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# Special delivery for Rosales family

Judy Larson of Vesper knew she was soon to meet a new grandchild. It seems she didn't think it would be quite as soon as it was. Neither did the baby's parents. In an article on the internet, KWCH reports about 3 a.m. on Jan. 12, Lauren and Mike Rosales left Ark City, hoping to make it to a Wichita hospital more than an hour away to welcome their second son into the world. The baby had other ideas. A Kansas Highway Patrol trooper stepped up as a calming force. He knew what to do from a similar call three weeks earlier in Butler County.



Left: KHP Master Trooper Da'Von Brame holds Pierson Rosales after helping delivery her on I-35. Upper right: The Rosales family with Trooper Brame. Lower right: Pierson Rosales. (Courtesy Photos)

With KHP Master Trooper Da'Von Brame's help, Pierson Rosales was born on the side of the Kansas Turnpike at mile marker 17.8. "The minute I told Mike that it was time to go, I just felt like we weren't going to make it," Lauren told the KWCH reporter. "All of a sudden, things got really real really fast and about the minute we got in the car, I was like, 'Mike, this baby is coming. We're not gonna make it.'" Mike recalled his wife telling him that he needed to pull over. The couple stopped on the side of the road along Interstate 35 and called 911. Minutes later, Trooper Brame came to the rescue. His training and experiencing the births of all three of his children helped him when it came to a checklist of what he needed to do. Answering a similar call three weeks earlier also helped. But on Jan. 12, the extreme cold presented an added concern. Brame said he had blankets immedi

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# PRCF could earn 200% match in February

The Post Rock Community Foundation (PRCF) could earn additional dollars for charitable grants in the community through a county-wide Match Month gift matching campaign. Over the past six years, the PRCF has hosted a Match Month, taking advantage of a matching grant initiative from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, a philanthropic organization based in Logan, Kan., with a mission to "reverse the population decline, increase the economic opportunities and strengthen critical community services" in its 26-county coverage area. Donations build the Community Action Fund for future grantmaking. Grants support projects such as the Lincoln Music Park. Lisa Feldkamp, grant applicant, stated, "Without funding we would not have been able to purchase the 1st



instrument. The instruments are made very sturdy and look amazing. This is another activity in the Lincoln City Park that children/parents/grandparents can play together." After a successful Match Month in February of 2023 with over \$60,000 raised, the PRCF is excited to again take advantage of the Dane G. Hansen Foundation's generous match and continue their work in supporting important projects in Lincoln County and within the USD #298 and #299 footprint. The February 2024 Match Month goal is \$70,000! During the February Match Month, the Dane G. Hansen Foundation will match all public gifts to the Post Rock Community Action Fund at the Post Rock Community Foundation, up to \$50,000. The Post Rock Community Action Fund is an unrestricted community grant fund that supports projects and programs focused on improving quality of life in the Post Rock area. The Hansen Foundation provides an additional match up to \$45,000 for a permanent operating endowment and up to \$5,000 for immediate administrative needs. That means that Post Rock Community Foundation will receive a 200% match from the first \$50,000 in donations! To take advantage of this match consider mailing a donation to the Post Rock Community Foundation, PO Box 62, Sylvan Grove, KS 67481 or go online to donate at <https://postrockcf.org/match-month/>. For more information find the Post Rock Community Foundation on Facebook or contact a current board member.

# McReynolds-Baetz promoted to Lincoln President



**Bree McReynolds-Baetz**

Citizens State Bank & Trust Co. Board of Directors has announced the promotion of Bree McReynolds-Baetz to Lincoln President where she will take on the duty of managing the Lincoln bank location. Bree replaces Galen "Digger" Liggett following his retirement after 50 years of banking.

Bree recently celebrated her 22nd year of employment at the Lincoln location of the Citizens State Bank & Trust Co. She started her career at this location with Farmers National Bank, followed by Midwest Community Bank. Over the years, she has worked in many departments of the bank including teller, bookkeeping, proof operator, human resource director, loan operations, and most recently as a loan officer. In this new role, Bree will continue her loan officer duties, in addition to this new management role. Bree had the unique opportunity to work beside her grandmother, Vada McReynolds, in the beginning of her banking career. She also worked with her-

father, Steven McReynolds, for 16 years at the bank. Bree is a Lincoln native, graduating from Lincoln High School. She attended the University of Kansas and Fort Hays State University and is a graduate of the Lending Principles School of Banking. Bree has actively served the community through the years. She has volunteered for the Finch Theatre, Lincoln Alumni Association, Lincoln Art Center, Angel Tree Program and is currently serving her second term on the USD #298 Board of Education. She was honored as the Community Volunteer of the Month in 2018 and was named the Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year in 2022.

"I've worked alongside Digger [Liggett] my entire banking career," McReynolds-Baetz said. "His loyalty and commitment to the financial industry and specifically to our bank location, is something to honor and celebrate. He's been a wonderful mentor, co-worker, and friend. I wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement and hope to continue his legacy of customer and community service." Citizens State Bank & Trust Co. President/CEO, David Brownback, commented, "I am very pleased to have Bree leading the team in Lincoln. Her dedication to serving our community and customers is something to be admired and she will do a great job."



# WALTER NAMED LINCOLN COUNTY FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR




Riggs Walter was named Lincoln County Firefighter of the Year at a recent meeting. Presenting the award and the first to congratulate him are (L-R) Greg Babcock, Colton Panzer and Jeff Lyne. (Courtesy Photo)

# Knight and Bates accepted into Honor Band

LJSHS Senior Logan Knight, percussionist, and junior Levi Bates on the trumpet, were recently selected for the 1-2A Honor Band. In order to be eligible, the students were required to audition for their district honor band. Both Logan and Levi auditioned and were both selected to play for the district earlier this year. The 2023-24 Honor Band Concert will be held at the Century II Concert Hall in Wichita Saturday, February 24 at 1 p.m. Tickets are general admission; the cost is \$7.00 per person.



Logan Knight, Left and Levi Bates, right will represent USD 298 in the 1-2A honor band. (Courtesy Photo)



Are you ready for Super Bowl LVIII?

Super Bowl LVIII will be played at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas, Nevada on Sunday, February 11, 2024. Throughout Super Bowl Week, enjoy events such as Opening Night and Super Bowl Experience with immersive experiences for fans of all ages.

Halftime Performer: Usher

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Corn.....	\$4.56
Sorghum.....	\$4.26
Soybeans.....	\$11.24

Cash prices courtesy of [bankoftescott.com](http://bankoftescott.com)



Community Calendar

Thursday, February 8

USD 298: 8th Grade NEAP Testing  
USD 299: Speech Tournament at Hillsboro;  
STUCO Mtg. during Seminar; 9 am Lincoln  
County Spelling Bee; 3:45 pm JH Scholar Bowl  
Tourney @ Sylvan; 5:30 pm HS BB @ Thunder  
Ridge

Friday, February 9

USD 298: No Pre-K; 4 pm HS BB vs Rock Hills; 6  
pm Little Cheer Performance @ LJSHS Gymna-  
sium (Half-time)  
USD 299: 4 pm HS BB @ Linn

Saturday, February 10

Lincoln: Second Saturdays in Lincoln @  
Downtown; 9 am Legislative Coffee @ Vio-  
lette's Coffee Shop; 10 am Sip & Shop @  
Seirer's Clothing  
USD 298: HS State Scholars Bowl (TBD)  
USD 299: ACT Test; Scholars Bowl State Com-  
petition @ TBD; 9 am HS JV Boys Tourney @  
Washington

Sunday, Febraury 11

Monday, February 12

USD 298: 4 pm HS BB @ Tescott; 7 pm BOE  
Meeting  
USD 299: JH Scholar Bowl @ Tescott (Leave at  
3 p.m.); Teacher Inservice - No School; 7:30 pm  
Board of Ed Mtg

Tuesday, February 13

USD 298: 4 pm HS BB @ Thunder Ridge  
(Kensington)  
USD 299: Kay Board Meeting; State Choir  
Recognition; 4 pm Kay Story Hour @ Sylvan  
Library; 4 pm HS BB vs Osborne

Wednesday, February 14

USD 298: School Dismissed @ 12 Noon/  
Teacher In-service

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, February 12

Chicken and Noddles, 3 Bean Salad, Rosy Pears,  
Roll & Brownie

Tuesday, February 13

Salisbury Steak, Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans,  
Fruit & Roll

Wednesday, February 14

Happy Valentine's Day!  
Fish/Bun, Waffle Fries, Cauliflower, Applesauce & Jello

Thursday, February 15

Chili, Crackers, Pasta Salad, Peaches \* Cinnamon Roll

Friday, February 16

Salmon Patty, Hash Browns, Peas & Carrots,  
Fruit Cobbler & Bread

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.

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6 pm

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Jr. Sunflower 4H Club

By Anna Koster

On January 21st, the Jr. Sunflower 4-H club had a  
meeting. The roll call question was, "What is your fa-  
vorite sport?" Alison Rosebrook, the parliamentarian,  
talked about some of the history of 4-H.  
Leaders Rachel Bell and Sara Rosebrook gave the lead-  
er report. Rachel Bell announced that Melody Saxton  
has resigned as Lincoln 4-H Coordinator to continue  
her health recovery. She also asked if the club would be  
interested in having a booth at the Vesper Farm Show  
on February 17th. Feb. 10th is the District 4-H Day  
in Beloit and the deadline to register for that is Feb.  
1st. Jr. Beef Producer Day at K-State is on March 2nd.  
The early registration for that is due by Feb. 12th. Sara  
Rosebrook announced that the Koster family went to  
the Quiz Bowl in Mankato and they won 3rd place for  
the overall club.  
Austin Rosebrook said that Jan. 27th is the club's  
educational trip to Tony's Pizza Facility at noon. Mi-  
randa Rosebrook asked if the club would like to have  
new t-shirts for this year, but there was no discussion  
on that subject.  
Rachel Bell also gave the council report and she in-  
formed the club that Beef Weigh-in is on Feb. 24th at  
the Sylvan Sale barn from 10:00 to noon. Small animal  
Weigh-in is on April 27th from 10:00 to noon. The club  
discussed having a YQCA, Youth for the Quality Care  
of Animals, after the small animal weigh-in. No deci-  
sions were made on the subject. The next 4-H council  
meeting is on Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m.  
This month, the project talks were given by the But-  
tenhoff family. Tinley, August, and Emma Butenhoff  
talked about their bucket calves. Hailey Butenhoff  
talked about her painting of a combine. Collin and Ma-  
rissa Rosebrook, the song leaders, led the club in sing-  
ing The Song that Never Ends. The rereation leaders,  
August Butenhoff and Austin Rosebrook, said that the  
club is going to make snowflakes for the Lincoln Nurs-  
ing Home. The next meeting will be the model meeting  
on Feb. 18th at the Rosebrook's Farm Shed at 4:30 p.m.  
We will also have a club seal ceremony and the project  
talks will be given by the Bell Family.

Jr. Sunflower 4H tours Tony's Pizza Facility on January 27th. (courtesy photo)

Vesper Community  
Center now  
handicapped  
accessible

Thanks to Danny Huehl, Kansas Homes & Mov-  
ers and the Lincoln County Economic Development  
Foundation (LCEDF), the Vesper Community Center  
now has a new concrete handicap parking spot, ramp  
extension and sidewalk improvements.  
The ramp extension is connected to the original en-  
trance ramp and allows visitors to drop people and  
goods off from either side of their vehicle on a large,  
dry, and clean raised concrete pad, which is especially  
helpful during wet weather. The sidewalk was extended  
to around the west end of the building, and mu.  
The LCEDF provided a placemaking grant which will  
cover the cost for all the concrete, rebar and asphalt  
millings. Danny Huehl and Kansas Homes & Movers  
donated a ton of free labor and heavy equipment usage  
that required multiple days. They performed all the site  
work, poured and floated the concrete, kept it covered  
during the cold spell, and reportedly did a great job  
with the grading and clean up.

Thank You!

Many thanks to my church family at St.  
John Lutheran for the wonderful retirement  
celebration. The church was filled with fami-  
ly, friends, and former students. The worship service was  
meaningful and filled with beautiful music, followed by  
a fellowship and delicious pot luck. I am forever grateful  
for all the time, thought, and love that was put into plan-  
ning this event. What a special celebration, with laughter,  
tears, and memories shared, it made for a day I will never  
forget.  
Thanks to all who acknowledged my retirement! Much  
care and love has been shown to me throughout my 38  
years of serving at St. John, I thank God for you and all  
the blessing you've all brought into my life.

Sonja Kobbeman

New champion in  
Tescott

Tescott's own Kellian Peterson is a 6th grade student  
at Tescott Grade School. He is also the Ottawa Coun-  
ty Spelling Bee champion, and will represent Ottawa  
County at the KS State Bee on March 25 at Kansas  
Wesleyan University.  
Kellian is pictured here with Lindy Huiett, runner-up  
and a 7th grade student at Bennington Middle School.

K-14 sidewalk  
improvement to  
begin in Lincoln

Beginning Monday, Feb. 5, the Kansas Department  
of Transportation will begin a sidewalk improvement  
project along K-14 in Lincoln.  
Project activity includes the installation of ADA  
ramps which will tie into the existing sidewalks along  
K-14.  
During the duration of the project, there will be little  
to no impact on traffic with occasional sidewalk clo-  
sures along K-14 between W Yauger Street and W  
North Street in Lincoln.  
Multicon Inc. of Park City is the prime contractor and  
has scheduled this \$175,162 project to be completed in  
early May 2024, weather permitting.  
KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the  
warning signs when approaching and driving through  
a highway work zone. To stay aware of all road con-  
struction projects across Kansas, go to www.kandrive.  
gov or call 5-1-1.

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OBITUARY



**Sara Lynn Donley**  
**Aug. 13, 1959 - Jan. 12, 2024**

Sara Lynn Donley, 64, of Salina passed away on January 12, 2024.

She was born August 13, 1959, in Lincoln, KS with her twin brother Spencer, to parents Joyce and Lambert Donley.

She graduated from Lincoln high school and went on to Manhattan Votech, graduating with an associate degree. She worked at Wal-Mart in Salida, Co., Moore Aviation in Salina, and spent the last 25 years with KDOT Construction. Sara enjoyed cooking, feeding snacks to her cat, Oreo, and spending time with family.

Her greatest loves were her children, Ricky, and Charly, and she added a new love recently with the addition of her grandson, Ryder, “Boo Boo”.

She made daily calls to her mother, sister, and constantly checked in with her children to offer advice, keep track of their lives, and file a complaint occasionally.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lambert Donley of Lincoln, KS. Left to mourn are her husband of 22 years, Daniel Flemming, and Oreo, of the home. Children, Ricky Bloesser (CeAnn) of Elkhart, KS, Charly Burnett (Hunter) of Maize, KS., and grandson Ryder J. Burnett.

Also surviving are her mother, Joyce Donley of Raleigh, NC., her sisters Laura Ladner (Doug) of Solomon, KS., and Kathy Donley of Raleigh, NC. Her brothers, Spencer Donley, of San Ramon, CA., and Keith Donley (Lynn) of Raymore, MO.

Sara chose to be cremated. A Memorial Service will be held 11 a.m., Saturday, February 10, 2024, at Ryan Mortuary, 137 N. 8th St., Salina, KS.



The Junior Sunflower 4-H Club took 3rd in the Outstanding Club award at 4-H Quiz Bowl.(courtesy photo)

The 4-H Super Bowl of the Mind

The Post Rock District 4-H Quiz Bowl was held on January 20 at Rock Hills High School. It was sponsored by the Post Rock Extension District in collaboration with Jewell County 4-H Council. 32 youths from Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, and Smith counties participated.

The youth enjoy the Quiz Bowl because it is a semi-competitive, fun, educational opportunity for the 4-H members. They get to compete on teams, come up with a creative team name, and have fun learning more about 4-H.

In the Senior division, the 3rd place team was Los Hermanos with members Nicholas Koster, Nelson Underwood, and Lenden Worm. Second place went to Stingers made up of Hannah Nelson, Gideon Nelson, Addie Molzahn, and Anna Koster. First-place honors went to Brainiacs on the Prairie which were Jayce Cady, Abbey Schleifer, Katie Thronson, and Rose Koster.

The winners of the Junior division were the Rumble Bees. Rumble Bees team members were Hezekiah Nelson, Conner Molzahn, Jenna Molzahn, and Lucy Koster. Second place went to 4-H Gurus with members Kenton McGuire, Haylee Fuller, Myka Fuller, and Chloe Koster. Third place went to the Chil which included Haylee Bledsoe, Claire Walker, Lily Walker, and Isabelle Wilburn.

The Outstanding Club Award recognizes the highest-achieving 4-H club. This year's recipient was the Prairie Shooters 4-H Club. The runner-up club was the Busy Bees. The third-place club was the Junior Sunflower. Other Post Rock District 4-H clubs with participants in the event included: West Beloit, Asherville Achievers, and Webber Wide Awake.

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 22, 2024

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, January 22, 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 recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: Felicia Strahm, Roberta Turner, Jordon Smith, Lisa Feldkamp, Leann Johnson, Rhonda Wright, Tyler Garner, Stephen Weber, Dustin Florence, Lucas Sanders, Diane Walters, Dan Heina, Brandon Cochran, Jesse Knight, Scott Wright (via telephone), Daniel Muchow, and John Paul Ellis.

Commissioner Hembry related that he might attend the January 29 meeting by telephone.

Correspondence: a letter from the Lincoln County Conservation District with an invitation to their annual meeting; Lincoln County Hospital Board of Trustees monthly meeting packet; and a letter from FEMA that we are official in the Floodplain program and that mapping is complete and available online.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Appraiser Rhonda Wright, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 8:45 a.m. Time out: 8:55 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 8:55 a.m. with no action taken.

Jordan Smith, INA Alert, answered the board's technical questions concerning bids submitted to provide security enhancements for election equipment and the courthouse.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Appraiser Rhonda Wright, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 9:19 a.m. Time out: 9:34 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:34 a.m. with no action taken.

Highway Department

Staff Tyler Garner and Steven Weber presented bids received to repair and replace the fuel tanks at the bulk fuel facility. Dennis Ray moved to accept the bid from Double Check for the replacement of the fuel pumps for \$36,879.00, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Weber notified the board of needed equipment repairs.

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**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 @ 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship @ 10:00 am

**BEVERLY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
www.beverlycommunitychurch.org  
Pastor Toby Flaming  
Sunday School @ 9:30 am  
Morning Worship @ 10:45 am  
Wednesday Service @ 7:00 pm  
Youth Mtg., Sun. eve. @ 6:30 pm

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

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Pastor, Chris Hall  
Sunday School @ 9:15 am  
Worship Service @ 10:30 am  
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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  
Michael Pickering 785-488-7049

**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

**ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Mark Wesely, Lincoln  
Rectory phone: 785-524-4823  
Email: spat327@gmail.com  
Sunday Mass @ 11:00 am  
Sunday CCD Classes @ 9:45 am  
Weekday Mass: Mondays - 3:30 pm

**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

**Beverly United Methodist Church**

**Pastors:**  
Kaye & Jeff Metzler

**Service Times:**  
Morning Worship  
9:30 a.m.

Church schedules are made possible by the following sponsors:

**St. John Lutheran Church**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**

**The Post Rock Cluster of the United Methodist Church**  
Barnard - Beverly - Hunter - Lincoln

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**Dr. Tim Lawton Presents:**  
**The Low Glycemic Diet for Healthy Weight & Better Blood Sugar Control**

Did you know that adopting a low glycemic diet can be beneficial for weight loss and overall health? Dr. Tim Lawton and his associates will be presenting the specifics and answering your questions. Seating is limited, please RSVP by calling 785-524-4474.

February 22  
2:00 pm  
Lincoln Park Manor, upstairs meeting room  
Presentation, healthy snacks and a door prize!

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about future of journalism  
overlooks striking work in  
Kansas, elsewhere

When I was growing up, not that long ago, my family subscribed to two daily newspapers. The Wichita Eagle arrived in the morning and had the biggest comics page, which my brother, sister and I would fight one another to read. My mother and father looked through the national and local news sections. I would skim them now and again (especially the editorial pages) but often headed to the arts section instead, full of movie reviews and entertainment coverage. In the afternoon, after school, the El Dorado Times thumped on the porch. It was a smaller paper, often only one section in black and white, but it carried local news and another, smaller comics page. You read it to learn what was going on in town, with your friends and neighbors, and what times movies played at the local theater. Writing about these experiences today makes me sound impossibly ancient. I might as well complain about the lack of qualified blacksmiths or cobblers in my neighborhood. Times change. News outlets change. The technological disruptions of the internet age have fragmented that once-cozy, symbiotic relationship between news sources and their readers. We see more news than ever before, but it comes via a barrage of email, social network posts, video clips and websites. Printed papers still exist of course, but outlets have increasingly cut back on physical product. This turmoil has churned since I entered news as a professional, two decades ago now. Every few years, I would hear of layoffs or closures and read accompanying waves of doom-filled commentary. Some eras have seen more destruction than others, but the turmoil has continued. The latest bout came this month, after layoffs at the Los Angeles Times and Time Magazine, the online music site Pitchfork and erstwhile Sports Illustrated. "The News About the News Business Is Getting Grimmer," announced The New York Times. "The News Business Really Is Cratering," proclaimed Politico. "Is American Journalism Headed Toward an 'Extinction-Level Event'?" asked the not at all alarmist Atlantic. Forgive me an exasperated groan. The problem with this framing — and it's just as wrong now as it was wrong 20 years ago — is that there is no "news business," singular. There is instead a vast array of businesses and nonprofit entities, ranging in size from the New York Times (with a staggering 1,700 journalists) to one-person online outfits. Giant legacy shops now operate on the same footing as nonprofit States Newsroom, parent of Kansas Reflector, which employs 217 staff and runs outlets in 39 states. Some of the news businesses and nonprofits have done well. Some have faced challenges. Some have closed while others have opened. None of this should come as a surprise if you understand that newspapers and magazines once thrived on advertising dollars that then migrated to tech companies. Readers have been asked to make up the gap. At some publications, paywalls and online

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PRAIRIE DOC - BY JILL KRUSE, DO

These Boots Are Made For Walking

Winter weather has finally arrived this year. Getting outside for some activity, even in winter, is great for your overall health. However snow, ice, and cold can turn a stroll in the park into an obstacle course. Having proper footwear is not only important for warmth, but also the wellbeing of your feet. Choosing the correct boots for the elements could mean the difference between enjoying the outdoors and needing an urgent care visit. What makes good footwear for enjoying the outdoors safely? Good traction is essential for walking outside in slippery conditions. If your shoes do not have good traction, you can buy ice cleat attachments. However, you likely already have something in your home that will help with increasing traction on icy sidewalks. The New Zealand Medical Journal published a study showing a significant improvement in traction by placing socks over normal footwear. In the study, those who wore socks over their shoes found walking on a hillside footpath

less slippery and had increased confidence. You may look silly, but you are less likely to slip. Having proper fitting shoes is also important when going outside. Shoes that are too tight could decrease circulation; leading to swelling of the feet and ankles. If they are too small, it can lead to ingrown toenails, corns, and calluses. Conversely, boots that are too loose can cause friction leading to blisters. Ill-fitting shoes can have poor arch support causing shin pain when walking. One might also be at higher risk for jamming a toe or spraining an ankle due to tripping or falling caused by improper fitting shoes. Additionally having shoes that keep your feet warm and dry are crucial in the winter. Frostbite occurs most commonly in extremities, such as fingers, toes, or the nose. The first signs of frostbite are a pins and needles sensation, throbbing, or aching in the affected areas. Trench foot has similar symptoms, but is caused by feet being in a wet environment for a prolonged period of

time. Wet socks and wet boots can lead to both of these injuries. It is important to dry out boots between uses and have clean, dry socks when going outside in the winter. Having boots with weatherproofing and insulation will also help prevent these issues from occurring. Now that you know what "Boots are Made for Walking" and whether you are "Walking on Sunshine," "Walking in Memphis," or just want to "Walk the Line." The proper winter boots will keep you upright and safe. We would not want you to fall and have anyone else "walk all over you." So stay safe, get outside and stay healthy out there. Jill Kruse, D.O. is part of The Prairie Doc® team of physicians and currently practices as a hospitalist in Brookings, South Dakota. Follow The Prairie Doc® at [www.prairiedoc.org](http://www.prairiedoc.org) and on Facebook and Instagram featuring On Call with the Prairie Doc®, a medical Q&A show providing health information based on science, built on trust, streaming live on Facebook most Thursdays at 7 p.m. central.

SPICE UP YOUR LIFE - LINDSAY YOUNG

Italian comfort dish 'gnocchi'd dinner out of the park



Gnocchi alla sorrentina is an Italian comfort dish that features gnocchi, lots of fresh basil and fresh mozzarella in a yummy tomato sauce.

Joey and I received an amazing opportunity last week to speak at the Kentucky Press Association's winter conference. We had a fabulous time with some really great people. My only complaint was the weather for our drive there and back heavily featured thick fog and switched between torrential downpours and drizzles. By the time we came home over the weekend, I was thankful for some Kansas sunshine, but I also found myself really craving some comfort food to get the last bit of that dreary weather feeling out of my system. I poked through some recipes for a bit and landed on a popular comfort meal from Italy, and even better, the version I decided to try comes together a lot quicker than more traditional versions of the recipe, which was a win-win after being away from home for several days.

This is from the blog "Girl Gone Gourmet." You can find the original post at <https://www.girlgonegourmet.com/gnocchi-alla-sorrentina/#tasty-recipes-13873>. I added onion, red pepper flakes and extra basil, mozzarella and garlic in my version.

Gnocchi Alla Sorrentina  
Ingredients

- 1/4 cup olive oil (I used extra virgin)
- 1/2 small yellow onion, diced
- 6 to 8 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 cups tomato puree (I ended up using twice that, since I let my sauce reduce)
- 1/2 cup basil leaves, loosely packed and torn into pieces
- 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 16-ounce packages gnocchi
- 8 ounces fresh mozzarella, sliced
- parsley flakes, for plating

Directions

Heat the olive oil in a large, oven-proof skillet over medium heat. Add the onion and saute until it is cooked through. Add in the garlic and saute for just a couple minutes until it is lightly browned. Stir in the tomato puree, basil leaves, red pepper flakes and salt and pepper. Turn the skillet to medium-low and let the sauce simmer, stirring regularly. Bring a stockpot of water to a boil.

Cook the gnocchi until it rises to the top of the water. Using a slotted spoon, transfer the gnocchi to the skillet, and stir to incorporate all the ingredients. Lay the sliced mozzarella spaced evenly on the top of the gnocchi. Turn the broiler in the oven on high and place the skillet in the oven, leaving it for a few minutes until the cheese is melty and the sauce is bubbling. Let the gnocchi cool slightly, and serve, topped with parsley flakes, along with a thick slice of crusty bread.

I loved this one. It's a vegetarian dish, but it doesn't feel like it. The gnocchi and all the melty mozzarella kind of make you forget that there isn't any meat on your plate, and the addition of fresh basil really kicks this up a notch to taste homemade, despite the main part of the sauce coming from a can. Paired with a big slice of garlic bread, this was exactly what I needed to clear the rainy day doldrums out of my mind. I hope we get a chance to go back to Kentucky again soon. It's a beautiful state with lots of neat people. I'll just keep my fingers crossed for a little better weather the next time around. 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 Blaire Todd  
K-STATE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION-POST ROCK DISTRICT LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION AGENT

Preparing for the calving season

Being prepared for calving season is key to improving the success of your weaned calf crop. Here are some management tips to help you plan ahead this year. It's important to balance cow rations for adequate protein and energy for increased third trimester and subsequent lactation requirements. Try to group and feed cows by body condition and age to the degree possible. The target body condition for first calf heifers at calving is 5.5 to 6 and 5 to 5.5 for mature cows. Prior to calving, you should develop a sound vaccination program to prepare the cow to produce high quality colostrum. As always, control lice and internal parasites, plan for recording calving data, make sure facilities are clean and in good repair. Keep ear tags on hand and prepare tools for tattoos, banding or castration. You should keep OB chains, a calf puller, OB gloves, OB lube (non-detergent soap & water is one option), non-irritant antiseptic (Betadine or Nolvasan), and a flank rope in case you need to lay a cow down if she needs assistance calving. A cooler can also be used to keep warm water in the calving barn if no other source is available and always keep old towels on hand.

You should review basic treatment plans with your local veterinarian prior to calving for issues such as a retained placenta, calf scours, colostrum replacers and supplements and ensure necessary treatments and supplies are readily available including a functional thermometer. Make sure to also know the difference between colostrum supplements and replacers. In most instances, it is best to use replacers that contain at least 100 IgG per dose. Try to have at least 2 clean and functional esophageal tube feeders on hand that are clearly marked. One should be used for healthy calves, and the other for sick calves. If possible, plan and watch for any opportunity to collect colostrum from within the herd. Be sure to date and freeze any colostrum you collect in quart sized plastic bags. Handle healthy calves before sick calves and avoid exposing newborns to contaminants on clothing or materials used on sick calves. If you obtain replacement calves from outside the herd, plan for their isolation and testing before exposing to the entire herd to reduce the risk of disease. Develop standard operation procedures for calving and for when you may need to provide assistance.

Include a list of characteristics of calving and how to know when to intervene and provide contact information for individuals who can give expertise or assistance if it's needed. If you suspect the cow has been in stage one for over 8 hours, it is best to intervene. Stage one characteristics include restlessness, pain, lying down and getting up frequently, and seeking isolation (these signs are more apparent in first-calf heifers than mature cows). Signs for knowing when to intervene during stage two include the water sack is visible for 2 hours and cow is not pushing, the cow has been trying for over 30 minutes and no progress is being made, the cow has quit trying for over 15-20 minutes after a period of progress, the cow or calf is showing excessive fatigue or stress (swollen tongue or excessive bleeding), and you can observe the calf presentation is other than two front feet and head first. After calving, calves should have colostrum within the first 2 hours of life, if the calf can't get colostrum from the dam, you should take steps to give colostrum within 4-6 hours of birth. Colostrum intake should be 10% of calf's body weight or 0.5 - 1 gallon.

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SHOP KANSAS FARMS BY RICK McNARY

How One Kansas Farm Wife Created Her Own Supply Chain

When Katie Carothers accepted the challenge to write and speak her dreams at a small business retreat, she knew exactly what she wanted: to expand her direct-to-consumer sales of beef, pork and chicken to restaurants wanting to buy local.

“Two weeks after I spoke my dream aloud, I got a message on Instagram from a chef in New York who was going to open the First Mile Restaurant at Bradley Faire in Wichita,” Katie says. “I almost didn’t reply because a lot of times they want cheap, wholesale prices. It turns out he was legit and was after quality meat. He was going to need 150 birds a week.”

While Katie had a buyer and knew she could raise that many birds, her challenge was getting them processed.

Here’s where the story is unique—Katie started her own processing facility on the farm she and her husband, Gregg, own near Anthony called KCK Farms, Inc. In essence, she created her own food supply chain, also known as a food system. To understand why her solutions are so unique, it helps to understand how a food system works.

The Food System

There are three basic components of a food system: production (growing the food), processing (preparing the food for human consumption) and distribution (getting the food to the plate so people can eat it).

The pandemic exposed the vulnerability of the food system when the major processing and distribution components were either shut down or significantly limited in production.

Many farmers were suddenly faced with the dilemma of what to do with their animals since they could no longer send them to major meat processors also known as meat packers. Across the nation, numerous farms faced the excruciating decision to euthanize their animals because the processing component failed. However, many pivoted and started sending animals to small, local meat processors, often called lockers, and started selling their meat products directly to consumers.

Processing Her Options

As Katie assessed her dream against the reality of a restaurant needing that many birds each week, she had two parts of the system in place: production, she could raise the birds; and distribu-

tion, she had a buyer for the birds and could deliver them herself. However, the processing component was her greatest vulnerability. Therefore, she decided to create her own food system which includes all three components.

This unique approach of having a fully integrated food system provides Katie control over the entire process.

“I want complete quality control over the process from the beginning to the end,” Katie says. “The first thing I had to do was to scale up to raise enough birds to keep that supply going. To provide 150 birds a week to a restaurant, I need to raise 800 birds at a time.”

Growing Birds

To grow 800 birds, Katie uses mobile chicken coops. She has two 20 foot by 38 foot coops that are on wheels and she moves them each day.

“I move it around the pasture which is good for the soil because the chicken poop is high in nitrogen which the soil loves,” she says. “It has an auto feed and watering system, and the chickens eat the cover crops we plant like white clover, brassica (wild cabbage) and leaves of turnips. It’s basically a greenhouse on skids.”

Her Cornish Rock cross chicks are ordered through the mail, and it can take seven weeks to raise them to the Cornish size.

Due to the harsh nature of Kansas winters, there is a 16-week period where Katie cannot grow her birds, so the challenge is to raise and process enough the rest of the year to meet the weekly demand of 150 birds.

Processing on the Farm

The closest place Katie could take her chickens to be processed is an hour-long drive. That wasn’t feasible for their operation, so she found a processing plant in a box. It has an epoxy floor and hospital grade walls and is a self-contained unit.

Her first goal was to process birds she can sell and then offer processing for others. In addition to chickens, they can also process turkey, quail and pheasant.

“The unit can also be adapted for pork as well, but that’s not on our radar...yet.”

Katie is typical of people who live in rural Kansas who look for opportunities for economic development for their own farms to create different revenue streams as well as provide jobs for residents. She works closely with a nonprofit that helps people find employment.

“Right now, we process one day of the week and are able to hire people we know are struggling,” Katie says. “We hire eight to 10 people for an eight-hour day and pay them much higher than minimum wage. My goal is to have a plant running five days a week and employ local people.”

Distributing the Birds

Katie and Gregg have been industry leaders in Kansas for direct-to-consumer sales of meat products as they sell and ship their USDA-inspected meat products from KCK Farms across the U.S.

Now, they add to their revenue stream a unique opportunity to provide to local restaurants, thereby making the distribution part of their system much easier and more efficient.

Although 100 years ago the idea of consumers buying directly from farmers who used a local locker for processing was the normal way to do business, the increasing complexity of food supply systems replaced those traditions.

Therefore, instead of selling to local consumers, farmers and ranchers began selling to meat-packing corporations. Their model has been to raise the animal, load it up in a truck and ship elsewhere and thus end their part of the supply chain. The price they are paid is set by the meat-packing corporation. They receive payment, then purchase more animals and begin the production cycle all over.

However, Katie and Gregg have discovered a new sector of consumers who want to know where their meat is raised, how it is processed and be able to meet the farmers who raise the food they eat. That niche market of buyers interested in the quality of their meat and its origin is a growing market that exploded during the pandemic.

Katie’s unique model reflects the entrepreneurial business attitude of all farmers who seek sustainable business models and food systems in which they have more control and even greater margins.

She and Gregg are providing innovative solutions and sustainable revenue streams for their farm, and at the same time providing local consumers with the ability to purchase quality food raised directly raised on Kansas farms.

(This article appeared first in Kansas Living Magazine)

Insight - Kansas Farm Bureau

The sun’ll come out

Kim Baldwin

McPherson County farmer and rancher

Looking at my large paper calendar prominently on display in the mudroom, I know January has 31 days. However, after wickedly cold temperatures, a hefty dose of snow and an equally hefty dose of strong winds that drifted shut roads and kept our kids from going to school for many days this month, I’m convinced the January on my calendar is missing some days.

Don’t get me wrong, we have desperately needed moisture for a while, and I am grateful we received many inches of frozen precipitation in January.

However, I can’t remember the last time I saw the sun! It seems as though as soon as the excessive cold left our area and the temperatures slowly started to rise, a cloud of cold mist and dark, heavy fog has remained.

Headlights during the day have been the norm around here lately as have slower speeds. I’ve caught myself multiple times commenting on the thick fog or it being another dark and dreary day.

While temperatures have remained mostly just above freezing since the mist and fog have rolled in, the sun has rarely come out. Thus, the piles of snow and ice have now mostly melted down to slush due to the just-above-freezing temps and the lingering mist. Overall, it’s become a very muddy mess.

My mudroom has quite literally become just that – a mud room. I’ve avoided taking my car to the carwash even though it’s well beyond the point of needing to be scrubbed and hosed down because wherever you go it’s mucky.

I keep thinking that if the sun would just push through, the mess that has been created following our recent snowstorms would begin to dry up.

After listening to a presentation about weather patterns and the long range forecast given by a trusted meteorologist, it sounds like the wet start to 2024 will continue into the coming months due to El Nino.

I’m preparing myself for more slush, more overcast days, and more mud.

While driving home from this weather presentation in the fog with my windshield wipers going and my headlights on, I caught myself humming a tune from a movie I first watched as a child in the early 1980s.

The humming transitioned to me talking out loud saying, “The sun’ll come out tomorrow.”

And soon I was belting out, “Tomorrow, tomorrow, I love you, tomorrow. You’re always a day away”

While there are still a few cloudy days and chances of rain in the near future, there is also some sun in the forecast.

As we perhaps continue to experience cold and wet days this winter, and the mud seems to linger, remember the sun will eventually come out. Afterall, there’s always tomorrow. It’s only a day away.

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Main Street Arts Council offers summer 2024 internships positions

The Main Street Arts Council (MSAC), Hoxie, is pleased to offer a total of 12 student internship positions to assist with the facilitation of its annual Main Street Summer Theater Festival held throughout the northwest Kansas region.

Funding for the positions is made possible through acceptance into the Nex-Generation Round Up for Youth Summer Internship Program.

This summer, the theater festival will include the full-scale youth musical productions of the following productions and locations (subject to change):

- “Annie Jr” - June 28 at 7 p.m. (MT), June 29 at 3 p.m. (MT) - Goodland
- “Aladdin Jr” - July 6 at 7 p.m., July 7 at 3 p.m. - Atwood
- “Shrek Jr” - July 13 at 3 p.m., July 14 at 7 p.m. - Quinter
- “Willy Wonka Jr” - July 12 at 7 p.m., July 14 at 3 p.m. - Hoxie
- “Honk Jr” - July 19 at 7 p.m., July 20 at 3 p.m. - Colby
- “Alice in Wonderland Jr” - August 2 at 3 p.m., August 3 at 3 p.m. - Oakley

Participation in the theater festival productions is free to all area youth ages 5 to 18 years and made possible from the generosity of area grant funders, business and individual sponsors, and fundraising efforts of the casts via the post-performance Bake Sales.

Full festival details will be posted and updated online at [www.mainstreetartscouncil.com/msstf2024](http://www.mainstreetartscouncil.com/msstf2024)

this spring.

The arts council is looking for fun, creative, and hard-working candidates to fill the internship positions. Two interns per show will be assigned to a primary show location to assist on the ground with all aspects of the production. While each intern will be dedicated to one particular show location, they will be required to work the entirety of the internship program (May 30 through August 9, 2024), assisting with all six shows throughout the festival region.

To be eligible, students must be in college or high school (age 16+) and must be from or attending school in the following Northwest/North Central Kansas counties: Barton, Cheyenne, Cloud, Decatur, Ellis, Ellsworth, Gove, Graham, Jewell, Lincoln, Logan, Mitchell, Norton, Osborne, Ottawa, Phillips, Rawlins, Republic, Rooks, Rush, Russell, Saline, Sheridan, Sherman, Smith, Thomas, Trego, and Wallace.

The base wage for each internship is \$12.00 per hour.

The interns will assist the festival staff in the preparation and rehearsing of full-scale youth musical productions. The interns will learn all of the ins and outs of putting on a production and gain valuable hands-on experience throughout the process. They will assist with show design, direction, fundraising, running rehearsals, building sets/props, costuming, lights/sound, ticket sales, marketing and more.

A valid driver’s license is preferred as travel throughout north-

west Kansas will be required; accommodation will be made to assist those without a driver’s license as needed.

Applicants must apply online at <https://connectnwkc.org/nexgen/> by March 1, 2024. Qualified candidates will be contacted to conduct an interview.


For more information and to get involved, visit [www.mainstreetartscouncil.com](http://www.mainstreetartscouncil.com) or contact Executive Director Karl Pratt at [mainstreetartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:mainstreetartscouncil@gmail.com).

About the Main Street Arts Council

The Main Street Arts Council is an organization dedicated to promoting the arts, encouraging creativity, serving the arts community, and acting as an advocate for the arts. We strive to be a model organization for the Northwest Kansas region by ensuring access to the arts for all ages, encouraging a community passion for the arts and successfully supporting, partnering, and collaborating with others committed to the arts. Learn more at <https://mainstreetartscouncil.com>.

About Nex-Generational Round Up for Youth

Our mission is to educate northwest and north central Kansas students about local career opportunities by providing and supporting programs in career development, entrepreneurship, and internship. Through these efforts, we hope to foster a positive sense of community and encourage youth to remain or return home to prosper. Learn more at <https://www.nex-generation.org/>.



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# Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. (CST), Abilene Community Center at 1020 NW 8th Street Abilene, KS 67410

The Kansas Water Office's (KWO) Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) will have a meeting to discuss current water issues affecting the region as well as the state.

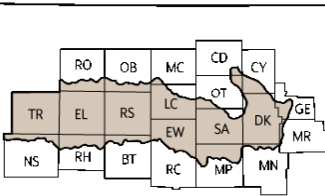
The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 14 at 10:00 a.m. (CST). The agenda will consist of a RAC member orientation, a presentation on Bromide & River Water Quality, a discussion on RAC goal implementation, a review of 2023 RAC meeting topics and updates from RAC members on regional issues & ideas.

The agenda and meeting materials can be found when available at kwo.ks.gov or you may request copies by calling (785) 296-3185 or toll-free at (888) KAN-WATER (526-9283).

If accommodations are needed for a person with disabilities, please notify the Kansas Water Office at 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 404, Topeka, KS 66611-1249 or call (785) 296-3185 at least five working days prior to the meeting.

As the state's water office, KWO conducts water planning, policy coordination and water marketing as well as facilitates public input throughout the state.

The agency prepares the KANSAS WATER PLAN, a plan for water resources development, management and conservation. KWO also reviews all water laws and makes recommendations to the Governor and Legislature for needed legislation.



Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Advisory Committee

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62 steers & heifers, 600-750, wean December 1; 40 steers & heifers, 550-650, long time wean; 50 blk str 800-850 Gardiner genetics, home raised; 33 hfrs 650-700 2 rnd vacc; 100 mostly blk s&h 600-700 long weaned, vacc, green; 32 blk/red str 925 long weaned, vacc; 63 hfrs 700 long weaned, 2 rnd vacc, open; 15 char str 700 home raised, long weaned, no implants; 100 red /charX str 800-900; 40 hfrs 900; 250 blk/charX hfrs 700-800 long weaned, vacc plus more by sale time.

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**Bred Cows/Cow Pairs:** (Dispersion) 420 black/bwf cows, 4-8 years, bred to Hi Dollar Connealey angus bulls, steer calves last year weighed 919#'s at 10 months, cows had all vaccs, cows are Schlessiger or SD John Miller cows; 70 red/rwf cows, 3-5 years, spring calvers; 25 young black spring bred cows, bred black or char; 140 mostly black fall bred cows; 40 black running age cows, bred angus; 20+20, black/red cows, 3-5 years, black/red calves, December/January calves; 35+35 mostly black pairs, 7-older; 64 black/bwf cows, 3-8 years, bred Don Johnson angus; 45 black 4 years old, bred Gray Ranch angus bulls; 5 solid mouth fall pairs plus more by sale time.

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# Kansas Department of Revenue announces launch of online portal for property value information

The Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR), in partnership with Tyler Technologies, announced the launch of Assessment Connect, a new application that will allow KDOR's Property Valuation Division to access statewide property appraisal data and provide improved analytical tools for county appraisers. In addition, the project will feature the Kansas Property Valuation Division Data Portal, an open data, public facing website with up-to-date and easily accessible property value information.

The launch of Assessment Connect

is part of the KDOR's ongoing efforts to streamline the property appraisal process and increase transparency and accountability. By making this data available to the public, KDOR hopes to empower citizens to make informed decisions about their property and their community.

"We're excited to launch this new site and provide Kansans with easy access to important property valuation data," said David Harper, KDOR Property Valuation Division Director. "We believe that transparency is key to building

trust between government and citizens, and this site is an important step in that direction."

The open data portal of Assessment Connect will feature appraised value data on all property types from every county in Kansas. Kansans will be able to view the most up-to-date data in easily readable charts and graphs.

Assessment Connect was funded by a grant from the Information Network of Kansas (INK).

The site is available to the public free of charge and can be viewed at <https://ksopendata.ksrevenue.gov/>

## KDA announces specialty crop grant opportunity

The Kansas Department of Agriculture is accepting applications for the 2024 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program. Funds for the program are awarded to the agency by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service.

The grant funds are in turn granted to projects and organizations to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops by leveraging efforts to market and promote specialty crops; assisting producers with research and development relevant to specialty crops; expanding availability and access to specialty crops; and addressing local, regional, and national challenges confronting specialty crop

producers. Specialty crops are defined by the USDA as "fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits, horticulture, and nursery crops, including floriculture."

Applications will be evaluated by a team of external reviewers. The team will rate proposals on their ability to successfully enhance the competitiveness of the specialty crop industry in Kansas and make a positive impact on the Kansas economy. Those recommendations will be submitted to the Kansas Secretary of Agriculture, who will make the final awards.

Applications are due to KDA no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 15, 2024. For more information,

please download and carefully read the 2024 Kansas Request for Applications document from the KDA website: [agriculture.ks.gov/specialtycrop](http://agriculture.ks.gov/specialtycrop).

Specialty Crop Block Grant Program funding from USDA-AMS is awarded to states based on recent value and acreage of specialty crops in the state. In 2024, Kansas will receive approximately \$330,000.

The vision of the Kansas Department of Agriculture is to provide an ideal environment for long-term, sustainable agricultural prosperity and statewide economic growth. The agency will achieve this by advocating for sectors at all levels and providing industry outreach.

# Christ Cathedral to unveil unique art exhibit on Friday, Feb. 16

Christ Cathedral invites the public to a reception on Friday, February 16 to unveil the "Artists Way Of The Cross" art exhibit, in the Cathedral main sanctuary, at 138 S. Eighth Street in downtown Salina.

Designed to complement the Lenten-season Stations of the Cross tradition that represents events leading up to Christ's crucifixion, the exhibit features 14 artists, each of whom have interpreted a Station of the Cross in their preferred medium and style.

"This multi-artist project evolved in an impactful and unique way," says Mo. Shay Craig, Dean of Christ Cathedral. "As far as we know, no other church in our area has ever invited this many artists to interpret Christ's journey to the cross in this immediate, visual way." Artists creating work for the exhibit are: Carolyn Carpenter, Sandy Clanton, Wayne Conyers, Rick Frisbie, Linda Foster, Pam Harris, Steve Hoffman, Becky Hyberger, Ruth Moritz, Rusty Nelson, Karla Prickett, Marcie Roth, Kristy Yenkey and Debbie Wagner.

The "Artists Way of the Cross" exhibit was originally conceived by Mo. Shay, but "the idea took fire in the minds of the Cathedral Arts Committee, comprised of Debbie

Wagner, Steve Hoffman and Wayne DeBey," she says. "The 14 artists whose work visitors will experience offer a glimpse of what each artist sees in these scriptures. Their pieces articulate deep emotion, soaring imagination and beautiful theology."

Historically, the first Stations of the Cross were built in the fifth century in Bologna, Italy, with the tradition encouraged by the Franciscans. At Christ Cathedral, in the four weeks leading up to Easter Sunday, March 31, people can gather on Wednesday evenings to "walk the way," represented by the Cathedral's existing carved-wood Station stops and by the new artist works, to pray and hear music, engaging with the last few days and hours of the life of Christ. "The addition of each artist's interpretation of their chosen Station will make this experience even morespecial this year," says Craig.

The "Artists Way of the Cross" exhibit unveils at the Friday, February 16 reception from 5:30 to 8 p.m. It also will be open to the public and church and civic groups by appointment, through Saturday, March 30. The exhibit complements the Cathedral's early-February music concert featuring New York City

pianist Landon Wilson, a church member now living and studying in New York City. "Our commitment to Salina's rich cultural heritage is tangible," says Craig, who celebrates one year as the Cathedral's dean in March. "We want everyone to feel welcome to our beautiful, historic Cathedral for cultural enrichment, learning and worship."

There is no admission fee to see the "Artists Way of the Cross" six-week exhibit. Those wishing to make a donation once they view it may do so to support the Cathedral's Arts Committee. Those who attend the exhibit reception on Friday, February 16 can stay to enjoy an organ concert by Cathedral Director of Music Nancy Bauer, designed to help visitors experience art with their eyes, ears and hearts.

Christ Cathedral considers itself central to Salina's community fabric, as "the church at the heart of the city with a heart for the city." For more information on the "Artists Way of the Cross" exhibit or other Cathedral happenings, contact Cathedral staff at 785-827-4440, visit Christ-CathedralSalina.org or click to:

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ately available.

“As long as the baby’s breathing and crying and staying warm, that’s what you do until paramedics get there,” he said.

Lauren and Mike Rosales were thankful for Brame’s preparation in an emergency situation that isn’t so common as the trooper’s recent experiences might indicate.

With Lauren and the baby, Pierson, happy and healthy, the couple said they can’t thank Trooper Brame enough and extended an invitation to any of Pierson’s birthday parties as the infant grows. Mike said the trooper, who also happens to be a former Kansas State University football player, was “a Godsend” on the Jan. 12 emergency call.

Brame said he’s thankful the family is doing well and plans to take up the offer to keep in touch.

“[Mike] wants me to come back for [Pierson’s] first birthday and I’m gonna make it a point to do that on his one-year birthday,” Brame said. “And hopefully, maybe, as long as I live, you know, I can you know, see him every birthday or keep in contact with him and say, ‘Hey buddy,’ ya know, ‘How’s it goin’, and make sure he’s doing good.”

With another three weeks passing since Pierson Rosales was born, Brame isn’t expecting lightning to strike for a third time. But if he’s called to assist with another roadside delivery, he’s ready.

“This month was pretty crazy,” Brame said. “I hope that’s it but if it comes again, I’m ready for it.”

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Guest/

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subscriptions have succeeded. Elsewhere, philanthropy has bolstered built-from-scratch outlets.

So why the latest rending of garments?

I suspect that coastal media elites have figured out what journalists in the rest of the country have understood for years now. No magic button or one-size-fits-all option exists for news outlets. Every entity has to figure out who it serves and why, and decide what model makes the most sense for long-term viability. Social media engagement, video clips, live events, subscription packages, billionaire owners — no single approach will “save” journalism on all levels and in all locations.

Plenty of outlets don’t need saving anyway. Instead, we should focus on smart experimentation, be willing to adapt and forge ahead. We all want to serve our communities and hold public officials accountable. If we have opinion sections, we want to add a dash of moral judgment.

The work, no matter the platform, needs doing.

Some commentators have urged the government to act. Paul Farhi, in the Atlantic column mentioned above, sketches out ways lawmakers could support journalism (the piece reads better than its alarmist headline). Call me old fashioned, but the notion of federal or state laws propping up publications makes me uneasy.

Still, 20 years ago I wouldn’t have foreseen working at a journalism nonprofit. Aside from the august example of National Public Radio, they didn’t exist back then. Who knows what surprises the future holds?

Chris Fitzsimon, director and publisher of States Newsroom, agrees the times can feel unsettling.

“Journalism is definitely in a period of transition and there are plenty of reasons to worry,” he told me. “But there are lots of exciting things happening, too, as nonprofits are increasingly providing top-notch reporting and analysis. We must think of journalism as a public good and vital for the health of our democracy. States Newsroom is one example of a nonprofit providing high-quality reporting. There are many others across the county.”

For that matter, there are many in Kansas.

The Kansas City Beacon and Wichita Beacon have carved out niches with local reporting about those two major cities. University of Kansas associate professor Teri Finneman started

up the hyperlocal Eudora Times. The Kansas News Service launched in 2017 and has made its name with dependable, statewide coverage.

On the for-profit side, the Eagle and Kansas City Star continue to produce work of lasting value, despite the challenges mentioned above. Ditto for the quality Statehouse reporting from the Topeka Capital-Journal. Out in Newton, Harvey County Now succeeded in starting a newspaper. Closer to my home, the plucky Lawrence Times has gone toe-to-toe with the Lawrence Journal-World (we’re fans of both around here, so don’t ask us to to pick just one).

But all these examples, for-profit and nonprofit, scarcely reveal the full picture. Dozens of daily and weekly papers publish across the state, many of them family owned. They include the Iola Register, the Emporia Gazette, Manhattan Mercury and Marion County Record. Public radio stations across the states cover news and culture with the best of them.

Other states can boast of aggressive, quality coverage as well. They should. Exemplars of excellence surround us.

Sure looks like a crisis in journalism, doesn’t it?

Sarcasm aside, I understand why journalists fret. But I’ve become more optimistic than I was 15 years ago.

Back then, the Great Recession had chewed up the economy, coinciding with widespread adoption of smartphones. I didn’t know what the path forward was for print media. Since then, we’ve seen online-only reporting gain a foothold and attract talented journalists. We’ve seen other models emerge in fits and starts, all the while producing great work and serving the public. I’ve seen the resilience and talent of those who came up after me, undaunted by an economy where just about any job makes more sense than being a reporter.

Usually, someone writes a column along these lines because they’re leaving a publication or the field as a whole. I’m sorry to inform my detractors online that’s not the case. I’m enjoying myself too much, and for a good cause besides. Meanwhile, I’m lucky to live in a state where myriad journalists set an example for the nation.

Heck, these words might even show up on someone’s doorstep in the morning or afternoon, reprinted by a local paper.

- Clay Wirestone is Kansas Reflector opinion editor

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Time out: 10:03 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:03 a.m. with no action taken.

Sheriff Florence said the department is purchasing a used patrol unit from the Kansas Highway Patrol. The group discussed movement on the pay scale when receiving certifications and whether completing certifications was a requirement listed in the job description. Sanders related that the department will participate in KDOT’s STEP program (special traffic enforcement program), which will provide funding for equipment purchases.

Nursing Home Administrator Diane Walters summarized building needs from the results of the state survey and fire marshal inspections. Walters discussed building maintenance needs and repairs made over the past month. The board requested a revised bid from Thrasher with projects separated.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Noxious Weed Director Dan Heina, and HR Felia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Time in: 10:23 a.m. Time out: 10:28 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:28 a.m. with no action taken.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Ambulance Service Director Brandon Cochran, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 10:32 a.m. Time out: 10:47 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:47 a.m. with no action taken.

Cochran requested the board to approve a status change for Deedra Stertz. Debora Smith moved to move Deedra Stertz from part-time paramedic to full-time paramedic, Adriana Nondorf from PRN to part-time status, and Alex Winters from an AEMT to paramedic at grade 15 step 4, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Voting as follows: Smith – Aye; Hembrly – Aye; Ray – Nay.

Emergency Manager Jesse Knight provided pricing for used pickups, requesting to purchase a 2021 GMC and noting that he has sufficient budget to buy the truck and that Highway Director Dale Hlad has agreed to purchase the department’s current vehicle. Dennis Ray moved to approve the purchase of the 2012 GMC 2500HD from Dick’s Motors in Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$21,960, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Clerk Harlow requested that the board identify the budgets that will be used to make the purchase and explained that the sale of the current vehicle would not be considered a reimbursement as the truck was purchased in a prior fiscal year. The board approved \$8,000 from the County General budget, with the remainder from the Emergency Management budget.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Attorney Scott Wright, via telephone, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Time in: 11:18 a.m. Time out: 11:28 a.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:28 a.m. with no action taken.

The board mentioned the appointment of County Attorney Scott Wright as the Jewell County Attorney. Clerk Harlow related that Jewell County would like to enter into an agreement to share the cost of health insurance benefits.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, County Treasurer Leann Johnson, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 11:36 a.m. Time out: 11:46 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:46 a.m. with no action taken.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Landfill Director Daniel Muchow, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 11:48 a.m. Time out: 11:58 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:58 a.m. with no action taken.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, Maintenance John Paul Ellis, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Time in: 12:00 p.m. Time out: 12:10 p.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:10 p.m. with no action taken.

Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee 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, County Clerk Dawn Harlow, and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried. Time in: 12:13 p.m. Time out 12:28 p.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:28 p.m. with no action taken.

Debora Smith moved to approve minutes from January 16, 2024, seconded by Ryley Hembrly. Motion carried.

The board discussed the bids presented to provide security improvements. The board requested additional information from both companies.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, January 29, 2024.

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The first choice is for the calf to nurse a bottle so that the colostrum goes directly to the abomasum. Don’t over feed to encourage the calf to nurse on its own; a 1.5-quart dose is a good starting point.


Work towards developing a notebook that has all the standard operating procedures for your operation. Include things such as yearly vaccination plans, treatment protocols, calving and calving assistance protocols, euthanasia protocols, drought management plans and weather emergency plans. This will be a valuable resource when communicating with employees, new and old, when reviewing what needs to be improved for the next year or if a health emergency forces someone else to take care of the herd.

Thanks to Sandy Johnson, Extension Beef Specialist, and AJ Tarpoff, Extension Veterinarian, for sharing information related to preparing cattle for calving season and for further information, contact me at any Post Rock Extension District Offices in Beloit, Lincoln, Mankato, Osborne, or Smith Center.

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### Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

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ANSWER: Sift flour

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### How they SAY that in...

**ENGLISH:** Cake  
**SPANISH:** Pastel  
**ITALIAN:** Torta  
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# AREA SCHOOLS FINISH STRONG IN THE PIKE TRAIL LEAGUE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



Sylvan-Lucas Junior High Girls receive first place in the Pike Trail League Basketball Tournament. Back Row (L-R): Coach Rod Seehafer, Mina Pahls, Jozelynn Davidson, Lauren Brokes, Dominique Davidson, Brooklyn Thielen, Lily Pancost, Jayden Meitler, and Coach Jenna Kratky. Front Row (L-R): Faith Soukup, Merzadys Gustus, Belle Wehrman, Leila Stone and Kelbie Nelson. *(Photo courtesy of Mike Nelson)*



Sylvan-Lucas Junior High Boys with a 1st place finish in the Pike Trail League Basketball Tournament. Back Row (L-R): Coach Tyler Gier, Jayce Richards, Kale Sorensen, Cody Charvat, Lane Brokes, Caleb Dlabal, William Cline, and Coach Jason Seehafer. Front Row (L-R): Tucker Denning, Gage Sonnier, Cooper Johnson, Gage Meier, Gabe Esposito, and Tevis Dohl. *(Photo courtesy of Mike Nelson)*



Tescott Trojans Junior High Boys with a 3rd place finish in the Pike Trail League Basketball Tournament. (L-R): Assistant coach Reuben Gonzales, Miles Challans, Coyer Cramton, Parker Graves, and Graison Zachgo. Back Row (L-R): Reid Oetting, Carter Phelps, Brody Hurtig, Brody Thompson, Jace Krone and Coach Daymon Walker. *(Photo courtesy of Kriston Phelps)*



The Lincoln Junior High Girls with a 3rd place finish in the Pike Trail League Basketball Tournament. Back Row (L-R): Darcy Couse, Emma Suelter, Chloe Helus, Tennyson Donley, Lilly Behrens, Chloe Balluch, Jason Hull, and Ryley Hembry. Front Row (L-R): Allison Rosebrook, Mallie Florence, Kaylee Obermueller, Teryn Spear, Ivee Sheldon, Hadley Wiebke, and Izabel Dail. *(Photo by Lori Spear)*

## Athletes honored for football accomplishments

### 6-Man All-Star Game:



Tescott High School football players will be playing in the 6-man All-Star Game in Dodge City on June 1st. This begins a new tradition in Kansas sports as the best 6-man players from Kansas and Colorado will compete against each other. (L-R): Carter Peters, Dawson Lee and Justin Pasley. *(Courtesy Photo)*

### KEMFA All-Stars Teams

All Star Game will be held June 8, 2024 at Beloit HS, more details closer to event. *(Photos courtesy of Jessica Rhudolph, Becky Rathbun and Colby Hamel)*



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- GIRLS**  
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Sylvan-Lucas 52, Thunder Ridge 34  
No Tescott Girls Game
- BOYS**  
Lincoln 45, Pike Valley 40  
Sylvan-Lucas 50, Thunder Ridge 22  
Tescott 50, St. Xavier 41