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## TAXPAYERS' REPORT

As we are now in the fall harvesting season, our community and farmers are very busy about bringing in in the crops. Because of our summer rains, we are blessed with good crops this year. However, the commodity price for our agricultural products is very low. In rural America, we have an economic crisis on the farm. Farm debt continues to increase as we try to cover the cost of production and still try to make a profit. In most cases, making a profit is at least challenging, if not unattainable.

During the time I have been a Sheridan County Commissioner, I have stressed the importance of all of us working together for the common good of our community. We may not have control of all the economic factors on the farm in rural America, but we do control the amount of our local property taxes. **Now**, is **not** the time to have high property taxes. We need to *lower* those taxes and become more efficient with less taxing and less spending. We have already begun this process, in spite of the opposition to lowering taxes.

Lowering property taxes is not because we *can't*...it's simply because it's never been done before. We are already doing more with less. Our Road Department was faced with a huge challenge of repairing the roads after the big rains in July and August. We have some really good blade operators in that department, and they have done a good job of repairing the roads and washouts, so that our good farmers can get their harvesting done and transport their products to market.

We have another program in progress, which is the installation of culverts. These are the chief cause of the roads washing out, simply because the water didn't have anywhere to go except over the top of the roads. We estimate that we need to install at least 30 culverts, and maybe up to 50 in the next few months.

We also have a new culture now where the farmers and Road Department personnel are working together to solve problems. We will continue to work together to create the best county with the best services for the residents of Sheridan County.

Thanks for read and God bless!  
WES BANTER, Sheridan County Commissioner

## Hoxie Medical Clinic 2019 Remodel



New exam room ready for use. (SCHC photo)

By Justine Wade, Administrative Assistant

This year has brought many exciting changes to our Hoxie Medical Clinic. With the help of a government funded grant from HRSA (Health Resources & Services Administration) in the amount of \$144,000, we are able to expand and make necessary modifications to our existing facility. The new floor plan has created two additional exam rooms, four new provider offices, and one business office. As many of you may have already seen, our lobby area and receptionist station is under construction as we speak.

The expansion plays a large role in our ability to increase staff as we welcome two additional providers, Chris Hansen and Bhavini Gopaldas, to the team alongside Dr. Victor Nemecek, Amanda Volchko, and Kerri Schip-

pers. Grants such as this one (Substance Use Disorders and Mental Health Services) help small communities such as ourselves keep up with larger facilities by allowing us the ability to offer additional services and space to be able to do so. As many of us know, any time you begin a construction or renovation project, it can become costly quick. We are fortunate to be able to qualify for government and other area grant programs to help us pay for these improvements.

The Clinic construction is set to be completed by October 18, 2019. Plans are being made to have a "grand opening" once everything is completed. We encourage everyone to come out and attend this event, once scheduled, to see how your local facility is working to help you and accommodate your needs.

## 5th Graders Decorate DSNKW

On Thursday, October 17, Hoxie Grade School 5th graders decorated DSNKW with Nature Loom weavings.



The almost finished products-DSNKW encouraged the kids to come back anytime and work some more on the looms. (HGS photo)



5th graders Alexis Carman, Max Foote, and Mathew Bretz work on their weaving. (HGS photo)



5th grader Jaylee Moss weaving with her group. (HGS photo)

## Tough Competition at Cake Wars!



Lager won Most Creative in the Under 10 age group with their buffalo made from a Scooby Doo cake pan.

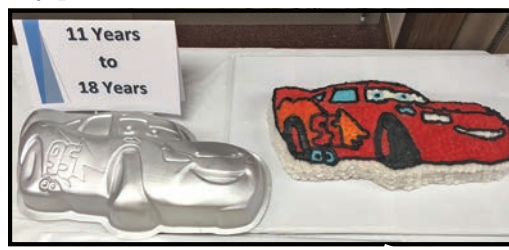
Later in the afternoon, the cakes were sold as a fundraiser for the library. (SC Library photos)

The Cake Wars judges, Jan Moore, Andrea Schadel, and Sophia Hampton, had a hard time choosing the winners in each category.

Diane Pratt won Most Creative in the Adult Category with her spider made from a Christmas wreath pan.

Troy Swint won Best Decorated in the 11-18 year old Category with his race car cake.

Blaise and Margaret Mary



## Consumer Take Back Box



The Consumer Take Back Box is now moved to its new location in the Hoxie Medical Clinic lobby due to the clinic remodel.

This program is a simple and secure way to safely dispose of unneeded/expired prescription medications.

- Restrictions:
- No liquids/lotions
  - No aerosols cans or inhalers
  - No illicit drugs
  - No sharps/needles
  - No thermometers
  - No hydrogen peroxide

(SCHC photo)

## GOLDEN PLAINS JV VOLLEYBALL GIRLS FINISH SEASON



The Golden Plains JV volleyball team cheers on the varsity girls on Tuesday, October 15, in Rexford. The JV girls finished their season at home with games against Trego, Wheatland/Grinnell, and Dighton. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Candace Taylor

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs JV volleyball team played 3 matches at Rexford on Tuesday, October 15, to finish up their season. They won one game against Dighton, and lost two, against Wheatland/Grinnell and Trego.

The Lady Bulldogs competed hard against the Dighton Hornets and won the first set 25-20, and the second set 25-13 in their first JV match of the night. "I thought we played very well," said senior Karla Hernandez-Lopez. "We finished strong and brought the intensity and excitement that helped us win!"

The next match was against the Trego Eagles. The Bulldogs won the first set 25-14, but lost the second 18-25, taking the game into a third set. "We played hard; the best we have all season," said sophomore Britton Knowles. "We fought and tried to keep up, but I think

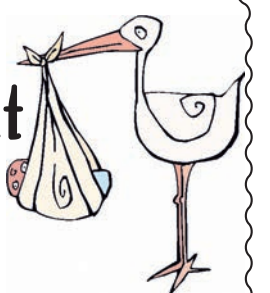
we fell behind because we were getting down on ourselves." The Eagles won the third set 25-17, taking the match.

To finish up the night and the season the Bulldogs played Wheatland/Grinnell. Both teams competed hard, but the Thunderhawks pulled ahead and won the first set 25-16. The Bulldogs worked hard the second set, but the Thunderhawks took this set also, winning 25-17. "We needed to communicate more and not get so down on ourselves," said freshman Jazline Manriquez. "We had a good season, though, and I had a lot of fun playing with my team this year, look forward to years to come."

The Golden Plains JV girls ended the season with a 4 and 10 record. "I think we had a fun JV season and I'll miss playing volleyball with these girls," added Hernandez-Lopez.

## Birth Announcement

### Sterling Michael Mader



Jett Allen, 10, Hunter Quint, 5 1/2, and Hudson Craig, 3, would like to announce the birth of their baby brother, Sterling Michael. Born September 6, 2019, at Colby, KS. He weighed 6 lbs. 6oz and was 19 1/4" long. Proud parents are Jesse and Samantha Mader. Grandparents are Barbara Mader and Rodger Mader, all of Hoxie, KS. The late, Craig Nickel, Atwood, KS and Sandy Hamilton, Wills Point, TX. Great-grandparents are Alvin Mader, the late Esther Mader; the late Ted and Marge Quint, all of Quinter, KS and Delores McKain, Trenton NE and the late Thelma Nickel of Atwood, KS. (Mader Family photo)

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### Words of Faith

God is pure light,  
undimmed by  
darkness  
of any kind.

~ 1 John 1:5

### Grain Report

Reported on: Tuesday, Oct. 22

Wheat	3.54
Corn	3.38
Milo	3.03
Beans	7.85

### Weather Report

SC Conservation District

Date	High	Low	Moisture
10/13	73	34	--
10/14	83	43	--
10/15	66	28	--
10/16	82	39	--
10/17	83	53	--
10/18	85	37	--
10/19	71	49	--

ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL FALL EVENINGS!

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### Words of Wisdom

When black cats prowl  
and pumpkins gleam,  
may luck be yours on  
Halloween.



# Community News

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## JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the United Methodist Church Friday, October 25. There are many openings still available, but appointments must be made through Marge Hartzog 785-678-3010.

On Saturday, October 26, the Sons of the American Legion have planned a Flag Retirement at 5:00p.m. at the Legion Hall. Followed by a wiener roast, Trunk or Treat and the Jennings City Library children's Books and Treats. This year at the Library the big change is the photo souvenir. They will be taking individual pictures of each child in their costume. They

will be printed at LeRoy's Printing at Colby and made available to that child or their parents. Parents, please stick a note listing name and phone number or address in your goblins pocket, so we can tell who's behind that mask.

We received word on Wednesday last week for prayer chain request for Roberta Petracek, of the Good Samaritan Home, formerly of Jennings. She had fallen and was transported to North Platte Hospital. She now has an arm in a cast and hoping to soon be moved back closer to home.

### Regional Mental Health Forum Meetings Open to Public

Meeting hopes to impact mental health issues in northwest Kansas, participation from public encouraged.

LiveWell Northwest Kansas, located in Colby, partners with the health departments of Rawlins and Cheyenne Counties, and the mental health industry to promote change and understanding of the field.

Open to the public, the first of three Regional Mental Health Forum meetings will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Bird City Legion Hall, 107 W. Bressler.

Northwest Kansas professionals whose work aligns with mental health issues, as well as people who are affected personally by mental disease, are encouraged to attend. RSVP to

the event by emailing one of three program coordinators: travisr@nwksprevention.com (Colby), cdouthit@cheyennecountyhospital.com (Bird City), or karlah@rawlinscounty.org (Atwood).

The purpose of the forum is to highlight problems related to mental health in northwest Kansas. Attendants will learn about mental health issues and solutions will be identified so that actionable steps can be taken to address regional concerns.

Anyone from the entire northwest Kansas region who is interested should attend, especially including school faculty, administration and counselors, clergy, healthcare and mental health professionals, criminal justice and legal representatives, and community members with personal connections.

## Area Calendar

**Every Monday:**  
 5:30pm Health & Wellness Classes for Body & Mind - Free! Midwest Energy Bldg Meeting Room. Topics rotate each month. For more information call 785-675-3018.

**Every Tuesday:**  
 12pm Hoxie Rotary Club-upstairs at Oscar's

**Every Wednesday:**  
 Moms in Prayer Meetings: Contact Kristin Johnson for more information 785-657-1478.

9am Commissioners' Meeting at the Courthouse. To be placed on the Agenda, call the Clerk's Office 785-675-3361.

6pm Connect-UMC  
 7:30pm FOUNDRy-Hoxie UMC (6:30pm-3rd Wednesday)

**Every Thursday:**  
 1:30pm Bible Study at Ridgewood Manner.

**2nd Monday - each month:**  
 5pm Sheridan County Hospital Auxiliary Meeting-SCHC Conference Room

**1st Wednesday - each month:**  
 6pm Grinnell VFW monthly supper at VFW Hall

**Last Thursday:**  
 7pm Jennings Book Club Meeting-Jennings City Library

**Colby**  
**Saturday, October 26:**  
 1:30pm-4:30pm Prairie Museum of Art presents 'Boo at the Mu' Trick or Treat special with Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat. For more information call 785-460-4590. Free admission, but donations gladly accepted for the event's sponsor, Thomas County Historical Society.

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**Sunday, November 17:**  
 3pm WPAA presents Derik Nelson & Family at the Cultural Arts Center.

**Hays**  
**Sunday, October 27:**  
 2:30pm Hays Symphony Orchestra's Children's Halloween Concert presents "Beethoven Lives Upstairs". Pre-concert activities at 1:30pm: instrument petting zoo, violin/cello group lessons, music workshop, story time, drumming circle, Halloween parade and more!

**Hoxie**  
**Sunday, November 3:**  
 3pm WPAA presents Duane Laffin of the Grand Magic Show in the Hoxie HS Auditorium. Tickets: adults \$10, students \$5.

**Tuesday, November 5:**  
 5pm UMC Election Day Soup Supper at the Hoxie United Methodist Church. Free will donation.

**Wednesday, November 20:**  
 7am-7pm "Give & Grow Sheridan County" Match Day. Bring all Match Day donations for the non-profit of your choice to Oscar's.

**Thursday, November 14:**  
 5pm Hospital Auxiliary Potato Bar Fundraiser at the Hoxie United Methodist Church.

**Jennings**  
**Saturday, November 9:**  
 UMW Pheasant Hunter's Supper at Jennings United Methodist Church.

### Submission Guidelines

Print-ready ads and content deadline: noon Tuesday  
 Non-print-ready ads MUST be in by 3 pm Monday.

Due to time constraints, all ad & content submissions must be emailed in .doc, .docx, or .pdf format; photos in .jpg or .png format. All non-print-ready ad submissions are subject to a design fee (starting at \$10).

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 editor@sheridansentinel.com  
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 716 Main Street, Hoxie.

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## Christie's

841 17th Street

### OCTOBER Location Schedule

24 ~ Colby  
 25 ~ CLOSED  
 26 ~ Atwood  
 28 ~ Hoxie  
 29 ~ Goodland  
 30 ~ Colby  
 31, 1 & 2 ~ CLOSED

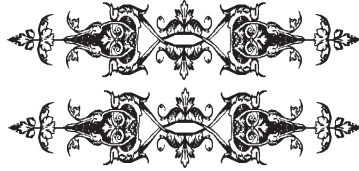
**TAKING ORDERS!!!**  
 Hoxie Indians License Plates

Red metal plate  
 Black Indian  
 White text

White metal plate  
 Red foil Indian  
 Black text

Check our Facebook page for any schedule changes.

CALL  
**785-299-0112**



## Bainter Chiropractic



Dr. Raquelle Bainter

Tuesday 9:00 - 12:00

Thursday 2:00 - 5:30

Saturday by Appointment

800 Main St., Hoxie

785-677-3077

**TRICK OR TREAT**  
 at Sheridan Estates  
 6pm ~ 8pm  
**HALLOWEEN NIGHT**  
 Hot Chocolate, Cider and Treats will be served

**GRAINFIELD AMERICAN LEGION**  
**STAG & STAGETTE SUPPER**  
 5:30pm, Wednesday, October 30  
 \$12.50 per meal  
 Legion Post Home, Grainfield

### SPOOKY HALLOWEEN SAVINGS

As most holidays tend to be costly Americans are constantly looking for ways to save money, with most (82 percent) shopping sales and deals.

**Top ways to save money on Halloween:**

- I shop sales and deals (82 percent)
- I reuse items from last Halloween (52 percent)
- I use coupons (40 percent)
- I use a cashback site (38 percent)

Before you spend a grave amount on a costume, stock up on candy at full-price or purchase (another) jack-o-lantern, find some tips below that will save you money this Halloween from Rebecca Gramuglia, Shopping Expert at TopCashback.com:

- **Make your own.** A haunting costume doesn't need to burn a hole in your wallet. See where you can cut costs by creating your costume with DIY tricks. Whether you

use clothes you already have and sew something together, play with lipstick to create a bloody vampire effect instead of buying nasty fake blood or have a crafty relative who can help, a homemade costume cost you next to nothing (and it also makes an impression). Plus, your kids can join in on the fun by adding glitter, drawing on t-shirts and making rips in clothes for the costumes.

**Host a costume swap.**  
 Let's be honest, we're all guilty of purchasing a costume with the intention of only wearing it once and then retiring it to a big bin with all the other forgotten Halloween costumes. This year consider trading with a friend. As long as you weren't partying it up together last year, no one will notice. And even if you were, make a joke about it and have fun!

**Re-use decorations.**  
 Halloween decorations can be cute, scary or both! But don't

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**CARD SHOWER!**  
**Mary Stillwell**  
 celebrates her  
**90th Birthday**  
 November 1  
 Send your cards to her at:  
 Cambridge Place 1100 N 16th Street  
 Marysville, KS 66508

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**COTTONWOOD RANCH**  
**WRITER'S WORKSHOP**  
**Saturday, October 26**  
 For More Information Contact  
 cottonwoodranch24@yahoo.com  
 or visit  
 www.cottonwoodranchks.com

**Sheridan County Commissioners' Meeting Agenda**  
 Weekly Agenda is posted Monday afternoon to the Sheridan County Clerk's Office Facebook page and the Sheridan County website.  
 (http://www.kansas.gov/sheridan/).  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019**  
 Sheridan County Courthouse  
 Agenda Subject to Change  
**NO COMMISSIONER'S MEETING THIS WEEK.**  
**NEXT MEETING IS 9AM OCTOBER 30**  
 Public Invited

**STRATEGIC DOING SHERIDAN COUNTY**  
**Meetings**  
 Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
 Please arrive early for a prompt start at 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, October 22** ~ POSTPONED-Date TBD  
**Tuesday, December 3** ~ 7 p.m., location TBD  
**Tuesday, February 4** ~ 7 p.m., location TBD  
**Tuesday, April 7** ~ 7 p.m., location TBD  
 More info available online at www.facebook.com/sheridancncf

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 www.cresslercreeklogcabin.com \* "Like" us on Facebook

**JD's RESTAURANT**  
 744 Main Street, Hoxie  
 785-675-3302  
**October Specials**  
 Harvest Meals or Any Occasion  
 Hamburger \$4.45  
 Cheeseburger \$4.95  
 Bacon Cheeseburger \$5.95  
 Spicy, Grilled or Crispy Chicken Sandwich \$6.95  
 Pork Tenderloin \$6.25  
 Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich \$6.25  
 Ribeye Steak Sandwich \$7.95  
**Chips included with all the above**  
 Add French Fries \$1  
 Hot Beef Sandwich \$6.99  
**Candy Bars Available!**  
 Breakfast Sunday & Monday Nights  
 Sunday Six Meat Buffet w/ dessert \$8.50  
**Dine-In or Carry-Out**



# Community News



## Mealsite Menu

October 28 ~ November 1

- Monday:** Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Green Beans, Bread, Peaches
- Tuesday:** Oven-Baked Chicken, 3-Bean Salad, Tropical Fruit, Bread, Pudding
- Wednesday:** Turkey Tetrazzini, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Fruit Cobbler or Crisp
- Thursday:** BBQ Meatballs, Baked Potato, California Blend Vegetables, Bread, Applesauce
- Friday:** Ham & Potato Casserole, Peas, Bread, Hot Cinnamon Apple Slices

The Hoxie Mealsite wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in the community room at Ridgewood Manor Monday - Friday. Calling 675-2154 by 11 a.m., the day before, may make reservations. Home Delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities. We also invite those working, who would like to pick up. For individuals 60 and over, a contribution of \$3.50 per meal is requested. We also invite those less than 60 years of age to attend or pickup a meal at a cost of \$6.25 per meal. A monthly menu can be picked up at a Meal Site. Pinochle is played every Tuesday (bring a quarter) & Friday after lunch. Make checks payable to HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project.

## Area Churches

- Christ Community Church  
454 W Hwy 24  
Hoxie
- First Presbyterian Church  
1101 Sheridan Ave  
Hoxie
- Hoxie Baptist Church  
1000 Valley  
Hoxie
- Hoxie Christian Church  
1025 Queen  
Hoxie
- Hoxie Church of Christ  
1541 Oak  
Hoxie
- Hoxie United Methodist Church  
1325 15<sup>th</sup> St  
Hoxie
- Immanuel Lutheran Church  
1400 Locust St  
Hoxie
- Living Word Fellowship  
454 Hwy 24  
Hoxie
- Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church  
14988 E Rd 70 S  
Hoxie
- Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
202 S Missouri  
Selden
- St. Frances Catholic Church  
924 17th  
Hoxie
- Selden United Methodist Church  
Selden
- St. Martin's Catholic Church  
Seguin

## HALLOWEEN SAVINGS

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feel pressured to buy another pumpkin tablecloth or fall wreath for your door every year. Instead, store all of your decorations in a dedicated "Halloween" bin/container so you can re-use them for the following years. However, if your decorations have seen better days, try searching sale sections of home goods and craft stores at the end of October or early November to score a scary-good discount for next year.

- **Stack the savings.** So, you found the perfect accessory for your Halloween costume, but it's full price. Look for ways to save and bundle coupons and cashback by using a rebates site like TopCashback.com, where you can earn cashback from qualifying purchases at stores like Party City, Target, Dollar Tree and more.

- **Shop at thrift/discount stores.** Why pay more than you have to? Whether it's candy, Halloween baskets for trick-or-treating or even costume accessories, don't rule out your favorite places to save! Thrift shops, for example, are full of costumes and decorations for little to nothing for all your DIY needs at rock-bottom prices. If you're in the need of some spooky goodies, stop by Target, Walmart, local grocery store and dollar stores to find seasonal bargains on all your holiday necessities. **Pro tip:** Decorations, Halloween costumes, candy and treats will be marked down close to the end or after the holiday. Keep in mind that the longer you wait to buy something, the less of a selection you may have.

## Clinics Awarded Over \$640,000 for Quality Improvements

By Whitney Zerr, BSN, RN, Hoxie Medical Clinic Director of Nursing and Quality Director

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently released a notice of funding opportunity to high performing health centers in Kansas. Hoxie Medical Clinic was among these top performers to earn over \$640,000 in award money.

The HRSA award is reserved for elite health centers and will only support up to 32 public or private nonprofit health care providers located in rural areas to improve patient care in their communities across the country. HRSA expects to invest approximately \$64 million for this program, which aims to improve the quality of rural health care through an evidence-based approach to primary care that has proven effective in rural areas. Hoxie Medical Clinic was one of only 2 health centers in Kansas to receive this prestigious award, totaling \$600,000 over the course of 3 years.

Previously funded organizations under this program designed and carried out projects focused on coordinated care for patients, chronic disease management, integrated care delivery systems, and reduced admissions for emergency rooms and hospitals, among other issues for rural providers. Objectives for this program, which is competitive every three years, include improved health outcomes, better engagement of patients and their caregivers, and continuous improvement to chronic disease management. Grantees also are encouraged to implement quality improvement activities that measure value by outcomes, establish and maintain PCMHs, and integrate behavioral health into the primary care setting.

HMC will use this money to hire a Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) and Community Educator Nurse Coordinator, as well as nursing assistants, to provide education and training to all employees of the clinic. Hoxie received PCMH recognition by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) back in 2017 and aims to continue this recognition ongoing. The Patient Centered Medical Home model puts patients at the forefront of care by building better relationships between patients and their care teams. According to NCQA, "Research shows that PCMHs improve quality and the patient experience, and increase staff

satisfaction—while reducing health care costs." One objective of the PCMH model is to reduce fragmentation by emphasizing team-based care, communication and coordination, which has been shown to lead to better care. One way HMC plans to meet this objective is to add nursing assistants to the care teams in the clinic. Patients will now see these nursing assistants at the beginning of their visit collecting important information such as reason for visit, vital signs, current medications and allergies, updating patients' medical histories, and providing a tutorial of the patient portal. At the close of the medical visit, the nurse will enter the room and receive a warm hand-off from the provider, recapping the medical plan for the patient. This will give the nurses an opportunity to provide any needed education, refill medications, schedule needed tests or follow-up visits, administer immunizations, etc. The nurse will also ensure that the patient has signed up for the patient portal. Having the patients utilize the portal will reduce the number of phone calls received by the practice, ultimately freeing up the nurses to spend more time with the patients during their visits. Patients of Hoxie Medical Clinic and Selden Community Clinic or caregivers can sign up for the patient portal here: [www.nextmd.com](http://www.nextmd.com)

Hoxie Medical Clinic and Selden Community Clinic also received over \$40,000 in award money for demonstrating exceptional quality healthcare. The HHS grant provided \$1,259,650 in Quality Improvement Awards to 18 health centers in Kansas. These awards recognize the work that health centers do to address priorities by designating health centers that ranked in the top 1-2 percent in one or more key areas—behavioral health, diabetes prevention, and management of heart health—as National Quality Leaders. The top 30 percent of health centers that achieve the best overall clinical performance receive designation as Health Center Quality Leaders.

These awards also recognize achievements in other areas including improving cost-efficient care delivery while increasing quality of care, reducing health disparities, increasing both the number of patients served and patients' ability to access comprehensive services. HMC will utilize these funds to continue its vision to become a model health system, providing extraordinary care and superior service at an affordable cost.

## Law Enforcement Agencies to Collect Unused Medications Saturday

Law enforcement officers at locations across the state will be collecting unused medications for safe disposal on Saturday, October 26, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said today.

The collection events are part of a nationwide effort to safely dispose of leftover medications to prevent accidental or intentional misuse. Since the Drug Take-Back Day program began in 2010, more than 88 tons of unwanted medications have been collected and destroyed in Kansas alone.

"Unused medications are dangerous for kids, pets and the environment," Schmidt said. "Diversion of opioid painkillers, in particular, can contribute to the misuse of these drugs that has become a serious nationwide problem. Getting leftover medicines out of the medicine cabinets and safely destroyed keeps them from falling into the wrong hands and makes our communities safer."

Medications will be accepted at drop-off sites across the state from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. To find a location, visit [www.ag.ks.gov](http://www.ag.ks.gov).

The National Drug Take-Back Day is coordinated by

the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, which collects and safely destroys the medications.

Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Nationwide, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates opioid overdoses kill 130 Americans every day. According to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, pharmaceutical opioids are a leading cause of drug poisoning deaths in Kansas.

Studies show a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that traditional methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and health hazards and should be avoided.

Unused prescriptions can be turned in year-round at many local law enforcement locations. Kansans should contact their local sheriff's office or police department for more information.

## WPAA PRESENTS GRAND MAGIC IN HOXIE

Seen on five continents, in 18 countries and in 47 of these United States, now the Grand Magic Show comes to the Hoxie High School Auditorium stage, Sunday, November 3 at 3 p.m. Central.

The show is a marvelous mix of stage illusions, sleight of hand, beautiful costumes and great music. The star performer, Duane Laffin, said, "There is much more to this show than fooling the eyes. It is about sharing the gift of wonder. It is about creating a magical experience for the audience!"

Audiences can expect to see large illusions such as a woman rising into the air (levitation), smaller tricks that will make them laugh, effects requiring volunteers from the audience and amazing demonstrations of the "hand being quicker than the eye." Everything is great fun and always family friendly.

Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association Season Ticket, or at the door: adults \$10 and students

\$5. The Dane G Hansen Foundation, Logan, is a major sponsor of all 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season WPAA events. Generous donations from businesses, foundations and individuals throughout the area make WPAA's many programs possible.

On stage Laffin is assisted by three female assistants and the comedy magic of Robert Morris. The charm and humor of this cast of characters makes the show even more fun! Duane's wife Mary is manager of the show and, according to the other cast members, she is the real secret to the show's success.

The Illusionist Laffin is a master at creating entertaining magical experiences. His specialty is sensational family friendly entertainment! Duane and his wife Mary base all of their performances out of Branson, MO. Occasionally they can be seen at Branson venues, otherwise their Grand Magic show tours the nation. Visit his website at <http://www.grandmagicshow.com>.

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## News from the Outside



with John Liester

Another week has gone, but by golly I did get to go fishing! Got out Saturday evening to Antelope Lake. Had two bites and caught one 6-pound catfish. Also had a great time visiting with my youngest daughter Destiny. That girl just amazes me. She's so smart and pretty too! Of course, there's no bias here at all! Also got to see five satellites pass over, as well as the International Space Station. Boy, it moves fast and is bright. By the time we left the lake we had also counted

nine meteors. It's that time of year for the Orionid meteor shower.

The catfishing is really hot right now as they're feeding up for winter. Shad sides were my bait of choice this weekend. Shrimp never got a nibble. I have also heard of limits of wipers being caught at a couple of lakes this last week. I think a top water wiper bite is about as much fun as there is fishing. Even if they miss the lure, they keep trying until they get it. Or it gets them! Crappie have moved shallow, as have the black basses. Waconda Reservoir is hot for white bass right now, pretty much the north side from the golf course east to the dam. And don't overlook the outlet below the dam either. There's a ton of fish there right now.

Over the last two months, I have seen a lot of pictures of trophy class bass being caught at Plainville Lake. I just hope they are catching and releasing some. I, by no means, am against keeping fish to eat, as that's why God put them here, but a little bit of throwback keeps the trophies coming. Years ago,

at Trexler Lake I caught a 9-pound, 11-ounce bass. We weighed it, took pictures, and turned her loose. The folks down the bank about had a stroke! They thought I'd lost my mind throwing it back. I said, "Well, if you're lucky, maybe you can catch her too". I don't think they ever did.

Ok folks, are your guns oiled and decoys ready? Goose season starts next Saturday! And I am more than ready. There's not a lot of geese here yet, but there are some, if you know where to find them. We found a feed field. Hopefully it should still be good next weekend. We shall see, I guess.

Over the course of the last three seasons, I decided to try all the new, high performance waterfowl loads out there, and for me, steel shot is still the best for the dollar. I shot Hevi-shot, bismuth, tungsten polymer, and tungsten super shot. Without a doubt the best performer was the super shot. I used size 7 shot. It killed geese further than a sane person should ever shoot. But at \$8.99 a shot, just not worth it. Although the look on a friend's face when a

Canada dropped stone dead at 73 yards was great! He just kept shaking his head in disbelief! I tried the shot, it worked. Never again though. Too many chances for things to go wrong at that distance. I'll bet however, some of the older goose hunters around remember lead T-shot, as well as #4 buckshot. I sure killed a lot of geese with those big pellets!

Since no one else will say it, I will. I believe liberalism has become a disease, a mental illness. Why else can you explain the extreme double standards these folks place on the rest of us? Oh, we're supposed to be tolerant and loving, yet they physically attack anyone who disagrees with them. I had somebody actually say to me, "You can't say that! Why, so and so might read it." And what? Be offended? Well, hang on snowflakes, because this boy's just getting started. I have had the liberal and Democratic agenda rammed down my throat now for three years, and I am sick of it! Impeachment. What this crap is adds up to a bunch of sore losing. Spoiled-brat

Democrats who just still can't stand they lost! And now these "inquiries" behind closed doors, and they won't let any Republicans in to see? Sounds like they have nothing yet again but are trying to use this crap to sway the next election. If you're smart people, you will finally see the light and stop the nonsense. I know who I'm not voting for. Anyone Democrat. It's time to drain the swamp. Pelosi, Biden, Waters, and the rest have been in office for over forty years each yet blame this president for the country's problems. They also claim they can fix them. Really? You've been in office forty plus years and haven't fixed squat. You just don't want your schemes brought into the open, which is what's happening. Funny how that works.

Well, not much else, and I think I'm done ranting for a while. Maybe, maybe not. Stay tuned until next week to find out. Until next time, be safe and as always, enjoy the outside.





# KENOXIE ARCHIVES & MUSEUM'S Now & Then

Compiled by Rachel Farber, Archive Director

**125 Years Ago  
October 25, 1894**

H. S. Ritter and wife of the North fork were in the city Monday.

Hon. I. T. Purcell, of Grainfield, was transacting legal business in our city yesterday.

Senator Martin has gone over to the populists. This will cook his goose forever and a day.

Ross Patterson, who has been seriously ill for the past six weeks with a severe attack of typhoid fever, is we are glad to state, convalescing.

John Foster and Al Final of Saline were in Saturday. They both say that the republicans will be "in it" to a considerable extent in Saline this year.

Hill City has five newspapers, but we do not get them all, if we did and they were all as newsy as the *News* we would have about all we wanted to do to read them.

T. S. Donivan was down from Parnell Saturday.

Mrs. Seth Buck and daughter are visiting relatives in Decatur county.

Two weeks from last Tuesday night and the state house will be freed from corruption and the Augean stables will be cleaned as that of the King of Elis was by Hercules.

Last Wednesday a week, Rev. Robb by the power in him vested at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George James' in Valley township, made J. A. Nelson and Miss Willie Rorabaugh, man and wife. The *Sentinel* extends hearty congratulations.

We were in error last week when we stated that the county attorney was present when the Coroners jury was empaneled to sit in the Emery Williams case and we hereby hasten to offer an apology to Mr. Hartley, for goodness knows he makes errors enough without being accused of making some which occur that he is in no way connected with.

**New Almelo Items**

Fred Johnson is still cutting bunch grass, that stuff is the making of this country this year.

C. W. Johnson is going to sow two acres of wheat, he thinks he can supply the market at Lenora.

John Lunny is threshing his alfalfa this week, the threshers say they have not had much to do for the last two years.

Miss Carrie Register is teaching us a good school at the Davis school house. Carrie is a noble girl and a good teacher.

James Gilliss has been mad ever since school commenced he thought the old maid was going to teach and he said he would have went to school he thinks he is old enough he is only 53 years old.

Some of the neighbors are loosing their cattle in this neighborhood. We wonder what next the western farmers will have to contend with. It seems that dry weather is not enough we will have something else if nothing but black leg in cattle.

Mr. Bishop and Mr. Sly with their families will pull out for Jewell county in a few days. We will miss them very much for they are both good republicans in New Almelo township but I think we will get there all the same.

F. F. Teel lost a fine mare the other day from a snake bite, but horses are not worth much and feed is scarce and he has twelve horses left yet so he is horse poor, he says he is going to try western Kansas another year and if he doesn't raise a crop something has to be done.

**100 Years Ago  
October 23, 1919**

**Local News**

Dow Patmon left this week for California where he expects to spend several months.

Mrs. I. H. Zeigler, of Hutchinson, Kansas, returned home Wednesday after an extended visit here with relatives and friends.

Miss Lucile Chandler, teacher in the Smith Centre high school, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Chandler.

Messrs. Howard and Harry Mosier left Saturday for Kansas City where they will resume their work in the Kansas City Dental College.

Mrs. Bear and little son, Fred E., Jr., returned home Monday evening after an extended visit with relatives in central and eastern Kansas.

Mrs. Harry Vance and little son, Theodore, returned home, Sunday from Kansas City, where

Mrs. Vance was operated on for appendicitis. She is much improved in health now.

Mr. Newman has purchased the building situated just north of the Quisenberry block and has torn it down and moved it to the country where he will use the good lumber in the erection of a farm dwelling. Some one should buy the lot and erect a good building there.

Raymond Mahanna informs us that upon the advice of an eye specialist he had to quit the university. Too bad for a young man of Raymond's energy and ability that he should be thus handicapped, but he thinks after a year or so he can resume his studies as there is no organic trouble, just a lack of development of certain parts of his eyes.

**Emerald Grove**

By Lucile

Little Harold Phelps was very ill Saturday night but is now much better.

Earl Parks spent Sunday with Mrs. Parks at the hospital at Hays. We understand she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Richards will soon start for Florida with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dibble, of Kissimmee, Florida.

Mrs. Grace Morgan is recovering from a fall which was quite serious as she seemed to be injured internally. We hope she will soon be around.

**Houck's Landing**

By Remus Spaulding

J. B. Doubleday is reshingling his house this week.

Several from here attended the exercises given by the Farmers' Union at Menlo Saturday evening.

Glen Hopkins has purchased an auto truck from L. A. Carpenter and is quite busy hauling for all who need his services.

Alton Gillispie, of the *Rexford News*, left Thursday evening for Excelsior Springs, Missouri, where he will take treatment for inflammatory rheumatism.

**Valley**

By Gleaner

(Last Week's Items)

Mr. Ollie Hines is spending a few days in Hoxie as a member of the jury.

Mr. Frank Houseworth has been looking after his land interests in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Clifford Crum is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. H. A. Havener and baby Jane, of Denver, Colorado.

J. R. Woods left Sunday night for Pringle and Custer S. D. to join Mrs. Woods and little son, Kenneth and mother. Mrs. M. I. Woods who are visiting relatives. (This Week's Items)

Mr. Frank Brandram who recently returned from England has been visiting at the Charles Carrier home.

Miss Nettie Schropp who is attending high school at Hoxie visited home folks the last of the week.

The program at the Holly Creek Sunday school will be given October 26. It was postponed on account of funeral of Mrs. Hanson. The friends of Mrs. Foster sympathize with her in this great sorrow.

**75 Years Ago**

**October 19, 1944**

**Full Owner**

Nels Pyle is now full owner of the Hoxie Implement as he bought out Albert Pratt's interest in the business. Nels has built up a fine establishment for the farmers of this community. Loyal Jacobs, Harold Holmes, Johnson and Miss Dorrine Wagoner complete the working force. Two buildings are used to house the big supply of parts, the paints, accessories and other items. This is the garage building they have always occupied and the Beers building north. This Beers building was taken over for an extra store room last spring. Albert Pratt continues as Implement dealer at Hill City.

**Prairie Dog**

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Vaughn of Selden visited Sunday evening at Russell Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Fleckenstein of Leoville were dinner guests at Fred Wachendorfer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wenger, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jenkins and Donald and Mrs. Sarilla Jenkins drove near Allison Sunday afternoon to see the oil wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McKay were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brown in Oberlin



This photo was from the collection of items found in a trunk that had been left behind at the jewelry store in Tasco. If you know these people, let us know! (Kenoxie Archives and Museum photo)

**Sunday**

**Local Happenings**

Cards and Bingo, October 30, Monday, 8:00 p.m. Door Prize. Everyone welcome at Seguin, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ochs are parents of a daughter born Friday the thirteenth at Quinter. Mrs. Ochs will be remembered as Miss Vivian Goetz who worked in the ration office in Hoxie. The little lady has been named Carol Sue Ochs.

The three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Reitcheck fell out of their car when they were enroute home Tuesday afternoon. She accidentally got hold of the door handle which caused it to open and she was skidded across the pavement. They brought her back to town of an examination. Luckily she has just scratches and bruises besides being a very scared little girl.

**Society News**

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Weeks had relatives and friends with them for dinner Sunday; Mr. and Mrs. George Weeks, Kenneth and Florence, Mrs. Newt Hamill, Mrs. Doris Bell and baby and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ackerman. Mr. Hamill was not with them as he had not yet returned from Topeka where he represented the Hoxie Presbyterian at Church at Synod.

Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Percival and Patti Jane were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Yale of Grinnell. Their son, Elan of the navy was home on a furlough from San Francisco. His work in the navy is connected with installation of radar equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Menefee were dinner guests Friday noon at the Vernon Mickey home.

**Morland News**

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Loof and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pence were dinner guests Sunday at the J. C. Organ home.

Ray Warren of Norton spent Saturday in Morland. He took his son, Stanley to Hoxie to the doctor to get the cast removed from his arm.

Mrs. Wilbur Arrasmith of

Densmore, spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Anna Kobler and family.

**Studley Items**

Mrs. Elsie Woods returned home from Texas last Friday night.

Bob Hyde was feeling pretty sick last week.

Mr. Welling of Hoxie was a business caller in Studley Monday.

**50 Years Ago  
October 23, 1969**

**Leopold Building Under Construction**

Another new business building on Hoxie's Main Street is under construction at this time. Mrs. Virginia Leopold is putting up a 25 x 66 ft. building just south of the Ben Franklin store. Steve Bump of Morland is the contractor for the metal and block structure.

The front part of the building will be used as office space for Mrs. Leopold's son, David, a certified public accountant. The rear part of the building will be used for storage space for the Ben Franklin store.

**Jaycees to Sponsor Halloween Parade Here October 30**

The Hoxie Jaycees will sponsor their annual Halloween parade on Thursday, Oct. 30, according to Bob Martin, president of the Jaycees. The parade is for pre-school and all grade school age children.

The parade will start at 5:30 p.m. on Main Street at the corner of Northwestern Motors. All youngsters of the area are invited to participate in the parade.

The costumed youngsters will parade down Main Street and back and will convene at the grade school gym where they will be treated by the Jaycees. There will also be a costume judging contest at that time.

**Tasco Notes**

Tasco Community Club met with Marinda Heskett on Friday, Oct. 17. Thirteen members and four visitors were present to enjoy the delicious dinner at noon. This was our first meeting this fall. Several received packages from their peanut sisters. Nell

Karnes won the hostess gift. It was voted to donate \$5.00 to the Hospital Guild for their annual Pheasant Season dinner. Next club meeting will be with Eunice Taylor on Oct. 31. Members please bring scissors.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schropp of Topeka spent several days with his sisters, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ackerman and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Karnes of Hoxie and another sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cogdill of Menlo.

**Seguin Items**

Mrs. Gene Dempewolf and her mother, Mrs. Florence Wilson attended the Homecoming celebration in Brewster Saturday and visited friends.

St. Ann's Altar Society for sponsoring a card and bingo party Sunday, Nov. 2 in the parish basement. Everyone is welcome.

**Hoxie Grade School News**

Mrs. Feldt's Third Grade - The class has started the interesting unit on Indians. They are studying the Indians of the Northwest, Desert, Woodland, and the Plains. The members of the class have divided themselves into five Indian tribes. The students have started weaving Indian rugs in colorful Indian colors. They will also make bead bracelets and arm bands before they have finished the Indian unit.

**Leoville Grade School**

If anyone steps into the first and second grade room, he will see rockets, kites, and owls made by the children. On the window sills there are small cartons in which they have planted seeds, some of which have already sprouted. A timely project is the pumpkin tree.

For physical fitness they are turning cartwheels, doing situps, jumping jacks, jogging, races of all kinds and all kinds of circle games. Mrs. James Schieferecke is the teacher.

**McGraw News**

Mrs. June Simon and Galen of Hoxie visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bainter and Tamara Friday evening.

Mrs. George Launchbaugh

spent Thursday visiting Mrs. Gerald Sines of McCook. That evening George and Carol Lee went to McCook and all were supper guest of the Sines'.

**Studley Items**

Mrs. Irene Davis went to Ellsworth Tuesday and took her sister, Mrs. Bessie Reed to the hospital.

The church finance committee met at the church Tuesday evening to plan the budget for 1970.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Scott and Andy enjoyed supper and visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Ploeger Tuesday evening.

**Tom Tom Tribune**

Safety Program Presented - Sergeant Kolacny, of the State Highway Patrol, presented a Safety Program at the high school, Oct. 6, pointing out that the teenage group has had more deaths in traffic accidents this year than ever before. This year it is estimated that 60,000 people will be killed on out highways; 10,000 more than in 1968.

Kolacny reported seven conditions that must be considered when looking for the causes of an accident. They are: Traffic, Driver, Physical, Light, Road, Vehicle, and Weather. With these in mind he stated that when driving, a good thing to remember is, "The Life You Save, May Be Your Own."

**25 Years Ago  
October 20, 1994**

**Exhaust Starts Bale Afire on Truck**

Monday afternoon two units of the Sheridan county RFDI were called out to respond to a fire approximately five miles north of Hoxie. One unit was turned back before arriving at the scene, while the other remained to assist and observe.

The fire broke out when Vic Goeken of Selden was transporting a load of big round bales on a pup trailer. A bale which rested too close to the exhaust ignited in flames. Goeken drove the rig into the driveway at the Dennis Oelke residence and was able to extinguish the flames with a garden hose. According to a spokesman for the fire department, damage was contained to charring on a single bale.

**Tigers Stun Atwood**

Thursday, Oct. 13, the Hoxie eighth grade football Tigers ended Atwood's season with a 14-0 loss. The win moved Hoxie's record to 3 wins and 3 losses. The game started with Atwood moving the ball to Hoxie's ten yard line. At that point the Tiger's defense held and Atwood never got close the remainder of the game. The first three quarters Atwood's defense held Hoxie to very little yardage. On the first play of the fourth quarter Heath Beiker exploded through a large hole on the left side created by the blocking of Daniel Thummel and Whitney Brown and outran the Atwood defense for a 43 yard TD. Adam Koster passed to Brown for the 2 point PAT and Hoxie led 8-0. The Tigers held Atwood and forced a punt. With Atwood calling time-outs to stop the clock and the Tigers second down and 20 yards to go on the 35 yard line, Koster connected with Brown on a beautiful 65 yard pass for a TD. Russell Shipley ran the 2 point conversion which failed. Final score 14-0.

**Hoxie Fourth Graders Take Conservation Tour**

Fourth grade students of Hoxie Grade School in Mrs. Brookshire's and Mr. Heim's classes recently went on a conservation tour to Sheridan State Lake. The tour was sponsored by Polly Stallings and Layton Billips of the local SCS Office. They were assisted by Leonard Hopper of the Wildlife and Parks Department, and by Don Rowilson of Cottonwood Ranch. Linda Anderson was our bus driver.

When we arrived at Sheridan State Lake, we were divided into four groups. At each station we learned something new and educational. Layton Billips spoke to us about native grasses. At the next station Polly Stallings let us experiment with two different levels used to lay out terraces and dams. At the third station Leonard Hopper shared numerous animal pelts and skulls with the group. At the last station Don Rowilson shared on the topic of cultural resources.





# NWKS News & SCHC

## Local Student Receives Scholarship to College of Veterinary Medicine



Veterinary Training Program for Rural Kansas scholars from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. From left: Boyd Roenne, Rachel Jones, Kami Miller, Grace Luebcke and Jackson McCoole. (KSU photo)

Kami Miller, Rexford, is one of five new, first-year veterinary students in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University have been chosen for the largest veterinary scholarship program offered by the state of Kansas: the Veterinary Training Program for Rural Kansas.

"The Veterinary Training Program for Rural Kansas program fulfills an important educational and service mission for the state of Kansas," said Bonnie Rush, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine. "These students completed a rigorous selection process. They will complete additional training beyond the curricular requirements of the professional degree program to prepare them for success in rural practice."

The Veterinary Training Program for Rural Kansas was passed by the state Legislature in 2006 to provide a financial incentive to provide rural areas in Kansas with committed veterinarians.

Program participants are eligible for up to \$20,000 in loans per year to pay their tuition. Upon completion of their Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, each graduate is required to work at a full-time veterinary practice in one of

the 91 Kansas counties with fewer than 35,000 residents. For each year the graduate works in rural Kansas, \$20,000 worth of loans are forgiven by the state. Graduates are expected to work four years in a designated county to receive \$80,000 in loan waivers.

To date, 96% of graduates are completing or have completed their loan obligation through service. Graduates that do not complete through service are required to repay the loan. The funds are reinvested through the addition of students to the program. Ninety-three percent of graduates who have completed their four-year obligation remain in a qualifying county. Seventy percent remain in the original practice and community they entered after graduation.

The students spend time during the summer and other breaks in the academic year learning about foreign-animal disease preparedness, natural disaster response, rural sociology, small business management and public health. They also spend three weeks in a rural veterinary practice during their senior year, applying the principles of small business management to rural veterinary practice.

## Seven Tips to Help Choose Your Health Plan During Open Enrollment

By Rob Broomfield, UnitedHealthcare of Kansas CEO

Open enrollment season is here, a time when more than 2.2 million people in Kansas and millions of Americans across the country will have the opportunity to select or switch their health insurance plan for 2020.

To help guide you during this important time, here are some tips that may help lead you to better health and cost savings.

### Tip 1: Know your open enrollment dates

- For the more than 178 million Americans with employer-provided coverage, many employers set aside a two-week period between September and December when employees can select health benefits for the following year.

- For the more than 64 million people enrolled in Medicare, Medicare Annual Enrollment runs from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7 each year.

For most people, changes made during this time will take effect Jan. 1, 2020.

### Tip 2: Understand your options.

When it comes to selecting a plan, one size does not fit all. Take the time to understand your options so you can find what will work best for you. A good first step is to make sure you understand health insurance lingo, such as premium, deductible, coinsurance and out-of-pocket maximum. If you need a refresher, check out UnitedHealth Group's [Just Plain Clear Glossary](#) (in English, Spanish and Portuguese) to learn and understand health care terms. And if you're eligible for Medicare, make sure you're familiar with the difference between Original Medi-

care and Medicare Advantage as you weigh your options.

### Tip 3: Anticipate next year's health expenses.

When reviewing your options, plan ahead. Maybe you are expecting a significant health event next year, such as a surgery or having a baby. If so, then it's even more important to compare the "total cost" of your plan, not just your monthly premium. Plan designs vary, so also compare deductibles and out-of-pocket maximums.

### Tip 4: Check to make sure your medications are covered

Even if you don't expect to change plans, it's important to make sure your prescription drugs will still be covered next year. Costs can change from year to year, and how much you pay for generics vs. brands may differ among health plans.

### Tip 5: Ask about well-being programs.

Many health plans now offer financial incentives that reward you for taking healthier actions, such as completing a health survey, walking, going to the gym or not using nicotine. Also, many Medicare Advantage plans offer gym memberships and wellness programs for members at no additional costs.

### Tip 6: Don't forget about specialty benefits

Additional benefits, such as dental, vision, hearing, disability or critical illness insurance, are often cost-effective coverage options that can help protect you and your family from head to toe. For Medicare beneficiaries, some may be surprised that Original Medicare doesn't cover prescription drugs and most dental, vision and hearing services, but many Medicare Advantage plans do.

### Tip 7: Try the convenience of virtual visits.

If you are busy juggling kids' schedules or work travel, or simply prefer to connect with a doctor from the comfort of your own home, consider choosing a plan that includes 24/7 virtual visits. It may be a convenient, lowest-cost way to talk to a doctor about minor health issues, and all you need is a smartphone, tablet or computer. Often, telehealth is available to members of employer-sponsored, individual and Medicare Advantage plans.

For more helpful articles and videos about open enrollment and health care, visit [UHCOpenEnrollment.com](#).

## Rep. Marshall and RSC Announce GOP Health Care Plan

Congressman Roger Marshall (R-KS), Chair of the RSC's Health Care Task Force, along with Congressman Mike Johnson, Republican Study Committee Chairman, released The RSC Health Care Plan: A Framework for Personalized, Affordable Care. RSC is the largest caucus in Congress, and today's proposal is phase one of a two-phase framework to reform and improve our nation's health care system.

Carefully crafted over a year of research and stakeholder discussions, the RSC's framework to achieve more personalized, affordable care is designed to empower patients and doctors rather than bureaucrats and insurance companies. Congressman Marshall was selected to lead the RSC's Health Care Task Force due to his intensive knowledge and experience of the health care industry, having worked as a physician for over 25 years.

The RSC Health Care Plan is presented as an alternative to Democrat proposals to force all Americans off their current insurance plans - including those with employer-sponsored coverage - and into a government-run, one-size-fits-all, health care system, which would cost over \$30 trillion.

"With the introduction of our plan today, we are beginning a desperately-needed conversation on how to save our country's broken health care system. The status quo is not working for hardworking Americans. The one thing in Washington both parties agree on is that our existing health care system does not work. It does not adequately protect those living with pre-existing conditions, all while premiums and deductibles continue to skyrocket for families," Marshall said. "With the first phase of the framework introduced today, we will work with our colleagues to define legislation that will deliver the choice and control Americans want, the affordability they need, the ease they desire, and the

quality everyone deserves." You can see more about the framework here. Specifically, this plan will:

**PROTECT** Americans with pre-existing conditions

Extend HIPAA portability and pre-existing condition protections that have long benefited Americans with employer-sponsored insurance to people moving into the individual marketplace.

Establish federally-funded, state-administered Guaranteed Coverage Pools to ensure individuals with high-cost illnesses have access to quality and affordable coverage.

Repackage existing funding for ACA premium subsidies and Medicaid expansion to fund state-administered flex-grants to subsidize health insurance for low-income individuals.

Reduce regulatory barriers to give Americans access to quality care.

**EMPOWER** Americans with greater control over their health care decisions and dollars

Reform the tax code to provide equal tax treatment in the employer and individual health insurance markets.

Unleash Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) by empowering Americans to use their money - tax-free - to cover more health-related expenses including insurance premiums, direct primary care service fees, and health sharing ministry dues.

Increase allowable, pre-tax contributions to HSAs from \$3,500 to \$9,000 for individuals and from \$7,000 to \$18,000 for families.

**PERSONALIZE** health care to meet individual needs.

Eliminate ACA mandates forcing Americans to pay more for coverage they do not want or need.

Enhance HSAs in a way that allow for individuals to effectively own their personalized health care plans so they can take their plan from job to job.

Embrace and remove barriers on innovative health care solutions such as telemedicine, direct primary care, association health plans, and health sharing ministries.

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# Area Schools



## INDIANS DEFEAT OBERLIN RED DEVILS ON SENIOR NIGHT



Sophomore quarterback #7 Ashton Dowell prepares to throw a pass downfield during Friday's home win over the Oberlin Red Devils. (HHS photo)

By Dylan Weimer

The Indians hosted the Oberlin Red Devils on Friday, October 18. The Indians trailed going into halftime but outscored the Red Devils 36-6 in the second half to win 42-20.

The Red Devils won the coin toss and elected to defer to the second half. The Indians started on their own 15-yard line after a touchback, going three and out on their opening drive. The Red Devils took over on their own 30-yard line. They drove the ball down the field and on fourth and long ran a trick play and scored a 24-yard touchdown. The two-point conversion failed, making it 0-6. The Indians took over on their own 15-yard line after another touchback. The Indians drove the ball down to the Red Devil's 15-yard line before throwing an interception on fourth and long. This gave

the Red Devils the ball on their own 14-yard line.

To start the second quarter the Red Devils drove the ball to midfield before the Indians' defense held them on a fourth and one. The Indians took over on the Red Devils' 39-yard line. One play was all it took for the Indians. Sophomore Ashton Dowell threw a 39-yard touchdown pass to senior Wylie Weems. The two-point conversion failed, making the score 6-6. The Red Devils took over on their own 21-yard line. The Indians held the Red Devils to a three and out and took over on their own 35-yard line. The Indians were forced to punt after a three and out. The Red Devils took over on their own 12-yard line and drove the ball all the way down the field before scoring on a short pass play. The two-point was successful, and the Red Devils took a 6-14 lead. The Indians took over on their own 17-yard line. After converting one first down, the Indians were forced to punt. The Red Devils took over on their own 12-yard line after a good punt by sophomore Cade Gourley. The Red Devils got the ball to midfield before half time.

The start of the second half began with the Red Devils receiving, taking over on their

own 24-yard line. The Indians forced the Red Devils to a three and out and took over on their own 4-yard line. The Indians were forced to a three and out, giving the Red Devils the ball on the Indians' 36-yard line. After the second play of the drive, junior Harlan Obioha forced a fumble that senior Dylan Weimer returned it for a 44-yard touchdown. The two-point conversion was successful, making the score 14-14. The Red Devils took over on their own 38-yard line. They drove it down the field and scored on a short run. The two-point conversion failed, making it 14-20. The Indians took over on their own 22-yard line. Another three and out by the Indians forced them to punt. The Red Devils took over on their own 15-yard line.

The fourth quarter began with a punt by the Red Devils. The Indians took over on the Red Devils' 28-yard line. It took the Indians one play with a 28-yard pass to senior Ben Aumiller. The two-point conversion was good, making the score 22-20. The Red Devils took over on their own 10-yard line. The Indians forced the Red Devils to punt and took over on their own 26-yard line. After driving the ball to the Red Devils' three-yard line, the Indians fumbled, and the Red Devils recovered on their own five-yard line. The drive for the Red Devils only lasted two plays because D. Weimer forced a fumble and junior Caden White recovered, giving the Indians the ball on the Red Devils' eight-yard line. Just one play into the drive, D. Weimer ran in for an eight-yard touchdown. The two-point conversion failed, making the score, 28-20. The Red Devils took over on their own 19-yard line. After the Red Devils got the ball to midfield, Obioha intercepted a pass and ran it back for a 25-yard touchdown. The two-point conversion was good, making the score 36-20 in favor of the Indians. The Red Devils took over on their own 34-yard line. The Indians forced a turnover on downs after limiting the Red Devils to three yards. The Indians took over on the Red Devils' 36-yard line. The Indians marched the ball down the field and ended the game with an eight-yard run by D. Weimer. The two-point conversion failed, making the final score 42-20 in favor of the Indians.

Sophomore Ashton Dowell was 11/17 passing for 164 yards, two touchdowns, and one interception. Senior Dylan Weimer rushed the ball 12 times for 73 yards and two touchdowns. Senior Wylie Weems rushed the ball six times for 18 yards. Leading the Indians in receiving was senior Ben Aumiller who had three catches for 63 yards and a touchdown. Weems had two catches for 60 yards and a touchdown and D. Weimer had five catches for 41 yards. Defensively the Indians were led by D. Weimer and Weems who each had 17 combined tackles. White had 12 total and Obioha had 11 total. D. Weimer caused one fumble and returned a fumble to a touchdown. Obioha caused one fumble and also had an interception return for a touchdown.

## Cross Country Completes Regular Season

By Tom Friess

The regular season finished this past week with a pair of middle school races and the last high school race before the regional meet. First up was the Thunderhawk Invitational at Wheatland - Grinnell HS where the Indian runners participated at both levels on Thursday, October 17. This would be closely followed by a middle school race at our own Hoxie Golf Course on Saturday, October 19.

The team went to Wheatland where the runners faced warmer than normal temperatures and a breezy wide-open course. Junior Samantha Robben was our lone girl at the starting line as junior Emily Diercks was under the weather and we held her out to get her ready for regional. Sam ran her usual strong and steady race. She was able to pick off runners as the race went on and cruised to a well-earned 17<sup>th</sup> place in a time of 27:09. She is starting to really understand how to race, when to surge, and how to use the course topography to her advantage. She has had a great inaugural year.

The varsity boys took off for their race and I do mean took off. The leaders ran a crazy fast first mile and freshman Drew Bretz was just off their pace. Drew ran a very fine race and ended up in 6<sup>th</sup> place in a time of 18:32, but most importantly, he was able to close gaps on people that he has raced before. Sophomores Zach Cooper and Clay Johnson ran opposite races as Clay took out a little faster and Zach finished a little stronger. Zach ended up 24<sup>th</sup> and Clay was 28<sup>th</sup> in 65-person field. Their times were 20:56 and 21:29 respectively. We are trying to get them within 15 seconds of each other every race and this was a good effort. Adam Heim raced with a sore ankle after stepping in a hole during warm up. His time of 26:00 was good for 48<sup>th</sup> place and while it was sub-standard to what he hoped to run, but by completing the course he allowed our team to be scored. The Hoxie boys finished 6<sup>th</sup> out of 9 teams, a mere 5 points out of 4<sup>th</sup> place. Gabriel Friess was running his last race of the year and was able to place 4<sup>th</sup> in a time of 18:06, winding up a very successful junior campaign.

Our day was not quite done as the middle school boys ran a 1 - mile race during the varsity boys' race. Kane Epp ran a blistering first quarter mile to secure a lead he would not relinquish and posted a time of 5:33. This marked his second consecutive win. Owen Walker kept Kane firmly in his sights as he ran a personal best time of 5:46 to earn the second-place medal. Nathan Snyder ran 7:16 to finish in eighth place as he continues to improve weekly.

So, the high school now points to the regional meet and the opportunity for a berth at the state meet in Wamego. Our plan is to work on accelerating turns and working up and down short hills as the regional course at Great Bend appears to have both of these characteristics. We believe that we are going to be ready to run our best and hope that the competition / moment will lead to some really great times and season bests.

On Saturday, October 19, the middle school boys geared up for their final race. It was a "mini-meet" in Hoxie at the golf course, as the only race of the day would showcase the talents of our four boys and their competition. Racing to victory on this day was Connor Diercks. His time

of 9:22 was a mere three seconds off his time from our invitational race 10 days before. His victory "completed" the set for the 8<sup>th</sup> - grade boys as each of them was an individual champion in at least one race, with Owen Walker winning at Ness and Kane Epp at Hoxie and Wheatland. At this race, Owen found himself in the runner-up spot for the second time in two days, as he ran a 9:41, which improved his time from his earlier attempt on this course. Kane Epp ran to a third - place finish after taking the early lead. His race was undone by some stomach distress, but he gutted out (no pun intended) the last 800 meters. Nathan Snyder had a great race as he finished 7<sup>th</sup> and ran 18 seconds faster than the previous Tuesday, finishing in a time of 11:38. All four of these guys have worked hard to get where they finished up and their results in races are a testimony to their work ethic. They tried hard to improve and were willing to do each workout. We look forward to next year when they can join the high school team and have the opportunity to continue to invest their talents in this sport to be the person God means for them to become.

## GPHS Lady Dogs Compete in Hill City

By Brooke Stoll

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs traveled to Hill City for the Ringneck Classic on October 12. They took on the Rawlins County Buffaloes, Trego Eagles, and Thunder Ridge Longhorns in pool play. The Dogs finished the day with one win and two losses. "I am very impressed with how well we responded to our level of competition!" exclaimed sophomore Morgan Wark. "It was nice to play the tougher teams to help us get a look into how our later games will go."

The Bulldogs started the day off against the Rawlins County Buffaloes. GPHS came into the game slow and got behind early in the first set of play. They persevered and cleaned up some of their own mistakes to fight back but fell to the Buffs 16-25. The Lady Dogs played tough in the second set, but couldn't come away with the win, solost 20-25. Mabel Lugo led the way with 7 kills, followed by Zoey Hillis and Kassie Miller with 5.

For the second match of the day, the Bulldogs took on the Trego Eagles. The Bulldogs were ready to play

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## Checking in on SAFETy



Golden Plains NHS members Jaiden Koerperich (l) and Taryn Fleckenstein (r) conduct a seatbelt check as part of the SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone) program on a chilly morning in Rexford. GPHS students and NHS members are committed to making sure all drivers are safe by wearing their seatbelt as they drive. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

## COUNSELOR CORNER

By Chris Lee

Colby Community College has changed its Accelerated Outreach Scholarship (AOS). It has always been based on how many outreach hours you have while in high school, but now it is tiered rather than being all or nothing. You can get a \$1000 scholarship for as little as 9 hours completed. If you complete 18 or more hours, it is for \$2500.

The priority deadline for the AOS is February 15, but this is awarded on a first come first serve basis. Go to <https://colbycc.academicworks.com/> to apply for this and all CCC scholarships.

The Rudd Foundation scholarship is for seniors attending Emporia State, Fort Hays State, or Wichita State. One must have a 3.0 GPA or better and be Pell eligible. This will come from FAFSA information shared with these schools. You can apply online at <https://www.ruddfoundation.org/college-scholarships>. Application deadline is December 12.

The Margaret Van Horn Scholarship is available to seniors going into teaching or a business field. Go to <https://community.ksde.org/> and apply before January 16.

Starting in September of 2020, ACT will offer on-line testing with results in as little as two days, superscores (combining different test administrations to get your best score), and the ability to take only sections you need to take rather than the whole battery of English, Math, Science Reasoning, and

Reading.

The University of Kansas will host Crimson and Blue Day on October 18. Choose from major events, small group sessions, and behind the scenes experiences at renowned museums and athletic venues. Register at [rockcha.ik/crimsonandblueday](http://rockcha.ik/crimsonandblueday).

Kansas State will host Engineering Scholar Day on October 21. You must have an ACT of 28 and a GPA of 3.5 or better. Register at [engg.ksu.edu/scholars-day](http://engg.ksu.edu/scholars-day). FYI- KSU has 2 new programs in engineering: Biomedical and Environmental Engineering.

Most schools will be giving the Pre-ACT to freshmen sometime towards the end of this month. It is free, will give schools good feedback, and gives 9th graders a practice test for the ACT. Although it is shorter and not as stringent as actual ACT. Ask your freshman about this.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**  
October 17: Financial Aid Night at Colby CC  
October 22: Junior/Senior Day at NCKTC-Beloit

October 25: Deadline to apply for Hansen Career-Technical Scholarship  
October 29: Junior/Senior Day at NCKTC-Hays

October 30: Exploring Health Care Careers at Hays Med  
November 1: Deadline for Masonic Essay entry  
November 8: Deadline to apply for December 14 ACT

Nov. 13: Garden City CC Exploration Day  
Jan. 10: Deadline to apply for February 8 ACT

### INDIANS CALENDAR

**MONDAY 10/28/2019**  
2:20pm Soph. Class Ring Mtg  
**WEDNESDAY 10/30/2019**  
FFA National Convention @ Indianapolis  
8am PK-12 Fall Pic Re-takes  
**THURSDAY 10/31/2019**  
1:30pm Elementary Parade downtown  
FFA National Convention @ Indianapolis  
7pm FB-V Bi-District  
**FRIDAY 11/1/2019**  
NO SCHOOL  
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10am VB-V State @ FHSU  
**SATURDAY 11/2/2019**  
10am VB-V State @ FHSU  
10am CC-HS State  
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### BULLDOGS' CALENDAR

**MONDAY 10/28/2019**  
4pm MS Scholar's Bowl @ GP  
**TUESDAY 10/29/2019**  
7pm KU Honors Program @ CCC  
**THURSDAY 10/31/2019**  
FB-HS 1st Round Playoff  
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**MONDAY 10/28/2019**  
4pm GMS Scholar's Bowl @ Rexford  
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**THURSDAY 10/31/2019**  
WHS FB Bracket Game  
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# Area Schools



## Bulldogs Fall to Coyotes



Golden Plains Senior Harley Weese (2) breaks a tackle from a Weskan player to score the first touchdown of the game 15 seconds into the first quarter. Weese led the Bulldogs with 144 rushing yards and 21 tackles against the Coyotes. (Photo by Judy Rogers)

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs fought hard but lost to the Weskan Coyotes on their home field in Rexford on October 11. This brings the 'Dogs to a 3-3 record for the season. "We knew they were a passing team, so we worked more on pass coverage to prepare for this game," said senior Harley Weese.

The Bulldogs received the kick to start the game. Wade Rush gains 8 yards on the first down allowing Harley Weese to run in the second to a touchdown. Weese kicked the PAT through the uprights and the Dogs led 8-0 with just 15 seconds off the clock.

With Rush, Weese, and Rojelio Loya pushing back on defense, Weskan was forced to take their time moving the ball. They finally passed for a touchdown score and PAT to trail the Bulldogs 7-8 midway through the first.

Rojelio Loya returned the kick to the 20. Weese gained a few yards. The Bulldog line opened up for Roberto

Loya to score the GP. Weese kicked another successful PAT and the Dogs were back up 16-7. Weskan again played their passing game but were unsuccessful as the Dogs defense, with coverage by Roberto Loya and Jovanny Infante, shut them down ending the first quarter with the Bulldogs lead.

The Dogs fumbled to open the second allowing Weskan to recover and run to the goal. Their kick attempt went wide but they narrowed the spread to 16-13. The Dogs missed a pass that the Coyotes were able to pick up and return. They added another touchdown and extra point run to pull ahead 20-16.

The Coyotes kicked back to GP but the ball bounced loose and Weskan recovered again. The series ended with a turnover to GP. Weese and Roberto Loya moved the ball toward the goal line only to have it pushed by penalties. A pass effort to regain yards was unsuccessful and Weskan took over.

Weskan, too, had problems moving the ball as their passes fell incomplete with Bulldog coverage. Rojelio and Roberto Loya ran the ball making gains as time ran out in the half.

Weskan added another TD early in the third to extend their lead 27-16. The Dogs answered with a long pass from Rojelio Loya to Rush to the 2-yard line. Weese finished the drive in the endzone but the extra points kick was blocked. The Coyotes passed for another touchdown bringing the score to 33-22 in favor of the Coyotes.

The Bulldogs were not done yet as senior Austin Patmon recovered the kick. Weese ran a first down to the 25 followed by a Rush run to the 15. Weese finished in the end zone for the Bulldogs final score of the game. Weskan wasn't quite finished yet as they added another score to end the third quarter with a 40-28 lead.

The fourth quarter continued to be a battle as both teams fought to the finish. Weskan added two more scores despite the Bulldogs defense to win the game 53-28.

Harley Weese finished the game with 144 rushing yards and 21 tackles along with 3 touchdowns and 2 extra point kicks. Roberto Loya rushed for 82 yards and 1 touchdown and had 7 tackles. Wade Rush had 65 yards—32 rushing/33 receiving and had 12 tackles.

Rojelio Loya passed for 33 yards and rushed for 6 along with 10 tackles. Additional 6 tackles each were claimed by Jovanny Infante and Ethan Shea. "Our pass coverage and defense wasn't what we hoped it would be," added Weese. "We blocked well and ran the ball well. We are taking it one week at a time. We hope to win this week and make it to the playoffs."

The Bulldogs will host Cunningham on October 18, with a 4:00 pm kickoff in Rexford.

## WHS Applied Technology Class Visits CCCC



Junior Jailey Gallentine, and Seniors Colter Allemang, Jordan Katt, and Kyler Haffner enjoying their tour of Cloud County Community College's Solar and Wind Farm. (WHS photo)

By Aubri Iversen, Staff-Reporter

On Oct. 17, the Applied Technology class at Wheatland High School traveled to Cloud County Community College in

Concordia. Seniors Kyler Haffner, Jordan Katt, Colter Allemang, and Junior Jailey Gallentine began with an overview of the focused Renewable Energy Programs at CCCC, which include

Wind Energy, Solar Energy, Blade Repair, Substation, and Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones).

The students then visited CCCC's composite lab where they focused on blade design and repair. The college's instructors demonstrated making a composite material for the WHS students. Then, the students attended a presentation on Drone Technology and uses in industries.

Gallentine said, "The composite lab was especially interesting because it talked about what you would actually be doing in the field and showed real life examples of manufacturing of wind energy. Also, it talked about how drones will be used in the working field as teenagers make their way into the workforce."

After the presentation, the WHS students toured CCCC's solar farm and wind turbines. The main presenter, Kit Thompson, explained the process of solar panel installation and operation. A technician then explained the maintenance and construction on their turbines.

## Seniors Find Their Future

By Eidree Chapin, Co-Editor

On Wednesday, October 16, Seniors Eidree Chapin, Ethan Beckman, and Harrison Stephens went to Fort Hays State University for a college visit. The students learned about scholarships and toured the campus.

There was also a career fair going on at the college that the students attended. This fair was for college students and high school seniors who have not decided on a major or to learn more about a particular major. There were several programs set up where the students could talk to the professors.

Beckman said, "I enjoyed the opportunity to go on a college visit as well as learn more on different fields of study."



### Hill City

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and competed closely the whole first set. They fell to the Eagles 18-25 in the first set. The Bulldogs never gave up and continued to rally with the Eagles. GPHS couldn't come away with the win and dropped the second set 21-25. Zoey Hillis played big up front and finished the game with 8 kills.

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs matched up with the Thunder Ridge Longhorns for the final game of pool play and played three hard sets. They were determined more than ever to come away with a win. Both teams competed fearlessly and volleyed back and forth the whole first set. The Bulldogs fought to win the set 31-29. The Lady Dogs came out flat in the second set. They fell to the

Longhorns 13-25. The Lady Dogs knew they would have to work hard in the third set to get the win. It was another close, competitive game. The Bulldogs did what needed to be done and came away with the win, 28-26.

Mabel Lugo finished the game with 18 kills. Brooke Stoll had 26 digs followed by Ashley Stoll with 17, and Kassie Miller with 14. They finished the day 1-2, short of making it out of pool play. "I think we did good and we learned what all we need to work on to help us in post-season play," said Ashley Stoll, "I am excited to see how well we can finish the season!"

The Dogs advanced their record to 23-3 on the season. They will host Trego, Dighton, and Wheatland/Grinnell on October 15 in Rexford to finish their regular season prior to the league tournament.

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# Farm News

## Kansas Milk Production

Milk production in Kansas during September 2019 totaled 307 million pounds, up 3 percent from September 2018, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The average number of milk cows was 162,000 head, 2,000 head more than September 2018. Milk production per cow averaged 1,895 pounds.

## Kansas Crop Progress and Condition

For the week ending October 20, 2019, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 22 short, 68 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 19 short, 71 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 77 percent, ahead of 66 last year, and near 74 for the five-year average. Emerged was 49 percent, near 52 both last year and average.

Corn mature was 97 percent, near 99 last year and 98 average. Harvested was 62 percent, behind 68 last year and 73 average.

Soybean condition rated 3 percent very poor, 8 poor, 32 fair, 48 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 93 percent, near 92 both last year and average. Harvested was 32 percent, ahead of 22 last year, but behind 41 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum mature was 87 percent, equal to both last year and average. Harvested was 27 percent, ahead of 22 last year, but behind 35 average.

Cotton condition rated 6 percent very poor, 17 poor, 36 fair, 35 good, and 6 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 91 percent, ahead of 83 last year and 79 average. Harvested was 4 percent, near 3 last year and 7 average.

Sunflowers harvested was 27 percent, near 24 last year and 23 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 28 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent.

## Save the Date! 2020 Women Managing the Farm Conference

The award-winning Women Managing the Farm Conference is set for February 13-14, 2020, in Manhattan, Kansas. Since 2005, this event has been bringing together women farmers, rural business leaders and landowners. The Women Managing the Farm conference provides a supportive setting in which women can develop the skills, resources and knowledge needed for success in a competitive agricultural environment.

Conference sessions are designed to keep women up-to-date on the latest advancements in agriculture and thriving within their rural communities. During the two-day conference, attendees select from presentations covering many topics, including farm finances, relationships and health, agricultural and estate law, crop production and marketing, management, and more. Attendees also choose networking sessions tailored to the different roles women hold, such as agricultural partners and helpers, independent producers, absentee landowners, ag industry career women and business managers.

Regular registration for the conference will open early November, while scholarship applications are being accepted now. Information about speakers, programs, and exhibitors will also be announced in November. Proposals for breakout sessions are still being accepted through October 25 at <http://womenmanagingthefarm.com/presenters/call-for-presenters-2020>. Sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities are available anytime through the website, [womenmanagingthefarm.com](http://womenmanagingthefarm.com), or by calling 785-532-2560.

## USDA Opens 2020 Enrollment -Ag & Dairy

Agricultural producers now can enroll in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs - two U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) safety net programs - for the 2020 crop year. Producers who enrolled farms for the 2018 crop year have started receiving more than \$1.5 billion for covered commodities for which payments were triggered under such programs. Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium and short grain rice, safflower seed, seed cotton, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat.

Dairy producers can also now enroll in the Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) for calendar year 2020. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) opened sign up today for the program that helps producers manage economic risk brought on by milk price and feed cost disparities. The DMC program offers reasonably priced protection to dairy producers when the difference between the all-milk price and the average feed cost (the margin) falls below a certain dollar amount selected by the producer. The deadline to enroll in DMC for 2020 is December 13, 2019. Dairy farmers earned more than \$300 million dollars from the program in 2019 so far. Producers are encouraged to take advantage of this very important risk management tool for 2020.

For more information on enrolling in DMC and taking advantage of an online dairy decision tool that assists producers in selecting coverage for 2020, visit the DMC webpage. For more information on ARC and PLC including two online decision tools that assist producers in making enrollment and election decisions specific to their operations, visit the ARC and PLC webpage.

For additional questions and assistance, contact your local USDA service center. To locate your local FSA office, visit [farmers.gov/service-locator](http://farmers.gov/service-locator).

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## EPA Proposed Rule Does Not Follow Presidents Promises

The Environmental Protection Agency released its proposed supplemental blending rule for the 2020 renewable volume obligations, which seek to ensure a net of 15 billion gallons of conventional ethanol are blended annually into the U.S. fuel supply. USDA Deputy Secretary Stephen Kenensky defended the new biofuels rule during a Senate Agriculture Committee hearing saying, "I can assure you directly from conversations with the President, the President is insistent that EPA administer this to make sure that we achieve 15 billion gallons." He added that Secretary Sonny Perdue spoke to EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler on Friday and confirmed the agency, "very much plans to administer it to make sure that we achieve that 15 billion-gallon target."

However, National Sorghum Producers is not pleased with the recent announcement citing a number of concerns, including the proposed use of Department of Energy waiver projections rather than actual EPA granted waivers. The EPA is accepting public comments and will issue a final version by Nov. 30. NSP will continue to fight to fix the EPA proposed implementation plan. NSP will be letting our grassroots know more about how they can help in the days ahead.

## KFB Brand Launches Campaign on Nutritional Value of Meat

Kansas Farm Bureau's consumer-focused brand, Kansas Living, will launch a "Make Mine Meat" campaign Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Manhattan Meat Market with a Facebook Live event and social media posts using the hashtag #MakeMineMeat.

The campaign encourages the inclusion of meat in one's diet for its high-quality nutritional value.

"Animal protein plays an essential role in your diet," says Eryn Carter, a registered dietitian. "Animal meat products contain all nine essential amino acids that your body cannot produce but needs in order to function."

The "Make Mine Meat" campaign will include athletes who choose to consume meat because its nutritional value supports their active lifestyles.

"Work, children and the farm keep my calendar more than full," says Katie Sawyer, a runner and model in the "Make Mine Meat" campaign. "That's why I chose lean proteins to keep me full and provide essential vitamins and minerals my body needs."

Kansas is a top producer of meat, specifically pork and beef. Kansas ranks third nationally with 6.35 million cattle and 10th in hog and pig inventory.

"Agriculture is Kansas' number one industry," says Rich Felts, Kansas Farm Bureau president. "This campaign not only focuses on the health benefits meat products provide, but also celebrates the farmers and ranchers who raise and grow safe, nutritious food on family farms across Kansas."

In conjunction with National Food Day, the Make Mine Meat campaign Facebook Live will occur at 3:30 p.m. CST Thursday, Oct. 24. Visit Kansas Living's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/KansasLivingMagazine](http://www.facebook.com/KansasLivingMagazine) to hear from Chef Alli, a well-known Kansas chef and personality; DJ Rezac, an athlete who chooses to include meat in his diet; Jake Worcester, an owner of the Manhattan Meat Market; and Eryn Carter, a registered dietitian.

Participants who post a photo of their favorite meat product, recipe or reason they choose to include meat in their diets using the hashtag #MakeMineMeat on Facebook and/or Instagram will be entered to win one of three \$100 gift cards. Gift cards will be to a local grocery store so winners can purchase great-tasting, high-quality, nutritious meat. Private profiles may send a direct message of their post to Kansas Living's Facebook account ([www.facebook.com/KansasLivingMagazine](http://www.facebook.com/KansasLivingMagazine)) or Instagram account ([www.instagram.com/KansasLivingMag](http://www.instagram.com/KansasLivingMag)).

For more information about the campaign and for recipes, visit [www.kansaslivingmagazine.com/MakeMineMeat](http://www.kansaslivingmagazine.com/MakeMineMeat).

Kansas Farm Bureau's mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

## Federal Reserve Says Farm Finances Worsening

The Federal Reserve District released "The Beige Book," a report on the economic strength of a variety of sectors and regions. The report indicates farm conditions nationwide have "deteriorated further due to the ongoing impacts of adverse weather, weak commodity prices and trade disruptions." Sources surveying the Fed's Seventh District, including Iowa and parts of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, "had mounting concerns about how much of this year's crop would be able to fully mature before a hard frost hits."

## Get the Most from Grazing Corn Stalks

By Keith P. VanSike, Agronomy, Natural Resources, Entomology Agent, Twin Creeks Extension District

Corn harvest is on-going and cows are starting to graze the stalks. How should this grazing be managed to get the most out of them?

One of the most important decisions in all grazing situations is stocking rate, including corn stalks. Fortunately, you can get a good estimate for corn stalks by dividing the corn grain yield by 3.5 to estimate grazing days per acre for a 1,200-pound cow.

So, for a field that yielded 210 bushels per acre, dividing 210 by 3.5 gives 60 grazing days per acre. Thus, a 160-acre field could provide 9,600 cow grazing days. That means you could graze 9,600 cows for one day or 1 cow for 9,600 days. Not very practical, so some other combinations need to be explored.

One possibility is to graze 60 cows for 160 days. Starting here at the end of October, that could take you all the way through March. Sounds pretty good but how will this work nutritionally? Cows will eat the best feed first, any downed grain and the husks. After a couple months, all that will be left are stalks and leaves that have been walked over, rained or snowed upon. Without a lot of supplements, these cows will be in very poor shape by the end of March.

Clearly, shorter grazing periods are needed. Maybe, instead of 60 cows for 160 days you graze 160 cows for 60 days. Better, but you still may need supplements near the end of the 60 days. Better still would be to give those 160 cows just one week's worth of the stalks to start, a little over 18 acres. By day 6 and 7 those 160 cows will have cleaned up just about everything, but on day 8 you give them a fresh 18 acres, returning them to high quality feed without so much supplement.

Both stocking rate and changes in the quality of grazing with

time need consideration as you plan and manage stalk grazing. Do it right and corn stalks become a great winter feed resource.

**Testing for Hay Quality**  
How much did the spring and summer's weather affect the feed value of your hay? You don't know? Then forage test.

Nearly every bushel of corn has similar nutrient concentration, but with hay it varies considerably. Why does this happen? Well, there are many causes. For example, leafiness of the hay, or maturity of the plant when your hay was cut, or even how you handled the hay during raking and baling all can affect its feed value.

This year, weather conditions have made things more complicated. This spring's wet weather caused many folks to delay first cutting or got rain-damaged hay. Leaf diseases, mature plants, and other factors made much alfalfa lower in quality. During summer we had periods of hot and very humid weather that often caused plants to burn off their easily digested nutrients at night, leaving us with hay that looks really good but is high in fiber and low in energy.

Grass hay might be even more difficult to predict. Some fields had fewer seedheads than normal. This might give higher quality hay, but if harvest was delayed in hopes of increasing yield or if the heat affected grass quality like it affects alfalfa, grass hay quality might actually be lower. And when growth is stimulated by extra rain, plants use many nutrients for increased tonnage instead of quality.

And I haven't even mentioned all the different forages used on prevented planting acres. Different species harvested late in the year; who knows what the protein and TDN levels are like.

So, you see, this year, just like always, forage testing is important. It is the only way that you can find out for sure ahead of time what the feed value is of your hay.

## Gove County District Court Finds GMD 4 LEMA Constitutional

A district court in western Kansas has ruled that the chief engineer of the Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources acted properly in approving a water management tool proposed by the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 (GMD 4) to aid in local conservation efforts to extend the life of the Ogallala Aquifer. On October 15, 2019, the Gove County District Court upheld the adoption of a Local Enhanced Management Area (LEMA) in much of the district.

The case, Friesen v. Barfield, was filed under the Kansas Judicial Review Act after two public hearings were held by Chief Engineer David Barfield who then approved adoption of the LEMA. The case was brought by multiple petitioners who are required under the LEMA plan to reduce the amount of groundwater withdrawn over the next five years. Petitioners challenged whether the reductions in water use can be made without those cuts being based on priority (date the water right was approved) and generally challenged the lawfulness of any cuts or use of a LEMA.

In 2012, Groundwater Management Districts were granted the authority to recommend the adoption of a LEMA in order to implement local water conservation goals through the adoption of control measures recommended in their plan when conditions demonstrate a threat to groundwater levels, rate of withdrawal, or water quality. The LEMA process involves meeting specific statutory requirements and holding public hearings before approval by the chief engineer. A LEMA management plan typically requires reductions in water use to achieve the water conservation goal, aimed at extending the life of the local aquifer.

In the case of Friesen v. Barfield, plaintiffs challenged both the specifics of this management plan and the constitutionality of the LEMA statute in general. The court ruling this week found that the "GMD 4 District Wide LEMA should be upheld. The LEMA Plan restrictions do not appear to be unconstitutional on their face or as applied. There is substantial evidence backing the agency's decision and therefore it is not arbitrary or capricious."

The first LEMA in Kansas, known as the Sheridan 6 LEMA, was approved in 2012 in the Sheridan County area. It was extended in 2017 for the years 2018-2022 after data from the Sheridan 6 LEMA strongly indicated that the water use goals in the area were met, and that significant indicators showed the conservation efforts had slowed the decline of the water table in the region. "The LEMA has been a very successful tool for our district, and we plan to utilize them to extend the life of the aquifer," said Shannon Kenyon, GMD 4 district manager.

For more information about LEMAs in Kansas, including more detail about the GMD 4 LEMA, visit [agriculture.ks.gov/LEMA](http://agriculture.ks.gov/LEMA) or call KDA-DWR at 785-564-6640.

Newly elected committee members will take office Jan. 1, 2020.

More information on county committees, such as the new 2019 fact sheet, can be found on the FSA website at [fsa.usda.gov/elections](http://fsa.usda.gov/elections) or at a local USDA Service Center.

## U.S.-China Reach "Phase One" Deal

Trump Pledges Big U.S. Farm Good Purchases by China

Last Friday, President Trump announced the United States and China have reached "Phase One" of a several part bilateral deal, focusing on access for U.S. agricultural goods. The President observed the deal will include \$40-\$50 billion in annual agriculture purchases. This would be more than double U.S. record sales and triple U.S. average agricultural sales as compared to before the U.S.-Sino trade dispute began. However, Chinese officials indicate the purchases will not occur until the deal is signed with the signing expected to occur on the sidelines of a November 16-17 APEC meeting in Chile.

"The final goal of both sides' negotiations is to end the trade war and cancel all additional tariffs," Chinese Ministry of Commerce spokesman Gao Feng said. "This would benefit China, the U.S. and the whole world. We hope that both sides will continue to work together, advance negotiations, and reach a phased agreement as soon as possible." You may hear the President's comments about the deal as it relates to agriculture from his speech in Dallas, Texas. You may read industry analysis from ProFarmer. NSP continues to work closely with USTR and USDA to secure strong sorghum and ethanol commitment as a part of the final package.

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## FSA Encourages Farmers and Ranchers to Vote in County Committee Elections

The 2019 Farm Service Agency County Committee Elections will begin on Nov. 4, when ballots will be mailed to eligible voters. The deadline to return the ballots to local FSA offices, or to be postmarked, is Dec. 2, 2019.

County committee members are an important component of the operations of FSA and provide a link between the agricultural community and USDA. Farmers and ranchers elected to county committees help deliver FSA programs at the local level, applying their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on commodity price support programs; conservation programs; incentive indemnity and disaster programs for some commodities; emergency programs and eligibility. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program. A person who is not of legal voting age but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm, may also be eligible to vote. Eligible voters who do not receive a ballot can obtain one from their local USDA Service Center.

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 1605

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 10 of the constitution of the state of Kansas; relating to reapportionment of senatorial and representative districts.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of article 10 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§1. Reapportionment of senatorial and representative districts. (a) At its regular session in 1989, the legislature shall by law reapportion the state representative districts, the state senatorial districts or both the state representative and senatorial districts upon the basis of the latest census of the inhabitants of the state taken by authority of chapter 64 of the 1987 Session Laws of Kansas. At its regular session in 1992, and at its regular session every tenth year thereafter, the legislature shall by law reapportion the state senatorial districts and representative districts on the basis of the population of the state as established by the most recent census of population taken and published by the United States census bureau of the census. Senatorial and representative districts shall be reapportioned upon the basis of the population of the state adjusted: (1) To exclude nonresident military personnel stationed within the state and nonresident students attending colleges and universities within the state; and (2) to include military personnel stationed within the state who are residents of the state and students attending colleges and universities within the state who are residents of the state in the district of their permanent residence. Bills reapportioning legislative districts shall be published in the Kansas register immediately upon final passage and shall be effective for the next following election of legislators and thereafter until again reapportioned.

(b) Within 15 days after the publication of an act reapportioning the legislative districts within the time specified in (a), the attorney general shall petition the supreme court of the state to determine the validity thereof. The supreme court, within 30 days from the filing of the petition, shall enter its judgment. Should the supreme court determine that the reapportionment statute is invalid, the legislature shall enact a statute of reapportionment conforming to the judgment of the supreme court within 15 days.

(c) Upon enactment of a reapportionment to conform with a judgment under (b), the attorney general shall apply to the supreme court of the state to determine the validity thereof. The supreme court, within 10 days from the filing of such application, shall enter its judgment. Should the supreme court determine that the reapportionment statute is invalid, the legislature shall again enact a statute reapportioning the legislative districts in compliance with the direction of and conforming to the mandate of the supreme court within 15 days after entry thereof.

(d) Whenever a petition or application is filed under this section, the supreme court, in accordance with its rules, shall permit interested persons to present their views.

(e) A judgment of the supreme court of the state determining a reapportionment to be valid shall be final until the legislative districts are again reapportioned in accordance herewith."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

"Explanatory statement. The purpose of this amendment is to eliminate the adjustment of census taken by the United States census bureau regarding nonresident military personnel and nonresident students when reapportioning the Kansas senate and house of representatives.

"A vote for this proposition would eliminate the adjustment of census taken by the United States census bureau regarding nonresident military personnel and nonresident students when reapportioning the Kansas senate and house of representatives.

"A vote against this proposition would continue in effect the requirement for the adjustment of census taken by the United States census bureau regarding nonresident military personnel and nonresident students when reapportioning the Kansas senate and house of representatives."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2019, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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## Commission Minutes 10/2/2019

Now on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2019, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Joe Bainter presiding. Others present were Wes Bainter, and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Commissioner Dewey was absent. Guests were Rachel Farber and Doyle Kauk.

Joe Bainter called the meeting to order.

Bracht advised the Board she had talked with Public Health Nurse/Administrator Melissa Wachendorfer about doing drug testing. Wachendorfer stated that it is expensive to become and maintain certification as well as keep supplies on hand. The sample still has to be mailed to a lab for testing and she is unable to charge less than what we are currently paying for drug tests.

County Attorney Joe Pratt entered the meeting. Pratt stated he had talked with Norm Bowers at KCAMP about hiring people with semi's to use the County's belly dumps to haul sand to county projects. The recommendation is that the County schedule a road project and have multiple individuals able to haul sand. Wes Bainter distributed paperwork to Pratt and Joe Bainter about pricing. Will discuss with Ross Carder when he comes in.

Ross Carder, Road & Bridge Supervisor, entered the meeting. Carder was given a copy of the information Wes Bainter had distributed previously. Pratt advised Carder and the Board that the recommendation from KCAMP was that you put a project together and get the farmers/individuals interested in helping lined up so that it keeps moving as far as loading sand. A county road & bridge employee would supervise and another road & bridge employee would use the County loader and load the sand in to the belly dumps and the farmer/individual would be on his way.

Carder advised the Board they had started on the recycling building and the conveyor and packers might be here next week.

Chris Mikkelsen has been in Wichita testing for landfill operations and two employees had taken the first tests for noxious weed. There are two other tests that will be taken later this month.

Wes Bainter stated he had gone to Troy Dewey's house to get his signature on the application for the KDOT Cost Share Program which will provide funding for the feedlot road. Bracht expressed concern

about the contact and Pratt advised that such might be an issue with the Kansas Open Meeting Act. Pratt then suggested that Commissioner Dewey be contacted by phone and the matter addressed. Troy Dewey was contacted via phone and put on speaker. Wes Bainter stated the deadline for submission was Friday and it needed signed. Wes Bainter distributed the completed application. Bracht stated that the primary contact person should not be Wes Bainter individually, with his email address only. Bracht should receive the correspondence and forward to all three commissioners at once. It was agreed all commissioner's and Bracht's name and email address would be added. Bracht then asked about the local share which reflected an amount of \$210,000. Wes Bainter had, in a previous meeting, made a motion to approve 15% to a maximum of \$180,000. Wes Bainter stated he felt the bid for the project would come in lower and that the County would be fine. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the KDOT Cost Share Program Application Form as amended, seconded by Dewey. Carried 2-1. Joe Bainter abstained. Joe Bainter stated he was not comfortable approving the application. He would like to be more sure of what the project is going to consist of. He does not feel the 6" of asphalt will be enough because trucks are overloaded. Wes Bainter stated this is something that will be discussed with the engineers. This is just the application process.

Carder asked Pratt about the airport and millings. Pratt stated the contractor had put off the project for a year due to the inability of getting some of the material. KDOT verbally agreed that all contracts would be extended but Pratt is looking for something in writing.

Tires being purchased at Weis Tire was discussed again. Bracht had two invoices that had not been signed by any Road & Bridge employee. Bracht stated it is the employee's responsibility to sign their name on all invoices. Wes Bainter questioned whether Carder saw all the bills and Carder stated, "No", but Bracht stated that any bills that came to the Clerk's Office were put in the Road & Bridge Department's box for their review. Nothing is paid without being approved by the department head.

There was discussion about county employees driving county vehicles home. Joe Bainter stated he didn't know anything about it happening and Wes Bainter stated he didn't know anything either. This practice will stop. Carder will get to Bracht the

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## 2018 DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX WARRANTS

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**7,408 Grand Total.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 2018 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING LISTED TAXPAYERS AND THEIR LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES ARE UNPAID. THE DELINQUENT TAXES SHALL CONTINUE TO ACCUMULATE INTEREST. THE TAX WARRANTS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO THE SHERIDAN COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE. I HAVE FILED THE TAX WARRANTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS, K.S.A. 19-547 & 79-2101  
SHIRLEY NIERMEIER-SHERIDAN COUNTY TREASURER

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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of RUBY BIXENMAN, Deceased

Case No. 2018-PR-21

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed on October 3, 2019 in said Court by the undersigned, executor of the Will of the decedent, praying for final settlement of the estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for fees, expenses and costs of administration, determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees entitled to the estate and assignment to them in accordance with the Will of the decedent. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before November 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., on said day, in said Court, in the City of Hoxie, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Fred Bixenman  
Ken Bixenman  
Petitioner

Ken Eland, #12054  
Attorney for Petitioner  
ELAND & PRATT, LLC  
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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of LOIS DAVIS, Deceased.

Case No. 2019-PR-00001

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Harold Koster, executor of the estate of Lois Davis, deceased, praying for a final settlement of said estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for the services of the executor and attorney's fees and expenses; and also praying that the court determine the heirs entitled to the estate and the proportion or part thereof to which each is entitled, and distribute and assign the same to them in accordance with the provisions of decedent's will; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the executor be discharged and released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019, at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the city of Hoxie, Sheridan County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

/s/ Harold Koster  
Harold Koster, Executor

/s/ Steven W. Hirsch  
Steven W. Hirsch #12789  
HIRSCH LAW OFFICE  
124 So Penn, PO Box 296  
Oberlin, KS 67748  
PH: 785-475-2296  
Attorney for Estate

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necessary information to put on the employees W2. There was discussion about employees in county vehicles at the liquor store. This too will be stopped. Carder advised the Board that KCAMP will be coming in November to start with some new employee safety meetings.

At 9:47, Wes Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session for a period of 5 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0. Present were the Board, Pratt, Carder and Bracht. The door opened at 9:53 with no decision being made.

The Board discussed several roads. Carder advised that Gourley Excavating had completed work on one road and was moving to another area.

Joe Bainter made a motion to approve the September 25, 2019 minutes as amended. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

Jim Myers, CPA, entered the meeting and presented the Amended 2019 Sheridan County Budget. The budget had to be amended for the Hospital Revenue Bonds that were approved in 2019 with a payment also due in 2019. When the budget was worked in 2018, this information was not available. The change to the budget is \$35,547 which is the payment the hospital will make for the bond. Joe Bainter made a motion to approve

the Amended 2019 Sheridan County Budget for publication, seconded by Wes Bainter. Carried 2-0. This will be published in the October 9 paper with the public hearing being held on October 30 at 10:00. Myers exited the meeting.

By consensus, there will be no meeting on October 9 or October 23 as there are conflicts with a Commissioner and the County Attorney. Meetings in October will be the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. There will also not be a meeting held on November 6 due to the election being held on the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Bainter stated that some taxpayers had asked him a few questions about the feedlot road: Why would the County come up with the \$180,000? Why not assess Scott Foote the expense on his tax roll? Who is going to maintain the asphalt? Scott Foote could also be assessed extra for the maintenance of the road. There will be more expense maintaining an asphalt road than a dirt road. There was discussion about these questions.

No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room on the main floor in the Courthouse.

Attest: Heather Bracht, County Clerk, Joe Bainter, Chairman

## Marjorie Abell

May 31, 1928 ~ October 19, 2019



Marjorie Maxine (Nelson) Abell, 91, of Grinnell, died Saturday, October 19, 2019, at the Gove County Medical Center in Quinter. She was born May 31, 1928, to Walter and Ruby Nelson, and raised on a farm in the Clifton-Clyde area of central Kansas. She attended Kansas Wesleyan University in Salina and graduated with a teaching degree from Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas. She went on to teach school in

Republic, Lebanon, and Hoxie (KS.) On August 17, 1957, she married Robert (Bob) Abell, and together they built their family and became the 3rd generation to inherit and work the Abell family farming and ranching operation in Gove County. Marjorie was a farm/ranch wife and mother and returned to teaching as a substitute in surrounding schools for over 40 years. She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, active in the Kansas Farm Bureau, served on the Board of Directors for the Gove County Medical Center and the High Plains Mental Health Center, and remained active as a 4-H home economics judge at numerous county fairs over the years, including this past summer, and had already accepted invitations to return to several fairs for the summer of 2020.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Calvin Nelson and Robert Nelson, and her husband Bob.

She is survived by a brother, Chester Nelson of Corpus Christi, Texas, her children, Roger Abell, of Orion, KS, Dwight (Rhonda) Abell, of Oakley, KS, Gordon (Stacy) Abell, of Olathe, KS, Cathleen Abell, of Holcomb, KS, and Charlotte Bailey, of Olathe, KS; seven grandchildren, Hannah Pauls, Laura Holzmeister, Kelsey Brown, Kayla Abell, Wyatt Abell, Ethan Abell, and Nelson Bailey; two (plus one-on-the-way) great grandchildren; and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

In honoring Marjorie's specific request, cremation was chosen, and no formal service will be held. Just as with Bob's passing in April 2017, the family will be celebrating the life of Marjorie in a private tradition on the family ranch. Marjorie also specifically requested the family dissuade others from traditional gestures of grief support such as flowers, etc. In honoring that sentiment, the family would ask that in lieu of flowers, monetary gifts, cards, etc., that you 'pay it forward' as Marj would do - go out of your way to be kind to others, reach out and help someone, donate your time to a community board or charity, clip coupons and send in rebates for others, purchase groceries then make a meal for a family in need, deliver homemade bread to a widow or 'shut in', save and send newspaper clippings of interest to friend/family of article's subject - basically do something, anything, to make someone else's day a little better, their life a little easier, and remind them they are thought of and prayed for.

The family wishes to extend special gratitude and thankfulness to the team at the Gove County Medical Center for their exceptional respect and compassion during Marjorie's stay in the swing bed unit; may loved ones of others receive the same loving care Marjorie did.

## Lynn Popp

Lynn Popp of Hoxie, Kansas passed away October 21, 2019 at the age of 77. A funeral service is planned for Saturday, October 26, at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church of rural Sheridan County at 10:00 A.M. Visitation will be held Friday, October 25, at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home from 11:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M., and family will receive friends from 5:00 to 6:30.

## Charles Bieker

February 23, 1949 ~ October 19, 2019

Charles L. Bieker, of Salina, passed away Saturday, October 19, 2019. He was born to Louis and Ludwina Bieker of Hoxie, Kansas on February 23, 1949.

Charles graduated from Hoxie High School and entered the Army serving during the Vietnam war.

After his service to his country he worked for Scouler elevator for many years.

Survivors include his loving wife of 43 years Sue Bieker, their children: Brian (Jenni) Bieker, Brad (Gabriela) Bieker, Mona

Bieker, Carla (Eric) Faubion, Cheryl (Albert) Madero; 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; brothers: Ralph, Eugene, Alex (Willette); sisters: Ellie Douglass, and Mary (Bill) Sanders, Annie Stillman; sisters-in-law: Pauletta, Arlene, and Ginger.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, October 25, at Ryan Mortuary, Salina. Visitation will be one hour before service.

Memorials may be made to the Salina V.F.W in care of Ryan Mortuary 137 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Salina, KS 67401-2686.

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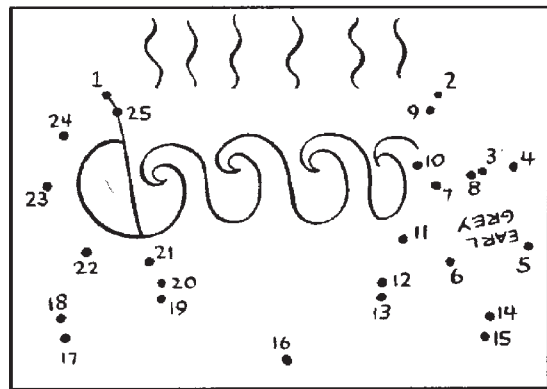




# Fun Page



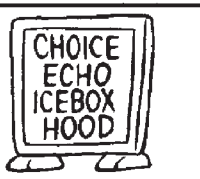
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**CONNECT THE DOTS!** My name has three letters. Take away two and my name's the same. What am I?  
Answers: Tea

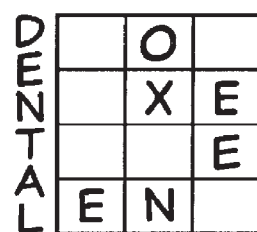
Illustrated by David Coulson

**A TIME TO REFLECT!** Study the four words to the right and see if you can determine what is unique about them.



Answers: The bottom half of each word is a mirror image of the top half. Turn this page upside down and look at it in the mirror. The words look the same.

**FIND THE SEVEN WORDS PUZZLE!** In the Word Square at the right, we've removed six of the letters to spell out the word "DENTAL." See if you can replace these letters in the square so that you will have four three-letter words across and three four-letter words down. The time limit is 60 seconds.

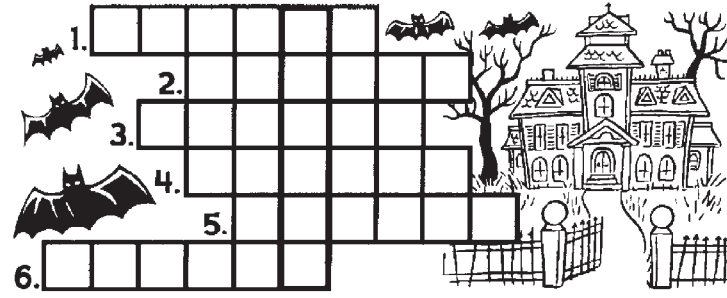


Answers: (Across) Ton, axe, lee, end, (down) Tale, oxen, need.

## Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

THE OLD HAUNTED HOUSE



In the grid above, there's room for six words pertaining to the haunted house. The following definitions should help:

1. They live in the house.
2. Noises you hear in the house.
3. Type of passages in the house.
4. What you might hear in the house.
5. What might block your way.
6. Coldest, darkest part of the house.

There is a dark frame around one of the columns in our grid. If you correctly solve the puzzle, the letters in the frame, top to bottom, will spell out what you "feel" at midnight in the house.

Answers: 1. Ghosts, 2. Creaks, 3. Secret, 4. Scream, 5. Cobweb, 6. Cellar. The dark frame column spells "Terror."

## Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

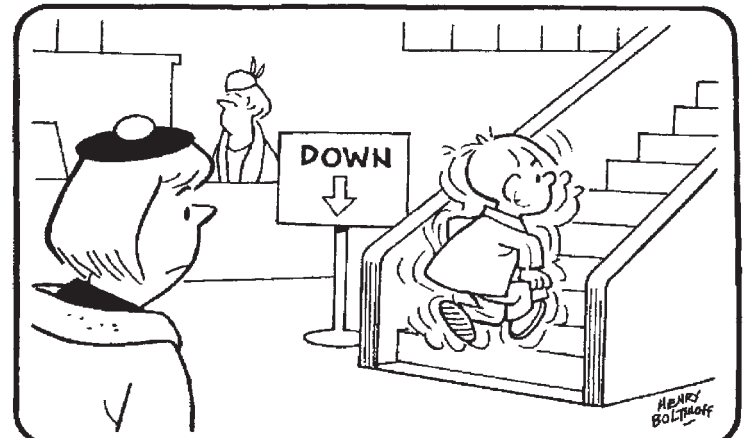
Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU CROSS A WITCH WITH AN ICEBERG?

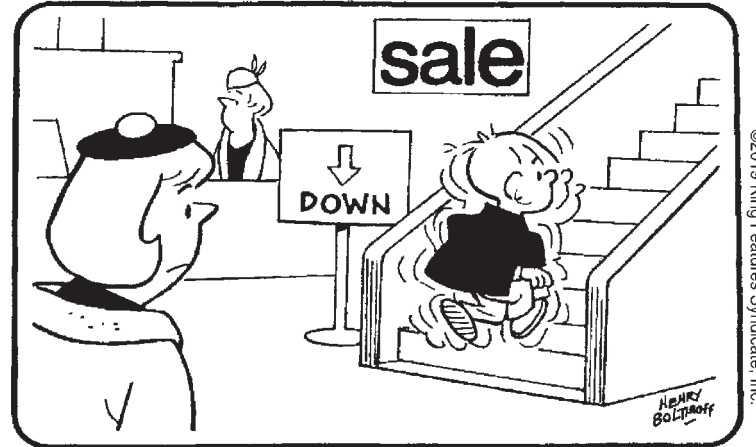
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| CLEATS ___ | STEAL | SPHERE ___ | SHEER |
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| CLEARs ___ | CARES | CANDLE ___ | CANED |
| TOURED ___ | ROUTE | LITERS ___ | BITES |

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Boy's jacket is black. 2. "Down" sign is different. 3. Woman's dress is black. 4. "Sale" sign is added. 5. Windows are missing. 6. Woman's hairstyle is different.

## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: A equals E

XKAS HKA INHIWTG SAARAR

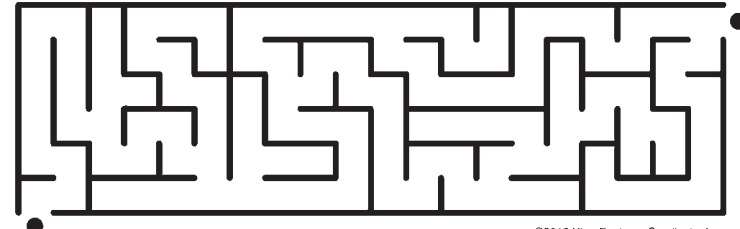
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## Kids' Maze



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**SCRAMBLERS**  
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gap!

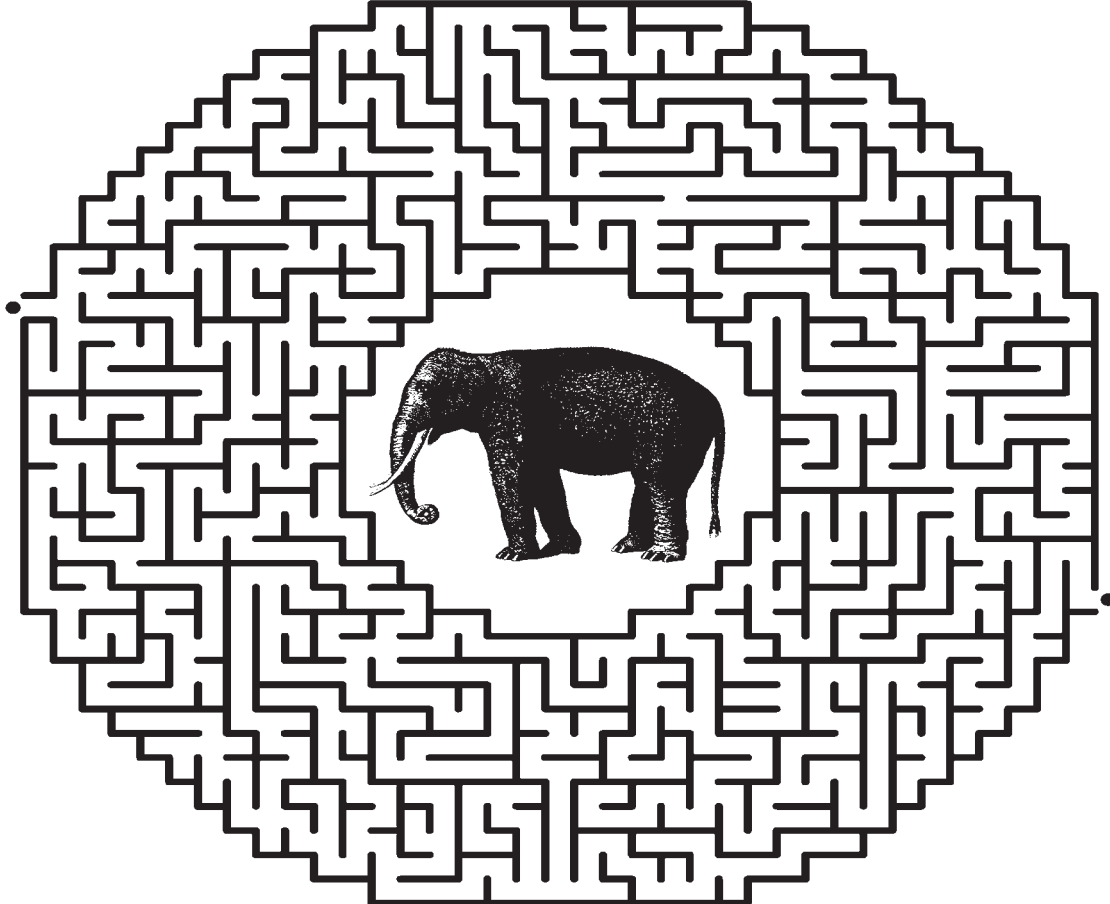
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TODAY'S WORD:

"No young man, the is NOT in town!"

## Mega Maze

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## Super Crossword

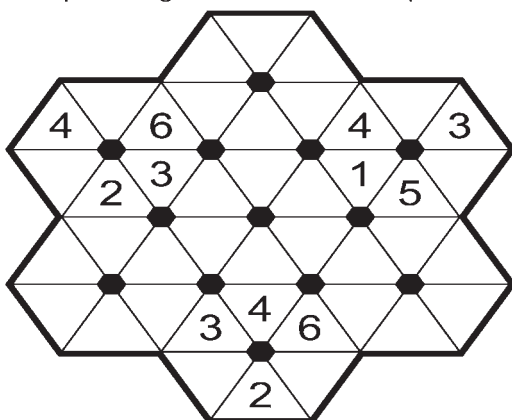
PET SHOWER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Guru's practice
  - 5 Pre- (supplant)
  - 9 Neighbor of Georgia
  - 16 PC pic file
  - 19 Bedouin, e.g.
  - 20 Actor Max or Max Jr.
  - 21 Situated at the bottom, as of the skull
  - 22 Primo pitcher
  - 23 Prisms, e.g.
  - 25 Causing to go mad
  - 26 Drink with crumpets
  - 27 Region largely in southwest Poland
  - 29 Big name in shapewear
  - 30 Seating tiers
  - 31 Bandit-seeking band
  - 34 Future tense of "is"
  - 36 Business agt.
  - 37 "I smell —!"
  - 38 Objecting to
  - 39 Car-towing gp.
  - 40 Kind of eclipse
  - 42 Calm-inducing drug
  - 44 Stop nursing gradually
  - 45 Actress Dana of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers"
  - 47 Cilantro
  - 49 Concept
  - 51 Witty remark
  - 53 Covetous types
  - 54 Act furtively
  - 55 Custodial tool
  - 56 University URL ending
  - 57 "Nana" actress Anna
  - 58 Bull features
  - 59 Wood cutter
  - 60 Oscar-winning title role for Meryl Streep
  - 62 Sandy stuff
  - 66 Load to bear
  - 67 Encl. to facilitate a reply
  - 68 — Lingus
  - 69 Med. nation
  - 70 Second baseman Robinson —
  - 71 Phnom —
  - 72 Wearing old, torn clothes
  - 74 911 VIP
  - 75 Like old, worn clothes
  - 76 "Criminy!"
  - 78 Winner's hand gesture
  - 79 The, to Fritz
  - 80 Hogs' homes
  - 81 Car tank insert
  - 84 Like stars
  - 86 Vacation destination
  - 87 Takes out of a needle, as a filament
  - 89 Cornhusk-wrapped dish
  - 91 Year, in Italy
  - 92 Sea god of Greek myth
  - 93 Old-time anesthetic
  - 95 Thanksgiving side dish
  - 96 Not far from 1980s Chrysler line
  - 98 Ga. hours venues
  - 100 Big game
  - 102 In a strange way
  - 103 — it my way
  - 104 Hauls (away)
  - 106 Changed the label of
  - 108 Millennia on end
  - 109 Dewlap locales
  - 111 Versatile
  - 115 Fr. holy woman
  - 116 Picks up on
  - 117 After-bath powder
  - 118 Slaty color
  - 119 Danson of "Ink"
  - 120 Bicolor
  - 121 Do as told
  - 122 Locality
- DOWN**
- 1 Bark shrilly
  - 2 Gold, to Pedro
  - 3 Lassie
  - 4 Flock watcher in old Ethiopia?
  - 5 Luxury Swiss watch brand
  - 6 Cleared a path (for)
  - 7 Pugilist from Xerxes' empire?
  - 8 Ski course
  - 9 "Scandal" network
  - 10 Perfect-game pitcher Don
  - 11 Kin of PDQ
  - 12 Superman's evil "mirror image"
  - 13 Flaring dress
  - 14 Bit of advice from a British crown dependency native?
  - 15 Neighbor of Chile. Abbr.
  - 16 Big name in sports drinks
  - 17 Cold zero-calorie drink
  - 18 Ones eating lavish meals
  - 24 Go quickly
  - 28 Woody of film
  - 30 Really coming down (like it's doing in this puzzle)?
  - 31 Hocking site
  - 32 Private chat
  - 33 Not operated nationally, as a lottery
  - 35 Volleyball player on Prime Minister U Nu's team?
  - 39 Barley bristle
  - 41 Misbehave
  - 43 Cover with concrete
  - 46 Overdrink
  - 48 Says no to
  - 50 Says yes to
  - 52 Bouquet
  - 55 The folks
  - 61 Research facility on Mount Everest?
  - 63 Doled (out)
  - 64 Not outer
  - 65 Film with Buzz Lightyear
  - 67 Traditional grub of Bangkok?
  - 68 Gets old
  - 73 Salt's "Stop!"
  - 74 Hard, yellow cheese
  - 75 Mao — -tung
  - 77 Sage mentor
  - 81 Most crud-filled
  - 82 Entertaining brief tale
  - 83 Exerted great effort
  - 85 Less typical acronym
  - 86 Sleep-stage
  - 88 Michigan city
  - 90 Mississippi River explorer
  - 94 Go quickly
  - 99 Artist Andrea del —
  - 101 "Swell!"
  - 102 Not neat
  - 105 Mexican noah
  - 107 Gray of R&B
  - 109 Blasting aid
  - 110 Cairo-to-Nairobi dir.
  - 112 Mentalist Geller
  - 113 — "King" Cole
  - 114 Henna, e.g.

## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦♦♦♦  
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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		1	4					7
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**HELP WANTED:** DSNWK is hiring a 30-hour position at the Hoxie Center, hours are 9:30 - 4:00. Must be dependable, caring, and willing to work with those with disabilities. Benefits include health insurance, sick and vacation time, life insurance, and retirement plan. Submit applications online at [www.dsnwk.org](http://www.dsnwk.org). Call Pam at 785-626-3688 for more information.  
---4/6---

**HELP WANTED:** Twin Creeks Extension District, Decatur County Office is seeking Full Time Office Professional, 40 hrs./week. KPERs retirement is available. Skills required: computer skills including knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Publisher; routine office management; District financial bookkeeping; effective oral and written communication; willingness to learn; and ability to work with public. Database, graphic presentations and computer photo editing skills a plus. For complete job description and information, please stop by or call the Twin Creeks Extension Office at 120 East Hall KS 67749. 782-475-8121. Applications and Resumes are required. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
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---3/4---

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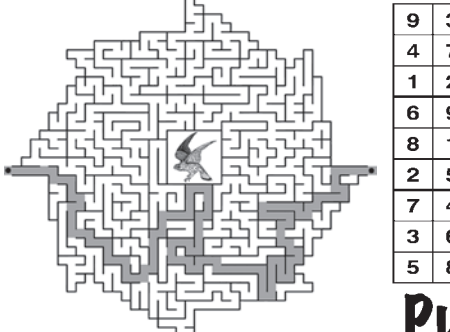
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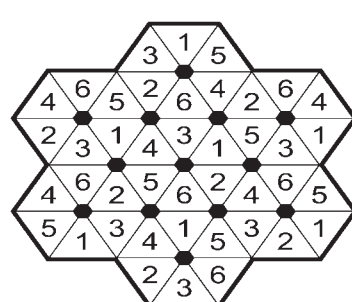


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Answer

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

### SNOWFLAKES solution



### CryptoQuip answer

If you shorten the length of a casual red-and-green shirt, are you trimming the Christmas tee?

### SCRAMBLERS solution

1. Astute; 2. Tribal;
3. Varnish; 4. Closure

### Today's Word BACHELORS

### Super Crossword

#### Answers

Y	O	G	A	E	M	P	A	L	A	B	A	M	A	G	I	F
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