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Board member: Medicaid increase for SEKMHC was “life changing money”

Spencer says agency can probably get by without tax subsidies

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Anderson County Commissioners on Monday stopped short of replacing one of their representatives to the Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center regional board, but made it plain more than \$90,000 in county subsidy to the organization may not be in the pipeline after this year.

And Dana Spencer, one of two representatives from Anderson County to the organization's board of directors and one of the longest serving board members in the region, told commissioners a bonanza of Medicaid funding would probably keep the organization afloat without that local tax money.

Spencer told commissioners a boost in federal Medicaid revenues - what she described as “life changing money” for SEKMHC - came when the organization became a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic in 2022. That certification drastically increased its Medicaid funding for services, she said, and enabled the cen-

ter, which operates mental health programs in all six member counties to expand its services to an \$80 million annual budget with some 400 employees. It also eventually acquired two primary healthcare related businesses in the region to fill in “gaps” where services either didn't exist or might be threatened if SEK didn't step in.

Commissioners declined Spencer's initial request to discuss the controversial salary issues at SEKMHC in closed session. County counselor James Campbell said exemptions to the Kansas Open Meetings Act did not apply to the agency salary issue.

That Medicaid funding increase also provided for the large hikes in executive salaries which has aggravated commissioners, who commit annual tax dollars to the regional center, since the salary information became public earlier this year. Anderson County budgeted more than \$90,000 for the organization this year.

Spencer said as an Anderson County taxpayer herself, the commissioners' consternation at continuing to fund SEKMHC, considering its new available revenue, was understandable.

“I don't feel like it would

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Kylie Heck gives an exhibition on sweet corn shucking amid part of the the inventory of the Hecks' Farms booth at the Garnett Farmers' Market last week. The market operates along Main Street in downtown Garnett Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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Weather looks good for Liberty Festival

Forecast: Chance for precip low, drops to “0” after 6 p.m. on Saturday

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce astronomers say sunset on Saturday will arrive at 8:48 p.m., beginning the countdown for the nighttime backdrop against which the sparkling celebration of freedom that is the annual Garnett Liberty Festival will be painted. Go time will about 9:30 p.m.

Before the fireworks finale, local dinner and entertainment begins at 5 p.m. in Lake Garnett Park with a performance by the Osawatomie Community Band followed by local musicians Scipio Bottoms playing to the start of fireworks.

Camping is available in designated areas by making reservations in advance through the Garnett Recreation Center, online-garnettrecreation.reckdesk.com, phone-785-448-3023.

Food trucks or civic organizations will offer eats during the evening with goodies from BBQ Shack, Southern Eats, The Tasty Kernel, Kurt's Ice Cream, Hope Anthem Church, Katie's Kreationz, Cotton Candy Creations, Amber's Country Creations, and Flavor First

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Fair board proposes replacing aging livestock facilities

Fundraising effort may dovetail with board transition to 501c3 non-profit to increase incentive

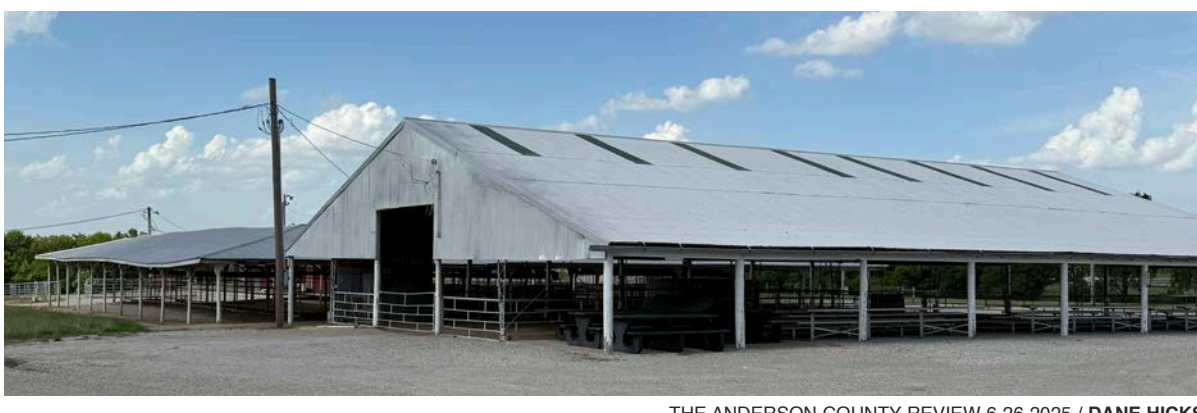
BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - The Anderson County Fair Association is looking to proceed with a major fundraising campaign in hopes of raising nearly a half million dollars to replace the majority of the organizations' livestock facilities at the county fairgrounds.

Members of the fair association's board met with county commissioners Monday to review bids received on a proposal that would build a single uniform metal shelter over what is now a series of combined structures built piecemeal over past decades, some which may date back to the 1940s.

The facility now includes an indoor show arena with an adjacent livestock exhibition area as well. The project would not include the quonset hut structure or the nearby community building.

Board members met with commissioners earlier this year to express interest in one of three steel



A proposal from county fair board members would tear down the old livestock facilities and replace them under a single steel building. The project is expected to launch a major fundraising effort.

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pavilions acquired by the City of Garnett from the City of Overland Park which were formerly used to house that city's farmers market. Those pavilions however would be the property of the city of Garnett, not Anderson County, and their prospective locations for city use are still a matter of debate.

Board members said a low bid of an all metal 140x250-foot structure from JD Yutzky had come in at some \$479,000. They said the fundraising campaign for the project would likely coincide with the association's effort to be designated A501-C3 nonprofit in order to qualify for grant funding and provide tax credit for donors.

Rural fire director rekindles planning for Garnett fire facility canned after Covid price hikes

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Anderson County Rural Fire Director Cruz Gillespie got approval from county commissioners Monday to revive research into a rural fire station project in Garnett which was mothballed in 2020, after Covid price increases slammed the regional construction industry and blew estimates for the project out of the water.

Gillespie told commissioners he was hoping to set up a project group to discuss ideas for a structure at a site previously planned to house vehicles and equipment for Garnett's rural fire team on West Seventh Street in Garnett that would basically ignore engineering drawings gathered in 2019, which Gillespie said was too large for the actual need for the Garnett rural department and massed the added costs.

The Garnett project was part of

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Earlier is better...

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - You won't have the Anderson County Review to kick around on Fridays anymore. Because as of next week we'll be in your mailbox and on the street a day earlier - on Thursday.

The change is because the decades-old printing operation in Burlingame that formerly hosted the Review and nearly a dozen other regional publication customers is ceasing operation at the end of this month. As economics continues to force shifts in the way newspapers operate enroute to eventually moving away from paper and into the post-modern

digital landscape, actual printing presses are becoming more and more scarce.

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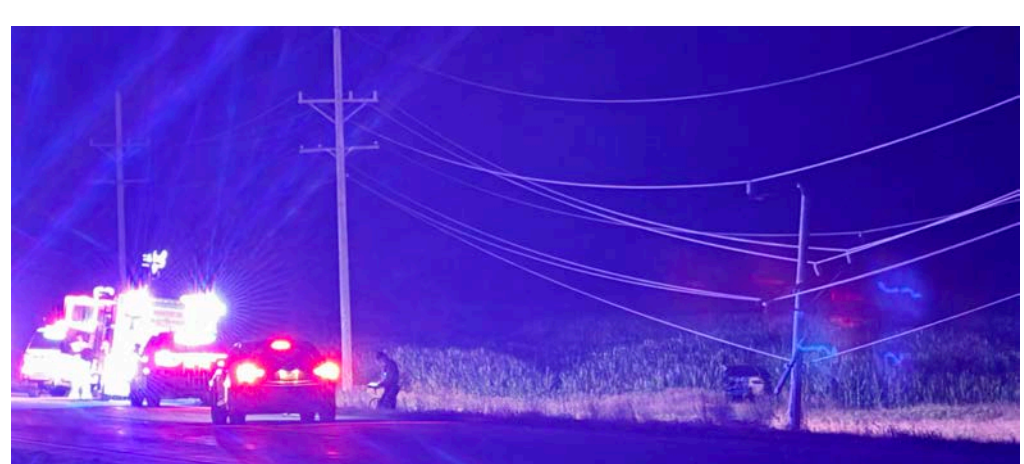
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Kobach requests federal probe of school districts that hide “transing” from students' parents

TOPEKA - Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach is asking the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights to investigate four Kansas school districts for suspected failure to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, or FERPA.

In a letter to Secretary of Education Linda McMahon, Kobach writes that Kansas City USD 500, Olathe USD 223, Shawnee Mission USD 512, and Topeka USD 501 have policies

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Electricity was knocked out in the Greeley and Garnett areas from about 10:45 p.m. Friday until mid-morning Saturday after a northbound vehicle left U.S. 169 and sheared a utility pole before coming to rest in a cornfield. A Kansas Highway Patrol accident report said 25 year-old Alexis Manley of Lydale, Texas, apparently

suffered a medical emergency when she lost control of the 2021 Toyota Camry. Both she and her son, 4 year-old Brooks Manley also of Lydale, were taken to Anderson County Hospital with suspected minor injuries. The child was properly restrained in a child car seat, the report said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

MOVING TO THURSDAY
Beginning July 3 The Anderson County Review will be delivered in Thursday's mail and available in local retail racks Thursday morning.

4TH OF JULY BREAKFAST AT THE SENIOR CENTER
Start Independence Day off with a good breakfast. Join us at the Senior Center, 128 W. 5th, for our annual 4th of July Breakfast at 8 a.m. Bring your favorite breakfast dish and come join us.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ICE CREAM SOCIAL
The Friends of the Library will hold their annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 26, 7 p.m. at the depot. Bring your own chair event. The Osawatimie Community Band will perform. Additional parking on the west side of the depot. In case of rain it will be held at the fire station.

AMERICAN LEGION BINGO
Bingo at American Legion Post 48 Garnett will be held every Tuesday, starting time at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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

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

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that allow or require teachers to conceal from parents information concerning the "social transitioning" of their children.

"That a Kansas school district would so cavalierly act to hide such information from parents is shockingly irresponsible," Kobach said.

In addition to the policies that allow districts to hide information from parents, three of the districts - Kansas City, Shawnee Mission, and Topeka - maintain policies that force students to share bathrooms, locker rooms, and other intimate spaces based on a student's proclaimed gender identity.

Kobach's letter comes on the heels of a Defense of Freedom Institute for Policy Studies complaint filed on June 24 which requested an investigation into the same four Kansas school districts for their policies that actively undermine parental rights.

In December of 2023, Kobach sent letters to six Kansas school boards urging them to reconsider such policies. Two districts revised or rescinded their policies. The other four - KCK, Olathe, Shawnee Mission, and Topeka - refused.

"I respectfully urge your department to review the harmful and illegal district policies described in DFI's letter and open an investigation of these school districts' failure to comply with FERPA and Title IX by concealing critical information from parents about their children's psychological and emotional health and requiring students to share sex-separated intimate spaces with individuals of the opposite sex," the letter reads.

ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION JUNE 16, 2025

Chairman Leslie McGhee called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on June 16, 2025 at the Anderson County Commission Room. Attendance: Leslie McGhee, Present: Michael Blaufuss, Present: Anthony Mersman, Absent. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Road & Bridge

Ethan Lickteig, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. Discussion was held on county roads. The department purchased a computer for the sign machine to be able to make the signs. Ethan ordered material so signs can be put up as soon as the computer is ready. He is planning to put chevron signs around curves and removing the short reflector signs.

Anderson County Hospital

Pat Proctor, Administrator, and Mike Barnes, Board of Trustee President, met with the commission. Saint Luke's Hospital of Garnett subleases from the Board of Trustees of Anderson County Hospital the Family Care Center and the renewal are due this year. The renewal increase is from \$13.75/square foot to \$14.00/square foot for 2025 with a .25/square foot increase annually. The hospital and Board of Trustees are requesting the approval from the commissioners for the renewal. Commissioner Blaufuss moved and Commissioner McGhee seconded to approve the rate increase with the annual renewal of the Family Care Center to be paid by the Anderson County Hospital Board of Trustees. All voted yes.

Appraiser

Adam Wilson, Appraiser, met with the commission. Discussion was held on his contract. The Commissioners will readdress the contract next week when Commissioner Mersman is at the meeting.

Fence Decision

Commissioner Blaufuss moved and Commissioner McGhee seconded to approve an amended fence decision regarding Gruner/Gwin/Gwin Farm. All voted yes. The ownership and section on a property were amended.

Sheriff

Wes McClain, Sheriff, met with the commission. He gave an update on the jail upgrades. They have installed acoustic tiles to minimize echoes. He also began discussions on possibly leasing the patrol vehicles through Enterprise. The department would be able to trade in at about 50,000 miles and come fully equipped. Sheriff McClain thinks this program will save the county money and will eventually pay for itself. A representative with Enterprise will be in Anderson County

soon to give a more in-depth presentation regarding cost and replacement. Discussion was also held on the Community Collaboration meeting held June 14th. Commissioner McGhee and Sheriff McClain attended. The main issue discussed was animal control in the county or small cities.

Adjourn

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

ANDERSON COUNTY LAND TRANSFERS

Zachary T. Smothers and Amanda Smothers to Dalton M. Kellerman and Amelia T. Wiesner, beginning 220' north of center of lot 5 blk 7 city of Garnett, thence west 140' to north walnut street, thence north 80', thence east 140', thence south 80' to pob; & also beg at pt 220' north and 182' west of necor lot 1 blk 7 city of garnett, thence west 188.52', thence south 10', thence east 188.52', thence north 10' to pob; the same being tracts in nw4 30-20-20;

Garnett LLC to Donald W Dilley III amd Brittni D. Dilley lot 8 blk 18 City of Garnett.

Lynn Dale Yoder and Barbara Jane Yoder to Bryan A. Miller and Jenny L. Miller s2 NWFR :ess N2 S4 7-21-19. Maple LLC to B Riley M. Wolken lots 9, 10, 11 & 12 blk 39 City of Garnett

Billie Louise Ieamon to Kenneth Pruitt and Jaala Pruitt beginning at pt 186' east of nwcor e2 nw4 14-21-20, thence south 830', thence east 944.7', thence north 830', thence west 944.7' to point of beginning.

Jeff E. Patterson to Jeff E. Patterson and Amanda Lynn Patterson lots 3 & 4 blk 25 City of Garnett.

ANDERSON COUNTY CIVIL CASES FILED

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC has filed a Petition to Foreclose Mortgage against Samuel T Stuteville, et all in the amount of \$200,546.07 for the unpaid balance of a home loan including any deferred principal balance, the unpaid interest accruing at the rate provided in the Note from and after November 1, 2023, all sums advanced by Plaintiff for title evidence in bringing this action, all sums advanced or to be advanced by Plaintiff prior to sale for real estate taxes and hazard insurance premiums, accrued late charges, all sums paid by Plaintiff for Bankruptcy attorney fees and court costs and the costs of this action, including resonalbe attorney fees, if allowed.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Nithish Reddy Vanavasam has been charged with speeding 101 mph

in a 65 mph zone.

David Lee Kimzey has been charged with speeding 45 mph in a 35 mph zone.

Roy Christopher Webb has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, child passenger safety;restraining systems & seat belts and driving while license cancelled/suspended/revoked.

Dennis William Hoge has been charged with speeding 82 mph in a 65 mph zone and operating a vehicle without registration or w/expired tag.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER (as of May 28, 2025)

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.

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

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

Rodney Clark was booked into jail on March 10, 2025.

Eric Howell was booked into jail on March 31, 2025.

Christopher Hill was booked into jail on March 31, 2025.

Brian Gedrose was booked into jail on April 22, 2025.

Toni Colbern was booked into jail on May 6, 2025.

Chad Roy was booked into jail on May 22, 2025.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS (as of May 28, 2025)

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

Ariana Alejandre was booked into jail on February 11, 2025.

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

Joshua Franks was booked into jail on February 21, 2025.

Michelle Hintz was booked into jail on March 20, 2025.

Amber Price was booked into jail on April 14, 2025.

Robert Wright was booked into jail on April 14, 2025.

Justin Coates was booked into jail on April 18, 2025.

Bradley Barngrover was booked into jail on May 16, 2025.

Nicole Gonzalez was booked into jail on May 16, 2025.

Santaja Logan was booked into jail on May 16, 2025.

Jessica Riley-Perkins was booked into jail on May 16, 2025.

Ulises Altamirano was booked into jail on May 19, 2025.

William Cockrum was booked into jail on May 27, 2025.

SCAM: Don't fall for fake KDOT traffic ticket demands

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is warning about a new scam circulating via text message. The texts falsely claim to be from KDOT and demand payment for outstanding traffic tickets.

KDOT does not collect money for traffic tickets and will never request or collect payments through text messages. These messages are not legitimate.

Do not click or open any links within these scam texts. Clicking on these links could expose your personal and financial information to scammers. Never share sensitive personal or financial details

via text message or by clicking unknown links.

If you've received a scam message, report it to the Federal Trade Commission at ReportFraud.ftc.gov and/or the Internet Crime Complaint Center at <https://www.ic3.gov/>. Delete the text and report it as junk. If you've provided payment information at a fraudulent web site, contact your bank or credit card company immediately.

Stay informed about official KDOT information by visiting our official website at ksdot.gov and our verified social media channels.

Disbrow makes Dean's list at Newman

WICHITA - Newman University has released its 2025 spring Dean's List. A total of 420 undergraduate students achieved the qualifications required: completing at least 12 credit hours and achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Area student Kaylyn Disbrow, Garnett, earned honors.

The Dean's List is an honor bestowed on students who demonstrate a high level of academic study and show dedication to personal achievement and standards of excellence.

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Catering.

This year's fireworks show is provided by Victory Pyrotechnics and Special Effects of Clearwater, Ks. The rain date for this event is Sunday, June 29, 2025. Watch the city's Facebook page for late updates or postpone-

ments.

There is no admission charged for this event, but donations are what make Libertyfest possible. Donations will be accepted at the gate as well as in advance, and can be dropped off or mailed to City of Garnett, 131 W. 5th Avenue, Garnett, KS, 66032. For more information contact city hall at 785-448-5496 or info@garnettks.net.

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Be mindful of kids around outdoor fires this summer

TOPEKA - With the season upon us in Kansas for outdoor cooking and campfires, its important to remember fire can cause serious injuries to children.

In fact, summer is the season when there is an increase in emergency room visits due to fire and burn injuries. Safe Kids Kansas and the Kansas State Fire Marshal (KSFM) remind families to take simple steps to make sure your, "What I Did This Summer," story doesn't include a trip to the emergency department.

Data from 2019-2023 shows

that as summer approaches, there is an increase in the number of fire and burn emergency department visits in Kansas. Emergency department visits more than doubled during this period compared to winter months. The highest number of emergency department visits occurred in July.

"Many families enjoy summer traditions that include fire, such as grilling food and making s'mores," Cherie Sage, Safe Kids Kansas, said. "Be fire smart when you head outdoors and be prepared to take extra precautions when you may be

far from a water source."

Actively supervise children around all fires and fireworks. Your safest option is to attend a public fireworks show and leave it to the professionals.

Teach kids how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire.

Create a three-foot child and pet-free safety zone around any fire pit, chiminea or grill.

Only use grills outdoors. Position your grill at least 10 feet away from your home and away from any overhanging eaves, branches or deck railings.



"Tell your care team you want to go back home for your recovery."

- Carol Crawford

After a serious compound fracture to her femur sent Carol to a major city hospital for surgery, she chose swing bed care at her hometown hospital to help her rebuild strength and get back to doing what she loves.

Allen County Regional Hospital in Iola and Anderson County Hospital in Garnett offer an inpatient skilled nursing and short-term rehab program, commonly known as swing bed.

A patient can transition to swing bed care if they have been in the hospital for at least three days and continue to have a qualifying skilled need, such as debilitating weakness, wound care, respiratory therapy, or IV therapy.

Learn more about Carol and swing bed care at your hometown hospital

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TONAK

AUGUST 19, 1950 - MAY 31, 2025

Ruthann (Peine) Tonak, age 74, of Roscoe, IL, passed away surrounded by family on May 31, 2025 at Beloit Memorial Hospital, Beloit, WI. Ruthann was born on August 19, 1950, in Garnett, KS to Aaron and Maxine (Peters) Peine. She graduated from Garnett High School. Ruthann married Dennis Tonak on June 7, 1980 at St. Boniface, Scipio (rural Garnett), KS.



Tonak

Over the years Ruthann had a variety of employment as a CNA, dental lab technician, receptionist-secretary, and nursing home activities director. Ruthann loved children. This led her to employment as an on-site day care manager in Texas, operating an in-home day care when Nathan and Matthew were young, and as a paraprofessional assisting children with special needs. She was passionate about her work; extending the same love and support she gave her family to the children she worked with.

Ruthann enjoyed sitting outside in the sunshine, reading books, seeing movies, and going out to eat. She had become a regular follower of the "Pickles with Opal and Earl" cartoon strip, which she often shared with Dennis. She looked forward to trips to Kansas and South Dakota to visit with family and friends.

Ruthann is survived by her loving husband, Dennis; children Lisa (Tom) Van Dyke, Glendale Heights, IL, Carina Tonak, Rockton, IL, Brian Tonak, Roscoe, IL, Nathan Tonak, Machesney Park, IL, and Matthew Tonak, Roscoe, IL and granddaughter Kati Tonak, Roscoe, IL, sisters Marie (Jerry) Brock, Richmond, Kansas and Joyce Catt, Garnett, Kansas and brother Dean (Cherie)

Peine, Oswego, KS, sisters-in-law Sandi Peine, Olathe, KS, Connie Peine, Welda, KS, LeAnn Roering, Minneapolis, MN, Lynette Peters, Cincinnati, OH, Lori Tonak, Kimball, SD, and LaDonna Tonak, Sioux Falls, SD, brothers-in-law David Tonak, Sundance, WY, Darryl Tonak, Ortonville, MN, and Dan Tonak, Willow Lake, SD, many nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives. She is preceded in death by her parents, Aaron and Maxine Peine, her parents-in-law Donald and Eunice Tonak, her brothers Larry Peine and Dale Peine, and sister-in-law Sharon Tonak.

Ruthann touched many lives with her kindness, patience, humor, and understanding. We celebrate the life she lived, the love she shared, and the memories she created. Ruthann left a lasting impact on the hearts of the loved ones she left behind.

Visitation will be held Friday, June 27, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in McCorkle Funeral Home, 767 N. Blackhawk Blvd., Rockton, IL. A Memorial Ceremony will be held Saturday, June 28, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in Faith Lutheran Church, 1305 Blackhawk Blvd., South Beloit, IL. Final resting place to be Rockton Township Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations may be made in Ruthann's memory to Faith Lutheran Church, Beloit Health System Foundation, American Heart Association or National Kidney Foundation.

We invite you to share your memories of Ruthann, to celebrate her life and the love she shared. You are encouraged to leave messages and upload photos to Ruthann's memorial page, to keep her memory alive in our hearts and minds. As we remember Ruthann, let us remember the love and dedication she showed us all, and strive to emulate her in our own lives.

HENDERSON

MARCH 11, 1921 — JUNE 15, 2025

Leola Henderson, age 104, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Sunday, June 15, 2025, at Parkview Heights in Garnett.



Henderson

She was born on March 11, 1921, in Ringwood, Oklahoma, the daughter of Elmer and Ida (Volz) McDermeit. Leola grew up in Oklahoma and graduated from Ringwood High School, and also attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, Oklahoma.

During World War II, Leola worked for four years at North American Aviation in Kansas City. Though her time there was relatively brief, she took great pride in contributing to the war effort and was honored to be part of such a significant moment in history.

Leola was united in marriage to Paul Henderson in 1947. This union was blessed with one son, David. They made their home in Iola, Kansas.

She lived in Garnett from 1990 until 1993, when she returned to Iola and worked at Maloney Greenhouse. Leola returned to Garnett in September of 1999.

She was a devoted and loving mother to her only son, David, and took great pride in raising him. Leola was deeply committed to David's education and success, forming a close and unbreakable bond with him throughout his life.

Their shared memories-especially their treasured Sunday drives and heartfelt conversations-remained a vital part of her life. These moments, filled with laughter and reflections, brought her immense joy. Later in life, Leola found one of her greatest joys in becoming a

grandmother. She adored making memories with her grandchildren, hosting sleepovers, and creating a warm and loving home they always looked forward to visiting. Leola had a passion for cooking and was known for her delicious meals, never missing a breakfast for her husband and son. Her homemade dinner rolls were especially loved-always made to perfection and remembered fondly by family and friends. She also discovered a new hobby of restoring old trunks, and many people in the area still treasure them today. Leola was an active member of the Iola First Christian Church. She generously gave her time to the community, assisting with Cub Scouts and serving as a dedicated room mother during David's school years.

Leola was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Paul Henderson in 1979; her brother, Clifford McDermeit; J.R. McDermeit; and sister, Anna Rose Smith.

She is survived by her son, Dr. David Henderson and wife Edna of Garnett, Kansas; grandchildren, Brenda Platt and husband Scott of Colby, Kansas, Steve Henderson and wife Misty of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Nicci Denny and husband Shawn of Garnett, Kansas; eight great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; a very special niece, Linda McDermeit, and many other nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, July 3, 2025, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel in Garnett, Kansas. Inurnment will follow in the Colony Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Parkview Heights and left in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.feuerbornfuneral.com

THOMPSON

APRIL 1, 1943 - JUNE 13, 2025

Carol Jean Thompson (Jeanie), 82 of McLouth, KS, went to be with Jesus surrounded by her family at Kansas University Hospital on Friday, June 13th, 2025. She was born on April 1, 1943, in Garnett, KS. the daughter of Zenn and Grace (Chitwood) Ratliff. She graduated from Garnett High School in 1961. After high school Jeanie attended Emporia State for two years before leaving to go to Hays Hairdressing School in Kansas City. Jeanie worked as a hairdresser in Gardner, KS and McLouth, KS for over 43+ years. She opened a restaurant in Lawrence on Mass Street called the Superlative Ice Cream and Deli. Later she opened a The Corner Café in McLouth. Jeanie worked for many years for the McLouth School District in many capacities, Lunchroom, Bus Driver, Copy Room, Score Keeper, Cheer Coach, Assistant Basketball Coach and as Assistant Volleyball Coach. Once she "retired" she still was involved by running concession stands and also substitute teaching. She subbed at many schools in the area and was still subbing as of this past school year. She was known by many students as "Meanie Jeanie" even though we all know she



Thompson

wasn't a meanie. Jeanie was a member of the McLouth First Baptist Church and Order of Eastern Star Rinda Chapter 82 Tonganoxie. Jeanie had two children, Dean (Becky) Wolfe of McLouth, KS and Kristy Graham of Aurora, CO. out of her first marriage. Jeanie brought into her family Linda (Donnavon) Isaac of Olathe, KS as one of her own while living in Gardner. On June 4, 1983, Jeanie married Kenneth Thompson in Gardner, KS and moved to McLouth. When she married Kenny she gained three more children, Scott (Merri Beth) Thompson of McLouth, Kelly (Charlie) Toplikar of Hillsdale, KS and Tina (Patrick) Kitchell of Gladstone, MO. Jeanie had seven exchange students and countless other kids she treated as her own over the years. In addition, she is survived by one brother and his wife, Bill (Barbara) Ratliff of Garnett, KS. 15 Grandchildren, 18 Great-Grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by both of her parents, her husband, Kenneth Thompson, step-daughter, Kelly Toplikar, brother, Zenn Dale Ratliff, brother, Gail (Tub) Ratliff and his wife, Lou, brother, Max Ratliff and his wife, Margret, sister, Joyce Ratliff, sister-in-law, Anna Huerter, and grandson, Chad Stacy.

A Celebration of Life was held June 25 at the McLouth First Baptist Church.

Colony Christian Church - Paul's conversion

Brant McGhee led worship with the songs "I'll Fly Away," "God of Wonders," "Jesus Paid it All" and "Great Are You Lord." Speed Elsasser, and Mike and Isla Billings accompanied with Ben Prasko on keyboard.

Brant also gave the communion meditation talking about the eight miracles from Matthew 27 that surrounded the crucifixion.

Bruce Symes spoke about Paul's conversion in Acts 9 and 22. Paul did not have the type of conversion where a slow gradual understanding takes place like in the two disciples on the road to Emmaus in Luke 24:

13-35. Paul had a startling dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus that left him blinded. The response of a saved soul is complete obedience to God's will. Each believer is commissioned to live in obedience (John 14:15), love one another (1 John 2:23), become Christlike (Philippians 3:10) and to "Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:18). After Paul received his sight back Ananias said to him in Acts 22:16 "And now why are you waiting?"

Can our message and our God be trusted?

We know Jesus has sent us as his disciples into the world to make disciples. But the world is asking us a question about this mission: Can our message and our God be trusted? Is the offer of God's grace - that we can know Christ; be saved from the consequences of our sin and gain eternal life in God - really legitimate? As Christians we believe we serve a God who is just, righteous and holy. Naturally those opposed or indifferent toward Christianity portray God as uncaring, willing to consign large portions of humanity to condemnation or they emphasize a God whose will is done regardless of human choice. The question then becomes is there a way to think of God and his plan that emphasizes human responsibility while acknowledging our desperate need for a Savior? Ultimately that answer resides with God alone. But one thing we can say for sure is our choices matter. We can pray to God to help us make our decisions, but we know that our decisions are not made for us. We are responsible for them.

The Apostle Peter reveals God's will for man in 2 Peter 3:9 when he says; "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not want-

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

ing anyone to perish but everyone to come to repentance." The fact that some will not be saved reflects the degree of human depravity in the world. In Matthew 13:15 Jesus tells us the problem. "For this peoples heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn and I (Jesus) would heal them."

If you are not a Christian your choice is to repent or turn away from sin toward God. If you are a Christian you must act and live as if your choices are real and you are ultimately responsible for what you say or do.

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Stanley takes top spot at Senior Pitch

We were happy to have 15 players on the 19th to play 13-point pitch.

Glenda Stanley won 8 of 10 games to take top spot. Dorothy Spencer had the most hands of 13 with three. Jan Wards won the 50/50 and Jessie Duncan won the least number of games.

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Schools no safeguard of morality

COMMENTARY



MICHAEL RYAN, THE HEARTLANDER

Christian parents at their wits' end with schools' sexual and racial indoctrination of their children should be waking up to a mournful reality:

It's a fool's errand to rely on public schools to hand down morality.

For one thing, God – the source of all morality – is no longer welcome in public schools. They are perhaps the only place in the endless stretches of His creation where He's not allowed to tread.

Indeed, the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, recognized as one of the most conservative appellate courts in the nation, agreed with a lower-court judge last week that Louisiana's new law requiring the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools is "plainly unconstitutional."

Should the U.S. Supreme Court agree – despite displaying the Ten Commandments and their messenger Moses in its own building – the case will extinguish any pointless hope of teaching God-inspired morality in public schools.

It's clear we won't even begin to repair the moral rot, growing like black mold in the nation's dank soul, through the public schools.

We'll just have to look elsewhere.

To God, of course. In church, naturally, but also in every aspect and avenue of our lives.

We must also look to parents, who are children's first teachers anyway. Parents must simply double down, triple down, quadruple down, on their teaching about God and morality.

And new parents, be forewarned by a medium that has covered this extensively: Many schools and librarians have entirely abdicated any responsibility to protect your children from the growing depravity and sexual grooming in children's books.

Just one example: a talking book, obviously for those toddlers not even yet able to read, called The GayBCs – which teaches the alphabet using sexually identifying words such as trans, intersex, bi(sexual), pan(sexual) and non-binary.

Young readers will therefore grow up remembering, for instance, that "D" is for "drag."

You can't make this up. Nor can you count on public schools and libraries to keep such depravity from your children.

What can parents do?

Consider Christian schooling. If you need financial help, fight for school choice laws – which provide funds for education freedom to

those who can't afford it. Or move to a state that already offers it.

Is the protection of your children not worth such extravagance?

Moreover, people of faith must also rise up in the public square and take the culture's degeneracy and Godlessness on like one would a Goliath. Don't support the entertainment media's moral incontinence with your eyes or dollars – and make it known that you don't.

Join the growing horde of citizens fighting against vileness and for virtue at school board and city and county meetings.

If some should suggest you're being puritanical or prudish, ask them what their rudderless approach to navigating life's waters has wrought, if not lost souls, shattered lives and fractured families.

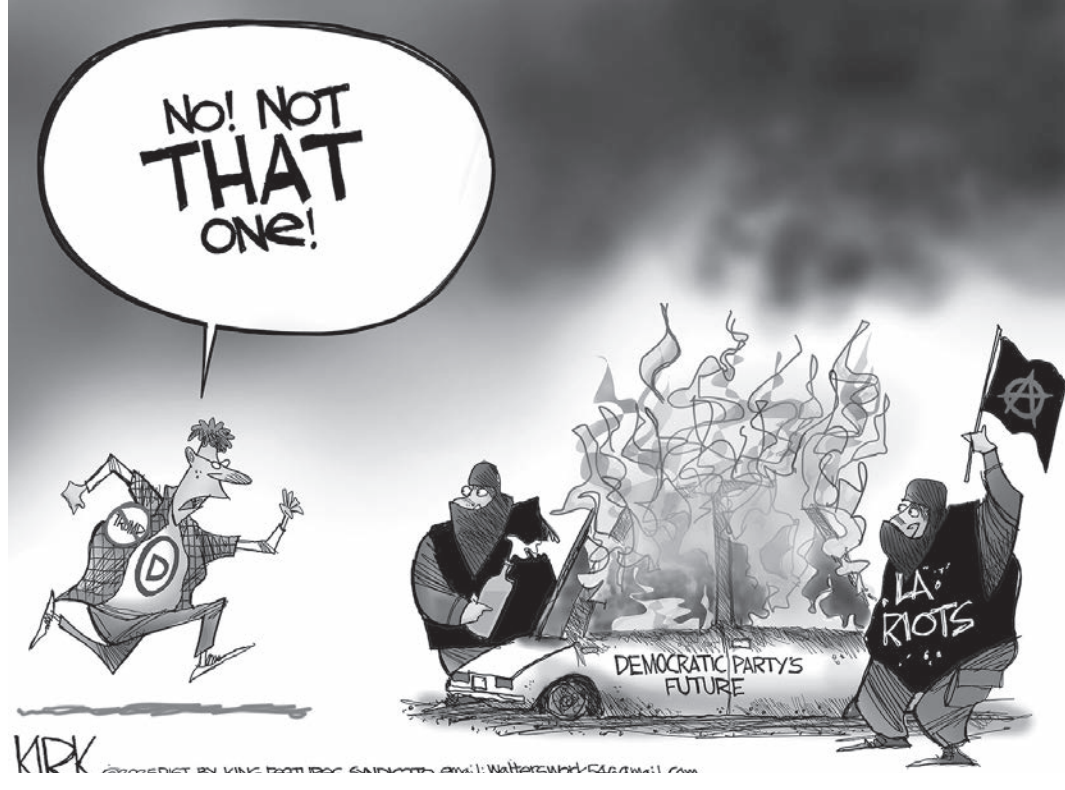
They'll also likely accuse you of imposing your morality on them – richly, after decades of having meaninglessness, secular self-indulgence and naked narcissism imposed on you.

Without meaning in our lives there's a vast void – which legendary Holocaust survivor and philosopher Viktor Frankl called the "existential vacuum." Nature, as we know, abhors a vacuum – and the existential vacuum is quickly filled with three things, Frankl said: aggression, depression and addiction.

Isn't that what you see today on America's streets and in its culture and in the eyes of the real-life zombies drugging themselves to death on sidewalks?

Isn't it meaningless aggression you see at anti-Israel, anti-government protests and riots,

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Instead of the No Kings signs, change them to No War between Iran and Israel. He is acting as a King and he will tell all men that's over there to go over there and fight. And it will be another Vietnam thing. Just tell all and they will fight, the fight, and like the government did before, they did not give them credit for years. I was Class of '61, I protested. I did not protest against the war, I protested against them not giving them credit. I lost two brothers and two half-brothers over there. Two stepbrothers were killed there and two came home with Agent Orange that they sprayed all over. A lot of people I knew and other relatives and all over the world who died a horrible deaths thanks to the Vietnam War. We do not need another war like

that.

I'm so grateful that the Trump administration didn't alert Congress to the actions taken to eliminate Iran's nuclear sites. With the Democrats' history of leaking to the press, the mission would have gone sideways. Democrats are the real threat, as witnessed daily by what's happening to American citizens by these traitors who put illegals first.

I would like to extend my appreciation to the City of Greeley and in particular, the city waterman who took care of our water hauling needs while the Garnett water hauling station was down.

I saw the story in the paper a couple of weeks about about the Garnett school board having two positions that nobody even filed for and it really got me thinking. People in Garnett always seem to support their kids. The music programs at school are always packed, at least the parents and the grandparents go to the sporting events even though they leave a lot be desired, everybody donates money to kids things. But no one wants to be on the school board, something that really matters.

No telling how many lives Trump's secure border has saved

COMMENTARY



DAVID MARCUS, FOX NEWS

Exact numbers on how many deaths, intentional or otherwise, are caused by illegal immigrants in America are hard to come by, but the tragic killings of people like Laken Riley and so many others at the hands of illegals should make us ask, how many lives has President Trump's secure border already saved?

One of life's small cruelties is that when one acts responsibly and strongly, as Trump has here, they tend not to get credit for the bad things that don't happen. But we should make an exception for the miracle of the Rio Grande.

What there can be absolutely no doubt about is that, somewhere this weekend at a cookout or a bowling alley, there are people enjoying their friends and family who would not be here but for Trump's border actions.

The numbers are simply stunning, almost to the point of Monty Python-level absurdity. In May of 2024, 62,000 illegal migrants were released into the U.S. Last month that number was zero, zilch, nada.

Likewise, back when Grandpa Joe Biden was running the show, there were often over 10,000 encounters a day on the southern border, but last Sunday, there were a total of 95, the lowest number ever recorded over 24 hours.

To put this in perspective, you could put 95 people in two Waffle House restaurants with room at the counter to spare.

It is fair to say that this remarkable closing of the open wound that was flooding our nation with millions of illegal migrants as well as fentanyl and targets of terrorist watchlists, is among the most complete and swiftest handlings of a crisis in American history.

If Kamala Harris was in office today, a million illegals could have come in by now. How many gang members? How many rapists? How many deadly doses of fentanyl?

Let us not forget how vociferously we were informed that what Trump has done, shutting down the border, was absolutely impossible without acts of Congress. In the giant gumball machine of lies told by the Biden administration, this was among the most stale.

Liberal news outlet The Washington Post is being mocked online and by the White House for "pathetic" reporting on what the outlet calls a "mysterious" decline in fentanyl flowing across the border.

It goes back even further than Biden's incompetence. While Trump had surely tamped down illegal immigration in his first term, before that, Barack Obama, George W. Bush, and Bill Clinton, had all failed to get a handle on the situ-

ation.

Part of the problem years ago, and still an issue in Trump's deportation policies, is that some industries, like farming and hospitality, rely heavily on illegal labor. But given that there are already 10-20 million illegals in America, thanks to Biden, we certainly don't need any more.

And the ongoing deportations, which polling consistently shows voters approve of, also play a role in securing the southern border. When one sees people being arrested for jumping the turnstile, it makes them less likely to try it themselves.

Deportations turn off the magnet that attracts migrants, and by ending the disastrous catch-and-release policy, Trump has freed our border agents, to actually enforce border security instead of being desk clerks at the Hotel America.

According to the Center for Immigration Studies, fentanyl seizures at the southern border are down 50% since November. A huge part of the reason for this is that without the cover of 100,000 illegal migrants a day, smuggling drugs gets much, much harder.

Less fentanyl coming into the country means fewer Americans dying of overdoses, a result that surely everyone should cheer.

Americans can be forgiven for not quite knowing how to react to such a resounding and total victory as Trump has achieved on the border. We certainly are not used to it, but we would be wise not to take it for granted.

With the border closed, a million people

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The new "RESIST" bunch reminiscent of desegregation battles

NATIONAL COMMENTARY



RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate

On Sept. 30, 1962, the University of Mississippi experienced a "mostly peaceful" demonstration. As with all such protests, it was peaceful until it wasn't -- it became a riot, and a particularly heinous and destructive one.

The mob attacked federal officers, including border patrol agents, with rocks and Molotov cocktails. They burned cars. They smashed streetlights. They ransacked buildings. They drove vehicles at the officers. And they did it all to try to prevent the federal government from enforcing the law.

This, discerning readers will realize, was the notorious Battle of Oxford, when students at Ole Miss and outside agitators exploded in fury to prevent the enrollment of James Meredith, an African-American, who was under the protection of federal agents.

President John F. Kennedy had federalized the Mississippi National Guard days before the disturbance, and sent in the Army when things got out of hand. Eventually, he drew on 31,000 troops, a necessary exercise of overwhelming force.

Now, once again, mobs are in the streets in opposition to federal power and federal law. We are probably at the beginning stages of another titanic struggle over whether the writ of federal law will run in jurisdictions opposed to it, and over the morality of those underlying laws.

To use a term borrowed from segregationists in Virginia in the 1950s, the opponents of ICE are engaged in a campaign of "massive resistance."

Virginia Democrat Harry Byrd and his allies came up with an across-the-board strategy to undermine Brown v. Board of Education. "If we can organize the Southern states for massive

resistance to this order," Byrd said, "I think that in time the rest of the country will realize that racial integration is not going to be accepted in the South."

Similarly, Democratic officeholders and activists hope to make ICE raids so politically toxic and so painful to implement that the federal government stands down and accepts the status quo of routine lawlessness.

The opposition is relying on a version of another doctrine of the Southern resisters: nullification. This is the idea that states can invalidate federal laws that they deem an offense against our constitutional order.

This notion has a long, undistinguished history in this country as a precursor to the Civil War and, later, as a tool to attempt to preserve segregation. Although it is most associated with the South, other parts of the country have tried to resort to it as well.

Now progressive cities and states are joining the list. They have no equivalent of John C. Calhoun, the brilliant, if catastrophically wrong, South Carolina statesman who developed a sophisticated defense of the concept. Instead, they want de facto nullification, or nullification as a practical matter rather than a theory.

Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass has been quite clear about this. "We need to stop the raids," she insists. "The only thing it does is contribute to chaos." Her attitude would take Los Angeles well beyond its status as a sanctuary city, which involves not affirmatively cooperating with the feds, and make it something else -- effectively a no-go zone for immigration officers and a jurisdiction that affirmatively resists them.

Of course, the anti-ICE resistance would reject any association with the massive resistance of yore, arguing that its cause is just, in contrast to the segregationist South. But violent opposition to law enforcement officers acting within their lawful powers is deeply wrong, whatever the underlying cause (and the mass illegal immigration imposes significant costs on our society).

If enforcing our laws is offensive to progressives, they should seek to change the statutes in question and pass a large-scale amnesty, rather than relying on a rioter's veto to dictate what ICE agents can do and where they can go.

Violent mobs have no legitimate part to play in our democratic republic, not in Oxford, Mississippi, in 1962, not in Los Angeles, California, or anywhere else inspired by its sordid example in 2025.

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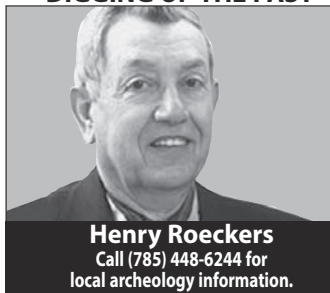
KATP kicks off at Rebel Hill in Douglas County

From June 6 thru the 15th I attended the 2025 Kansas Archeology Training Field School held in Douglas County. This years field school was focused on a territorial period structure built in 1857, known as Rebel Hill or Mt. Aeolia. The structure was originally a mansion built and lived in by Frederick P Stanton and his family. Stanton served the Kansas Territory in 1857 for nine months as the Secretary and twice as acting Governor. Various families occupied the property after Stanton sold it in 1862. Then in the 1940's, it was sold to Governor Henry H. Woodring for restoration work. Woodring, however, did not restore the property, and the integrity of the mansion deteriorated over time. Eventually, to prevent unwanted visitors, the mansion was partially demolished. All that remains today is a few stone basement walls, a pile of rubble, rocks and bricks.

This mansion was built on 400 hundred acres of land overlooking the river.

On the morning of June 6th, I left home at 5:15 a.m. during a thunderstorm and pour-

DIGGING UP THE PAST



Henry Roeckers
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ing rain. I soon ran out of it between Princeton and Ottawa. It was wonderful driving, arriving at our headquarters in LeCompton, KS, at 6:45 a.m. I called Kay to let her know I had arrived safely.

After checking in, I attended the two required classes, Orientation and Principles of Archaeology. We had 172 plus staff personnel register this year. After lunch we were assigned to go to the field or report to the lab.

I went to the field as I had requested to go there.

In my next couple of columns, I will share with you my field assignment etc.

Respectfully submitted by: Henry Roeckers. 16June2025

100 years ago - Garnett debuts "The Cozy Picture Show"

THAT WAS THEN



PAULA SCOTT - REVIEW HISTORY COLUMNIST

Historical gleanings from past newspapers.

1885 - 140 years ago

June 26 - There was a company of lightning rod swindlers in the city, Monday, we were told, who made a raid on the unsuspecting grangers, this week. Their plan is to offer to put up the rod for a small sum, take a note for the amount and afterward cash the same, when it turns up that the note calls for a hundred or so dollars more than the supposed note given by the swindled party. Look out for the rascals.

1895 - 130 years ago

June 28 - The Garnett baseball team has organized, and made excellent grounds south of town, and are at work this week erecting a grandstand after which they expect to have some exciting games. The team is made up of able players and no doubt they will play good ball this season.

1905 - 120 years ago

July 1 - Several of the young ladies took advantage of the use of the bowling alley at the Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon and tried their luck at bowling.

July 1 - J. M. Archer, for the next week will give, free, a pair of fine calf shoes to the person having the largest feet. To the others he will sell a regular \$2.00 shoe for \$1.50.

1915 - 110 years ago

July 1 - The Burton Allis



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June 27, 1985 - the Garnett American Legion baseball team - The team is expected to get into the finals tournament which will be held in Garnett for teams from Osawatomie, Paola, Lyndon, Overbrook and Alma, according to its coach, Ron Honn. Coach Honn said, "I think we have a very good chance of going to the state playoff." Left to right, front row, Bryon Rockers, Mike True, Steve Wilson, Byron Cahoon, Keith Honn, Rob Miller, Dan Donohue, Tony Hoffman, Derrick Adams. Back row, Dan Hunt, Terry Carr, Kevin Holloran, Jeff McCain, Lynn Wilson, Tom Miller, Dennis Upshaw, Evan Doran and Coach Ron Honn.

house was struck by lightning yesterday, doing a great deal of damage. The house had been wired for electric lights but had not been connected up with the system. The lightning followed all the wires throughout the house, knocking off all the buttons. A good deal of plastering was knocked off and other plastering loosened.

1925 - 100 years ago

July 2 - Last evening was "opening night" at the Cozy picture show, on east Fifth avenue. There was a good attendance, and Stanly Cramer, the proprietor, was well satisfied. The Cozy is located in the west part of the old furniture factory which has been thoroughly remodeled and fitted up especially for the "movie" business.

1935 - 90 years ago

June 27 - A new Verde antique marble fountain is being installed this week in the Joe Carey building, two doors south of the National Bank of Commerce, where Marie's Lunch will move July 1.

Installation of the counter and decoration of the new lunch-room will be completed next week. George Lacy, Harley Stein and Coke Johnson are doing the carpenter work.

1945 - 80 years ago

June 28 - On Tuesday, June 26, the local War Price and Rationing Board received instructions from the District Office not to issue any more sugar for canning on second applications at present. The date will be set at some time by the District Office and applicants will be advised through the local papers as to when this date will be.

1945 - 70 years ago

June 30 - Beware of a snake in the grass, is Earl Siep's motto since Wednesday night, when he was bitten on the right ankle by a copperhead snake at Lake Garnett. He had gone out to fish and was getting ready to step into his car to come home when the snake bit him. He was taken to Anderson County hospital for treatment and released

this morning, Thursday, and will be convalescing for a few days at his home.

1965 - 60 years ago

June 28 - Garnett Business and Professional Women will meet on the courthouse parking lot at 6:30 p.m. July 13 for a bus trip to Ottawa, where the group will be dinner guests of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. They will tour the telephone office after dinner.

1975 - 50 years ago

June 26 - The parking lot next door to city hall will be open for public parking as soon as a curb is cut for the Fifth Street entrance. The house has been razed, and the lot is graded, and gravel has been placed there.

2015 - 10 years ago

June 30 - Construction to replace a bridge over the Pottawatomie Creek on U.S. 59 north of Garnett has begun in full force, after slight delays caused by late spring rains.

EARLIER..

FROM PAGE 1

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FUNDING...

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be a disservice if that (tax funding) were to change,” she said. “I’m not sure that everyone entirely agrees with that, but that’s what I feel. I’m a taxpayer, so there’s that aspect of it. There are places you can use that that would probably be better served.”

Revelations that key management posts within the organization were paid salaries in the hundreds of thousands of dollars rankled county commissioners when the information became public earlier this spring. SEK director Nathan Fawson’s salary was listed on the organization’s federal tax forms at more than \$400,000 annually with some \$191,000 in additional compensation. County commissioners in most of the six-county region which includes Anderson,

Allen, Linn, Neosho, Woodson and Bourbon, have discussed the possibility of dropping or reducing their subsidies since SEK can afford those high salaries.

Spencer said the salary plan was a recommendation from a private consultant, who based them on commensurate salaries for similar duties across various industries in the U.S. She was comfortable at the time because she thought the company did “a very thorough and exhaustive job” in the analysis that led to the recommendations. Commissioners have made the point the pay levels are far and above averages for Kansas. Fawson’s salary is the highest paid to any executive director of all 26 mental health districts in the state.

County commission chairman Les McGhee said exponentially higher costs for county road supplies, insurance, payroll and other expenses as well as public outcry over valua-

tions and tax rates made public officials sensitive to examples of largesse involving tax money.

“We look at this from what we’re paying, and what the other five counties are paying, and then we look at his salary – and it doesn’t taste very good.” County commissioners the previous week refused to sign and send a regular cash disbursement check to SEKMHC of some \$32,000, citing unresolved angst over the salary revelations. Allen County Commissioners removed both their SEK board members earlier this month and appointed a county commissioner and another local man to the posts. Increasing Medicaid funding for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) under the Biden Administration was a key strategy for expanding public access to mental health and substance abuse services. Federal legislation like the Bipartisan Safer

Communities Act (BSCA) has allocated significant funding for CCBHC expansion, including both grant programs and Medicaid payments.

States are also encouraged to participate in the CCBHC Medicaid Demonstration Program, which includes planning grants and demonstration grants to implement the CCBHC model.

The federal government allocated over \$1.7 billion for expansion grants and an estimated \$8.5 billion earmarked for CCBHC Medicaid payments between 2022 and 2032, according to the American Journal of Managed Care.

But a focus on waste, fraud and abuse in federal agencies by the Trump Administration means CCBHCs and other Medicaid funded program may face fiscal examinations that could impact future funding and expansion.

FIRE...

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effort in recent years to update rural fire facilities across the county in order to increase the effectiveness of fire and emergency response in rural areas outside Garnett and to assist first responders in nearby communities. The proposed project was estimated initially at between \$750,000 and \$800,000, but the lowest initial bid came in at \$1.6 million.

Price hikes hit the entire country in those early days of the pandemic. The U.S. Bureau of Labor reported comparisons

between the summer of 2019 and the summer of 2020 that showed a 25.7 percent increase in the costs for softwood lumber with nearly a 10 percent increase over the 30 days from July to August of that year. Plywood products were up 19.2 over the year and 20.2 percent month-to-month as well. The site said a 31 percent jump in the price of diesel fuel from June to July amounted to about half the overall increase. Concrete prices also doubled between 2020 and 2021.

Calming of the construction economy since Covid and higher interest rates that impacted construction brought lumber prices to near pre-pandemic levels, analysts say, but the

Garnett project would be mostly steel, Gillespie said.

Steel prices along with concrete and costs of labor are still high in the Midwest, analysts say, but the region is still one of the more affordable ones in which to build when looking at other regions like the Northeast or West Coast. Kansas City Federal Reserve reports say Builders in the Kansas City region have felt pressured by “robust increases” in material prices, particularly for materials like lumber and oriented strand board. Labor costs in the construction sector are on the rise, but tariff talks and market uncertainty in construction has many builders considering workforce reductions.

Gillespie said grants might be available to fund a portion of the project. Commission chairman Les McGhee recalled the Welda Rural Fire Station project from 2019, in which requirements for the grant added an additional \$173,000 to its original \$307,000 estimated construction cost, while a Kansas Department of Commerce grant offered \$153,000 toward the project. Commissioners at the time opted to forego the grant.

Commissioners encouraged Gillespie to investigate a design and estimates for a new project for further discussion.

RYAN...

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and on the terrifying doorbell camera videos of armed thugs lashing out at any homeowner who seems to be likely prey?

Turning to public education to fix the country’s morality crisis seems all the more absurd when you contemplate the possibility that it’s actually the source of much of the problem.

“The unrest we see,” Dr. Kent Ingle, president of the Christian Southeastern University, writes in an op-ed, “is the natural consequence of moral and spiritual decay. And that decay didn’t come from

nowhere. It was cultivated deliberately, over decades, in our nation’s classrooms.”

How far has education fallen? Consider: Harvard University, today more a fount of antisemitism than morality, was founded as a way to educate would-be ministers.

“For generations,” Ingle opines, “education in America had a noble purpose. It wasn’t just about imparting knowledge – it was about forming character. Schools worked hand in hand with families and communities to instill timeless values: respect for authority, love of country, personal responsibility, faith, and virtue.

“These were the qualities that prepared young men and women to become productive citizens and moral leaders. But somewhere along the way, we abandoned that mission.”

Indeed. And the courts appear poised to make sure that mission continues to be forsaken.

You think a mere politician can fix this? Or a teacher who isn’t allowed to offer students the only sure off-ramp to immorality?

Lawmakers can, and probably should, continue to fight to get morality back in public schools. But we have to assume it won’t work. It can’t even be considered Plan B. Or C. Or D, E, F or G.

Plan A for reclaiming righteousness has to be us – a groundswell of the God-fearing, divinely unafraid and resolved to restoring morality in America.

–Michael Ryan is executive editor of *The Heartlander*. See more at heartlandernews.com.

MARCUS...

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self-deporting and violent criminals being taken off the streets and out of the country,

there will be fewer grieving parents with children lost to violence, fewer grieving children with parents lost to illegal driving.

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a secure border is, and make clear that we are never going back.

David Marcus is a columnist living in West Virginia and the author of “Charade: The COVID Lies That Crushed A Nation.”

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Petition for Foreclosure

(First published in the Anderson County Review on June 26, 2025.)

DISTRICT COURT, ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANK & TRUST, v. ERIC W. SEABOLT, MELISSA S. SEABOLT, KENNETH SEABOLT, et al.

CASE NO. AN-2025-CV-000020

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO:

ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES and all other persons who are or may be concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Foreclosure has been filed in the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas, by Community National Bank and Trust, praying for foreclosure of certain real property described as follows:

Tract 1: The Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Twenty-two (22) South, Range Eighteen (18) East of the South Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas, except all minerals, but such exception not including right to attach dwelling unit to natural gas for domestic use.

Tract 2: The Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Twenty-three (23), Township Twenty-two (22) South, Range Nineteen (19), East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas, except all minerals.

Tract 3: The West Half (W/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Twenty-two (22) South, Range Nineteen (19) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas, except all minerals.

Tract 4: The Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Twenty-two (22) South, Range Eighteen (18) East of the South Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas, except all minerals, but such exception not including right to attach dwelling unit to natural gas for domestic use.

Tract 5: The Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Twenty-three (23), Township Twenty-two (22) South, Range Nineteen (19), East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Anderson County, Kansas.

and you are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 6th day of August 2025 in the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Respectfully Submitted:
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MINTER & POLLAK, LC AS ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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Notice of suit to quiet title

(First published in the Anderson County Review on June 19, 2025.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

LEON J. MORGAN, Plaintiff,

vs. CHRISTY WOLKEN, MARIANNA RUTLAND, THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY OF KANSAS

and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of such of the defendants as may be deceased; the unknown spouses of the defendants, the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of such defendants as are or were partners or in partnership, and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of such of the defendants as are minors or are in anywise under legal disability,

Defendants.

Case No. AN2025CV0000005

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors, and assigns

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You are hereby notified that a First Amended Petition to Quiet Title has been filed in the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas, on May 15th, 2025, by Leon J. Morgan, praying for an order quieting title in and to certain real estate with a legal description of, to-wit:

The West Sixty (60) feet of Lots Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), Block forty-four (44) of the town of Greeley, Anderson County, Kansas.

You are hereby required to plead or answer said First Amended Petition to Quiet Title on or before July 30th, 2025, or forty-one (41) days after the date this notice is first published in the Anderson County District Court at Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment will be entered in due course upon said First Amended Petition.

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Court costs notice-City of Westphalia

(First published in the Anderson County Review on June 19, 2025.)

Charter Ordinance No. 206

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF WESTPHALIA, KANSAS, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 12-4112 RELATING TO THE ASSESSMENT OF COURT COSTS AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND PROVISIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City Of Westphalia, Kansas:

Section 1. The City of Westphalia, Kansas, by the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas hereby elects to and does exempt itself and make inapplicable to it the provisions of K.S.A. 12-45112 which applies to this city but is part of an enactment which does not apply uniformly to all cities.

Section 2. Court costs may be assessed against the accused person for the administration of justice in any Municipal Court Case where the accused person pleads guilty or nolo contendere or is found guilty. Cost shall be assessed as provided by ordinary city ordi-

nance and, in addition thereto, the Municipal Judge may assess witness fees and mileage as set forth in K.S.A. 12-4411, as amended, together with all other fees and assessments set forth in K.S.A. 12-4112, as amended

Section 3. This Charter Ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Anderson County Paper.

Section 4. This Charter Ordinance shall take effect 61 days after the final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, requiring a referendum to be held on the ordinance as provided by Article 12 Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case this Charter Ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the majority of the electors voting thereon.

Passed by the Governing Body, not less than two-thirds of the members elect voting in favor thereof, this 14th day of May 2025,

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Attested by:
/s/Janey Huss, City Clerk

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CALENDAR

Thursday, June 26, 2025
 2:00 p.m. - Emergency Food Assistance Program (Harvesters)
 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
 6:00 p.m. - Garnett Republican Party Meeting
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday, June 27, 2025
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga

Saturday, June 28, 2025
 11:00 a.m. - Stay and Play @ Garnett Public Library
 4:00 p.m. - Gates open for Libertyfest '25 Fireworks Celebration (Fireworks @ 9:30)

Monday, June 30, 2025
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting
 9:00 a.m. - Movement Monday
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle

Tuesday, July 1, 2025
 10:00 a.m. - Storytime hosted by the Garnett Public Library
 5:30 p.m. - PM Yoga
 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Bingo
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous
 7:00 p.m. - Garnett Senior Center Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 2, 2025
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge
 3:30 p.m. - Tinkering & Tech hosted by the Garnett Public Library
 6:00 p.m. - Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting
 6:30 p.m. - Awana

Thursday, July 3, 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
 6:00 p.m. - Anderson County Historical Society Meeting
 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday, July 4, 2025
 Independence Day

Saturday, July 5, 2025
 Westphalia Days



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The installation of the 2025-26 Garnett BPW officers was held on Tuesday night. Marsha Burris installed the following officers: Pictured, from left: Ann Michael, Treasurer, Chelsey D'Albini, Secretary, Jenny Myers, President Elect, Helen Norman, President Not pictured - Jenelle Klehammer, Vice President. Garnett BPW holds several fairs including Square Fair, Women's Fair and the Holiday Boutique. They have informational speakers at each meeting and hold Individual Development classes. Please contact Helen at 785-448-8745 if you are interested in attending a meeting/program.



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Garnett BPW had their scholarship winners attend their meeting on Tuesday night. The scholarship winners received their funds and wishes for a great school year. Pictured, from left: Lilly Keith, BPW President Helen Norman, Ruth Burkdoll. Not pictured was Emma Self, who was the third scholarship recipient.



THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW 06-26-2025/ BARB HICKS

Above - Willis Benedict pitching for the Benedict Bucking Bulls vs. Ottawa in a recent doubleheader. The Bucking Bulls won both games by the scores of 16-1 and 18-3.

At right, Eleanor Beckmon was more interested in the dirt than the ballgame.



Princeton Goal Busters plan float for upcoming Richmond Fair

PRINCETON - On June 9, 2025 President Branson Saylor called the meeting of the Princeton Goal Busters to order. The meeting was held at the Princeton Community center. The flag salute was led by Amelie Crawford, Fox Houk, and Winnie Dunbar. Roll call was taken and May minutes were read and approved. The business meeting was conducted.

Tyler Oberly gave the treasurer's report. Finley Herald gave a presentation on parliamentary procedure, & Karlie Stinebaugh gave the report of the country 4-H council.

Summer fair season was discussed. The plans for the float for Richmond fair were presented & finalized and the club elected to do the ice cream float fundraisers at Richmond & Lane Fairs.

The club also decided to do the July meeting at the Franklin County Fair as a walking project demonstration for all members of their favorite projects they are entering at the fair.

Lathan, Amelie, and Lyla Crawford presented their Rabbit projects. Lincoln Jordan did a talk on her tortoise and Bristol Jordan did a presentation on incubating eggs.

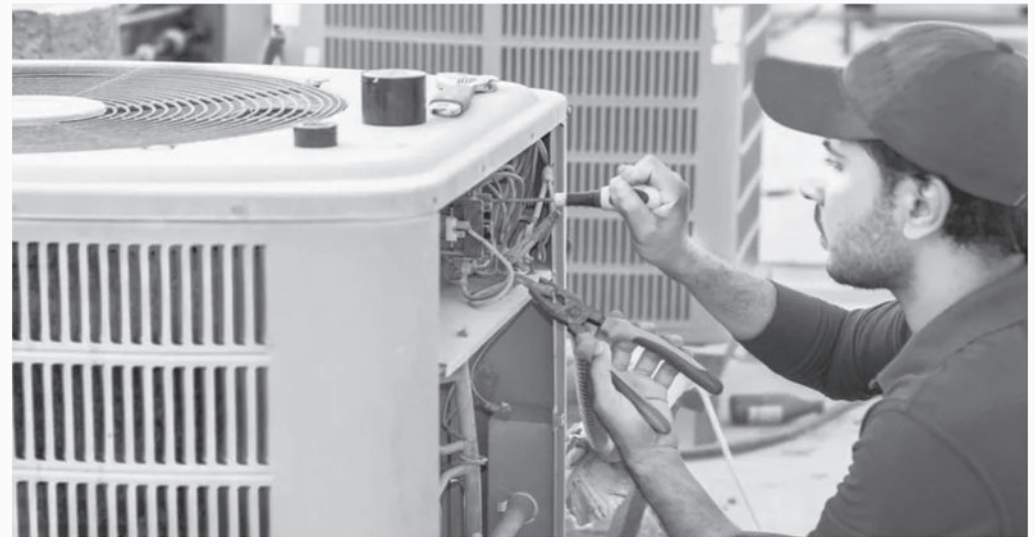
The meeting was adjourned & refreshments were served.

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A little gratitude goes a long way with your customers

In today's competitive marketplace, showing appreciation to your customers isn't just good manners—it's good business. Companies that actively thank their patrons often enjoy stronger customer loyalty, increased referrals, and positive word-of-mouth that no advertising budget can buy.

One of the most effective ways to accomplish this is through thoughtful customer appreciation promotions and engaging contests.

Here are some of the most successful and creative ideas businesses are using to show customers they care:

- 1. Exclusive Appreciation Events**
 Hosting a customer appreciation event is a classic and effective way to strengthen relationships. This could be a casual open house, an after-

hours shopping event with refreshments, or a special appreciation dinner. For service-based businesses, consider a workshop, seminar, or free class that provides value to your customers while showing gratitude.

- 2. Loyalty Contests and Giveaways**
 Everyone loves the chance to win something. Contests not only build excitement but also drive engagement. Businesses have found success with social media giveaways, where customers can enter by liking, sharing, or commenting on a post. In-store contests, such as drawing a winner from recent purchasers, are equally effective for brick-and-mortar operations.
- 3. Thank-You Discounts and Surprise Upgrades**
 Sending customers exclusive

discount codes or surprising them with free product upgrades shows immediate appreciation. For example, a restaurant might surprise loyal diners with a complimentary dessert, while a retailer could offer a "just because" 20% discount for returning customers.

- 4. Personalized Gifts and Handwritten Notes**
 The personal touch goes a long way. Sending small branded gifts or handwritten thank-you notes leaves a lasting impression. Thoughtful items like coffee mugs, tote bags, or even seasonal treats can delight customers and keep your business top-of-mind.
- 5. "Customer of the Month" Recognition**
 Spotlighting a customer each month on your website or social media channels not only flatters the winner but creates

a sense of community. Include a short story about their connection to your business and perhaps a small prize or gift card as a token of appreciation.

- 6. Referral Rewards Programs**
 Customers who love your business are often happy to spread the word—especially if there's something in it for them. Offering rewards like discounts, gift cards, or entries into a contest for successful referrals turns satisfied customers into enthusiastic ambassadors.
- 7. Social Media Shoutouts and Engagement Contests**
 Running a photo contest where customers share images of themselves using your product or service is a fun, interactive way to build goodwill—and user-generated content for your brand. Winners can receive gift

cards, free products, or exclusive merchandise.

- 8. Anniversary or Birthday Surprises**
 Recognizing customer milestones, such as the anniversary of their first purchase or their birthday, shows that your business values the relationship beyond just transactions. Automated systems make it easy to send a discount or small gift at the right time.
- 9. Community Give-Back Promotions**
 Many customers appreciate businesses that support the community. Running a promotion where a portion of sales is donated to a local cause, or inviting customers to nominate charities for a donation contest, builds goodwill while reinforcing your company's values.
- 10. VIP Clubs and Early Access Perks**
 Establishing a VIP program with perks like early access to sales, new products, or exclusive events makes loyal customers feel appreciated and part of something special.

In the end, successful customer appreciation efforts come down to sincerity and consistency. Businesses that make their customers feel seen and valued often find that appreciation is a two-way street—leading to stronger relationships, more referrals, and long-term success.

"The businesses that succeed are those that treat their customers like family," says marketing consultant Dana Roberts. "A heartfelt thank you, whether it's a contest, an event, or just a simple note, can mean the difference between a one-time buyer and a lifelong supporter."

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SCC trap team wins 2 state titles and runner-up finish

The Southern Coffey County Titans Trapshooting team traveled to Kechi, Kansas on June 14 to compete with 112 teams and 1,795 shooters in the Kansas State High School Clay Target Championships and came home big winners.

With an outstanding team effort on Saturday, the Titans performed at the top of their abilities to bring home first place in the Novice class, first place in the Junior Varsity class and second place in the Varsity class.

The SCC Novice class outpaced Bluestem 399-385 with Karley Ohl leading the Titans with a score of 88 which was the highest female score and fourth highest Novice score of the tournament. Bentley Hatch placed ninth in the male division with a score of 85.

The JV Titans defeated Northern Heights 433-430 to claim the top spot of their class. Nyla Kraft lead all female shooters with a 93 and finished third overall in the JV class. Treyton Houston tallied a score of 90 and placed 6th in the men's division.

The SCC varsity shooters posted the highest team score in their eight year history breaking 487 of 500 target, trailing Cedar Vale by a mere 4 points to finish runner-ups out of the 73 varsity teams. The group recorded 11 perfect rounds of 25 birds broken in 20 rounds of scoring. Hank Newton, Jagger Jacobs, Charlie Nickel, Tyler



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The Southern Coffey County Titan trapshooting team won two team state titles and a team state runner-up title as they had teams competing in the novice, junior varsity and varsity divisions. They also brought home many individual honors as well. Pictured front row, from left: Tyler Rolf, Cyrus Nickel, John Rolf, Hank Newton, Nyla Kraft. Middle row, from left: Larry Gleue, Jagger Jacobs, Charlie Nickel, Seth Gleue, Dale True. Back row, from left: Jim Hills, Alan Newton.

Rolf and Lane Brooks recorded 99, 99, 97, 97 and 95 respectively for the five man team total. Newton was crowned high shooter of the event with Jacobs finishing in the third spot by virtue of the tie break-

ing formula. Jacobs shot back to back 25's with Newton and Rolf putting together runs of 75 straight in competition.

The team is most appreciative of the SCC school and local communities support of

the trapshooting program each year as they provide the opportunity for students to develop their leadership capabilities and responsibilities during and beyond the tradition classroom environment.

Butler Community College releases spring honor roll

EL DORADO - Butler Community College has announced the President's and Dean's Honor Roll Recipients for the Spring 2025 semester.

Area student Talon Jasper, Garnett, earned a spot on the President's Honor Roll. Rilyn Sommer, Garnett, was hon-

ored as a Dean's Honor Roll recipient.

To be named to the President's Honor Roll, students must have earned a 4.0 GPA, and students on the Dean's List earned a 3.50 - 3.99 GPA.

University of Nebraska releases spring Dean's List

LINCOLN, NE (06/23/2025) - More than 6,700 University of Nebraska-Lincoln students have been named to the Deans' List for the spring semester of the 2024-25 academic year.

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