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What a year it's been!



The “Big Green Monster” also known as Lincoln’s free house located at the corner of North St. and 2nd, was moved to private ground a few miles east of Lincoln. (Photo by Alan Finch)

It’s so easy, as you are living it, to forget where you started until much later. Looking back, we tend to gain perception. The past year, 2023, has seen more growth in more ways than we have seen for quite some time in Lincoln.

Lincoln’s “free” house Starting in January of 2023, the “free” house garnered national attention. First, why would someone give away a house of any

kind? People throughout the country gasped in awe at the woodwork and style still apparent in the house. Finally, a young couple, one of whom has generations-deep roots in the county, stepped up to save the home that was scheduled for demolition and arranged to have it moved to a piece of property they purchased from family members.

From watching this two-story Dutch Colonial mov-

ing down the highway to its new foundation in January, to having it displayed for all to see on a national renovation television show called “In With the Old” in December, was almost mesmerizing for those who love historic homes. Eddie and Julie Flores demonstrated the value of researching old properties, putting in the time to locate the right contractors, and expending the energy and labor required

for beautiful details. All that, and the fact the home now sits on ground that has been owned by Julie’s family for three generations, makes it a most productive year for the Flores family.

Sylvan Senior Center The Sylvan Senior Center was awarded a grant in January of 2023 to begin the renovation of the old Farmer’s Elevator Building on Sylvan Grove’s main street. Up to this time the group

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**USD # 298**  
**TRACK FUNDRAISING**  
**Committee**

Above: New track at Mettner Field soon to be a reality. Right: Communities throughout the community have worked to make their towns and properties more attractive to visitors. This is the exterior of Nancy’s Fancies in Barnard. (Courtesy Photos)



What once served the Sylvan Grove community as Farmers Elevator Co. will soon be the new home of the Sylvan Senior Center. (Courtesy photo)

Liggett retires after 50 years



GALEN “DIGGER” LIGGETT

After 50 years in banking, Galen “Digger” Liggett, Vice President at Citizens State Bank & Trust Co., Lincoln, has announced his retirement in January of 2024.

Liggett began his career when John McReynolds, Bank President of Farmers National Bank, hired him to begin work on December 17, 1973, in bookkeeping. Through the years, Liggett has worked not only in bookkeeping, but also as a teller and loan officer, ending his career as manager of the Lincoln bank location. His entire 50-year career was in the same location.

Besides a career in the banking industry, Liggett has spent 50 years serving the community of Lincoln. He has volunteered on several local boards including the Chamber of Commerce, Lincoln Lions Club, 14 years on the Lincoln County Hospital Board of Trustees, 25 years as a volunteer ambulance driver for Lincoln County EMS and 40 years as the Treasurer for the City of Lincoln.

“As I near retirement, I leave with no regrets and a heart full of love and gratitude for those I have touched along the way,” Liggett said. “This is more than a workplace. I am so proud to leave this place with the team that is here.”

“We are happy to have had Galen on our team and appreciate his dedication to the bank as well as the Lincoln community,” CSB&T Bank President, David Brownback said. “We wish him the best in his retirement.”

A retirement reception is planned for Galen in the lobby of the Lincoln bank Tuesday, January 16 from 2 – 4 p.m.

City closes out 2023

In Mayor Travis Schwerdtfager’s absence, Elijah Keever, City Council president, convened a special session for the month-end at 7:30 a.m., Friday, December 29.

Approved were the minutes of the December 11 council meeting as written. Payroll Voucher 23-12 for December wages and salaries in the amount of \$70,297.61 was presented and approved.

An Accounts Payable list was reviewed. Unpaid invoices received to date totaled \$132,128.06 were presented and approved by the council.

Applications for the renewal of Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses had previously been received from K. K. Smith, Inc. d/b/a Lincoln Grocery and Dollar General. Each application was accompanied by the appropriate fee. Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses for 2024 were approved for both vendors.

Transfers from the General Fund to the Equipment Reserve Fund in the amount of \$45,000 was approved as scheduled in the 2023 budget. A transfer of \$30,000 from the Water Fund, \$100,000 from the Electric Fund and \$15,000 from the Sewer Fund to the City’s Utility Reserve Funds were approved as scheduled in the 2023 budget.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be January 9 at 6:30 p.m.

**National Spaghetti Day - January 4th**

National Spaghetti Day is typically observed in the United States by savoring an array of spaghetti dishes at home, in local restaurants, or at various events showcasing the versatility of this beloved pasta. From cooking competitions to family recipe exchanges, Americans find many ways to participate in this delicious observance. National Spaghetti Day is celebrated every year on January 4th, providing a delightful start to each new year for American spaghetti lovers and serving as a staple observance in the American culinary calendar. It is a day to savor, share, and appreciate the wonderful culinary creation that is spaghetti.

**Cash Grain**

Wheat.....	\$6.12
Corn .....	\$4.88
Sorghum .....	\$4.53
Soybeans.....	\$12.27

Cash prices courtesy of bankoftescott.com



Community Calendar

Thursday, January 4

USD 298: 4 pm JH BB @ Stockton  
USD 299: School Resumes

Friday, January 5

USD 298: 4 pm HS BB vs Osborne; 6 pm LES Awards Night @ LJSHS Gym (half-time of HS BB game)  
USD 299: ACT Registration Deadline; 4 pm HS BB @ Tescott

Saturday, January 6

Vesper: 5:30 pm Bingo at Vesper Community Center  
USD 299: 10 am Wrestling Norton Tournament @ Norton

Sunday, January 7

Monday, January 8

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

Tuesday, January 9

USD 298: HS BB @ Tescott  
USD 299: Academic Recognition; FFA Officer Meeting-Seminar; HS Cheer Halftime Routine; 4 pm HS BB vs Natoma

Wednesday, January 10

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.

Lincoln Senior Center

MENU

Monday, January 8

TBD

Tuesday, January 9

TBD

Wednesday, January 10

TBD

Thursday, January 11

TBD

Friday, January 12

TBD

Menu is subject to change.  
Call 785-524-4738 before 9:30 a.m. to reserve a lunch.  
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Join us as we celebrate the Retirement of  
Galen “Digger” Liggett



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# Christmas Parade winners

The 3rd Annual Lighted Christmas Parade blew down Lincoln Avenue Saturday, December 9, 2023 in a Winter Wonderland flurry! We had votes for a number of different floats that were awesome, and the two with most votes that best fit the Winter Wonderland theme were the Nelson Ag Service Model T with blowing snow, and the Bank of Tescott gingerbread house. Thank you to everyone who participated, and helped to make this event one of our community’s best!

Thank you also to LouMae & Ash for hosting Santa pictures, the Lincoln VFW Post7928 for the Santa Snacks, Santa, Sparkles and Rudolph, and a handful of special helpers that did everything from decorating a tree, to handing out candy, to setting up and taking down barricades, to lining up the parade entries and more.



Above: Nelson Ag Service Model T; Below: Bank of Tescott gingerbread house (courtesy photos)



COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

December 18, 2023

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, December 18, 2023. 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 recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: Larry Spear, Dale Hlad, Felicia Strahm, Daniel Muchow, Bri Beck, Rhonda Fernandez, and Leann Johnson.

Correspondence: mid-month accounts payable; Natural Gas Pipeline safety flyer; Christmas cards from North Central Regional Planning Commission and Gilmore & Bell; a flyer from the Railroad Yard; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; a letter from the Sylvan Grove Historical Society regarding delinquent solid waste disposal fees assessed on the tax roll; and a note that Jim Gabelmann would like to stop serving on the Juvenile Detention Facility’s Board of Directors.

Debora Smith moved to waive the additional assessed fees charged to the Sylvan Grove Historical Society and only charge them the original \$72 for solid waste, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to appoint Debora Smith to the Juvenile Detention Center Board for 2024, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad provided cost information to extend the warranty for a CAT motor grader. Dennis Ray moved to extend the warranty for the 12M3 motor grader, aka (Wally’s) for two years or 2,000 hours in the amount of \$20,972.50, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Hlad presented a utility permit agreement for the Board’s approval.

Debora Smith moved to approve the utility permit agreement for the use of public right-of-way between Lincoln County and David Persigehl, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Hlad reported on department activities.

Larry Spear questioned the Board’s funding mechanism for an equipment purchase and inquired why wind tower money is not used to purchase new equipment.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing landfill employees, 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, HR Felicia Strahm, Landfill Operator Daniel Muchow, and Highway Department Director Dale Hlad, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 9:27 a.m. Time out: 9:37 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:37 a.m. The Board authorized the landfill/transfer station to advertise for a part-time employee.

The Board discussed the following items with Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Muchow: employees utilizing Square Up and billing contractors dumping trash. The group discussed ideas for proper notification to the public that payment is expected when disposing of construction/demolition materials and tires at the time of disposal. Charge accounts are limited to businesses and individuals who make prior arrangements. Muchow requested approval to place an advertisement, in addition to adding additional signage. The Board approved. Muchow discussed recycling metal materials.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for twenty minutes for the purpose of discussing department head evaluations, 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: 9:52 a.m. Time out: 10:02 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:02 a.m. Bri Beck, NCRPC, provided CDBG-CVR grant paperwork for the board’s approval. Debora Smith moved to allow the chairman to sign the following paperwork for the CDBG CVR Grant No. 23- CVR-007: response letter accepting the grant; Grant Agreement; Grant Budget; and Determination of Level of Environmental Review, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the county’s purchase policies. Beck will review the policies to determine if they are sufficient for the grant project.

Rhonda Fernandez, PIC, presented information on services provided to entities participating in the State Non-employee Group Health Plan. Fernandez related that PIC could continue to offer services to the county for \$1,250 per month. The Board tabled a decision on this date.

Human Resource Officer Felicia Strahm provided the updated Pay Grade classification for county employees and elected officials. Strahm discussed handbook changes and inquired when the Board would like to review completed evaluations with department heads.

The Board requested County Treasurer Leann Johnson provide a list of expenditures paid from the WEB Fund principal account.

Debora Smith moved to sign three letters of support: two for the Sylvan Senior Center and one for the City of Barnard, all for grant applications, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes for December 4th and 11th, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.

Debora Smith moved to approve the mid-month accounts payable in the amount of \$112,899.50, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

Clerk’s Note: Beginning January 1, 2024, the Lincoln County Clerk will not be responsible for live streaming and video recording the commission meetings. Comments, suggestions, or volunteers should go directly to the Board by contacting your commissioner or attending a commission meeting.





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## Live Lincoln County 2024 travel guide magazine

The 2024 edition of the Live Lincoln County travel guide magazine will be produced this spring, going to print in March. 5,000 copies are distributed free, locally and across the state, and we would like to see as many local businesses and organizations represented as possible. This magazine is built by local writers, graphic designers, and photographers. Please reach out to Kris at the Chamber office if you'd like to be included. 785-524-4934.

## Kansas Tops Nation in Economic Growth Over Fall 2023

**Kansas' Economic Growth Was #1 in the Nation in the 3rd Quarter of 2023, #2 in the Nation in the 2nd Quarter**

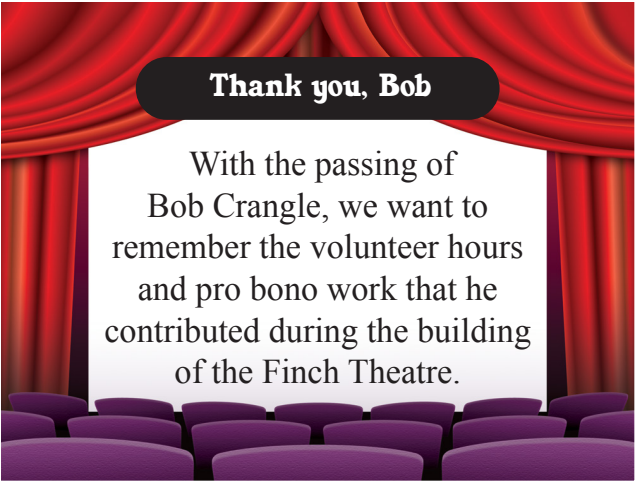
Governor Laura Kelly today celebrated that, according to data released by the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), the Kansas economy grew by 9.7% in the 3rd quarter of 2023 -- the fastest rate in the nation. This improves on an already impressive record of economic growth; in the 2nd quarter of 2023, Kansas' economy grew at the second-fastest rate in the nation at 7.4%.

"This data shows that our efforts to support businesses, create a stable economy, and grow our workforce are paying off," Governor Laura Kelly said. "Now, Kansas is outstripping the entire nation in economic growth and attracting business investment. Last week, I announced Kansas surpassed \$18 billion in business investment since I took office in 2019. It's clear we have the momentum to continue this trajectory of economic success into 2024 and beyond."

The Kelly Administration's work to support the agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting industries helped drive this economic growth. While those industries decreased nationally and in 33 other states, they were leading contributors to growth in Kansas.

Kansas also ranked third in the nation for growth in personal income, with personal income growing at 4.9% over the 3rd quarter of 2023. Farming, which decreased nationally and in 41 other states, was the leading contributor to the increased earnings in Kansas.

Kansas' economic growth is measured by the change in its real gross domestic product (GDP), or the market value of goods and services produced in the state. The second quarter of 2023 included April through June; the third quarter included July through September.



## Farmers & Ranchers Livestock Commission Co.

**Total for the Week - Cattle -**  
**NO SALES THIS WEEK**  
*We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. We would like to thank each of you for all your patronage and support in 2023 and would like to continue serving you in the future.*

**Early Consignments for Thursday, January 4th:**

13 red angus steers & heifers, 500-750, wean 60 days, off wheat; 60 black steers & heifers, 600-800, wean Oct. 16, 2 round vaccinations, open; 60 red steers & heifers, 700-850, home raised, long wean, vaccinated, checked open; 85 steers & heifers, 600-800, long wean, 3 round vaccinations, open; 19 black steers, 900-1000, home raised, long wean; 50 black & red, 600-800, home raised, long wean, wean 100 days, vaccinated, off cover crop; 35 black/bwf steers & heifers, 450-700, Oct. wean, spring vaccinations; 20 black steers & heifers, 450-700, Oct. wean, home raise, vaccinated; 110 black steers & heifers, 500-750, home raised, long wean, 3 round fall vaccinations, open, no implants; 31 black & red steers & heifers, 650-750, Sept. wean, home raise, vaccinated; 85 black & red steers & heifers, 500-700, weaned, 3 round vaccinations; 85 char/black/red steers & heifers, 500-700, weaned, 3 round vaccinations; 74 black steers & heifers, 600-800, wean September, 2 round fall vaccinations, home raised, open; 475 black steers & heifers, home raised, wean November 1, vaccinated, Cow Camp sired; 20 black steers & heifers, 700-800, long wean, vaccinated; 60 steers & heifers, 500-700, wean 60 days, 1 round vaccination; 60 steers, 900#s, no sort; 20 red angus steers & heifers, 600-700, wean 60+ days, 2 round fall vaccination; 15 black steers & heifers, 400-500, wean 1 week, spring vaccinations; 19 black steers & heifers, 450-825, wean Sept. 13, 2 round vaccinations, open; 100 black steers & heifers, 500-700, wean Nov.1, home raised, 2 round vaccinations, open; 9 heifers, 550-650, long wean, vaccinated; 28 black steers, 600-800, home raised, long wean, vaccinated; 16 steers & heifers, 500-600, home raised, wean 75 days, vaccinated; 18 red angus heifers, 550-650, long wean, vaccinated; 162 black steers & heifers, 600-800, home raised, long wean, vaccinated, off wheat; 40 steers, 600-800, wean 75+ days, 3 round vaccinations; 45 black steers & heifers, wean October, spring vaccinations, open; 12 black steers & heifers, 600-700, wean October, spring vaccinations, open; plus more by sale time.

**Early Consignments for Wean/Vacc Sale January 9th:**

80 angus/charX s&h, 550-700, long wean, running out; 80 blk s&h, 650-850, home raise, Cow Camp sire; 41 blk s&h, 500-700, home raise, wean 30 days, 2 rnd vaccs, open; 50 blk s&h, 450-550, 60days wean, fall vaccs; 20 blk char str, 600#s, wean 60 days, vaccs; 25 blk/bwf hfrs, 450-550, wean Oct.1, 2 rnd vaccs, open; 39 blk s&h, 550-650, home raise; 95 blk angus s&h, 550-750, 90 days wean, 2 rnd vaccs; 42 hereford/red angusX s&h, 650-750, wean Oct.13, 2 rnd vaccs, open; 40 blk s&h, 600-700, home raise; 70 s&h, wean Nov.10, home raise, vaccs, Don Johnson & Hulse Hereford sire; 80 blk s&h, 700-850; 70 blk s&h, 600#s, Harms angus sire; 55 blk s&h, 500-700, wean 60+days, 2 rnd vaccs, Vira6; 200 blk/char s&h, 450-650, Fink/ Lyons/ Nelson sired; 70 blk s&h, 500-700, wean 75 days, 2 rnd vaccs, open; 90 blk s&h; 8 blk/red s&h, 400-600, 50 days wean, vaccs; 900 blk s&h, 550-750, Walrod sired; 230 blk/red s&h, 600-750; 70 blk s&h, 600-750; 35 blk s&h, 600-750; 100 char/angusX s&h, 450-650, wean 40 days, home raise, 2 rnd vaccs; 20 blk s&h, 500-525, 60 days wean, 2 rnd fall vaccs; 60 mostly blk str, 800-900, long wean, vaccs; 23 s&h, 650-750, wean 90 days; 150 blk s&h, 650-800; 30 Akaushi/X str, 600-700, wean 60 days, vaccs; 40 blk s&h, 500-550, wean Oct.25, 2 rnd vaccs, open; plus more by sale time.

**Early Consignments for Special Cow Sale January 16th:**

**Bred Heifers:** 120 blk hfrs, ½ Schlessiger origin, rest are home raised, Al/d 5/2 to KCF Bennett Exponential & TC Focus In, cleaned up bulls are angus & proven, pulled 7/1, 1100lbs - CVP; 36 blk/red hfrs, Al bred; 50 blk hfrs, Al to select sires, OCAV, "New Addition" cleaned up with Lyons & Harms angus, 60 days- will have scourgaud, all shots, home raised or off one ranch; plus more by sale time.

**Cows:** 120 blk cows, 3-4 years, bred angus, early spring calvers; 20 blk/red angus, 3-5 years; 60 angus/bwf 5-9 years, bred to char & sim/angus, bulls in 5/1; 30 red/blk, 3-8 years old; 35 angus cows, solid & older, bred Molitor angus, home raise, heavy bred; 105 red angus/blk cows, 3-7 years, SD & Montana origin, bulls in May 15, bred Judd Ranch Balancer & Lyons angus; 28 blk cows, 3 years old, 2nd calvers, bred Hereford or Optimizer, calving March for 40-50 days; 29 blk cows, solid short & broken mouth, start calving Feb.26, bred Gelbvieh Balancer; plus more by sale time.

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Afternoon Worship @ 2:30 pm

**LINCOLN UNITED METHODIST**  
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Worship Service @ 10:30 am

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Church @ 11:00 am

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Worship @ 11:00 am

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Guest Editorial

The curious joy of being wrong  
– intellectual humility means  
being open to new information

Mark Twain apocryphally said, “I’m in favor of progress; it’s change I don’t like.” This quote pithily underscores the human tendency to desire growth while also harboring strong resistance to the hard work that comes with it. I can certainly resonate with this sentiment.

I was raised in a conservative evangelical home. Like many who grew up in a similar environment, I learned a set of religious beliefs that framed how I understood myself and the world around me. I was taught that God is loving and powerful, and God’s faithful followers are protected. I was taught that the world is fair and that God is good. The world seemed simple and predictable – and most of all, safe.

These beliefs were shattered when my brother unexpectedly passed away when I was 27 years old. His death at 34 with three young children shocked our family and community. In addition to reeling with grief, some of my deepest assumptions were challenged. Was God not good or not powerful? Why didn’t God save my brother, who was a kind and loving father and husband? And how unfair, uncaring and random is the universe?

This deep loss started a period where I questioned all of my beliefs in light of the evidence of my own experiences. Over a considerable amount of time, and thanks to an exemplary therapist, I was able to revise my worldview in a way that felt authentic. I changed my mind, about a lot of things. The process sure wasn’t pleasant. It took more sleepless nights than I care to recall, but I was able to revise some of my core beliefs.

I didn’t realize it then, but this experience falls under what social science researchers call intellectual humility. And honestly, it is probably a large part of why, as a psychology professor, I am so interested in studying it. Intellectual humility has been gaining more attention, and it seems critically important for our cultural moment, when it’s more common to defend your position than change your mind.

**What it means to be intellectually humble**  
Intellectual humility is a particular kind of humility that has to do with beliefs, ideas or worldviews. This is not only about religious beliefs; it can show up in political views, various social attitudes, areas of knowledge or expertise or any other strong convictions. It has both internal- and external-facing dimensions.

Within yourself, intellectual humility involves awareness and ownership of the limitations and biases in what you know and how you know it. It requires a willingness to revise your views in light of strong evidence.

Interpersonally, it means keeping your ego in check so you can present your ideas in a modest and respectful manner. It calls for presenting your beliefs in ways that are not defensive and admitting when you’re wrong. It involves showing that you care more about learning and preserving relationships than about being “right” or demonstrating intellectual superiority.

Another way of thinking about humility, intellectual or otherwise, is being the right size in any given situation: not too big (which is arrogance), but also not too small (which is self-deprecation).

I know a fair amount about psychology, but not much about opera. When I’m in professional settings, I can embrace the expertise that I’ve earned over the years. But when visiting the opera house with more cultured friends, I should listen and ask more questions, rather than confidently assert my highly uninformed opinion.

Four main aspects of intellectual humility include being:

- Open-minded, avoiding dogmatism and being willing to revise your beliefs.
- Curious, seeking new ideas, ways to expand and grow, and changing your mind to align with strong evidence.
- Realistic, owning and admitting your flaws and limitations, seeing the world as it is rather than as you wish it to be.
- Teachable, responding nondefensively and changing your behavior to align with new knowledge.

Intellectual humility is often hard work, especially when the stakes are high.

Starting with the admission that you, like everyone else, have cognitive biases and flaws that limit how much you know, intellectual humility might look like taking genuine interest in learning about your relative’s beliefs during a conversation at a family get-together, rather than waiting for them to finish so you can prove them wrong by sharing your – superior – opinion.

It could look like considering the merits of an alternative viewpoint on a hot-button political issue and why respectable, intelligent people might disagree with you. When you approach these challenging discussions with curiosity and humility, they become opportunities to learn and grow.

Why intellectual humility is an asset

Though I’ve been studying humility for years, I’ve not yet mastered it personally. It’s hard to swim against cultural norms that reward being right and punish mistakes. It takes constant work to develop, but psychological science

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PRAIRIE DOC - BY ANDREW ELLSWORTH, MD

Seizures

A seizure can be one of the most frightening things for a family member, friend, or anyone to witness. However, for some people with epilepsy, seizures may be fairly common and not unexpected. Roughly 1 in 10 people may have a seizure at some point in their lifetime.

A seizure occurs when there is a burst of uncontrolled electrical activity in the brain. This may cause a sudden change in awareness or full loss of consciousness, unusual sensations or thoughts, or temporary problems in muscle tone or movements, such as stiffness, twitching, or limpness.

The two main types of seizures are focal and generalized. A focal onset seizure starts in one area of the brain and spreads, causing mild or severe symptoms. A generalized seizure occurs when both sides of the brain are affected. Generalized seizures may include:

- Absence - which causes a staring spell, the “petit mal” seizure
- Atonic - which causes someone to go limp suddenly
- Myoclonic - which causes sudden body jolts or increased tone briefly
- Tonic - which causes muscle stiffness

- Clonic - which causes muscles to spasm and jerk
- Tonic-clonic - a combination of jerking and muscle stiffness, the “grand mal” seizure

If you witness someone having a seizure, stay with them until the seizure ends and they are fully awake. Stay calm, it should end in a few minutes. Ease them to the floor and turn the person gently to one side which can help them breathe. Clear the area of anything hard or sharp to help keep them safe. Consider putting something soft and flat like a folded jacket under their head. Consider removing their glasses or sunglasses. Loosen ties or anything around the neck.

Not all people who have a seizure need to go to the hospital. Time the seizure and consider calling 911 if the seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes. Other reasons to call 911 include if they have never had a seizure before, if they have difficulty breathing or waking after the seizure, if they have another seizure soon after the first, if they get hurt from the seizure, if it happened in water, or if they have a known health condition like diabetes, heart disease, or are pregnant. Do not hold the person down or try

to stop their movements. Never put anything in their mouth or forcefully open a tightly clenched jaw, since that could harm them. It is a myth that someone having a seizure is in danger of swallowing their tongue.

After the seizure, the person is likely to be unconscious or sleepy for a few minutes more. This is the post-ictal phase, when the brain is still very active and trying to contain the electrical impulses. Once someone is alert, they are likely to be sore, confused, or frightened themselves. Tell them what happened in a calm and simple manner.

Seizures can be quite frightening to witness, but with some knowledge, you may be better prepared to help.

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SPICE UP YOUR LIFE - LINDSAY YOUNG

Become ‘nut’orious for simple pecan brownies



Pecan brownies are flavored with butter, unsweetened chocolate and vanilla, along with lots of pecans to create a great dessert for a small gathering or cookie exchange.

We had a bit of a scaled-down celebration for Christmas this year, with several of our family members traveling outside of Kansas, so I very carefully considered what treats I would be making.

Normally, I overdo it with several types of candies and baked goods to share, but knowing that our group would be a bit smaller, I promised myself I would stick to only three things.

Well, I had to, of course, make my yearly batch of peppernuts. It just wouldn’t feel like Christmas without them.

Then I decided that I would go easy on myself and make just a few peanut clusters. You know, a couple dozen or so—a small batch.

And finally, I had to throw in a new recipe to try, and sticking to my simple theme for the year, I landed on what looked to be a yummy pan of pe-

can brownies. The recipe made a nice, eight-by-eight-inch batch of brownies that were perfect for our small celebration, and it’s a great one to keep in the recipe box for future gatherings.

This comes from Taste of Home. You can find the original at <https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/pecan-brownies/>. I doubled the vanilla in my version.

Pecan Brownies

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter
- 2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3/4 cups flour
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

Prepare an eight-by-eight-inch baking pan by lightly greasing it with butter, shortening or cooking spray. Set it aside.

In a medium-sized pot, melt the butter and chocolate, stirring constantly. Once they are completely melted, remove the pot from the heat and stir in the sugar.

Let the mixture cool for a few minutes.

Lightly beat the eggs in a small bowl, and add the eggs, vanilla and flour to the pot, stirring to combine everything well.

Finally, fold in the pecans (save a few to sprinkle on the top of the batter).

Spread the mixture into your prepared baking pan and sprinkle the top with a few pecan pieces.

Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

Let the brownies cool before slicing them and storing them in an air-tight container.

I liked these, because they were chocolatey and nutty and not sickeningly sweet. I also sliced them into small squares, which made them perfect for the Christmas snack table.

In addition to sharing these with our family, they were a nice addition to some Christmas gifts we dropped off with friends on Christmas Eve, and I was very happy with how they turned out.

Even better, they’re already gone and not hanging around on my kitchen counter, tempting me to have just one more.

I can’t quite say the same for the peanut clusters, but hey, at least I tried.

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](http://spiceupkitchen.net).

Post Rock Extension District - BY CASSIE THIESSEN

K-STATE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION-POST ROCK DISTRICT HORTICULTURE AGENT

Protecting Your Plants from Winter Hazards

Kansas weather can be unpredictable. We face extremes of high temperatures, low temperatures and often drought conditions. Our plants are put to the test to survive these conditions. However, there are many ways we can help them out this time of year.

When picking an ice melt it is important to know what you are applying, because they are not created equally. You may have noticed in past winters that the plants around your walkways or driveways look dried out and patchy. This is probably due to applying too much ice melt or an ice melt that was harmful to plants.

There are five main materials that are used as chemical deicers; calcium chloride, sodium chloride, potassium chloride, urea, and calcium magnesium acetate. Calcium chloride is the traditional ice-melting product. Though it will melt ice to approximately -25 degrees F, it will form a slippery/slimy surface on concrete and other hard surfaces. Plants are not likely to be harmed unless excessive amounts are used.

Sodium chloride is also known as rock or table salt and is the least expensive material available, but can damage soils, plants, and metals. It is effective to approximately 12 degrees F or higher. This means when temperatures get lower than 12 degrees F, as they often do in Kansas, sodium chloride will not be able to do its job. Potassium chloride can cause serious plant injury when washed or splashed on foliage. It is effective to approximately 25 degrees F, it can also cause damage to plant roots.

Urea is a fertilizer that is sometimes used to melt ice. Though it is only about 10% as corrosive as sodium chloride, it can contaminate ground and surface water with nitrates. Urea is effective to approximately 21 degrees F.

Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA), a newer product, is made from dolomitic limestone and acetic acid (the principal compound of vinegar). CMA works differently than the other materials in that it does not form a brine like salt but rather helps prevent snow particles from sticking to each other or the

road surface. It has little effect on plant growth or concrete surfaces, and is effective to approximately 20 degrees F.

Limited use of any of these products should cause little injury to plants. Problems accumulate when they are used excessively and there is not adequate rainfall to wash or leach the material from the area. Since limited use is recommended it is best to remove the ice and snow by hand when possible. Resist the temptation to over apply just to make sure the ice and snow melts. Keep in mind this can damage concrete surfaces as well as the plants and grass growing along the walks and driveways. These problems are normally latent and do not show up until spring or summer. If you have any questions about deicers stop by your local extension office or give us a call.

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had a building that was smaller than they'd have liked, and in need of serious repairs. The work on the “new” building was phased, allowing the Center's membership to continue to raise funds throughout the construction. At this time, Sylvan Center members are \$35,000 short of their goal to finish the renovation and are appealing to both locals and past residents of the county to help them reach their goal so progress can continue uninterrupted.

Major funding for this project has come from multiple sources including the Post Rock Community Foundation, the Dane G Hansen Foundation and the Kansas Department of Commerce.

“Other generous individuals, businesses and foundations have also helped us reach this point where the end is soon in sight,” Michael Kratky, project co-chair said.

They even have an outdoor area for their use and a fence to define the property as well as provide security. Between January through December, the members and community raised an enormous amount of funds for a community of their size, leaving only \$35,000 to fulfill their goal. At this writing, their dream is about to come true!

USD298 new track

It's been a well-known local fact that the track at Mettner Field has

needed repairs for quite some time, but when it became dangerous to hold meets in Lincoln, community volunteers took over, forming a committee to raise the funds and to the research necessary to replace the track, with a seemingly impossible goal of \$500,000.

The USD 298 Track Fundraising Committee headed into the summer of 2023 with more than \$250,000 in total cash and pledges. A whopping \$20,000 was generated by a single event. The committee sponsored a Track-A-Thon in May that proved to be a tremendous success and may become an annual event.

Between June of 2021 and the end of 2022, the committee raised just over \$65,000, but a \$51,000 donation in January of 2023 kicked off the year in style and would signal a fantastic 2023 for the track project. Due to the generosity of an anonymous donor, a \$40,000 match of Lincoln County ARPA funds, a \$80,000 donation from the City of Lincoln, the track committee ended the year only \$34,000 from its goal.

A county-wide facelift

In anticipation of the 2024 Big Kansas Road Trip which will include Ellsworth and Lincoln counties along with the city of Lucas, projects were designed to “spruce up” the county during the summer

months.

Each incorporated town within the county, using volunteer labor and grant funding, painted the town in projects designed by Kelly Gourley, Executive Director of Lincoln County Economic Development. Vacant buildings have been purchased and are in the process of being renovated. The Lincoln Center Improvement Committee (formerly PRIDE) has installed outdoor musical instruments in the city park and is currently raising additional funds to add to what is already there.

An additional, and perhaps most important aspect of these varying projects is the volunteer spirit that spread throughout the county. Entire communities came out to support their projects.

Another project led by Gourley, Make My Move, provided incentives for those who want to work remotely and live in a smaller and friendlier rural community where crime rates are low, and the air is clean.

LCEDF is piloting a remote employee recruitment program, working with Indiana-based firm Make My Move. The online platform and marketing strategies engage remote employees that can take their jobs anywhere and are looking for new lifestyle opportunities, with an incentive to try a new place. NWKEICI granted an

additional \$20,000 to help with the cost of the marketing campaign and relocation incentives. With success in attracting remote workers, this program could be implemented on a more regional basis.

The goal with the Make My Move program is to attract five remote workers to Lincoln County within 24 months with \$5,000 relocation grants as part of a complete relocation package that highlights the local quality of life, recreational opportunities, small-town safety, and neighborly character. Marketing is focused to attract not just one remote worker with each incentive package, but to attract families that will also help fill other key positions in the community and bring students to our schools. The Make My Move video production crew visited Lincoln County the first week of November and interviewed several young families that have recently moved to Lincoln.

Others

Among the many county residents who were honored in one way or another throughout 2023 include Austin Lebien, who in March was named 2022 Firefighter of the Year. Firefighters throughout the county are volunteers with a desire to aid and protect their communities and friends, sometimes even paying for their own training.

Another tribute goes out to Jar-

rod Heinze who has taken on both the City of Lincoln and Lincoln County as Fire Chief. That is a daunting task for a young farmer who supports his family through his farming and ranching.

Kudos went out to former Lincoln resident Jonathan Feldkamp. Feldkamp, a 2003 graduate of Kansas State University who was honored by the Kansas State University Carl R. Ice College of Engineering for significant early to mid-career success. Feldkamp currently resides in South Carolina where he is the senior vice president of engineering for Techtronic Industries Power Equipment, leading a team of 600 engineers in the development of 200 projects each year.

LJSHS freshman, Hazel Metz qualified for State in Track this year, her first year participating at the high school level. Eyes will be on Metz as she continues to improve through her high school career following in the footsteps of her coach, Jenna Farris.

Kimberly Meyer of Lincoln was named City Treasurer beginning November 1, replacing retiring Galen Liggett, who served the city for 40 years.

There are many more success stories from our county than those listed here, some that have caught the attention of others, and some performed by our unsung heroes.

# Deadlines approaching soon

For business and organizations to be listed and included in the Big Kansas Road Trip color guide book, deadlines are listed below:

**January 15th**

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This event is coming to Lincoln County, Ellsworth County, and Lucas the weekend of May 2-5, 2024. Visitors are coming to explore and enjoy what our rural area has to offer. The Kansas Sampler Foundation is beginning the process of updating the bigkansasroadtrip.com website to show the local listings, and

the color guidebooks are the tools that visitors use as a road map to plan their trip. They are even used before and after the event to visit again!

For Lincoln County businesses and organizations, please direct questions to either Kris Heinze at 785-524-4934 or Kelly Gourley at 785-524-8954.

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#### LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS 2023 TAX LEVIES

	K.S.A.	2023 Value	Value Comparison		2023 Levy	Levy Comparison	
			2022 Value	Total Change		2022 Levy	Total Change
STATE							
State Educational Bldg	76-6b01	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	1.000	1.000	0.000
State Institutions Bldg	76-6b04	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	0.500	0.500	0.000
TOTAL STATE					1.500	1.500	0.000

COUNTY							
General	79-1945	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	37.330	35.062	2.268
Road & Bridge	68-5.101	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	24.230	20.544	3.686
Special Bridge	68-1135	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	3.526	3.011	0.515
Noxious Weed	2-1318	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	1.640	1.510	0.130
Law Enforcement	12-11a01	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	0.310	0.583	-0.273
County Health	65-204	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	0.521	3.248	-2.727
Ambulance	65-6113	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	4.738	2.915	1.823
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	27.885	24.780	3.105
TOTAL COUNTY					100.180	91.653	8.527

FIRE DISTRICTS							
Barnard	19-3610	6,322,746	6,075,086	247,660	3.622	3.750	-0.128
Beverly	19-3610	13,246,643	13,544,744	-298,101	2.985	2.904	0.081
First	19-3610	15,110,525	16,270,651	-1,160,126	4.131	3.836	0.295
Hunter	19-3610	9,001,011	9,473,980	-472,969	2.671	2.568	0.103
Sylvan Grove	19-3610	14,762,669	14,180,017	582,652	2.269	2.362	-0.093
*Ottawa	19-3610	73,930	75,921	-1,991	1.877	1.875	0.002

CEMETERIES							
Free Mission	17-1330	1,687,486	1,859,135	-171,649	0.356	0.323	0.033
Rosette	17-1330	2,051,479	2,116,951	-65,472	0.464	0.449	0.015
Spillman	17-1330	4,873,424	5,108,666	-235,242	0.443	0.422	0.021
Vesper	17-1330	1,202,806	1,190,822	11,984	1.663	1.679	-0.016

WATERSHEDS							
Salt Creek	24-1219	7,449,267	7,183,565	265,702	2.538	2.554	-0.016
Spillman Creek	24-1219	16,685,330	18,531,797	-1,846,467	1.179	1.069	0.110

MISC. DISTRICTS							
*Post Rock Ext Dist.	2-625	65,109,337	65,352,503	-243,166	1.419	1.491	-0.072
*CKL General	75-2551	57,111,931	58,376,062	-1,264,131	1.273	1.324	-0.051
*CKL Employee Ben	12-16,102	57,111,931	58,376,062	-1,264,131	0.235	0.223	0.012
*Central Kansas Library Total					1.508	1.547	-0.039

TOWNSHIPS							
Battle Creek	79-1962	1,551,079	1,533,625	17,454	1.129	1.141	-0.012
Beaver	79-1962	2,467,217	2,530,796	-63,579			0.000
Cedron	79-1962	2,970,486	3,223,072	-252,586			0.000
Colorado	79-1962	3,550,251	4,008,772	-458,521	1.794	1.871	-0.077
Elkhorn	79-1962	4,366,281	4,643,122	-276,841			0.000
Franklin	79-1962	2,012,517	1,972,580	39,937			0.000
Golden Belt	79-1962	2,066,345	2,012,735	53,610	0.484	0.496	-0.012
Grant	79-1962	3,030,724	3,268,289	-237,565			0.000
Hanover	79-1962	2,051,479	2,116,951	-65,472			0.000
Highland	79-1962	3,965,596	3,719,052	246,544			0.000
Indiana	79-1962	2,953,913	2,847,316	106,597			0.000
Logan	79-1962	1,314,184	1,265,275	48,909	0.266	0.276	-0.010
Madison	79-1962	5,052,820	5,387,494	-334,674	1.386	1.299	0.087
Marion	79-1962	7,110,240	8,370,011	-1,259,771			0.000
Orange	79-1962	1,902,938	1,885,594	17,344			0.000
Pleasant	79-1962	2,654,854	3,673,481	-1,018,627	0.985	1.088	-0.103
Salt Creek	79-1962	2,283,003	2,209,608	73,395	2.606	2.715	-0.109
Scott	79-1962	1,625,502	1,786,916	-161,414	1.886	1.958	-0.072
Valley	79-1962	1,342,250	1,284,524	57,726			0.000
Vesper	79-1962	1,956,476	1,881,186	75,290			0.000

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS					CITIES				
	USD 298	USD299	*USD 112	*USD 239		Barnard	Beverly	Lincoln Center	Sylvan Grove
K.S.A.	72-5142	72-5142	72-5142	72-5142	K.S.A.	12-101a	12-101a	12-101a	12-101a
General Fund Value	38,747,752	18,803,132	607,661	526,003	2023 Value	251,131	632,645	6,591,813	1,405,593
2022 Value	39,556,777	18,748,663	599,094	512,917	2022 Value	247,753	586,583	5,732,104	1,244,337
Total Change	-809,025	54,469	8,567	13,086	Total Change	3,378	46,062	859,709	161,256
General	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	General	60.192	26.698	30.084	38.993
					Bond & Interest				
Other Funds Value	43,213,626	20,686,455	650,664	558,592	Library			9.447	6.469
2022 Value	4,368,112	20,489,865	639,941	541,585	Employee Ben.			6.032	22.107
Total Change	38,845,514	196,590	10,723	17,007	Sp Liability Ins.				1.893
Sup. General	20,425	14,259	11,045	15,914	Street				
Capital Outlay	6,897	6,000	7,978	6,249	2023 Levy	96.815	26.698	45.563	69.462
Bond & Interest				10,590	2022 Levy	98.247	28.841	44.907	70.416
2023 TOTAL LEVY	47.322	40.259	39.023	53.158	Total Change	-1.432	-2.143	0.656	-0.954
2022 Levy	46.261	39.419	41.243	53.279					
Total Change	1.061	0.840	-2.220	-0.121					

I do hereby certify that the above is true and correct statement of tax levies of the various taxing districts of Lincoln County, Kansas.

*Dawn M. Harlow*  
Dawn M. Harlow  
Lincoln County Clerk



Special assessments and intangible taxes are in addition to the levies listed.

*Levy set in other counties*

## Guest/

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has documented numerous benefits.

First, there are social, cultural and technological advances to consider. Any significant breakthrough in medicine, technology or culture has come from someone admitting they didn't know something – and then passionately pursuing knowledge with curiosity and humility. Progress requires admitting what you don't know and seeking to learn something new.

Relationships improve when people are intellectually humble. Research has found that intellectual humility is associated with greater tolerance toward people with whom you disagree.

For example, intellectually humble people are more accepting of people who hold differing religious and political views. A central part of it is an openness to new ideas, so folks are less defensive to potentially challenging perspectives. They're more likely to forgive, which can help repair and maintain relationships.

Finally, humility helps facilitate personal growth. Being intellectually humble allows you to have a more accurate view of yourself.

When you can admit and take ownership of your limitations, you can seek help in areas where you have room to grow, and

you're more responsive to information. When you limit yourself to only doing things the way you've always done them, you miss out on countless opportunities for growth, expansion and novelty – things that strike you with awe, fill you with wonder and make life worth living.

Humility can unlock authenticity and personal development.

**Humility doesn't mean being a pushover**

Despite these benefits, sometimes humility gets a bad rap. People can have misconceptions about intellectual humility, so it's important to dispel some myths.

Intellectual humility isn't lacking conviction; you can believe something strongly until your mind is changed and you believe something else. It also isn't being wishy-washy. You should have a high bar for what evidence you require to change your mind. It also doesn't mean being self-deprecating or always agreeing with others. Remember, it's being the right size, not too small.

Researchers are working hard to validate reliable ways to cultivate intellectual humility. I'm part of a team that is overseeing a set of projects designed to test different interventions to develop intellec-

tual humility.

Some scholars are examining different ways to engage in discussions, and some are exploring the role of enhancing listening. Others are testing educational programs, and still others are looking at whether different kinds of feedback and exposure to diverse social networks might boost intellectual humility.

Prior work in this area suggests that humility can be cultivated, so we're excited to see what emerges as the most promising avenues from this new endeavor.

There was one other thing that religion taught me that was slightly askew. I was told that too much learning could be ruinous; after all, you wouldn't want to learn so much that you might lose your faith.

But in my experience, what I learned through loss may have salvaged a version of my faith that I can genuinely endorse and feels authentic to my experiences. The sooner we can open our minds and stop resisting change, the sooner we'll find the freedom offered by humility.

- Daryl Van Tongeren,  
associate professor of psychology at Hope College  
Originally published from The Conversation

## Legal Notice

(First Published in Lincoln Sentinel-Republican on Wednesday, December 27, 2023)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
WANDA J. CANNON, DECEASED.

NO. LC-2023-PR-30004

### NOTICE OF HEARING

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court and cause by Kari Knight, interested party of the estate of Wanda J. Cannon, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of all property, and interests in property, both real, personal and mixed, owned by the said Wanda J. Cannon at her death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 22nd day of January, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Lincoln, Lincoln 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.

Kari Knight  
Petitioner

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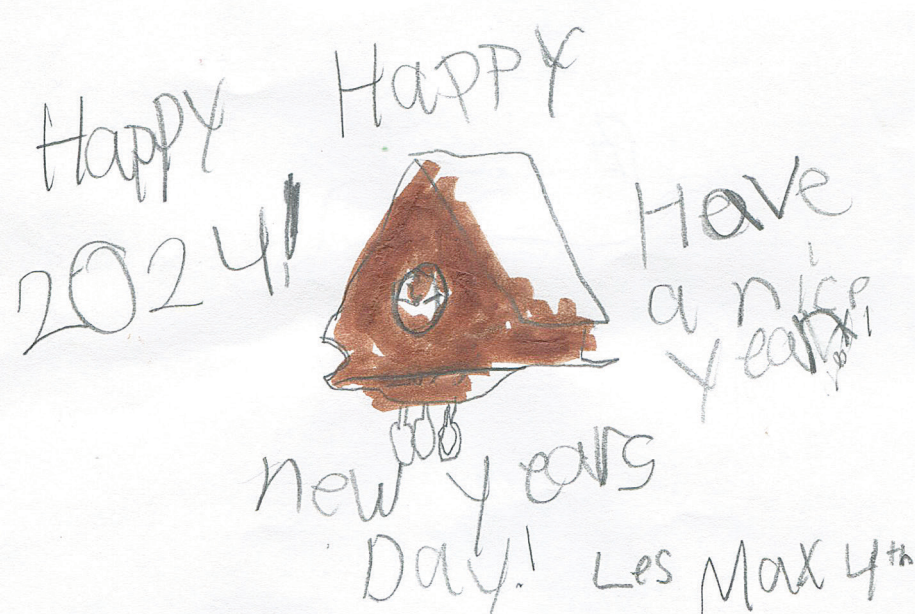
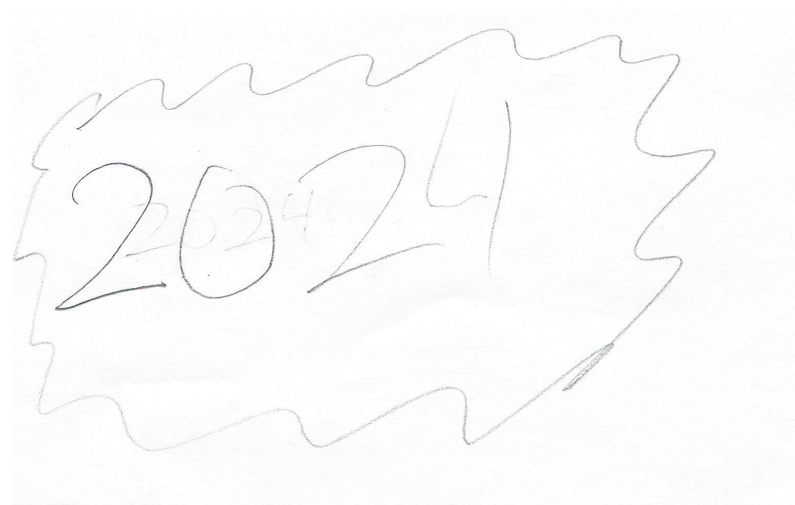
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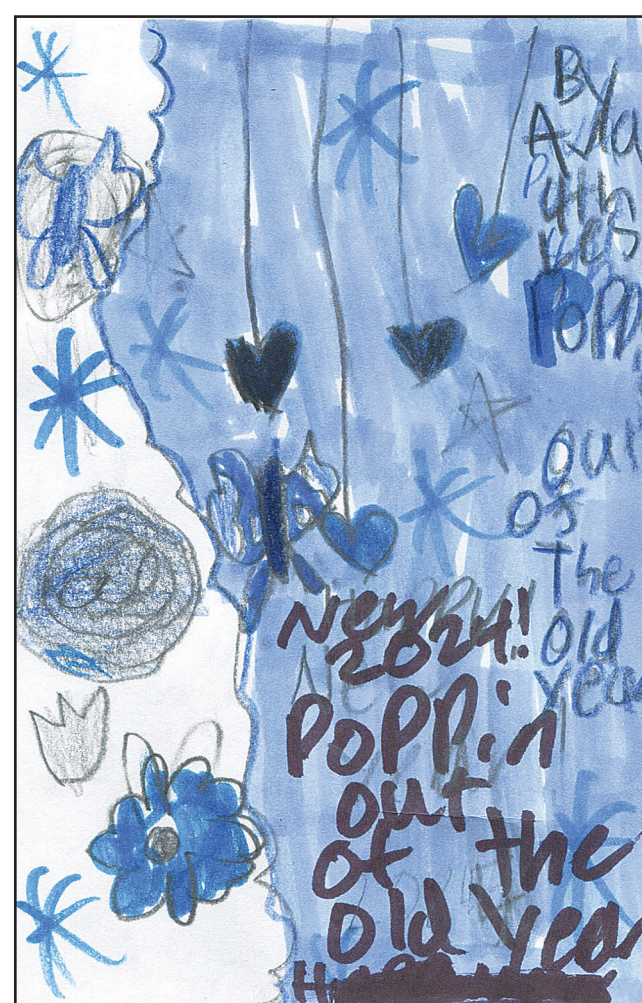
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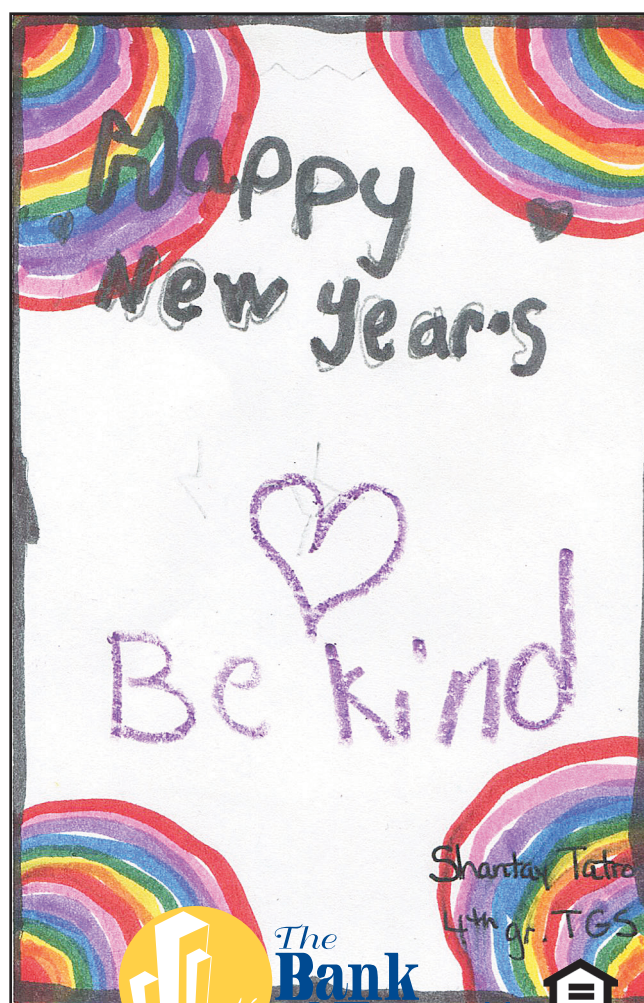
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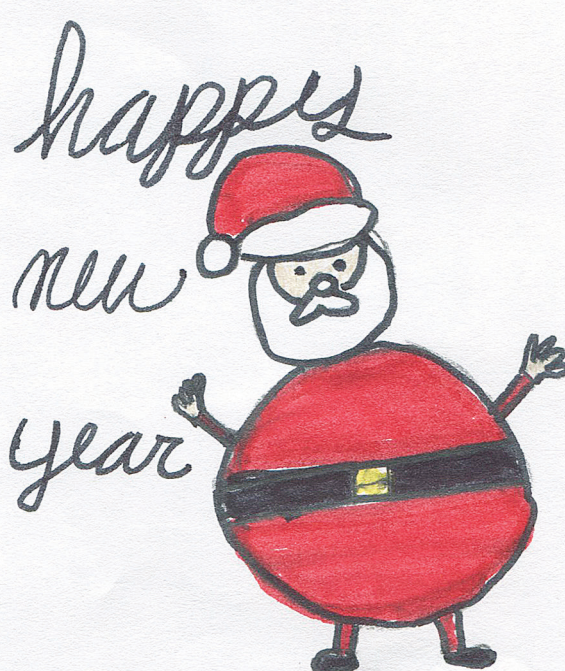
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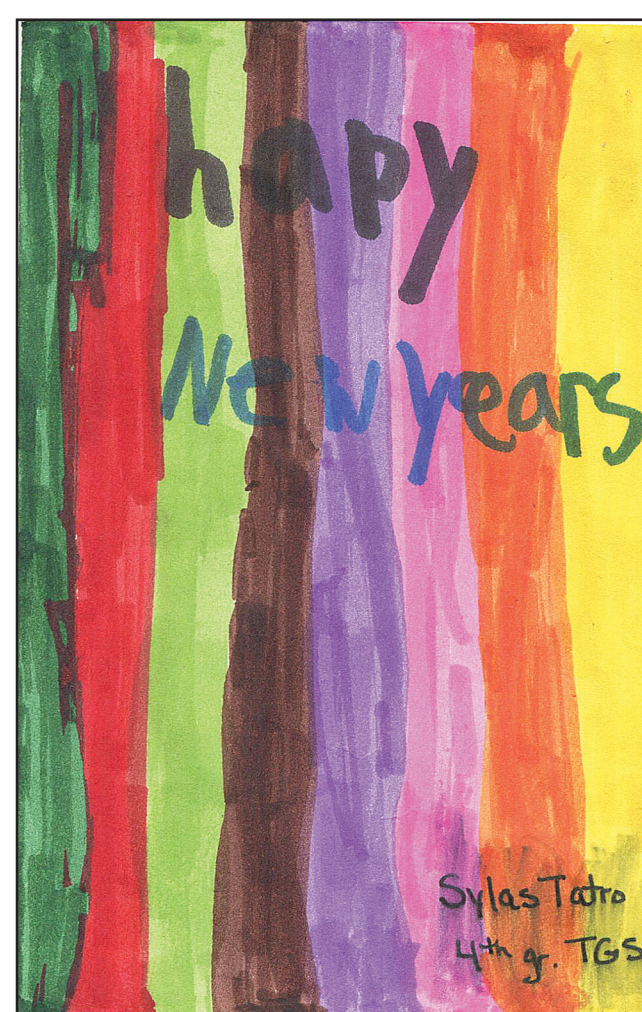
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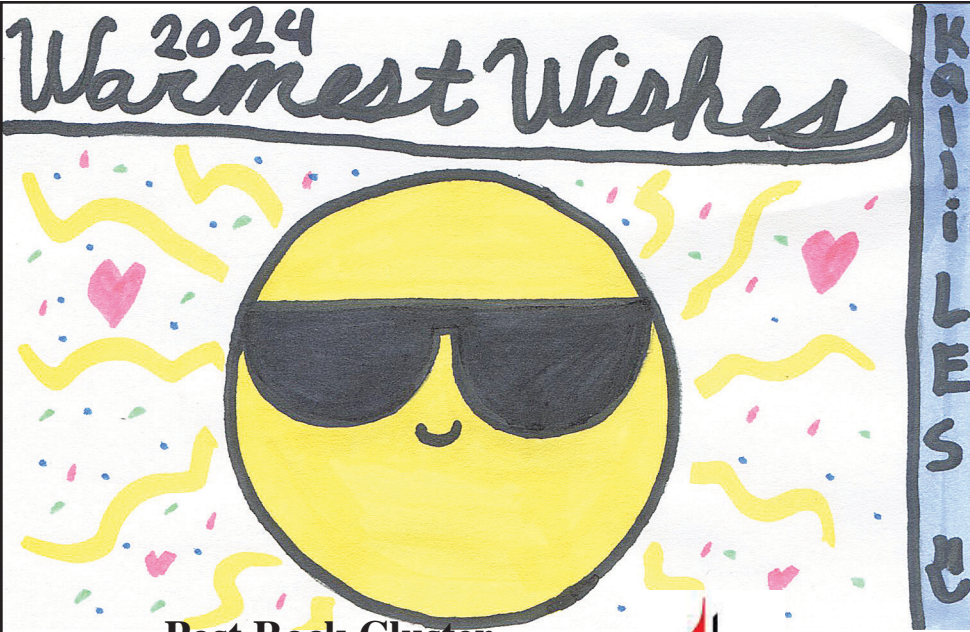
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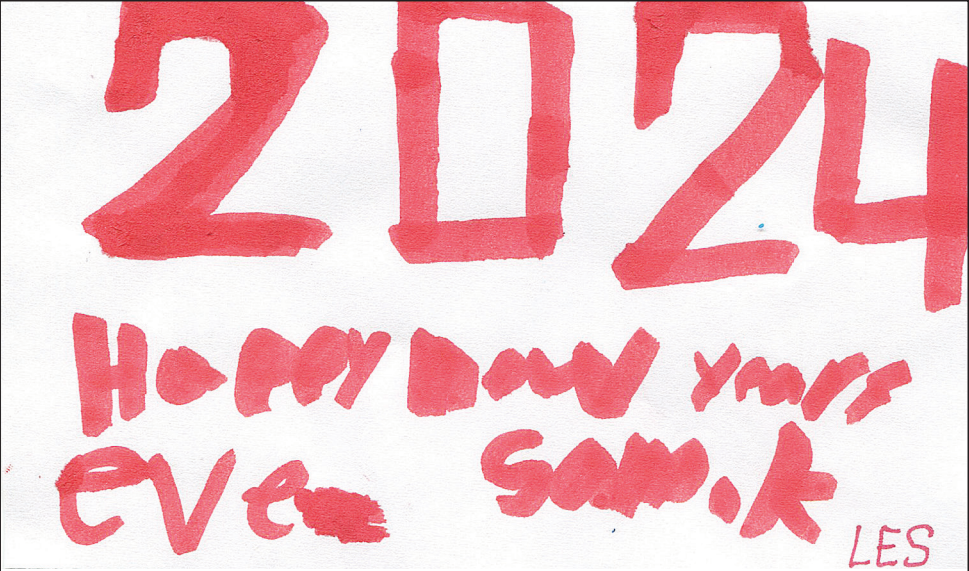
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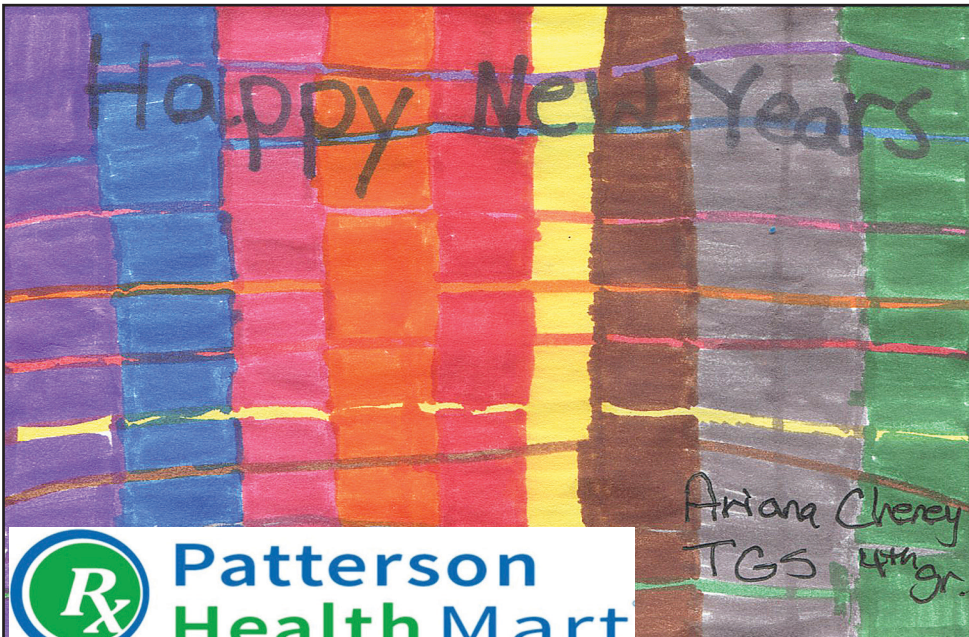


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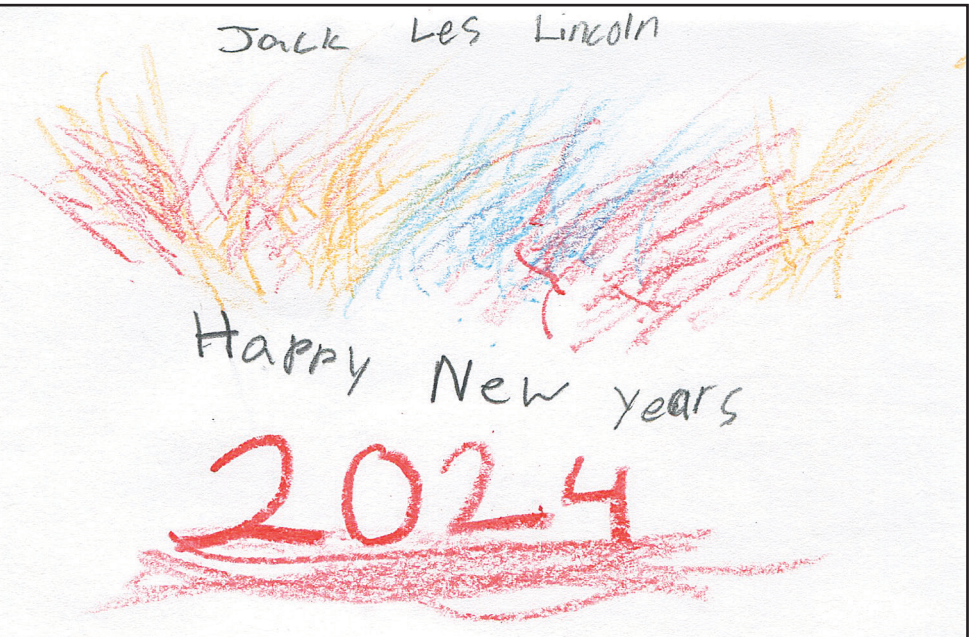
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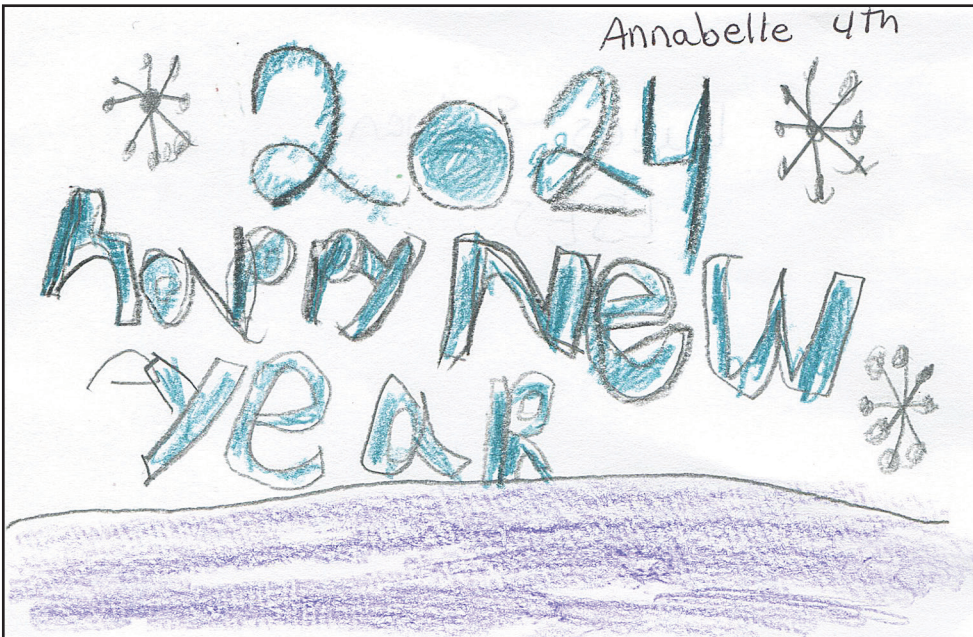
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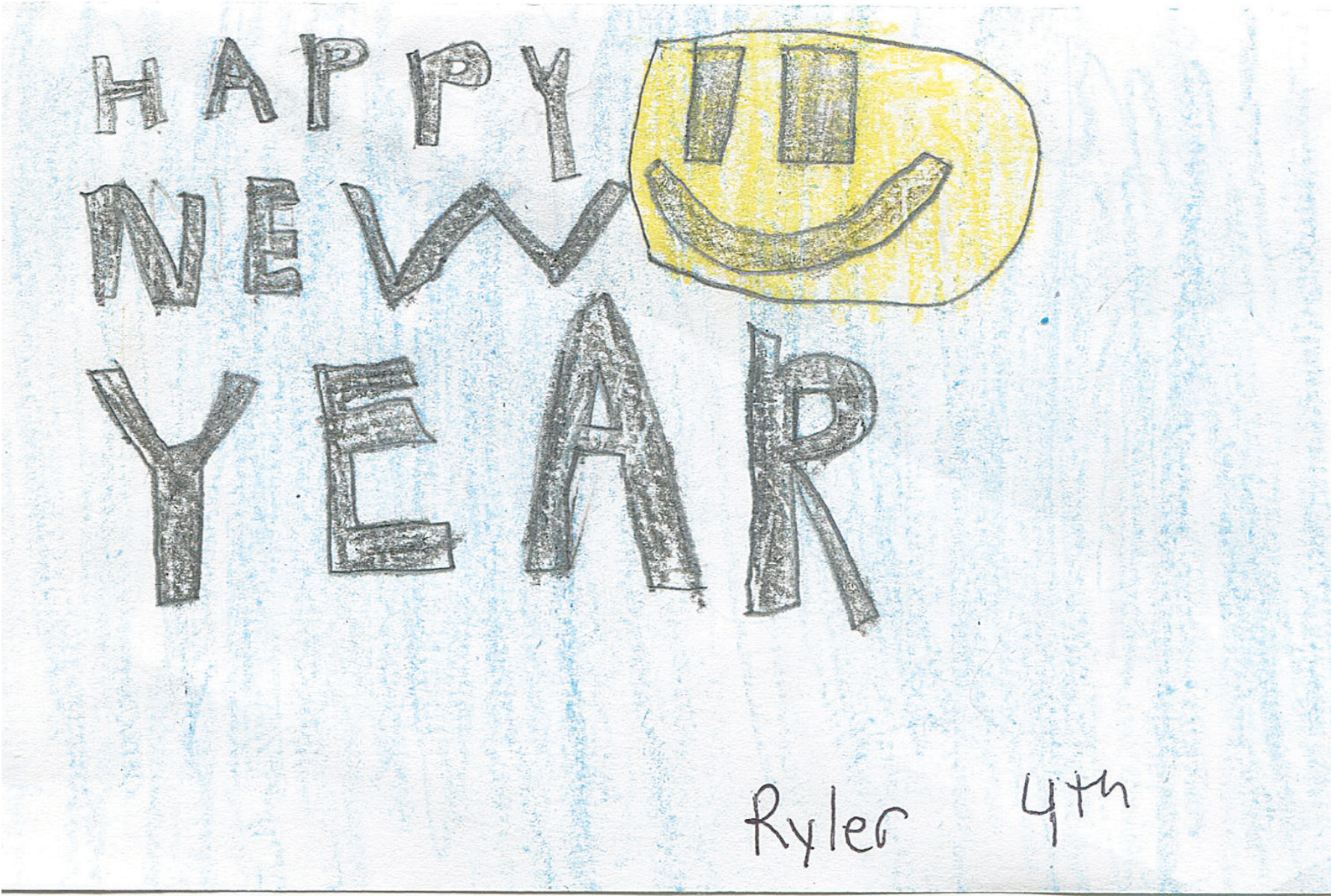
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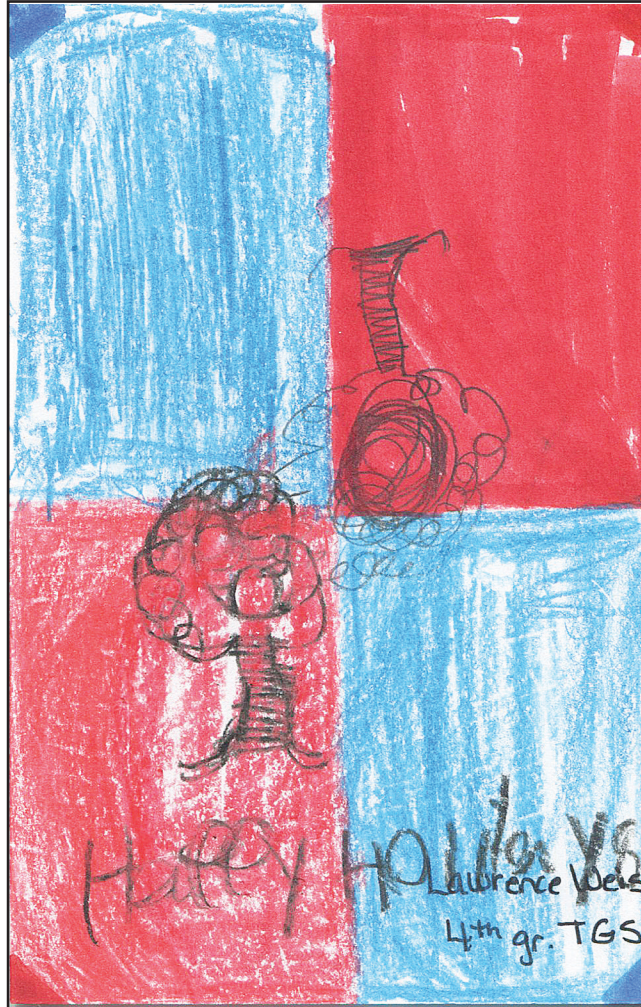




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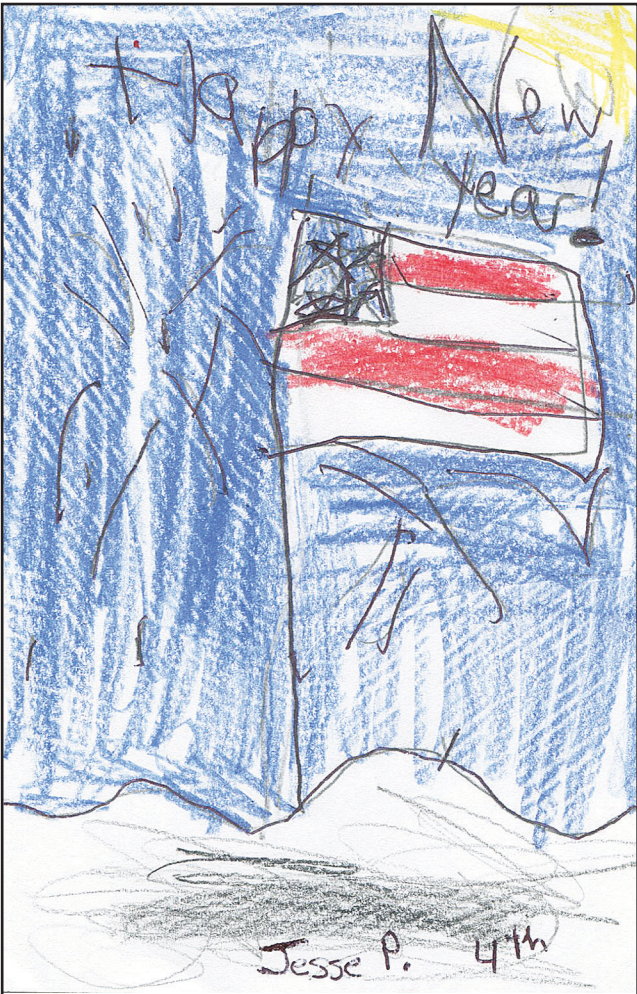
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