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## Commissioners may use ethanol windfall to stay "revenue neutral"

### Eyes fall on road department to even up spending overages

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Anderson County Commissioners this week examined drafting some \$622,000 from a county reserve fund in order to shore up a deficit in the county's initial 2026 draft budget, in order to meet the state's "revenue neutral" mandate.

Commissioners drafted the additional funds from those paid in a settlement with East Kansas Agri Energy, after a years-long court battle over a final determination of the ethanol plant's tax valuation was settled several years ago.

A first draft of the 2026 budget would have overshot the county's revenue neutral mark by some \$768,000, and kicked off an expense cutting discussion that would have focused primarily on the county's road and bridge department - the largest line item in the county budget. Kansas law requires

counties, cities and school districts to restrict property tax revenue to the same dollar amount as the previous year by adjusting mill levies to accommodate rising property values, or else meet additional notification requirements culminating in a separate public hearing to allow the public to comment on spending increases.

Though the EKAE funds are technically tax revenue which was held in escrow pending the outcome of the valuation debate, they're now held in reserve and not part of the county's general budget operation.

The road and bridge department is the largest single expense category in the annual county budget - at \$4.4 million in estimated expenditures for 2026, it accounts for some 27% of the initially proposed \$16.3 million total spending plan.

The second draft of the budget is not yet binding, and will not be adopted as official until its summary is published and until the conclusion of a public

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Reece Ferguson leads her steer in the exhibit ring during the beef cattle judging at the Richmond Fair last Saturday. Storm clouds threatened but fairgoers round-

ed out a solid weekend with livestock and animal judging, lots of entries, a car show, games and live music. See more photos on Page 6.

## Windows 10 phase out pits county against Microsoft, money and planned obsolescence

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Anderson County government offices are preparing to follow millions of other Microsoft Windows 10 software users into a phase-out of the platform which will cost home and business computer users an estimated \$40-\$50 billion nationwide.

County commissioners met with ad hoc county tech advisor and treasurer's office employee Harold Deforest Monday for a short discussion about the transition, after they compared transition costs for two desktop computer units in the emergency planning department to numbers presented for multiple machines in Anderson County Sheriff Wes McClain's budget proposal. Inconsistencies in that pricing raised alerts and spawned a discussion on possible cost savings for a change out of all the machines in county offices.

Microsoft announced that Windows 10 will reach its official end of support on October 14, 2025. After that date, the operating system will no longer get security updates, bug fixes, or technical support - unless organizations pay extra for special extended security updates (ESU). The move is similar to what happened with Windows 7 when Microsoft ended free support in 2020, but many big institutions kept using it for years, paying millions in ESU fees to buy time to upgrade legacy systems.

Analysts say millions of devices are affected by the change. A 2024 estimate from Statcounter said about 69% of Windows PCs worldwide still run Windows 10 in the U.S. That means tens of millions of desktops and laptops in government offices, schools, hospitals, factories, banks, small businesses, and homes. Many organizations, especially local governments, utilities, health-care systems, and small businesses, rely on older hardware that might not meet the stricter requirements for Windows 11, which demands newer processors and security chips.

Industry analysts say the total cost of

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## Kobach lands \$5.7 million in multi-state opioid settlement

### In 2021, 435 Kansans died from opioid overdoses as plague raged

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

TOPEKA - Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach Tuesday announced an approximate \$720 million nationwide settlement with eight drug makers that manufactured opioid pills and worsened the nationwide opioid crisis.

Kansas stands to receive approximately \$5.7 million in settlement funds.

"We are holding these companies accountable for the human suffering caused by years of their illegal marketing practices," Kobach said. "These dollars will help save lives, because the funds will be used to prevent and treat drug addiction throughout Kansas."

The eight defendants and the total amount they will pay in funds to address the opioid crisis as part of the deal are:

- Mylan (now part of Viatrix): \$284,447,916 paid over nine years
- Hikma: \$95,818,293 paid over one to four years
- Amneal: \$71,751,010 paid over 10 years
- Apotex: \$63,682,369 paid in a single year
- Indivior: \$38,022,450 paid over four years
- Sun: \$30,992,087 paid over one to four years
- Alvogen: \$18,680,162 paid in a single year
- Zydus: \$14,859,220 paid in a single year



Kobach

In addition to these abate-

ment payments, several of the settlements allow states to receive free pharmaceutical products or cash in lieu of this product. Additionally, seven of the companies (not including Indivior) are prohibited from promoting or marketing opioids and opioid products, making or selling any product that contains more than 40 mg of oxycodone per pill, and are required to put in place a monitoring and reporting system for suspicious orders. Indivior has agreed to not manufacture or sell opioid products for the next 10 years, but it will be able to continue marketing and selling medications to treat opioid use disorder.

The lawsuits that led to the most recent opioid settlement in Kansas were part of broader national litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors. Many states and localities, including Kansas,

began filing lawsuits against opioid manufacturers and distributors around 2017, according to Congress.gov.

These lawsuits alleged that the companies engaged in practices like misleading marketing and inadequate control of prescription opioids, contributing to the opioid crisis.

In 2015, Kansas doctors wrote a high rate of opioid prescriptions - 86.2 per 100 persons - exceeding the national average.

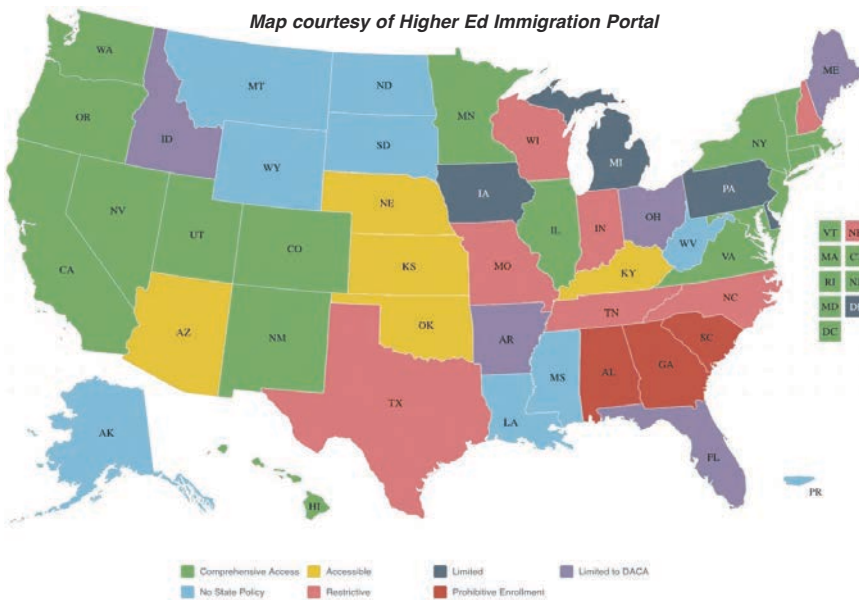
In 2021, Kansas saw 435 opioid overdose deaths, accounting for 64% of all drug overdose deaths in the state. Synthetic opioids, including fentanyl, are particularly concerning, with associated overdose deaths more than doubling each year from 2019 to 2021. Drug overdose deaths jumped 42 percent in the

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## Kansas still allows in-state tuition for undocumented students

BY DAVID HICKS

THE SENTINEL



In the 2025 legislative session in the Sunflower State, an effort was made to outlaw the practice, but SB 254 died in committee.

For more than 20 years, the State of Kansas has offered in-state tuition to undocumented students since then-Governor Kathleen Sebelius signed House Bill 2145 into law in 2004. Now, with Florida and Texas discontinuing its programs this year, Kansas remains one of 22 states and the District of Columbia to offer the advantage to illegal aliens.

Eligibility in Kansas for in-state tuition includes any student who:

- has attended an accredited Kansas high school for three or more years and;
- has either graduated from an accredited Kansas high school or has earned a GED issued in Kansas and; (a) in the case of a person without lawful immigration status; has signed and filed an affidavit with the institution stating that the person or the person's parents have filed an application to legalize such person's immigration status, or will file such an application as soon as such person is eligible to do so, or; (b) in

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## SONIC TO CLOSE FOR REPAIRS

Garnett Sonic owner Jason Sjolund announced the local Sonic will close for canopy repairs and building upgrades beginning 8 p.m. Sunday, July 20, and will likely be closed for several weeks. "We appreciate everybody's patience during this time and look forward to serving you again as soon as we have the construction completed," Sjolund said.

## KEIM BENEFIT SET

A dinner followed by an auction will be held Friday August 8th at the Amish Community Building (18363 NW 1800 Rd, Garnett) for Chris Keim, who was recently injured in an accident. Dinner will be served from 5:00-7:30 p.m. The menu is grilled chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, mixed vegetables, and dinner rolls. Dessert will be homemade pies and homemade ice cream. Donations for the auction would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at 7th Street Grocery (22800 1700 Rd Garnett KS) or next door at Midwest Surplus! A list of auction items will be published prior to the auction.

## GARNETT POST OFFICE NEW PHONE NUMBER

The phone number to the Garnett Post Office has changes. The new number is (785) 433-2242.

## SENIOR CENTER SEEKS MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

The Garnett Senior Center is seeking donations of used medical equipment such as: walkers, wheelchairs, scooters, beds, shower chairs, etc. You may drop off at the center from 9:30 - 1:30, Mon-Fri or call Joyce Martin at 448-4518 for the item to be picked up.

## VFW BREAKFAST

VFW Post 6397 will have breakfast Sunday, July 20, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Biscuits and gravy, Belgian waffles, bacon, sausage & eggs will be served.

## AMERICAN LEGION BINGO ON TUESDAYS

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.

## VFW SETS CORNHOLE TOURNEYS THURSDAYS

Every Thursday they 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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## ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION JULY 7, 2025

Chairman Leslie McGhee called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on July 7, 2025 at the Anderson County Commission Room. Attendance: Leslie McGhee, Present: Michael Blaufuss, Present: Anthony Mersman, Present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

### County Clerk

Julie Wettstein, County Clerk, met with the commission. She presented updates to the county handbook for review. Discussion was held on the ECKAA 2026 budget request. They will be taking over the Mid America Nutrition program.

### Road & Bridge

Ethan Lickteig, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. He presented road permit 2025,0707:01 for Southern Star to check on lines near 1100 Rd, Welda. Commissioner McGhee signed the permit. Discussion was held on county roads and issues that need to be addressed.

### Abatement & Add

Abatement B25-230 and Add A25-131 were approved as presented.

### Adjourn

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

## ANDERSON COUNTY LAND TRANSFERS FILED

Adam Kichler to Tristan Hirt: North 55' lot 8 & north 55' of west 10'8" lot 9 blk 6 Chapman's Addition to City of Garnett.

Muth Properties LLC to Equity Trust Company Custodian FBO Bradley A Wagner SEP IRA: A tract of land located in nw4 28-22-21, described as follows: com at nwcorsaid section 28;

thence s89°57'45"e on north line of said quarter to pob, a distance of 1804.88 feet; thence s00°47'25" w a distance of 1782.10 feet; thence s89°43'57"e along an existing fence a distance of 846.15 feet to pt on east line of said quarter; thence n00°47'25"e on said east line to necor said nw4 a distance of 1785.49 feet; thence n89°57'45" w on north line of said quarter to pob a distance of 846.19 feet; said tract contains 34.65 acres, more or less.

Randall K Storrer to Misty L Storrer Trustee and Randall K Storrer Irrevocable Trust dated 7-7-2025: N2 sw4 & s2 nw4 13-23-19.

## ANDERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Steven Eugene Collins has been charged with aggravated criminal sodomy; between a person and an animal.

Brian Allen Arnett has been charged with criminal damage to property; without consent value < \$1,000.

Jeffrey Michael Buchanan has been charged with possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana, driving under the influence of alcohol, possession of drug paraphernalia, transportation of liquor in an open container and speeding 39 mph in a 30 mph zone.

## ANDERSON COUNTY CIVIL CASES FILED

Truity Federal Credit Union a/k/a 66 Federal Credit Union a/k/a Truity Credit Union has filed a complaint for damages against Jimmie R Goada in the amount of \$2,118.72 for an unpaid loan.

Capital One, N.A., successor by merger to Discover Bank has filed suit against Jarod E Muncy in the amount of \$3,922.47 for an unpaid credit card.

Colton Carl Singleton has filed a Petition for Name Change of a

Minor Child to change his name to Kolson Carl Singleton.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC has filed a Petition to Foreclose Mortgage against Braden Rigdon, et al in the amount of \$140,268.44 plus any other fees for an unpaid home loan.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC has filed a Petition to Foreclose Mortgage against Jerry K West III, Megan West, et al in the amount of \$175,115.03 plus any other fees for an unpaid home loan.

## ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Colton J Wilson has been charged with driving while suspended; 1st conviction and driving without headlights on when needed.

James Edward Lamb has been charged with driving under the influence and improper driving on laned roadway.

Ronald Joseph Martz has been charged with operating a vehicle without registration or w/expired tag and for not having vehicle liability insurance.

Wesley Allan Servos has been charged with official traffic control devices; required obedience and improper u-turn.

Robert Pearson has been charged with official traffic control devices.

Vineet Chhapekar has been charged with speeding 82 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Branden Levi Hutchison has been charged with speeding 91 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Michael Clinton Pfeifer, III has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Tristain Demi Emori Favinger has been charged with operating a vehicle without registration or with an expired tag.

Mustafa M Casheer has been charged with speeding 90 mph in a 65 mph zone.

# K-State study reveals insights into ground beef spoilage

By Madeline Drake, K-State Research and Extension news service

MANHATTAN - Kansas State University meat scientist Travis O'Quinn and his research team have uncovered surprising results that challenge consumer's long-held beliefs on what qualifies as 'spoiled' ground beef.

Many people have sensory cues on what would cause them to throw a product away, including brown bananas, odor in milk, and slimy deli meats.

"Within meat products, (spoilage) has been intimately tied with bacterial growth, a belief that if we reach a magical level of bacterial growth that the product is spoiled," O'Quinn said. "When we look back at the literature, it is pretty shaky on where that idea of a certain bacteria level came from."

With this information in mind, O'Quinn and his research team set out to learn more about what factors lead to considering ground beef to be spoiled.

In their study, retail ground beef packages were stored in a display case for 14 days. Throughout the display time, researchers asked a consumer panel if they would purchase the

sample and whether or not they considered the sample spoiled.

While visually the ground beef followed the spoilage pattern that researchers thought it would -- that is, it turned brown after 4-6 days -- other traits told a different story.

"The challenge was when we looked at the other traits (related to spoilage), we didn't really fail, ever," O'Quinn said. "You would think that the meat would start smelling bad or tasting bad, but even at the very end of the trial we had low percentage of our samples that tasted bad to consumers."

In other words, O'Quinn said, the meat may look spoiled, but color is not a true determinant of a spoiled food product.

"Some of the key take-aways from this study is

the idea that using microorganism growth or bacteria growth to reflect spoilage is not really as closely tied together as we have previously thought," he said.

The findings may have implications in grocery stores and other retail settings where consumers are making purchasing decisions based on such factors as appearance, color and discoloration traits. O'Quinn said that efforts to prevent spoilage in ground beef should focus on limiting and reducing color changes, since color changes in the first 4-6 days isn't a true indicator that the product is spoiled.

"There are obviously next steps for us to continue to investigate, but this idea that bacterial growth alone drives spoilage of ground beef is not what our study showed."

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# KDOT urges drivers to slow down as part of national safety campaign

Speeding is dangerous and with more drivers on the road during the busy summer travel season, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is reminding drivers it's not worth the risk. Through the end of July, KDOT is participating in the national "Speeding Catches Up With You" campaign to encourage safer driving habits.

Speeding accounts for more than one-quarter of all traffic-related fatalities nationwide, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). In Kansas, preliminary 2024 data shows that 70 people died and more than 2,000 people were injured in crashes involving speeding.

To support the campaign, KDOT has activated speed feedback signs, a proven safety countermeasure, along four designated safety corridors to reinforce speed awareness. The signs have been gathering traffic speed data and will now also display drivers' real-time speeds to help promote safe driving habits. The corridors were selected based on crash history, input from

local traffic safety partners and the availability of additional law enforcement. Drivers may notice an increased law enforcement presence in these areas.

"Whether you're in a hurry or just not thinking about how fast you're going, speeding is a choice that can have deadly consequences," said KDOT Behavioral Safety Manager Gary Herman. "Speed limits are there for a reason - to help keep drivers, passengers and others safe."

Speeding is more than breaking the law. In addition to the possibility of injury or death, the consequences are far-ranging and may include:

- Losing control of the vehicle more easily.
  - Reducing the effectiveness of seatbelts and child passenger safety seats.
  - Increasing the distance needed to stop.
  - Raising the likelihood of costly vehicle repairs or property damage.
  - Facing a greater chance of being stopped and cited by law enforcement.
- For more information about the dangers of speeding, visit NHTSA.gov.

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## PORTER

JUNE 16, 1949 — JULY 11, 2025

Euleta M. Porter, age 76, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, July 11, 2025.

Mass of Christian Burial was July 16, 2025 at the Holy Angels Catholic Church. Private family burial followed in the Glenloch Cemetery.

Mass of Christian Burial

## SCHECKEL

SEPTEMBER 24, 1958 — JULY 10, 2025

Bernard John Scheckel, age 66, of Richmond, Kansas, passed away on Thursday, July 10, 2025, at Louisburg Healthcare and Rehab in Louisburg, Kansas.

Mass of Christian Burial was July 15, 2025, at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Scipio, Kansas. Burial followed in the St. Boniface Cemetery, Scipio.

## Colony Christian Church recent message was 'Freeing and equipping the captives'

Lexy Langworthy led worship accompanied by Mike and Petra Billings and Speed Elsasser. The songs were "God of Wonders," "Cornerstone," "My King Forever" and "Death Was Arrested."

For communion meditation Bruce Symes talked about how we are at a loss to describe God. Even with over a half million words in the English language God

is still indescribable. God's unconditional love is also difficult to describe. The closest we can get is Agape.

Pastor Chase Reibel spoke from Ephesians 4:7-13 on "Freeing and Equipping the Captives." We are held captive by the enemy and held hostage to sin until Christ sets us free. Psalms 68:1-3 assures us that God not only sets prisoners free but also gives them joy.

## Gambling away your paycheck

*Speaking Truth by Clint Decker*

"Until my mid-30s, I went to casinos every now and then, maybe once a year. It was fun. But then..." This is the story of a single mom with two kids who was working as a medical professional but had a severe gambling problem. She managed to do it okay until a life crisis, then she started gambling more. Then with the rush of an occasional win, she would go deeper.

During her lowest points, she writes, "I spent a six-figure court settlement in the span of three months and lived in seven places in less than a year. I dated men and essentially had sex for money so that I could continue to gamble. It got to the point where every time I drove back to the casino, I'd think about ways I could hurt myself. The wanting to die consumed me. I thought, 'If I win, I'll live. If I don't, then I can always commit suicide.' I tried to commit suicide three times."

Nerd Wallet found that in 2023, 62% of Americans engaged in some form of gambling. In 2024, people forked out \$172 billion dollars of their paychecks and retirement savings at casinos, on sports betting, scratch-off lottery tickets and other forms of gambling. Today, the scale of gambling is at a level like never before due to technology and public acceptance.

The gambling industry in partnership with government and business conspired together to produce a masterful public relations strategy. Together they portray gambling as a fun recreational activity that also provides needed public funding for education or other worthy causes. Consequently, it is deceptively framed as good for society, so it is given more access and acceptability. And through it all, the church remains silent.

On the surface it all seems innocent, but at its core gambling is a morally wretched vice. This evil is built on a flashy, well-orchestrated scheme of stealing. Mesmerized by the "get-rich-quick" idea, gamblers give the card dealer, the convenience store clerk or the online website their hard-earned money in return for a false hope, or an occasional jackpot.

This devilish vice is destroying millions of lives. One report I read stated that gambling costs the American economy \$14 billion dollars annually, that includes court and health-care costs along with credit losses to businesses due to gamblers unpaid debts and more. Additionally, gambling can lead to job losses, bankruptcies, fraud, depression, suicide, alcohol and drug abuse. Do you get the picture? Ask any family member of someone who has a gambling problem if they think gambling is just a harmless recreational activity that is for the good of the economy and jobs.

The Scripture is spot on when it comes to gambling saying, "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs." (1 Timothy 6:10). The love of money drives this evil of gambling, and its misplaced love has caused people to wander away from their jobs, families and God.

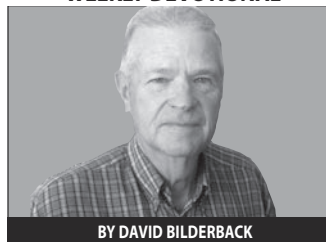
Stop saying, "Just one more time," or "Just a little bit more." Admit you have a problem and need help. And the first person you need to go to, is God. He is waiting for you to turn to Him. He sent Jesus to die and rise again for you. However, your love for money and "the rush" from gambling has pushed Him aside. If things remain as they are, then one day you will have to answer to God for what you are doing. But there is still time, and according to His grace and mercy, He offers you forgiveness through the cross of His beloved Son. Receive Him now. Then after you do, look up Gamblers Anonymous to get the additional help you need.

A prayer for you - Lord God, open the eyes of the public to see the dangers of gambling. Let them see the harm it is doing to people's lives. I pray as well for those caught in its grasp. Deliver them this day. Do a miracle and rescue someone from its tentacles through the power of Jesus. In His name. Amen.

Clint Decker is President of Great Awakenings. Please share your comment at [cdecker@greatawakenings.org](mailto:cdecker@greatawakenings.org) and follow his blog at [clintdecker.blogspot.com](http://clintdecker.blogspot.com).

## Still want to try to overcome the world?

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

If we are honest with ourselves most of us don't spend much time thinking about God. From the time we wake in the morning until we fall asleep at night we consume ourselves with our problems. Our family, job, finances and on and on. We can even obsess about the things we do for pleasure if they are not going well. I see people physically and emotionally exhausted from the busyness of their lives. Allowing the world to judge us by our successes or failures has become a part of contemporary society. So I ask what is it you are striving for? If you polled most Americans they would say security, success, respect, power and so on. In the right proportions these are not bad things. Taken to the extreme they can be very bad for us. You see there is no moral compass for these things. It is up to the individual to balance this out. That is why it is such a slippery slope if we have no connection to God.

Much has been made in the corporate world about life work balance for health reasons. If we were to place God at the head of this, God, life, work the outcomes would be better. If

we were willing to submit our lives to a God who is, all powerful, all knowing, ever present and unchangeable we would find a transformation in what we desire. Jesus provides us a promise in John 16:33. "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart I have overcome the world." God stands ready and willing to help us. However he also stands ready to judge us. This is the judgment we should fear, not the judgment of those in the world. Jesus makes a fearful statement in Matthew 7 concerning unbelievers at the end of the age. "Then I (Jesus) will tell them plainly, I never knew you. Away from me you evil doers!" Still want to try to overcome the world?

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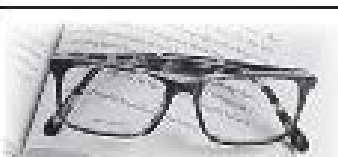
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# Over and over, the same budget problem

Doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results is actually *not* the definition of insanity. But it does characterize the woeful financial gymnastics engaged every year around this time by city, county and school district officials drafting their budgets in Anderson County.

Moreover, it characterizes the reason we will never solve the issue of overloaded property taxes assessed against residential homeowners here.

It always seems like a new problem when new numbers arise every year in every first budget draft, although the real issue is a result of decades of poor policy priorities on the part of the City of Garnett and Anderson County. The predicament isn't a result of leaders who just can't stop spending money; the predicament is rooted in the unaddressed erosion of our county's industrial and commercial base over the past 30 years.

To put it simply, we've allowed industries and larger commercial businesses that pay a big chunk of property taxes to die out here without replacement, leaving residential homeowners and agricultural land as the primary targets of our mill levies to support the public services we are not shy in demanding.

There are other culprits as well. The often cited and derided increases in government regulation and unfunded mandates add to forced expenditures. Market inflation is obviously always a factor, particularly in recent years with labor costs and Bidenflation that rim wrecked household and public budgets.

But where Anderson County particularly is missing the boat is that it has failed to pursue real economic development with a solitary, focused gusto – actual recruitment efforts seeking new industry and large business to help shoulder the tax burden. This is a leadership failure from Garnett and Anderson County commissioners, plain and simple.



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**DANE HICKS, Publisher**

The catch of course is that even with the right plan, failure is still far easier than success when trying to attract and expand a tax base in a rural area. Our leaders can do everything right and still never get anywhere. But that's no justification to continue to ignore a better plan.

For decades now Anderson County and the City of Garnett have jointly funded an economic development effort whose budget is meager by almost all comparisons, but the size of the budget is not the problem. Economic development personnel in our community have failed in the same way that so many others fail across rural America, relegating themselves to meetings and trainings and workshops and other types of comparative busy work instead of engaging a straight up cold calling sales effort designed to acquire actual tax base expanding results.

Anyone who's worked in sales knows the grueling self-flagellation of trying to build a client list. The act of cold call selling a community as a location to move an existing industry which may be completely happy where it is means the potential of hundreds – maybe thousands – of telephone calls without a single nibble. But the mathematical fact remains; if you don't put your bait in the water, you will

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Hey local drivers, let's stop taking 7th Street during this mess at the roundabout as a route to get across Maple. Way too much traffic for this residential street. Use 6th because its wider, safer and built for heavier traffic. Thanks.

It was great to see the new Westphalia Day event come back after so long. Was a great time, great parade, people had so much fun because I think they really missed it. Thanks to everybody who put this all together and made such an enjoy-

able community event for the town and even those who came to visit.

Don't we have a city ordinance on keeping your lawn mowed in Garnett? East 7th has got a house with grass three foot tall. Semis rolling down East 7th and nobody gives a (deleted). I don't know why we have the ordinance. Nobody cares. Why do we mow our grass; just let it go.

Dane, I hope you are planning to do a story on all these lies being told by the Left about how Medicaid cuts are going to kill all the poor people and close all the hospitals. It's amazing to me that people won't do just a little bit of research on their own to see what the real facts of the Medicaid situation are. Several years ago CBS News pointed out Medicaid was the single largest source of governmental waste, fraud and abuse, and that even included the defense industry. I am sending you some links I think you will find informative. Thank you, (name deleted).

# Trump base may not put up with this route on Epstein

President Trump once famously quipped that he could shoot a man on 5th Avenue and his strongest supporters would stay with him. For nearly a decade this has seemed true, but today, the president may have stumbled on the exception, in the sickening form of the Jeffrey Epstein case.

It turns out that Epstein is a major test for Trump in the eyes of his MAGA warriors. They want real answers from this administration, not fumbled document dumps and dismissive comments from the president himself, as we saw this week.

Now, we have FBI Deputy Director Dan Bongino who is apparently threatening to resign over the debacle, if Attorney General Pam Bondi doesn't go first and a bewildered MAGA base that feels it is being insulted and lied to by its government, again.

To be sure, Epstein was an awful human being who preyed on poor underage girls for decades, according to testimony from the Ghislane Maxwell trial (which I covered in the courthouse), as well as a wealth of other evidence. But for most Americans, his crimes and suspicious death are a mere curiosity at this point.

It is much, much more for hard-core MAGA. For them, it is nothing less than



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**DAVID MARCUS, FOX NEWS**

a test to determine whether or not the Swamp that has lied to our faces for decades is still in control.

This week, Steve Bannon said the only way the Epstein story goes away is if "the 5 to 10 to 15 percent of the Trump movement, the Pepes and hardcores," finally just say, "I've had enough of it." He added that the basic question is, "who is running the country?"

Likewise, at the TPUSA convention in Florida this weekend, which is led by Trump ally Charlie Kirk and is as pure a distillation of the core MAGA movement as exists, my sources tell me that Epstein is very much the top topic of concern.

But why did this curious case of this infamous creep and his private island become a synecdoche for all government

lies in the mind of MAGA? In other words, how did Epstein become the symbol of deep government corruption?

For one thing, the notion Epstein was allowed to kill himself inside a federal prison has always strained credulity. From missing video to conflicting medical exams, there have been legitimate questions about how a man rumored to have damaging information on powerful people and ties to the intelligence community could turn up dead in federal custody. While officials assured the nation there was nothing to see, MAGA seethed. "Epstein didn't kill himself" became not just a meme and a mantra, but a declaration that we've been gaslit by our government.

There is also the matter of Bondi seeming to indicate that there was an Epstein client list in a Fox News Channel interview, only to now say it doesn't exist. She says she was talking about the file write large, but it didn't sound that way at the time.

Bongino, in recent weeks, along with FBI Director Kash Patel, told us that a video from the prison is proof positive that this was suicide, but it turns out there was a missing minute of footage, and the video may have been doctored.

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# Banana Ball is the antidote for boring old baseball

Major League Baseball is currently debating various rules changes to improve the game, when what it really needs is more players wearing capes and doing backflips.

That, at least, is the lesson of Savannah Bananas, the barnstorming team that has come up with a madcap version of baseball that is widely popular and selling out stadiums around the country.

The Bananas, or the Nanners, as devotees call them, sold out Clemson University's Memorial Stadium back in April, with 81,000 in attendance. Tickets for a couple of games at Yankee Stadium in September are selling on secondary sites at rates significantly higher than any Yankees game.

Who's Yankee ace Max Fried compared to Dakota Stilts, the Bananas pitcher who bestrides the mound standing at 10 feet and 9 inches on, yes, stilts? The Bananas and their handful of spin-off clubs have made the American pastime even more American.

Banana Ball, currently on what it calls a "world tour," is the baseball equivalent of the carnival coming to town. It taps into the barnstorming baseball tradition that goes back to the 19th century, into the antic spirit of minor-league baseball with its corny entertainment between innings, and into the showmanship of the Harlem Globetrotters. Twerking and behind-the-back catches are all encouraged.

The Savannah Bananas were originally part of the Coastal Plain League, a summer league for college ballplayers. When the team's exhibition games with



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**RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate**

modified rules proved more popular than their staid standard fare, they went all exhibition.

We associate baseball with lazy summer afternoons, but there's nothing lazy about Banana Ball.

It takes everything dull or overly subtle about baseball and smashes it underfoot while dancing to a pop song.

At the end of the day, does anyone besides the true connoisseur enjoy seeing a batter try to bunt? In Banana Ball, bunting is strictly prohibited and any attempt will get the offending batter ejected from the game.

Then, there are walks. Who walks in a real sport? What is this, golf? In Banana Ball, after the pitcher issues a base-on-balls, every fielder besides the pitcher and catcher has to touch the ball before the runner can be tagged out. This creates an incentive for runners to actually run out of the batter's box, and very often they reach second base.

Banana Ball, correctly, views inces-

sant and unnecessary delay as the enemy of fan engagement. Batters can't step out of the batter's box. There are no visits to the mound. The game is timed and can't last more than two hours. (MLB has taken steps in this direction with the wondrously successful innovation of the pitch clock, but can still do more to hustle things along.)

In loud and intense football stadiums, the fans are called "the 12th man." In Banana Ball, the fans are literally the 10th fielder – if one of them catches a foul ball on the fly, the batter is out.

"Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America," the French-American historian Jacques Barzun famously wrote, "had better learn baseball."

Intellectuals aren't going to rhapsodize about Banana Ball, but it says something about America, too. Its popularity shows how much we prize speed, constant entertainment and, oh yeah, viral moments on social media (which Banana Ball provides in abundance). Kids, in particular, love it.

Banana Ball isn't a sacrilege against the game, any more than wiffle ball or beer-league softball are. It is a popularization of baseball and advertisement for it, demonstrating how a game that is perceived as dull and uneventful can be the occasion for rollicking fun.

We won't be arguing decades from now about who was the best Bananana Ball player of this era. We can enjoy the spectacle all the same.

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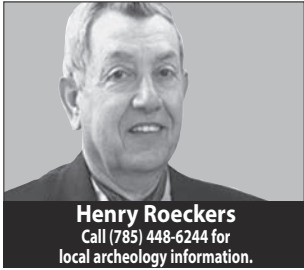
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# Great finds during KATP

My participation in the 2025 Kansas Archeology Training Program (KATP) continues.

## DIGGING UP THE PAST



**Henry Roeckers**  
Call (785) 448-6244 for local archeology information.

**Monday 9 June**  
A beautiful day, except the wind gusts were terrible. In fact they tried to dismantle our tents a few times. They sent us scrambling for more stakes and tie downs. In fact we had to take one tent down.

As the students troweled away they continued to find artifacts. Excavating in our two grids was really difficult as it was nothing but solid clay. Screening for me was something else. I had to use my hand trowel and slice it to get it through the screen.

A few things found today were: Plain brass button, a very large shard of a big clay bowl, several shards of decorative dishware, 22-long rifle brass shell casing, lead washers, a large iron rock masons tool, and the usual nails and glass shards. Paid Wendy's a visit tonight. Called Kay before returning for the day.

**Tuesday 10 June**  
Another nice overcast day and a nice breeze all day. The students are slowly but surely working their way through the clay soil. They are so patient and energetic. Today was a great day for finds. In fact Michaela Young (WU Student) found a Civil War Eagle cuff button. The oldest artifact found thus far. Other artifacts found today

include: nice porcelain button, slate pencil, unfired 22 long rifle bullet, shards of dishware, crock and glass, lots of pesky nails. Tonight I made a trip to Dillions grocery store and to Phillips 66 gas station. For some reason my truck just won't run right without gas. In fact it won't run at all! Called Kay.

**Wednesday 11 June**  
Starting to warm up, in fact quite hot in the afternoon. It's a good thing we have some breeze where we are at. About mid afternoon someone had purchased three big watermelons, so we had a watermelon feast. Oh Boy!

Students trying hard to reach 10 centimeters depth in both grids (units).

Artifacts found today: 1920's brass overall button, sewing needle, another large shard of clay crock, brass harness rivet, broken rock masons tool, numerous shards of dishware. Burger King for supper before calling Kay for the day.

*Respectfully submitted by: Henry Roeckers. 7July2025*

# 110 years ago - Telephone lineman cheats death



PAULA SCOTT - REVIEW HISTORY COLUMNIST

## Historical gleanings from past newspapers.

**1885 - 140 years ago**  
July 17 - Crystal Lake is becoming a very popular pleasure resort under the management of the new proprietor, Mr. Wren, who has added several fine row boats to the other attractions.

July 17 - Health Officer Burson is shaking up the dry bones in a lively manner, ordering privies and outbuildings cleaned and disinfected, and a general renovation of things.

**1895 - 130 years ago**  
July 19 - Probate Judge Brown made an order to send William E. Freeman to the State Reform school on Monday. The order was made on the request of the boy's father.

**1905 - 120 years ago**  
July 18 - The Garnett Gun Club, recently organized, held their first shoot last evening at the ballpark. Clay pigeons were used. The club will have another shoot this evening.

July 20 - There are several young men in Garnett who are engaged in peddling booze and enticing other men into places that are questionable to say the least. They are trying to persuade the man who works all week to blow his money. These young men are unfitting themselves for any honest labor, and will in time, become outcasts and criminals with-



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Circa July 2015 - 4-H members, from left, Remington Hedges, Jenna Schmit, Abbie Fritz, Rebecca Sprague, and Kendra Sprague helped sew borders of each quilt block to prepare the 4-H Scholarship Quilt, which will be auctioned Aug. 7 to benefit an annual scholarship given to a graduating Anderson County 4-Her.

out home or friends.

be laid up a week or so.

**1915 - 110 years ago**  
July 22 - Paul Wright, a home telephone lineman, had a very narrow escape from death at 10:30 o'clock this forenoon, 2,300 volts of electricity passing through his body. He was stringing wire in the alley back of Miss Bertha Harder's home when the accident occurred. Paul leaned back against a telephone wire, causing it to come in contact with an electric light wire, creating a circuit, and burned him severely in two places. He dropped twenty-five feet, falling across a board fence. In falling, a pole step caught under his chin, making an ugly wound. Paul was unconscious a few minutes, and C. A. Wadman, who was near him, thought Paul was dead. However, he soon recovered. Mr. Wadman says he is surprised that Paul's injuries are not more serious. Indeed, he says, it is a mystery that he was not killed. He will

**1935 - 90 years ago**  
July 18 - D. W. Yokam and Merle Smith, local aviators, have engaged LaVerne Dawson, said to be the youngest licensed parachute rigger in the United States to make a parachute jump at the Garnett airport two miles northwest of town. Yokam and Smith also will feature fifty-cent airplane rides.

**1945 - 80 years ago**  
July 19 - The newly organized Garnett Saddle Club, operated by Kenneth Wyatt and Homer Benjamin in connection with the Sales Barn, is beginning to be a popular concern. Business is good and is expected to be better with more riders in and around Garnett becoming interested in horseback riding. Sunday there were 50 riders who rented the horses for one-hour periods during the day.

**1995 - 30 years ago**  
July 17 - The county will start moving ahead with the construction of a building over the solid waste transfer station at the Anderson County Landfill next week, after bids are opened today. Plans call for a metal building to be built over the current loading structure at the transfer station to keep the trash dumped there relatively dry.

**2015 - 10 years ago**  
July 21 - People who monitor police scanners no longer can hear messages from the Anderson County Sheriff's and Garnett Police departments because of a technical upgrade that was installed Friday, July 17. The move puts a new cloak of secrecy around local police work in a community where many residents relied on their police scanners to hear what was going on locally and to monitor and evaluate the actions and policies of local law enforcement.

# LOWRY...

FROM PAGE 4

The supposed inventor of baseball, Abner Doubleday, got much right. So, who can blame him for not realizing how much the game could be enhanced by adding musical numbers and having pitchers throw from trampolines?

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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# Over 70 cars shine at Richmond Fair's first annual car show!

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Attendees also enjoyed raffles to support the Fair, offering prizes ranging from gift certificates to cash, generously donated by local sponsors. There was also a 50/50 raffle that raised \$320, with half awarded to winner Larry Katzer of Garnett, Kansas, who in turn donated his winnings back to support the event.

A secret panel of judges selected winners in multiple categories:



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Curt Wittman's 1955 Chevy Cameo.

•Best of Show #57 - Curt Wittman 1955 Chevy Cameo, Scipio KS

•1st Place #55 - Jake Ernest 1958 Chevy Impala, Garnett KS

•2nd Place #46 - Phillip Metsker 1961 Ford Unibody F100, Lawrence KS

•3rd Place #33 - Gary Rose 1972 Chevy Truck, Ottawa KS

•Judges Choice to #21 - Sydney Wettstein 1964 Ford Falcon, Garnett KS  
The event was



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Sydney Wettstein (daughter of Brandon and Julie Wettstein) Best of Show Winner presenting a trophy to 1st Place Winner Jake Earnest



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A shot looking West down Central Street in Richmond

organized and sponsored by the Richmond Kansas Free Fair, with special thanks to Brand N Iron Bar and Grill, Snap-On representatives, Jack Snyder & Jaxco Energy, and Larry Katzer for their generous

support and donations. Aaron Oestreicher, Fair Board Member and Event Organizer expressed gratitude to all who participated and made the car show a success, noting plans to continue the tradition in

coming years to build on this strong first showing.

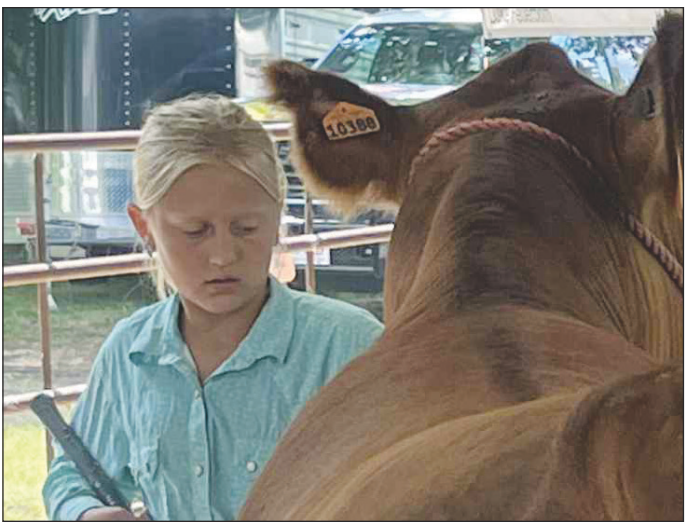
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Above - Pictured is Joiey Ferguson. Joiey had a remarkable showing at the Richmond Free Fair winning Grand Champion in Showmanship, Grand Champion Overall Female, Grand Champion Overall Steer, finished 1st in her class with her other calves, 2nd in Livestock Judging and won the Stockman Award for 2025.

Below - Jerzy Ferguson with her steer.



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Brayden Gillespie - Sheep Show Champion



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Kids showing their goats.



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**Thursday, July 17, 2025**  
 4:30 p.m. - 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  
 7:30 p.m. - Delphian Masonic Lodge Meeting

**Friday, July 18, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 11:00 a.m. - Collage Bookmarks @ Garnett Public Library  
 5:30 p.m. - Water Aerobics

**Monday, July 21, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery  
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle

**Tuesday, July 22, 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, July 23, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 9:30 a.m. - Catholic Resource Bus  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge  
 6:30 p.m. - Awana  
 7:00 p.m. - Book Discussion at Garnett Public Library

**Thursday, July 24, 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, July 25, 2025**  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 5:30 p.m. - Water Aerobics

**Saturday, July 26, 2025**  
 11:00 a.m. - Stay and Play @ Garnett Public Library

**Monday, July 28, 2025**  
*Anderson County Fair*  
 8:45 a.m. - AM Yoga  
 9:00 a.m. - Anderson County Commission Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. - Water Aerobics  
 6:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery  
 6:00 p.m. - Hot Yoga with Jenelle

**Tuesday, July 29, 2025**  
*Anderson County Fair*  
 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

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025**  
*Anderson County Fair*  
 8:45 a.m. - Yoga  
 1:00 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge



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The Crest Lancers trap team recently participated in the KTA State Trap Meet in Wichita. HS Trap Team members who participated are pictured front row, from left: Koiy Miller, Gage Jones, Josie Walter, Tristan Boone. Back row, from left: Breakin Jones, Kade Nilges, Karlee Boots, Trewit Luedke, Jaxon Palmer, Trent Luedke, Klaire Nilges, Easton King. Jones finished 1st place overall in the novice division by accurately hitting 94 of 100 clay targets.

## Nine area students earn Emporia State University degrees

EMPORIA - Over 500 Emporia State University students graduated during ceremonies in May 2025. Graduate students were recognized May 9; undergraduate students on May 10. Students from this area who graduated include:

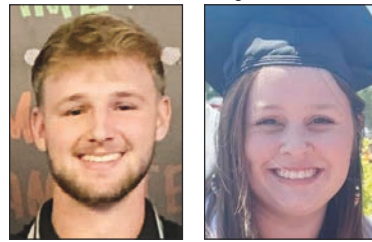
- Amy Gretencord of Garnett, Kansas, with a Master of Science in School Counseling.
- Blake A Hess of Garnett, Kansas, Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and a minor in.
- Chris Kent Peine of

- Garnett, Kansas, with a Bachelor of Music in Music with a concentration in Music Performance and a minor in.
- Abigael M Reid of Garnett, Kansas, Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Health and Human Performance and minors in.
- Josh Scott Stifter of Greeley, Kansas, Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Sport Leadership & Recreation and a minor in.
- Elizabeth Ann Foltz

- of Kincaid, Kansas, with a Education Specialist in School Psychology.
- Andrew Travis McAdam of Kincaid, Kansas, with a Bachelor of Science in Crime and Delinquency Studies.
- Brock A Clifton of Richmond, Kansas, Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.
- Amanda Lynn Kueser of Westphalia, Kansas, with a Education Specialist in School Psychology.

## Local students complete degrees at Wichita State University

WICHITA - More than 1,950 students completed a total of 2,122 degrees and certificates at Wichita State University in spring 2025. Among them are local students Aubree K Holloran (Colony), Bachelor of Arts in Education, Magna Cum Laude and Garrett H Bures (Garnett), B.S. in Health Science, Health Science, Magna Cum Laude.



## Local students named to Dean's Honor Roll at WSU

WICHITA - Wichita State University has announced the names of 3,710 students who were on the WSU Dean's Honor Roll for spring 2025. To be included on the dean's honor roll, a student must be enrolled full time

(at least 12 credit hours) and earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Area students Aubree K Holloran, Colony, and Madison S Danner, Kelcee M Finn and Hallie M Fritz, all of Garnett.

## KU announces students named to spring 2025 honor roll

LAWRENCE — Nearly 8,700 undergraduate students at the University of Kansas earned honor roll distinction for the spring 2025 semester. Area students honored were: Madeline Spencer of

Colony, Tana Benton, Ally Duke, Lily Gruver, George Kent, Ridge Smith and Moe Sumner, all of Garnett, Jacob Kice of Richmond and Kade Day and Reggi Lickteig, both of Greeley.

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## Ewert wins pitch

On July 10th a group of 14 assembled to play 10 games of 13-point pitch. Top honor went to Carla Ewert who won 7 of 10 games. Dorothy Spencer won the 50/50. John Walter won the least number of games and Tom Wittry had the most hands of 13 points with five. We were also joined by another new player, Wayne Hurl. Please join us on Thursday evening promptly at 6 o'clock at the Senior Center. Would love to have you. Always room for one more.

Jan Wards reporting

## Coffey County FAIR

Fairgrounds at Kelley Park Burlington, KS



**Wednesday - July 23:**  
 7-9 pm Music in the Park: Jeff Gordon 'Country Outlaws' (Sponsored by Coffey County Arts Council)



**Thursday - July 24:**  
 7 pm Ranch Rodeo @ Rodeo Arena - \$10 Adults, \$5 children 6 & under



**Friday - July 25:**  
 6 pm Parade: "Boots, Roots and Cattle Chutes"  
 After Parade: Sweet 6 & 16 (grandstand)  
 Parade of Purples (outside of Kelley Hall)  
 7 pm Pedal Power Tractor Pull (Sponsored by Farm Bureau)  
 7:30 pm Heroes Pull (south of playground)



**Saturday - July 26:**  
 7 pm Demo Derby - \$15 adults, \$5 kids under 6



**Sunday - July 27:**  
 6 pm Livestock Sale

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# Trump Administration announces expedited Congressionally mandated disaster assistance for farmers

WASHINGTON - U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins announced today that agricultural producers who suffered eligible crop losses due to natural disasters in 2023 and 2024 can now apply for \$16 billion in assistance through the Supplemental Disaster Relief Program (SDRP).

To expedite the implementation of SDRP, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is delivering assistance in two stages. This first stage is open to producers with eligible crop losses that received assistance under crop insurance or the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program during 2023 and 2024. Stage One sign up will start in person at FSA county offices on July 10 and pre-filled applications are being mailed to producers today, July 9. SDRP Stage Two signups for eligible shallow or uncovered losses will begin in early fall.

"American farmers are no stranger to natural disasters that cause losses that leave no region or crop unscathed. Under President Trump's leadership, USDA has worked around the clock to deliver this relief directly to our farmers," said Secretary Rollins. "We are taking swift action to ensure farmers will have the resources they need to continue to produce the safest, most reliable, and most abundant food supply in the world."

This announcement follows Secretary Rollins' comprehensive plan to

deliver the total amount of Congressionally appropriated \$30 billion in disaster assistance to farmers and ranchers this year. These programs will complement the forthcoming state block grants that USDA is working with 14 different states to develop. This expeditious timeline is in direct contrast to the Biden Administration's USDA where disaster relief programs took an average of 13 months—and in one case 19 months—to reach farmers and ranchers.

To date, USDA has issued more than \$7.8 billion in Emergency Commodity Assistance Program (ECAP) payments to more than half a million eligible producers. Additionally, USDA has provided over \$1 billion in emergency relief through the Emergency Livestock Relief Program to producers who suffered grazing losses due to drought or wildfires in calendar years 2023 and 2024.

USDA disaster assistance information can be found on farmers.gov, including the Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool, Disaster-at-a-Glance fact sheet, Loan Assistance Tool, and the FarmRaise online FSA education hub. Payment details will be updated here weekly. For more information, contact your local USDA Service Center.

**Program Details: SDRP Stage One**

FSA is launching a streamlined, pre-filled application process for eligible crop, tree, and

vine losses by leveraging existing Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) and Risk Management Agency (RMA) indemnified loss data. The pre-filled applications will be mailed on July 9, 2025.

### Eligibility

Eligible losses must be the result of natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024. These disasters include wildfires, hurricanes, floods, derechos, excessive heat, tornadoes, winter storms, freeze (including a polar vortex), smoke exposure, excessive moisture, qualifying drought, and related conditions.

To qualify for drought related losses, the loss must have occurred in a county rated by the U.S. Drought Monitor as having a D2 (severe drought) for eight consecutive weeks, D3 (extreme drought), or greater intensity level during the applicable calendar year.

Producers in Connecticut, Hawaii, Maine, and Massachusetts will not be eligible for SDRP program payments. Instead, these states chose to cover eligible crop, tree, bush, and vine losses through separate block grants. These block grants are funded through the \$220M provided for this purpose to eligible states in the American Relief Act.

### How to Apply

To apply for SDRP, producers must submit the FSA-526, Supplemental Disaster Relief Program (SDRP) Stage One

Application, in addition to having other forms on file with FSA.

### SDRP Stage One Payment Calculation

Stage One payments are based on the SDRP adjusted NAP or Federal crop insurance coverage level the producer purchased for the crop. The net NAP or net federal crop insurance payments (NAP or crop insurance indemnities minus administrative fees and premiums) will be subtracted from the SDRP calculated payment amount.

For Stage One, the total SDRP payment to indemnified producers will not exceed 90% of the loss and an SDRP payment factor of 35% will be applied to all Stage One payments. If additional SDRP funds remain, FSA may issue a second payment.

### Future Insurance Coverage Requirements

All producers who receive SDRP payments are required to purchase federal crop insurance or NAP coverage for the next two available crop years at the 60% coverage level or higher. Producers who fail to purchase crop insurance for the next two available crop years will be required to refund the SDRP payment, plus interest, to USDA.

### SDRP Stage 2

FSA will announce additional SDRP assistance for uncovered losses, including non-indemnified shallow losses and quality losses and how to apply later this fall.

# HICKS...

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likely wait a very long for a fish to jump into your boat. And we've been waiting a long time. Gone are industries that once crewed our Garnett Industrial Park like United Telephone, Warner Manufacturing and Astro Truck Covers, among others. There have been fabulous additions over the years, but the multipliers in the county and city budgets clearly show those handful of acquisitions and developments have not kept pace with growing modern costs. Meanwhile, market forces raise the values of our properties, which is a good thing according to our balance sheets, but which also results in a higher tax liability when private owners make up so much of the tax base.

The result is clear and inescapable. We will not solve this problem or even ease its pain unless the City of Garnett and Anderson County radically overhaul our economic development initiatives here. We need to make a quota of daily calls to industries

to ask about any inklings they may have to relocate. When unspeakable tragedies like wildfires and flash floods ravage communities in other states, we need to target industries in those areas for our personal sales calls or advertising initiatives. We need to scan news sources for comments from disgruntled business owners who might like to leave the jurisdictions they see as afflictive. When crime or riots or mass shootings plague communities, we need to make our pitch in those very places and stress Anderson County's negligible crime rate and Midwestern stability. Most of all, we need to stop waiting for someone else to fix the problem. The Kansas Department of Commerce is never going to bring us a goose that lays golden eggs, and Overland Park's iron pavilions aren't giant petri dishes that will grow tax paying businesses. We may do all these things and still fail. But we know where we're headed by continuing to do the same old thing.

# MARCUS

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This was after Bondi all but hijacked a group of influencers in the spring at the White House, handing out binders purporting to share new bombshell information that turned out to be as exciting as a list of grandma's baking recipes. On top of all of this, we have President Trump himself, visibly annoyed in the White House, this week when asked about Epstein, "Are you still talking about this guy...this creep?" Trump asked. Well, yes, Mr. President, they are.

Trump has expressed concern in the past about innocent people being listed in Epstein documents, as happened to attorney Alan Dershowitz and others, and according to Elon Musk, both Trump and Bannon appear in this evidence, though Musk offers no proof of this.

This may be a reasonable concern, but after decades of blatant lies and stalled prosecutions of Epstein, Trump's hardcore supporters want more than assurances. They want to see the documents. They want to see everything.

And this is a central part of Trump's appeal,

his promise to open up the hood and expose the broken-down, deep-state engine of government. But promises are not enough. Where are the results? When are we going to Fort Knox as promised, for example?

A breathtaking hallmark of the second Trump term has been extreme transparency. The president takes questions almost daily, and answers with candor. Except, it seems, when it comes to Jeffrey Epstein.

For a quarter-century now, the Epstein case has been a combustible cock-tail of power, greed, private islands and sexual abuse. It has ushered in both careful examination and wild conspiracy theories, and the only way to separate the two is with complete sunlight onto the evidence.

For President Trump, this may be the first time he is risking the loyalty of his longest, strongest supporters, and for a populist political movement that is pure poison.

The time to release everything is now, the future of MAGA may depend on it.

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

# TUITION...

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the case of a person with a legal, nonpermanent immigration status, has filed with the postsecondary educational institution an affidavit stating that such person has filed an application to begin the process for U.S. citizenship or will file such application as soon as such person is eligible to do so.

The issue is controversial. Supporters argue many undocumented students could not afford ever-increasing tuition without the benefit and become productive and tax-paying members of society with their degree-in-hand. Opponents counter that the practice discriminates against out-of-state Americans who might wish to attend college in another state but are prevented from doing so by the cost.

The discrimination argument is one made by the Trump Administration in its Executive Order issued in the Spring:

The Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security and appropriate agency heads, shall identify and take appropriate action to stop the enforcement of State and local laws, regulations, policies, and practices favoring aliens over any groups of American citizens that are unlawful, preempted by Federal law, or otherwise unenforceable, including State laws that provide in-State higher education tuition to aliens but not to out-of-State American citizens that may violate 8 U.S.C. 1623 or that favor aliens in criminal charges or sentencing.

When reached for comment, Kansas House Speaker Dan Hawkins hinted at another attempt at a legislative remedy next year:

"Like a lot of people, I was surprised to learn that Kansas was in this group of states. It's definitely something we're going to need to take a look at next session."

# WINDOWS 10...

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the forced migration could reach tens of billions of dollars in the U.S. alone over the next two to three years. Many old computers can't run Windows 11, so they'll have to be replaced at an average cost per new business-grade machine of \$800-\$1,500. Users will also have to buy new Windows 11 licenses, usually included with new devices, or pay for extended security updates if they're delaying migration, and pay labor and IT rates to assist users in the

changes.

The federal government alone spent over \$1 billion on Windows XP and Windows 7 end-of-life transitions, and experts expect a similar or larger bill this time due to stricter hardware needs.

Critics argue this is a textbook case of planned obsolescence: by setting minimum system requirements for Windows 11 that exclude many older yet functional PCs, Microsoft effectively forces hardware upgrades and new license sales, boosting

its own and PC makers' revenue. Proponents say stronger hardware and security requirements are necessary to counter modern cyber threats and enable newer features like secure boot and modern encryption.

Commissioners tasked DeForest with preparing an inventory of the affected machines and setting about the process of collecting bids from several vendors to move toward the transition.

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Beginning at 5 p.m., the entering and weighing of animals will take place as well as the 4-H bake sale.

**More Information**  
For more information on any of these events, please visit the Anderson County Fair's website or our Facebook page: [www.andersoncofair.com](http://www.andersoncofair.com) or [www.facebook.com/AndersonCoFair](http://www.facebook.com/AndersonCoFair).

**Exhibits**

Monday, July 28th, will be the time to enter exhibits for judging beginning at 1 p.m.

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**Good luck to  
all participants!**

SETTLEMENT...

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Sunflower state between 2020 and 2021. Some estimates say over 140,000 children in Kansas live with caregivers struggling with substance abuse issues. The Kansas Fights Addiction Act, which provides a framework for the state to receive and distribute opioid settlement funds, was enacted in 2021. This act formalized the process for managing settlement funds and directing them towards addiction treatment and abatement programs in the state. Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt announced the final approval of a \$26 billion opioid settlement with the three major pharma-

ceutical distributors and Johnson & Johnson in February 2022. This settlement resolved claims brought by Kansas and its political subdivisions against those companies. The recent settlement announced by Attorney General Kris Kobach on July 15, 2025, involved eight additional pharmaceutical companies, including Indivior and Apotex. This was the latest development in the ongoing efforts to address the opioid crisis and hold companies accountable for their roles in it. North Carolina, California, Colorado, Illinois, New York, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, and Virginia attorneys general offices negotiated the settlements on behalf of Kansas and several other states.

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budget hearing typically held in August or September. Even with mill levy reductions in all but five line items in the proposed 2026 draft, the first draft would have reflected a 1.534 increase in the county mill levy that would have raised taxes on county property owners by \$768,508, fueling a budget that authorizes some \$1.4 million more in projected spending than the \$14.9 million 2025 plan. The county budget is based on a property valuation spike that saw total property in the

county increase in value by \$7.1 million – a little over 5 percent – to \$144.7 million for the coming year. Road department director Ethan Lickteig told commissioners if his department had to be targeted for reductions, he wanted cuts to be made in equipment, materials and other hard purchases rather than the programmed cost of living adjustment planned for county employees. The county road department has struggled to keep frontline workers, primarily heavy machinery operators, since

COVID-inflated wages made better paying jobs in the private sector easier to find. That hot job category action appears to have cooled in recent months in Kansas. General fund expenditures which include employee salaries, contractual services and other expenditures, as well as a separate line item for an additional employee benefits, are projected to increase some \$440,000 year over year. The budget draft is expected to be an agenda topic for commissioners throughout the next several weeks.

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(First published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, July 17, 2025.)

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Notice of budget hearing for Greeley/Walker Cemetery

(Published in the Anderson County Review on Thursday, July 17, 2025.)

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Greeley/Walker Cemetery Anderson County will meet on August 4, 2025 at 6:15 PM at Greeley City Hall, 112 W Brown, Greeley for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at Anderson County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Table with columns: FUND, Prior Year Actual 2024, Current Year Estimate for 2025, Proposed Budget Year for 2026. Rows include General, Debt Service, Totals, Less: Transfers, Net Expenditures, Total Tax Levied, Assessed Valuation.

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills. \*\*Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988 Ryan Hemreck Treasurer

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of City of Greeley will meet on August 4, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Greeley City Hall, 112 W. Brown, Greeley for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Table with columns: FUND, Prior Year Actual for 2024, Current Year Estimate for 2025, Proposed Budget for 2026. Rows include General, Special Highway, Water, Park & Recreations, ARPA, Totals, Less: Transfers, Net Expenditure, Total Tax Levied, Assessed Valuation.

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills \*\*Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988 Linda Hill City Official Title: Mayor

RJ Energy permit for enhanced recovery of oil

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, July 17, 2025.)

Before the Kansas Corporation Commission Notice of Filing Application

Re: RJ Energy LLC. – Application for a permit to authorize the injection of saltwater for the enhanced recovery of oil on the following leases in Anderson County, Kansas.

To: All Oil and Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners and all person whomsoever concerned.

You and each of you are hereby notified that RJ Energy LLC. has filed an application to commence the injection of

saltwater in the Squirrel for the enhanced recovery of oil for the following leases. Eastburn: 40 SE SE of Sec 27 Twp 21S R 21E all with the maximum injection rate of 400 bbls per day and maximum injection pressure of 400 psi.

Kittle: 14 SE SE, 2 NE SE, 27 SE SE, 3 SW SE of Sec 5 Twp 21S R 21E with the maximum injection rate of 100 bbls per day and maximum injection pressure of 600 psi.

Rosell: 15 SW NW of Sec 4 Twp 21S R 21E with the maximum injection rate of 100 bbls per day and maximum injection pressure of 600 psi.

Bailey-Lohrengel: 5 SW NE of Sec 22 Twp 21S R 21E with the maximum injection rate of 100 bbls per day and maximum

injection pressure of 900 psi. Any persons who object to or protest these applications shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the Kansas Corporation Commission within 30 days from the date of this publication. Protest shall be filed pursuant to the Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why granting the applications may cause water, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas. All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

RJ Energy, LLC 22082 NE Neosho Rd Garnett, KS 66032 (785) 448-6995

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Notice of budget hearing for Pottawatomie Creek Watershed Joint District No. 90

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Pottawatomie Creek Watershed Joint District No. 90 Anderson will meet on 8/5/2025 at 7:00 pm at 146 East 5th Avenue Garnett, KS 66032 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at 146 East 5th Avenue Garnett, KS 66032 and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Anderson (home county) Coffey, Franklin, Linn, Miami

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Table with columns: FUND, Prior Year Actual 2024, Current Year Estimate for 2025, Proposed Budget Year for 2026. Rows include General, Debt Service, Totals, Less: Transfers, Net Expenditures, Total Tax Levied, Assessed Valuation.

Table with columns: Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, 2023, 2024, 2025. Rows include G.O. Bonds, Revenue Bonds, Other, Lease Pur. Princ., Total.

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Notice of ordinance establishing Ethanol Surplus Fund - City of Garnett

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, July 17, 2025.)

CITY ATTORNEY'S SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE #4277

On July 8, 2025, the governing body of the City of Garnett Kansas, passed Ordinance #4277 abolishing the Tax

Refund Reserve Fund and the Tax Refund Litigation Fund; and establishing the Ethanol Surplus Fund, into which shall be transferred monies remaining in the two funds being abolished. Sections 4 and 5 of Ordinance 4192 are repealed. A complete copy of this ordinance is available free of charge at www.garnettks.net (available for at least one week

following the publication of this summary notice) or at City Hall, 131 W. Fifth Avenue, during regular business hours. This summary is certified by Terry J. Solander, City Attorney, in compliance with K.S.A. 12-3007.

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City of Garnett 2nd Quarter Treasurer's Report

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Thursday, July 17, 2025.)

CITY OF GARNETT CITY TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL, MAY, JUNE 2025

Table with columns: FUND, BALANCE, REVENUE, EXPENSE, BALANCE. Rows include GENERAL FUND, AIRPORT FUND, DEBT SERVICE FUND, LIBRARY FUND, PUBLIC SAFETY, SPECIAL HWY FUND, TOURISM, SPEC. PARKS & REC., ELECTRIC FUND, GAS FUND, SANITATION FUND, WASTEWATER FUND, WATER FUND, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PARKSIDE PLACE #1, PARKSIDE PLACE #2, PARK PLAZA NORTH, CAPITAL OUTLAY IMPR., EQUIPMENT RESERVE, MEDICAL RESERVE FUND, TAX REFUND RESERVE, TAX REFUND LITIGATION, DRUG SEIZURE FUND, UTIL. SEC. DEP., INDUSTRIAL PARK DEVELOPMENT, CREATIVE ARTS GRANT, UNAPPLIED CREDITS, TOTALS.

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For a complete job description and application, stop by City Hall, 131 W. 5th Ave, Garnett, or visit [www.simplygarnett.com](http://www.simplygarnett.com). Salary range \$21.00 - \$28.00 per hour dependent upon qualifications with an excellent benefits package. The position will remain open until filled, with the first review of applications on August 28th. EOE

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**CREST LANCERS**

City of Garnett  
**Public Works Laborer**  
 City of Garnett, Kansas

The City of Garnett is accepting applications for the position of Public Works Laborer. This position is responsible for repairing streets, alleys, sidewalks, and curbing. This position may at times be called on to assist other divisions of the Public Works Department, to include distribution, collections, treatment, and refuse collection as well as assist other City Departments such as Parks & Recreation, City Hall, and Code Enforcement.

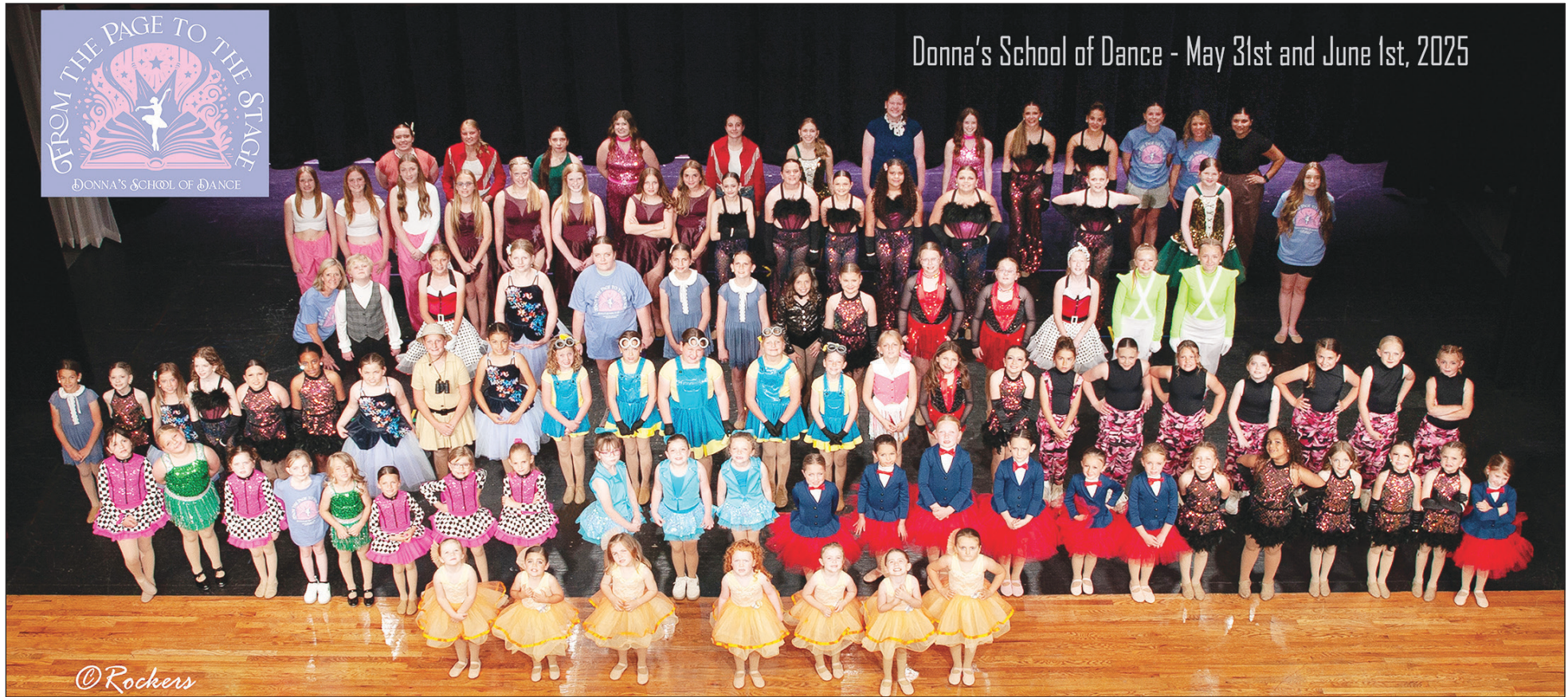
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# Donna's School of Dance 2025 Recital



Donna's School of Dance - May 31st and June 1st, 2025



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On May 31st and June 1st, Donna's School of Dance hosted their annual recital, "From the Page to the Stage." Pictured above are all of the dancers that performed in this year's recital.



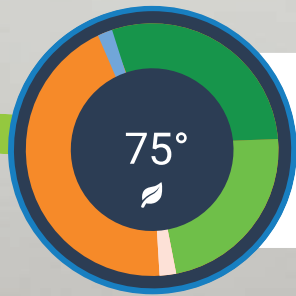
Pictured on the right, from left: Kellin Sparks, Gwen Wiehl, Adelynn Richardson, Gracie Yoder, Bryston Barnes, Hadley Bures (in back), Caitlynn Detwiler, Brailyn Barnes, Tayleigha Johnson, Lyla Crawford.

On left: Kendra Weirich and Caitlynn Detwiler.



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