in Kansas this season.

Finally, Connor capped the evening in the 3200 meters, overcoming visible pain to gut out a remarkable 9:25.83, set-

ting yet another school record.

"This group of seniors just seem to keep outdoing themselves on the biggest stages," Viking head coach Troy Prosser stated.

Prosser is amazed at the determination despite having all the reasons to be distracted. "The night before graduation could have been a reason for the kids to see their focus drift elsewhere, but not these boys."

Three races. Three records. One unforgettable night—just before they donned their caps and gowns the following afternoon.

# Jayhawk-Linn sweeps Lady Bulldogs

MOUND CITY - On Monday, Jayhawk-Linn cruised in the opening game and pounded out a 4-run fifth inning in the second game to win 6-3 and complete the sweep.

The Bulldogs struggled offensively in the opening game losing 10-0 and garnering just 2 hits in the game.

Addy Kueser hit a double and Bree Schaffer added a single.

Maura Rockers started the game and lasted 2 innings,

allowed 7 hits, 8 runs and 5 earned runs.

In relief, Schaffer tossed 2 1/3 innings, allowed 4 hits and 2 earned runs.

The Lady Bulldogs struck first in the second game as Lyndsie Carey hit a single in the top of the second that scored a run.

Jayhawk-Linn would score a lone run in the third to tie the game up at 1 apiece before a 4-run fifth inning broke the

game open.

AC would rally for a pair of runs in the sixth inning but would muster little offense after that in the loss.

Khole McCarty started the game and was charged with the loss after throwing 4 1/3 innings, allowed 9 hits, 5 runs and 4 earned runs. Bree Schaffer allowed 2 hits and 1 run over the game's final 1 2/3 innings.

# Lancers capitalize on Uniontown errors to earn sweep

COLONY - Crest won both games of a doubleheader on Monday, but they got a lot of help from the Uniontown pitchers as in the two games they walked 20 times and were also hit by a pitch in another 6 at-bats.

In the opening game, the Lancers trailed 3-2 heading into the bottom of the fifth inning before erupting for 8 runs to blow the game open.

Seven Lancers picked up one hit in the game. Nilges led the team with 4 runs driven in and also scored a run. Nilges also opened the game on the mound and threw 2 2/3 innings, allowed 0 hits and struck out 5.

Will Disbrow would then pitch 2 1/3 innings, allowed 3 hits, 3 runs and 1 earned run. Jensen Barker pitched the final two innings. He allowed 0 runs on just 1 hit.

It was a similar result in game 2 as Crest was clinging to a 8-6 lead heading into the fifth before scoring 8 runs to end the game due to the mercy rule.

Jensen Barker and Drake Weir both hit home runs in the game. Barker was a perfect 2 for 2 and drove in 5 runs. Weir was 1 for 1, scored 3 times and drove in 4.

# SFT blanks ACHS softball

GARNETT - Santa Fe Trail swept the Bulldogs on Friday as they shut Anderson County out in both games of the doubleheader.

In game 1, SFT cruised to an 11-0 victory in 5 innings. The Bulldogs were held to just 2 hits and committed 3 errors.

Taylor Clark and Brooklyn Kellerman picked up the game's only hits.

Maura Rockers pitched 5 innings, allowing 12 hits and 9 earned runs.

In the second game it was all SFT again, this time they won 7-0.

The Bulldogs had 4 hits, one each by Brylie Kohlmeier, Clark, Bree Schaffer and Heidi Miller.

On the mound, Khole McCarty tossed 7 innings, allowed 11 hits and 7 earned runs on the night.

# DRUGS...

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Pharmacies in Garnett says Trump's move - particularly disempowering the PBMs which critics say jack up consumer prices after cutting sweet deals with drug makers and pocketing huge profits themselves - may save community drug stores across America.

"I do think it is critical that the public understands what all is at play here," Burns said. "Not only will we lower drug prices, but it could also save the community pharmacies from closing by removing that middleman (PBMs) the president was referring to."

In February, AuBurn stores were among 100 pharmacies in the state of Kansas that temporarily closed for a day in order to protest on the steps of the state capitol building in

Topeka, drawing attention to middleman prophets they say force pharmacies to take an even lower margin on drugs while scooping up their own margin in negotiated deals from those drug makers. that reduction in revenue, the pharmacies maintain, threatens private pharmacy operations in every small town, which have higher proportional operating costs and fewer economies of scale than giant pharmacy retailers.

"Without community pharmacies patients will not have adequate access," Burns said. "If the PBM middle men are not addressed they will continue to drive up costs and eliminate competition, further driving more business to their own retail, mail order and specialty pharmacies, exacerbating the problem of high cost medication and healthcare."

Burns said foreign countries don't only have lower prices due to their negotiations with manufacturers, but also because they don't have pharmacy benefit managers as the middlemen.

Trump maintains the justification commonly used by drug companies for expensive pricing - that those margins pay for research and development of highly effective drugs and treatments - is primarily born by us customers who pay far higher prices than some foreign countries.

Some analysts say drug manufacturers are unlikely to voluntarily lower their prices, and that the benefit of the order to consumers may depend more on the "teeth" Trump enforces in the 30-day deadline if negotiations between the companies and HHS don't find common ground.

# SLYTER...

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were recovered and on which the charges were base were primarily John Deere farm equipment items - large tractors & loader combinations, additional tractors, skid steer and a bat wing mower. Victims in the complaints ranged from private individuals to the Kansas Department of Transportation as well as the financial services arm of John Deere.

Some of the equipment was

restored to owners. The investigation led to criticism of the Anderson County Sheriff's Department for its slow pace, although then-sheriff Vern Valentine said multiple counties and multiple jurisdictions of the recovered goods made massing charges cumbersome. According to the plea agreement that avoided the trial, Slyter will be forced to submit DNA samples, have no contact with victims, complete a theft offender program, pay court

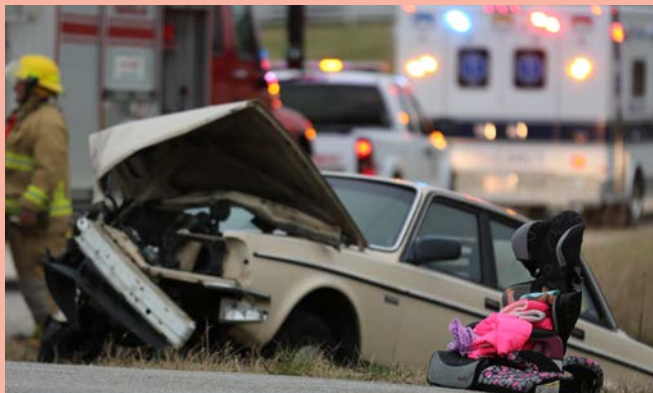
and probationary costs, and pay restitution of some \$35,750. Slyter will have the option to do community service work in lieu of paying court costs and fees at the accrual rate of \$5 per hour. Terms of probation also prohibit any alcohol consumption or use of illicit substances, and to submit to and pay for substance testing, and prohibit patronage of businesses serving alcohol as a primary commodity. Terms also require regular probation officer meetings.



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Senior Karlee Boots of Crest High School signed Tuesday, May 6th with Pratt Community College. She will be continuing her rodeo career. Pictured, from left: Justin Boots (Father), Karlee Boots, Karla Laver (Mother).

## AC golfers shine at league tournament

BURLINGTON - Anderson County High School's golf team delivered a solid performance at the Rock Creek Country Club in Burlington in the 2025 Pioneer League Tournament, finishing second overall. Competing on a 5,107-yard course with a par of 68, slope of 106, and rating of 66, the Bulldogs posted a team score of 330 over 18 holes.

Leading the charge for Anderson County was senior

Eli Martin, who captured individual medalist honors with an impressive round of 69, finishing three strokes ahead of the second-place finisher.

Joining Martin in the top tier was Cayden Davis, who shot a 79 to tie for 4th place overall. Davis's round was a key component in keeping Anderson County competitive in the team standings, as he provided valuable depth behind Martin's top finish.

Rounding out the Bulldogs' varsity effort were: Issac Richards in 15th place with an 89, Isaak Porter finished 18th with a 93, Jonathan Stoltzfus finished 19th with a round of 94 and Mitchell Richards rounds out the Bulldogs with a 29th place (103).

Anderson County finished in 2nd (330) and narrowly missing the tournament champion Burlington (327).

## Bulldogs take second at Bulldog Bash Invite

GARNETT - The Anderson County Bulldogs delivered a strong team performance at the Bulldog Bash Invitational on May 13, finishing second overall with a score of 322, just two strokes behind Ottawa. The event was held at Garnett Country Club (Par 70, 5,539 yards).

Eli Martin led the team with a 73, tying for third place individually. Cayden Davis fol-

lowed with a 79 (7th), while Issac Richards (83, 9th), Isaak Porter (87, 11th), and Jonathan Stoltzfus (91, 15th) contributed key scores. Mitchell Richards rounded out the squad with a 96.

The Bulldogs' solid showing on their home course will hopefully be a good building block heading into the postseason. Regional golf will take place on Monday, May 19th in Garnett.

## Area track teams prepare for regional meets next week

The three area schools are winding down their seasons as for many athletes next week's regional meets will be the final performances this season while a select few will stamp their ticket to the state meet in Wichita over Memorial Day weekend.

Anderson County will have their 3A regional in Pomona at West Franklin High School on

May 22 beginning at 2 p.m.

Crest High School will travel to Iola for their 1A regional which is hosted by Waverly High School. Field events will kickoff at 3 p.m. on May 22.

The Central Heights Vikings 2A regional meet will also be on May 22nd and will take place at Eureka High School, field events kicking off at 2 p.m.

Other teams in attendance will be Santa Fe Trail, Iola, Heritage Christian Academy, Osage City, Osawatomie, West Franklin and Wellsville.

## Bulldogs Miller breaks school record

HUMBOLDT - The Anderson County track and field team traveled to Humboldt and a handful of top finishes were highlighted by Jordan Miller's record breaking triple jump effort which landed her a first place finish.

Miller broke the school record with a leap of 35 feet, 9 inches. Miller also placed third

in the 100-meter hurdles (16.05), rounding out a standout performance.

On the boys' side, Garrett Tucker earned second place in javelin with a throw of 166-9, while Grant Nienstedt placed third in the 3200-meter run. Finishing in a tie for sixth place was Noah Porter and Christian Barnett as they both cleared 5'

8". Porter also finished 6th in the triple jump (38' 9").

In the 4x400-meter relay, the co-ed team finished third with a time of 4:10.35.

For the girls, Hayden Wright secured third in the 200 meters, (27.61) and Madilyn Reichard placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles (54.12).

## Lancers compete at Humboldt Invite

HUMBOLDT - The Crest Lancers delivered a strong showing at the Humboldt Invitational on May 8, 2025, with multiple athletes placing in the top ranks across both boys and girls events.

Leading the way was Hanna Schmidt. She placed 2nd in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 15.92 seconds, 3rd in long

jump (16-5.5), and 5th in the 100-meter dash.

Peyton Schmidt added to the medal count by winning the 3200-meter run in 13:40.38, while Josie Walter took 4th in the 800 meters (2:36.08). Kinley Edgerton earned a 3rd place finish in javelin, throwing 96-1.

On the boys' side, Gunner Ellington placed 4th in the

1600 meters (4:54.99), and the boys 4x800 relay team won their event in a time of 9:18.03. Gentry McGhee placed 7th in the 100 meters and 5th in long jump, with teammate Xander Fuller close behind in 7th.

The co-ed 4x100 meter relay team finished in 5th place with a time of 57.17.

## Bulldogs win a pair over PV

MOUND CITY - It was a good way to close out the regular season as the Anderson County Bulldogs knocked off Prairie View in both games of the doubleheader.

In game 1, the Bulldogs won 5-3 after scoring a pair of runs in the top of the seventh to break up a 3-3 tie.

Owen Rockers was the Bulldog with a multi-hit game as he was 2 for 3 and also scored a run.

On the mound Christopher

Barnett pitched 5 2/3 innings, allowed just 2 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned run and struck out 5. Aiden Steele pitched 2 innings in relief as he allowed 2 hits and 1 run.

The Bulldog bats came alive in the second game as AC cruised to a 12-6 win.

Brodie Wiesner was the only Bulldog with a multi-hit game as he went 3 for 3, drove in 2 runs and scored once.

Zach Schaffer started the game on the mound and

pitched 5 innings, allowed 5 hits, 1 earned run and struck out 4.

Owen Thompson, Wiesner and Owen Rockers pitched the game's final 2 innings. Thompson allowed 3 runs in the sixth inning, Wiesner was unable to record an out as he walked 3 batters to open up the seventh, leading to one run, before being pulled for Rockers.

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