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LCIC installs last instrument



On Sunday morning, June 30, members of the Lincoln Center Improvement Committee (LCIC) installed the final outdoor musical instrument in the city park, concluding a project initiated in 2022. The four-piece set, estimated at \$26,000, was funded by grants from the Post Rock Community Foundation and the WEB fund, along with donations from the Bank of Tescott, Citizens State Bank, and various fundraising events. Volunteers and LCIC members set the last instrument, Tuned Drums, into a concrete base, marking the project's completion. The committee is already planning their next community enhancement endeavor. (Photo by Jyll Phillips)

By Jyll Phillips, Lincoln-Sentinel
Members of the Lincoln Center Improvement Committee (LCIC) met at the city park Sunday morning, June 30, to install the last of four outdoor musical instruments planned for a project that began in 2022. The estimate for all four pieces was \$26,000. Grants

from Post Rock Community Foundation and the WEB fund helped with the cost, along with generous donations from the Bank of Tescott, Citizens State Bank, private donations and several fundraising events including the Post Rock Festival Duck Races, Penny Jars, a Pancake Dinner, a Pasta Dinner, a Baked Potato Bar, and the

BAK Pasta Bake Dinner. The Swirl Chimes were the first to be installed November 15, 2022, followed by the Yantzee Metallophone which was installed January 20, 2023. Later that year the Imparimba was installed. The Tuned Drums were most recently installed on June 30, 2024. The committee is already working on their

next project. The five-piece set was set into a concrete base by committee members and volunteers Mike Feldkamp, Cam Stultz and Perry Zachgo. LCIC members include Lisa Feldkamp, Carly Errebo, Shelby Errebo, Vicky Hook, Chris Gerbitz, Breanna Brown, Jyll Phillips and Marcia Kraft.

After Harvest Music Festival July 5



Randy Baldwin Band

The Lincoln Art Center's After Harvest Music Festival is set for Friday, July 5 at 7 p.m. at the Lincoln Golf course, 2058 E. Milo Drive in Lincoln. The annual fundraiser includes live music, fireworks and a potluck dinner. Music will be provided by the Randy Baldwin Band and Mattson & Weaver. This event is open to the public. It is suggested you bring a blanket and a lawn chair. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided. Each should bring a potluck dish. There will also be a Beer Garden and bottled water at the gazebo. Tickets are \$15 in advance at the Lincoln Art Center, and \$20 at the gate the day of the event. Children 12 and under are \$5.



Mattson & Weaver

Celebrating Independence Day

By Jyll Phillips, Lincoln-Sentinel
Independence Day, July 4, is a time for commemoration of when the original 13 colonies declared their independence from British rule. Great Britain ruled the colonies from 1607 as Colo-

nies of England for around 170 years. The vote to approve a resolution of independence proposed by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia actually occurred on July 2 when the Second Continental Congress met. Following the vote, Con-

gress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence that explained the decision. A committee of five was charged with the composition of this document. In turn, that committee chose committee member Thomas Jefferson to author

the first draft. Consulting extensively with the other committee members, Jefferson largely wrote the Declaration of Independence in isolation over 17 days between June 11, 1776, and June 28, 1776, from the second floor he

was renting in a three-story private home at 700 Market Street in Philadelphia, now known as the Declaration House, and within walking distance of Independence Hall.[8] In the first draft, Jefferson vigorously denounced King

George III for the importation of the slave trade. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, removing that portion of the first draft and finally approving the final document. See "Celebrate" page 6

Track project on track



Fisher Tracks crews are in Lincoln beginning on our new track. (Photo courtesy of USD 298)

By Jyll Phillips, Lincoln-Sentinel
If you haven't been by Mettner Field lately you are missing out on a long-awaited, much needed and positively hopeful event. Fisher Tracks began construction of the new track on June 24. The track had needed repairs for several years when Superintendent Scott Crenshaw went out for estimates on both repairing and rebuilding the track. The estimated costs of the job were staggering. The USD 298 Board of Education discussed their options along with the expense for several months. Knowing replacement was

a more long-term solution, and knowing the district could not afford a project of this size, local entrepreneur John Baetz formed a committee to explore the fundraising possibilities. Their consensus was the track was a doable project with the right fundraising. Multiple events were staged to secure funding for the track. They obtained private donations and donations from local businesses, grants and hosted fundraising events. After years of arduous work, they raised enough to begin the project. After looking at options for contractors, the group decided on Fisher Tracks.

Fisher Tracks is an active member of the American Sports Builders Association, ensuring best built practices, while keeping current on all governing body rules changes. They keep four Certified Track Builders on staff with multiple installation crews to assure the timely completion of a project. The Certified Track Builder (CTB) program was developed by the American Sports Builders Association (ASBA) to establish consistent, high-level professional standards and to improve the practice of track construction. Candidates for certification must pass a comprehensive

examination on track construction and maintenance, as well as fulfill a set of prescribed standards for experience that demonstrates an elevated level of knowledge in track construction. The Fisher family has over 50 years of experience and has been located in the Midwest since 1983, exclusively installing track surfaces. They have received more than 35 American Sports Builders Association Outstanding Facilities of the Year awards, including the Distinguished Outdoor Track Facility. Sam Fisher is the recipient of the distinguished industry Merit See "Track" page 6

Redheads are special!



If you live in Lincoln County, you know at least one person with red hair. Here are a few fun facts about these ginger-topped neighbors. Redheads have less hair, i.e. fewer hair strands overall, compared to blonds and brunettes. Red hair tends to be coarser and thicker, so it is not typically noticeable. Red hair is the result of a genetic mutation. Simply put, Gene #1 dictates if the hair is light or dark - people with dark hair have a higher presence of this gene while blonds don't. Gene #2 creates a redder pigment which is less prevalent in most people due to Gene #3, which converts it to Gene #1. The mutation is in Gene #3. There is an annual festival in the Netherlands that celebrates redheads call Redhead Days Festival, which lasts three days. Research conducted in 2014 found that 90% of redheaded males experienced bullying simply because of their hair color. George Washington and Mark Twain are among famous redheads. Lucille Ball, however, is not. She was a natural brunette. Studies have shown that redheads experience pain differently than others. They tend to withstand greater electrical current, and more sensitivity to opioids, pain from heat or cold, and lidocaine. Be gentle with your redheaded neighbors. They are special.

Cash Grain

- Wheat.....\$5.64
- Corn.....\$3.98
- Sorghum.....\$4.13
- Soybeans.....\$10.71

Cash prices courtesy of bankoftescott.com

Community Calendar

Thursday, July 4

Lincoln: 4th of July Celebration @ Lincoln Park Manor
 Vesper: 4 pm Vesper Farmers and Makers Market @ Vesper Community Center

Friday, July 5

Lincoln: 7 pm After Harvest Music Festival & Potluck Dinner @ Lincoln Golf Course

Saturday, July 6

Sunday, July 7

Monday, July 8

USD 298: 7 pm BOE Meeting
 USD 299: 7:30 pm BOE Meeting

Tuesday, July 9

Lincoln: Storytime @ Lincoln Library
 USD 299: 6 pm Booster Club Meeting

Wednesday, July 10

Have a great week!

Commodity Distribution held the third Wednesday every other month at the Lincoln Senior Center. (September, November, January, March, May, July)

Lincoln County Historical Society meets second Monday of each month @ 6 p.m.; Lincoln County Historical Museum is open Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays. Call 202.744.9041.
 LCEDF meets the second Wednesday of each month in the Courthouse basement. Call 524-8954 for meeting time.
 The Lincoln County Commission meets each Monday, and the last working day of the month, at the courthouse.



Monday, July 8

Tuna Casserole, Green Beans, Cottage Cheese, Fruite & Roll

Tuesday, July 9

Chicken Tenders, Hashbrown Casserole, Mixed Veggies, Fresh Ftuir & Roll

Wednesday, July 10

Smothered Pork Chops, Sweet Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots, Pears & Bread

Thursday, July 11

Chef Salad w/Turkey, Pickled Beets, Fruited Jello, Crackers & Muffin

Friday, July 5

Meatballs, Potatoes & Gravy, Peas, Peach Cobbler & Roll

Menu is subject to change.
 Call 785-524-4738 before 9:30 a.m. to reserve a lunch.
 The suggested donation for people over 60 or with current paperwork \$4.00. For people without paperwork or under 60, meals are \$7.00, mandatory.

Kansas Launches National Campaign to Attract and Retain Talent

Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland, alongside leaders from across the state, today unveiled Love, Kansas, a dynamic talent attraction campaign aimed at boosting Kansas' population by inviting past residents to choose the Sunflower State as their future home. This national marketing initiative will highlight Kansas as an exceptional place to live, work and raise a family, with a special emphasis on "boomerangs" – individuals with previous ties to the state.

The campaign was launched at the Flint Hills Discovery Center in Manhattan, where Lieutenant Governor Toland shared his personal journey back to Kansas that was inspired by a heartfelt phone call from a family friend about a job opportunity in his hometown of Iola.

"It's simple: We need more humans in Kansas to keep up with the phenomenal economic growth our state is experiencing," Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland said. "The best

way to do that is to first approach Kansans who left the state for economic opportunities elsewhere and invite them to build a life in a place they know and have connections to, whether in their hometown or elsewhere in the state. And with the Love, Kansas campaign, we aren't just extending an invitation to those who once called Kansas home to come back – we're also inviting families from around the country to build their lives in the Sunflower State."

Love, Kansas will focus on the state's abundant job opportunities, high quality of life, excellent education system and affordable communities. The campaign will be driven at the local level but will strategically target key markets across the U.S., with a strong focus on digital and social media platforms. Influencer and journalist engagement, as well as targeted in-person events both within and outside of Kansas, will play a crucial role in reaching potential boomerangs.

During the launch event, it was announced that the first 50 communities to partner with Love, Kansas will be eligible for a \$5,000 grant to assist in their efforts in attracting new residents to their community. Nineteen pilot communities and seven universities already have joined the initiative and are planning events that are aligned with the campaign's theme. A primary goal is for communities across the state to do direct outreach to past residents they have a personal connection with, inviting them to return home.

"The collaboration already on display between so many partners underscores the enthusiasm for this campaign," Tourism Director Bridgette Jobe said. "There are so many amazing things happening in Kansas right now; Love, Kansas gives us the chance to let people throughout the country know about them."

The Love, Kansas campaign is being spearheaded by the Kansas Department of Commerce.

Cost Share Assistance Available for Water Efficiency Technology

The Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Conservation (KDA-DOC) is pleased to announce the availability of funds in the form of cost share assistance and incentive payments to assist commercial feedlots and dairy operations with livestock water efficiency technology. The Kansas Livestock Water Efficiency Pilot Project is part of the state's ongoing effort to encourage water conservation and to seek solutions for water challenges in the state.

This initiative is designed to enhance and/or upgrade current large-

scale livestock watering systems in commercial feedlots and dairies by providing cost share assistance for practices such as upgrading to high efficiency livestock waterers and water recycling systems.

KDA-DOC will accept applications through the close of business Wednesday, July 31, 2024. Equipment purchases and subscriptions made before application approval by KDA-DOC are not eligible for this initiative. Eligible applicants must hold a current livestock water right with the state of Kansas.

Funding is provided through appropriation from the State Water Plan Fund and the program is administered by KDA-DOC in consultation with the State Conservation Commission.

Applications for this irrigation technology cost share funding must be made through KDA-DOC. Find more information about the project including the application and more details about funding eligibility at www.agriculture.ks.gov/DOCLivestockWater or email Dave Jones at David.Jones@ks.gov.

OCCK Transportation will be closed on July 4th

OCCK Transportation, including CityGo, 81 Connection, KanConnect, GoAbilene, GoConcordia and Regional Paratransit services, will be closed on July 4th. No vehicles or buses will run.

Transportation services will resume normal operating hours on Friday, July 5th.

OCCK, Inc. provides services in north central Kansas to anyone with any type of long or short-term disability, starting as early as birth and following people through their whole lives. OCCK provides an array of supports for success at home and

in the community, including independent living skills and supports, employment and career training, Alzheimer's supports, autism services, assistive technology, children's services, transportation, specialized therapies, and home health care.

OCCK is committed to providing transportation services to the general public, seniors, and persons with disabilities, through a variety of programs, including a fixed route service in Salina, CityGo, a regional paratransit service that serves fourteen counties, non emergency medical transportation for people with

Medicaid, as well as non emergency medical transportation for clients of Salina Regional Health Center, a regional fixed route service, 81 Connection, KANcycle – the regional bike sharing program, GoAbilene public transportation, GoConcordia public transportation, and the newest program, KanConnect.

For more information about OCCK, Inc., visit www.occk.com. For more information about CityGo and OCCK Transportation, visit www.salinacitygo.com. Or, contact the OCCK Transportation Center at 785-826-1583.

Student Achievements Washburn University

Washburn University has announced its spring 2024 Dean's List honorees. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 3.4 to 3.99.

Hannah Wolting from Sylvan Grove is on the Dean's List for Spring 2024.

Salina Rescue Mission Needs List July 2024

Items needed at the Salina Rescue Mission this month include:

- Bottled Water
- Denture Adhesive
- Fabric Band-Aids
- Work Gloves
- Insect Repellent Spray

Donations may be delivered seven days a week between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. The Mission is located at 1716 Summers Road in Salina. Thank you for caring for our homeless neighbors.

Weekly Temps

	High	Low	Rain
6-25	104	75	
6-26	102	68	
6-27	95	65	
6-28	94	75	.11
6-29	104	74	
6-30	89	63	

Total Rain June 2.45

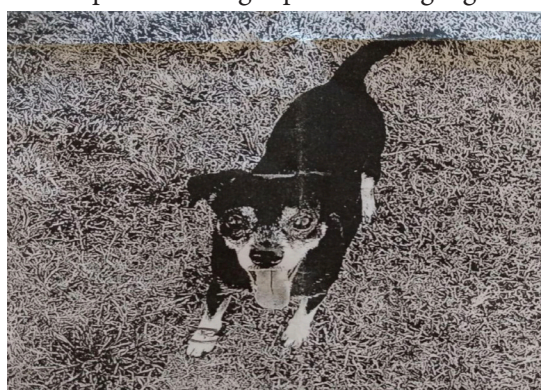
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17 lbs, all black with white paws and a black spot on the right paw. Missing tag



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OBITUARY

Darlene M. (Oetting) Fischer

Feb. 2, 1931 - June 27, 2024

Darlene M. (Oetting) Fischer died Thursday, June 27, 2024. She was born February 2, 1931 at Lincoln County, Kansas to Henry E. & Gertrude M. (Wilbeck) Oetting.

Darlene was married to Edgar H. Fischer on April 23, 1950 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. This union was blessed with a daughter, Miriam Ann & a son, Paul Henry Fischer.

Darlene was a wife, mother, & a homemaker wherever the family lived.

Her husband's job took them to call Silver Spring, Maryland home for many years. In 1996 they moved to Salina, Kansas to retire and to be closer to relatives & friends.

She was a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church, Salina, Kansas. She was baptized & confirmed at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Russell, Kansas.

Darlene was preceded in death by her husband on April 29, 2019, her parents & 5 brothers, Wilbur,

Alton, Harold, Loren & Elton. She will be missed by her daughter & son & many nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great great-nephews, great-great nieces, relatives & friends.

Funeral Service 10 am, Friday July 5th at Ryan Mortuary with Visitation starting at 9am.

Burial to follow at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, 10 miles south-east of Lincoln.

In Lieu of flowers family request memorials to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Online condolences visit www.ryanmortuary.com

Representative Waymaster to serve as Chairman of Build Kansas

Representative Troy L. Waymaster is named to serve as chairman on the Joint BUILD Kansas Legislative Committee effective July 1, 2024. The appointment was made official in a statement by Speaker of the House, Daniel Hawkins, Wichita. Representative Waymaster served as the Vice-Chairman of the committee from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

The BUILD Kansas program is Kansas's coordinated approach to identifying best practices from

across the nation for maximizing Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) opportunities.

Formed in 2022, the Kansas Infrastructure Hub (Hub) connects multiple state agencies to serve as a resource center for Kansan communities.

The Hub will reach out to the private sector, as well as federal and local agencies, to develop partnerships and seek grant funds to strengthen Kansas infrastructure.

The BUILD Kansas programs en-

courage cities and counties to apply for infrastructure needs for the following: Transportation, Water, Cybersecurity, Resiliency, Broadband and Energy. The Joint Legislative BUILD Kansas Legislative Committee reviews the applications before forwarding them to the Federal Government.

Representative Waymaster represents the 109th Kansas House District which includes the counties of Ellsworth, Lincoln, Osborne, Russell and Smith.

PRCF scholarship funds select recipients

The Post Rock Community Foundation has awarded over \$4,000 in scholarships to area students for the upcoming academic year.

The Lincoln High School Alumni Association Scholarship is for seniors graduating from Lincoln High School. Branden Sinclair, Lincoln, and Ashley McBride, Beverly, each received this scholarship.

The Wilson-Langley Fund for Luray Student Academic Scholarship is for graduating high school seniors or graduates who are residents of Luray, or the rural areas of Amherst, Luray, Valley or Waldo Townships, and are attending a Kansas university, college, vocational or technical school. Emma Cline and Kolton Palmer, both of

Luray and Emma Finkenbinder and Lucile Harp, both of Waldo, each received this scholarship.

The foundation is home to two scholarship funds, which were established by area donors to support students pursuing higher education. More information about the scholarship program can be found at www.postrockcf.org/scholarships.

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

June 17, 2024

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, June 17, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as the recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: Roberta Turner, Rhonda Wright, Jesse Knight, Felicia Strahm, Diane Walters, Kelly Gourley, Dustin Florence, and Scott Wright.

Correspondence: tax abatement; mid-month accounts payable; letter to Citizens State Bank approving changes to the safety deposit boxes; and a registration form for the courthouse elevator.

Debora Smith moved to sign a letter to close safety deposit box #5006 and to change the signature authorization for safety deposit box #5007, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to approve mid-month accounts payable in the amount of \$20,772.69, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Debora Smith moved to approve tax abatement 2023-36, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024 meeting, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Transportation Bus Driver Roberta Turner requested approval to hire a part-time employee to include in her 2025 budget. The board related that she could advertise an additional part-time per-need driver; however, the hours worked must fall within the budgeted payroll line item. Turner provided an update on

department activities.

County Appraiser Rhonda Wright presented a partial 2025 budget request for the department. Emergency Manager Jesse Knight presented the department and floodplain management 2025 budget requests.

Human Resource Officer Felicia Strahm presented the department's 2025 budget request. Diane Walters provided an update on nursing home activities and repairs.

Economic Development Director Kelly Gourley presented the organization's 2025 budget request.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing appraiser applications, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 10:31 a.m. Time out: 10:46 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:46 a.m. with no action taken.

Clerk Harlow presented the June certified value and RNR rate. Clerk Harlow presented the department and election fund 2025 budget requests.

Sheriff Dustin Florence presented the department and emergency communications 2025 budget requests. Florence related that he had received a bid to replace the ceiling in the deputy's office that had partially fallen. The group discussed specific needs if the sheriff's department and jail would be replaced and how to move forward.

Debora Smith moved to accept the Kansas Department of Commerce Office of Rural Prosper-

ity Rural Opportunity Zone marketing grant for \$5,000, authorize that the agreement be electronically signed, and appoint economic development to come up with a plan on how to spend the marketing funds, seconded Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

County Attorney Scott Wright presented the department's 2025 budget request. The board addressed complaints received regarding office and working hours. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing potential liability pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(2) for consultation with an attorney for the public body or agency which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room with the commission and County Attorney Scott Wright, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 11:54 a.m. Time out: 11:59 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:59 a.m. with no action taken. The

board reviewed the County General 2025 budget request allocations.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing appraiser applicants, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room with the commission and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 12:35 p.m. Time out: 12:40 p.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:40 p.m. with no action taken.

The board discussed concerns expressed by members of the public on road signs and county roads. The board modified the appraiser's office, emergency management, floodplain administration, and county general 2025 budget requests.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:54 p.m. The next meeting will be held in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, June 24, 2025.



BARNARD UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Adult Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Morning Worship @ 11:00 am

BETHANY CHURCH
Eight miles north, six miles west and one mile north of Lincoln
Sunday School @ 9:45 am
Worship Service @ 11:00 am
Evening Service @ 7:00 pm

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH LC-MS
Pastor Christopher Craig
Sylvan Grove, Kansas
Sunday School following Worship
Sunday Worship @ 10:00 am

BEVERLY COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.beverlycommunitychurch.org
Pastor Toby Flaming
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Morning Worship @ 10:45 am

BEVERLY UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Church Service @ 9:00 am

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Pastor, Chris Hall
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Nursery available during service
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CULVER METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demele Eckart
401 Main Street, Culver, Ks
Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
Saturday Coffee @ 8-10 am

DENMARK EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CHURCH, ELCA
Pastor Angie Sundell
Worship Service @ 10:30 am

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Jonathan Schale
Lincoln Park Manor @ 9:30 am
Bible Study @ 10:30 am
Worship Hour @ 11:15 am
Evening Worship @ 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study @ 7:00 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Carolyn Allen, Barnard
Morning Worship @11:00 pm

GRACE CHAPEL-HUNTER
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

LINCOLN COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.lincolncommunitychurch.org
Pastor Adam Boyd
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Ladies Prayer Group.Wed. @ 5 pm
Awana @ Cube Wed. @ 6:30 pm
"Teens for Christ" Sun. @ 7:00 pm
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LINCOLN PARK MANOR CHAPEL
Morning Worship @ 9:30 am
Afternoon Worship @ 2:30 pm

LINCOLN UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Worship Service @ 10:30 am

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sylvan Grove, Kansas
Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Church @ 11:00 am

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pastor Don Haselhuhn
Lincoln, Kansas
Two and one-half miles south of Lincoln on Highway 14
Sunday/Bible School...9:30 am
Worship Service.....10:30 am
VBS May 20-24..... 9-11:30 am

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Father Mark Wesely, Lincoln
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Email: stpat327@gmail.com
Sunday Mass @ 11:00 am
Sunday CCD Classes @ 9:45 am
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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMS
Pastor Don Haselhuhn
Six and one-half miles south and 4 miles east of Lincoln
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA
Pastor Rod Thompson, Tescott
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

TESCOTT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demele Eckart
Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Worship @ 11:00 am

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, HUNTER
Pastor Matthew Schneider
Hunter, Kansas
Sunday School @ 9:00 am
Worship Service @10:00 am
Midweek/Confirmation
Wednesdays @ 4:30 to 5:45

St. John Lutheran Church

Two and 1/2 miles south of Lincoln on Highway 14
Pastor Don Haselhuhn.

Service Times:
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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Editorial

Democracy's warning signs flash 'emergency' as newsrooms shudder in Kansas and nationwide

The hits just keep coming for Kansas news outlets.

The Gardner News has closed as of today, according to owner CherryRoad Media. Despite serving a community of 25,000, the newspaper has fewer than 200 subscribers.

On Friday, The Wichita Eagle announced it would issue only three print editions a week. Beginning in September, the paper will come out on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. That comes after the Wichita city council tried to stop publishing legal notices in the Eagle. Meanwhile, Manhattan Mercury has announced plans to refocus its coverage.

Foot-dragging in Marion raid investigation should fill public with dread

'Facebook has nuked our page': Inside Kansas Reflector's clash with the social media Goliath

The state of Kansas journalism: Analyzing PBS peril, Marion raid and business challenges

Doom-laden bombast about future of journalism overlooks striking work

News organizations across the country have faced tumult in recent weeks. The Washington Post has been losing money and firing top leaders. Oregon and Washington newspapers have absorbed a wave of job cuts. With the United States gearing up for yet another bitterly contested election season, I can hardly imagine a worse time for such decisions. We need a feisty and robust press to cover monstrous threats to democracy.

"Representation and accountability, these are the things that our democratic system relies on," said UCLA's Megan Mullin in an interview with LAist.

She co-wrote a study showing that robust coverage of infrastructure directly leads to public support of increased funding.

"And that representation and accountability rely on voters having access to information about the status of problems and the efforts of elected officials to solve those problems," she said. "Staff cuts and corporatization of newspaper ownership structures, they've had a big impact on the information available to voters. As reporting capacity has declined, so has coverage of politics."

You might wonder how Kansas Reflector has been doing and whether we are prepared to keep on serving Kansas like we've done in the past.

The good news is that we absolutely are. We have more readers than ever. Those readers, according to a recent survey, profoundly appreciate what we do and recommend us to their friends. Our parent organization, States Newsroom, now has freestanding newsrooms or partnerships in all 50 states. We are strong and getting stronger.

The challenging news is that we can't do this job alone. Kansas still enjoys abundant news outlets, staffed by talented reporters and editors. These publications are doing their damndest to serve their fellow Kansas. I have no doubt that the Wichita Eagle will remain a great news source, even as it pivots to an online focus. CherryRoad continues to publish cherished small newspapers across the state. Kansas journalism has set an example for the nation.

But when I say we can't do it alone, I'm writing about more than sheer journalistic capacity.

I mean the people of Kansas themselves must show they appreciate and use the news. Perhaps that means you buy a subscription to a local newspaper. Perhaps that means you sign up for a newsletter from one outlet or another. Perhaps it means you make a donation to a public broadcasting station. Maybe you simply drop by a local news website now and then to scan the headlines. Whatever the case, these outlets can't do it without you.

This was brought home to me Saturday, when Kansas Reflector editor Sherman Smith, reporter Tim Carpenter, intern reporter Grace Hills and myself spoke at a town hall meeting. Olathe's Saint Andrew Christian Church welcomed us to its sanctuary, along with 100 Kansans. The audience asked us questions on topics including the U.S.-Mexico border, the Marion County Record newspaper raid and CNN's decision not to fact check Donald Trump during the presidential debate.

Every time I've done one of these town halls, I walk away elated by the interest and enthusiasm of our readers.

But I also find myself apprehensive because more Kansans should be similarly engaged. It doesn't have to be with us. But certainly with the world around them, the country and state and town in which they live. It's going to be difficult to make it through

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LINCOLN AREA HUMANE SOCIETY INSIGHTS

Dog Gone It

By Charlene Batchman
Dog Gone it or should I say Dog Gone? It seems we have had a number of dogs loose in Lincoln recently. There are pictures of dogs on facebook wandering around and the sheriff's office is constantly receiving calls about either lost dogs or found dogs.

There are city regulations for owning a dog in the city. You can always pick up a copy at the sheriff's office or city hall.

Just to mention a few of the regulations:

All dogs over six months of age should be registered with the city clerk with your address and description of the dog. Upon registration, the owner must present a current, completed certificate of immunization against rabies. The Lincoln Area Humane Society has periodic clinics for rabies vaccinations to help with the convenience of getting vaccinations. Otherwise you must go to a veterinarian for the vaccination.

A dog running at large shall be impounded. The fine for the first offense is \$25.00. The second and third offenses are \$50.00. If the dog is impounded, you must pay the board bill. You must

also provide proof of current vaccination when picking it up.

Also, you must consider the legal consequences if your dog should happen to bite someone either out of fear or trying to avoid capture.

Having said this, I would like to commend the Lincoln Sheriff's Department and their deputies. In spite of the many calls they get, they try to find the owner before impounding the dog. Many times, they will pick up the dog and take it to the sheriff's office hoping to find the owner before impounding it.

Given the chance, all dogs love to run free. I have a dog myself who occasionally will break loose and run but I am always right behind her. Dogs who are kept outside have more of a chance of escaping and taking off. If a dog escapes constantly, perhaps the owner should check their fence or method of restraining the dog.

During firecracker season more dogs will escape because many times the noise will hurt their ears and scare them. If there is a lot of noise and your dog is scared, please either take the dog inside or comfort the dog somehow.

Now, I would like to add my own suggestions for owning a dog. First and foremost, a dog is a responsibility. They are not toys to be played with when you are bored and they are not disposable when you are done with them. Dogs are the best friends and most loyal companions you could ever have and will always love you even in unfavorable conditions. I am sure you have all read stories of hero dogs who have saved people and children. I would like to add that most dogs are heroes who would give their life for their master. Like children, dogs need to be trained to obey and do their master's bidding. Also, like children, this must be done with patience and kindness. Please do not hit your dogs, there are much better ways to discipline them. If you have questions please contact a member of the Humane Society or your veterinarian.

Personally, I love dogs. My desire in writing this article is to help owners realize the responsibility of owning a dog. In another article, I hope to share the fun and joy of owning man's best friend.

PRAIRIE DOC - BY TOM DEAN, MD

What to do about Marijuana?

There are so many questions. Is it safe? Does pot smoking lead to the use of hard drugs? What is the risk of pot smoking during pregnancy? Does marijuana have medical value in treating disease? Does smoking pot relieve the side effects of cancer treatment?

On each of these questions we have information - and lots of opinion. The reality is that on none of these questions do we really have clear cut answers. In spite of decades of experience there is still a serious shortage of reliable, scientifically valid research on the effects of marijuana on the human body.

This deficit has resulted primarily from two factors. First, marijuana has been classed by the government as a Schedule I drug, meaning that it does not have a legitimate medical use (same category as heroin and LSD). This means that it has not been readily - or legally - available to medical researchers who are interested in trying to answer these questions. Secondly, the pharmaceutical industry has not shown interest in trying to develop marijuana into a traditional prescrip-

tion medication.

So what is the public to do, especially when the issue of "legalization" is on the ballot?

Regarding safety, the impression among the public has been that marijuana is relatively safe, safer than alcohol and tobacco. Today we are learning, however, that such impressions are largely unreliable. This is partly because the marijuana on the market today tends to be significantly more potent than what was previously available. Furthermore, studies are emerging which show that risks are greater than previously recognized. The American Heart Assn. recently published a survey showing marijuana use, especially prolonged use, may be associated with an increased risk of both heart disease and stroke. An article in the Journal of the American Medical Association in 2023 showed that marijuana use during pregnancy, especially if continued throughout pregnancy, was associated with adverse outcomes.

What about "medical" marijuana? As a physician with 40+ years of ex-

perience, my impression is that there probably are some medical benefits from the components in marijuana. The problem, and it is a major one, is that here again we have an abundance of claims and very little good science on which to evaluate those claims.

How do we put all of this together? Bottom line - marijuana use may well have some benefits but there clearly are risks - risks that are being more clearly defined and are probably greater than previously appreciated. As all too often happens, the politics has gotten ahead of the science.

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SPICE UP YOUR LIFE - LINDSAY YOUNG

I have a good 'peeling' you'll love these apple bars



Granny Smith harvest bars combine the tartness of apples with the nuttiness of walnuts and the warmth of cinnamon and nutmeg to make the perfect dessert or breakfast bar.

Even though it seems to be billed as a fall fruit, I love a good apple all year round.

In a lively discussion about favorite fruits this past week, I decided apples hold the number one spot for me right now, and if I'm eating one on its own, I like a sweet, red one.

Someone else in the conversation noted they liked to bite into a Granny Smith, and all I could do was shudder while thinking about how tart they are. Granny Smiths are only baking apples in my book, although I'm sure plenty of folks like to eat them raw, too.

But I do absolutely love Granny Smith apples in all kinds of desserts. They have this bright, tart flavor that is just perfect alongside sugar and spices.

They didn't disappoint me in this week's recipe for some amazing apple bars, too, and once the temperatures cool down a bit and you start to feel ready to heat up your oven, you should put this recipe on your short list to try.

This comes from the blog "Sweet Ordeal." You can find the original post at <https://sweetordeal.com/granny-smith-harvest-bars/>.

I doubled the vanilla and spices in my version below, and I swapped in walnuts instead of pecans.

Banana Bread

Bar Ingredients

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 4 cups Granny Smith apples, peeled and diced
- 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped

Topping Ingredients

- 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons water
- 2 tablespoons quick-cooking oats

Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees and prepare a nine-by-13-inch baking pan by spraying it with cooking spray. Set it aside.

In a large mixing bowl, beat the butter until it is smooth. Beat in the sugar and continue mixing on high until the mixture is light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs and vanilla.

Beat in the flour, cinnamon, baking soda, salt and nutmeg until everything is just combined.

Fold in the diced apples and walnuts

by hand.

Spread the batter into your prepared pan and bake for 50 to 55 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.

While the bars cook, prepare the topping.

Begin by lightly toasting the walnuts for several minutes in a dry skillet over medium heat. Just let them get slightly browned and warmed through to really release some of the yummy oil in the nuts.

Then combine all of the topping ingredients in a bowl, mixing well.

When the bars come out of the oven, spoon the topping mixture evenly over the top, and bake for another five minutes.

Let the bars cool completely before cutting and serving. Store any leftovers in an airtight container.

These were nutty and sweet and full of delicious spice flavor. I was a little nervous my bars were a bit overcooked when I first pulled them from the oven, but I trusted the process, and they were absolutely perfect.

I think over half of the pan was devoured at the office with only a few people present, so needless to say, they were a big hit.

Despite my recent fruit debate, I think I'm sticking with red apples for my favorite everyday snack for the time being. Granny Smiths will always have a place on my beloved list—just in a slightly different category.

Spice Up Your Life is a weekly recipe column by Lindsey Young, who describes herself as an enthusiastic amateur cook and can be reached through her website at spiceupkitchen.net.

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Insight - Kansas Farm Bureau Growing recognition

Glenn Brunkow
Pottawatomie County farmer & rancher

Farmers and ranchers in Kansas are amazing people. Yes, I am tooting our own horn, but we deserve it. We are hard-working and all too humble people, and the work we do is something our fellow humans literally cannot live without. We grow food.

I say all of this because my colleagues in agriculture will not. I know they are too busy working long hours doing their job, including working up to seven days a week. We wait for someone else to acknowledge our good work, and that is an admirable trait. So, I am going to say it for all of us.

Just look at the last five years. We have survived some of the worst weather and drought in recorded history, a pandemic, supply chain disruptions, increased costs for everything and high interest rates, and we are still here. What is more, we are producing more food, using fewer in-

puts and less land all while protecting the air, soil and water around us.

Our jobs will get harder in the upcoming years because we will need to produce even more food —more food than we have ever produced in history. We will also be asked to do it with less land all while improving the natural resources with which we are entrusted. That is a heavy lift.

Do you know what? We will do it, and we will do it better than anyone can even imagine. Farmers and ranchers have stepped up and met every challenge thrown our way. We are asked to do the impossible, and we come through with flying colors each time. That is something to be proud of.

We put our backs into the harness and pull our heavy loads, never expecting any recognition or accolades. Its time we recognized the good work we do and let the rest of the world know how proud we are of the food we grow. It's not bragging, it's pride, and that is not some-

thing we should be shy to tell the rest of the world about.

We are a humble group. Take a step back and look at the impact our work has on the world around us. We feed a hungry, growing population. Nothing else can be accomplished if you are starving. The rest of the world needs us, whether they recognize it or not.

I know we do not do our jobs for recognition, but it is important to take time to look at all we do. The changes we have navigated are stunning. We have done this in some of the hardest times we have ever faced, and we did it with style and grace. All of this is something we need to acknowledge and take pride in.

So, during this busy season, take a minute to appreciate all we have accomplished on our farms and ranches. We rightfully are and should be proud of what we do. And in their own way, I know a hungry world recognizes this.

Application deadline extended

OCCK, Inc. announces the application deadline for its More Than You Think Scholarship for 2024 has been extended to August 1, 2024.

The scholarship was established in 2021 as part of the 50th Anniversary celebration of OCCK, as a long term reminder of the good work that past generations have done, and that future generations will do, in working with people with disabilities in north central Kansas.

The More Than You Think Scholarship recognizes and honors students in north central Kansas from Saline, Ottawa, Cloud, Republic, Jewell, Mitchell, Lincoln, Ellsworth or Dickinson Counties, who have a disability and are looking to further their education by enrolling in some type of post-secondary learning opportunity (college, university, community college, vocational school, cosmetology school, etc.) Any type of credentialed program will be considered.

To apply, applicants must complete the Scholarship Application, and include two letters of reference. Applications are due August 1, 2024. Multiple winners may be selected in amounts up to \$1,000 each.

The scholarship application may be found online at <https://occk.com/scholarships/>, or by contacting Janae Cramer at jrcramer@occk.com or 785.827.9383.

OCCK, Inc. provides services in north central Kansas to anyone with any type of long or short-term disability, starting as early as birth and following people through their whole lives. OCCK provides an array of supports for success at home and in the community, including independent living skills and supports, employment and career training, Alzheimer's supports, autism services, assistive technology, children's services, transportation, specialized therapies, and home health care.

Political signs not allowed on highway right of way

It's a sign of the season – political campaigning and the posting of campaign signs. The Kansas Department of Transportation reminds the public that all political campaign signs or billboards are prohibited from being placed on state highway right of way.

By law, all right of way on state highways is exclusively for public highway purposes. Only regulatory, guide signs and warning signs placed by KDOT are allowed on the 9,500-mile state highway system. KDOT has jurisdiction over all interstate, Kansas and U.S. routes.

When KDOT maintenance crews find political signs on state highway right of way, the signs will be removed immediately and without notice. All such signs will then be taken to the closest KDOT Subarea office. Political campaign signs not retrieved from the Subarea offices will be disposed of after the election.

Political campaign advertising is allowed on private property bordering state right of way. However, people placing or erecting signs on private property must first obtain permission from the property owner.

A state law passed in 2015 related to placement of campaign signs on city- or county-owned right of way does not apply to state highway right of way. Persons placing signs on city street or county road right of way should consult the local jurisdiction on any rules.

Star-Spangled Grilling and Smoking Food Safety Practices Everyone Needs to Know

On July Fourth, the aroma of barbecue will fill the air as the festivities bring together family and friends to celebrate with quintessential American cooking pastimes: grilling and smoking. Food is the biggest staple when it comes to celebrating Independence Day, aside from the fireworks. Whether you're sizzling burgers on the grill or slow-cooking ribs in the smoker, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service is urging everyone to take food safety precautions during food preparations.

"Fourth of July is a great time to use the grill and smoker to cook delicious meats and poultry," said Under Secretary for Food Safety Dr. Emilio Esteban. "Whichever method you use, reduce your risk of foodborne illness by using a food thermometer to measure the safe minimum internal temperature, and reduce cross-contamination by using separate utensils for raw and cooked meat and poultry."

Here are grilling and smoking food safety tips to keep in mind during your celebratory cookout:

Thaw meat or poultry first. Smoking uses low temperatures to cook food, and frozen food would take too long to reach a safe internal temperature before bacteria can start to multiply. Frozen foods can be grilled safely, but they will take longer and may cook unevenly.

Marinate in the refrigerator. Marinating tenderizes and flavors meat and poultry before grilling and smoking. Always marinate in the refrigerator and NOT on the counter. If basting meat and poultry during grilling or smoking, and you want to use some of the marinade as a sauce, you should put aside a portion of the marinade that has not been in contact with the raw meat or poultry. If using a marinade that has already been used on raw meat or poultry, boil first to destroy harmful bacteria.

Keep raw meat and poultry separate. Use different cutting boards and utensils for raw meats and poultry and food that is fully cooked or is ready to eat to avoid cross-contamination with bacteria.

Keep the smoker and grill at a safe temperature. If you are using a smoker or

grill to smoke meats, you will need two types of thermometers: one for the food to determine safe internal temperature and an oven-safe thermometer to monitor that the air temperature in the smoker or grill stays between 225 and 300 F throughout the cooking process.

Cook meats to a safe internal temperature as measured by a food thermometer.

- Cook all raw beef, pork, lamb and veal steaks, chops, and roasts to a minimum internal temperature of 145 F before removing meat from the heat source. For safety and quality, allow meat to rest for at least three minutes before carving or consuming.
- Cook all raw ground beef, pork, lamb, and veal to an internal temperature of 160 F.
- Cook all poultry to a safe minimum internal temperature of 165 F.

If you have food safety questions, call the USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854), email MPHotline@usda.gov or chat live at www.ask.usda.gov 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

Access news releases and other information at USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service's (FSIS) website at www.fsis.usda.gov/newsroom. Follow FSIS on X at @usdafoodsafety or in Spanish at X @usdafoodsafety_es and USDA on Instagram at @usdagov and Facebook.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit www.usda.gov.

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this election season, I understand. Surveys tell us that a sizable number of voters are disenchanting with their options they have and feel pessimistic about the future.

As the States Newsroom Impact Report for 2023 puts it: "News coverage of state government has decreased dramatically at a time when human rights are under attack, misinformation is rampant and accurate news is hard to find and access. The stakes could not be higher."

The answer cannot be to close our eyes.

We need Kansas residents to be more engaged, not less. We need more people following the news, not fewer. We need more voters believing they can make a difference, not despairing of being heard.

We know at this point that nothing replaces actual solid news reporting and commentary. Social media giant Meta has gotten out of the game altogether. Artificial intelligence programs, when they're not simply generating pabulum, hallucinate incorrect information.

In the meantime, the news business has staggered under the weight of changing readership habits, advertising defections, ownership machinations and sheer depression. But take it from someone who has spent nearly two decades in profession: We reach more readers now than have before. Even the smallest town's newspaper or the tiniest website can serve hundreds of millions of readers, bandwidth permitting.

The challenge, then, is creating compelling stories and commentaries and building a sustainable model for journalists to do that work. Here at Kansas Reflector, we've done that through a nonprofit structure. But we're also not the only ones. Across Kansas, other newspapers and news outlets are producing great journalism, reaching readers and doing so on a sustainable basis. But that doesn't mean they can't use your support. That means it's more important than ever.

Let me get personal for a moment.

When I started at Kansas Reflector nearly three years ago, I had been out of journalism for four years. I did not expect to return. I came back because I have always wanted to be an opinion writer and editor. I also knew that Smith and the rest of the staff were doing outstanding work.

I had no idea at the time that I would become so personally and emotionally invested in Kansas Reflector and what we do. It's a great joy to be here, to write these columns and interact with readers. You might think I'm about to ask you to donate or subscribe. If you want to, we welcome your support. But I would prefer that you support another Kansas outlet today. Help give another journalist the kind of amazing opportunity I received.

Most importantly, read. Follow the news and stay informed. Let others know the importance of understanding the world around you, even when that world is uncertain and dangerous.

Especially when that world is uncertain and dangerous.

- Clay Wirestone is Kansas Reflector opinion editor. Through its opinion section, Kansas Reflector works to amplify the voices of people who are affected by public policies or excluded from public debate.

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NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION
State of Kansas, County of Lincoln

I, the undersigned County Election Officer of the above named county, have received a certified list of candidates for the various nominations to be made by each of the political parties of this state, and in accordance with the provisions of the law, I hereby publish as much as is applicable to the county, and I have added thereto the names and addresses of the candidates for nomination by several political parties as the same appear in my office.

The following named candidates for nomination by the several political parties and their post office addresses appear under their respective parties.

Election to be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The said Primary Election will be held at the following polling places in the county: Lincoln Jr/Sr High School Storm Shelter, Lincoln: Battle Creek, Beaver, Colorado, Elkhorn, Franklin, Grant, Indiana, Logan, Madison, Marion, Salt Creek, Scott and Valley Townships and Barnard City, Beverly City and Lincoln Center Precincts I and II; Sylvan Grove Fire Station, Sylvan Grove: Cedron, Golden Belt, Hanover, Highland, Orange, Pleasant and Vesper Townships, Sylvan Grove City.

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Precinct Committeeman
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DEMOCRATIC PARTY NATIONAL, STATE AND DISTRICT BALLOT UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 1ST DISTRICT
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STATE SENATE 36TH DISTRICT
Vote For One
STATE REPRESENTATIVE 109TH DISTRICT
Vote For One
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Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of June, 2024.
/s/ Dawn M Harlow
Lincoln County Clerk/Election Officer

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Award as presented by ASBA. The Industry Merit Award is presented to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to ASBA and the industry.

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Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS
(Pursuant to Chapter 59 of K.S.A.)

In the Matter of the Estate
of Case No. LC-2024-PR-000008
George W. Murray, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Brett Murray, son of George W. Murray, deceased, requesting:
Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Lincoln County, Kansas:

Block 2, in West End Park Addition to the City of Barnard,
Lincoln County, Kansas

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the terms of the "Valid Settlement Agreement" filed with the Lincoln County District Court.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before July 15, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Lincoln County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Brett Murray
Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS
(Pursuant to Chapter 59 of K.S.A.)

In the Matter of the Estate
of Case No. LC-2024-PR-000007
George D. Murray, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING

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You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Brett Murray, grandson of George D. Murray, deceased, requesting:
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Barnard, Lincoln County, Kansas

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the terms of the "Valid Settlement Agreement" filed with the Lincoln County District Court.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before July 15, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Lincoln County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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Celebrate/from page 1

ment two days later on July 4.

Americans have always celebrated independence on July 4, the date of the official document, however, historians have disputed whether members of Congress signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed.

By a remarkable coincidence, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of the Declaration.[16] Although not a signatory of the Declaration of Independence, James Monroe, another Founding Father who was elected president, also died on July 4, 1831, making him the third President who died on the anniversary of independence.[17] The only U.S. president to have been born on Independence Day was Calvin Coolidge, who was born on July 4, 1872.

Citizens celebrated their independence as early as 1777, but the first "official" celebration took place at the White House in 1826. It wasn't until 1870 that the U.S. Congress made Independence Day an unpaid holiday for federal employees. In 1941, 165 years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence, Congress made Independence Day a paid federal holiday.

Today, Independence Day is celebrated with barbecues and picnics, parades and fireworks.

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Strs		Hrs	
300-400	\$340.00-358.00	300-400	\$300.00-318.00
400-500	\$340.00-346.00	400-500	NO TEST
500-600	NO TEST	500-600	\$300.00-292.00
600-700	NO TEST	600-700	NO TEST
700-800	NO TEST	700-800	NO TEST
800-900	\$242.00-253.00	800-900	\$225.00-233.00
900-1000	NO TEST	900-1000	NO TEST

• Early consignments for Thursday July 10th: 600 mostly blk strs 850-1050, 24 s&h 500-600 long weaned, off grass; 100 hrs 750-80 no sort; 150 char s&h 500-650 home raised, weaned; 65 blk/bwf s&h 550-600 weaned 60 days, 2 nrd vacc, home raised, October born plus more by sale time

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Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-20. The numbers in each row add up to the totals on the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.

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	20	3	28
19	43	6	

3	20	5
1	15	10
2	8	4

Solution

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- **1608:** QUEBEC CITY IS FOUNDED BY SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN.
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ANSWER: JULY

Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

LCEETAREB HET NONITA

Answer: Celebrate the nation



INDEPENDENCE

the state of being free of control

How they SAY that in...

- ENGLISH:** Parade
- SPANISH:** Desfile
- ITALIAN:** Parata
- FRENCH:** Parade
- GERMAN:** Parade



CANADA CELEBRATES CANADA DAY ON JULY 1. A FEW DAYS LATER ON JULY 4, THE UNITED STATES CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY. BOTH ARE DAYS OF NATIONAL PRIDE FOR THESE COUNTRIES.



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