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## Lincoln Preschool's Farm and Ranch Day on a Fun Friday Experience



Preschoolers watch in awe as Bryan Guipre demonstrates how to rope a steer during Friday Fun Day. With straw bales, cowboy hats, and wide-eyed wonder, the little wranglers got a hands-on taste of ranch life—one rope loop at a time. (Courtesy photo)

**By Bambi Hanson, Lincoln Preschool**

There is a joy one can see in the eyes of a preschooler, after all the years of teaching this age group, that can't compare to the lure of an animal or wanting to grow up to be a cowboy or a cowgirl. At our recent Friday Fun Day we had just that, plus, a whole lot more! Beginning in the morning, we had our area conservation educator bring in her enthusiasm to our preschool to help our students learn what we can do to help our earth. Nancy Walters, District Manager of Lincoln County Conservation District, introduced to our children how to take care of our earth with discussions, visuals, and hands on experiences of making flowers, planting flowers and best of all, her unique ability to keep these kids engaged

in conversation! Then after lunch, with bellies full and cowboy/cowgirl hats on we ventured out to the playground area of straw bales, provided to us by Ron Buttenhoff, where Bryan Guipre from the area, demonstrated to these little roping enthusiasts how to rope a steer. He commented that the hardest part was teaching them to let go of the rope! In rotation fashion, preschoolers were excited to see Jimmy's family, Krystal and Shawn Elder, who brought in Jimmy's miniature horse and their donkeys. They were very supportive of showing students their animals and we were excited they came! Krista Biggs, our district's daycare provider, along with her mom Pat Lund, was on hand to show off their baby chicks. It was a big hit for all

those who attended! Lincoln's high school Animal Science class, brought to the event by their teacher Morgan Nitsch were helpful with students in all the action. And a few LES classrooms got to hang out for a bit with the animals. Parents might have noticed corn included in the cuffs of their child's jeans or in their boots! A sandbox was provided and equipped with toy farm animals. I didn't realize that double-cleaned deer corn could be a much better option than sand. It will be added to our April fun on the playground. The preschool staff was contemplating what kind of animals might be showing up in the playground with the corn scattered about! The day was enjoyed by students and staff alike. A big shout out to our preschool staff and support

staff that helped make this a fun experience! Kudos to them! (Para appreciation day is Wednesday, April 2th, so thank a para, we can't do our jobs without them!). We appreciate the community in providing agricultural opportunities for students. Promoting a lifestyle that peaks an interest early on is fun to watch. I have been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to take part in farming and ranching myself and love to see it grow and prosper in our small towns. It's important to show that we respect the vocation of our farmers and ranchers. It is an important part of keeping our small towns vibrant! So THANK YOU farmers and ranchers in all that you do and your support in our youth!

## The rest of the story

*By Jyll Phillips, Lincoln-Sentinel*



Last week we received a sneak preview of an award earned by Lincoln City Clerk. The Sentinel got excited and jumped the gun before we had all the information before going to print. This is the rest of the story. Lincoln City Clerk Heather Hillegeist has been selected as the 2025 Mildred Vance City Clerk/Finance Officer of the Year for the State of Kansas. This prestigious award was announced at the City Clerks and Municipal Finance Officers Association of Kansas (CCMFOA) spring conference in Manhattan on Thursday, March 20.

Hillegeist began her career with the City of Lincoln in 2002 as an office clerk. In 2005, she was promoted to deputy clerk, and in 2015, following the retirement of her mentor, became city clerk.

Known for her exceptional organizational skills, Hillegeist handles her civic duties and voluntary workload with grace and professionalism. She fosters a collaborative environment among the Kansas clerks, offering support and motivation to all. Upholding high ethical standards, she is a mentor to all who ask and is willing to help anyone. She is known for being incredibly humble and presents herself with integrity and authenticity. She understands the importance of efficient operations and ensures an elevated level of transparency and public engagement. Her impact on city functions and to CCMFOA has been widely recognized, earning praise from colleagues and fellow City Clerks. In addition to her professional achievements, she consistently demonstrates a strong personal commitment to community service, always going above and beyond to ensure the City's operations run smoothly.

Hillegeist has been an outstanding leader within the CCMFOA Board fostering a collaborative and inclusive environment, offering guidance and support to other Clerks and ensuring that everyone has the tools they need to succeed. Her ability to inspire others, combined with her organizational and managerial expertise, has resulted in a highly efficient and motivated Board that consistently meets the demands of CCMFOA with professionalism and accuracy. Through her mentorship, she has cultivated a culture of excellence, ensuring that Clerks are not only fulfilling their responsibilities but also growing in their careers.

Hillegeist earned her Master Municipal Clerk (MMC) designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC). This is the highest recognition a city clerk can achieve, given only to clerks who complete the most demanding educational requirements and have a record of significant contributions to their communities.

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## PRCF Record Breaking Match Month

The Post Rock Community Foundation is excited to announce a record-breaking Match Month! In a single month \$78,056 was raised in donations to the Post Rock Community Action Fund, the unrestricted grant fund used for projects throughout the Post Rock service area. The Dane G. Hansen Foundation matched the first \$50,000 by 200%, which added \$100,000 and the Patterson Family Foundation matched the total amount raised for a total impact of \$256,112! The Post Rock Community Foundation would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of those who donated to help reach this incredible amount of impact.

"It has been a privilege to be a part of this year's Match Month and witness firsthand incredible generosity of our communities. Our board and donors have a clear passion for preserving our history, facilitating growth for the future and inspiring vibrant rural living. It is beautiful to see everyone coming together – neighbors helping neighbors – to accomplish such big goals!" stated Elisa Agler, Post Rock Community Foundation Coordinator.

This level of impact would not have been achieved without the generosity of the Dane G. Hansen Foundation and the Patterson Family Foundation. The Dane G. Hansen Foundation was established as a charitable organization in 1965, with the primary goal of making the communities of Northwest Kansas better places to live. The Patterson Family Foundation is a family-led, non-profit foundation continuing the legacy of Neal and Jeanne Patterson whose mission is advancing health care, education, and strengthening communities especially in rural areas in Kansas and western Missouri.

Again, on behalf of The Post Rock Community Foundation board, thank you to all who supported this match month campaign.

## Lincoln Fire holds annual banquet



Lincoln Fire Department members during the 8th annual awards banquet. Back row (L-R): TJ Jonsson, Colton Panzer, Jarrod Heinze, Jeff Lyne, and Greg Babcock. Front row (L-R): Ethan Suelter, Mason Florence, Will Lowther, and Ignacio Robles. Chris Handley was named Firefighter of the Year for his outstanding dedication and service. (Courtesy Photo)

## April 6 - National Sorry Charlie Day



This quirky holiday honors those moments in life when we've been told "no" — and kept going anyway! Named after Charlie the Tuna, the classic Starkist commercial character who was always deemed "not good enough" to be picked, Sorry Charlie Day is a lighthearted reminder that rejection isn't the end — it's often just the beginning of a better story. Whether it's a job, a relationship, or just a missed opportunity, today's the perfect day to celebrate resilience, dust yourself off, and swim on.

## Cash Grain

Corn.....	\$4.03
Milo.....	\$3.48
Soybeans.....	\$9.25
Wheat.....	\$4.93

Cash prices courtesy of Ag Mark



## Community Calendar

### Thursday, April 3

Lincoln: 6 pm TNGR Post Rock Mountain Bike Club Group Ride @ Mettner Field

### Friday, April 4

USD 298: No Preschool - PBIS Training; 2pm - JH Track @ Tescott Invitational; 3pm - HS Track @ Bennington Invitational

### Saturday, April 5

Lincoln: 5:30 pm Bingo at the Vesper Community Center  
USD 298: KSHSAA Solos & Small Ensemble Regional Festival; 10 am Lincoln Rec Soccer  
USD 299: ACT Test; HS Regional Music (Solos & Small Ens.) @ Concordia

### Sunday, April 6

### Monday, April 7

USD 298: 3pm - Baseball vs Blue Valley-Randolph @ Bennington  
USD 299: 3pm BSB @ Bennington (Blue Valley-Randolph)

### Tuesday, April 8

USD 298: 3pm - HS Track St. John's Invitational @ Beloit; 6:30pm - LES Spring Concert Grades K-5  
USD 299: 3pm HS Track St. John's-Beloit Invt. @ Mankato

### Tuesday, April 9

KSHSAA Large Group State Festival (through April 10); LES Spring Pictures; Career Exploration-SPED  
USD 299: Career Exploration @ Beloit

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 third Wednesday of each month @ 5 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.

# Tractor safety classes offered by K-State Research and Extension Districts for 2025

This summer, thousands of Kansas teenagers will begin their first job working for a farmer or rancher. For those that are ages 14 or 15, they must complete a tractor safety course in order to be legally employed. A thirteen-year-old may enroll in the training if turning 14 before the next year's class is offered, but the certificate will not be issued until their fourteenth birthday.

To help prepare some of those youth for the upcoming work season, several K-State Research and Extension Districts are collaborating and will be hosting four in-person tractor safety classes scheduled for April 5 (Ellsworth), April 26 (Beloit), May 10 (Washington) and May 22 (Solomon).

This course will meet the

requirements of the U.S. Department of Labor's Hazardous Occupations Order for Agriculture (HOOA). The HOOA regulations state that youth 14 and 15 years of age, who wish to work as a hired employee for someone other than a parent or legal guardian and operate a farm tractor that is 20 HP or greater, must successfully pass a tractor safety training program.

The cost of the program is \$15 to cover the cost of materials for the course. Those wanting to enroll simply go online at <https://bit.ly/tractorsafety2025> and complete the registration at least 5 days prior to the scheduled course. The book for the course is available at your local Extension District office and will need to be purchased prior

to the first class as participants are encouraged to go through the "safety activity sheets" at the end of each chapter prior to their chosen session. The book for the course is available at your local Extension District office and will need to be purchased prior to the first class as participants are encouraged to go through the "safety activity sheets" at the end of each chapter prior to Saturday's session.

Prospective students can check availability and ask questions prior to registering by calling or emailing Blaire Todd [blairet@ksu.edu](mailto:blairet@ksu.edu) 785-738-3597, Luke Byers [lbyers@ksu.edu](mailto:lbyers@ksu.edu) 785-632-5335, Craig Dinkel [cadinkel@ksu.edu](mailto:cadinkel@ksu.edu) 785-472-4442, or Justine Johns [jwh04@ksu.edu](mailto:jwh04@ksu.edu) 785-392-3147.

## Sun's Out, Fun's Out

By Jamie Rathbun  
Family and Community Wellness Agent Post Rock Extension District #1

Spending time outdoors is a favorite pastime for many individuals and families, and many people have outdoor careers. Families enjoy sports, hiking, swimming, and other activities to not only have fun but to stay physically active and improve their health. Sunshine is synonymous with outdoor fun, but it can also mean sunburn worries. When outdoors, it's important to stay sun safe, understanding that ultraviolet rays can damage skin cells and how to best protect yourself and loved ones from harmful rays. Here's how to create lasting memories while keeping your children safe in the sun. (All of these tips are good for us adults too.)

### Sun Protection: A multi-layered approach

Sunscreen is a must-have, but it's not the only line of defense. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends a broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher for children over 6 months old. Apply liberally 15 minutes before sun exposure and reapply every 2 hours, or more often after swimming or sweating. Even if you do not plan to spend much time outside, make sunscreen a habit daily, applying before putting on make-up or brushing your teeth. All individuals

can benefit from applying sunscreen. If wearing sandals or shoes that do not cover the whole foot, be sure to apply sunscreen to your feet.

### Dress for Success

Clothing provides excellent sun protection. Opt for lightweight, tightly woven fabrics that cover your child's arms and legs. Look for clothing and swimwear with UPF (Ultraviolet Protection Factor) rating for added defense. Wide-brimmed hats are essential, shading the face, ears, and neck. Even when wearing protective clothing, be sure to regularly apply sunscreen.

### Seek Shade and Time it Right

The sun's rays are strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. When possible, it's best to stay indoors or in the shade during these hours for the greatest protection. Plan outdoor activities for the early morning or late afternoon when the sun is less intense. Seek shade whenever possible, whether under a tree, umbrella, or pop-up tent. You can also utilize the "shadow test" to gauge the sun's intensity. When your shadow appears shorter than you, seek shade.

### Cool Hydration is Key

Sun exposure can lead to dehydration, so keep your child well-hydrated throughout the day. Offer cool water frequently, even if they don't say they're thirsty. Pack a reusable water bottle and make it a fun game to see how many refills

they can get.

### Make Sun Safety Fun

Turn sun protection into an engaging activity. Let your child pick out a colorful hat and cool sunglasses with UV protection. Apply sunscreen together and make it a silly game by singing songs or telling stories.

### Be a Sun Smart Role Model

Children learn best by example. Always wear sunscreen and sunglasses yourself and take breaks in the shade to show them the importance of sun safety.

By following these tips, you can create a summer filled with joyful memories while safeguarding your child's delicate skin from the sun's harmful rays. Remember, sun safety is a habit that will benefit your child for a lifetime.

For more information on Protecting your Skin from the Sun read through this publication from Kansas State University: [https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/download/protect-your-skin-from-the-sun-fact-sheet\\_MF3663](https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/download/protect-your-skin-from-the-sun-fact-sheet_MF3663)

*The Post Rock District of K-State Research and Extension serves Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, Osborne, and Smith Counties. Contact Jamie Rathbun at [jrathbun@ksu.edu](mailto:jrathbun@ksu.edu) or by calling 785-524-4432. Stay connected with "Post Rock Extension" on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube. Our website is [www.postrock.ksu.edu](http://www.postrock.ksu.edu).*

## Cold Weather Rule and the LIEAP application period end soon

TOPEKA - The Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) wants to remind utility customers that there are two important dates coming up that they should be aware of. First, the Cold Weather Rule ends on Monday, March 31. The Cold Weather Rule protects residential customers, served by KCC regulated utilities, from disconnection when temperatures are forecast to drop below 35 degrees.

In addition, Monday is the deadline to apply for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program, known as LIEAP. Applications for the federally funded program must be received by the Kansas Department of Children and Families by 5 p.m.

Monday. Information about the program is available at <https://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/eas/Pages/EnergyAssistance.aspx>

When the Cold Weather Rule is in effect, regulated utilities are required to offer a 12-month payment plan upon request, even if a previous payment plan has been broken. When that protection ends on Monday, failure to make arrangements or failure to adhere to an already established payment plan could result in disconnection. Reconnection after March 31 may require past due balances be paid in full, depending on the utility's policy. That is why it is important to call now - while regulated utilities are still required to offer the Cold

Weather Rule 12-month payment plan.

The KCC urges all customers facing financial difficulties to act now to stay connected. To find out more about utility assistance programs in your area, please contact your utility or the KCC Consumer Protection Office at 800-662-0027 or 785-271-3140. Utility assistance program information is also posted on the KCC's website.

It is important to note that the KCC does not regulate co-ops or municipal utilities, although many of those utilities also offer a cold weather payment plan. For a complete list of utilities regulated by the KCC visit: <http://kcc.ks.gov/about-us/jurisdiction>



### Monday, April 7

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Broccoli, Mixed Veggies, Applesauce, Milk, & Mozzarella Sticks

### Tuesday, April 8

Beef and Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Fruit & Milk

### Wednesday, April 9

BBQ Pork w/Bun, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Peaches, & Milk

### Thursday, April 10

Oven Fried Chicken, Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Strawberry Shortcake, Roll, & Milk

### Friday, April 11

Fish Wedges, Hashbrown Casserole, Cauliflower, Mixed Fruit, Bread, & Milk

*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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420 NE 10th St   1602 Aylward Ave   114 W Court St   817 A Argyle Ave

CKMHC Crisis Services Available 24/7  
785-823-6322 or 800-794-8281

### Help whenever you need it.

<p><b>988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline</b></p> <p>If you or someone you know needs support now</p> <p>Call or text 988 Chat: 988lifeline.org</p>	<p><b>Crisis Text Line</b></p> <p>Serves anyone, in any type of crisis.</p> <p>Text "HOME" to 741741 Chat: <a href="http://crisistextline.org">crisistextline.org</a> or connect on WhatsApp</p>
<p><b>Farm Aid Hotline</b> (English or Spanish)</p> <p>If you or a loved one in the farming/ag community is struggling please reach out</p> <p>Call: 1-800-327-6243 or call/text 988</p>	<p><b>The Trevor Project</b></p> <p>Crisis Support Services for LGBTQ youth in need.</p> <p>Text "START" to 678678</p>
<p><b>Veterans Crisis Line</b></p> <p>A free, confidential resource for all service members.</p> <p>Call 988 and press 1</p>	<p><b>National Domestic Violence Hotline</b></p> <p>Text "START" to 88788 Chat: <a href="http://thehotline.org">thehotline.org</a> Call: 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)</p>

### In Loving Memory Of Lillian Elizabeth Anderson

If roses grow in Heaven Lord  
please pick a bunch for me,  
Place them in my mother's arm,  
and tell her they're from me.  
Tell her that I love her and miss her,  
and when she turns to smile,  
place a kiss upon her cheek and  
hold her for a while.  
Because remembering her is easy,  
I do it every day, but there's an ache  
within my heart that never goes away.



*50 years - without you -  
July 14, 1930 - April 1, 1975  
Lillian Elizabeth Anderson*

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## Consumer Advisory for Kansans: Protect Your Genetic Data Amid 23andMe Bankruptcy

TOPEKA - Attorney General Kris Kobach issued a consumer alert warning Kansas residents of the recent bankruptcy filing by 23andMe, a direct-to-consumer genetic testing and information company. 23andMe filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy on March 23. The company said in a press release, "There are no changes to the way the Company stores, manages, or protects customer data." However, the bankruptcy raises the risk that 23andMe may attempt to sell Kansans' genetic data and other private information as part of the bankruptcy proceedings.

"Protecting Kansans' personal information and genetic data is of the utmost importance to our office. Because of the company's current financial situation, we encourage Kansans to consider requesting deletion of their genetic data held by 23andMe," Assistant Attorney General Sarah Dietz said.

Kansas residents should be aware of their rights and the protections afforded to their genetic data under the Kansas Consumer **See "23nadMe" page 4**



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## OBITUARY



**Carolyn Loyce (Plinsky) Hansen**  
Jan. 29, 1939 - 2025

Carolyn was born on the family farm Southwest of Westfall, Kansas to Ernest August Herman Plinsky and Hazel Fern (Shafer) Plinsky on Kansas's 74th birthday, January 29, 1935. She attended Keystone School through 7th grade, but consolidation forced the closure of that school, so she finished 8th grade in Westfall. Her 8th grade teacher was Kate Marsh, who was also her mother's 8th grade teacher 30 years

earlier. She then attended Beverly Rural High School, graduating in 1952. Although she never attained a college degree, she took many classes from four different colleges, including two State Universities.

Due to her father's failing health, her family moved from the farm to Beverly. Then at ages 15 and 16 she worked three jobs: Bonny Café, Telephone Exchange and cleaning the Methodist Church, while attending high school and playing the piano for church.

She married Gilbert Hansen of Beverly, November 15th, 1953, in the Westfall Presbyterian Church with Rev. H. Martins of Tescott Lutheran Church officiating. They were blessed with two children, Leila May and Steven Ernest.

Carolyn was elected an officer at the Beverly State Bank at age 19, which was announced in the Kansas Bankers Association magazine as the youngest female bank officer in the State of Kansas. She continued her banking career for forty plus years, retiring from the Beverly State Bank after thirty-five years, followed by serving as bank manager for local banks located in Falun & Barnard Kansas as they

transitioned through ownerships.

She served on the Boards of the Beverly State Bank, Lincoln County Hospital, Beverly City Council, Lincoln County Hospice, Lincoln County on Aging including the Bus Board, Lincoln County Representative of the North Central Kansas Economics Board and several others.

She truly enjoyed sharing her musical gift playing piano and organ for churches in Beverly and Salina for over 50 years, beginning at the age of twelve at the Westfall Presbyterian Church.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her father, Ernie Plinsky in 1951, mother, Hazel in 2005, brother Dean Plinsky in 2018, brother Darrell Plinsky in 2022, and son-in-law, Ron Reinert in 2024. Survivors include Gilbert Hansen, her husband of 71 years; children, Leila Reinert, Steve Hansen (Melinda); six grandchildren, Bert Street, Duane Street (Cathy), Steffanie Street, Kirsten Nusser (Tegan), Christian Hansen (Sarah), and Kaylee Hansen (Carter Couchman); ten great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.



**Dale M. Rathbun**  
Oct. 20, 1932 - March 7, 2025

Dale M. Rathbun, 92, passed away Friday, March 7, 2025 in Lincoln, KS. He was born October 20, 1932 in Lincoln County to Newton and Jenny (Stewart) Rathbun. Dale

married Joyce E. LaShell in Lincoln on November 4, 1951. He was a longtime resident of the area where he worked at Quartzite Stone Co., drove a propane truck for Central Valley Ag (known as Coop at that time), and later helped Russ Ruby whenever he needed a tractor or wheat truck driver. He always liked to stay busy until he finally decided to hang up his hat and totally retire. Dale was a great fisherman and took his grandchildren whenever they asked to go. He traveled to all the sports and activities of all the kids if he could get there. When he wasn't fishing during the day with Joyce and one or two of the great grandchildren, at night he was racoon hunting with the Jones brothers and sometimes with his son Ron and son-in-law Jim. They always had some tall tales to tell after a night of hunting.

Dale is survived by his son Ron

Rathbun (Yolanda) of Lincoln; daughter Connie Kubick (Jim) of Lincoln; six grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren, three step grandchildren, seven step great grandchildren, and three step great-great grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Joyce, and five siblings.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, March 29, 2025 at Lincoln Cemetery.

A celebration of life reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, March 29, 2025 at the Lincoln Senior Center. Visitors are welcome to come and go.

In lieu of plants and flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Lincoln Senior Center or Lincoln Park Manor, c/o, Hall Chapel, PO Box 37, Lincoln, KS 67455. Condolences can be left at hallchapel.com.

## COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2025

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, March 10, 2025. Chairman Debora Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Leon Hart and Member Kenny Meitler present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: Elizabeth Sheldon, Felicia Strahm, Mary Ann Stertz, Dale Hlad, Brett Wilkinson, Brandon Cochran, and Randy Lohmann.

Correspondence: bills for Lincoln Park Manor.

Health Nurse/Administrator Elizabeth Sheldon provided the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Grant Application Signature Page for the board's approval. Sheldon related that the Work Force Development grant will end in August. If the department is not approved for the PMI grant, the department will need an additional \$11,366 for salaries. Debora Smith moved to approve the grant application for the 2026 fiscal funding for the health department, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried.

County Treasurer Mary Ann Stertz requested an executive session to discuss a position

promotion. Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee promotion 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 board, Treasurer Mary Ann Stertz, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow present, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried. Time in: 9:17 a.m. Time out: 9:27 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:27 a.m. with no action taken.

Debora Smith moved to promote Serrina Schneider to Deputy County Treasurer at Grade 30, Step 16, \$18.51 per hour, effective March 4, 2025, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried. Debora Smith moved to adjust Jennifer Machado's wage to Grade 30, Step 16, \$18.51 per hour, effective February 26, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried.

Brett Wilkinson, Kirkham Michael presented a contract for construction engineering services for OS 107. Debora Smith moved to approve the contract for engineering services between Lincoln County and Kirkham Michael for Off System 107, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried. Wilkson related that they will be providing

bidding documents to contractors for OS 149, with the board reviewing and approving on April 17. Public Works Director Dale Hlad provided an update on department activities. Commissioner Hart thanked Hlad for the department's work on the Barnard/Beverly gravel road. The group discussed the available job positions at the landfill/transfer station.

Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee scheduling 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 Ambulance Director Brandon Cochran, HR Felicia Strahm and County Clerk Dawn Harlow present, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried. Time in: 10:12 a.m. Time out: 10:27 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:27 a.m. with no action taken.

Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing department head evaluation, 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 board and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried. Time in: 10:44 a.m. Time out: 10:59 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:59 a.m. with no action taken.

Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee FMLA, 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 board and HR Felicia Strahm, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried. Time in: 11:02 a.m. Time out: 11:12 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:12 a.m. with no action taken.

Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing courthouse staffing, 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 board, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried. Time in: 11:14 a.m. Time out: 11:24 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:24 a.m. with See "COMMISSION" page 6



- BARNARD UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler  
Adult Sunday School @ 10:00 am  
Morning Worship @ 11:00 am
- BETHANY CHURCH**  
Eight miles north, six miles west and one mile north of Lincoln  
Sunday School @ 9:45 am  
Worship Service @ 11:00 am  
Evening Service @ 7:00 pm
- BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH LC-MS**  
Pastor Christopher Craig  
Sylvan Grove, Kansas  
Sunday School following Worship  
Sunday Worship @ 10:00 am
- BEVERLY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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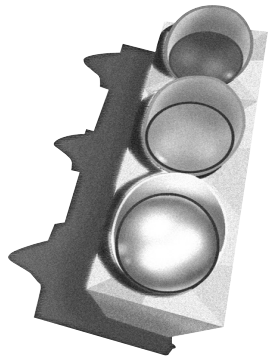
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### Prepare to be mesme'riced' by creamy risotto



#### Ingredients

- 2 large red bell peppers
- 6 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, diced
- 4 cups chicken stock, divided
- 1 1/2 cups Arborio rice
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 3 teaspoons red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup parmesan cheese, freshly grated
- salt and pepper, to taste

#### Directions

Red pepper risotto features roasted red bell peppers that melt with fresh parmesan into a creamy, delicious dish that can be paired with everything from mushrooms to shrimp to sausage for dinner.

Joey and I have a shared joke when we go out to eat about which one of us "won" dinner, especially when we're trying someplace new.

A few weeks ago, Joey definitely won. He ordered a special that included fish (which I was not all that interested in) on top of an absolutely amazing mushroom and roasted red pepper risotto.

It was creamy and flavorful, and before we pulled into the driveway at home, I had already managed to find a similar-looking recipe online to try.

Plus, this crossed something off my food bucket list, since the first time I tried to make risotto, it ended up being a little crunchy and not the deliciously creamy rice dish it was supposed to be. This was going to be my risotto redemption.

I found this recipe on the blog "The Genetic Chef" by Natalie Gregory. You can find the original post at <https://www.thegeneticchef.com/red-pepper-risotto/>. I added extra garlic in my version.

### Red Pepper Risotto

then add in the pepper/stock mixture. Pour the rest of the stock into the food processor/blender cup to rinse the rest of the peppers out of it, and pour it into the skillet, as well.

Add salt and pepper, to taste. Stir in the red wine vinegar.

Bring the mixture to a boil, and then lower the heat to a simmer, stirring occasionally and letting it cook for 20 minutes.

Remove the risotto from the heat and stir in the butter and parmesan. Add more salt and pepper, if desired.

We sauteed some sliced baby bella mushrooms and shrimp and served that on top of our risotto to make it a full meal.

This was really, really good. Roasting the peppers added a ton of flavor to the dish, and the risotto came out creamy and starchy and delicious. It was a great pairing for the shrimp and mushrooms.

It would also be great if you wanted to slice up and saute some rope sausage. Also, if you're into spice, you might want to add some cayenne pepper or some red pepper flakes to kick it up a notch.

I told Joey this would have to make an appearance for a dinner party sometime. It felt luxurious and was a great meal.

Joey might have "won" dinner when we were out at the restaurant, but we were both winners while eating this risotto at home—and we didn't even need to leave a tip.

*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).*

## Farmers & Ranchers Livestock Commission Co.

Total for the Week - Cattle - 5,048 Hogs - 420  
Bulls - \$195.00 - \$206.00 Cows - \$144.00 - \$155.00

Strs	Hfrs
300-400 \$470.00-482.50	300-400 \$480.00-490.00
400-500 \$445.00-455.00	400-500 \$430.00-440.00
500-600 \$395.00-405.00	500-600 \$352.00-364.00
600-700 \$355.00-366.00	600-700 \$306.00-317.50
700-800 \$309.00-318.00	700-800 \$280.00-291.00
800-900 \$281.00-293.00	800-900 \$257.00-268.50
900-1000 \$265.00-275.25	900-1000 \$240.00-251.50

### Early Consignments

Thursday, April 3rd - 10 a.m start time

75 blk s&h, 450-550, 2 round vacc; 120 blk s&h, 350-550, off cow, fall vacc; 10 blk s&h, 450-600, weaned; 120 blk/char s&h, 450-550, home raise, 2 round vacc; 110 mostly blk s&h, 450-650, home raise, 1 round fall vacc; 20 blk/char s&h, 400-450, wean, Jan. vacc; 42 str, 700-800, off wheat; 25 charX s&h, 500-650, 2 rnd vaccs, dispersal; 130 blk s&h, 650-850, wean 90 days, 2 round vacc, running out, Benoit sired; 20 s&h, 450-600, long wean; 16 blk/red bulls & hfrs, 500-700, home raise, long wean; 100 s&h, 450-800, long wean, 2 round vacc, off wheat; 30 s&h, 400-700, long wean, vacc, open; 8 s&h, 500-600, home raise, long wean, vacc; plus more by sale time.

### Early Consignments Special Cow Sale

Tuesday, April 15 - 11 a.m start time

• **Bulls:** 14, 13-18 month old, 4 charX, 4 blk/red angusX, 6 purebred red angus; 4 yearling Hereford hfr bulls, semen checked; 3 2 year old blk sim/angusX, virgin bulls, semen & trich checked; 1 red short horn, 4 year old, semen & trich checked, poured, vacc; plus more at sale time.

• **Heifer Pairs:** 25+25 red hfr pairs, calves 1-3month; 5+5 balancer hfr pairs; 30+30 blk/bwf hfr pairs, OCHV'd, John McCurry angus sired; plus more by sale time.

• **Replacement Heifers:** 100 blk ang. hfrs, home raise, pelvic checked, OCHV'd, Extra fancy; 60 red/blk ang. hfrs, OCHV'd, pelvic exam, pre-breeding vacc; plus more by sale time.

• **Cows/Cow Pairs:** 185 blk/red ang. fall bred cows; 30 blk/red ang. fall bred cows, 4-6years, bred sim/ang; 40 blk 3-5 years, fall cows, bred Gerlach ang. bull, calve Aug.15 for 70 days; 80 blk fall cows, 3-4 years, Sept. calvers; 100 mostly blk/red ang. fall cows, 5-older, bred blk Gardner ang. bull; 45 blk fall bred young cows; 40 blk/red cows, bred ang., home raise, 3-older; 30+30 pairs, 2-5years; 10 bred cows; 15+15 older pairs; 60 blk/red/char cows, 3-7 years, NexGen red ang. bred sim/ang; 40+40 pairs, 6-older, local origin, calves 100-350#; 50+50 pairs, ND origin cows, 3-4 years, calves born March, AI to Gardner Hometown, clean up Frost char bull; 3+3 young pairs; 15 ang. cows, 5-9 years, bred Green Garden, early fall calvers; 13 red ang. 3 years, Pelton red ang. sired, bred Diamond H red ang. bulls, calve late Aug. poured, vacc; 20+20 blk pairs, 4 years, calves born March; 10 blk cows, bred to Son of Stucky Exponential, maternal & high growth; plus more by sale time.

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## PRAIRIE DOC BY ANDREW ELLSWORTH, MD

### Colon Cancer Screening is Important

Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in men and women. The lifetime risk of developing colon cancer is 1 in 24 for men and 1 in 26 for women. Early detection and treatment are instrumental at improving survival rates, and regular screening decreases the risk of colon cancer in the first place.

Colonoscopy remains the gold standard for colon cancer screening. While detecting cancer early on is important for survival from any cancer, detecting and removing precancerous polyps during a colonoscopy before they develop into cancer is the main reason regular screenings with colonoscopy have been found to reduce colon cancer rates.

During a colonoscopy, with a patient asleep or sedated under anesthesia, a long flexible scope with a light and a camera is used to look throughout the large intestine, the colon, for any polyps or abnormalities. Those polyps can be removed with a forceps or a loop at the time they are detected. Afterwards, patients are monitored, wake up, have something to eat, and are ready to proceed about their day.

Thankfully, a large majority of patients do not have any complications from colonoscopy. The complication rate depends on age and risk factors

and the reason for the procedure. The overall rate is approximately 0.5%. The most serious complication risk, a perforation or tear in the colon, is about 1 in 1,000.

Of course, oftentimes the worst part of undergoing a colonoscopy is the preparation beforehand; getting cleaned out. This is important so the physician performing the procedure has a good, thorough look everywhere in the colon. While cumbersome, with new strategies for doing the prep, many people find this process less awful than they used to.

Stool tests have been an easier, cheap, non-invasive method for colon cancer screening for many years. Often these tests look for blood in your stool. The latest, more expensive option, Cologuard, checks for blood and DNA abnormalities, and is the most successful of the stool tests at detecting colon cancer, at 94%. However, it is only about 43% effective at detecting advanced adenomas, those precancerous polyps that are already getting larger and closer to becoming cancer. This limits the test's potential at preventing cancer.

The Cologuard test should not be used for people with risk factors such as a history of colon polyps or a family history of colon cancer. A positive test result should be followed up by a colonoscopy.

The FDA recently approved a new blood test for colon cancer screening. However, it only detected 83% of colon cancers, and only 13% of precancerous advanced adenomas. With this poor detection rate, out of 100 people with cancer, the blood test would falsely tell 17 people that they did not have cancer, and it would miss most precancerous polyps.

Ever since the Affordable Care Act in 2010, insurance companies have been required to cover colon cancer screening tests. This is because early detection not only saves lives but also saves money.

Each method has its own pros and cons, so please talk with your doctor regarding which screening method makes the most sense for you. In the end, "the best colon cancer screening method is the one that gets done."

Andrew Ellsworth, MD, is part of The Prairie Doc® team of physicians and currently practices family medicine at Avera Medical Group in Brookings, South Dakota. Follow The Prairie Doc® at [www.prairiedoc.org](http://www.prairiedoc.org), Facebook, Instagram, Youtube and Threads. Prairie Doc Programming includes On Call with the Prairie Doc®, a medical Q&A show (most Thursdays at 7pm streaming on Facebook), 2 podcasts, and a Radio program, providing health information based on science, built on trust.

## 23andMe/ from page 2

Protection Act (KCPA) and the Wayne Owen Act.

Since this data is incredibly personal and sensitive, it's important to understand your rights under Kansas's privacy laws, including how to delete your genetic data from 23andMe.

### How to Take Action and Protect Your Genetic Data

If you wish to rescind access to your genetic information and request the destruction of your test sample, follow these steps:

#### How to delete genetic data from 23andMe

1. Sign in to your 23andMe account at [www.23andme.com](http://www.23andme.com).

2. Navigate to your profile's "Settings" section.
3. Scroll down to the "23andMe Data" section at the bottom of the page.
4. Click "View" next to the "23andMe Data" heading.
5. If you would like to keep a copy of your genetic data, download your data before continuing.
6. Locate the delete data option.
7. Select "Permanently Delete Data".

Check your email for a confirmation link and follow it to complete the deletion process.

#### How to destroy your 23andMe Test Sample

If you previously chose to allow

23andMe to store your saliva sample and DNA but would now like to opt-out, you can update your settings by going to "Preferences" on your account page.

#### To Revoke Permission for Your Genetic Data to be Used for Research:

If you previously consented to 23andMe and third-party researchers to use your genetic data and sample for research, you may withdraw consent from the account settings page under "Research and Product Consents."

Please visit the Office of the Kansas Attorney General's website for more information on your rights under the KCPA and the Wayne Owen Act, guidance in managing your data, or to file a complaint.

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**Math Blocks**

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Solution

**THIS DAY IN HISTORY**



**1865:** Union forces capture Richmond, Virginia, the capital of the Confederate States of America.

**1933:** The first flight over Mount Everest is led by the Marquis of Clydesdale.

**1981:** The Osborne 1, the first successful portable computer, is unveiled.

**Animal FACT:**

Many animals give birth during this season when the weather is warm and there is more food available.

Answer: Spring

**Get Scrambled**

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.  
**L P I A R H W E S R O S**

Answer: April showers

**NEW WORD**

**BLOOM**

a flower cultivated for its beauty

**How they say that in...**

- English:** Cloud
- Spanish:** Nube
- Italian:** Nuvola
- French:** Nuage
- German:** Wolke

**Did You Know?**

During spring, the Earth's axis is tilted toward the sun. That leads to longer hours of daylight, which helps flowers to grow.



**Get the PICTURE?**



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

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3-27	74	59	
3-28	88	58	.10
3-29	77	56	
3-30	78	35	.02
3-31	57	32	
Total Moisture March			.31

**Legal Notice**

(First Published in Lincoln Sentinel-Republican on Wednesday, March 26, 2025)  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF**  
**MILTON W. WEHRMAN, DECEASED.**  
**CASE No. LC-2025-PR-000005**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:  
 You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this court by Dedra A. Wehrman, as surviving spouse and one of the heirs of Milton W. Wehrman, deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Lincoln County, Kansas:

The Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) and the North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N ½ NW ¼) of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township Ten (10) South, Range Nine (9) West of the 6th P.M. in Lincoln County, Kansas

AND

An undivided one-sixth interest in and to the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) and the North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N/2 SW/4) and the South Half of the Northeast Quarter (S/2 NE/4) of Section Eight (8), and all that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW/4 NE/4) of Section Eight (8), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Nine (9) West of the 6th P.M. in Lincoln County, Kansas, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Northwest Corner at the Northeast Quarter of said Section Eight (8), Thence East on the Section Line Seventy-six (76) rods; thence South Eighty (80) rods to a stone; Thence West Seventy-six (76) rods to a stone on the half section line; thence North on the half section line Eighty (80) rods to the place of beginning, containing in all One Hundred Eighteen ( 118) acres, more or less; AND a tract of land in the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Eight (8) described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Eight (8), Thence South on the half section line Thirteen hundred fifty-three (1353) feet to the South bank of Spillman Creek; Thence in a generally Northeasterly direction around the South bank of Spillman Creek; Thence in a generally Northeasterly direction around the South bank of Spillman Creek to a point One hundred fifty-eight (158) feet due South of the North line of the SE/4 of Section 8, Township 11 South, Range 9 West, to a point in the middle of Spillman Creek; Thence North to the North bank of Spillman Creek; Thence along the North bank of Spillman Creek in a Southeasterly direction to a point where the North bank of Spillman Creek joins the West bank of Bacon Creek; Thence along the West bank of Bacon Creek in a Northerly direction to a point on the North line of the Southeast Quarter of Section Eight (8), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Nine (9) West Twenty hundred eighteen and one-half (2018 1/2) feet due East of the Northwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 11 South, Range 9 West; Thence West along the North line of the Southeast Quarter Section Eight (8), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Nine (9) West, Twenty hundred eighteen and one-half (2018 1/2) feet to the place of beginning, said tract containing thirty-two and three-fourths (32 3/4) acres more or less.

and all property, real and personal, or interests therein, owned by decedent at the time of death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before April 21, 2025, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., in the City of Lincoln, Lincoln County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Dedra A. Wehrman, Petitioner

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 Attorney for Petitioner

**Commission/**from page 3

no action taken.  
 The board reviewed applications received for the administrator position. Strahm will reach out to those selected and schedule interviews. The board discussed the N 3rd St property.  
 Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2025, meeting, seconded by Kenny Meitler. Motion carried.  
 The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m. The next meeting will be held in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 24, 2025.

**Clerk/**from page 1

This award is presented each year to a City Clerk or Finance Officer who has made significant contributions to the State Association, the profession and their city. The award was named in honor of Mildred Vance, former auditor and City Clerk/ Municipal Finance Officer of Parsons, who served her community from 1948 to 1988. Mildred was instrumental in developing and promoting professional education programs for city clerks and finance officers at the state and national levels and was one of the first one hundred clerks to receive the Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation in 1972. She strongly believed that city clerks and finance officers should contribute to their communities, and she unselfishly gives her time and talents in church, community and civic activities.  
 A five-member panel of judges reviews all nominations and rates candidates on a point system. The Selection Committee consists of two prior year recipients of the award, the Missouri Clerk/ Finance Officers Association President, the Illinois Clerk Association President and a League of Kansas Municipalities representative.

**Fire/**from page 1

Lincoln Fire Department held their eighth annual awards banquet on Saturday, February 22. Multiple firefighters were recognized for their service.  
 Chris Handley was awarded Firefighter of the Year, for consistently responding to calls as well as meetings and training sessions.  
 Will Lowther, Ignacio Robles, Ethan Suelter and Mason Florence have joined the team this year. Riggs Walter, Colton Panzer, Ben Brock and Jarrod Heinz completed Firefighter II training.  
 In 2014, the City and Rural Fire Departments responded to forty-two calls that included a number of gas leaks as well as structure and grass fires.  
 Lincoln Fire also recognizes the support of their families. Calls come at all times of the day and night and often interrupt family time, activities and commitments. While our dedicated fire department works hard supporting their community, and their families work hard supporting them.

**Legal Notice**

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )**  
 Case No. LC-2025-PR-000006  
**ANDREW K. OBERMUELLER, DECEASED )**  
 Title to Real Estate Involved

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition was filed in said Court by Laurel Grace Obermueller, an heir of Andrew K. Obermueller, deceased, praying that the descent be determined with respect to the real property interest in and to the following described real estate:

The West One Hundred and Fifty Feet (150') of the North Half of Lot Three (3) in Block Thirty (30) in the City of Lincoln Center, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof.  
 and all other property, or interests therein, owned by the decedent at the time of his death; and that such property and all personal property owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before April 21, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. 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.

Laurel Grace Obermueller  
 Petitioner

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**Legal Notice**

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS**  
 In the Matter of the Estate of )  
 ) Case No. LC-2025-PR-000007  
 Tamara L. Newcom, deceased )

**NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
 (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

TO THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on **March 21, 2025**, a Petition was filed in this Court by Jonathan M. Murdock, surviving son of Tamara L. Newcom, deceased, requesting that Daniel K. Diederich be appointed as Administrator, without bond; and that Daniel K. Diederich be granted Letters of Administration.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before **Monday, May 19, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.**, in this Lincoln County District Court, Lincoln, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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# Lincoln Hosts NPL Powerlifting Meet

## BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL TOP 3 FINISHERS BY WEIGHT CLASS

**Boys 105**  
 Bench Cooper Johnson, SLHS, 1st, 95  
 Squat Cooper Johnson, SLHS, 1st, 165  
 Clean Cooper Johnson, SLHS, 1st, 95  
 Overall Cooper Johnson, SLHS, 1st, 355

**Boys 123**  
 Bench Kadin Schneider, LHS, 1st, 165  
 Cole Schneider, LHS, 2nd, 125  
 Squat Kadin Schneider, LHS, 1st, 210  
 Cole Schneider, LHS, 2nd, 205  
 Clean Kadin Schneider, LHS, 1st, 175  
 Cole Schneider, LHS, 2nd, 125  
 Overall Kadin Schneider, LHS, 1st, 550  
 Cole Schneider, LHS, 2nd, 455

**Boys 132**  
 Bench Kaden Budreau, THS, 1st, 195  
 Noah Krueger, LHS, 3rd, 155  
 Squat Kaden Budreau, THS, 2nd, 250  
 Noah Krueger, LHS, 3rd, 220  
 Clean Noah Krueger, LHS, 2nd, 160  
 Kaden Budreau, THS, 3rd, 155  
 Overall Kaden Budreau, THS, 2nd, 600  
 Noah Krueger, LHS, 3rd, 535

**Boys 140**  
 Bench Clay Bates, LHS, 2nd, 170

**Boys 156**  
 Bench Delaney McCollum, SLHS, 2nd, 185  
 Jonathan Bell, LHS, 3rd, 175  
 Squat Austin Jablonski, LHS, 1st, 295  
 Delaney McCollum, SLHS, 2nd, 265  
 Clean Jonathan Bell, LHS, 1st, 185  
 Delaney McCollum, SLHS, 2nd, 175  
 Evan Voeltz, LHS, 3rd, 175  
 Overall Delaney McCollum, SLHS, 1st, 625  
 Austin Jablonski, LHS, 3rd, 590

**Boys 165**  
 Bench Zayne Maupin, SLHS, 2nd, 245  
 Ayden McBride, LHS, 3rd, 205  
 Squat James Dickerman, THS, 3rd, 325  
 Clean Zayne Maupin, SLHS, 2nd, 225  
 Mathew Schale, LHS, 3rd, 220  
 Overall Mathew Schale, LHS, 2nd, 720

**Boys 173**  
 Bench Louis Jackel, LHS, 1st, 225  
 Clean Louis Jackel, LHS, 3rd, 200  
 Overall Louis Jackel, LHS, 2nd, 725

**Boys 181**  
 Bench Nate King, LHS, 1st, 245  
 Xavier Miller, LHS, 2nd, 215  
 Cai Labertew, SLHS, 3rd, 205  
 Squat Nate King, LHS, 1st, 345  
 Xavier Miller, LHS, 2nd, 300  
 Carter Johnson, SLHS, 3rd, 285 tied  
 Cai Labertew, SLHS, 3rd, 285 tied  
 Clean Xavier Miller, LHS, 2nd, 235  
 Nate King, LHS, 3rd, 225  
 Overall Nate King, LHS, 1st, 815  
 Xavier Miller, LHS, 2nd, 750  
 Cai Labertew, SLHS, 3rd, 705

**Boys 198**  
 Bench Ben Bell, LHS, 3rd, 225  
 Squat Ben Bell, LHS, 3rd, 345  
 Clean Ben Bell, LHS, 3rd, 295  
 Overall Ben Bell, LHS, 3rd, 865

**Boys 220**  
 Bench Ethan Ahring, LHS, 1st, 350  
 Austin Ahring, LHS, 3rd, 295  
 Squat Austin Ahring, LHS, 2nd, 395  
 Clean Austin Ahring, LHS, 1st, 265  
 Ethan Ahring, LHS, 3rd, 235  
 Overall Austin Ahring, LHS, 2nd, 955

**Boys HWT**  
 Bench Brody Shearer, LHS, 3rd, 255  
 Squat Brody Shearer, LHS, 2nd, 485  
 Clean Brody Shearer, LHS, 1st, 255  
 Overall Brody Shearer, LHS, 2nd, 995

## BOYS TEAM RESULTS

- 1st - Lincoln - 430 Points
- 2nd - Thunder Ridge
- 3rd - Lakeside
- 4th - Stockton
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**Girls 114**  
 Bench Ember Larson, LHS, 1st, 120  
 Alyssa Lopez, LHS, 2nd, 95  
 Breonna Peterson, THS, 3rd, 75  
 Squat Alyssa Lopez, LHS, 1st, 185  
 Breonna Peterson, THS, 2nd, 150  
 Clean Alyssa Lopez, LHS, 1st, 130  
 Ember Larson, LHS, 2nd, 130  
 Breonna Peterson, THS, 3rd, 85  
 Overall Alyssa Lopez, LHS, 1st, 410  
 Breonna Peterson, THS, 2nd, 310  
 Ember Larson, LHS, 3rd, 250

**Girls 123**  
 Bench Hazel Metz, LHS, 2nd, 100  
 Jaleigh Trow, THS, 3rd, 80  
 Squat Hazel Metz, LHS, 2nd, 200  
 Jaleigh Trow, THS, 3rd, 145  
 Clean Hazel Metz, LHS, 2nd, 125  
 Jaleigh Trow, THS, 3rd, 90  
 Overall Hazel Metz, LHS, 2nd, 425  
 Jaleigh Trow, THS, 3rd, 325

**Girls 132**  
 Bench Kaylee Obermueller, LHS, 1st, 120  
 Kassodie Ellexson, THS, 3rd, 75  
 Squat Kaylee Obermueller, LHS, 1st, 210  
 Kassodie Ellexson, THS, 3rd, 135  
 Clean Kaylee Obermueller, LHS, 1st, 135  
 Kassodie Ellexson, THS, 2nd, 95  
 Overall Kaylee Obermueller, LHS, 1st, 465  
 Kassodie Ellexson, THS, 3rd, 305

**Girls 165**  
 Bench Shennise Simmons, THS, 2nd, 80  
 Squat Shennise Simmons, THS, 2nd, 150  
 Makenna Challans, THS, 3rd, 135  
 Clean Shennise Simmons, THS, 2nd, 100  
 Makenna Challans, THS, 3rd, 95  
 Overall Shennise Simmons, THS, 2nd, 330

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